



Top CEOs shift on corporate values

Statement endorses broader accountability over narrow focus on shareholders' profits

By JENA MCGREGOR
 The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A group representing the nation's most powerful CEOs on Monday abandoned the idea that companies must maximize profits for shareholders above all else, a long-held belief that advocates said boosted the returns of capitalism but detractors blamed for

rising inequality and other social ills.

In a new statement about the purpose of the corporation, the Business Roundtable, which represents the chief executives of 129 large companies, said business leaders should now commit to balancing the needs of shareholders with customers, employees, suppliers and local communities.

"Americans deserve an economy that allows each person to succeed through hard work and creativity and to lead a life of meaning and dignity," reads the statement from the organization, which is chaired by JPMorgan

Chase CEO Jamie Dimon. "We commit to deliver value to all of them, for the future success of our companies, our communities and our country."

The statement comes amid a growing national debate about the responsibilities of corporations at a time of stark economic inequality.

President Donald Trump and the candidates vying for the Democratic presidential nomination have taken aim at companies for putting profits before the needs of workers and customers on issues as varied as drug

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"Americans deserve an economy that allows each person to succeed through hard work ..."

— Jamie Dimon, CEO, JPMorgan Chase

Ex-top cop defends checks

Vetting of speakers at Police Board meetings revealed last month

By GREGORY PRATT
 AND JEREMY GORNER

Former Chicago police Superintendent Garry McCarthy defended the department's longtime practice of running criminal background checks on speakers at Police Board public meetings, raising safety concerns as a justification even though attendees must pass through security screenings at police headquarters.

A front-page story in the Chicago Tribune last month revealed that police for years compiled profiles on citizens who addressed the city's police disciplinary panel, not only running criminal background checks but also internet searches. Among those who had been checked out were community activists, a police union official and even relatives of an innocent woman killed in a high-profile police shooting.

A day after the story ran, the Police Department announced it had discontinued the practice and issued a rare apology.

Citizens who attend the monthly Police Board meetings must go through metal detectors at the entrance to police headquarters. In addition, more than a dozen officers routinely stand guard during the evening meetings.

In a recent interview, McCarthy did not remember if the background checks began during his tenure as superintendent, but he wholeheartedly backed the practice, citing security.

"What if the person who's coming in to speak spent 25-to-life for a murder?" McCarthy told a Tribune reporter. "Don't you think I should know that when the person's standing 10 feet away from me in a very heated confrontation sometimes? I'd like to know it. Wouldn't you?"

"If somebody came into the building with a bomb, then what would we say?" said McCarthy, drawing on his experience as a top police official in New York City during the Sept. 11 terrorist at-

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'ALPHABET MONSTERS'

Local graffiti artist Merlot paints a letter "M" on the door of an old Chicago Fire Department building Monday in Lincoln Yards. It is one of 26 letters being created by Merlot, called "Alphabet Monsters," throughout the 55-acre Lincoln Yards development. Before construction begins on the planned \$6 billion mixed-used

project, its developer is inviting people to wander the North Side site in search of 26 pieces of public street art. The large murals will be on buildings and manufacturing artifacts throughout the formerly industrial site, which once included businesses such as the A. Finkl & Sons steel plant.

In search of man who tried to aid coyote pup

Twitter video of nature lover with Chicago accent goes viral

By NINA METZ

Late in the afternoon Thursday, the Twitter account @eedrk posted a two-minute video and captioned it: "Guy with a thick Chicago accent helps coyote pup."

By Monday morning, the clip had 8 million views and hundreds of thousands of retweets and likes.

"C'mere, hey, you're OK, shhh," a man's voice can be heard as he runs after a small, skittish coyote through the tall grass. The animal appears sickly and unwell and the man tries to determine if he can catch it and bring it to a rescue center. "You gotta go to a



JOEY SANTORE

A screenshot from a video of Joey Santore rescuing a coyote pup.

rehab facility or *sometin'* ... You need help, you know? ... Shhh, what 'appened to yer fokes?"

A moment later we see the coyote in the footwell of the man's truck, frozen in place:

"I just seen a tick jump ship, which means that *eeder* there's some sorta problem with your blood flow or da tick itself thinks you don't stand a chance, but I'm gonna see that you have a chance. You knows what I'm gonna do, I'm gonna take you to a nice rehab facility. And then they'll

release you back to the wild and you can go eat some feral cats and squirrels and stuff like that, ya know?"

Something about that old-school Chicago accent — conjuring the late, great Dennis Farina — combined with his attempt to help an ailing animal seems to be key to the video's popularity.

Who is the man behind an accent more commonly associated with a Chicago firehouse

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Slain scholar's family provides \$30K for fund

It will be used to help international students and families in crisis

By DAWN RHODES

Yingying Zhang's family vividly remembers journeying to Champaign in June 2017 after they learned she had been kidnapped from University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and killed.

"We didn't even know how to get to Illinois," said her father, Ronggao Zhang. "When we first arrived in Champaign, we didn't know anyone, everything was challenging and overwhelming. We were scared. Champaign is 7,000 miles away from our home, we didn't know who and where to ask for help."

The university and local communities rallied around the Zhang family, they said, providing them housing, food, transportation and legal assistance as they began the arduous journey to find answers about what happened to Yingying, 26, who came to U. of I. as a visiting scholar just weeks before she was killed.

In June, former doctoral student Brendt Christensen was convicted in federal court of kidnapping and killing Zhang. He was sentenced to life in prison. Her body has not been found.



YINGYING ZHANG

Yingying Zhang in 2016. In 2017, she was abducted and killed while a visiting scholar at U. of I.

On Monday, the Zhang family and U. of I. formally announced the creation of Yingying's Fund, an endowed fund to support international students and their families in crisis. The Zhang family provided \$30,000 as a lead gift.

U. of I. has one of the largest international student populations of any university in the country. About 11,000 students from outside the U.S. were enrolled at Urbana-Champaign in fall 2018, constituting 22% of overall enrollment. About half of the university's international students hail from China.

The Zhangs said they wanted

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Uber grabs big piece of old post office

Uber Technologies has signed a 10-year lease for 463,000 square feet at the old main post office, giving it room for thousands of employees. The deal is the largest office lease signed in downtown Chicago this year and one of the largest in recent years. **Business**

Fans turn back clock for 'Downton' party in Pilsen

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The vacation memory that lasts isn't always what you expect



REX W. HUPPKE

GOVERNMENT CAMP, Ore. — This is the third in a short series of columns inspired by a recent trip to Oregon. For 10 days, I ignored the dreadful chaos of day-to-day news and focused on the wonderful chaos we often miss.

Before we get to the important part of this story, which involves a wily mountaintop chipmunk named Tom, we need to talk about hiking.

Hiking is what happens when no one bothers to put in roads. It's the preferred method of travel for people who enjoy being bitten by insects while perspiring, an avocation invented by a religious sect that, following the invention of the escalator in 1896, decided traveling upward without exerting oneself is a wretched sin.

To be clear, I enjoy hiking, though I recognize its absurdity. It's like Googling spectacular outdoor photos, but harder and with an increased chance of falling to your death, being eaten by a cougar or having a bee fly into your mouth.

In a world of technological advancement, it's a step backward only humans seem dumb enough to take. Let's put it this way: If bears invented houses, food delivery services and a television station called Animal Planet, you wouldn't see many of them traipsing around the forest like lost, retro idiots.

But we humans are quirky, so we return to the forest sometimes.

Hiking is healthy, of course. And I find it a great way to clear my head of the stress and concerns of modern-day life and focus deeply on how much I wish I had used the bathroom back at the trailhead.

That's why I found myself hiking with my family, or "bear decoys" as I called them that day, through the tall Douglas firs and bigleaf maples of a forest in Oregon's Clackamas County, not far from the state's tallest mountain, the 11,250-foot Mount Hood. We were marching toward Mirror Lake, which, as the name implies, acts like a mirror reflecting Mount Hood's snow-rimmed peak. (I felt the local lake-namers kind of phoned it in on that one.)

Because I'm an urban dad in his late 40s, the first thing I did after we crossed



REX HUPPKE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

With Mount Hood in the background, a creature the Huppke family dubbed "Tom Chipmunk" stands atop Tom, Dick and Harry Mountain near Government Camp, Oregon.

from a paved path to a dirt trail, aside from wish I'd used the bathroom, was trip and twist my ankle. I assured my kids it was fine and that ankle-twisting is a normal pre-hike thing skilled dad-hikers do and that the pain of a light sprain actually enhances the experience and makes my senses sharper than the edge of Rambo's knife. Then I realized my kids had already moved on, so I bravely limped to catch up.

When we got to the lake, it looked just like what I had Googled several hours earlier. Underwhelmed, we looked up from Mirror Lake to Tom, Dick and Harry Mountain, an oddly named, 5,000-foot-tall, three-peak wonder along the Cascade Range.

The portion of our brains known as the "extremely dumb part" sent a powerful signal to our bodies, causing them to abandon reason and begin traipsing up the mountain, turning a 4-mile easy hike into a 9-mile "moderate" hike. ("Moderate" is a trail-guide term meaning "excruciating.")

As we began our ascent, I thought: The longer you stay outdoors, the greater the chance natural selection will kick in. That's why humans created indoors.

Having already been out for three hours and nursing a bum ankle, I figured natural selection, should it

descend upon us, would naturally select me.

But I soldiered on. And on. And on and on and on.

And that brings us to the mountain's first summit (Harry), where we stood awed by the close view of Mount Hood, with Mount Adams, Mount Ranier and Mount St. Helens all visible in the distance and Mount Jefferson rising lonely to the south.

It was breathtaking, and it was all quickly forgotten when we noticed a little critter standing atop a nearby boulder, staring off at Mount Hood, seemingly deep in thought.

We thought it was a chipmunk, because the trail guides had mentioned friendly chipmunks at the summit. Chipmunk or otherwise, this creature defined friendly.

I pulled out a bag of trail mix and the chipmunk halted its haiku writing or whatever it was up to and raced over like a drunken college friend. He grabbed a peanut and scampered to his rock to nibble it adorably. Then back for a sunflower seed, then away again to nibble.

Zip. Grab. Nibble nibble nibble. Repeat.

It crawled up our shoes, stood on two paws to grab peanuts from our fingers. It was every internet video of a cute animal distilled into one, 5-inch tall, furry tube

of winsomeness.

We were in love. We named him Tom Chipmunk, as both Dick Chipmunk and Harry Chipmunk sounded demeaning. We were with him (I'm awed by the close view of the patriarchy) for ... an hour? Fifteen minutes? I don't honestly know.

For whatever that stretch of time was, we were lost, together. Transfixed. Laughing. Knowing we'd be talking about Tom for years to come, and not wanting this ludicrously goofy moment to end.

The view around us was stunning. Huge objects towering up from the earth. The grandeur we had hiked to see.

That's what many would take home — a panoramic vision.

For us, it was Tom Chipmunk. He was worth the ankle sprain, the sweat and bug bites, the dance with natural selection.

He was worth it because he became our moment of laughter and weightlessness and joy. Silly? Sure. Decidedly off-point? Absolutely.

But still, marvelous. A gift.

That most valuable of things a family can hike to: a memory built to last.

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Study finds the when, where of city's scooters

BY MARY WISNIEWSKI

On a recent weekday morning, 36 shared electric scooters were available at the tiny Polish Triangle park on the city's Near Northwest Side. They outnumbered the pigeons.

West Town resident Vince Eckles, 50, used a smartphone app to rent a red Jump scooter for his 1-mile trip to work.

"I'd rather take these than the bus — less crowds, less hassle," said Eckles, adding that he has used the scooters for his commute since the city's pilot program began June 15.

Eckles is part of a trend. A new study from DePaul University's Chaddick Institute for Metropolitan Development looking at one July day found that most rentals in Chicago's scooter pilot program take place during the morning or evening rush hour.

Here are four findings from the study, which comes out this week:

Mornings are busy

"A Day in the Life of Chicago's E-Scooter Pilot Program" by Chaddick Director Joseph Schwieterman and Assistant Director C. Scott Smith, looked at scooter use between 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. on Wednesday, July 24. The study found that use was highest during the morning rush hour, with 37% of all trips occurring between 7 and 9 a.m. The next-highest use period was between 5 and 7 p.m., which accounted for 23% of all trips.

The four hours that make up the rush periods accounted for 70% of all e-scooter miles traveled, the study found. The higher level of users in the morning likely reflects the heightened sense of urgency that users feel going to work, compared with returning home, the study said.

Candice Xie, CEO of scooter operator VeoRide, said that allowing more scooters would ensure better availability and predictability for daily commuters. Currently, the scooter program is limited to 10 companies with 250 scooters each.

Where they're hot

The boundaries for the four-month pilot program are Halsted Street on the east, the north branch of the Chicago River and Irving Park Road on the north, the



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Crystal Rosales, a frequent user of electric scooters, prepares to take a ride at Milwaukee Avenue near Ashland Avenue in Chicago last week.

city limits on the west and the South Branch of the Chicago River on the south.

The city requires that companies place 25% of their scooters each morning into each of two priority areas — one north of Chicago Avenue and west of Pulaski Road, and one south of Chicago Avenue and west of Kedzie Avenue. Those areas were chosen because they are not as well served by the Divvy bike program.

The most popular spots for scooter use tended to be in the eastern part of the pilot area, according to the study.

The Near West Side saw 622 scooter departures and 465 scooter destinations, followed by 408 scooter departures and 454 destinations in the West Town neighborhood, and then Logan Square with 118 trip starts and 133 destinations. Riders sometimes start in one part of the pilot area and end in another one.

Less trendy neighborhoods ranked lower. Portage Park, for exam-

ple, saw just 29 trip starts and 25 destinations. Only 23 trips started in the West Side neighborhood of West Garfield Park.

The heavy use at the far eastern end of the pilot zone suggests that the Halsted boundary is "a real constraint on riders," Schwieterman said.

"If they could go to Union Station or Ogilvie Station, you could probably get more trips," Schwieterman said.

Matthew Lehner, a spokesman for Lime scooters, said the company supports the idea of a long-term scooter program with more scooters that serve the entire city. "We're likely missing out on many rides because you can't go east of Halsted, or south of the river," said Lehner.

Where they're distributed

Though a few scooter companies have been cited by the city for not properly distributing the devices, the study found that on

average, almost 49% of e-scooters were located within the two priority areas.

The study also found that more than 20% of e-scooters were in areas of very high economic hardship during most of the day, compared with less than 8% of Divvy bike stations in a 2017 DePaul study. Hardship was measured by 2017 U.S. Census American Community Survey five-year estimates, which look at factors like unemployment, lack of health insurance and percentage of residents without a high school diploma.

The DePaul scooter study noted that a planned Divvy expansion, which will bring bikes to all 50 wards, will improve access to shared bikes.

They're not fully deployed

The DePaul study found that most companies had not deployed their full number of scooters during the day studied. For exam-

ple, only about 165 of Uber's Jump scooters were deployed on July 24.

Josh Gold, senior manager of public affairs at Uber, said that while it started most July mornings with 235 to 250 scooters on the road, those numbers can fluctuate based on various factors, such as the weather and software updates.

High numbers for Wheels (283 for July 24) and low numbers for Gruv (2) can be blamed on problems with the companies' data feeds, said Isaac Reichman, spokesman for the city's Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection.

The DePaul study counted a total of 2,620 trips over a 12-hour period, with an average distance of 2 miles, for an average of 1,486 deployed scooters, which works out to less than two trips per scooter.

The Chicago Department of Transportation declined comment on the DePaul study.

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Man, 19, charged with threat of attack

Vowed to 'slaughter' at abortion clinic on social media website iFunny

BY ELIZA FAWCETT

A Chicago man has been charged with threatening to "slaughter" doctors, patients or visitors at a Chicago abortion clinic in posts he made on iFunny, a social media website that allows users to share humorous memes.

A criminal complaint filed in federal court said Farhan Sheikh, 19, claimed the series of threatening communication was a "joke" when the FBI executed a search warrant Friday at his Chicago residence and found him home.

At Sheikh's initial appearance Monday in the Dirksen U.S. Courthouse in Chicago, U.S. Magistrate Judge Susan Cox ordered him held in custody at least until a detention hearing Tuesday.

In a post last week under the username "awarded," Sheikh vowed to go to the clinic later this week to "slaughter and murder any doctor, patient, or visitor i see in the area," the complaint said.

The clinic named by Sheikh is located about four miles from his home, the FBI said.

In another post on iFunny, Sheikh warned "all the fbi agents in this app" that his account was "NOT a satirical account" and "i WILL carry out what I post."

He also railed against women's rights and Illinois abortion laws in other posts. "I do not care anymore, may god forgive me for what I am going to do soon," the complaint quoted him as writing in one post.

FBI agents linked the iFunny account to Sheikh by connecting it with other social media accounts of his. When agents confronted him Friday, he admitted that the "awarded" account belonged to him, according to the complaint.

When agents asked him why he thought the FBI was at his home, Sheikh said he believed it was because of a "joke" he had posted on iFunny, the complaint said.

He told agents he had chosen a random date and a random abortion clinic for the threatened attack, according to the charges.

Sheikh also made references on his iFunny page to the arrest last week of Justin Olsen, an 18-year-old Ohio man accused of making online threats against federal agents on the social media site with the username of "Army of Christ."

Sheikh wrote on his iFunny page that Olsen had been arrested "for no reason except suppressing us and our freedoms," according to the charges against Sheikh.

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State Sen. Martin Sandoval apologized for behavior at his fundraiser, which sparked condemnation from Republicans and Democrats alike.

State Sen. Sandoval disavows mock Trump shooting photos

Blames vendor for 'regrettable exchange' with fake gun, mask

BY DAN PETRELLA AND JAMIE MUNKS

State Sen. Martin Sandoval on Monday blamed a vendor hired to provide music and entertainment at a Friday fundraiser for photos posted online showing a man pointing a fake gun at someone wearing a mask depicting President Donald Trump.

"I had absolutely no knowledge that this regrettable exchange between one of my 1,200 guests and a third-party vendor even took place," the Chicago Democrat said in a statement. "Those individuals involved exhibited extremely poor judgment."

The photos, which were posted to Facebook by a user who tagged Sandoval, sparked swift condemnation from Republicans and Democrats alike after they were first reported by Champaign-based TV station WCIA.

Sandoval issued a statement to the TV station over the weekend. "The incident that took place is

unacceptable," Sandoval said, according to WCIA. "I don't condone violence toward the president or anyone else. I apologize that something like this happened at my event."

The person wearing the Trump mask was from Harvey-based Party District Entertainment, which has provided entertainment at previous Sandoval fundraisers. Sandoval's campaign fund has paid the company \$7,700 since 2017. The company provides costumed characters, DJs and other services for parties and events. The "gun" in the photos was a novelty beverage dispenser.

"This offensive use of a beverage dispenser was in no way part of any scheduled program," Sandoval said in his Monday statement. "I had no knowledge of it and neither did my staff. I want to again express my deepest regret that this unfortunate incident took place at (an) event in my name."

A man named Jose, who declined to give his last name, answered a call at the number listed for Party District Entertainment. The company has used the Trump mask at previous events, and it has not caused controversy,

said Jose, who said he was the one in the Trump mask, though he didn't recall the beverage gun being pointed at him.

After being sent one of the photos, he wrote in a text message: "We have no control on what guests do. In this case I guess the questions should be for this guy (in the photo) which we do not know about."

Democratic Gov. J.B. Pritzker issued a statement Saturday condemning the pictures and also addressed the issue Monday at an unrelated news conference.

"In this moment especially, political civility is important," Pritzker said Monday. "And we also live in a moment when we've seen gun violence proliferate. I think it was important for me to speak out about it; it was important for Sen. Sandoval, as he did, to speak out about it. It's inappropriate to point even a fake gun at any individual, especially at this moment."

The state's Democratic Party also criticized the images, and made reference to recent mass shootings in Texas and California.

"The tragedies in El Paso and Gilroy have demonstrated how

hate-filled political rhetoric can fuel violence," spokeswoman Maura Possley said. "These images are unacceptable and dangerous. The place to make our voices heard against Trump is at the ballot box."

Illinois Republican Party Chairman Tim Schneider called Sandoval's apology "too little, too late," in a statement issued Monday.

"Dangerous imagery like this will be condemned and seen as inappropriate by people of sound mind; however, a mentally unstable individual who wants to harm President Trump might find them as an inspiration," Schneider said.

"It's inexcusable for an elected official to allow the promotion of violence in any way. If the individual pictured is a staffer or volunteer, they should be terminated immediately."

The story also drew the attention of presidential adviser Kellyanne Conway, who tweeted, "Every Democrat should be asked if they support or disavow this."

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Judge could soon name special prosecutor in Smollett case

BY MEGAN CREPEAU

A Cook County judge who has ordered that a special prosecutor be appointed to look into why State's Attorney Kim Foxx's office abruptly dropped all charges against actor Jussie Smollett has set up a hearing for Friday, sparking speculation he has decided on whom to name.

The notice sent out on behalf of Judge Michael Toomin gave no reason for the status hearing at 9:30 a.m. Friday at the Leighton Criminal Court Building.

But the only major issue left for Toomin, 81, who has been on the Circuit Court bench for nearly 40 years, to decide is who he will appoint as special prosecutor.

The onetime "Empire" actor, who is African American and openly gay, reported that two men attacked him on a frigid January night in downtown Chicago, slipping a noose around his neck and shouting racist and homophobic slurs.

After an intense investigation by Chicago police, Smollett eventually turned from victim to suspect. He ended up indicted on 16 counts of disorderly conduct alleging he paid \$3,500 to two brothers he knew to stage the attack near his apartment building

in the Streeterville neighborhood.

But just a few weeks later, Foxx's office dropped all charges with little explanation.

Sheila O'Brien, a former state appellate judge, sought the special prosecutor in largely a solo effort, saying her only motive in spearheading the effort was to ensure respect for the law.

In June, Toomin ordered the appointment in a somewhat unexpected ruling, saying the case's "unprecedented irregularities" warranted the appointment "to restore the public's confidence in the integrity of our criminal justice system."

Toomin ruled Foxx's botched decision to appoint her top deputy to prosecute Smollett after recusing herself invalidated the case from start to finish.

The rare move to appoint a special prosecutor marks the first step in what promises to be a full-blown probe of how Foxx's office made the controversial decision to drop the charges. The investigation could cast a cloud over Foxx's bid for reelection next year.

The special prosecutor will bring on a team of attorneys to assist in the probe. They will wield extensive power to follow the probe where it leads, including

investigating "the actions of any person or office involved in all aspects of the case," Toomin's ruling noted. They could also file new charges against Smollett — or anyone else they reasonably believe committed a crime.

Under Illinois law, Toomin must first contact public agencies such as the attorney general's office and county prosecutors around the state to learn if any are willing to take on the time-consuming and demanding task. If no one stepped forward, Toomin could choose a private attorney.

The whole episode has been costly for the actor, who won't return to his role for the final season of "Empire." He also faces a lawsuit from the city of Chicago seeking to recoup the cost of police overtime for investigating the incident, and his attorneys have been sued for defamation by the two brothers who claim Smollett paid them to help him stage the attack.

The actor and his attorneys have steadfastly maintained his innocence and claimed he had been exonerated by the actions of Foxx's office.

Foxx's office had opposed the appointment of a special prosecutor, arguing in part that it would duplicate the efforts of the coun-



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Actor Jussie Smollett reported in January that two men attacked him, put a noose around his neck, and shouted racist and homophobic slurs.

ty's inspector general's office, which has been investigating the controversy since April. But Foxx requested the IG's probe, raising questions about its independence in some eyes, and that office cannot bring criminal charges.

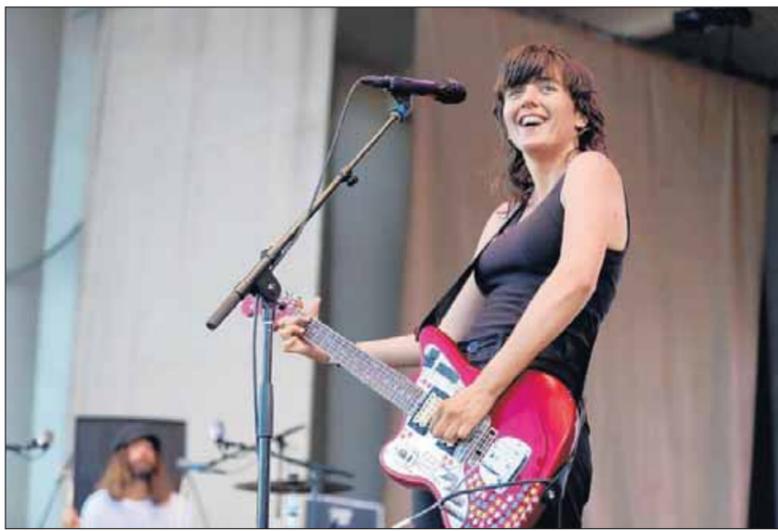
Foxx said she "recused" herself from the prosecution in its early stages, though her office later said she did not recuse herself "in the legal sense." In his ruling, Toomin called that "an exercise in creative lawyering."

To explain why she stepped aside, Foxx at first cited the fact that she had contact with a relative of Smollett when the actor

was still considered a victim. High-profile attorney Tina Tchen, a former chief of staff to former first lady Michelle Obama, connected Smollett with that relative, sparking conspiracy theories that the Obamas directed Foxx to go easy on the actor.

But in May, internal communications from Foxx's office — released to the Chicago Tribune and other news organizations as part of public-records requests — showed Foxx claimed she recused herself because of false rumors that she was related to Smollett.

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Courtney Barnett performs at Taste of Chicago on July 10.

What were artists paid for Taste of Chicago?

BY JOHN BYRNE

“Give me all your money and I’ll make some origami, honey,” Australian guitar rocker Courtney Barnett hollered on the stage in Grant Park at this summer’s Taste of Chicago. That’s \$125,000 worth of cash money cranes for the top earner among the lineup of musical guests at the annual lakefront ingestion event.

Singer India Arie took home \$100,000 for her set, making her the second-best-paid act, according to contracts the artists signed with the city.

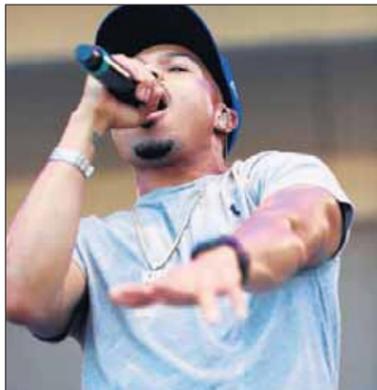
And rapper Taylor Bennett, younger brother of Chancelor “Chance the Rapper” Bennett, performed for \$25,000.

Largely absent from this year’s deals, however, were the backstage hospitality riders that have in years past shown what kinds of booze, food and eccentric pre-show creature comforts the performers ask for as part of their written agreements.

That’s because, after years of turning down most of the artists’ requests — and having news articles appear detailing what the singers asked for — the city opted to instead send out standard “Taste of Chicago catering and hospitality addendum” forms to the groups.

“In order to be clearer about what the City of Chicago does/does not offer for artist hospitality, we standardized this part of the contracts this year,” city spokeswoman Christine Carrino said.

Barnett did include a clause in her contract asking that “safe and inclusive spaces” be created at venues where she plays, and that security “be vigilant in



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Taylor Bennett performs at the Petrillo Music Shell in Grant Park during Taste of Chicago on July 12.

noticing any anti-social, aggressive, violent or discriminatory behavior, as well as anyone in distress.”

Also in the lineup over the five days of shows at the Petrillo Music Shell, veteran hip-hopers De La Soul made \$55,000, according to their deal. Longtime Colombian electro-rockers Bomba Estereo were paid \$75,000.

Singer-songwriter Meshell Ndegeocello made \$25,000, and Canadian indie rockers The Strumbellas took home \$65,000, per their agreements.

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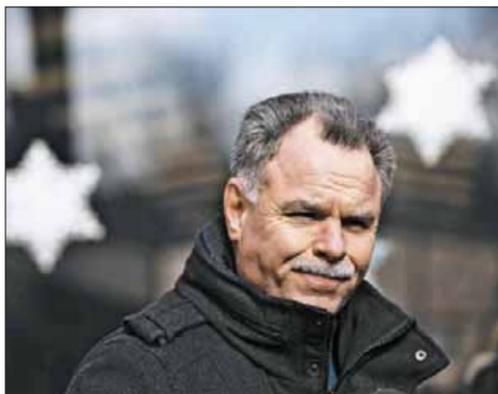
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Garry McCarthy didn't recall if background checks began during his tenure but backed the practice, citing security.

Police

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tacks. "Gee, we should've done a background check, find out that this guy is a member of al-Qaida or something. Right?"

McCarthy had most recently been police chief of Newark, New Jersey, when newly elected Mayor Rahm Emanuel tapped him for superintendent in May 2011. Emanuel fired him in late 2015 in the fallout over the fatal shooting of black teen Laquan McDonald by a white officer captured on a now-infamous video recording.

McCarthy ran for mayor when Emanuel was still in the race, but the dynamics changed when Emanuel dropped out and was no longer a target for McCarthy, who finished 10th in a crowded primary field last February.

The ultimate winner, Mayor Lori Lightfoot, slammed the background

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— Former Chicago police Superintendent Garry McCarthy

checks, saying she had been unaware of the practice when she chaired the Police Board before her run for mayor.

Describing herself as "furious and incredulous," Lightfoot told the Tribune last month that she had ordered an immediate stop to the practice and said the Police Department owed the public an apology.

The next day, the Police Department issued a brief statement reaffirming its commitment to the right of individuals to privacy and apologizing for "any mistrust that this practice may have caused."

McCarthy told the Tribune he recalled being given paperwork on "who was speaking and who they were" at Police Board meetings but didn't remember background checks being included.

The Police Department has been unable to say when or why the practice started. Last month a police spokesman said the background checks dated back to at least 2013. Lightfoot said it apparently be-

gan under McCarthy.

McCarthy, though, said he was unsure if he ordered the practice to begin.

"That wouldn't have been something that would come from me. It may have, but I doubt it because that's a decision that would be made at a totally different level," said McCarthy, now working in the security business. "But those meetings can get pretty rowdy, and the more intel you have, the better decision-making you can make."

Documents obtained by the Tribune under a public records request show the Police Department gathered background on nearly 60 people in advance of their speaking before the Police Board since early last year.

The checks appeared to be extensive, with police searching at least one internal department database to determine if speakers have arrest or prison records, warrants outstanding for their arrest, investigative alerts issued for them by the department and even if they're registered sex offenders or missing persons. Police also searched comments that speakers had previously made on YouTube or on their Facebook and Twitter accounts, among other internet sites, the documents showed.

Among those subjected to background checks were a woman who alleged she was sexually assaulted decades ago by a Chicago police officer, a community activist who gained prominence after the release of the video of McDonald's fatal shooting drew outrage and 77-year-old George Blakemore, a prolific public speaker known for his frequent, flamboyant rants at government meetings across the city.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois said the practice harked back to the Police Department's shameful Red Squad history of spying on political and other groups engaged in activities protected by the First Amendment, a practice that ended with a landmark court settlement in 1982 but stretched back in one form or another to the 1920s.

On learning of the background checks from the Tribune, some past speakers before the Police Board were quick to condemn the police for researching if they had any criminal histories for only practicing their First Amendment rights.

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Coyote

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than an open expanse of mountains and grassland?

As with some content posted on Twitter, @eedrk did not create the video. But he did link to Crime Pays But Botany Doesn't, the YouTube channel where the clip originated, among a collection of nature videos about plants narrated in that same recognizable Chicago accent.

The man behind the voice is a La Grange native and amateur botanist who — for reasons of maintaining privacy — has posted his videos in character under names such as Joey Santore and Tony Santoro and others.

The Tribune did confirm his identity in a public records search but agreed not to reveal it. "These are just names I'm channeling in the form of an ongoing science project to make the information more captivating because the typical dry and boring delivery you usually see has failed people."

Now based in Oakland, California, he was in Arizona on a botany trip when I reached him by email. Phone service was spotty, so he sent a voice memo back — "This is going to be a lot easier than typing with my thumbs on a smartphone, which is really a seventh layer of hell for me" (we later connected by phone) — answering my questions about the video and the fate of the coyote.

Warning: It's not a happy ending.

The video, he said, is from late June when he was in small Siskiyou County, California, in the northern part of the state.

"I saw it (the coyote) running across the road, it looked grossly malnourished. It was about 2 p.m. and hot out, and coyotes, I rarely see them out during the day. They're normally crepuscular or they're out at night."

"The whole thing is kind of sad. I ended up bringing it to the house I was staying at about 15 miles away and called around for wildlife rescue and the nearest one was about a 2 1/2-hour drive south. I wasn't able to make it there that day so I decided I would bring it there the next morning."

"I have a friend that



JOEY SANTORE

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works at a wildlife rehab, and she told me it was good to keep it in a quiet, calm place, so I kept it in the basement. But before I did that I decided to give it a flea bath, which was probably a stupid idea in retrospect, since I think it might have just been shocked by it. But she was covered in fleas and ticks and mites and also had some nasal discharge. Looking back, she was really sick."

"I don't know, the whole thing kind of messes me up thinking about it because it was pretty sad ... she died that morning when I was due to bring her south to the wildlife rehab that was on my way back to Oakland."

Not long after posting the video, the U.K.-based Caters News Agency contacted him about monetizing the video and he signed a licensing agreement, though said he hasn't been paid any money as of yet. You can see the full 3 1/2-minute video (which includes some post-flea bath footage) on the Caters Clips YouTube Channel, which posted it July 5.

I asked what he thought about the video going viral.

"The attention is somewhat unwanted. But if it gives me a chance to get more people excited about botany and plants and viewing the world outside of this depressing human infrastructure in society that I think is killing so many of us slowly, then I guess it's good — then I guess the clickbait coyote video served a purpose and

it's all part of my grandiose plan to get more people interested in science and ecology and I guess, this sounds corny, the natural world in general."

About that Chicago accent: He lays it on thick for the camera.

Earlier this month, WTTW Channel 11 profiled him (using the name Joey Santore) and though he does have a noticeable Chicago accent, it's not nearly as heavy as what you hear in his nature videos (or his voice memo to me).

"Obviously the accent's canned," he said. "I guess I view all those videos as kind of a long-running piece of sketch comedy. I grew up hearin' people talk like *dat*. The Chicago vernacular is kind of dyin' out, especially as cities get more gentrified and you get more dog day care and coffee boutiques moving into these old Chicago neighborhoods."

"So it's mostly a joke, because most science communication is dry and boring. So I ham the Chicago accent up a little bit and put on this character of a geriatric, you know, extroverted, really turned-up loud-mouth West Side Italian because my family's Italian, that's mostly what I know, just to make it funny and whatever."

"I would rather hear science communication spoken to me from someone like that, than from the super-vanilla, watered-down NPR voice that you normally hear."

A few years ago I wrote

about the Chicago accent and its near total disappearance from TV and film, though you can still reliably hear it on the radio: WXRT's Marty Lennartz has been doing his "Going to the Show with a Regular Guy" movie reviews since 1984; like Santore, he has a Chicago accent but it's not nearly as thick as the one he uses in character.

Perhaps because the accent (and its attendant colloquialisms) has become such a rarity, when it does turn up in a piece of media, people notice — which could be one of the reasons the coyote video has generated so much attention.

"Everything I know (about nature and botany) I basically learned myself," he said.

"I went to college and studied sociology and communication but dropped out to travel. And then a few years later I went back and took some classes, a geology class, an oceanography class and a biology class. And around that time I hired out with the railroad, where I got a locomotive license. I have been driving freight trains for, I dunno, the past 15 years."

"Right now I'm in Sonora, Arizona. I was just in Sonora, Mexico, looking at plants. That's basically all I do is I look at rare plants, I photograph them, I make notes and then share that information with the general public and make silly botany videos too."

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Zhang

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to do this in recognition of the community support they received during their grieving, and in tribute of Yingying, herself quick to help others in need.

"Our sadness and grief at losing Yingying will be with us forever," Ronggao Zhang said in translated remarks. "I cannot describe the pain we suffer as we cannot take her home to China. We hope no other family ever experiences the tragedy we endured. However, we know there will be other international students and families facing hardship and loss, when they are far away from home. It is our hope that this fund will offer some support and help when they are dealing with an accidental and urgent situation."

Yingying's father, mother and younger brother attended the announcement Monday. Her fiancé, Xiaolin Hou, has returned to China to start a new job as a teacher.

Through tears, Yingying's younger brother,

Zhengyang Zhang, read a statement in Mandarin on behalf of Hou.

"We hope Yingying's spirit and influence will live on," said Hou, in an English translation. "We hope that future international students and their families will be able to receive financial support and assistance when they encounter emergencies, so that they will not be as helpless (as) we felt when we first arrived in the United States."

Hou described how the initial news of Yingying's disappearance two years ago evolved from belief that she was simply lost without a working cellphone, to the news that she had been kidnapped, and finally the revelation that she likely had been killed.

Just before the trial this summer, the family learned the graphic details of how Yingying died.

Following the conviction, the family endured the disappointment of Christensen not receiving the death penalty. The family publicly grappled with the sobering acknowledgment that it was highly unlikely Yingying's body could ever be recovered.

The family was able to soldier on, Hou said, in large part because of the kindness of strangers.

"Over and over, we have had to face mounting problems, and feel that we have gone step by step deeper into the abyss," Hou's statement read. "What all of you have done indeed moves us, and makes us grateful, and the strength you have given us is far beyond the scope of any words I could say. There is no doubt that we would not be here today without your support and assistance."

U. of I. Chancellor Robert Jones said Yingying's Fund is a permanent endowment to be managed by the university foundation as part of its portfolio of private gifts. As of Monday, hundreds of others had given another \$24,000 in support, Jones said.

"We have seen the Zhang family face the darkest, saddest and most difficult experience imaginable with nothing but grace, kindness and gratitude to all," Jones said. "Even now, in the days following the trial, as they prepare to return home, the family is thinking about how they

might help others in the years to come."

The Zhang family received tens thousands of dollars in donations through a GoFundMe to support their living and legal expenses. The campaign raised more than \$161,000 from more than 3,500 donors over the past two years.

An update to the page posted earlier this month states some of that money also is being used to give rewards to those who helped authorities arrest and convict Christensen.

"Now that the trial is complete, rewards of \$20,000 are being made to those who provided information that led to the arrest and conviction of the person who kidnapped Yingying," according to the page.

The post did not specify any particular beneficiary. The News-Gazette in Champaign reported that one of the Zhang's family attorneys, Steve Beckett, declined to say to whom the money would be given.

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Lake Co. candidate blasts teen murder charges

State's attorney hopeful alleges 'prosecutorial overreach'

BY JIM NEWTON

Eric Rinehart, a candidate for Lake County State's Attorney in next year's election, is accusing incumbent Michael Nerheim of being overzealous in charging five teens with murder after their companion was shot and killed by a homeowner in Old Mill Creek during an alleged burglary attempt last week.

"Mr. Nerheim's decision to charge the teenagers in this case with felony murder appears to be another instance of his office's rush to judgment and prosecutorial overreach," Rinehart said in a written statement released Saturday.

Rinehart, a Democrat, announced last month that he is running for state's attorney in 2020. Nerheim, a Republican, will be seeking his third term.

Asked for comment on Rinehart's accusations, Nerheim said Monday that "while some may see this case as a political opportunity, I remain focused on keeping Lake County safe while respecting the rights of these offenders."

Nerheim had already released a statement last week on the rationale for his decision to charge the five teens with murder.

Killed was 14-year-old Ja'quan Swopes, who police say was with five other teens who drove onto the homeowner's remote property in a stolen car early on Aug. 13 to commit a burglary or theft.

Those charged with murder include Swopes' cousins Diamond Davis, 18, Stacy Davis, 17, Steven Davis, 17, and Kendrick Cooper, 17, and a friend, Curtis Dawson, 16.

In his statement last week, Nerheim said he believed the teens, while not behind the trigger of a gun, were ultimately responsible for the loss of the 14-year-old's life.

He also said the teens carried a



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Waukegan-based attorney and state's attorney hopeful Eric Rinehart released a statement Saturday criticizing State's Attorney Michael Nerheim

10-inch knife with them that night and that the homeowner said he fired his gun to "scare them away," but one of the shots struck one of the teens.

"Ultimately, it's clear these offenders were solely responsible for placing the now-deceased 14-year-old offender in danger," Nerheim said in the statement. "They are ultimately responsible for his death. Had they not made the decisions they did make early Tuesday morning, this 14-year-old would still be alive today."

The homeowner who fired the shots, a licensed gun owner, has not been charged with any violations or crimes to date.

That ultimately will be a decision made by the state's attorney's office after all investigative notes and reports have been reviewed,

Lake County Sheriff's spokesman Christopher Covelli said Monday.

Rinehart, noting the time taken on a decision whether or not to charge the homeowner, also criticized the timing of the charges against the teens, saying Nerheim's office "did not give the teenagers this same due process."

"Only 12 hours after the incident reportedly began at 1:15 a.m. on Tuesday, the Lake County State's Attorney's Office charged the teen-aged defendants with felony murder," Rinehart said.

"While it is important that the police work fast to protect our communities (and I commend their work in this case), the State's Attorney's Office does not face the same time pressure," Rinehart said in his statement.

"Prosecutors may add charges

as an ongoing investigation uncovers new information. Each of the teenagers could have been held on serious felonies for weeks while the prosecutors fully investigated," Rinehart said. "Mr. Nerheim's office could have, and I believe should have, waited until the investigation was completed and all of the facts developed before making the decision to charge the teenagers with felony murder."

Police say Swopes and the five others traveled to Old Mill Creek near the Wisconsin border in a stolen black Lexus SUV, and at about 1 a.m. on Aug. 13, a 75-year-old man went outside his home in the 17600 block of West Edwards Road after seeing some of the teens near his 2011 Audi.

He told investigators that he

yelled at them to leave and then fired his gun when one of them moved toward him with an unknown object in his hand, according to authorities.

Finding that Swopes was struck in the head, the other teens put him in the Lexus and sped off, the sheriff's office reports. They dropped the boy off at a crash site in Gurnee not far away, apparently hoping emergency crews would help him.

One of the other teens stayed behind as the others took off, authorities say, leading police on a high-speed chase that ended on the Near West Side of Chicago when they ran out of gas.

Swopes was transported to Advocate Condell Medical Center in Libertyville, where he was pronounced dead.

'I'm not running away from anyone'

Former gang member says felony charge was 'misunderstanding'

BY EMILY K. COLEMAN

A felony charge against Anthony McIntyre — a gang member turned community activist — is the result of a "misunderstanding," the Switch Lanes president and Waukegan District 60 volunteer said.

The Gurnee Police Department charged McIntyre on Aug. 6 with failing to update his address as required for the Murderer and Violent Offender Against Youth Registry after police discovered he no longer lived at the Gurnee address he had on file with them, said Officer Shawn Gaylor, a department spokeswoman.

McIntyre is required to register for 10 years as a result of his murder conviction for the 1994 shooting death of a 17-year-old North Chicago High School student, he said. In 2016, he told the News-Sun that he spent almost 19 years in prison before being released in July 2013.

McIntyre's story is at the heart of his volunteer work, which includes efforts through a North

Chicago-based organization that seeks to provide young people with "the tools necessary to 'Switch Lanes' from one part of their life into another" through education, entrepreneurship, economic development and legal justice.

Waukegan District 60's school board granted McIntyre in December 2017 a waiver of its volunteer policy requirements, which mirror the state's hiring restrictions. State law would prohibit the school district from hiring McIntyre as an employee because of his criminal history.

That year, McIntyre worked mainly at Waukegan High School, mentoring about 10 behaviorally at-risk students, district spokesman Nick Alajakis said. The following year, McIntyre worked with the district's outreach department in a similar capacity but with fewer students.

When asked whether the district is rethinking its relationship with McIntyre in light of the charges, Alajakis said he "can't say we plan to work with him and can't say we don't plan to work with him," because nothing has been formalized or formally planned for the upcoming school year.



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Anthony McIntyre, the president of the Waukegan-based nonprofit Switch Lanes, left, introduced the students who helped moderate a student forum in April 2018.

McIntyre said that's not how he would describe it, adding he is "a little taken aback and bothered" by Alajakis's description, which he said minimized his role.

According to McIntyre, during his first year with Waukegan District 60, he worked with about 60 students one-on-one, including in group sessions, by observing classrooms and meeting after school with the student along with their parents or guardians.

The following year, he said, his

work wasn't much different, but now he was working with a larger age range of students.

If there's a concern about the recent charge, district officials should speak to him about it, McIntyre said. He described the charge as a "misunderstanding" and said the Gurnee Police Department "jumped the gun" in charging him without trying to get a hold of him.

McIntyre was registered with Gurnee police through Septem-

ber, Gaylor said. Officers working on another case went to talk to McIntyre and discovered he was no longer living at the address he had registered.

Gaylor said the case that prompted the meeting is still under investigation, so she could not discuss in what capacity — witness, victim or offender — officers were speaking to McIntyre.

Gurnee police officers tried to reach McIntyre but were unsuccessful, Gaylor said. McIntyre had five days to register his new address, and after that time elapsed, McIntyre was charged with failing to register.

McIntyre said he had ended his lease in Gurnee, but because he was on a work trip, had not yet moved into his new place in Waukegan. He said he was planning on registering once he had.

McIntyre registered his new address with the Waukegan Police Department last week, Waukegan Cmdr. Joe Florip said.

McIntyre said he has no problem with the registration law, but he added the penalties were intended to address people who were trying to hide their history or avoid law enforcement.

"I'm not running away from anyone," he said. "I'm in public all the time. I don't think (Gurnee police) really tried to find me. It's not as if I'm invisible to anyone. They could have easily called or come to the office. It's too easy to find me if they wanted to find me."

PCC Wellness Center receives \$167K federal grant for mental health care

BY STEVE SCHERING

The disbursement of a \$4.5 million federal grant has netted Oak Park's PCC Community Wellness Center \$167,000 to help increase its mental health and substance abuse services.

Earlier this month, U.S. Senators Dick Durbin and Tammy Duckworth announced the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services has awarded community health centers in Illinois a total of \$4,503,836.

PCC, located at 14 Lake St. in Oak Park, was founded in 1980 as a three-room clinic at West Suburban Medical Center. Since then, it has grown to include 12 health centers serving Chicago's west side and near west suburbs.

"We're predominantly a primary care organization," said PCC Chief Population Health Officer Amanda Brooks. "We offer on-site dental and on-site behavioral health and psychiatry services, and operate a clinic at West Suburban Medical Center to reach

the point of long-term recovery."

Brooks said the grant will help support the clinic's efforts to combat the growing opioid epidemic and assist with behavioral health services.

"Our perspective, when working with any substance use disorder, is a harm-reduction percentage," Brooks said. "We treat substance abuse disorders similar to hypertension and diabetes. It's a disease you'll struggle with the rest of your life. Our job is to offer a comprehensive array of services to produce an environment that can accommodate long-term recovery and recognize the change process. They may decrease their use and make positive change, but we can never predict when they will make that decision that no use will be right for their life."

With the additional funding, Brooks said PCC will be able to expand on its existing services at all 12 of its clinics.

"We know the number one thing that keeps people alive is maintenance and treatment serv-

ices," Brooks said. "The grant is what we call a supplemental grant. If we receive this money, we are required to expand our mental health and substance use treatment services. We're normalizing that mental health is a part of overall wellness."

In addition, Brooks said PCC also offers integrated treatment services for pregnant women with opioid use disorder, including prenatal care, prenatal ultrasounds, treatments and baby delivery at West Suburban hospital.

"This is a really innovative model of care, and something that's very unique to PCC," Brooks said.

The total federal grant will be divided among 27 health centers across Chicago, Olympia Fields, Harvey, Elgin, Addison, Waukegan, Oak Park, La Grange, Aurora and Joliet.

"Community health centers serve a vital function across our state, providing affordable, comprehensive health care to more



PCC COMMUNITY WELLNESS CENTER

PCC Community Wellness Center received a \$167,000 federal grant to expand its mental health and substance abuse services.

than one million Illinoisans every year," Sen. Durbin said in a statement. "Federal investments in our health centers give them certainty to plan for the future and enable patients to access the care they need."

Illinois community health centers provide health care services to approximately 1.4 million residents, including one out of every four Medicaid patients, at 48 health centers with 350 treatment sites, officials said.

"Every Illinoisan, no matter their zip code, deserves the same access to quality health services," Sen. Duckworth said in a statement. "This funding is critical for community health centers across Illinois and will help provide necessary, affordable care to thousands of families while also helping to stem the opioid crisis."

More information about PCC Community Wellness Center and its services is available at www.pccwellness.org.

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NATION & WORLD

US, Venezuela boss hold secret talks

Socialist party leader has the power to remove Maduro

By **JOSHUA GOODMAN**
Associated Press

BOGOTA, Colombia — The U.S. has made secret contact with Venezuela's socialist party boss as close allies of President Nicolas Maduro's inner circle seek guarantees they won't face prosecution for alleged abuses and crimes if they cede to growing demands to remove him, according to a senior Trump administration official.

Diosdado Cabello, who is considered the most-powerful man in Venezuela after Maduro, met last month in Caracas with someone who is in close contact with the Trump administration, the official told The Associated Press. A second meeting is in the works but has not yet taken place.

The AP is withholding the intermediary's name and details of the encounter with Cabello out of concern the person could suffer reprisals. The official spoke on the condition of anonymity because they aren't authorized to discuss the talks, which are still preliminary.

Cabello, 56, is a major power broker inside Venezuela, who has seen his influence in the government and security forces expand as Maduro's grip on power has weakened. But he's also been accused by U.S. officials of being behind massive corruption, drug trafficking and even death threats against a sitting U.S. senator.

The administration offi-



President Nicolas Maduro, right, speaks with Diosdado Cabello last January at an annual ceremony, in Caracas, Venezuela.

cial said that under no circumstances is the U.S. looking to prop up Cabello or pave the way for him to substitute Maduro. Instead, the goal of the outreach is to ratchet up pressure on the regime by contributing to the knife fight the U.S. believes is taking place behind the scenes among competing circles of power within the ruling party.

Similar contacts exist with other top Venezuelan insiders, the official said, and the U.S. is in a listening mode to hear what it would take for them to betray Maduro and support a transition plan.

Cabello did not respond to a request for comment.

But an aide said the U.S. has been increasingly knocking on his door, des-

perately looking to establish contact. The aide rejected the notion Cabello was somehow betraying Maduro, saying that Cabello would only meet with Americans with the president's permission and if it contributes to lifting sanctions he blames for crippling the oil-dependent economy. The aide spoke on the condition of anonymity because he isn't authorized to discuss political affairs publicly.

A person familiar with the July encounter said Cabello appeared savvy and arrived to the meeting with the U.S.-backed envoy well prepared, with a clear understanding of Venezuela's political problems. The person spoke on the condition of anonymity.

As Venezuela's crisis grinds on, a predictable pattern has emerged where Juan Guaidó, who the U.S. and dozens of other countries recognize as Venezuela's rightful leader, has been unable to woo the military and take power, but Maduro lacks strength to apprehend his rival or rescue the collapsed economy amid ever-tightening U.S. sanctions. This month, the U.S. slapped a new round of sanctions that seizes all of the Maduro government's assets in the U.S. and threatens to punish companies from third countries that continue to do business with him.

Talks sponsored by Norway between the opposition and government have been slow-going and were sus-

pending this month by Maduro, who accused Guaidó of celebrating the U.S.' "brutal blockade." Neither Cabello, the Venezuelan military or U.S. government are a party to those talks.

To break the stalemate, some conspirators are looking to the U.S. to devise a plan to protect government insiders who turn against Maduro from future prosecution.

The U.S. has repeatedly said it would offer top socialists relief from sanctions if they take "concrete and meaningful actions" to end Maduro's rule. In May, it quickly lifted sanctions against Maduro's former spy chief, Gen. Manuel Cristopher Figuera, after he defected during a failed

military uprising.

As head of the constitutional assembly, Cabello has the power to remove Maduro, a position that could come in handy in any negotiated transition. But to date he's run the institution, which the U.S. considers illegitimate, as a rubber-stamping foil to the opposition-controlled congress, showing no signs of possible deception.

It's not clear who initiated the contact with Cabello. But the U.S. official said Cabello was talking behind the back of the embattled socialist despite his almost daily displays of loyalty and frequent harangues against President Donald Trump.

An opposition politician briefed on the outreach said Defense Minister Vladimir Padrino and Interior Minister Nestor Reverol are among those in indirect contact with the Americans, underscoring the degree to which Maduro is surrounded by conspirators even after an opposition-led military uprising in April was easily quashed. The politician spoke on the condition of anonymity. The AP was unable to verify the opposition politician's account.

Cabello has long been seen as a rival to Maduro, someone who has more pragmatic economic views and is less ideologically aligned with communist Cuba.

By all accounts Cabello was not among the high-placed officials who were in on a plot to remove Maduro in April, when Guaidó and his mentor Leopoldo Lopez appeared on a bridge in eastern Caracas surrounded by a small contingent of armed troops.

Planned Parenthood leaves US family planning program

By **DAVID CRARY AND RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR**
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Planned Parenthood said Monday it's pulling out of the federal family planning program rather than abide by a new Trump administration rule prohibiting clinics from referring women for abortions.

Alexis McGill Johnson, Planned Parenthood's acting president and CEO, said the organization's nationwide network of health centers would remain open and strive to make up for the loss of federal money. But she predicted that many low-income women who rely on Planned Parenthood services would "delay or go without" care.

"We will not be bullied into withholding abortion information from our patients," said McGill Johnson. "Our patients deserve to make their own health care decisions, not to be forced to have Donald Trump or Mike Pence make those decisions for them."

Responding with its own statement, the federal Department of Health and Human Services said that Planned Parenthood affiliates knew months ago about the new restrictions and suggested that the group could have chosen at that point to exit the program.



Johnson

"Some grantees are now blaming the government for their own actions — having chosen to accept the grant while failing to comply with the regulations that accompany it — and they are abandoning their obligations to serve patients under the program," the department said.

Planned Parenthood was not the only organization dropping out. Maine Family Planning, which is unaffiliated with Planned Parenthood, also released its letter of withdrawal Monday.

The National Family Planning & Reproductive Health Association, an umbrella group for family planning clinics is suing to overturn the regulations.

About 4 million women are served nationwide



SCOTT OLSON/GETTY

under the Title X program, which distributes \$260 million in grants to clinics. Planned Parenthood says it has served about 40% of patients.

A federal appeals court in San Francisco is weighing a lawsuit to overturn the rules, but so far the court has allowed the administration to go ahead with enforcement. Oral arguments are scheduled the week of Sept. 23. Several states and the American Medical Association have joined the suit as plaintiffs. Activists are also pressing Congress to overturn the rule.

Monday was the deadline set by the government for program participants to submit statements that they intended to comply with the new rules, along with a plan. Enforcement will start Sept. 18.

Along with the ban on abortion referrals by clinics, the rule's 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 would have until next March to separate their

office space and examination rooms from the physical facilities of providers that offer abortions.

The family planning rule 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 program as providing an indirect subsidy to Planned Parenthood, which runs family planning clinics and is also a major abortion provider.

Planned Parenthood has called the ban on abortion referrals a "gag rule," while

the administration insists that's not the case.

Maine Family Planning CEO George Hill said in a letter to HHS that his organization is withdrawing "more in sorrow than in anger" after 47 years of participating in the program.

He said the Trump administration regulation "would fundamentally compromise the relationship our patients have with us as trusted providers of this most personal and private health care. It is simply wrong to deny patients accurate information about and access to abortion care."

Attorney general names replacement for Bureau of Prisons chief

By **DEVLIN BARRETT**
The Washington Post

Attorney General William Barr announced Monday that he is replacing the head of the Bureau of Prisons, marking the latest fallout from the death in federal custody of multimillionaire sex offender Jeffrey Epstein.

Hugh Hurwitz, the agency's acting head, will be replaced by Kathleen Hawk Sawyer, who served as Bureau of Prisons director from 1992 to 2003.

Barr also appointed Thomas Kane to serve as her deputy, a position currently vacant.

The move shows how the death of a single high-profile suspect is likely to have far-reaching and long-lasting consequences for the \$7 billion agency that has operated for years in relative obscurity.

Even before Epstein's death, Justice Department officials privately expressed frustration with senior officials at the Bureau of Prisons, but the apparent man-

agement flaws found since have angered the department's leaders, including the attorney general, according to law enforcement officials.

"I am pleased to welcome back Dr. Hawk Sawyer as the Director of the Federal Bureau of Prisons," Barr said in a statement. "Under Dr. Hawk Sawyer's previous tenure at the Bureau, she led the agency with excellence, innovation, and efficiency, receiving numerous awards for her outstanding leadership."

Barr said Hurwitz would return to his previous role as an assistant director for the bureau's re-entry programs. The attorney general did not mention the Epstein case in his announcement.

Epstein's death has already led to a shake-up at the federal detention center where he was being held.

The warden of the Metropolitan Correctional Center was reassigned, and the two guards who were supposed to be checking on his cell were placed on leave.

Union officials have said

such a death was inevitable because of short staffing and the forced overtime that guards are working.

The Justice Department sent additional Bureau of Prisons lieutenants from across the country to buttress the MCC workforce, and a suicide reconstruction team was sent to the facility to determine exactly how Epstein died, according to a person familiar with the matter.

Critics of the Bureau of Prisons have said Epstein's death, along with other se-

curity failures, such as the still-uncharged killing of Boston gangster James "Whitey" Bulger at a West Virginia prison last year, should spur changes inside the federal prison system, which was hit with a hiring freeze in the beginning of the Trump administration.

That freeze has since been lifted, but union officials say MCC and many other facilities are straining under the long-term effects of not having enough employees to operate effectively.

Omar, Tlaib criticize Israel, Netanyahu for blocking visit

BY RACHAEL BADE
The Washington Post

Democratic Reps. Ilhan Omar and Rashida Tlaib, the two Muslim congresswomen prohibited from entering Israel last week, on Monday blasted the U.S. ally for blocking their visit and sought to highlight challenges facing Palestinians under Israeli policies in a rare news conference during a congressional recess.

Speaking to reporters at the Minnesota Statehouse in St. Paul, Omar called into question the millions of dollars in U.S. aid given to Israel each year and encouraged other lawmakers to visit in their stead to see firsthand the humanitarian conditions of Palestinians, a top goal of their upended trip.

"We give Israel more than \$3 (billion) in aid every year. This is predicated on them being an important ally in the region and the only democracy in the Middle East," said Omar, D-Minn. "But denying a visit to duly elected members of Congress is not consistent with being an ally, and denying millions of people freedom of movement or expression or self-determination is not consistent with being a democracy."

She added: "We must be asking, as Israel's ally, that (Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin) Netanyahu's government stop the expansion of settlements on Palestinian lands and ensure full rights for Palestinians if we are to give them aid."

Tlaib, speaking at times through tears, took a more personal approach, expressing remorse about not being able to visit her grandmother who lives in the West Bank.

After Israel blocked their official visit, Tlaib, D-Mich., a Palestinian American, made an appeal to Israel officials to allow her



Rep. Ilhan Omar, D-Minn., right, consoles Rep. Rashida Tlaib, D-Mich., as she talks about Israel blocking their visit.

to visit her relatives.

Israeli officials agreed, but they would have required her to sign a promise restricting her speech and her movement. Tlaib ultimately declined to go.

"My grandmother said ... I'm her bird. She said I'm her dream manifested," Tlaib said, her voice growing angry as she started to cry. "I'm her free bird, so why would I come back and be caged and bow down when my election rolls her head up high, gave her dignity for the first time?"

Netanyahu blocked Tlaib and Omar from visiting his country on Thursday, a move made at President Donald Trump's urging. Trump, who has criticized the women repeatedly on Twitter, tweeted that approving the visit would "show great weakness" on Israel's part and said Omar and Tlaib "hate Israel & all Jewish people, & there is nothing that can be said or done to change their minds."

Both women have long been fierce critics of Israel and its treatment of Palestinians.

They support the Boycott, Divestment and Sanctions movement, a global protest of Israel known as BDS. Israeli law bars visitors who support the boy-

cott from entering, one of the prime reasons Israeli officials cited for stopping the two congresswomen from visiting the nation and neighboring Palestinian territories to learn about settlement expansion and humanitarian conditions.

Israel's unprecedented move followed a frantic 24-hour lobbying session on the part of Democratic leaders and other strong supporters of Israel in the House, including Jewish lawmakers who do not agree with Tlaib's and Omar's positions on Israel. They urged Israeli leaders to embrace the duo's visit to build understanding and argued that barring them from Israel would only embolden the BDS movement and critics of the Middle Eastern nation.

Since then, Democrats have also criticized Israeli leaders for requiring that Tlaib sign a memorandum restricting her comments and movements while visiting her grandmother in the West Bank.

During the news conference, Omar and Tlaib invited four women to speak about their own struggles with the Israeli government and in visiting family who lived there. They struck a note of defiance against Trump and Netanyahu.

NYPD fires officer involved in choking death of Eric Garner

BY DEVLIN BARRETT
The Washington Post

The New York Police Department has fired the officer caught on video with his arm around the neck of 43-year-old Eric Garner just before he died in 2014, capping a five-year legal saga over the incident that fueled a movement to change how police treat minorities.

NYPD Commissioner James P. O'Neill announced the decision Monday, weeks after a departmental disciplinary judge recommended the officer, Daniel Pantaleo, be terminated. Pantaleo's union said they would try to overturn the decision.

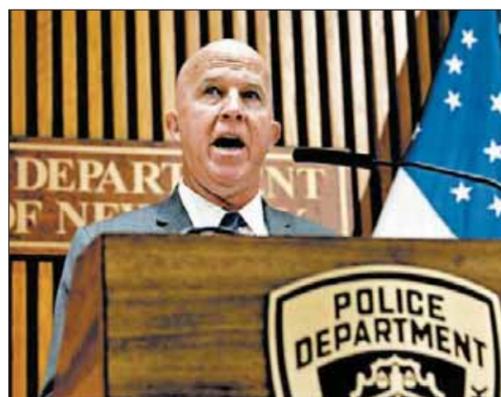
"In this case the unintended consequence of Mr. Garner's death must have a consequence of its own," O'Neill said. "It is clear that Daniel Pantaleo can no longer effectively serve as a New York City police officer."

O'Neill called the decision "extremely difficult," acknowledging that the move probably would anger rank-and-file officers. "If I was still a cop, I'd probably be mad at me," he said.

On the video recording of Garner's death, he is seen being grabbed by officers and pulled down to the sidewalk after he insisted they should not arrest him for allegedly selling loose cigarettes. On the video, he can be heard saying, "I can't breathe," and his dying words became a rallying cry for protests demanding changes in police treatment of minorities.

"Cops have to make choices, sometimes very quickly," O'Neill said. "Those decisions are scrutinized and second-guessed, both fairly and unfairly ... I can tell you that had I been in Officer Pantaleo's situation, I may have made similar mistakes."

O'Neill said he reached two conclusions watching



New York Police Commissioner James O'Neill announces the firing of an officer involved in the Eric Garner case.

the video — that Garner should not have resisted arrest, particularly given that complying with the officers probably would have resulted in a summons, not arrest; and that Pantaleo started the interaction using approved techniques but then escalated to a prohibited chokehold.

"Today is a day of reckoning, but it can also be a day of reconciliation," the commissioner said.

The case sparked local and federal investigations, both of which ended with no charges filed against Pantaleo or the other officers involved.

Members of Garner's family, frustrated by the lack of criminal charges, said they were pleased the city had fired Pantaleo as they had demanded but called for further government action.

One of his daughters, Emerald Garner, thanked the NYPD commissioner for firing Pantaleo but said more needs to be done, including reopening the criminal investigation of her father's death and making police chokeholds illegal to prevent similar incidents.

"It took five years for the officer to be fired. I don't want another Eric Garner," she said. "Yes, he's fired, but

the fight is not over. We will continue to fight."

She also called for congressional hearings into police conduct.

"We are relieved but not celebratory," said the activist Rev. Al Sharpton, who supported the family's push for punishment of Pantaleo. "You cannot have a set of rules for citizens and a different set of rules for policemen. They must follow the law and follow policy."

The union representing New York officers, the Police Benevolent Association, blasted the NYPD's decision and suggested its members will have to shy away from confrontations, making the city less safe.

"The damage is already done. The NYPD will remain rudderless and frozen, and Commissioner O'Neill will never be able to bring it back," said PBA President Patrick Lynch. "We are urging all New York City police officers to proceed with utmost caution in this new reality, in which they may be deemed 'reckless' just for doing their job."

Pantaleo's lawyer, Stuart London, said his client, a 13-year veteran of the NYPD, is disappointed and upset about the decision but plans to appeal it.

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pricing, outsourcing and data privacy. And for decades, wages have climbed moderately as the pay of top executives at public companies has soared.

A range of lawmakers have been trying to force companies to consider society's larger goals when they do business or be penalized.

Presidential candidate Sen. Elizabeth Warren, D-Mass., has proposed a plan that would require U.S. corporations to turn over part of their board of directors to members chosen by employees.

Sen. Bernie Sanders, the Vermont independent running for the Democratic nomination, would prohibit corporations from buying back their own stock — a move that drives up share prices — unless they offer a certain level of pay and benefits for workers.

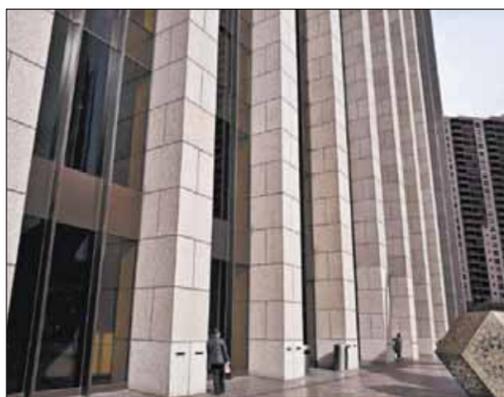
Trump, even as he has taken many pro-corporate actions including a tax cut in 2017 and deregulation, has publicly shamed companies for moving jobs overseas and threatened to take more aggressive action against pharmaceutical companies.

By making the statement, said Judith Samuelson, executive director of the Aspen Institute's Business and Society Program, "the voice of corporate America — the Business Roundtable — has now signaled how much things have already changed."

The organization "is really playing catch-up with any number of members of their organization that have been working to dampen short-term pressures and make investments" in employees, communities and broader society.

She believes the new statement will "stiffen (CEOs) resolve to make the kind of long-term investments that benefits the long-term health of the enterprise."

Rep. Joe Kennedy, D-Mass., called it "a welcome step toward a more moral



The Business Roundtable said its new mission statement emphasizes all stakeholders, which include workers, suppliers, customers and local communities.

capitalism" while the U.S. Chamber of Commerce said it "agreed wholeheartedly with the renewed focus."

But the firms also opened themselves up to a range of criticisms, raising questions about how much the new statement would lead to real change. Some scholars and prominent politicians said the new statement may be too vague to correct for corporate failures.

A Roundtable spokeswoman said the group welcomed the feedback from lawmakers.

Meanwhile, shareholder groups raised concerns that their interests would no longer be the core concern of corporations, underscoring that the argument that it is the job of government — not companies — to make decisions that are in the best interests of society.

The Council of Institutional Investors, an association of pension funds, endowments and foundations, said it "respectfully" disagrees with the statement, adding that it "undercuts notions of managerial accountability to shareholders."

But CEOs who favored the move said it would benefit shareholders in the long run as well.

"CEOs work to generate profits and return value to shareholders, but the best-run companies do more. They put the customer first and invest in their employees and communities. In the end, it's the most prom-

ising way to build long-term value," said Tricia Griffith, president and CEO of Progressive Corp.

The new statement includes 181 signatures of the 192 current members of the Business Roundtable. Some companies that did not sign were not eligible to do so because an interim chief executive is in place or the company is transitioning between leaders.

There were seven other CEOs who did not sign for various reasons: Roy Harvey at Alcoa, Stephen Schwarzman at Blackstone, Larry Culp at General Electric, Bernard Tyson at Kaiser Permanente, James Robo at NextEra Energy, Thomas Williams at Parker Hannifin and Michael Tipton at State Farm.

A Business Roundtable representative noted that the absence of a signature does not necessarily mean the CEO does not support the statement.

Some governance experts were critical of the announcement, pointing out that share price is a clear indicator of a company's success and that companies could now use the wider array of interests they're serving as a dodge.

"It limits accountability for these people to anyone," said Charles Elson, who directs the John L. Weinberg Center for Corporate Governance at the University of Delaware. "You can always make an argument that no matter what you've done, some stake (holder) will benefit."

White House officials consider payroll tax cut to boost economy

BY DAMIAN PALETTA
The Washington Post

Several senior White House officials have begun discussing whether to push for a temporary payroll tax cut as a way to arrest an economic slowdown, three people familiar with the discussions said, revealing the growing concerns by President Donald Trump's top economic aides.

The talks are still in their early stages, and the officials have not decided whether to formally push Congress to approve the cut, these people said, speaking on condition of anonymity because they weren't authorized to disclose internal discussions. But the White House in recent days has begun searching for proposals that could halt a slowing economy.

Millions of Americans

pay a "payroll tax" on their earnings, a 6.2 percent levy that is used to finance Medicare and Social Security programs. The payroll tax was last cut during the Obama administration, to 4.2%, as a way to encourage more consumer spending during the recent economic downturn. But the cut was allowed to reset back up to 6.2% in 2013.

Americans pay payroll taxes on income up to \$132,900, so cutting the payroll tax has remained a popular idea for many lawmakers seeking to deliver savings for middle-income earners and not the wealthiest Americans. But payroll tax cuts can also add dramatically to the deficit and, depending on how they are designed, pull billions of dollars away from Social Security and Medicare.

The discussions about whether to pursue a new

payroll tax cut have only begun in recent days, the three people said, and details have not been reached yet.

Trump and top aides have spent the past few days trying to convince the public that the economy is strong and that fears about a recession are misguided. But White House officials quietly have begun scrambling for new ideas to reverse public concerns and boost business confidence.

Some administration officials have felt that planning for an economic downturn would send a negative perception to the public and make things worse, but Trump has spent much of the past week conferring with business executives and other confidants seeking input on what they are seeing in the economy.

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Pentagon conducts 1st test of previously banned missile

WASHINGTON — The U.S. military has conducted a flight test of a type of missile banned for more than 30 years by a treaty that both the United States and Russia abandoned this month, the Pentagon said.

The test off the coast of California on Sunday marked the resumption of an arms competition that some analysts worry could increase U.S.-Russian tensions. The Trump administration has said it re-

mains interested in useful arms control but questions Moscow's willingness to adhere to its treaty commitments.

The Pentagon said it tested a modified ground-launched version of a Navy Tomahawk cruise missile, which was launched from San Nicolas Island and accurately struck its target after flying more than 300 miles. The missile was armed with a conventional, not nuclear, warhead.

'Codfather' settlement means magnate will never fish again

A fishing magnate known as the "Codfather" will never be allowed to return to U.S. fisheries, the federal government said Monday in announcing it has settled its civil case against a man whose arrest for shirking quotas and smuggling profits overseas shocked the East Coast industry.

The settlement with Carlos Rafael and his fishing captains will clear the way for his assets to be

divested, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration said.

Rafael was based out of New Bedford, Massachusetts, and was sentenced to nearly four years in prison in 2017. He owned one of the largest fishing operations in the U.S.

NOAA's settlement with Rafael also states he is required to pay a civil penalty of just over \$3 million and relinquish a seafood dealer permit.

Man, 20, pleads not guilty in Jewish center video threat

STRUTHERS, Ohio — A 20-year-old man pleaded not guilty Monday to threatening a Jewish community center in a video that authorities say showed him shooting a semi-automatic rifle.

A judge set bond at \$250,000 for James Reardon of New Middleton, ordered a mental health evaluation and told him to stay away from Jewish organizations if he is released from jail.

Police arrested Reardon Saturday on telecommunications harassment and aggravated menacing charges, a day after a Jewish organization contacted authorities.

Police said the video posted on Reardon's Instagram account last month included the caption: "Police identified the Youngstown Jewish Family Community shooter as local white nationalist Seamus O'Reardon."



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Demonstrators are hit by a water cannon Monday during a protest in Diyarbakir, one of three cities in southeastern Turkey where the federal government replaced elected Kurdish mayors with appointed state officials over alleged links to rebels.

Salvadoran accused of having abortion acquitted at retrial

CIUDAD HIDALGO, El Salvador — A young rape victim who was suspected of having an abortion and charged with homicide was acquitted by a judge at a retrial Monday in a case that attracted international attention to El Salvador's strict abortion laws.

Evelyn Beatriz Hernandez, now 21, had served 33 months of a 30-year prison sentence when her conviction was overturned in February for lack of evidence and a new trial was ordered. Prosecutors had asked for a 40-year sentence.

The retrial was a first for

such a case in the Central American nation, where prosecutors aggressively pursue legal cases against women who have miscarriages or other obstetric emergencies, accusing them of murder.

"Thank God, justice was done," Hernandez said following the announcement of the verdict, visibly emotional as dozens of women waited at the courthouse. "I also thank you who have been present here."

"Yes we did!" the women chanted.

Hernandez also thanked foreign diplomats who have followed the case

closely.

Hernandez's fetus was at 32 weeks in 2016 when she felt intense abdominal pains and delivered it into an outdoor toilet, and it was later found lifeless in a septic tank. Her mother said she found her passed out next to the latrine, and Hernandez said she didn't know she was pregnant.

Both women said they didn't know there was a fetus in the tank, but prosecutors didn't believe them and pressed charges.

Forensic experts were unable to determine whether it died in the uterus or in the septic tank.

Impeachment inquiry urged by No. 4 House Democrat

WASHINGTON — Rep. Ben Ray Lujan on Monday became the highest-ranking Democrat in the House to call for an impeachment inquiry against President Donald Trump, saying it's time to hold him accountable.

The New Mexico congressman, third in line behind House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and a 2020 candidate for Senate, said Trump has not tried to secure American elections from foreign interference.

Lujan said in a statement that special counsel Robert Mueller's report left no doubt that Trump's campaign made "sustained and frequent attempts to establish ties to the Russian government and an eagerness to benefit from hacked information."

Trump, he added, "is putting his own personal and political interests ahead of the American people."

In Kashmir: Pakistan said Indian troops fired across the Line of Control in the disputed Kashmir region, killing two civilians and wounding another, as some security restrictions were lifted Monday in the main city of Srinagar.

Paramilitary soldiers armed with assault rifles stood guard at checkpoints, allowing a trickle of vehicular and pedestrian traffic to pass. Many shops and offices remained closed.

The security crackdown and a news blackout were imposed following the decision by India's Hindu nationalist-led government to downgrade the Muslim-majority region's autonomy.

Hundreds of people were involved in clashes with security forces that erupted Sunday.

Thousands flee 'monster' fire on Canary Islands

LISBON, Portugal — A major, out-of-control wildfire in Spain's Canary Islands was throwing flames more than 150 feet into the air on Monday, forcing emergency workers to evacuate more than 9,000 people, authorities said.

The blaze — described by the local fire department

as "a monster" — was racing across parched woodlands into Tamadaba Natural Park, regarded as one of the jewels on Gran Canaria, a mountainous volcanic island in the Atlantic Ocean archipelago off northwest Africa.

Famous for its beaches and mountains, Gran Ca-

nia and its capital, Las Palmas, are popular vacation destinations but the blaze was in the rugged central highlands area. Some tourists had to leave rural hotels as a precaution, the island's government said.

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EDITORIALS

In Hong Kong and Russia, demands for freedom

It has been nearly 30 years since one of the most earthshaking events of our time. On Nov. 9, 1989, East German authorities said citizens were free to cross the border dividing communist-controlled East Berlin from West Berlin, an outpost of democratic West Germany. It was a joyous surprise that helped end the Cold War, remove Eastern Europe from Moscow's domination and unravel the Soviet Union.

The fall of the Berlin Wall also heralded a worldwide march toward freedom.

In the following decade, the number of democracies rose from 69 to 117, according to the human rights group Freedom House, which in 1999 noted a broad pattern of "significant gains for human freedom at the dawn of a new millennium."

That trend didn't last. This year, Freedom House sadly reported that 2018 was "the 13th consecutive year of decline in global freedom." Autocratic governments reign in Russia, China, Egypt, Saudi Arabia, Iran, Cuba and Venezuela, among others. Illiberal, right-wing parties have won power in Poland and Hungary and gained followers elsewhere in Europe.

But if the spread of democracy eventually led to an authoritarian backlash, the backlash is now eliciting new demands for freedom. That spectacle is most visible in Hong Kong, where mass rallies against Beijing's rule have taken place on 11 straight weekends — including a demonstration Sunday, in defiance of police orders, that turned out as many as 1.7 million people.

The movement arose in reaction to legislation that would allow extradition of criminal suspects to mainland China. If enacted, that could allow the Beijing government to go after anyone it deems dangerous, including political activists. The Hong Kong government suspended the bill but has yet to withdraw it.

The protesters are now calling for democratic reforms and action against police brutality. They hope to protect the former British colony's freedoms and rule



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West Berliners crowd in front of the Berlin Wall early on Nov. 11, 1989, as they watch East German border guards demolishing a section of the wall in order to open a new crossing point between East and West Berlin near Potsdamer Square.

of law from the iron hand of the Chinese government, which regained sovereignty there in 1997.

The Hong Kongers cannot be unaware of the risks they run. Many have been beaten and tear-gassed by police. Beijing could send in tanks and troops at any moment to carry out a brutal crackdown that would mean death for some, prison for others, lost jobs for yet more, and the end of freedom in the territory. Still, they keep putting themselves on the line.

There are also signs of a growing opposition movement in Vladimir Putin's Russia. Protests have been held in Moscow every weekend since July 14 to demand that the government allow opposi-

tion candidates to run in city council elections. But other issues, such as pension cuts and unwanted landfills, have spawned demonstrations elsewhere.

In Russia, as in Hong Kong, challenging the government carries serious hazards. Some 2,500 Moscow demonstrators have been arrested, with some facing charges that could put them behind bars for 15 years. Others have been clubbed with police batons.

The harsh response hasn't cowed the popular movement. "Increasingly, Russians are turning to protests to express their dissatisfaction," reports The Washington Post, citing a poll that "shows the number of people willing to take part in a political protest increased from 8% in 2016 to 22%

in 2019."

The persistence of these demonstrations has to worry Putin, who has presided over a steady erosion of living standards. A survey by a state-sponsored pollster found that only 32% of Russians trust him, the lowest figure in 13 years. Dissident and chess great Garry Kasparov tweeted that the protests are "a reminder that Putin, like every dictator, has no idea when or how his rule will end. Only that it will be sudden."

Maybe the anti-government rallies in Hong Kong and Moscow are transient events that will soon subside or be snuffed out. But maybe they are the start of something big. It wouldn't be the first time.

Assassinating civility: The knucklehead factor in Illinois politics

Less than a month ago, we wrote about Republican and Democratic organizations in Illinois sharing tasteless, race-based images on social media. Someone at the Republican County Chairmen's Association thought it smart to post an image of four freshman Democratic congresswomen amid firearms and flames on a movie-style poster emblazoned "The Jihad Squad." Soon after, the Kankakee County Democratic Party tweeted an image comparing red Make America Great Again caps to Ku Klux Klan hoods.

But those crude incidents pale before the Facebook photos from a Friday night fundraiser for state Sen. Martin Sandoval, D-Chicago. Here we have a mock assassination scene, with one attendee at the \$250-per-person event pointing what looks like a fake military rifle at someone who's wearing a big Donald Trump mask and clutching his heart as if he's been shot.



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A mock assassination of President Donald Trump occurred at a fundraiser Friday for state Sen. Martin Sandoval, pictured.

Never mind that Americans of all political persuasions have grappled with a recent spate of mass shootings. Never mind

that gunmen have assassinated four of our 44 previous presidents and wounded two others. According to reporting by Mark Maxwell of Champaign's WCIA-TV, two people attending Sandoval's event at Klein Creek Golf Club in west suburban Winfield evidently thought it would be hilarious to pose for photos in a simulated assassination of Trump.

Maxwell reports that "a woman who attended the event posted the photos to her Facebook page on Saturday and tagged Sandoval in them. Sandoval is pictured separately posing with the man who held the fake weapon, but it remains unclear if the Senator knew about the incident when it occurred."

The one delight in this sorry episode was watching Monday's eruption of oafish what-aboutism on political blog sites and social media: *Oh yeah? What about Trump's indignities? What about that time when*

those people (whom I disagree with) simulated the death of (a politician I like)?

As if mock assassinations are ever cute, or fruitful fodder for moral equivalencies.

Sandoval issued a statement of apology, not unlike the July apologies for the race-tinted internet posts. Of course he did. No choice.

But if the people of Illinois hope to have a somewhat civil 2020 campaign cycle, the officials and command staffs of both major parties had better learn from the knucklehead stunts of July and the fake gun of August.

Because the next party official who has to apologize for some outrage will have to include this in his or her statement of remorse: "Of course I've had plenty of time to make sure that no more of this stuff happened on my watch. Yet it did. So don't just blame the knuckleheads. Blame my negligence. And my party's."

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

The nation is debating what to do about assault-style weapons, what gun-rights advocates like to call modern sporting rifles. Gun-rights champions argue that these weapons are in common use, and hence protected by the Second Amendment. Gun-control supporters respond that these weapons have no place on our streets and ought to be banned. But there's a better solution, and one that avoids the constitutional objections typically raised by gun-rights advocates. Rather than banning these weapons, the time has come to tax them. ...

Gun taxation would use a market-based strategy to reduce the number of guns in circulation by effectively raising the price of ownership. The additional revenue generated by this policy could be used to fund research on violence reduction and support existing programs to help local communities deal with the ravages of gun violence. ...

The goal of the right to keep and bear arms is to safeguard the security of a free state. Today's gun policies are making most Americans less, not more, secure. Instead of simply extolling the virtues of the Second Amendment, we should take some of our cues from the policies the founding generation used, including taxation.

We need to understand how the Second Amendment fit into a society that valued peace as a vital precondition for the exercise of liberty. ... Taxation offers a more flexible set of tools to achieve a goal all Americans seek: lowering the costs of gun violence to Americans.

Saul Cornell, The Atlantic

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Chicago Tribune PERSPECTIVE

Surprised by CTU's Venezuela visit? Then you haven't been paying attention.



KRISTEN MCQUEARY

Four representatives of the Chicago Teachers Union, including a member of its executive board, visited Venezuela in July and returned with high praise for the socialist policies of President Nicolás Maduro, whose corrupt and dictatorial regime has sparked rebuke from some 50 nations around the world.

Union leadership had approved a resolution several months ago criticizing U.S. sanctions and intervention in Venezuela, including the efforts of President Donald Trump's administration to delegitimize Maduro and elevate an interim president, Juan Guaidó, during mass citizen resistance to Maduro's controversial reelection last year.

This should not surprise anyone paying attention to the increasingly left-leaning political views of the leadership at the union, which represents some 25,000 teachers across Chicago. Most teachers want good pay and benefits, less paperwork and testing, and a focus on their

schools, not the Venezuelan government.

But this is also the CTU leadership they chose.

Chicago teachers could have swept out the team led by President Jesse Sharkey, himself a believer in socialism and an influencer in the movement nationally. An opposition slate that emerged within the CTU, Members First, represented a group of teachers more narrowly focused on the mission of a fair contract. But Members First lost the May CTU election in a landslide. Thousands of teachers didn't vote at all. Sharkey was reelected.

While CTU has been clear it did not pay for the four members' trip to Venezuela, they went as CTU representatives and met with high-level government officials. Reading their social media accounts of the trip, you'd think they visited Mayberry.

Yet ground zero accounts from Venezuela for years have been telling a very different story. Peru's ambassador last year said in a joint statement to the United Nations Human Rights Council that he was "concerned by accounts concerning serious human rights violations that in-

clude extrajudicial killings, excessive use of force, arbitrary arrests, torture and ill-treatment and the lack of access to justice" in a country that was ravaged by economic turmoil long before Trump took office.

That was Venezuela's South American neighbor expressing

The elites of Venezuela are doing just fine. It's the citizens who haven't fled yet who are suffering.

deep concern for the safety of Venezuelans.

This was CTU executive board member Sarah Chambers, who went to Venezuela, quoted on an anti-Trump website: "Through major economic hardships, Venezuelan President Nicolás Maduro never closed a single public school or a single health clinic. This stands in stark contrast to our experience in Chicago, where Mayor Rahm Emanuel closed 50 public schools and several mental health clinics in a single year."

I hesitate to defend Emanuel's stewardship of Chicago Public

Schools. But Venezuela's public schools are nearly empty in some inner-city neighborhoods because of the constant political turmoil.

Emanuel closed schools, albeit clumsily, that were half-empty and needed to be consolidated. He was derided in South and

West side communities, but comparing him to a Venezuelan strongman whom many say is starving his people?

Chambers also posted on social media her astonishment that, during her trip, she "didn't see a single homeless person." She and others praised literacy rates in the country and the commune-style culture.

Maybe their Venezuelan hosts took them on a programmed propaganda tour, as one angered CTU member suggested.

The teachers must not have seen areas of Caracas where families occasionally dig through rubbish for food, where women sleep on cardboard boxes outside of grocery stores hoping to bring home cornmeal, where ATM machines are empty, hospitals are barely staffed and where tuna fish and flour are luxuries.

The Venezuelan economy has been tanking for about seven years, collapsing under the pres-

ures of a singularly oil-based economy; socialist policies that dictate which days of the week citizens can buy bread and how much; corruption that even left-leaning news outlets are covering vigorously; and mismanagement of a once-vibrant economy through price controls and import restrictions.

The elites of Venezuela are doing just fine. It's the citizens who haven't fled yet who are suffering.

Against this backdrop, CTU is heading into negotiations over a new contract with Mayor Lori Lightfoot, who already has proposed a generous package of 14% raises over five years.

CTU represents a group of professionals whom taxpayers heavily subsidize with pensions and health care benefits. Fully-vested CTU members retire with dependable income. This is the group that needs leverage and credibility from rank-and-file Chicagoans as its leaders negotiate and, potentially, call a strike.

And they're going to Venezuela, of all places, to find systems to emulate. That says a lot.

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BY CHARLOTTE BROOKS

A few days ago, I received an unusual email from the press that had published my first two books. The note included a link to an Aug. 15 Chicago Tribune article about Danville Correctional Center, where officials had removed about 200 books from a library run by the Education Justice Project, which offers for-credit college-level classes to prisoners. The article included a photo of some of the books pulled from the EJP library, and right near the top of the stack was a very familiar title: my first book, "Alien Neighbors, Foreign Friends: Asian Americans, Housing, and the Transformation of Urban California."

Although rather astonished to see "Alien Neighbors," I was far more surprised that prison officials had banned several other titles that I think should be required reading for all Americans, such as W.E.B. DuBois' "The Souls of Black Folk," Frederick Douglass' and Harriet Jacobs' memoirs of life in slavery, and Harriet Beecher Stowe's "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

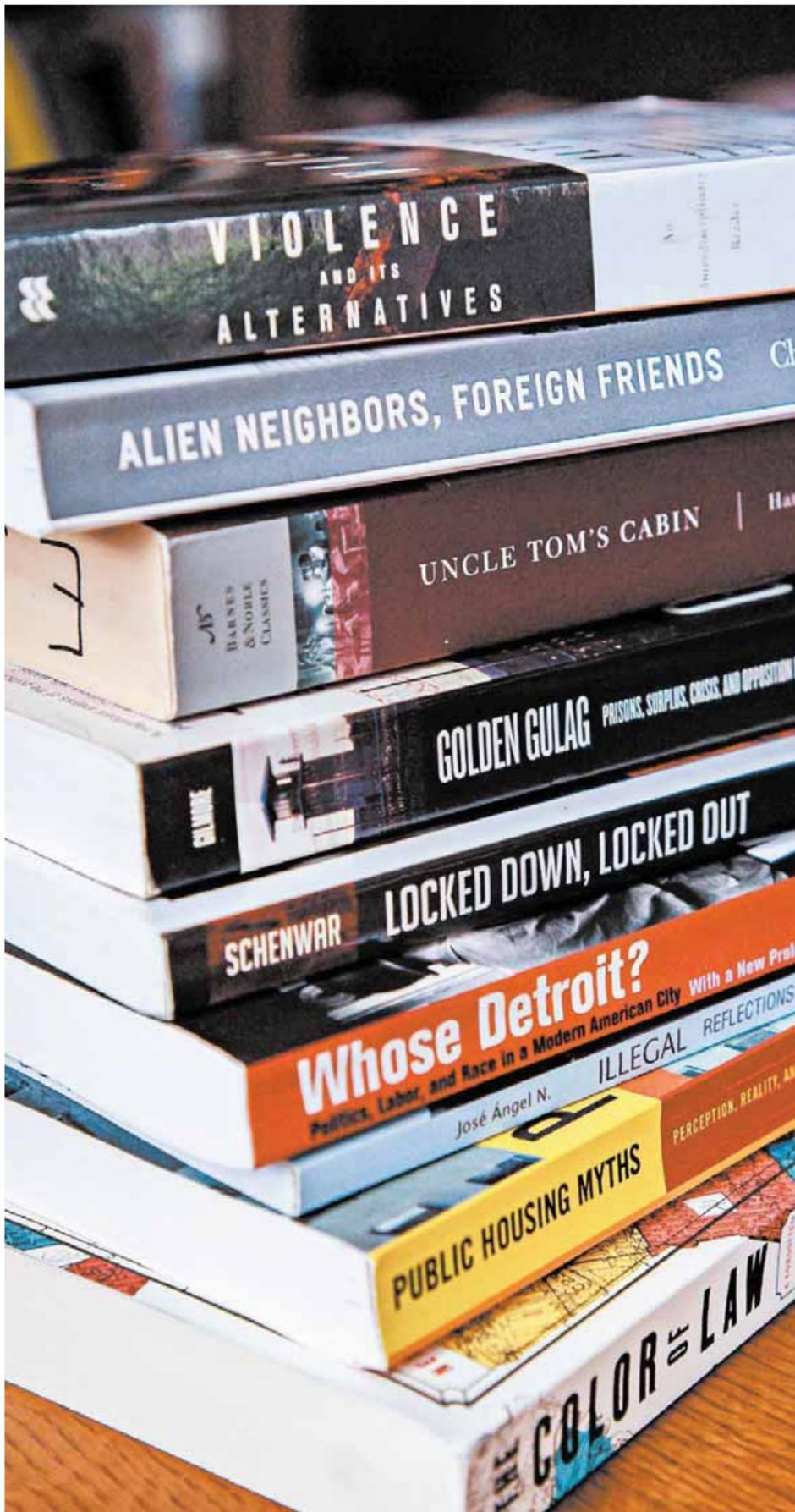
The reasons officials gave for banning these books, and mine, bordered on the ludicrous. They claimed that the reading materials "contained numerous racial issues" and "cartoons that were racially motivated," and they described "several racially motivated books, a book on the Hell's Angels and books of anime pornography."

None of the banned books that I have read contain cartoons, anime pornography or references to Hells Angels. While "Uncle Tom's Cabin" is somewhat mawkish in places, its main point is simply that slavery is evil. That's not a "racial issue" but an incontrovertible fact. Frederick Douglass was a black man born into slavery, which indelibly shaped his life. Was that what supposedly made his book "racially motivated"? How could any honest work about being black in America escape such a label?

As for my book, it began as a doctoral dissertation in which I tried to understand race in California, where I grew up and where I first encountered racial categories and the disturbing racial views of certain family members and friends. Rather than accepting their "common sense" about who belonged where, and why, I sought to use the tools of the historians I admired — careful research, plentiful evidence, copious data, numerous archives and sources in multiple languages — to understand why my home state's major urban areas had developed in particular ways, and why so many of the white people I knew expressed such odious racial ideas with so much thoughtless confidence.

My book places the blame for what Danville prison officials

If we ban books for tackling 'racial issues,' what will be left?



might call "racial issues" and "racially motivated" and "divisive" actions squarely where it belongs: on the shoulders of the white people (in this case, the many white Californians) whose virulent racism led them to demand housing segregation while at the same time refusing to acknowledge their central role in creating segregated communities and searing inequality. Those white people constantly bolstered their own "racialized self-esteem," as I call it in the book, by claiming that the inequality they had demanded, constructed and protected was actually a natural occurrence, the obvious result of other groups' racial inferiority.

So at the end of the day, I guess I understand why prison officials banned my book and so much other work about racial inequality and segregation. Rather than reaffirming white Americans' racialized self-esteem, the banned books instead address white Americans' key role in creating and perpetuating racial inequality and racial brutality. As Education Justice Project alumnus Michael Tafolla noted at the Illinois House hearing, this kind of knowledge gives EJP participants "a stronger sense of self-worth and of what our people, our generations, have gone through. It seems like some prison staff don't like that."

In the aftermath of the legislative hearing, the acting Illinois Department of Corrections commissioner seems to be trying to clean up the Danville mess. As he does so, I have a modest suggestion for him: require the prison officials to read some of the books they tried to ban. They don't have to tackle "Alien Neighbors," but they should definitely at least try DuBois, Douglass and Jacobs.

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The Education Justice Project runs a college-in-prison program for inmates at Danville Correctional Center. Prison officials recently removed from the program's library or denied entry to more than 200 books, including those shown here, many dealing with race.

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The wage gap often widens over the course of a black woman's career, according to the National Women's Law Center.

It takes 20 months for a black woman to earn what a man earns in a year. We can fix that.

BY DORRI MCWHORTER
AND CHERITA ELLENS

The recent signing into law of the “no salary history” bill by Gov. J.B. Pritzker has brought the gender pay gap to the forefront yet again. Statistics show that women, in the aggregate, make 80 cents on the dollar compared with men. This persistent disparity inspired the creation of a national Equal Pay Day, meant to commemorate the day when women's earnings “catch up” to those of men from the previous year. This year, it was March 28.

It's important to acknowledge that Equal Pay Day is not “equal” for all women. Thursday represents Equal Pay Day for black women. This means that black women will have to have worked all of 2018 and through Aug. 22, 2019, to earn what men earned in 2018 alone. When calculated by race, black women make only 61 cents to the dollar; Native American and Latina women fare even worse, making 58 cents and 53 cents, respectively, compared with white men. That means when we commemorate Equal Pay Day in spring of each year, black women, along with our Latina and Native American sisters, are actually nowhere near equal.

Historically, black and other minority women have been overrepresented in low-wage jobs, which accounts for some of the pay gap, but by no means is the only factor. Other factors include the gap in advancement opportunities, occupational gender segregation and the “motherhood penalty.” According to the Chicago Foundation for Women's most recent gender equity report, black women in Chicago experience at least a 5-point gap in leadership and managerial participation rates when compared with those of white men. To boot, black women with an under-

graduate or graduate degree fare even worse — gap-wise — than low-wage women, encountering a 36% gap in pay between themselves and their white male counterparts. The National Women's Law Center notes that the wage gap often widens over the course of a black woman's career, causing her to lose nearly \$870,000 in potential earnings.

These same women, who turned to education to level the economic playing field, are often saddled with far more student loan debt than their white peers.

Additionally, women experience a 40% drop in earnings immediately following the birth of their first child. A higher percentage of black women as “heads of household” means their pay gaps are less likely to be ameliorated by a second salary. And finally, because wage levels determine contributions toward Social Security, pensions and other retirement benefits, the wider gap in income persists beyond black women's working years.

While all of this may seem dire, we are encouraged by recent policy changes. The game-changing “no salary history” law, which takes effect Sept. 29, will break the cycle of low salaries begetting low salaries. Studies have shown that as early as their first year graduating from even prestigious colleges, women encounter a salary pay gap that persists throughout their careers.

Currently, in most places in the country, companies can penalize and even fire workers for sharing salary information. While we in Illinois are protected by the Equal Pay Act, we need passage of the federal Paycheck Fairness Act to make sure others across the country can benefit from similar protections.

The burden to uncover pay discrepancies shouldn't fall on individual women alone. Companies also must look for ineq-

uities in their own ranks by conducting regular pay audits and addressing any compensation differences that are uncovered. Additionally, we need to push for legislation that allows women and men to share the burden and provide the flexibility to care for their families, through such benefits as paid family and medical leave and paid sick time.

We cannot end the pay gap without also looking toward system-level change in corporate America, which drives 70% of our nation's economy and, therefore, wages. The gap in the number of black women on corporate boards has an effect on the development of more equitable corporate policies and practices. Even though stop-gap legislation was passed last year in the Illinois State Assembly, we must revisit the question of requiring Illinois corporations to have diverse boards by including women and underrepresented minorities.

Women of all races must work together to close the wage gap for their sisters of color. As writer Audre Lorde said, “I am not free while any woman is unfree, even when her shackles are very different from my own!” The organizations we represent are working to close the wage gap for all women — and to advance gender and racial equity.

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The greater risk of getting hit by a car

Upasana Nanda asked in her letter (“We must be moved to action,” Aug. 18): “Do you feel safe anymore?” She is referring to gun violence and mass shootings. Of course I feel safe. The odds of being in a mass shooting are less than being hit by lightning. I try to avoid certain areas, with regard to regular shootings, and thunderstorms, but if it happens, it happens. There is no such thing as a gun-free zone. Only areas with easier targets.

What I am more afraid of is our own distracted and uncaring drivers who don't think pedestrians have rights when drivers are behind the wheel. Pedestrians die all over America, every day, in greater numbers than victims of shootings and mass murders. I'm the victim of getting hit in a pedestrian-safe zone, otherwise known as a crosswalk, twice in about five years. This last time sent me to the emergency room and involved follow-up surgery and severe pain for over a month — and 2.5 months later, I'm still feeling pain on and off every day, with months of rehab ahead of me.

The driver wasn't looking, hit me in a crosswalk and had no insurance. He received no ticket, and the officer let him drive away. Almost every time I walk out and about, I'm likely to encounter a driver pulling out of a driveway or approaching an intersection, maybe cellphone in hand, not looking. Again, in answer to the question about feeling safe: Yes, from mass shootings. I'm a realist. No, from drivers, especially in a crosswalk. I'm a realist.

— E.L. Foertsch, Chicago

Ending the lure of gang subculture

Boys without fathers search for a father figure for guidance. Finding none at home, the boys find a gang. The gang becomes the father. With little schooling, they sell dope to make money and kill others from different gangs: This is life in the gang subculture. It is a life of hopelessness. If you have no hope for a better tomorrow, then killing someone is not important.

Violence and poverty are a direct result of generations of this gang subculture. Gangs as fathers is the 800-pound elephant in the room. This truth is so very painful — lost generations dying of gunshots.

Education is key. Target the drop-outs and the disenfranchised. Procure laptops with educational software. Open the doors of available buildings from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Every Chicagoland university, college and high school can participate, becoming educational mentors.

The Chicago Police Department would serve and protect the participants. Everyone would be invited to sit at a computer and learn, not just gang members. Further instruction would be limited only to the imagination of the Chicagoland community: Come and share knowledge with the people who need it the most.

Additionally, classes on nutrition, health care, parenting and fiscal responsibility should be offered. The challenge to the Chicagoland community is to help people prosper and grow.

This process is a substitution. It is a substitution of education in place of gang membership. It will take patience. It can be accomplished. It is time for community determination and leadership. The time is now to destroy the gang subculture and give hope to all to live a better, worthier life.

— Mickey Kesselman, Glenview

Expose abuses of Boy Scouts

With all the constant news coverage and exposure of sexual abuse committed by Catholic priests over many many years and even recently, let's see the same effort with the Boy Scouts of America now.

It's now alleged that 350 previously unidentified Scoutmasters and volunteers preyed on boys.

How many more are there and how many innocent victims? Let's see the news media use their resources to find out how many Boy Scouts were abused over the years or are still are being abused.

What's even more worrisome now is with girls being allowed to join the Boy Scouts, how many are in danger of being sexually abused or raped?

Sure, it's sickening that some Catholic priests sexually abused children, but now let's focus on the Boy Scout epidemic of sexual abuse to prevent more victims.

— John Moravec, Naperville

Uber and Lyft are everything we love, and hate, about capitalism

BY MEGAN MCARDLE

Chances are, if you live in a city, Uber and Lyft have changed your life. Even my 74-year-old mother now semi-frequently uses Uber to get around — this, a woman with whom I once spent 45 minutes on the telephone, trying to coach her through minimizing a window on her desktop.

As advances go, Uber and Lyft aren't quite up there with indoor plumbing and central heating, but they're still definitely an improvement over the prior status quo: more reliable, more available and cheaper than taxi services, especially for remote and low-income areas. And, now, they're offering urban dwellers bikes and electric scooters, as well as cars. Even when they eventually stop burning investor cash to subsidize those services, being able to spontaneously hail a ride from your phone will noticeably improve millions of people's lives.

Uber and Lyft are everything we love about capitalism. And writ large, theirs is the story of the capitalist revolution that has over the past few centuries raised us from short-lived squalor to lives of comparative peace, wealth and leisure. Just 170 years ago, my ancestors fled a famine that denuded Ireland of roughly a quarter of its population. By contrast, their descendants today fret about advancing avoidupois, a real estate bubble and the high cost of space-age diagnostic scans.

The journey between 19th century hardship and today's abundance was composed of many steps, most of them guided by the invisible hand of the market. Markets funneled resources to promising ideas, many of them bad, some of them pure genius, and then winnowed out the bad

ones. That iterative process of incremental improvement has brought us to the here and now. We can reasonably hope that it will propel our grandchildren further still, to something that would seem to us an unimaginable paradise.

But recently, I've been thinking that although Uber and Lyft are everything we love about capitalism, they are also everything we hate.

Consider the difference between the corporate cultures of these two firms. Uber's early chief executive, Travis Kalanick, was a tech-bro outlaw whose desire to disrupt the taxi industry may have started with the time he was forced to jump out of a cab after a heated altercation with the driver. During the company's turbulent early years, Kalanick staged equally belligerent confrontations with local governments, allegedly tolerated rampant sexual harassment and discrimination within his company, and pitched his services to the affluent as “a convenient, and classy ride.”

Lyft was like Uber's kindly hippie cousin. Its founders are explicitly idealistic about Lyft's mission to eliminate the environmental and financial costs of personal car ownership. While Uber initially focused on fancy black cars, Lyft let people drive their modest older-model sedans and initially stuck mustaches on the front of the car to reassure passengers that Lyft was goofily benevolent. They invited passengers to ride up front with the driver, like a friend rather than a customer. They took a conciliatory stance toward regulation.

Uber and Lyft were about as different as two companies in fundamentally the same business could be. But at this point, from the customer perspective, they're barely different. They offer the same services, for

roughly the same price, in many of the same markets. Worse, Uber, the aggressively mercenary firm, has a higher market share than the idealists.

This, too, is the invisible hand of the market, driving everyone in the same direction. As markets like to do, because markets tend to reward scale. Scale, in turn, rewards the lowest common denominator that everyone will accept, which means the homogenous and ubiquitous. And because idealistic values are costly, and decidedly not homogenous across large groups of people, they are rarely rewarded the way storybooks tell us they ought to be.

Which may explain why elements of both left and right are nearing open revolt against the whole idea of markets. Market innovation is highest in a tech sector that tends toward scale even more sharply than its industrial forebears: The efficient number of firms providing the services of a Facebook, a Google or an Amazon — and maybe an Uber or a Lyft — is probably one. (Amazon founder and chief executive Jeff Bezos also owns The Washington Post.)

The obvious rejoinder to this complaint is that “the market” is simply us, collectively. It is failing to reward certain things because we are failing to reward them, at least in sufficiently large numbers. But then, perhaps that's exactly why they make us so uncomfortable: because markets reflect back to us what we are, instead of what we'd like to be.

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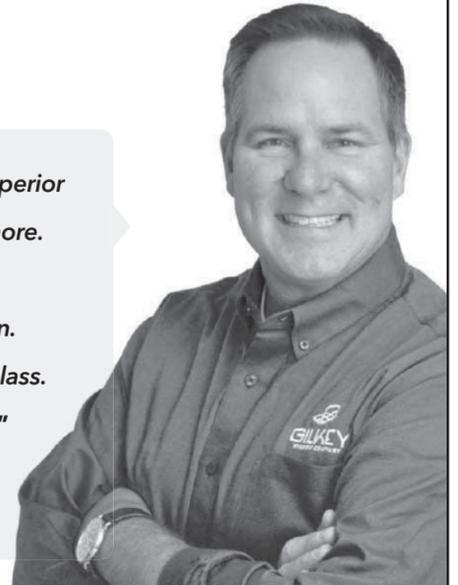
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Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

Uber confirms move to old main post office

Ride-share company signed 10-year lease for massive office area

BY ALLY MAROTTI AND RYAN ORI

Uber Technologies has signed a 10-year lease for a massive amount of office space at the old main post office, giving it room for thousands of employees.

Uber on Monday confirmed it will occupy 463,000 square feet, becoming the building's largest tenant. The Tribune reported in May that the California-based technology company was negotiating a move to the post office site.

The deal is the largest office lease signed in downtown Chicago this year and one of the largest in Chicago in recent years. Not including renewals or extensions of



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existing office spaces, Uber's deal is the fourth-largest in the past five years, according to CBRE.

Uber is set to start construction

on its new space in the old post office next spring. It is unclear how many employees will ultimately work there.

"Uber is excited to deepen its roots in Chicago," company spokeswoman Kelley Quinn said in a statement. "The city continues to attract the top talent that Uber needs to continue to thrive, and we remain committed to working together to have a positive impact in the local community."

The company's finalized deal gives developer 601W Cos. an anchor for its ongoing \$800 million-plus redevelopment of the 2.8 million-square-foot former post office at 433 W. Van Buren St. on the Chicago River.

Uber's lease is more than double the next largest space. Deerfield-based Walgreens in June 2018 announced plans to lease 200,000 square feet, saying it planned to move 1,800 suburban and downtown workers into the space.

Other signed tenants include Ferrara Candy, Home Chef, the

Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning and ad firm AbelsonTaylor. The first tenants will start moving in this fall.

More than 1 million square feet of leases have been completed. New York-based 601W also is close to completing deals with CBOE Global Markets and Cisco Systems for about 300,000 square feet combined.

Uber's Chicago office was already its second-largest outside of its San Francisco headquarters. Chicago is home to Uber Freight, the company's fastest-growing business unit.

The Tribune reported in March that the company planned to hire hundreds of employees throughout the year for its freight unit, which connects truck drivers with shippers. Uber told the Tribune

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RICHARD VOGEL/AP

Shoppers visit stores this month in Glendale, California. If the prospect of a recession gives you pause, remember now is time to prepare.

Target is phasing out house brands

Retail giant will reduce Market Pantry line and introduce new name

BY ANNE D'INNOCENZIO
Associated Press

Target is making its largest foray into a private food label next month as it attempts to energize grocery sales.

On Sept. 15, 650 products will appear on store shelves under the brand "Good & Gather." That will expand to 2,000 products by late next year.

Target is phasing out its house food brands, called Archer Farms and Simply Balanced, and reducing its Market Pantry line. The company expects that Good & Gather to be a multi-billion dollar business by the end of next year.

The goods sold under the new brand range from pastas and meat to milk and eggs. Target said Monday that the products will not have artificial flavors, synthetic colors, artificial sweeteners or high fructose corn syrup.

The launch builds on Target's food and beverage business momentum, which includes seven straight quarters of sales growth at established stores and six straight quarters of market share growth with gains across almost every category of food.

It's also part of a broader effort to expand in house brands, such as the children's clothing label Cat & Jack and men's clothing brand Goodfellow & Co. By the end of 2019, Target will have more than 25 exclusive brands.

Industry analysts say Target has to become more competitive in the grocery aisles.

"The new label is a major step forward that introduces excitement and interest to the food department," says Neil Saunders, managing director of GlobalData Retail. "Good & Gather both creates a more cohesive and compelling food offering as well as being a platform for the launch of some new and interesting lines which should entice consumers."

What? Worry about a possible recession?

Just in case, here's how to prepare — but don't panic

BY SARAH SKIDMORE SELL
Associated Press

If the threat of a recession gives you pause when it comes to your personal finances, remember now is a time to prepare, not panic.

Worries about the economy increased this month when a fairly reliable recession warning emerged from the bond market.

But without a crystal ball, it remains unclear when a recession might hit.

Still, financial experts say people should consider taking certain steps that are beneficial in any economy but would aid households greatly in a downturn.

Don't panic: The long-standing advice remains: Don't panic and stay the course on your plan.

It is sage advice, said Dan Keady, chief financial planning strategist at TIAA, but it also goes against the grain for many people.

"It's hard just to do nothing," he said. "The best investment strategy is a long-term one. If you buy and sell your investments

frequently, you'll more likely than not buy and sell based on emotion — panic or excitement."

If you simply cannot sit still, use this pressure as an impetus to check your plan. Are your goals the same? Are your investments allocated where you want them? It makes sense to periodically rebalance your portfolio to ensure your investments have not become too heavily weighted in one segment or another, particularly after a long stock market run-up like the one in recent years.

Say, you started with 60% of your nest egg in stocks and 40% in bonds. The stock portion could have easily jumped to 70%

thanks to strong gains in technology sector. Whatever the portion of your portfolio is in stocks, remember that it can lose 10% or 20% of its value as recessions come and go. That's the price investors have paid historically for the stronger long-term returns of stocks versus bonds.

While it may be difficult, fight the urge to readjust your portfolio solely based on market conditions. People who sold during the last recession likely suffered a loss and then either missed out on major stock market gains in subsequent years or had to pay the price to jump back in.

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Northwestern telling the story of the 12th General Hospital unit

During World War II, Chicago doctors and nurses set up hospitals

BY LISA SCHENCKER

The doorway was too narrow for the patient on the stretcher.

So the high-powered Northwestern neurosurgeon did the next best thing.

He knelt on the ground and tried to pull the patient through the window of the shuttered Algerian resort, which served as a makeshift hospital staffed by Northwestern medical school-affiliated doctors during World War II.

During the war, more than 50 Northwestern doctors and dentists, and more than 100 nurses

from hospitals across Chicago, formed the 12th General Hospital unit, which set up hospitals and cared for servicemen in Algeria and Italy.

The story of the unit isn't often told, overshadowed by many other tales of the war. And most, if not all, of the unit's medical members have died.

But thanks to papers and photos donated by two families, along with other materials, a new exhibit at Northwestern's hospital and medical school offers a glimpse into the unit's experiences, hardships and accomplishments.

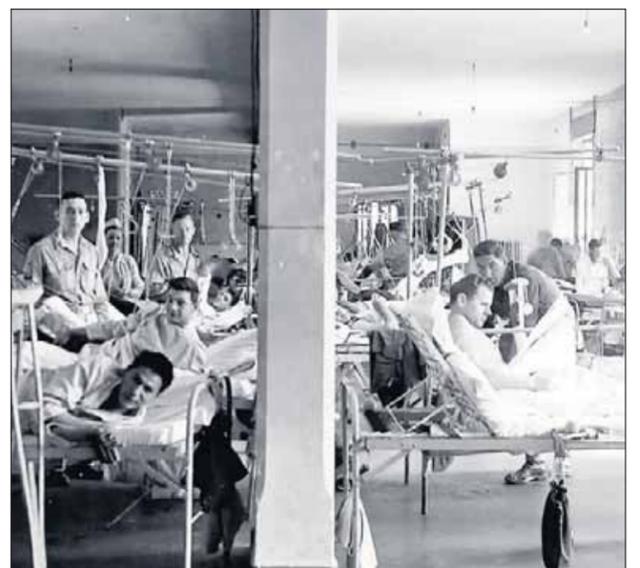
"It's really important to both Northwestern and Chicago," said exhibit curator Gabrielle Barr, a research associate at the Galter Health Sciences Library & Learn-

ing Center, the library for Northwestern's medical school. "They really believed in what they were doing for this country, and they really believed in Northwestern."

The exhibit is on display at Galter and will move to other locations in coming weeks. Unit members' stories are also featured in a new digital exhibit online.

The presentation has provided some of the doctors' and nurses' family members a peek into what life was like for their parents and relatives during the war.

Jim Conner didn't know much about the time spent overseas by his father, Dr. James A. Conner, because his dad didn't talk about it. But after his father's death, Conner



NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY FEINBERG SCHOOL OF MEDICINE

The Army's 12th General Hospital unit was responsible for this orthopedic ward in Livorno, Italy, seen in 1945.

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Economists see recession on the horizon

74% looking at 2021 downturn despite Trump's optimism

BY MARCY GORDON
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — A strong majority, 74%, of U.S. business economists appear sufficiently concerned about the risks of some of President Donald Trump's economic policies that they expect a recession in the U.S. by the end of 2021.

The economists surveyed by the National Association for Business Economics, in a report released Monday, mostly didn't share Trump's optimistic outlook for the economy, though they generally saw recession coming later than they did in a survey taken in February. Thirty-four percent of the economists surveyed said they believe a slowing economy will tip into recession in 2021. That's up from 25% in the February survey.

An additional 38% of



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"I don't think we're having a recession. We're doing tremendously well," President Trump told reporters Sunday.

those polled predicted that recession will occur next year, down slightly from 42% in February. Another 2% of those polled expect a recession to begin this year.

In February, 77% of the economists expected a recession either this year, next year or in 2021.

A strong economy is key to the Republican president's 2020 reelection prospects.

Consumer confidence has dropped 6.4% since July.

Trump has dismissed concerns about a recession, offering an optimistic outlook for the economy after last week's steep drop in the financial markets. He said Sunday, "I don't think we're having a recession. We're doing tremendously well. Our consumers are rich. I

gave a tremendous tax cut and they're loaded up with money."

Still, Trump on Monday called on the Federal Reserve to cut interest rates by at least a full percentage point "over a fairly short period of time," saying that would make the U.S. economy even better and would quickly boost the flagging global economy.

In two tweets, Trump kept up his pressure on the politically independent Fed and its chairman Jerome Powell, whom he chose to lead the Fed, asserting the U.S. economy was strong "despite the horrendous lack of vision by Jay Powell and the Fed."

While the economists in the NABE survey generally saw recession coming later than they had in February, the latest survey was taken between July 14 and Aug. 1 — before the financial markets last week signaled the possibility of a U.S. recession, sending the Dow Jones Industrial Average

into its biggest one-day drop of the year. Stock markets around the world shuddered as the White House announced 10% tariffs on an additional \$300 billion of Chinese imports, the Chinese currency dipped below the seven-yuan-to-\$1 level for the first time in 11 years and the Trump administration formally labeled China a currency manipulator.

The 226 economists responding work mainly for corporations and trade associations.

The economists have previously expressed concern that Trump's tariffs and higher budget deficits could eventually dampen the economy.

The Trump administration has imposed tariffs on goods from many key U.S. trading partners, from China and Europe to Mexico and Canada. Officials maintain that the tariffs, which are taxes on imports, will help the administration gain more favorable terms

of trade. But U.S. trading partners have simply retaliated with tariffs of their own.

The economists surveyed by the NABE were skeptical about prospects for success of the latest round of U.S.-China trade negotiations. Only 5% predicted that a comprehensive trade deal would result, 64% suggested a superficial agreement was possible and nearly 25% expected nothing to be agreed upon by the two countries.

As a whole, the business economists' recent responses have represented a rebuke of the Trump administration's overall approach to the economy.

Still, for now, most economic signs appear solid. Employers are adding jobs at a steady pace, the unemployment rate remains near a 50-year low and consumers are optimistic. U.S. retail sales figures out last Thursday showed that they jumped in July by the most in four months.



NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY FEINBERG SCHOOL OF MEDICINE PHOTOS

Dr. James A. Conner, center, and colleagues are seen at Fort Benjamin Harrison in Indiana in 1942. The Army's 12th General Hospital unit spent most of 1942 training before setting sail for Algeria.

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found papers saved from that time in a musty-smelling trunk in a basement. The materials helped create the exhibit.

"I knew nothing about it. I knew he'd gone there. I knew about the 12th, and that's about all that I knew," Conner said. "For those of us who grew up with the people that participated, it fills in a lot of questions."

The story behind the exhibit begins in 1940, shortly after World War II started in Europe, when Dr. Michael Mason, a surgeon, began recruiting doctors to join the unit. Mason had served in the unit during World War I, and much of the exhibit is based on his papers and photos. He recruited doctors from Chicago's Passavant Memorial and Wesley Memorial hospitals, which later combined to form Northwestern.

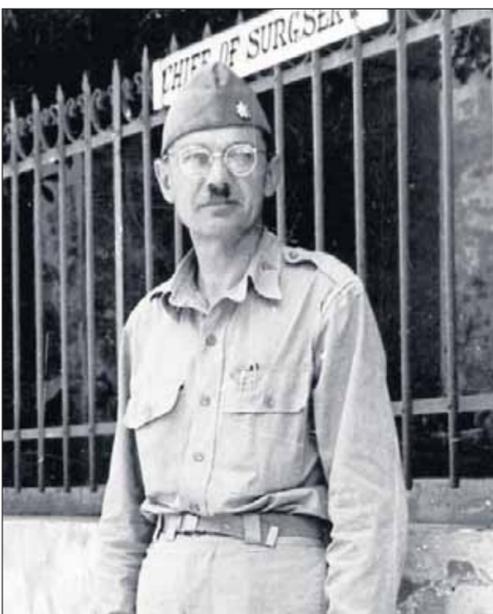
At first, not too many doctors were eager to join, but that changed swiftly after the bombing of Pearl Harbor in late 1941, according to Barr's research.

Chicago nurse Katherine Hayes, whose maiden name was Baltz, was charged with recruiting nurses from across the city — nurses who were single, under the age of 40 and nursing school graduates.

Once assembled, the group, along with more than 500 enlisted men, spent most of 1942 training before setting sail for Algeria.

Accustomed to state-of-the-art medical facilities in Chicago, some expected to find a hospital waiting for them when they arrived. Instead, they found a vacant resort in Ain-el-Turck meant for vacationers, not surgeons and patients, Hayes recalled in a recorded 2005 interview shown at a recent Northwestern event to launch the exhibit. Hayes, who was the unit's chief nurse, died in 2015.

Lacking the necessary supplies, the unit's members cleaned the villas with brooms made from palm tree fronds and underwear, Barr said. They set up



Dr. Michael Mason, a surgeon, is seen in Ain-el-Turck, Algeria, in 1943. Mason served in the Army's 12th General Hospital unit in World War I and he recruited doctors to join it during World War II.

operating rooms and began functioning as a hospital.

They stayed in Ain-El-Turck through 1943 before heading to Naples, Italy, where they served in various hospitals and capacities. From there, they headed to Rome and then Livorno, Italy, where they stayed for the remainder of the war.

At times, the doctors performed 100 surgeries a day, Barr said, and they saw more than 30,000 patients over the course of the war.

Northwestern wasn't the only hospital affiliated with a general hospital unit — a type of hospital that was set farther back from the war's front lines and often performed complex surgeries. About 70 hospitals across the U.S. were affiliated with the Army during the war, said Sanders Marble, a senior historian with the Army Medical Department Center of History and Heritage.

Though it was a time of war, those serving in the hospital unit bonded and found fun where they could. They traveled in Italy when their patient loads eased. They hitched rides with fighter pilots to new destinations, and some even met the pope.

Conner's father used to tell him a story about a time

in Algeria when a local man approached the hospital seeking treatment for his animal. It might have been a goat, or a horse or a camel — the specifics have been lost to time. Conner pointed to the snake-and-staff emblem on his shoulder, saying, "You see this? This is for humans. It's not for animals."

Some of the unit's members met their spouses in the 12th. Paula Barnett's parents married in Naples after meeting in the unit. Her mom, Evelynne Stringer, whose maiden name was Dykstra, had been recruited from Evanston Hospital and her dad, Paul Stringer, was in charge of transportation for the unit, Barnett said.

There were also challenges and heartache.

Barnett's mother told her how sometimes when bathing, nurses had to use their helmets as basins from which to draw water. And in many instances, the nurses and doctors dealt with facilities that weren't designed for medical care, making their jobs harder. The resort, for example, had three floors that nurses and doctors walked up and down all day to help patients.

In her 2005 interview,

Hayes recalled feeling so exhausted one day that she sat on the steps of the villa with her head in her hands, thinking she couldn't go on, a feeling that passed after she visited a ward housing the unit's most severely wounded men.

Hayes also recounted the story of one young man who came to the hospital in particularly bad shape.

He was about 22 years old and hadn't yet met his new baby, born while he was off fighting. Hayes asked a nurse to stay by him during his final hours. He slipped in and out of consciousness, sometimes thinking he was at home on his farm and, other times, realizing he would never see it again.

He begged the nurse not to let him die, but his life ended within hours. The nurses couldn't help but cry over such deaths, Hayes said.

Another time, a hurricane battered the Algerian coast, blowing in the windows of patient rooms. "That was a terrible night to take care of patients," Hayes said. "But *c'est la guerre*."

In many cases, when unit members returned to Chicago, they didn't focus on the worst parts of their time overseas. Instead they told the stories that made them laugh. And for years, some of the unit's members met up for reunions.

Dr. Christopher Talbot said his dad, Dr. C. Conover Talbot, preferred to focus on the strong relationships that came from that time, rather than the difficulties. His mother, Helen Mary Wallace (later Talbot), was also a nurse with the unit.

The exhibit, and recent event at Northwestern launching it, helped him learn more about his parents, he said.

"It was a very major part of their life, three-plus years, very formative, as it was for everyone that served at that time," Christopher Talbot said.

Marble said it's important that those people, and their work, be remembered. "By helping these wounded soldiers, they helped win the war."

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Worry

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If you originally designed your portfolio to match your long-term investment goals and risk tolerance, stay true to it, Keady said. If you don't think you can be objective, ask a professional for help.

Try not to get too tied up in the ups and downs of the stock market too. Even those without money in the market — about half of all U.S. households — might be tempted to see the market's move as a sign of the times even though it can have little impact on their direct financial wealth.

And remember a recession is a natural part of a market cycle, said Lauren Anastasio, a certified financial planner at SoFi.

"The advice is don't panic," Anastasio said. "But that doesn't mean there aren't steps to be prepared for whatever is going to come."

Save up: One of the smartest moves anyone can make is to build up an emergency fund. These are a great idea at any time to help weather unexpected expenses, but can become crucial in a downturn.

A recession typically comes with job losses, and an emergency fund can be a lifeline for many families. Even those with good job security should take heed as everyone can feel an income pinch during a recession, as companies might eliminate bonuses, reduce overtime or slow pay increases, Anastasio noted.

Americans, by and large, don't have enough set aside in savings to handle financial hurdles.

Experts recommend having enough set aside to cover anywhere from three months to nine months of basic expenses. But nearly four in 10 Americans say

they are not confident they would be able to pay an emergency expense of \$1,000, according to a recent survey by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research.

So, set aside whatever money you can and keep it in an account you can readily access. Even in this low interest rate environment, there are some savings accounts earning near or above 2%.

Pay off debt: It is important to pay off any high-interest debts, such as credit card balances.

Americans dramatically reduced their debts after the last recession, but those debt levels crept back up. This can be costly as the average interest rate on a credit card is 17.82%, according to Bankrate. It hit a record at 17.86% last month.

Paying down those debts will not only reduce the amount paid over time, it also frees up available credit that may be needed in a pinch. That is important as banks tend to tighten lending during recessionary periods, so it could be harder to get a loan or line of credit.

Make good choices: It should go without saying, but be judicious about big financial decisions.

Consider holding off on any big purchases like a car or home remodeling if it is a stretch, Anastasio suggested. If you are going to need cash in the next few years — say for the birth of a child, a sabbatical or a return to school — make sure you have that available and not tied up in something that may lose value.

"I definitely think that it has been long enough (since the last recession) that here are plenty of people who have gotten comfortable with the period of growth and expansion and have forgotten some of the lessons we have learned in the past decade," she said.

Uber

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then that the company employed more than 1,000 people in Chicago.

Uber was looking for space where it could consolidate its Uber Freight workers in the city with others it employs for its Uber Ride and Uber Eats business.

Currently, Uber Freight's headquarters are at 225 W. Randolph St. Other Uber businesses are at 111 N. Canal St. Combined, that's about 185,000 square feet of Chicago office space.

Uber's expansion in Chicago has been rapid, starting with a 12,000-square-foot space in Fulton Market just five years ago.

But the company has faced some hitches. It went public in May but is unprofitable, and it has faced questions about whether it can turn a profit. Last month, The New York Times reported that Uber laid off about one-third of its marketing team from offices around the world.

An Uber representative confirmed that 400 employees had been laid off, but

declined to say which offices were affected. Uber shares were trading below \$36 a share Monday morning, down from its initial public offering price of \$45.

Uber was represented in the lease by CBRE brokers Paul Reaumont and Ian Murphy. The landlord was represented by brokers Steve Smith, Dan Heckman and Jamey Dix of the Telos Group.

Late last year, there were two new, approximately 500,000-square-foot leases to anchor new office buildings in downtown Chicago: San Francisco-based Salesforce's deal for the last of three planned towers on the Wolf Point site on the Chicago River; and Toronto-based BMO Financial Group's commitment to a tower adjacent to Union Station.

In 2017, Bank of America signed a nearly 500,000-square-foot lease to anchor an office skyscraper now under construction on the river at 110 N. Wacker Drive.

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Technology 'downgrading' humans

Ex-Google design ethicist is trying to 'wake' us up

BY RACHEL LERMAN
Associated Press

Tristan Harris wants to reverse the harmful effects he believes technology has had on all of us.

Harris, a former Google design ethicist, rose to national awareness after a presentation he gave within Google in 2013 spread throughout the industry. In it, he argued that many tech products were designed to be addictive, causing people to spend too much time on them and distracting them from living their lives. He urged designers to alter their approach.

Harris spent more than two years pushing change within Google but says he couldn't get traction. So he quit and started a movement called Time Well Spent, which eventually pushed companies such as Apple and Google to build screen time usage metrics and tools into their phones.

He has since widened his focus, having decided that many issues facing society today are connected and can be traced, at least partly, to the design of technologies we use every day. The goal of his organization, the Center for Humane Technology, is to reverse human "downgrading," or the idea that technology is shortening our attention spans, pushing people toward more extreme views and making it harder to find common ground. In short: technology has caused humanity to worsen, and Harris wants to help fix it.

Harris recently spoke to The Associated Press about his work, the tech industry's progress so far, and why all hope is not lost. This interview has been condensed and edited for clarity.

Q: Could you tell us the important ideas of your work?



JENNY KANE/AP

The goal of Tristan Harris' organization, the Center for Humane Technology, is to reverse human "downgrading."

A: This isn't about addiction, it's not about time. It's about what we call "human downgrading." It's a phrase that we came up with to describe something we don't think people are acknowledging as a connected system.

Technology is causing a set of seemingly disconnected things: shortening of attention spans, polarization, outrage-ification of culture, mass narcissism, election engineering, addiction to technology. These seem like separate problems, and we're actually saying that these are all predictable consequences of a race between technology companies to figure out how to scoop attention out of your brain.

Q: Where is the central place to fight this multifaceted problem that you've outlined?

A: Much like you say, "How do you solve climate change?" Do you just get people to turn off their

lightbulbs? No. Do you pass some policy? Yes. But is that enough? No. Do you have to work collaboratively with the oil companies to change what they're doing? Yes. Do you have to pass laws and mandates and bans?

You have to do all these things. You have to have a mass cultural awareness. You have to have everybody wake up.

This is like the social climate change of culture. So working on internal advocacy and having people on the inside of tech companies feel, frankly, guilty, and ask, "What is my legacy in this thing that's happening to society?"

We work on the internal advocacy. We work on public pressure and policy.

Q: How do you work with companies, and how are they taking to your vision?

A: Doing it from the inside didn't do anything when the cultural catch-up wasn't there. But now in a

world post-Cambridge Analytica, post the success of Time Well Spent, post more whistleblowers coming out and talking about the problem, we do have conversations with people on the inside who I think begrudgingly accept or respect this perspective.

I think that there might be some frustration from some of the people who are at the YouTubes and Facebooks of the world whose business models are completely against the things we're advocating for. But we've also gotten Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, Apple and Android to launch Time Well Spent features through some kind of advocacy with them.

Q: Is there a path that you try to help map out for these companies?

A: They're not going to do it voluntarily. But with lots of outside pressure, shareholder activism, a public that realizes they've been lied to by the compa-

nies, that all starts to change.

There are multiple business models — subscription is one.

Would you pay \$8 a month to a Facebook that didn't have any interest in manipulating your brain, basically making you as vulnerable as possible to advertisers, who are their true customers? I think people might pay for that.

So our policy agenda is to make the current business model more expensive and to make the alternatives less expensive.

Q: Washington is now in a huge debate about privacy and data and misinformation. Will that process deal with the causes that you care about by default?

A: I actually worry that we're so mindlessly following the herd on privacy and data being the principle concerns when the actual things that are affecting the felt sense of your life and

where your time goes, where your attention goes, where democracy goes, where teen mental health goes, where outrage goes. Those things are so much more consequential to the outcomes of elections and what culture looks like.

Those issues connected together have to be named as an impact area of technology. There has to be regulation that addresses that.

My concern about how the policy debate is going is everyone is just angry at Big Tech. And that's not actually productive, because it's not just the bigness that is the problem. We have to name that the business model is the problem.

Q: Don't people have individual agency? Are we really in the thrall of tech companies and their software?

A: There's this view that we should have more self-control or that people are responsible for whatever they see.

That hides an asymmetry of power. Like when you think, "I'm going to go to Facebook just to look at this one post from a friend," and then you find yourself scrolling for two hours.

In that moment, Facebook wakes up a voodoo doll-like version of you in a supercomputer. The voodoo doll of you is based on all the clicks you've ever made, all the likes you've ever done, all the things you've ever watched. The idea is that as this becomes a better and more accurate model of you, I know you better than you know yourself.

We always borrow this from E.O. Wilson, the sociobiologist: the problem of humans is that we have Paleolithic brains, medieval institutions and godlike technology. Our medieval institutions can only stay in control of what's happening at a slow clock rate of every four years. Our primitive brains are getting hijacked and are super primitive compared to godlike tech.

MARKET ROUNDUP

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Russell 2000
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Major market growth and decline

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FUTURES							
COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum-	cents per bushel	Sep 19 469	470.50	464	465.50	-5.25
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum-	cents per bushel	Sep 19 367.25	368.25	363.25	365	-6
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum-	cents per bushel	Sep 19 862.25	865	852	854	-13.25
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs-	cents per lb	Sep 19 29.07	29.14	28.53	28.68	-0.45
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons-	dollars per ton	Sep 19 293.50	295.20	291.40	292.00	-2.90
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.-	dollars per bbl.	Sep 19 54.96	56.41	54.84	56.21	+1.34
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's,	\$ per mm btu	Sep 19 2.164	2.221	2.134	2.210	+0.10
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons-	dollars per gallon	Sep 19 1.6580	1.6800	1.6525	1.6644	+0.0076

LOCAL STOCKS

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Abbott Labs	N	85.56	+0.78	Equity Commonwealth	N	33.95	-0.09	Middleby Corp	O	110.79	-1.16
AbbVie Inc	N	66.56	+2.13	Equity LifeStyle Prop	N	136.39	+1.41	Mondelez Intl	O	54.56	+0.02
Allstate Corp	N	103.99	+0.77	Equity Residential	N	82.77	+1.13	Morningstar Inc	O	156.84	+1.39
Aptargroup Inc	N	120.22	-0.03	Exelon Corp	N	45.28	+0.15	Motorola Solutions	N	176.87	+3.55
Arch Dan Mid	N	38.03	+0.19	First Indl RT	N	38.84	+0.25	NiSource Inc	N	29.63	+0.21
Baxter Intl	N	87.87	+0.90	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	51.18	+0.66	Nthn Trust Cp	O	88.51	+1.51
Boeing Co	N	333.78	+3.33	Gallagher AJ	N	90.54	+0.82	Old Republic	N	22.29	-0.02
Brunswick Corp	N	45.14	+1.22	Grainger WW	N	275.39	+6.13	Packaging Corp Am	N	102.48	+1.20
CBOE Global Markets	N	120.33	-1.04	GrubHub Inc	N	60.90	+0.96	Paylocity Hldg	O	105.36	+1.19
CDK Global Inc	O	44.82	-0.14	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	105.56	+0.31	RLI Corp	N	93.09	+1.01
CDW Corp	O	114.31	+2.62	IDEX Corp	N	165.55	+1.55	Stericycle Inc	O	45.84	+0.85
CF Industries	N	48.72	+0.54	ITW	N	153.03	+2.81	TransUnion	N	83.65	+1.38
CME Group	O	216.70	+3.12	Ingredion Inc	N	76.65	+0.75	Tribune Media Co A	N	46.47	-0.02
CNA Financial	N	47.63	+0.47	John Bean Technol	N	103.06	+0.24	US Foods Holding	N	39.76	+0.58
Cabot Microelect	O	123.62	+0.83	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	135.09	+2.26	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	325.25	+3.22
Caterpillar Inc	N	117.36	+0.93	Kemper Corp	N	75.65	+0.45	United Airlines Hldg	O	83.89	+0.95
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	30.04	+0.57	Kraft Heinz Co	O	25.71	+0.30	Ventas Inc	N	73.32	+0.12
Deere Co	N	152.39	+3.16	LKQ Corporation	O	26.31	+0.74	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	51.16	+1.14
Discover Fin Svcs	N	80.88	+0.53	Littelfuse Inc	O	160.14	+3.41	Wintrust Financial	O	62.70	+1.00
Dover Corp	N	91.24	+0.52	McDonalds Corp	N	218.78	+0.31	Zebra Tech	O	205.18	+1.68

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE		
STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Gen Electric	8.67	-0.12
Cheapsak Envy	1.60	+0.21
PG&E Corp	10.67	-3.61
Bank of America	27.27	+0.24
Transocean Ltd	4.61	+0.41
AT&T Inc	35.38	+0.41
Barrick Gold	18.10	-0.29
EnCana Corp	4.42	+0.20
Ford Motor	9.03	+0.07
Vale SA	10.68	-0.20
Pfizer Inc	35.18	+0.53
Ambev S.A.	4.67	-0.03
Snap Inc A	16.16	+0.18
Vipshop Hldgs Ltd	8.33	+0.42
Itau Unibanco Hldg	8.39	-0.19
Teva Pharm	6.71	+0.30
Freeport McMoran	9.25	+0.15
Stghwtn Energy	1.95	+0.15
Yamana Gold Inc	3.30	-0.04
Petrobras	13.12	-0.11
Alibaba Group Hldg	178.28	+3.68
Aurora Cannabis Inc	5.84	-0.15
US Steel Corp	12.43	+1.15
Banco Bradesco ADS	8.04	-0.23

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization		
STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
AT&T Inc	35.38	+0.41
Alibaba Group Hldg	178.28	+3.68
Alphabet Inc C	1198.45	+20.85
Alphabet Inc A	1200.44	+21.23
Amazon.com Inc	1816.12	+33.55
Apple Inc	210.35	+3.85
Bank of America	27.27	+0.24
Berkshire Hath B	200.94	+1.22
Disney	135.29	+0.09
Exxon Mobil Corp	69.45	+1.15
Facebook Inc	186.17	+2.47
HSBC Holdings pRA	26.43	+0.03
JPMorgan Chase	108.69	+0.97
Johnson & Johnson	132.25	+0.89
MasterCard Inc	278.07	+3.71
Microsoft Corp	138.41	+2.28
Procter & Gamble	120.24	+1.06
Visa Inc	179.74	+1.51
WalMart Strs	113.81	+0.82

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets				
FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR	%RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	31.73	+0.35	+2.1	+2.1
American Funds AMRCNBAlA m	27.40	+0.14	+5.1	+5.1
American Funds CptWldGrncA m	47.72	+0.40	+1.5	+1.5
American Funds CptlncBlDrA m	60.82	+0.46	+4.1	+4.1
American Funds FdmtlInvSA m	58.25	+0.64	+1.6	+1.6
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	49.54	+0.53	+2.0	+2.0
American Funds IncAmrcA m	22.44	+0.16	+3.9	+3.9
American Funds InvCmrcA m	37.75	+0.42	+7.7	+7.7
American Funds NwPrspvctVA m	43.97	+0.38	+4.2	+4.2
American Funds WAMtInvSA m	46.60	+0.51	+5.5	+5.5
Dodge & Cox Inc	14.13	-0.01	+8.4	+8.4
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	38.99	+0.25	-6.1	-6.1
Dodge & Cox Stk	182.28	+2.51	-3.3	-3.3
DoubleLine TTRetBd	10.80	-0.02	+7.5	+7.5
Fidelity 500IdxPrm	101.86	+1.23	+4.7	+4.7
Fidelity Contrafund	13.06	+0.14	+3.8	+3.8
Fidelity TlMktIdxPrm	82.89	+0.96	+3.2	+3.2
Fidelity USDBldIdxPrm	12.01	-0.03	+9.6	+9.6
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.26	+0.01	+2.2	+2.2
Metropolitan West TTRetBd	11.09	-0.03	+9.8	+9.8
PIMCO IncI2	11.94	...	+5.4	+5.4
PIMCO IncIstl	11.94	...	+5.5	+5.5
PIMCO TTRetIns	10.50	-0.05	+8.8	+8.8
Schwab SP500Idx	45.26	+0.55	+4.7	+4.7
T. Rowe Price BCGr	115.84	+1.22	+7.2	+7.2
T. Rowe Price GrStk	68.74	+0.75	+5.9	+5.9
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	270.51	+3.25	+4.7	+4.7
Vanguard BalIdxAdmrl	37.31	+0.24	+6.3	+6.3
Vanguard DivGrvny	30.03	+0.25	+12.9	+12.9
Vanguard EqIncAdmrl	74.19	+0.81	+3.0	+3.0
Vanguard GrIdxAdmrl	85.31	+1.11	+7.5	+7.5
Vanguard HAdmrl	82.04	+0.72	-3.9	-3.9
Vanguard InTRTEAdmrl	14.63	-0.17	+8.3	+8.3
Vanguard InslIdxIns	265.43	+3.19	+4.7	+4.7
Vanguard InslIdxInsPlus	265.45	+3.19	+4.7	+4.7
Vanguard InslTSMInPls	63.05	+0.72	+3.4	+3.4
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	89.80	+1.00	-2.2	-2.2
Vanguard MDCplIdxAdmrl	204.26	+2.16	+3.0	+3.0
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	136.14	+1.80	-0.5	-0.5
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.75	-0.01	+3.7	+3.7
Vanguard SmCplIdxAdmrl	73.20	+0.68	-3.9	-3.9
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	31.82	+0.11	+4.9	+4.9
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	19.04	+0.09	+4.4	+4.4
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	34.62	+0.19	+3.7	+3.7
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	21.20	+0.14	+3.	

OBITUARIES

ROB MOLL 1977-2019

Author wrote book on how to prepare for death

BY BOB GOLDSBOROUGH

Robert Moll, a former reporter for a northwest suburban weekly newspaper and an editor for Christianity Today, wrote two nonfiction books including one that instructed readers on how to prepare themselves for death.

"He just liked to be in the world of ideas, and he was someone who was in the world of ideas, but also someone who always cared about the world around him," said Christianity Today Editorial Director Ted Olsen.

Moll, 41, died July 19 when he fell while hiking in Mount Rainier National Park in Washington, said his wife of 17 years, Clarissa. He was a resident of Rowley, Massachusetts.

Born Robert Michael Moll in Chicago, Moll grew up in Hanover Park and graduated from Schaumburg Christian School. He received a bachelor's degree in computer information systems and English from Cedarville University in Ohio in 2001.

Moll's first job was as a reporter covering crime and business for The Grayslake Times weekly newspaper, which folded in 2003. He began working in 2002 for Christian Citizen in Dayton, Ohio.

In January 2003, Moll took a job for Carol Stream-based Christianity Today magazine as an online assistant editor. He later became an associate editor at the magazine.

"Rob began working at CT really when online news was starting to take off in 2003, and the energy was exciting," his wife said. "He loved the fast pace of online news and the interaction that journalists could have with their audiences — that was so different from print journalism."

During his time at the



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Rob Moll

magazine, Moll gradually became more interested in writing longer articles, including cover stories on Korea and China, as well as on finance.

"He was a storyteller, and for him, the opportunity that cover stories gave, to really dive into a subject and meet people — that's what he really loved about that period of time," his wife said.

Moll reported for Christianity Today on the right-to-die legal case involving Terri Schiavo, leading to his first book. He realized that he knew little about many aspects of death and dying, and volunteered for a hospice organization in Carol Stream and at Hultgren Funeral Home in Wheaton.

Those experiences led to "The Art of Dying: Living Fully into the Life to Come," which was published by Westmont-based InterVarsity Press in 2010. The book explored how Christians historically had prepared for death and offered guidance for those caring for the dying, those grieving and those facing death.

"Rob was only in his mid-30s when he wrote (the book). It was unusual for such a relatively young man to be contemplating his mortality," said Al Hsu, a senior editor at InterVarsity

Press. "He saw how people had been unprepared for death, and it made him live his life more intentionally, more humbly, more generously and more lovingly."

Moll's second book, "What Your Body Knows About God: How We Are Designed to Connect, Serve and Thrive," took a close look at how the human body, including the brain, is connected to Christian spirituality.

Moll left Christianity Today in 2008 to take a job for the Oak Brook-based microfinance organization Opportunity International but remained an editor at large with the magazine. From 2009 until 2011, he worked as the director of publications for Trinity International University in Deerfield.

In 2011, Moll took a job in Seattle with the nonprofit humanitarian organization World Vision as communications officer to the president. Moll in 2016 became director of business operations for Boston-based Eventide Asset Management.

Moll volunteered at one time as a blacksmith with the 1870s at the Napier Settlement living history museum in Naperville.

"Rob was interested in history, and he was looking for an outlet that would allow him to learn a new skill," his wife said. "Blacksmithing was something that was wholly different from the work of a writer. After a stressful day of online news, it was nice to go and pound some things in the forge."

Moll also is survived by four children; his parents, Robert and Ann Moll; a sister, Casey Enns; and a brother, Stephen.

Services were held.

Bob Goldsborough is a freelance reporter.

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON AUGUST 20 ...

In 1866, President Andrew Johnson formally declared the Civil War over, months after the fighting had stopped.

In 1914, German forces occupied Brussels during World War I.

In 1915, the White Sox purchased the contract of "Shoeless" Joe Jackson from Cleveland for \$31,500.

In 1918, Britain opened its offensive on the Western front during World War I.

In 1940, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill paid tribute to the Royal Air Force, saying, "Never in the field of human conflict was so much owed by so many to so few."

In 1953, the Soviet Union publicly acknowledged it had tested a hydrogen bomb.

In 1955, hundreds of people were killed in anti-French rioting in Morocco and Algeria.

In 1964, President Lyndon Johnson signed a nearly \$1 billion anti-poverty measure.

In 1968, the Soviet Union

and other Warsaw Pact nations began invading Czechoslovakia to crush the "Prague Spring" liberalization drive of Alexander Dubcek's regime.

In 1977, the United States launched Voyager 2, an unmanned spacecraft carrying a 12-inch copper phonograph record containing greetings in dozens of languages, samples of music and sounds of nature.

In 1988, eight British soldiers were killed by an Irish Republican Army land mine that destroyed a military bus near Omagh, County Tyrone, in Northern Ireland.

In 1989, video executive Jose Menendez and his wife, Kitty, were shot to death in their Beverly Hills, Calif., mansion by their sons, Lyle and Erik.

In 1992, in the early hours of Aug. 20, the Republican national convention in Houston renominated President George H.W. Bush and Vice President Dan Quayle.

In 1995, in northern India, 348 people were killed when a passenger train rammed another that had stopped on the tracks after hitting a cow.

In 1996, President Bill Clinton approved the first minimum-wage increase in five years, raising the hourly minimum by 90 cents to \$5.15 an hour over 13 months.

In 1998, retaliating 13 days after the deadly embassy bombings in East Africa, U.S. forces launched cruise missile strikes against alleged terrorist camps in Afghanistan and what was described as a chemical plant in Sudan.

In 1999, the CIA pulled the security clearances for former Director John Deutch for keeping secret files on an unsecured home computer.

In 2000, Verizon Communications and unions representing 50,000 workers reached a tentative agreement on a new three-year contract as a two-week strike neared an end.

In 2001, Sir Fred Hoyle, the astronomer who coined the term "Big Bang" but never accepted that theory for the origin of the universe, died in Bournemouth, England; he was 86.

In 2003, hundreds of thousands of people marched in Venezuela, demanding the recall of President Hugo Chavez.

In 2012, Augusta National Golf Club in Georgia ended 80 years of all-male membership by admitting its first two female members: former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice and South Carolina financier Darla Moore.

In 2015, former Redflex Traffic Systems CEO Karen Finley admitted in federal court her role in orchestrating a \$2 million scheme to bribe a top Chicago transportation official to steer tens of millions of dollars in city business to the Arizona-based red light camera firm.

Chicago Tribune Death Notices

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Death Notices

Amato, Edith

Edith Amato (nee DeMichael), 86, at rest August 15, 2019. Beloved wife of Mike; loving mother of Frank (Kathy) Amato, Carol (Sam) Calomino, Dede (Richard) Pacocha and Sunday (B.J.) Marrero; devoted grandmother of 13; dearest great grandmother of 5; dear sister, sister-in-law, aunt and cousin of many. Visitation Wednesday August 21, 2019 from 3:00 P.M. till 9:00 P.M. at **Cumberland Chapels** 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge, IL. Funeral Services will be Thursday at 10 A.M. at the funeral home. Entombment will follow at St. Joseph Cemetery. For more information 708-456-8300

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Berman, Marvin D

After a courageous battle with Cutaneous Lymphoma, Marvin D. Berman, age 88, passed away peacefully in Palm Beach County on August 16, 2019. Marvin is survived by his wife, Brigitte Berman, the love of his life, center of his world, best friend and devoted soul mate for 48 years. Marvin leaves a legacy of steadfast love and devotion to his children, Mark, Cynthia (Ben), Susan (Louis), Lynn (Miles), and JoAnn (Andrew); his grandchildren, Alexandra (Kevin), Melissa, Nicole, Zachary, Maxwell, Charles, Sam, Benjamin and Sara; his late brother Howard, who he cherished and admired, and; his adored niece and nephew, Susan (Ray) and Scott (Laura). Marvin was born in Chicago, Illinois on May 25, 1931, son of the late Minnie and Joe Berman. After graduating from Von Steuben High School in Chicago, Marvin continued his education at the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana, graduating in 1953 with a Bachelor of Science degree. During his college years, he was an active member of his fraternity, Phi Epsilon Pi. The bonds that he formed with many of his fraternity brothers developed into rare and life-long friendships that were strengthened and nurtured by the anticipated annual fishing trips. Marvin was admitted to the Illinois State Bar, the United States District Court, Northern District of Illinois, the United States Court of Appeals, 7th Circuit, and the United States Supreme Court. He was a member of the Moot Court Team, Illinois State and American Bar Associations, Society of Trial Lawyers, Illinois Association of Defense Counsel, Defense Research and Trial Lawyers Association. In addition, he served as Chairman of the Insurance Law Committee from 1983-1984. In 1963, Marvin co-founded the law firm of Kiesler and Berman with his former law school colleague, Robert L. Kiesler. He and Robert (Bob), his business partner and best friend, worked together for decades to build a successful and highly regarded law firm which specialized in all phases of insurance defense and coverage work, corporate, real estate and probate. In 1984, Marvin's daughter, Cynthia, joined the firm and practiced as an associate attorney for many years. While practicing at the firm, Marvin and Bob became owners and Board Member Directors of United Gasket Company, which has expanded into a thriving business with its own manufacturing plants. From his hospital bed, Marvin continued his efforts to consult and be involved with the company's operations. Marvin's was the epitome of a "gentleman," whose integrity, support, generosity and kindness were evident to everyone he knew. He was a proud and confident man, with a strong ethical compass. He was a man of few words, never needing to be the center of attention; nevertheless, people from all walks of life were drawn to him, trusted and admired him, often seeking his personal advice and perspective. He was a focused and non-judgmental listener and a loyal friend, whose words could be taken at face value. Never known to betray a confidence or break a promise, his character and values spoke through his actions. Like a true fisherman, Marvin pursued what was elusive, yet obtainable, holding on to infinite occasions for hope. His passion for fishing and the beauty of natural environment gave him and his loved one the gifts of peace and immortality during his final days. He would grasp his pole, cast out to sea, and allow the magic and dreams of love, courage, and never-ending hope transplant him to a place where he could truly be free. Please join us in honoring the life and the memory of a devoted son, a loving husband, an adoring father, an idolized grandfather, an admiring brother, a treasured Uncle, a loyal and giving friend, and an exceptional human being. Funeral services will take place at Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home, 111 Skokie Blvd, Wilmette, Illinois, on Tuesday, August 20, 2019 at 1:00 pm. Immediately after the service, the entombment will take place at Memorial Park Cemetery, Skokie, IL. The family encourages contributions in Marvin's honor to be made to the Cutaneous Lymphoma Foundation. For info: 847-256-5700.

Funeral Services will be held at Woodlawn Funeral Home 7750 W. Cermak Rd Forest Park IL Wednesday August 21st from 3-8pm. Funeral service will be Thursday 10am at the Funeral Home with interment to follow at Woodlawn Memorial Park. For more information please visit www.woodlawnchicago.com or call 708-442-8500.

Buffardi, Louis P.

It is with great sadness that the family of Louis P. Buffardi announces his passing into Heaven on Tuesday, August 13, 2019 at the age of 76. Lou is lovingly remembered by his wife of 51 years, Claire L. Buffardi, nee Sasgen; his children Elizabeth (Kevin Smith) Buffardi, Ali (Dave) Zimmermann, and Christopher (Amy) Buffardi. Lou is fondly remembered by his 4 grandchildren; Luke and David Zimmermann, and Caiden and Alana Buffardi. Lou is also survived by his loving brother James (the late Lynne) Buffardi and his loving sisters Carmelynn Panzarella and Donna (Tom) Hornsby; dear uncle to many nieces and nephews. Visitation Thursday, August 22nd, 3 p.m. until 9 p.m. at **Sullivan Funeral Home**, 60 S. Grant Street, Hinsdale, Illinois 60521. Family and friends to gather for a Mass of Celebration on Friday, August 23rd at 10 a.m. at St. Francis Xavier Church, 124 N. Spring Avenue, La Grange, Illinois 60525. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Louis Buffardi can be made to Misericordia Heart of Mercy, 6300 North Ridge Ave., Chicago, IL 60660 or Mercy Home for Boys and Girls, 1140 W. Jackson Blvd., Chicago, IL 60607. 630-323-0275 or www.sullivanfuneralhomehinsdale.com.



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Butcher, Howard F.

Howard F. Butcher, 72 longtime resident of Cicero was born in Chicago Illinois to the late Wallace and Hattie Butcher and passed away August 18, 2019 peacefully at home surrounded by family. Howard was the beloved husband of Victoria Butcher (nee DeVine); loving father of Michael (Erika) Butcher and Nicholas (Janeth) Butcher; proud grandfather of Venus, Isabel, Nicholas Jr., and Isaiah Butcher; dear brother of the late Sandra Butcher, and Wallace (Nancy) Butcher; fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. A visitation will be held at Woodlawn Funeral Home 7750 W. Cermak Rd Forest Park IL Wednesday August 21st from 3-8pm. Funeral service will be Thursday 10am at the Funeral Home with interment to follow at Woodlawn Memorial Park. For more information please visit www.woodlawnchicago.com or call 708-442-8500.

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Cunningham, Sarah M.

Sarah M. Cunningham found peace on August 15th, 2019. Loving daughter of Maria and the late Dick Cunningham. Devoted sister to Jesse and Maria Cunningham. Adored niece, cousin and true friend to countless. Sarah worked for many publishing companies throughout her career, but at heart, she was an unending student of humanity and our planet. She was an obsessive White Sox fan like her father. Her thirst to know, her thirst to share, her thirst to understand, and her thirst for justice brought a special beauty to our world. "If you keep your heart open through everything, your pain can become your greatest ally in your life's search for love and wisdom." Funeral Thursday 9:00 a.m. from Donnellan Funeral Home 10525 S. Western Ave. Chicago to St. Barnabas Church 10134 S. Longwood Dr. for Mass 10:00 a.m. Int. Private. Visitation Wednesday 3:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the Bail Project P.O. Box 750, Venice, CA. 90294. www.bailproject.org or the Innocence Project at www.innocenceproject.org. Info (773) 238-0075 or Sign guestbook at www.donnellanfuneralhome.com.



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Dorchack, Joseph Paul

Joseph Paul Dorchack, age 70, of Bolingbrook, beloved husband of Margaret "Peg" Sokalski; loving stepfather of Heather Sokalski; dear brother of the late James Dorchack; devoted son of the late Paul and Kay Dorchack. Joe received his Master's Degree in history from Roosevelt University in Chicago. He formerly worked as a paralegal for Cantor Fitzgerald and most recently taught for DeVry University. Visitation 4 to 8 p.m. Thursday August 22, at **Drechsler, Brown & Williams** Funeral Home, 203 S. Marion St., Oak Park. Interment Private. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date at St. Christopher Episcopal Church in Oak Park. In lieu of flowers, donations to A.D.O.P.T. (adoptpethelter.org/donate) are appreciated. Funeral info: drechslerbrownwilliams.com or 708-383-3191

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Forbes, Anne

Anne Forbes, nee Rudich, age 93, loving wife of the late Gerald "Jerry" Forbes; cherished mother of Pamela (Stuart) Lieberman) Forbes Lieberman and Marla (Al DeVaney) Forbes; proud grandmother of Jeremy and Genna Popper; adored sister of Carolyn (Harold) Tecktiel, Charlene (Alan) Rubin, Sidney Rudich and the late Eleanor Jolcover; sister-in-law of the late Martin (late Annette) Forbes; admired by all who knew her, Anne was a beloved aunt and great aunt to numerous nephews and nieces and loving friend to long time caregiver and companion, Asheila Yap. Anne was an opera singer who made her career locally, in Chicago where she was born and raised. She studied voice at Hull House, Oberlin College and The American Conservatory. She later worked for many years at Marshall Field's, managing the Customer Service department. She was greatly loved and will be missed by all. Service Wednesday, 2:00 p.m. at The Chapel, 8851 Skokie Blvd, Skokie (at Niles Center Rd.). Interment Shalom Memorial Park. Contributions may be made to the Lyric Opera of Chicago www.lyricopera.org, or Purple Heart Foundation, www.purpleheartfoundation.org. Info: The **Goldman Funeral Group**, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.



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Gaffud, Angelita T.

Angelita T. Gaffud; dear daughter of the late Miguel and Maria Gaffud; fond sister of Miguel T. (Edna), Jaime (Nenita), the late Maria Luisa, Norma, M.D., Jose, M.D. (Esther), Jorge, M.D. (Kay) Gaffud; loving aunt, godmother and teacher to many. Visitation Thursday 3:00 PM to 8:00 PM. Funeral Friday 9:15 AM, from **Adams-Winterfield & Sullivan Funeral Home**, 4343 Main St., (1 blk So. of Ogden Ave.) Downers Grove to St. Joseph Church, Mass 10:00 AM. Interment Private. Memorials to St. Joseph School, 4832 Highland Ave., Downers Grove, IL 60515, appreciated. 630/968-1000 or www.adams-winterfieldsullivan.com



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Giordano (Hernandey), Beatrice Ann Beloved wife, mother, and grandmother passed away after a long battle with cancer on August 17. She is survived by her son, daughter, two grandsons, and extensive family and friends. She was a gifted artist who loved to read and travel. She had a contagious laugh and zeal for life everyone should emulate. A celebration of her life will be at Angeli's restaurant in Naperville, 1478 East Chicago Ave. On August 25th from 1-4pm.

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ILLINOIS

Aug. 19

Lotto 24 27 28 39 41 46

Lotto jackpot: \$5M

Pick 3 midday 415 / 4

Pick 4 midday 0330 / 3

Lucky Day Lotto midday 06 14 35 37 41

Pick 3 evening 489 / 7

Pick 4 evening 3180 / 2

Lucky Day Lotto evening 07 19 31 32 33

Aug. 20 Mega Millions: \$79M

Aug. 21 Powerball: \$40M

WISCONSIN

Aug. 19

Pick 3 610

Pick 4 3418

Badger 5 04 10 15 24 29

SuperCash 04 10 12 16 21 25

INDIANA

Aug. 19

Daily 3 midday 136 / 8

Daily 4 midday 9828 / 8

Daily 3 evening 301 / 1

Daily 4 evening 4351 / 1

Cash 5 27 28 29 36 38

MICHIGAN

Aug. 19

Daily 3 midday 997

Daily 4 midday 4324

Daily 3 evening 119

Daily 4 evening 6561

Fantasy 5 12 30 31 32 38

Keno 02 04 11 25 27 29

36 39 45 46 48 50 52 54

55 57 60 63 67 70 73 74

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Gutterman, Joan L.

Joan Gutterman, nee Levey, 88. Beloved wife of the late Milton M.; devoted mother of Dr. Gail (Matthew) Bryant and Allen (late Ilona) Gutterman; cherished grandmother of William, Samuel, and Michael Bryant and Jacob and Maya Gutterman; loving sister of the late Harriet (late Albert) Sumner; caring aunt of Carol (Harold) Rosen and Pamela (Barry) Pearl. Funeral service Weds, Aug. 21, 1:30 PM, at **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home**, 111 Skokie Blvd, Wilmette. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Jewish United Fund, www.juf.org. For info: 847-256-5700.



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Hankins, Glenn A.

Glenn A. Hankins, passed away Saturday, August 17, 2019. Glenn was born in Yukon, West Virginia to James Robert Hankins and Vivian Marie Hankins (McCann). Glenn's father was a preacher and coal miner, killed in a mining accident when Glenn was only 3 years old. In 1937 they moved to a farm in Bandy, Virginia where he lived until he graduated from high school in 1942 at age 16. In Fall of 1943, he took a test for the Navy V-12 program and was accepted into the University of South Carolina. After one year, Glenn transferred to Purdue University where he graduated second in his class with a BS in aeronautical engineering. While in the Navy, he served as an Ensign in the office of the Commander, Aircraft, Pacific in Hawaii. In 1947 he started employment with Standard Oil Company at their Whiting, Indiana refinery. He met Patricia Ann Boyle in Chicago and they wed on September 3, 1949, later having seven children: William (Kathleen) Hankins, Kay (Michael) Klinger, Marilee (Thomas) Koewler, Jane (Michael) Chiamonte, Nancy Hankins, Susan (Shawn) Broadfield and Jeanne (John) Douglass. With Glenn's job at Standard Oil he moved frequently, living in Missouri, North Dakota, Wyoming, then a six year stint in Milan, Italy. He also spent years in Dusseldorf, Germany and worked the last ten years of his forty-three year career with Amoco in London England, retiring in 1990 as the Managing Director of Amoco (UK) Ltd. After Retirement, Glenn and Patt settled down in Arlington Heights, Illinois. For the past five years, he and Patt have lived at The Garlands in Barrington, Illinois. Glenn was a long-time supporter of higher education and especially Purdue University and was very generous in supporting their engineering department. He was proud to have all of his children graduate from college. He also significantly contributed to college tuition for his grandchildren. Glenn and Patt have been active in the Catholic Church throughout their married life. They were long time members of St. Cecelia's Parish in Arlington Heights and since their move to The Garlands, St. Theresa Church in Palatine. Glenn was an organizer his whole life. From building refineries around the world to managing Amoco UK, his mind was constantly active. Those who knew him knew he would never just accept an answer but demanded the rationale behind it. Always an active man (he loved golfing in Florida and was skiing in Vail until he was 72), Glenn battled Pulmonary Fibrosis for the past ten years to which he finally succumbed. Glenn is survived by his wife of 70 years, Patt, seven children, twenty-three grandchildren, and twelve (soon to be thirteen) great grandchildren. Glenn was a loving husband, father, father in law, grandfather, and great-grandfather. He will be sorely missed by all. The family would like to thank so many people for their support over the past years. In lieu of flowers, a donation in Glenn's name may be made to the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation. Visitation will be held Thursday, August 22nd, 3 PM to 8 PM, Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home, 185 E Northwest Highway, Palatine. Funeral services to begin Friday, August 23rd, 9:30 AM from the funeral home to St. Theresa Church for a Mass at 10 AM. Interment All Saints Cemetery. Info 847-359-8020 or visit www.smithcorcoran.com



W. (Gregory) Horn. Uncle to many nieces and nephews. Visitation Thursday, August 22, 2019, 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**, 10045 Skokie Boulevard, at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL 60077. Funeral Mass Friday, August 23, 2019, 10:00 a.m. at Saints Faith, Hope, & Charity Church, 191 Linden St., Winnetka, IL 60093. In lieu of flowers please make a memorial contribution to American Lung Association, 55 W Wacker Dr., Ste 1150, Chicago, IL 60601. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847)675-1990.

Pazier, Donna Lee

Donna Lee Pazier nee Bylica. Beloved wife of Thomas Pazier. Loving mother of Lisa (Steven) Nagel & Catherine Pazier. Cherished grandmother of John, Thomas, Tara & the late Ryan. Dear sister of the late Edwin (Janice) Bylica. Fond aunt of many nieces & nephews. Funeral Thursday 10:15 am from **Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home**, 5570 W. 95th St., Oak Lawn to St. Linus Church for Mass at 11:00 am. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. Visitation Thursday from 8:30 am until the time of prayers at 10:15 am. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Animal Welfare League, 10305 Southwest Highway, Chicago Ridge, IL 60415 would be greatly appreciated. thompsonkuensterfuneralhome.com 708-425-0500

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Spapperi, Joseph L.

Joseph L. Spapperi, age 86; Beloved husband of Charlotte nee Ciupik; Loving father of Cheryl (Ken) Boker, Joseph M. (Ida), Daniel (Susan) and the late Stephen A. (Coleen); devoted grandfather of Andrea, Christopher, Rachel, Alexandria, Justine, Gabrielle, Stephen, Nicholas, Allison, Lauren, Michael and the late Joseph and great grandfather of Bella Rose; dear brother of the late Violet; fond uncle of many. He will be missed by his canine companion, Dino. Visitation Thursday 3:00 - 8:00 p.m. and Friday 9:00 a.m. until time of Funeral Service, 10:00 a.m. at **The Oaks Funeral Home** 1201 E. Irving Park Road (at Prospect), Itasca. Entombment Acacia Park Cemetery. For funeral information: 630-250-8588 or www.theoaksfh.com

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Whiting Jr., Clayton E.

Clayton E. Whiting Jr., age 83, of Winnetka. Beloved husband to Kathy Whiting nee Mouzakeotis. Loving father to Clayton E. Whiting III "Tripper" and T.C. Whiting. Dear brother to Paul L. (Gail) Whiting, Rita W. (David) Baranowski, the late Robert M. (Violetta) Whiting, the late Edward M. (Jackie) Whiting, the late Philip M. (Carol Neal) Whiting, and the late Marigay



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Lopate, Dorothy

Dorothy Lopate, nee Solomon, age 92, passed away peacefully in her sleep the evening of August 17th. Beloved wife of the late Leonard. Cherished mother of Sheldon (Barbara) Lopate, Sheree (Carl) Rosenthal and the late Steven Lopate. Devoted "Nana" of Leonard "Len" (Megan) Lopate, Dana, Aron and Bret Rosenthal, and great-grandchild Esme'. Dear sister of the late Seymour (Doris) Solomon. Fond aunt and great-aunt of many. Dorothy's greatest joy was spending time with her family. Graveside services Wednesday 10:30 am at Menorah Gardens, 2630 S. 17th Ave in Broadview. Contributions in Dorothy's name to the Alzheimer's Association www.alz.org would be appreciated. Info: **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals** 630-MITZVAH 630-648-9824, or www.mitzvahfunerals.com



Dear sister of the late Seymour (Doris) Solomon. Fond aunt and great-aunt of many. Dorothy's greatest joy was spending time with her family. Graveside services Wednesday 10:30 am at Menorah Gardens, 2630 S. 17th Ave in Broadview. Contributions in Dorothy's name to the Alzheimer's Association www.alz.org would be appreciated. Info: **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals** 630-MITZVAH 630-648-9824, or www.mitzvahfunerals.com

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McManus, Geoffrey C.

Geoffrey C. McManus of Downers Grove, age 63. Cherished son of the late John and Shirley McManus; loving brother of the late John (Lois), Jim (Barbara) and Richard (Sue) McManus; proud uncle of Patrick (Elizabeth), Jack (Gayle), Suzi (Toby) Vetting and Katie (Jack) Bryan; loving great-uncle of Colin, Brendan, Megan, MaryClair, Piper, Eian, Fiona and Jackson. Services are private. Arrangements entrusted to **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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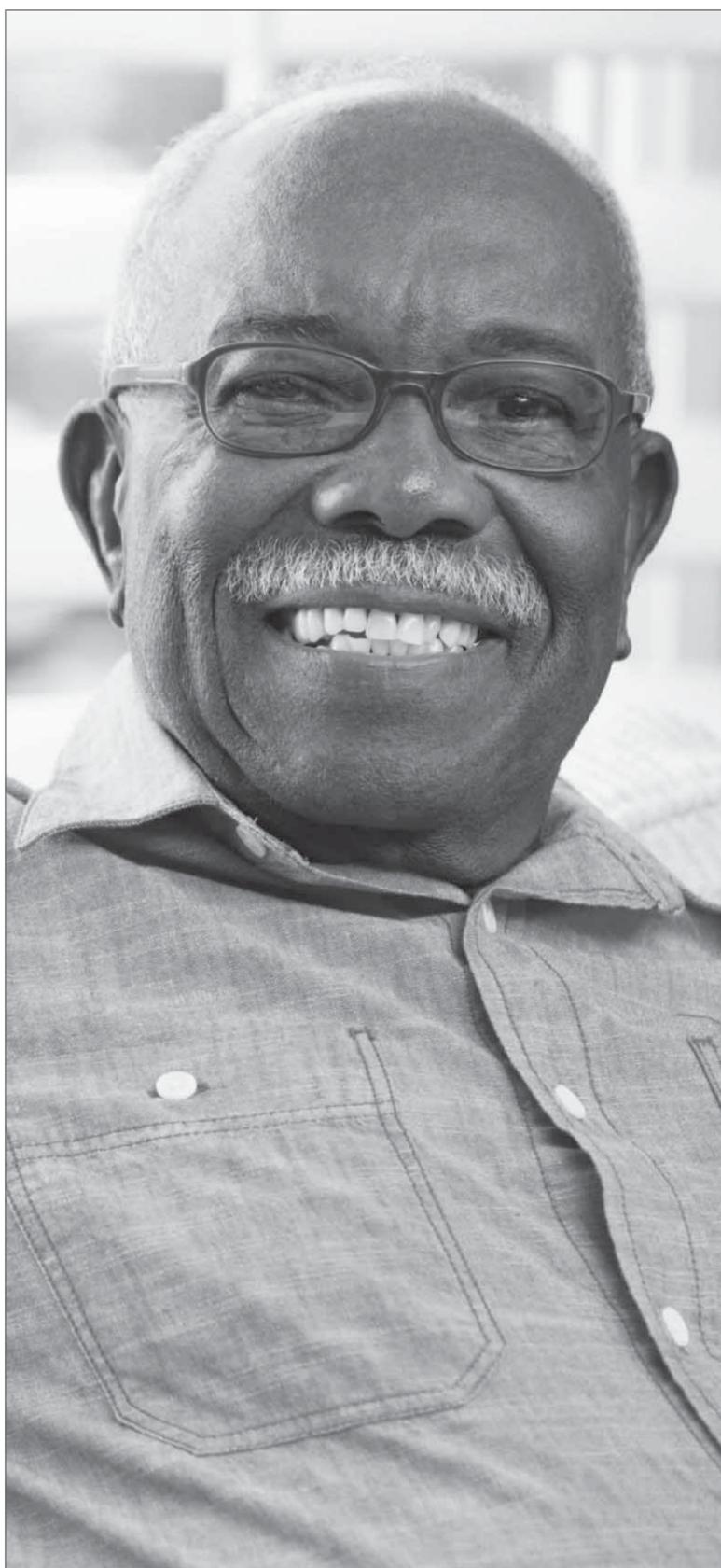
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OGDEN, MARIE B.

Marie B. Ogden, nee Lurie age 102; beloved wife of the late Seymour; dear aunt of Judith Grishaver, Joel Grishaver, Caryn (Barry) Mendel, and Francine (Jim) Mann; loyal friend of Toni (Bob) Lawrence, Lynda Yanez (Dennis Chan), Terry Diamond, and Clifford (Nancy) Scott-Rudnick. Service Thursday 11am in the chapel of Westlawn Cemetery and Mausoleum, 7801 W. Montrose Avenue, Norridge, where interment will follow. Contributions may be made to Temple Sholom of Chicago, 3480 N. Lake Shore Drive, Chicago, 60657, where she had been a member for over 50 years. Arrangements entrusted to **Lakeshore Jewish Funerals**, 773-625-8621

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Devione Smith

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Sharia Watson (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00564

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on May 29, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Kimberly Lewis in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 09/10/2019, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 8 COURTROOM H, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS August 20, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Keon Young

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Keon Young (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00483

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Dwayne Gibson (Father) Any And All Unknown Fathers Any, respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on May 13, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Robert Balanoff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 09/10/2019, at 1:30 PM in CALENDAR 12 COURTROOM L, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

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UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS August 20, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Malik Cureton AKA Meleck Cureton

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Toni Fulton (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 15JA00875

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on June 19, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge John Huff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 09/09/2019, at 10:00 AM in CALENDAR 14 COURTROOM N, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS August 20, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Sertiny Stone AKA Serenity Stone

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Lashawnda Stone (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00153

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Cory Clinton (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on February 21, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXF in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Demetrios Kottaras in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 09/10/2019, at 10:00 AM in CALENDAR 7 COURTROOM G, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS August 20, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES

The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago will be accepting applications for the following classification(s):

Associate Structural Engineer (Original & Promotional)

Application Filing Period: August 2, 2019 through September 13, 2019. Examination Date: September 28, 2019 at Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHAS), 3857 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of associate structural engineer practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Under general supervision, performs ordinary structural engineering work in connection with the design of steel, wood and reinforced concrete structures. May supervise subordinate engineers and sub-professional personnel. Pay: \$79,107.08 per year

Database Administrator (Original & Promotional)

Application Filing Period: July 19, 2019 through August 23, 2019. Examination Date: September 7, 2019 at Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHAS), 3857 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of database administrator practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Under direction, designs, implements, administers and maintains the District's relational database systems that support the functional requirements of the application systems used by the operating departments; and develops, implements and oversees database policies and procedures to ensure the integrity and availability of databases and their accompanying software. Pay: \$87,792.38 per year

Senior Stores Specialist (Original & Promotional)

Application Filing Period: August 2, 2019 through August 30, 2019. Examination Date: September 21, 2019 at Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHAS), 3857 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL. Scope of Examination: Knowledge of senior stores specialist practices. Nature of Position and Duties: Under general supervision, is responsible for the activities of employees engaged in the inventory and cataloging of items and/or assists in the analysis and control of optimum inventory levels maintained in major storerooms and other areas throughout the District. Pay: \$72,075.12 per year

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FORECLOSURES

MANLEY, DEAS, KOCHALSKI LLC One East Wacker - Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, THE NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY, FKA NORTHERN TRUST COMPANY, Plaintiff, v. CITIBANK N.A., UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; AMERICAN NATIONAL HOME MORTGAGE, INC.; DEMETRIUS ROSS; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF RUDOLPH ROSS, DECEASED; JOHN LYDON, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF RUDOLPH ROSS, DECEASED, Defendants, Case No. 2018CH13361. The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, American National Home Mortgage, Inc., Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Rudolph Ross, deceased, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows: to-wit: The North 4 feet of Lot 35 and all of Lot 36 and 37 (except the North 24 feet thereof) in Block 10 in the subdivision of Blocks 1 to 13 inclusive of J.B. Lyons subdivision of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 18, Township 28 North, Range 14 East of the Third Principal Meridian (excepting the North 134 feet of Blocks 1 and 2 and the North 60 feet of the South 350 feet of Blocks 7 and 8 in Cook County, Illinois, 5733 South Wolcott Avenue, Chicago, IL 60636 20-18-218-011-0000 Now, therefore, unless you, Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants, American National Home Mortgage, Inc., Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Rudolph Ross, deceased, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois, on or before September 5, 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp or contact the Clerk of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Shara A. Metterstrom (6294499) MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-651-6700; Fax: 614-220-5613 Atty. No.: 48928 Email: sef-saneterstrom@manleydeas.com One of Plaintiff's Attorneys Pub: 8/6, 13, 20/2019 6398112

MANLEY, DEAS, KOCHALSKI LLC One East Wacker - Suite 1250 Chicago, IL 60601 IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, NATIONSTAR HECM ACQUISITION TRUST 2018-3, WILMINGTON SAVINGS FUND TRUST, FSB, NOT INDIVIDUALLY, BUT SOLELY AS TRUSTEE, Plaintiff, v. THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, SECRETARY OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT; UNKNOWN OWNERS AND NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS; 200 EAST DELAWARE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION; HELEN HARRIS; SULKOM HARRIS; UNKNOWN HEIRS AND LEGATEES OF ANITA BAZELON, DECEASED; ANITA BAZELON, DECEASED; WILLIAM BUTCHER, AS SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE OF INA STRIN, DECEASED, Defendants, Case No. 2019CH0988. The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Anita Bazelon, deceased, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois by the said plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain Mortgage conveying the premises described as follows: to-wit: Unit No. 13E, as delineated on plat of survey of the following described parcel of real estate (hereinafter referred to as "Parcel"): Lots 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 in the subdivision of the West 1/2 of the Northeast 1/4 of Section 39, Township 39 North, Range 14 East of the Third Principal Meridian, in Cook County, Illinois, which survey is attached as Exhibit "A" Declaration of Condominium made by Chicago Title and Trust Company, a corporation of Illinois, as Trustee under Trust Agreement dated July 14, 1969 and known as Trust Number 53951, recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds of Cook County, Illinois, as Document 2230958, together with an undivided percent interest in said parcel (excepting from said parcel the property and space comprising all the units as defined and set forth in said Declaration and Survey) all in Cook County, Illinois, 200 East Delaware Place, Unit 13E, Chicago, Illinois 60601-1138 Now, therefore, unless you, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Anita Bazelon, deceased, and the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of the Clerk of the Cook County Judicial Circuit, Cook County, Illinois, on or before September 12, 2019, default may be entered against you at any time after that day and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit http://www.illinoiscourts.gov/faq/gethelp.asp or contact the Clerk of this Court. Edward R. Peterka (6220416) MANLEY DEAS KOCHALSKI LLC Attorneys for Plaintiff One East Wacker, Suite 1250, Chicago, IL 60601 Phone: 312-651-6700; Fax: 614-220-5613 Atty. No.: 48928 Email: sef-epeterka@manleydeas.com One of Plaintiff's Attorneys Pub: 8/13, 20, 27/2019 6404459

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TO: Charlene Jones; City of Chicago, c/o City Clerk; NHS Redevelopment Corporation, c/o Anjanette Brown; First Bank of Oak Park (successor to Sterling Savings Bank); US Bank (successor to Sterling Savings Bank); U.S. Bank (successor to Sterling Savings Bank); Buddeim Radjocic; Judgment Creditors; And Decree Creditors, If Any Of The Above Described As "Unknown Owners"; Karen A. Yarbrough, Cook County Clerk; Parties In Occupancy Or Actual Possession Of Said Property; Unknown Owners Or Persons Interested In Said Land Or Lot. TAX DEED NO. 2019 COTD 002301 FILED: August 8, 2019 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook, State of Illinois Date Premises Sold: April 5, 2017 Certificate No. 15-0007942 Sold for General Taxes of: 2015 Annual Sale Sold For Special Assessment of (Municipality) Not Applicable. And Special Assessment No. Not Applicable. Warrant No. Not Applicable. Inst. No. Not Applicable. THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 7244 S. Ashland Ave., Chicago, Illinois Legal Description or Property Index No. 20-32-207-011-0000 Vol. 10 To this notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on January 16, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the County Clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before January 15, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois on January 31, 2020 at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before January 15, 2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk. Address: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, IL 60602 Telephone: (312) 603-5645 CAPITAL 28, LLC, purchaser or assignee Dated: August 16, 2019 Judd M. Harris #5136 923 West Van Buren St. Suite 304 Chicago, IL 60607 312-795-9600 harrislaw@sbcglobal.net. Pub: 8/20, 21, 22/2019 6412779

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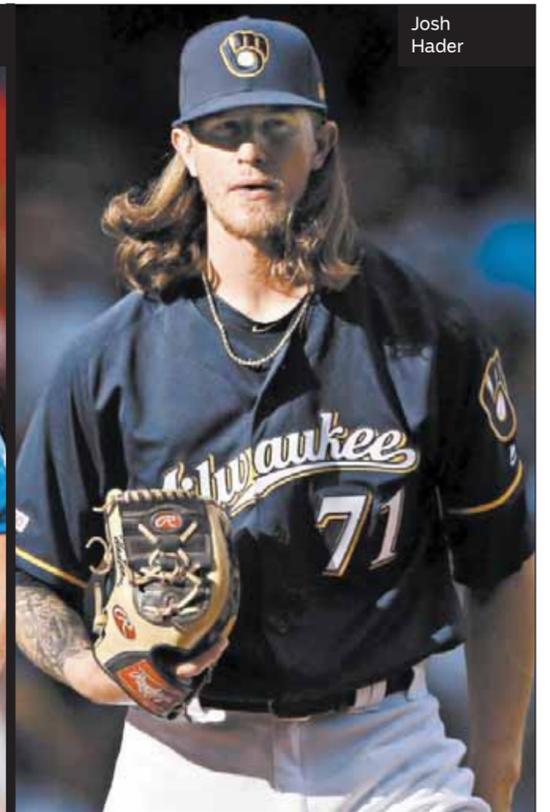
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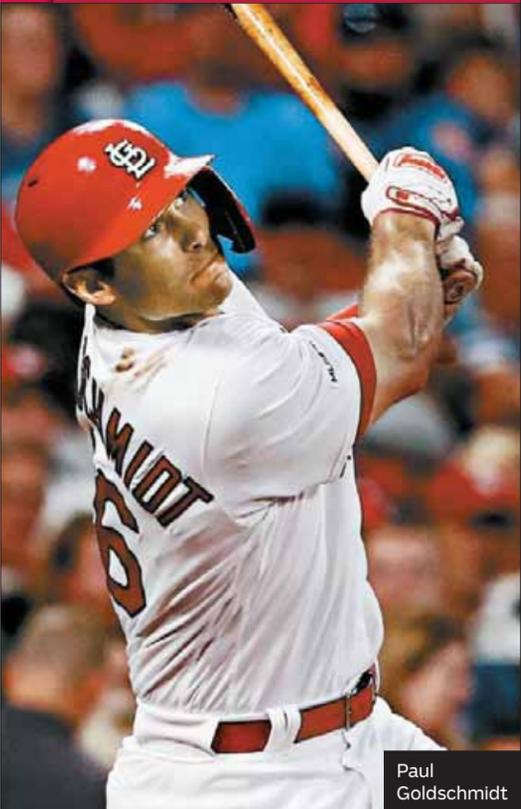
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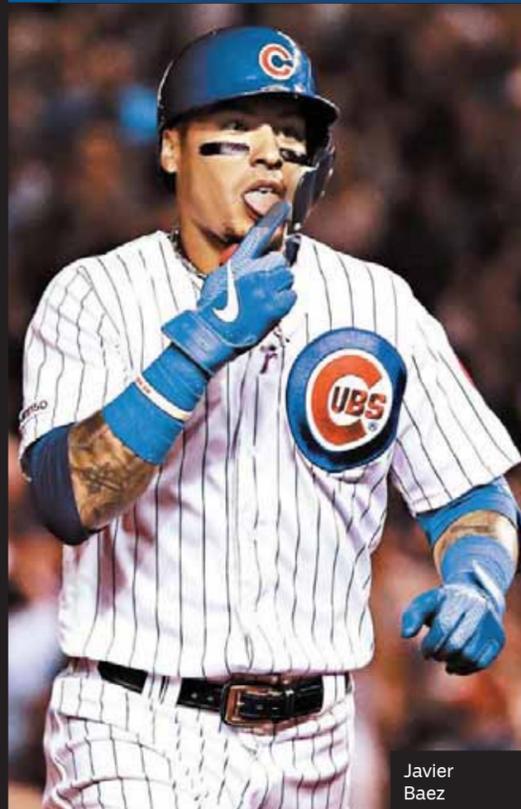
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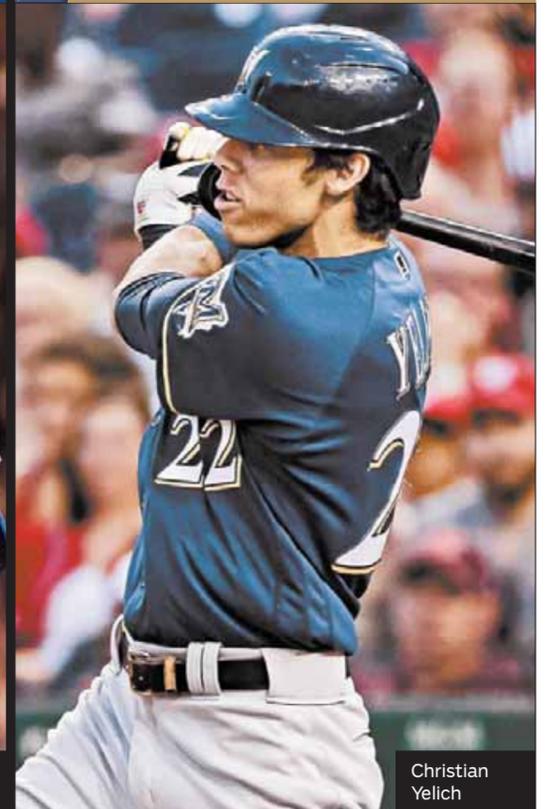
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Paul Goldschmidt



Javier Baez



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Good, bad and ugly

In tight but flawed NL Central race, who will make difference for Cubs, Cardinals, Brewers?

We're seemingly headed toward an epic finish in the National League Central race between the Cubs, Cardinals and Brewers, just as many predicted before the season.

Cubs manager Joe Maddon said in the spring it would be a "cluster" until the end, and thus far that terminology is appropriate.

The Cubs and Cardinals will meet in a season-ending series Sept. 27-29 at Busch Stadium, while the Brewers end the season against the Rockies at Coors Field.

So which team has the edge?

It's difficult to say because each has its own peculiar problems.

"It's like the good, the bad and the ugly," Cardinals shortstop Paul DeJong told the



PAUL SULLIVAN
On the Cubs

St. Louis Post-Dispatch. "It's up to the reader to determine who's who."

The three contenders have taken turns being good, bad and ugly, so it might come down to these key people:

The managers

The 65-year-old Maddon was seen sliding down a hill on a cardboard box Sunday at the Little League World Series, proving you're as young as you feel. His Cubs have spent the season sliding downhill on the road, forcing them to make the long trek up whenever they return home, as they do Tuesday against the Giants.

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'American Legion Week' a tool to sharpen focus

Maddon emphasizes value of 'fresh mind and body'

By **MARK GONZALES**

Show up late but be ready. That's the message Cubs manager Joe Maddon conveys during the annual "American Legion Week," which starts Tuesday and encourages players to report to Wrigley Field whenever they feel like before a game.

The Cubs are fighting for a share of first place in a tight National League Central, thanks to blunders, a lack of clutch hitting and late-inning relief mishaps that have led

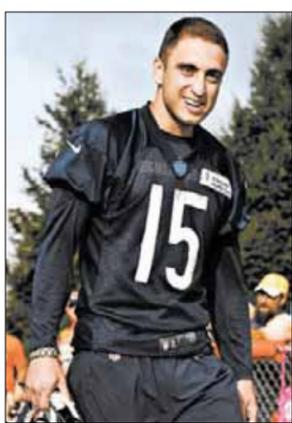
to a 25-39 road record.

So they'll need to be sharp when they open a three-game series against a Giants team competing for an NL wild-card berth.

"I want it to be reminiscent of when we played as kids," said Maddon, who started the late August tradition with his Rays teams more than 10 years ago. "And you didn't show up so early and take 100 swings in the cage and another 50 on the field or pore over information and data."

"And you know what? We played well. Sometimes I think the stuff is overdone. I really believe in a fresh mind and body this time of the year."

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JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Eddy Pineiro is the last man standing, for now, in the Bears' kicking competition.

Job 1 for Nagy: Test Pineiro

Coach should tailor in-game decisions, play calls to evaluate his kicker in final 2 preseason games

Matt Nagy should consider kicking a 56-yard field goal if the situation arises again in the Bears' final two preseason games.

Flash back to Friday's 32-13 preseason loss to the Giants which, in case you missed it, did not have a lot of highlights.

One play that stood out came in the closing moments of the first half when, with 16 seconds



BRAD BIGGS
On the Bears

remaining, Chase Daniel threaded a 29-yard pass to Javon Wims outside the seam on the left side.

The Bears were out of timeouts and the offense raced to the line of scrimmage at the Giants' 9-yard line,

where Daniel spiked the ball to stop the clock with one second left. It's valuable for Nagy to know 15 seconds is enough time to gain nearly 30 yards through

the air and get the clock stopped, information that could come in handy at the end of a game that counts.

"Situational, we're in some spots right now where maybe we don't do some things that we would do in a regular season," he said. "We were playing with fire there and I don't know if... I would necessarily do that in a game. The great part of preseason is we're able to test that out and now we have video evidence of what we can do."

In running the play, Nagy passed on what would have been

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BEST BEARS PLAYERS EVER

Jones excelled on both sides of line



Stan Jones, our pick at No. 17, was a seven-time Pro Bowler as an offensive lineman before switching to defensive tackle and becoming a key part of the 1963 championship defense. **Back Page**



MORE COVERAGE
Why Matt Nagy's new approach to the preseason has its perks — and its challenges. **Page 6**

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PHIL ROSENTHAL

What the kids can teach us

Whatever else Cubs fans may feel about “Sunday Night Baseball,” there’s one thing they can’t complain about on Twitter and talk radio.

The Cubbies — as their Little League Classic uniforms dubbed them — have a 4-2 record this season with ESPN’s Matt Vasgersian, Alex Rodriguez and Jessica Mendoza calling the action.

Here are seven takeaways from watching and listening to Sunday’s 7-1 victory over the Pirates in Williamsport, Pa.:

1. More of this, please, part 1.

There were at least three things it would be great to see more regularly.

(Make that four things, if you’re a Cubs fan and wouldn’t mind seeing them win an occasional series on the road.)

First, there ought to be a handshake line for the two teams after every Major League Baseball game, or at least at the end of every series.

2. More of this, please, part 2.

Plus, how great was it to see so many Little Leaguers — including those kids in orange behind home plate — imitate Cubs reliever Craig Kimbrel’s trademark hanging-arm, pterodactyl-like stance?

It will be disappointing if this doesn’t catch on whenever the self-dubbed “Dirty Craig” pitches.

3. More of this, please, part 3.

Best of all may have been when Anthony Rizzo — appreciative of daps he got from members of the Little League World Series team from Japan and impressed with the play of shortstop Kazuhiro Kishikawa — let neither language nor protective netting prevent him from a special moment in the middle of the game.

Rizzo autographed the ball he had just hit for a home run in the sixth inning and employed Japanese teammate Yu Darvish as interpreter to ensure the youngster got the souvenir during the game. It was a genuine highlight.

Now, MLB players do toss balls into the stands at the end of innings and no one wants to hear fans pleading for autographs all game. The professionals are expected to keep their focus on the game on the field, after all.

But every now and then it couldn’t hurt to surprise a kid with a special keepsake in a special way like that.



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Let’s have more of this: The Cubs and Pirates shake hands after the Little League Classic.

4. Guess we’ll never know whether a hot dog is a sandwich.

ESPN benefited from having Rizzo mic’ed up as he gave away the autographed home-run ball and the events leading up to it.

But it also earlier had to prematurely bail out of a less meaningful “wired” clip of Rizzo debating with Nicholas Castellanos about whether a hot dog is a sandwich because of action on the field.

Javier Baez had the audacity to double into the left-field corner to force ESPN’s hand before Rizzo and Castellano could be heard resolving their differences.

5. Stuck in Lodi.

Visiting BB&T Ballpark at Bowman Field — home of the Class A Williamsport Crosscutters — got Cubs radio announcer Pat Hughes reminiscing about his days as voice of the San Jose Missions of the Class A California League right out of college in 1978.

Specifically, Hughes recalled the setup that awaited him at a road game against the Lodi Crushers.

“Great people in Lodi, but do you know what the press box consisted of?” Hughes said. “A card table behind the backstop with a folding chair.”

Hughes was the complete media contingent that night.

Oh, and he said the table had holes in it. There may have been some kind of termite problem at the ballpark.

“You’re never going to hear me complain

about any facility” after that, he said. “Not really. I shouldn’t.”

6. Interrupting this episode of ‘The Commish.’

While former A-Rod teammate and recently inducted Hall of Fame pitcher Mike Mussina was chatting with ESPN’s announcers, WSCR-AM 670’s Hughes and Ron Coomer were joined by Commissioner Rob Manfred.

More noteworthy than anything Manfred told them was how gracefully Hughes slipped in his call of Jason Heyward’s third-inning home run.

Hughes didn’t miss a beat, perfectly threading the needle between Manfred’s discussion of how state and local governments ponied up to fix Bowman Field and a reflection on all the great daylong interaction between the Little League kids and major-leaguers.

The subject of extending the safety netting at Wrigley Field did not come up.

7. Just like old baseball cards.

A highlight of ESPN’s presentation was when it offered details on screen of what players were like when they were young enough to play Little League ball.

Among the Cubs, we learned:

- Kris Bryant wanted to be a dentist when he grew up.
- Tony Kemp hoped to become a pilot
- Kimbrel was a cellist in the fifth grade.
- Castellanos played Prince Charming in a sixth-grade play.

LET’S PLAY 2

	Saturday @Colts Preseason 6, FOX-32	Aug. 29 Titans Preseason 7, FOX-32
	Tuesday Giants 7:05 p.m. NBCSCH	Wednesday Giants 7:05 p.m. NBCSCH
	Tuesday @Twins 7:10 p.m. NBCSCH+	Wednesday @Twins 12:10 p.m. NBCSCH
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1 p.m.	Angels at Rangers	MLB
6 p.m.	Indians at Mets	MLB
7 p.m.	Giants at Cubs	NBCSCH WSCR-AM 670
7 p.m.	White Sox at Twins	NBCSCH+ WGN-AM 720
9 p.m.	Yankees at Athletics	ESPN
BASKETBALL		
6 p.m.	WNBA: Liberty at Fever	NBA
9:30 p.m.	WNBA: Lynx at Sparks	NBA
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9:30 p.m.	Cruz Azul vs. L.A. Galaxy	ESPN2
TENNIS		
10 a.m.	Bronx Open	Tennis
2 p.m.	Winston-Salem Open	Tennis

Illini CB Benson’s season ends with knee surgery

Illinois freshman cornerback Marquez Beason will undergo season-ending knee surgery, coach Lovie Smith announced Monday.

Beason injured his right knee last week at practice.

A top-100 prospect out of Texas, Beason was considered Illinois’ best recruit since 2009. — Shannon Ryan

Cubs

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The Cubs aren’t facing the daunting task they did at the end of the 2018 season, when they played 42 games in 43 days. They eventually lost a five-game lead in the final four weeks to the Brewers, who beat them four of six times during that stretch.

By the time “Legion Week” concludes, the Cubs should be moving closer to full strength. Infielder David Bote was optioned to Triple-A Iowa on Monday to clear a roster spot for reliever Steve Cishek’s return from the injured list. Bote will join veteran infielders Ben Zobrist and Daniel Descalso and outfielder Albert Almora Jr., who are sharpening their skills at Iowa for a Sept. 1 promotion when 25-man rosters can expand.

And All-Star catcher Willson Contreras is in the second half of his rehabilitation from a right hamstring strain. He could return by the first weekend in September.

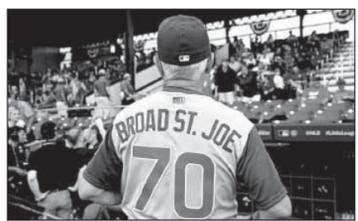
“We have a chance to be really good on paper in September,” President Theo Epstein quipped. “It’s going to be nice to have everyone back.”

“We’ve had one of those years where as soon as we get a position player healthy, the relievers or starters go down, and it would be really nice if we can get to a point where we are healthy and get some guys locked in at the same time. We really haven’t gotten hot, except for a stretch in late April to early May.”

The Cubs finished their recent 10-game trip by winning two consecutive road games for the first time in six weeks, prompting Javier Baez to suggest they extend “Legion Week” to the road if it assures them of more wins.

The Cubs must be sharp for the final 38 games.

“Redundancy is just going to get your arms more weary, and you’re not going to get the result you’re looking for,” Maddon said. “Diminishing returns set in over a period of time, so I prefer a fresh mind and body, especially this time of year. So we’re honoring the American Legion this week, as well as backing off our work.”



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Cubs manager Joe Maddon talks with fans before the Little League Classic on Sunday against the Pirates.



JOE ROBBINS/GETTY

The Cardinals’ Jack Flaherty has an MLB-best 0.83 ERA in seven second-half starts.

Sullivan

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Maddon’s contract status has become a talking point, as happens when a successful manager enters his final season without an extension. Fans are debating whether he’ll be asked to return if the Cubs don’t go far in the postseason, which seems likely unless they fix the road issue.

The Brewers’ Craig Counsell is 48 but looks young enough to get carded when buying a 12-pack at the Brat Stop. He’s usually under fire in Milwaukee for his handling of the pitching staff, especially if closer Josh Hader has a bad outing, a more frequent occurrence of late.

Imagine managing a baseball team in a pennant race in which you’re constantly trolled by O.J. Simpson’s former house-guest Kato Kaelin. The Brewers’ most famous fan once again tweeted Sunday: “Counsell please I beg u FIRE YOUR-SELF!”

“You’re playing the teams you’re competing with for playoff spots,” Counsell told reporters in Washington. “There are so many teams involved in this thing, you’re going to be looking at the scoreboard no matter what.”

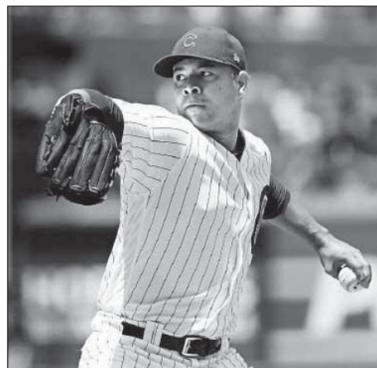
The Cardinals’ Mike Shildt, on the other hand, is the invisible manager. You don’t see or hear much of Shildt because he doesn’t say much and lacks charisma. Yet his mediocre team, left for dead in the first half, was tied with the Cubs for first place entering Monday’s game with the Brewers, who were two games back.

Maybe being invisible is the way to go.

The bullpen

Little Leaguers impersonated Cubs closer Craig Kimbrel on Sunday night in Williamsport, Pa., in one of the funniest scenes of the season.

Otherwise, there hasn’t been much to smile about when discussing the Cubs bullpen, including Kimbrel’s performance since arriving in June as the designated savior.



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Cubs lefty Jose Quintana, 7-0 with a 2.96 ERA in his last nine starts, has been on fire.

Kimbrel has a 6.08 ERA in 15 appearances, serving up five home runs in 13 1/3 innings. He had a 4.57 ERA in the second half with the Red Sox last year and fared poorly in the postseason, so it’s fair to wonder if this is a trend and not an anomaly.

Late innings are a scary time for the Cubs. They’re in a four-way tie for the major-league lead with 23 blown saves — 13 more than the Cardinals. Their 4.15 bullpen ERA ranks ninth in the majors, but which reliever does any Cubs fan really trust?

The Brewers’ most consistent weapon the last 2 1/2 years has been the left-handed Hader, the skinny flamethrower whom Maddon once touted for a starring role in a shampoo commercial.

“He’s proud of his fastball, and I love that, and he’s proud of his hair,” Maddon said.

Hader compiled a 2.09 ERA in the first half with 79 strikeouts in 43 innings. But he entered Monday with a 5.93 ERA in 13 second-half appearances and an 11.57 ERA in five August outings.

“Every game matters,” Hader said of the NL Central race at the All-Star Game. “Last year it came down to (Game) 163, and that’s where it may come out this year.”

If so, Hader needs to be Hader again, or the Brew Crew is toast.

The Cardinals have the best bullpen in the division and lead the NL with a 3.44 ERA in the second half. Converted starter Carlos Martinez, who took over for Jordan Hicks as closer after Hicks underwent Tommy John surgery in late June, has 12 saves in 13 opportunities since July 4 but also has a beefy 5.93 ERA in the second half.

The rotations

In this up-and-down season, Yu Darvish and Jose Quintana have emerged as the Cubs’ most dependable starters of late, a scenario no one would’ve envisioned a couple of months ago.

Darvish has a 2.36 ERA over his last seven starts with 57 strikeouts and only two walks in 42 innings, limiting hitters to a .191 average. Quintana is 7-0 with a 2.96



ROSS D. FRANKLIN/AP

A strained oblique has kept Brewers starter Brandon Woodruff on the injured list.

ERA in his last nine starts, the best stretch of his Cubs career.

Now it’s up to the threesome of Jon Lester, Cole Hamels and Kyle Hendricks to show more consistency.

The Brewers allowed 30 runs in their last two games in Washington, and the starters have a 5.05 ERA in August. With All-Star Brandon Woodruff down, the rest of the rotation is hit-and-miss — mostly miss.

The Cardinals are riding the arm of Jack Flaherty, whose 0.83 ERA in seven second-half starts leads the majors, while 37-year-old Adam Wainwright always seems to pitch well against the Cubs.

The lineups

All three teams have been awful with runners in scoring position. The Cubs lead the pack with a .256 average, which ranks 20th in the majors, while the Cardinals are 23rd (.252) and the Brewers 28th (.245).

Brewers outfielder Christian Yelich’s bid for back-to-back MVP awards suffered a blow when he was forced to miss some games recently with back spasms. He’s still engaged in a great home-run race with the Dodgers’ Cody Bellinger and the Mets’ Pete Alonso, but whether he’ll hold up while carrying the Brewers on his back for a second straight stretch run remains to be seen.

The Cubs, surprisingly, have lacked power since the All-Star break. Kyle Schwarber is 40th in the majors with a .548 slugging percentage in the second half, just ahead of Nicholas Castellanos’ .568 mark with the Tigers and Cubs.

The next-highest Cubs are Javier Baez at 72nd (.508), Kris Bryant at 81st (.492) and Anthony Rizzo at 85th (.487). In this era of flying baseballs, Baez, Bryant and Rizzo need to pick up the pace for the offense to operate efficiently.

Of course, everything is relative. The Cardinals are 25th in hitting (.244) and 24th in home runs (153), so basically it’s Paul Goldschmidt or bust.

The only thing that seems certain is at least one of these teams will consider the 2019 season a bust — and perhaps all three.



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BASEBALL

American League

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	83	43	.659	—	—	7-3	L-1	49-20	34-23
Tampa Bay	73	53	.579	10	—	7-3	L-1	33-30	40-23
Boston	67	59	.532	16	6	7-3	W-5	33-32	34-27
Toronto	52	75	.409	31½	21½	5-5	L-2	25-39	27-36
Baltimore	39	86	.312	43½	33½	1-9	L-8	18-44	21-42
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Minnesota	76	49	.608	—	—	6-4	L-1	36-27	40-22
Cleveland	74	51	.592	2	—	5-5	W-1	39-26	35-25
Chicago	56	68	.452	19½	16	5-5	W-1	30-31	26-37
Kansas City	45	80	.360	31	27½	4-6	W-1	24-39	21-41
Detroit	37	85	.303	37½	34	3-7	L-3	17-43	20-42
WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Houston	80	46	.635	—	—	4-6	W-2	44-15	36-31
Oakland	71	53	.573	8	1	6-4	L-1	40-24	31-29
Los Angeles	62	65	.488	18½	11½	6-4	L-1	33-31	29-34
Texas	61	64	.488	18½	11½	3-7	W-1	36-26	25-38
Seattle	53	73	.421	27	20	5-5	W-3	27-36	26-37

Late games noted below

TUESDAY'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
Was Strasburg (R)	15-5 3.82 16-9	0-0 0.0 0.00	1-1 17.1 8.31
Pit Archer (R)	6:05p 3-9 5.23 7-15	0-0 7.0 1.29	0-1 17.0 1.38
SD Quantill (R)	6-3 3.23 5-7	0-0 0.0 0.00	2-1 17.1 2.08
Cin Gray (R)	6:10p 8-6 2.98 15-9	0-0 0.0 0.00	2-0 18.0 0.00
Mia Hernandez (R)	2-5 5.40 4-5	1-0 7.0 0.00	1-1 15.0 6.60
Atl Keuchel (L)	6:20p 3-5 4.39 5-6	1-1 11.0 8.18	0-1 16.2 5.94
Mil Gonzalez (L)	2-1 3.81 8-3	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0 13.0 4.85
SIL Wacha (R)	6:45p 6-6 5.44 7-9	1-0 12.0 2.25	0-2 12.0 9.00
SF Beede (R)	3-7 5.77 8-7	0-1 5.2 6.35	0-2 12.2 9.95
Chi Hamels (L)	7:05p 6-4 3.69 13-7	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-1 10.0 10.80
Col Freeland (L)	4-3 7.09 7-12	0-1 15.0 10.80	1-1 17.0 5.29
Ari Young (L)	8:40p 3-3 3.98 4-4	1-0 6.0 0.00	0-3 14.1 6.91
AMERICAN LEAGUE	2019	2019 VS. OPP.	LAST 3 STARTS
TEAM PITCHER	TIME W-L ERA TR	W-L IP ERA	W-L IP ERA
LA Heaney (L)	2-3 4.76 7-4	0-0 5.0 3.60	1-0 15.0 3.60
Tex Burke (L)	1:05p 0-0 0.00 0-0	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0 0.0 0.00
KC Keller (R)	7-13 4.10 9-17	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-3 19.0 4.74
Bal Bundy (R)	6:05p 5-13 5.25 7-16	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-2 17.0 5.29
LA Heaney (L)	2-3 4.76 7-4	0-0 5.0 3.60	1-0 15.0 3.60
Tex Palumbo (L)	7:05p 0-1 11.00 1-1	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-1 6.0 16.50
Hou Turnbull (R)	3-11 3.75 6-16	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-2 14.0 4.50
Det Sanchez (R)	7:10p 5-14 5.79 8-18	1-0 5.0 0.00	2-0 16.1 3.86
Chi Lopez (R)	7-10 5.29 11-14	0-1 3.2 19.64	2-1 17.0 4.24
Mil Pineda (R)	7:10p 8-5 4.20 13-9	2-0 13.0 2.08	2-0 18.0 3.00
NY German (R)	16-2 3.96 17-3	0-0 0.0 0.00	3-0 19.0 3.32
Oak Bailey (R)	9:07p 10-8 5.22 12-12	1-0 6.0 1.50	1-1 17.2 4.58
INTERLEAGUE	2019	2019 VS. OPP.	LAST 3 STARTS
TEAM PITCHER	TIME W-L ERA TR	W-L IP ERA	W-L IP ERA
Phi Nola (R)	11-3 3.56 17-9	0-0 0.0 0.00	2-1 19.0 2.37
Bos Johnson (L)	6:10p 1-1 6.45 3-2	0-0 0.0 0.00	0-0 8.1 6.48
Cle Bieber (R)	12-5 3.27 17-8	0-0 0.0 0.00	2-1 22.0 2.45
NYM Matz (L)	6:10p 7-7 4.33 11-11	0-0 0.0 0.00	1-1 16.1 4.41
Tor Reid-Foley (R)	2-3 3.00 3-3	0-0 0.0 0.00	1-2 12.1 3.65
LAD Kershaw (L)	9:10p 12-2 2.69 17-4	0-0 0.0 0.00	3-0 20.0 1.35

TR: Team's record in games started by today's pitcher.

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

AMERICAN LEAGUE

MONDAY'S RESULTS
 Kansas City 5, Baltimore 4
 Seattle 9, Tampa Bay 3
 Chi. White Sox 6, Minnesota 4
 Houston 5, Detroit 4
 Texas 8, L.A. Angels 7 (11)
WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
 Chi. White Sox at Minnesota, 12:10 p.m.
 Seattle at Tampa Bay, 12:10 p.m.
 Kansas City at Baltimore, 6:05 p.m.
 L.A. Angels at Texas, 6:05 p.m.
 Cleveland at N.Y. Mets, 6:10 p.m.
 Philadelphia at Boston, 6:10 p.m.
 Detroit at Oakland, 7:10 p.m.
 N.Y. Yankees at Houston, 9:07 p.m.
 Toronto at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

MONDAY'S RESULTS
 Washington 13, Pittsburgh 0
 San Diego 3, Cincinnati 2
 St. Louis 3, Milwaukee 0
 Arizona 5, Colorado 3
WEDNESDAY'S GAMES
 San Diego at Cincinnati, 11:35 a.m.
 Colorado at Arizona, 2:40 p.m.
 Washington at Pittsburgh, 6:05 p.m.
 Cleveland at N.Y. Mets, 6:10 p.m.
 Miami at Atlanta, 6:20 p.m.
 Milwaukee at St. Louis, 6:45 p.m.
 San Francisco at Chi. Cubs, 7:05 p.m.
 Toronto at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 p.m.

Aug. 31: Last day to be contracted to an organization and be eligible for postseason roster.

BOX SCORES

SAN DIEGO 3, CINCINNATI 2

SAN DIEGO	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Garcia 2b	4	2	2	0	0	.271
Naylor lf	2	0	0	0	1	.245
Perdomo p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
c-France ph	1	0	0	0	1	.218
Machado 3b	4	0	1	1	1	.264
Permer 1b	4	0	0	0	2	.252
Renfro rf	4	0	0	0	2	.234
Mejia c	4	1	1	1	1	.277
Myers cf-If	4	0	1	0	1	.227
Urias ss	3	0	0	0	1	.188
Lauer	1	0	0	0	1	.100
a-Jankowski ph-f	2	0	0	0	1	.100
TOTALS	33	3	5	2	14	
CINCINNATI	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Ervin cf	3	0	0	0	0	.323
e-Senzel ph	1	0	0	0	0	.267
Jlglesias ss	4	0	1	0	1	.295
Suzares 3b	4	0	0	0	4	.256
Aquino rf	3	0	0	0	2	.317
Peraza lf-cf	4	0	2	0	0	.240
Farmer 1b	2	0	0	0	0	.247
cf-O'Grady ph	1	0	0	0	1	.143
Galvis 2b	4	2	2	1	2	.440
Barnhart c	4	0	2	0	2	.336
Bauer p	2	0	0	0	1	.200
v-VanMeter ph-f	0	0	1	1	0	.289
TOTALS	34	2	8	2	14	

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KANSAS CITY 5, BALTIMORE 4

KANSAS CITY	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Merrifield dh	5	1	1	1	1	.299
Gordon lf	4	0	1	0	0	.258
Dozier 3b	3	0	1	2	0	.290
Soler rf	3	0	0	0	1	.257
Cuthbert 1b	4	0	0	0	2	.257
Alvarado 2b	4	0	0	0	2	.210
Arteaga ss	4	0	0	0	2	.183
Mejia c	4	2	2	1	1	.227
Dini c	4	2	2	1	0	.143
Lopez 2b	4	1	1	0	1	.319
Stewart rf	4	0	2	2	0	.162
Severino c	3	0	0	0	2	.254
Ruiz 3b	2	1	1	0	2	.245
TOTALS	31	4	7	4	7	

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 Baltimore 010 001 101 — 4 7 1

SEATTLE 9, TAMPA BAY 3

SEATTLE	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Lopes lf	5	1	0	0	2	.250
Garcia cf	4	2	2	1	0	.277
Nola 1b	4	2	2	3	0	.320
Seager 3b	5	0	1	0	1	.241
Murphy c	3	2	3	4	0	.296
Vogelbach dh	4	1	0	0	2	.222
Smith rf	4	1	0	0	2	.235
Broxton cf	2	0	0	0	2	.158
Gordon 2b	4	1	1	0	0	.277
TOTALS	35	9	8	9	9	
TAMPA BAY	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Pham lf	4	2	1	1	1	.268
Meadows rf	4	1	2	2	1	.277
d'Arnaud c	3	0	1	0	0	.262
Choi 1b	3	0	0	0	2	.257
Aguilar dh	4	0	1	0	0	.318
Duffy 3b	0	0	0	0	0	.260
Sogard 2b	4	0	1	0	0	.333
Adams ss	4	0	0	0	2	.243
Kiermaier cf	4	0	0	0	2	.241
Brousseau 3b-p	3	0	0	0	2	.277
TOTALS	33	3	6	3	8	

Seattle 340 110 000 — 9 9 0
 Tampa Bay 100 020 000 — 3 6 2

AL LEADERS

BATTING	G	AB	R	H	BA
LeMahieu, NY	112	460	87	156	.339
Brantley, HOU	117	463	76	155	.335
Devers, BOS	122	503	103	167	.332
Alberto, BAL	106	389	40	124	.319
Martinez, BOS	114	461	78	143	.310
Bogaerts, BOS	121	486	95	150	.309
Gurriel, HOU	116	464	70	142	.306
Moncada, CHI	97	372	58	112	.301
Lindor, CLE	106	442	73	132	.299
Merrifield, KC	125	528	84	158	.299

HOME RUNS
 Trout, Los Angeles 41; Soler, Kansas City 35; Kepler, Minnesota 33; Cruz, Minnesota 32; Encarnacion, New York 30; Bregman, Houston 30; Torres, New York 29; Santana, Cleveland 29; Chapman, Oakland 29; Mancini, Baltimore 29.
RBIs
 Devers, Boston 101; Trout, Los Angeles 96; Bogaerts, Boston 94; Abreu, Chicago 92; Soler, Kansas City 88; Gurriel, Houston 88; LeMahieu, New York 86; Bregman, Houston 83; Rosario, Minnesota 83; Kepler, Minnesota 81.
STOLEN BASES
 Smith, Seattle 34; Mondesi, Kansas City 31; Villar, Baltimore 28; Andrus, Texas 25; Ramirez, Cleveland 24; DeShields, Texas 18; Kiermaier, Tampa Bay 18; Lindor, Cleveland 18; Gordon, Seattle 17; Anderson, Chicago 16; Merrifield, Kansas City 16.
SLUGGING PERCENTAGE
 Trout, Los Angeles .651; Devers, Boston .596; Springer, Houston .565; Bogaerts, Boston .562; Martinez, Boston .562; Bregman, Houston .560; Zoeter, Kansas City .559; Gurriel, Houston .559; Santana, Cleveland .548; Soler, Kansas City .545.
ON-BASE PERCENTAGE
 Trout, Los Angeles .443; Santana, Cleveland .414; Bregman, Houston .409; Brantley, Houston .393; Voit, New York .392; Betts, Boston .390; LeMahieu, New York .386; Bogaerts, Boston .384; Martinez, Boston .384; Devers, Boston .380.
DOUBLES
 Betts, Boston 115; Devers, Boston 103; Trout, Los Angeles 100; Bogaerts, Boston 95; Bregman, Houston 94; Semien, Oakland 90; Santana, Cleveland 89; LeMahieu, New York 87; Kepler, Minnesota 84; Merrifield, Kansas City 84.
HITS
 Devers, Boston 167; Merrifield, Kansas City 158; LeMahieu, New York 156; Brantley, Houston 155; Bogaerts, Boston 150; Polanco, Minnesota 148; Martinez, Boston 143; Gurriel, Houston 142; Betts, Boston 140; Semien, Oakland 137.
BASES ON BALLS
 Trout, Los Angeles 98; Bregman, Houston 92; Sandy, Kansas City 7; Kiermaier, Houston 7; Vogelbach, Seattle 7; Smoak, Toronto 7; Pham, Tampa Bay 6; Semien, Oakland 6; Bogaerts, Boston 6; Choo, Texas 6.
TRIPLES
 Devers, Boston 46; Bogaerts, Boston 42; Benintendi, Boston 37; Brantley, Houston 37; Betts, Boston 35; Gurriel, Houston 34; Merrifield, Kansas City 33; Polanco, Minnesota 33; Ramirez, Cleveland 32; Chapman, Oakland 31; Semien, Oakland 31.
PITCHING
 Gorman, New York 16-2; Verlander, Houston 15-4; Cole, Houston 14-8; Rodriguez, Boston 14-5; Lynn, Texas 14-8; Morton, Tampa Bay 13-5; Odriziz, Minnesota 13-5; Gioiello, Chicago 13-4; Fiers, Oakland 3-6; Odriziz, Minnesota 3-5.
SAVES
 Chapman, New York 35; Hand, Cleveland 29; Osuna, Houston 28; Colomé, Chicago 24; Kenney, Kansas City 22; Rogers, Minnesota 19; Robles, Los Angeles 18; Giles, Toronto 16; Treinen, Oakland 16; Hendricks, Oakland 14.
INNINGS PITCHED
 Verlander, Houston 169.2; Greinke, Houston 165.0; Lynn, Texas 162.0; Bieber, Cleveland 162.1; Morton, New York 162.0; Keller, Kansas City 158.0; Berrios, Minnesota 157.2; Gonzalez, Seattle 156.0; Cole, Houston 156.2.
STRIKEOUTS
 Verlander, Houston 228; Cole, Houston 226; Sale, Boston 218; Boyd, Detroit 201; Bieber, Cleveland 200; Morton, Tampa Bay 194; Lynn, Texas 187; Gioiello, Chicago 182; Minor, Texas 164; Berrios, Minnesota 150.
 through Monday

National League

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Atlanta	74	52	.587	—	—	6-4	W-2	36-27	

WHITE SOX

WHITE SOX 6, TWINS 4

Rookie starts to lock it in

After short stint on IL, Jimenez switching on plentiful power supply

By LAMOND POPE

MINNEAPOLIS — Eloy Jimenez originally thought he had a home run.

The White Sox rookie slugger hit a long fly to center in the fourth inning Sunday against the Angels.

It stayed in the park, but outfielder Brian Goodwin had a difficult time locating the ball in the sun, and Jimenez ended up on third with the first triple of his big-league career.

“When I saw the center fielder kind of struggle with the sun, I thought ‘Oh, I gotta go,’” Jimenez said before Monday’s game against the Twins at Target Field. “When I got to third I thought, ‘First big-league triple, feels good.’”

Jimenez got to trot around the bases in the ninth when he hit his 22nd home run of the season.

It was Jimenez’s third home run in his last five games. He has six RBIs during that span.

Jimenez was on the injured list July 17-27 with a bruised ulnar nerve in his right arm. He initially struggled after returning, going 10-for-52 (.192) with one home run and three RBIs in his first 12 games.

Jimenez is 11-for-35 (.314) with two doubles, one triple, four home runs and eight RBIs in his last nine games.

His timing has returned. “Yeah, I feel it’s there now,” Jimenez said.

Jimenez went 5-for-16 (.313) with the triple, two home runs and five RBIs in four games against the Angels.

“He’s working really hard,” Sox manager Rick Renteria said. “His confidence has never wavered. He obviously got off to a slow start when he returned. He’s starting to settle in again.

“Hopefully in the next six weeks he’ll build on it and take it into the offseason and into the coming season. He’s growing. He’s going to be really good. There is no doubt in my mind he’s going to be a really good player.”

Jimenez leads American League rookies in home runs (22) and slugging percentage (.480), is second in runs (47) and fourth in RBIs (51). He’s working on improving his .243 average.

“There’s much power now, but my average is not there,” Jimenez said. “I think this is part of the process, what’s coming in the future.”

His teammates believe that time will come.

“He’s having a good season,” first baseman Jose Abreu said through an interpreter. “He makes all the adjustments. Even though his batting average is not as good as you can expect, he has been hitting the ball much better than what his average says.

“I’m never going to get tired of giving advice to him because I believe he’s going to be a very, very good baseball player. He’s just scratching the surface of the player he can be. We are seeing that. His production has been good and it’s just going to get better.”

Jimenez is tied with Tommie Agee (1966) and Pete Ward (1963) for the eighth-most homers by a Sox rookie.

Abreu holds the team rookie record with 36 home runs in 2014. Jimenez said he doesn’t have a target in mind when asked if he’d like to reach 30.

“I’m not really thinking about that,” Jimenez said.

“I just go out and try to do my best and get good at-bats. If it’s a homer, homer, if it’s single, single, if it’s a line drive for an out, I take it too. If it’s a strikeout, it’s OK. But I don’t think about a specific number.

“I feel like I just need to go out (the final six weeks of the season) and keep doing my best and play hard.”



BRUCE KLUCKHOHN/AP

WHITE SOX RECAP

Jose Abreu hit a mammoth three-run home run Monday night to lead the White Sox to a 6-4 victory against the Twins at Target Field. Abreu’s 442-foot blast came during a four-run third inning. Ivan Nova (above) and the Sox bullpen made the lead stand up. Nova (9-9) allowed two runs on 10 hits in 5 1/3 innings. He struck out two and walked one to win his third consecutive start. Nova, who entered Monday having allowed just two earned runs in his last 37 innings, surrendered two runs in the first. The Sox rallied in the third to take a 4-2 lead, thanks to Abreu’s 27th homer of the season. The Twins scored a run in the ninth and had two runners on, but Alex Colome struck out Miguel Sano for his 24th save in 25 chances. For more coverage, go to chicagotribune.com/sports

Moncada may return this week

By LAMOND POPE

MINNEAPOLIS — Yoan Moncada could be back with the White Sox for the next homestand.

The third baseman is on a rehab assignment with Triple-A Charlotte, recovering from a strained right hamstring.

He went 2-for-5 with a home run and three RBIs Monday in a 13-11 victory at Durham.

Sox manager Rick Renteria said Monday night that Moncada was scheduled to play all nine innings in the field for the first time Monday and again on Tuesday.

“Hopefully everything goes well,” Renteria said. “If it does, he probably gets a day off (Wednesday) and maybe we get him when we get back home, but everything has to go well!”

The Sox began a three-game series Monday against the Twins at Target Field. They return home Thursday to play the Rangers.

Moncada is 6-for-17 (.353) with two home runs and five RBIs in four games with the Knights.

“He’s felt good,” Renteria said. “He’s felt ready to go.”

Moncada last played for the Sox on July 30, when he left in the first inning against the Mets. He is hitting .301 with 20 home runs and 59 RBIs.

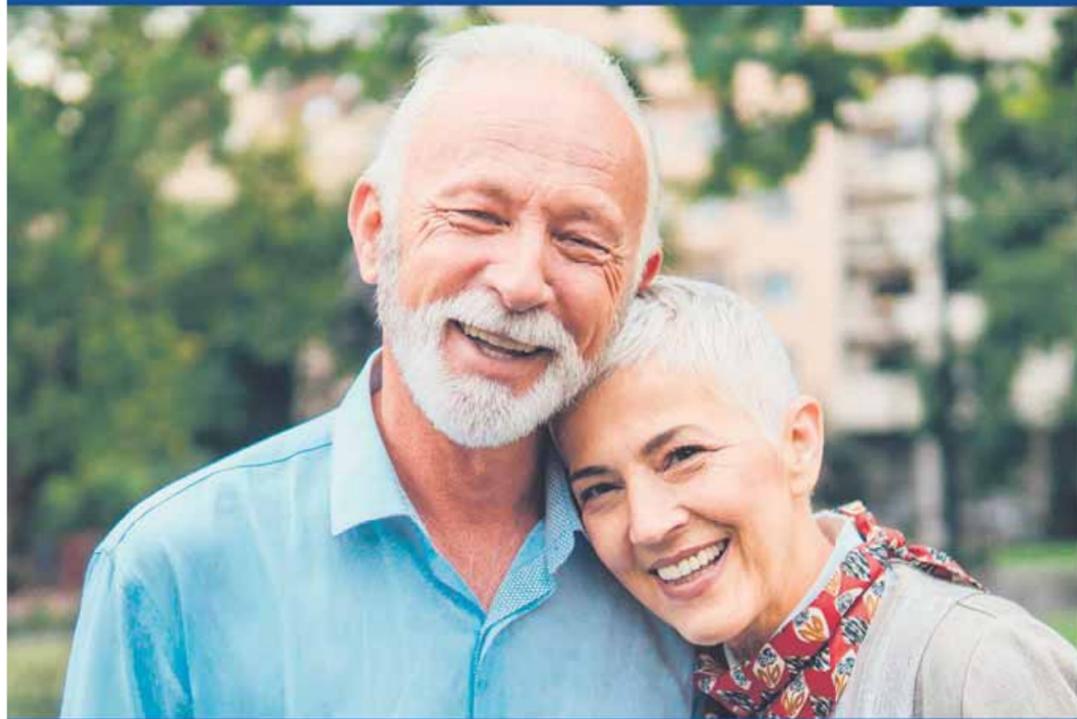
He’s not the only player producing in Charlotte. Knights catcher Zack Collins was named the International League Batter of the Week after hitting .538 (14-for-26) with three doubles, four home runs, nine RBIs and eight runs in seven games.

Collins, the Sox’s first-round pick (No. 10 overall) in 2016, is hitting .296 with 19 doubles, 16 homers, 68 RBIs and 51 runs in 77 games with Charlotte. He appeared in nine games with the Sox, hitting .077 (2-for-26) with one home run and three RBIs.

“When he came up here, he saw what he was doing was not going to work,” Renteria said. “He took to heart the fact that you’ve got to be able to have an approach that allows you to be a little bit more aggressive in the zone. He went down there and continued to work and has done some damage.”

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BEARS

REAL TALK

Nagy's preseason playbook

Is sitting starters right way to go? It could well be — but it's frustrating

BY RICH CAMPBELL AND DAN WIEDERER

If the countdown clock to Bears-Packers on Sept. 5 feels like it's adding seconds, keep your Khalil Mack jersey on. You're not alone.

We have reached that point in August when the days and practices run together to form an unsatisfying slog. And the season is still too far away to enjoy the adrenaline that will power the buildup to the Thursday night kickoff at Soldier Field.

Meanwhile, Bears coach Matt Nagy isn't making the wait any easier by keeping his starters from experiencing any significant preseason game action.

What, then, should we make of Nagy's decision to punt the preseason? How might it affect the team for better or worse? What value remains in preseason football? And, most importantly, is it Sept. 5 yet?

Tribune writers Rich Campbell and Dan Wiederer tackle those questions and play all four quarters in this edition of Real Talk.

Rich Campbell: Dan, the Bears' list of inactives before the Giants game Friday read to me like the death certificate of preseason football as we know it.

Nagy has become the latest coach to realize the risk of injuries far exceeds the value of vanilla game reps with nothing at stake. Good for him. Talented players are too rare and too expensive to risk in exhibitions that mean absolutely nothing. The only surprise is that it took NFL decision-makers this long to figure that out.

I applaud Nagy for establishing some certainty about the team's collective health, which is an unpredictable and hugely important factor for every team every season.

No one could say for sure whether Mitch Trubisky throwing 10 passes in a practice game would help the offense during the season. But Nagy can, with very little doubt, say that Trubisky — and Khalil Mack, Akiem Hicks, Allen Robinson, etc. — are going to be on the field Sept. 5. This approach is a smart one.

Dan Wiederer: It's a calculated decision to be certain. And I've always appreciated Nagy's candor in explaining his risk aversion on this front. His predecessor as Bears coach would have scoffed at any fan or reporter who simply wanted to learn more about his thought process, dismissing the questions with a condescending air.

Nagy, at least, has openly acknowledged his approach to the preseason isn't the only one or even the right one. It's simply the one that makes him most comfortable.

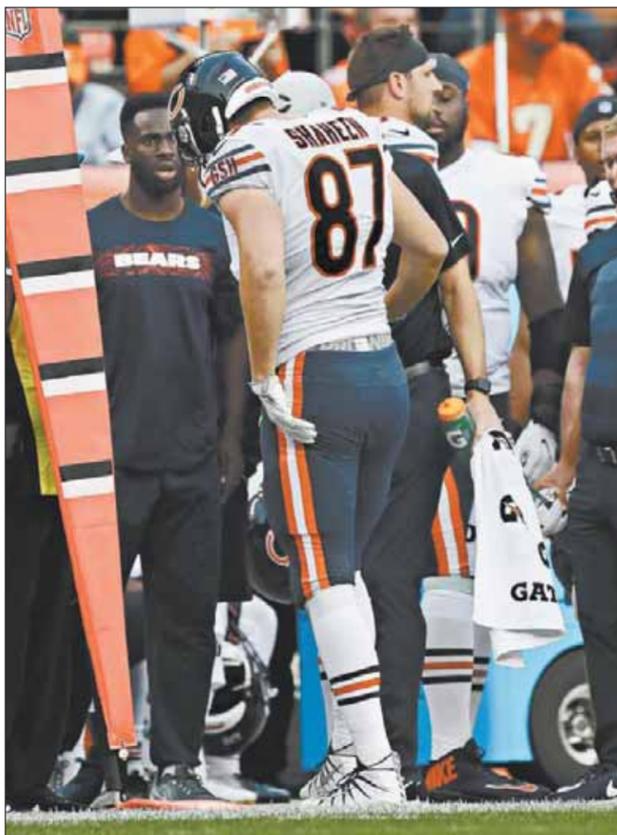
"I'm trying to do what's best for the Chicago Bears," he said Friday night after whatever that was at MetLife Stadium. "Every team is different and that's OK. Each coach has their own plan with their own team as far as where they're at depth-wise. We love where we're at right now in regard to our starters."

Much of this, of course, traces back to last year at this time when in the first half of a preseason game in Denver, the Bears saw Leonard Floyd break his right hand and Adam Shaheen significantly injure his right foot and ankle. Floyd wasn't fully functional again until November. Sha-



STACEY WESCOTT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

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JACK DEMPSEY/AP

Bears tight end Adam Shaheen (87) walks off the field after being injured last summer against the Broncos. It affected him all season.

heen's second season never got back on track.

Campbell: This is one benefit of the Bears' continuity with personnel. Trubisky has a season in the scheme. Most of the defensive starters know each other's tendencies and style well. For them, full-speed and controlled practice reps are adequate preparation for Sept. 5.

I'm not saying they'll play a perfect game against the Packers, but my point is that preseason game action wouldn't guarantee a razor-sharp performance, either.

Nagy might as well control the health variable while he can.

To your point about Floyd and Shaheen, the Bears were one of the healthiest teams in the NFL last year. But they still felt Floyd's and Shaheen's injuries for at least half the season.

Wiederer: Yep. This is all a juice-squeeze discussion. And it's clear Nagy prioritizes having a healthy team for Week 1, even if it may mean the Bears are not at maximum sharpness.

With that approach comes an additional challenge for the

coaching staff to keep this group in the proper frame of mind. Training camp opened four weeks ago. Players have immersed themselves in an intense and mentally taxing grind. And they haven't had the usual release that preseason game action can bring.

Even if it's only for a series or three, players enjoy the opportunity to compete in a game-like setting, to hit someone new, to let out some of that pent-up energy that's been building up. Without that, there's an extra challenge for each player to remain locked in, to channel their energy in the proper direction, to keep the focus on being ready for Sept. 5. I'd be willing to bet the collection of skirmishes and fights that bubbled up last week for the Bears had something to do with players getting accustomed to this new way of handling August.

What's pretty clear to even the most casual of football followers is that something major needs to change. The way late July and early August are currently structured in the NFL just doesn't work anymore. This isn't 1982, when players needed to use the first month-plus of training camp to get back in shape. So to have six-plus weeks of orientation plus four preseason games is no longer the correct model. Not for players or coaches. Especially not for fans who actually have to pay good money to watch these exhibition games. It's a bad product.

There will be a lot of proposals on how to amend things before the next CBA is solidified. But it will be hard to find any objections to shortening the preseason. But with that comes the task for Nagy and other coaches around the league to figure out how to best manage their teams as they jump on the on-ramp to the season.

Campbell: You said it: It's a bad product. Now you're speaking the NFL's language. What form of preseason football can they sell? Because they can't sell the current version anymore. Coaches have

wised up, and consumers have also.

I don't have a problem with preseason games if everyone adjusts our expectations for them. I feel like Chicago is in that adjustment window as Nagy shifts how the Bears handle the games. If we know entering August that the games are going to be backups versus backups, we can change our mindset accordingly. Of course, what matters most to the NFL is selling the TV rights to those games, and that's where this meets a dead end.

I'm not sure what the solution is. Of course the owners would like to increase the number of meaningful games because those can be sold. But it's hypocritical for the NFL to say it's top priority is player safety and then put a price on two more games' worth of exposure to concussive hits and other injuries. This already is proving to be a sticky issue as owners and the union dig in for CBA talks.

As for the Bears, there are ways to simulate game action, one of which Nagy initiated at the simulated game on Aug. 14. My guess is that will become the new standard, along with joint practices.

Wiederer: Man, is this patience testing or what? Even though the previous version of Bears preseason football wasn't much, it was still an appetizer. Something to tide us over. But now we're all just standing in the bar waiting for the hostess to tell us our table's ready. It's just that the wait is now a lot longer than we're accustomed to.

Is it Sept. 5 yet? Nope. It's not. And we still have to push through two more Bears preseason games against the Colts and Titans before the hype of Packers week arrives. But it will all be here soon enough and it'll be another 10½ months before this preseason drag is back on the radar.

Now it's up to Nagy and his team to show that this new method produces the right results.

Biggs

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a 56-yard field-goal try for Eddy Pineiro, the last man standing — for now anyway — in the Bears' kicking carnival. As it was, Pineiro trotted on and made a 27-yard kick, one that snuck inside the right upright. Asked about the decision afterward, Nagy didn't seem inclined to consider the long field goal.

"We're trying to play the game out," he said. "Obviously, in our situation it's about production with the kickers and what they can do, so every kick they get is going to count. These preseason games carry some weight, you know, but wherever it's at, just make the field goal."

Hitting a 27-yard field goal shouldn't count for a whole lot as

the organization considers myriad factors in making a decision that is more than seven months in the making since the Cody Parkey double doink sank the Bears in the playoff loss to the Eagles.

Hitting a 56-yard field goal would have been an eye-opener. That's why Nagy has to be mindful of down, distance and field position in the Bears' final two preseason games — Saturday night against the Colts at Lucas Oil Stadium and Aug. 29 against the Titans at Soldier Field. Making a 56-yard field goal would have been a tremendous shot of confidence for Pineiro, a guy who can use every boost he can find.

Elliott Fry was placed on waivers Sunday, a reflection of his performance more than a victory for Pineiro. Their production in practice since training camp opened has been nearly identical and that ought to tell you that the

field — any kicker soon to be released by any other team — might be a better bet to be the Bears' Week 1 kicker than Pineiro.

But the decision gives the Bears more opportunities to see Pineiro in practice and the two preseason games. Generally, NFL kickers will have two days on and one day off when it comes to practice. They don't kick daily as that will wear their leg out. The Bears have five preseason practices remaining, so that means Pineiro has three or four at the most to make an impression.

Pineiro and Fry each had four kicks through the first two games as the offensive reserves haven't been particularly efficient. If that pattern continues, Pineiro can expect about eight kicks total over the next two games as he tries to convince Nagy, special teams coordinator Chris Tabor and the front office that they

won't find someone better on the street Aug. 31, the day rosters must be reduced from 90 to 53.

I think Pineiro is going to have to blow Nagy away to have a chance to claim the job and be kicking for the Bears on Sept. 5 when the entire league will be watching the season opener against the Packers at Soldier Field. The competition between him and Fry has been too close, and it was apparent Fry wasn't good enough to stick around any longer. Just a little bit better than Fry will not give Pineiro much staying power.

Imagine the treatment NBC's Al Michaels and Cris Collinsworth will give the storyline during the broadcast of the opener. It was Collinsworth who coined the phrase "double doink" before Bears fans watching everywhere had even fully processed the miss.

"Oh, my goodness," Collinsworth said. "The Bears season's going to end on a double doink. Unbelievable. How many times can they hit the upright?"

So it's time for Nagy to tailor in-game decisions to his kicking situation. Third-and-17 on the Colts' 32-yard line? How about a run call to increase the chance he's sending Pineiro out for something close to a 50-yard try?

Sure, the Bears still have a few players they want to evaluate for decisions at the back of the roster and practice squad. But they were serious enough about this kicker situation to hire a consultant and set up Doppler-radar equipment during rookie minicamp to track trajectory and accuracy, among other variables.

Nagy should make evaluating Pineiro his top goal and extend that to game management and play calls.

SCOREBOARD

ODDS

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL		
NATIONAL LEAGUE	TUESDAY	
Washington	-161	at Pittsburgh +151
at Cincinnati	-163	San Diego +153
at Atlanta	-300	Miami +270
Milwaukee	-111	at St. Louis +101
at Chi Cubs	-185	San Fran. +170
at Arizona	-139	Colorado +129

AMERICAN LEAGUE		
TUESDAY		
Kansas City	-111	at Baltimore +101
at Tampa Bay	off	Seattle off
LA Angels (G1)	-132	at Texas +122
at Texas (G2)	off	LA Angels off
at Minnesota	-215	Chi White Sox +195
at Houston	-295	Detroit +265
NY Yankees	-143	at Oakland +133

INTERLEAGUE		
TUESDAY		
Philadelphia	-112	at Boston +102
Cleveland	-155	at NY Mets +145
at LA Dodgers	-300	Toronto +270

COLLEGE FOOTBALL		
pregame.com		
Florida	7	Miami
Arizona	11	at Hawaii

NFL PRESEASON		
WEEK 3		
at Cincinnati	1½	NY Giants
Washington	2½	at Atlanta
at New England	3	Carolina
Baltimore	4	at Philadelphia
Green Bay	3	at Oakland
at Miami	1	Jacksonville

FRIDAY		
Cleveland	2½	at Tampa Bay
at Detroit	Pk	Buffalo

SATURDAY		
at Minnesota	7	Arizona
at Indianapolis	3	Chicago
at Dallas	Pk	Houston
New Orleans	3	at NY Jets
at Kansas City	off	San Fran.
at LA Rams	off	Denver
at LA Chargers	1½	Seattle

SUNDAY		
at Tennessee	1	Pittsburgh

NFL PRESEASON

AFC EAST						
Buffalo	2	0	0	1,000	51	30
New England	2	0	0	1,000	53	20
Miami	1	1	0	500	48	43
N.Y. Jets	1	1	0	500	44	41

AFC NORTH						
Pittsburgh	2	0	0	1,000	47	35
Baltimore	2	0	0	1,000	55	13
Cleveland	2	0	0	1,000	51	28
Cincinnati	1	1	0	500	40	51

AFC SOUTH						
Tennessee	1	1	0	500	44	32
Houston	1	1	0	500	56	51
Jacksonville	0	2	0	000	10	53
Indianapolis	0	2	0	000	34	45

AFC WEST						
Oakland	2	0	0	1,000	47	29
Kansas City	1	1	0	500	45	34
Denver	1	2	0	333	43	56
L.A. Chargers	0	2	0	000	30	36

NFC EAST						
N.Y. Giants	2	0	0	1,000	63	35
Dallas	1	1	0	500	23	27
Philadelphia	1	1	0	500	34	37
Washington	0	2	0	000	23	53

NFC NORTH						
Minnesota	2	0	0	1,000	59	44
Green Bay	1	1	0	500	41	52
Chicago	0	2	0	000	26	55
Detroit	0	2	0	000	26	61

NFC SOUTH						
Carolina	1	1	0	500	37	40
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	500	44	44
New Orleans	1	1	0	500	44	51
Atlanta	0	3	0	000	47	70

NFC WEST						
San Francisco	2	0	0	1,000	41	24
Seattle	1	1	0	500	44	39
Arizona	1	1	0	500	43	46
L.A. Rams	0	2	0	000	13	28

MONDAY'S RESULT		
San Francisco	24,	Denver 15

WEEK 3		
THURSDAY'S GAMES		
N.Y. Giants at Cincinnati, 6 p.m.		
Washington at Atlanta, 6:30 p.m.		
Cashtina at New England, 6:30 p.m.		
Baltimore at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.		
Green Bay vs. Oakland		
in Winnipeg, Manitoba, 7 p.m.		
Jacksonville at Miami, 7 p.m. (FOX)		

FRIDAY'S GAMES		
Cleveland at Tampa Bay, 6:30 p.m.		
Buffalo at Detroit, 7 p.m. (CBS)		

SATURDAY'S GAMES		
Arizona at Minnesota, noon		
Chicago at Indianapolis, 6 p.m.		
Houston at Dallas, 6 p.m.		
New Orleans at N.Y. Jets, 6:30 p.m.		
San Francisco at Kansas City, 7 p.m.		
Denver at L.A. Rams, 8 p.m.		
Seattle at L.A. Chargers, 9 p.m.		

SUNDAY'S GAME		
Pittsburgh at Tennessee, 7 p.m. (NBC)		

WNBA		

EASTERN				
x-Washington	20	7	7.41	—
x-Connecticut	19	8	7.04	1
Chicago	15	11	5.77	4½
Indiana	9	17	3.46	10½
New York	8	18	3.08	11½
Atlanta	5	21	1.92	14½

WESTERN				
x-Las Vegas	18	9	.667	—
Los Angeles	15	10	.600	2
Seattle	15	13	.536	3½
Phoenix	13	13	.500	4½
Minnesota	13	14	.481	5
Dallas	9	18	.333	9

x-clinched playoff spot		
TUESDAY'S GAMES		
New York at Indiana, 6 p.m.		
Chicago at Atlanta, 6 p.m.		
Phoenix at Las Vegas, 9 p.m.		
Minnesota at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.		

THURSDAY'S GAMES		
Dallas at Minnesota, 7 p.m.		
Indiana at Los Angeles, 9:30 p.m.		

LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL		

WORLD SERIES		
at South Williamsport, Pa.		
e-eliminated		

MONDAY'S RESULTS		
Bowl. Green (Ky.) 4, Sydney (Australia) 1		
Waikuku (Hawaii) 6, Elizabeth (N.J.) 0		
Maracaibo 8, e-Guadalupe (Mexico) 7		
Willemsstad (Curaçao) 8, e-Coquitlam (BC) 1		
River Ridge (La.), 10		
Coon Rapids (Minn.) 0 (4 inn.)		

TENNIS		

ATP WINSTON-SALEM OPEN		
RI in Winston-Salem, N.C.; out-hard		
Marco Cecchinato d. Alexander Bublik, 7-6 (3), 1-0, retired.		
Pablo Andujar d. Nicolas Jarry, 6-4, 6-2.		
Alexi Popyrin d. Thiago Monteiro, 5-7, 6-4, 7-6 (7)		
Bjorn Fratangelo d. Amir Weintraub, 6-0, 6-0		
Duckhee Lee d. Henri Laaksonen, 7-6 (4), 6-1		
Tenny Sandgren d. Andy Murray, 7-6 (8), 7-5		
Raymond Sarmiento d. Jeremy Chardy, 6-1, 7-6 (5)		
Roberto Carballes Baena d. Marcus Giron, 6-2, 2-6, 6-3		

WTA NYJTL BRONX OPEN		
RI in New York; outdoors-hard		
Andrea Petkovic d. #4 Zhang Shuai, 6-3, 6-4.		
#5 Katerina Siniakova d. Wang Yafan, 6-3, 6-2.		
Lin Zhu d. #7 Yulia Putintseva, 7-6 (2), 6-4.		
#9 Aliaksandra Sasnovich d. Polona Herczeg, 6-3, 6-2.		
#10 Karolina Muchova d. Viktoria Kuzmova, 7-5, 6-2.		
Camilla Giorgi d. Margarita Gasparyan, 6-3, 6-2.		
Anastasia Potapova d. Alison Van Uytvanck, 4-6, 6-4, 6-2.		
Kristie Ahn d. Jill Teichmann, 6-3, 6-4.		
Magda Linette d. Kaia Kalanicki, 6-2, 7-5.		
Fiona Ferro d. Viktorija Golubic, 6-0, 6-1		
Milaera Buzarsescu d. Laura Siegemund, 3-6, 6-0, 6-4		
Anna Blinkova d. Coco Vandeweghe, 6-3, 6-0		

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

AP PRESEASON TOP 25

RK.	SCHOOL	CP	W-L	PTS	LY
1.	Clemson (52)	1	15-0	1,540	1
2.	Alabama (10)	2	14-1	1,496	2
3.	Georgia	3	11-3	1,403	7
4.	Oklahoma	4	12-2	1,331	4
5.	Ohio State	5	13-1	1,261	3
6.	LSU	6	10-3	1,199	6
7.	Michigan	7	10-3	1,164	14
8.	Florida	8	10-3	1,054	7
9.	Notre Dame	9	12-1	1,044	5
10.	Texas	10	10-4	1,005	9
11.	Oregon	13	9-4	860	-
12.	Texas A&M	11	9-4	852	16
13.	Washington	12	10-4	786	13
14.	Utah	15	9-5	772	-
15.	Penn State	14	9-4	651	17
16.	Auburn	16	8-5	578	-
17.	UCF	17	12-1	410	11
18.	Michigan State	20	7-6	377	-
19.	Wisconsin	17	8-5	370	-
20.	Iowa	19	9-4	330	25
21.	Iowa State	24	8-5	302	-
22.	Syracuse	22	10-3	209	15
23.	Washington St.	21	11-2	200	10
24.	Nebraska	-	4-8	154	-
25.	Stanford	23	9-4	141	-

Others: Missouri 117, Army 94, Mississippi St. 87, Miami 70, Northwestern 63, TCU 57, Virginia 44, Boise St. 38, Cincinnati 16, South Carolina 15, Virginia Tech 12, Fresno St. 8, Utah St. 8, Minnesota 7, Memphis 6, Appalachian St. 5, UAB 3, West Virginia 3, Oklahoma St. 3, Arizona St. 3, Arizona 1, Southern Cal 1.

CP: Coaches poll ranking.
W-L: LY: 2018 final record, ranking

UPCOMING TOP 25 SCHEDULE

SATURDAY'S GAME		
#8 Florida vs. Miami in Orlando, 6 p.m.		

THURSDAY, AUG. 29		
#1 Clemson vs. Georgia Tech, 7 p.m.		
#12 Texas A&M vs. Texas St., 7:30 p.m.		
#14 Utah at BYU, 9:15 p.m.		
#17 UCF vs. Florida A&M, 6:30 p.m.		

FRIDAY, AUG. 30		
#18 Michigan State vs. Tulsa, 6 p.m.		
#19 Wisconsin at South Florida, 6 p.m.		

SATURDAY, AUG. 31		
#2 Alabama vs. Duke in Atlanta, 2:30 p.m.		
#3 Georgia at Vanderbilt, 6:30 p.m.		
#5 Ohio State vs. FAU, 11 a.m.		
#6 LSU vs. Georgia Southern, 6:30 p.m.		
#7 Michigan vs. Middle Tennessee, 6:30 p.m.		

#10 Texas vs. Louisiana Tech, 7 p.m.		
#11 Oregon vs. #16 Auburn in Arlington, Texas, 6:30 p.m.		
#13 Washington vs. Eastern Washington, 2 p.m.		
#15 Penn State vs. Idaho, 2:30 p.m.		
#20 Iowa vs. Miami (Ohio), 6:30 p.m.		
#21 Iowa St. vs. Northern Iowa, 11 a.m.		
#22 Syracuse at Liberty, 5 p.m.		
#23 Washington State vs. New Mexico State, 9 p.m.		
#24 Nebraska vs. S. Alabama, 11 a.m.		
#25 Stanford vs. Northwestern, 3 p.m.		

SUNDAY, SEPT. 1		
#4 Oklahoma vs. Houston, 6:30 p.m.		

MONDAY, SEPT. 2		
#9 Notre Dame in Louisville, 7 p.m.		

UPCOMING SCHEDULE		
SATURDAY'S GAMES		
Villanova at Colgate, 11 a.m.		
Youngstown St. vs. Samford in Montgomery, Ala., 2 p.m.		
Arizona at Hawaii, 9:30 p.m.		

SOCCER		

MLS		

EASTERN						
Atlanta	14	9	3	45	45	30
Philadelphia	13	8	6	45	48	40
N.Y. City FC	11	5	8	41	45	32
D.C. United</						



RANKING THE BEST BEARS PLAYERS EVER

#17 Stan Jones

Iron man, Hall of Famer remained humble even as he dominated on line

BY WILL LARKIN

Stan Jones always sat next to his telephone on cutdown day.

As the Bears' strongest player and one of their top performers, he never had a reason to worry, but Jones was so humble he never took anything for granted.

One year, the phone rang.

"This is it," he thought.

On the other line was, in fact, George Halas, the Bears' gruff owner and coach.

"Stan," Halas said, "would you mind moving from left guard to right guard?"

"Jeez!" Jones replied. "I think that's a great idea!"

Jones told the story to the Tribune's Cooper Rollow on July 26, 1991, as Jones prepared to enter the Pro Football Hall of Fame. Jones was one of the NFL's best offensive linemen from 1954 to '61, earning first-team All-Pro honors three times, second-team once and seven consecutive trips to the Pro Bowl.

When he lost some speed and no longer was able to make it to the hole before Bears backs on pulling plays, coaches thought he still could be useful. They moved him to defensive tackle, and he played both ways as a reserve in 1962. The next year he moved into the starting lineup at defensive tackle. He, Earl Leggett and Fred Williams held down the middle for one of the best defenses ever, and the Bears won the 1963 NFL championship.

Defensive coordinator George Allen and line coach Joe Stydahar, a two-way Hall of Famer for the Bears in the 1930s and '40s, were not surprised to see Jones excel on their side of the ball.

"The first time I saw him in training camp, I knew Stan would fill the position easily," Stydahar told Rollow on Dec. 23, 1963. "He can catch plays going away from either direction. ... I rate Jones and Earl Leggett as the outstanding tackles in the league this year."

Allen believed Jones would be an asset to the defense but was taken aback at how quickly he "picked up all the little tricks" needed to succeed as a defensive lineman.

"You don't expect a person coming over from offense to pick up the traps, the screens, the suckers so quickly," Allen told Rollow on Jan. 27, 1991. "He learned the job almost instantly."

Jones thought he was closer to being out of the league than playing a key role for the NFL champs.

"I didn't know what to expect when I went down to training camp this year," he told Rollow. "I never went to camp with such a feeling before. Looking back, I can see that the coaches had a lot more confidence in me than I did in myself."

Jones fit right in on a unit that included linemen Leggett, Williams, Doug Atkins and Ed O'Bradovich and linebackers Bill George, Joe Fortunato and Larry Morris. His best friend on the defense was backup end Bob Kilcullen, who played major minutes in 1963 while O'Bradovich was in and out of the lineup because of injuries.

Kilcullen and Jones played next to each other, leading the Chicago American's Bill Gleason to predict other teams might exploit the two as the weak links in an otherwise excellent defense. After all, Gleason reasoned, in the offseason Jones was a public-school teacher and Kilcullen an artist.

In Richard Whittingham's 1991 book "What Bears They Were," Jones said the two friends went out to dinner the night before the opening game against the Packers and saw Gleason. Kilcullen loudly told the writer that the Bears had nothing to worry about with their two new defensive linemen.

Jones, still humble at times to a fault in his 10th NFL season and "not knowing how this whole transition was going to turn out," told Kilcullen, "Hey, don't call any more attention to us."

The Bears beat the Packers 10-3 with plenty of plays going toward Jones and Kilcullen. The defense dominated that game and the rest of the season, leading the NFL in scoring, total defense, passing and rushing defense and takeaways. When the Bears beat the high-scoring Giants 14-10 for the NFL championship, Jones called it the greatest thrill of his career.

While Jones was one of the NFL's last two-way linemen, he was one of the league's first players to take weight training seriously. He started lifting in high school, and he claims to have gained 20 pounds per year for eight consecutive years from his freshman year in high school in LeMoyne, Pa., to his senior year at Maryland.

In his first 12 seasons in the NFL, the 6-foot-1, 252-pound Jones missed only two games.

"I developed my own form of conditioning," Jones told Whittingham. "No one was lifting weights with the Bears when I got there. In fact I was warned that I might be risking my career working with weights. They thought I'd become muscle-bound and lose my speed and agility. ... Just the opposite. It made me stronger and more durable."

As an All-America two-way lineman, Jones helped the Terrapins become the 1953 national champions. In his first appearance in the Tribune, while training for the 1954 College All-Star Game at Soldier Field against the defending NFL champion Lions, Jones was pictured doing a pushup with smiling Maryland teammate Bobby Morgan on his back. "The training



CHICAGO TRIBUNE HISTORICAL PHOTO

Bears guard Stan Jones prepares to face the Giants at Soldier Field in 1959. The fifth-round draft pick won the 1963 championship.



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Bears guard Stan Jones, left, the professional player of the year, chats with Mike Ditka, College All-Stars co-captain, in 1961, which was Ditka's rookie season with the Bears.

maneuver," the caption read, "is popular only with Jones."

Halas saw Jones play once in college, against Georgia in 1953. Almost nothing made Halas happier than when one of his players would annihilate an opposing quarterback on an interception return. Jones did just that with Halas in the stands, plowing over Zeke Bratkowski, who would become Jones' road roommate for a few years with the Bears.

"Halas kind of liked that," Jones told Whittingham.

The Bears selected Jones as a fifth-round future pick in the 1953 draft. After college, Jones tried to become a pilot in the Air Force but was too big to pass the physical. He decided to join the Bears. So began Jones' relationship with Halas, which featured all sorts of interesting interactions. Jones, one of the best storytellers the Bears have employed in their 100 years in business, relished sharing them.

Halas stripped Jones and Bill George of their longtime captaincies in 1962 when the team voted to join the players' association.

After the players voted to unionize, almost unanimously, Jones was charged with telling Halas, whose team had been the last union holdout. In Jeff Davis' 2005 book, "Papa Bear: The Life and Legacy of George Halas," Jones told the story of Halas hearing the unwanted news.

"I came and that jaw went out," Jones said, "He took me into the bathroom section of the clubhouse."

"What was the result of your (expletive) vote?" Halas asked.

"It wasn't my (expletive) vote! It was the team's vote!"

"You're fired!" Halas screamed. "That reflects on the leadership of this team!"

Jones didn't have the heart to ask if he was fired as captain or released from the team altogether. Jones and George were replaced as captains by Fortunato and center Mike Pyle, who would become the team's first union representative.

"In time it passed and he never held that against me," Jones said. "I know he liked me, but he never would say anything like that, you know?"

"It might have been the most courageous thing I ever did in my life to face that man. I was shaking; I guarantee that."

Jones never made more than \$14,000 playing for Halas. In 1966 Papa Bear did Jones a favor by trading him to the Redskins so he could play near his home in Landover, Md. In his only year in Washington, Jones made \$20,000. Every time Jones would ask for more money, Halas said there was no way he could present a raise like that to the board of directors.

"There was no board of directors," Jones told Davis. "Halas was the board of directors."

When Jones left the Bears, he thought for a great while of just the right words to convey how much he appreciated the chance to play for Halas and his team.

"Well, Coach, this has been a great opportunity, and I certainly appreciate it," Jones said. "It's been a great experience."

Halas briefly looked up from the newspaper he was reading and told Jones, "Well, kid, keep in touch."

After Jones retired he mentioned to Halas that he planned to open a restaurant. Halas mailed Jones a signed blank check and told him to cash it for however much he needed to get started.

Jones changed his mind and went into coaching. He served as an assistant with the Broncos for 17 of the next 21 years for four head coaches as well as stints with the Bills, Browns, Patriots and the Scottish Claymores of NFL Europe before he retired in 1998.

All the while, Jones kept Halas' blank check as a memento of the man's complicated nature.

Jones was voted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame by the old-timers committee in 1991 at age 59. He was known as a friend to all, and Rollow once described him as "one of our city's more innocuous and gentle citizens." Still, Jones saved some classic back-in-my-day vitriol for his induction speech. After Kilcullen introduced Jones and the requisite mention of those who helped him along the way, Jones spoke until the flashing red lights behind the audience indicated his time was up.

JONES AS A BEAR

1954-65 | 12 seasons | 144 games

Bears record: 93-57-4 (.617).

Playoff appearances: 2. NFL champion in 1963.

Acquired: Fifth round (55th overall), 1953 draft out of Maryland.

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| 53. Otis Wilson | 95. Akiem Hicks |
| 54. Wilber Marshall | 96. Joey Sternaman |
| 55. Dick Gordon | 97. Hugh Gallarneau |
| 56. Jim McMahon | 98. Tom Thayer |
| 57. Neal Anderson | 99. William Perry |
| 58. Mike Brown | 100. Patrick Mannely |

Jones blew through the stop sign and delivered a screech against the modern game, decrying artificial turf, indoor games and what really made him "half sick": "Second-and-long, everybody comes off the bench, everybody goes back to the bench. ... All the trick football, get rid of it.

"For the 'What It's Worth' department, my suggestion for the future of the NFL is bring back the sledgehammer offense. Put back the drive blocks, the traps and trench warfare. Bring back the seven-man sled and quit popping and recoiling all over the place.

"Thank you very much," he concluded to a standing ovation.

In 1985, the Tribune's Don Pierson named Jones and Danny Fortmann the Bears' all-time guards. In 1994, Pierson and Fred Mitchell chose Jones and Ray Bray. In 1999, Bernie Lincicome selected Jones and Mark Bortz. Jones' seven Pro Bowl selections are tied with Jay Hilgenberg for the most by a Bears offensive lineman, and only Mike Singletary with 10 and Atkins with eight have made more consecutive Pro Bowls as a Bear.

While guards are well-represented with 11 players in the Tribune's list of the Bears' top 100 players ever, Jones was only the sixth guard selected for the Hall of Fame.

He remained a regular at Bears alumni events, often telling stories until well after midnight, for most of the rest of his life. Jones died at 78 on May 21, 2010, in Broomfield, Colo.

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Time to call it splitsville?

Tough relationship decision to make for IndyCar, Pocono

By JENNA FRYER
Associated Press

The same message is repeated at least once a year — after a frightening crash, an injury, the death of a driver — that racing at high speed anywhere is inherently dangerous.

Scott Speed, a former NASCAR and Formula One driver, broke three vertebrae on a hard landing during qualifying last weekend for the American RallyCross Championship Nitro World Games in Salt Lake City. He has been hospitalized.

Speed's injury didn't get nearly the same attention as an IndyCar crash two days later at Pocono Raceway that reignited a debate on the compatibility of the Pennsylvania track and the open wheel series.

Justin Wilson died of a head injury in 2015 when he was hit by debris from another car at Pocono. Robert Wickens suffered a spinal cord injury that has confined him to a wheelchair when his car sailed into the fence last year.

Then came Sunday's opening lap debacle, a five-car accident that sent one driver to the hospital, altered the championship race and put Pocono square in the crosshairs of critics who don't want IndyCar hurtling around the 2.5-mile oval at 200 mph.

Felix Rosenqvist complained of back pain and a headache after his car hit the fence in the crash. He was released from the hospital and is awaiting IndyCar approval to race again this weekend.

"Definitely feel lucky escaping without any serious injuries after visiting the catch fence there," the Swedish rookie posted on social media.

The other four drivers involved in Sunday's crash weren't hurt — Alexander Rossi's quest to win his first championship took a serious blow — but that didn't stop a slew of complaints about racing at Pocono. Some of them came from Wickens, who called the relationship between IndyCar and Pocono "toxic" and in need of a "divorce."

The situation might have been headed that way anyway as the series and the track don't have a contract for 2020, so it would be easy for both sides to just walk away from this tumultuous seven-year run. It's



MATT SLOCUM/AP PHOTOS

Sunday's IndyCar race was marred by an opening-lap five-car accident that sent one driver to the hospital. Many were quick to blame Pocono, but defending series champ Scott Dixon cautioned that accidents happen everywhere. He said he felt "bad for Pocono."

not the solution sought by the three podium finishers, all series champions, who in unison supported Pocono remaining on the IndyCar schedule.

"It's a great oval for us. Obviously some unfortunate accidents here that could happen anywhere," race winner Will Power said. "Kind of got a bad rap for that. It's a good racetrack, man. A good track for racing. I really hope we come back, I do."

Five-time IndyCar champion Scott Dixon said "I feel bad for Pocono" and pointed to on-track driver error for its spate of spectacular crashes.

"If you look at Justin or Robbie, those can happen anywhere," Dixon said. "I think the drivers in a lot of situations can do a better job to help that situation."

And Indianapolis 500 winner Simon Pagenaud said he loves racing at Pocono but acknowledged "when you're traveling at such high speed, you know a crash is going to be a big crash."

What happened Sunday began even before the green flag. Replays clearly show multiple drivers fanning across the track in a frantic bid to pick up positions before the green even waved. Ryan Hunter-Reay, who wound up with Takuma Sato's car on top of his, cited the importance of track position and difficulty in passing for the over-aggressive start.

When Hunter-Reay, Sato and Rossi wound up three-wide flying into the second turn, something bad was bound to happen. It was too early and no 500-mile race has ever been won on the first lap. Most think former Indy 500 winner Sato was egregiously at fault, but Sato thinks Rossi raced too hard and no matter where the actual blame falls everyone could have and should have raced smarter at the start of the race.

Alas, that is not the nature of a race car driver. So accidents happen, sometimes with devastating consequences. Drivers make mistakes, equipment fails and tracks can present dangerous conditions.

Those are the stakes every time a race begins anywhere in the world. Every driver knows and accepts this, and when they don't want to do it anymore, they don't. Max Chilton earlier this year said he'd no longer race ovals. Ed Carpenter only races on ovals.

Now comes the renewed debate about Pocono.

Walking away would probably be the smart financial move for Pocono. The track was such an important part of open wheel racing through the 1970s and 1980s but can't be breaking even as it hosts IndyCar in its proud effort to support the series.

But there aren't any other ovals courting

IndyCar right now, and the loss of Pocono would leave the series with only four races not on street or road courses (the 2020 schedule has not been announced).

One of those tracks is Indianapolis Motor Speedway, where there have been 73 fatalities since 1909 including 42 drivers. Nobody wants to drop that race from the schedule.

It's up to IndyCar to push forward with its safety innovations and ensure its cars are compatible everywhere it races. A small deflector added in front of the cockpit earlier this year may have worked in stopping one of James Hinchcliff's tires, and a full cockpit-protecting aeroscreen is coming next year. But IndyCar needs its cars to stay on the ground, and Rosenqvist's airborne car Sunday is a troublesome as anything that might be wrong with Pocono.

IndyCar and its drivers need a candid discussion on the risk versus reward of returning to Pocono, and track officials need to decide if it's even worth the hassle. Pocono next year is hosting a NASCAR doubleheader, a large enough endeavor without also opening the gates for an IndyCar Series that maybe shouldn't be there.

There's no easy answer to this, and losing Pocono is going to be a blow to IndyCar if it can't replace the race. The question is whether it's worth it anymore.

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JOHANNES EISELE/GETTY-AFP

Megan Rapinoe and other members of the World Cup-winning U.S. women's team take part in a ticker-tape parade in July in New York. The women are in a pay dispute with U.S. Soccer.

Should USWNT break away from U.S. Soccer?

As discussions hit wall over pay dispute, some think split could be helpful

BY JANE MCMANUS
New York Daily News

We've been here before. It was the early 1970s, and Billie Jean King was trying to convince the tennis powerbrokers to pay women equally for their matches. Nine players made a pact to stick together on the issue and signed a \$1 contract, and King made her case to the tennis authorities.

"I told them we weren't coming back," King told the Daily News in a phone interview.

It's a well-established fact in the workplace. Sometimes, in order to get the pay you deserve, you have to leave the company that won't give it to you.

This week, discussions between U.S. Soccer and the members of the women's national team broke down on the issue of equal pay, according to the players who are fighting for it. Some of those championship players took to the morning shows to make their case.

"We won't accept anything less than equal pay," Megan Rapinoe said on "Good Morning America." "We show up for a game. If we win the game, if we lose the game, if we tie the game, we want to be paid equally, period."

It feels like someone put the soccer team, despite its four World Cup victories, legions of fans and sponsorship dollars in a time machine and sent them back to 1970. Somewhere, maybe underneath a disco ball and with polyester pantsuits on, they need to beg a patriarchal federation for their equal share.

U.S. Soccer, a nonprofit, has paid lobbyists and lawyers to counter its players' goal of equity. Literal insult to injury, since that's money that could be alleviating the gap.

Quiz your average sports fan and they'll likely be able to name Hamm, Foudy, Scurry, Wambach, Morgan, Rapinoe and a half-

dozen more.

Now ask them to name five U.S. men's World Cup players.

It's not impossible but it's harder simply because there haven't been the wins, the air time and the ticker-tape parades up the Canyon of Heroes. That doesn't mean, however, you should pay the men any less for their work.

And here's the crux: The USWNT will never find satisfaction if the U.S. Soccer Federation fundamentally values men's soccer more. It doesn't matter how many World Cups the women win if the federation is bidding time until the men win the real World Cup, however poor the odds look.

"Maybe the women should break away," said King, while readily acknowledging the immense challenges it would bring.

FIFA certainly incentivizes male-centric thinking from its national federations, starting with the difference in prize money for men's and women's wins. Women got less than 10% of the FIFA prize money in 2019 awarded to men's teams in 2018. The fact that the U.S. women have brought so many titles and so much positive attention to soccer is a glaringly inconvenient fact. Yet these women can't negotiate a federation into changing priorities.

"They'd be such heroes," King said. "They'd get more support than they'd ever dream of. They need to ask themselves, am I on the right side of history?"

Jean Williams, an author and women's sports historian at the University of Wolverhampton in England, doesn't like to hear about how far women have come. If your starting point is 1973, the era of Title IX and the Battle of the Sexes, you can make the case. But go back even further and you can see that this is cyclical.

Williams recalled the women's soccer teams in the UK during World War I playing in front of

55,000 fans in stadiums like Chelsea's.

"My major bugaboo is that 'women are making progress,'" Williams said. "The problem is not women. We've been playing football for 150 years. The fact is we've got a rigidly enforced labor market that women didn't create."

That the women who play tennis and soccer and all these other sports have been able to follow their passions despite the often arbitrary valuations put on them by predominantly male federations and corporations is nothing short of revolutionary. It makes asking the minimum seem like demanding the moon.

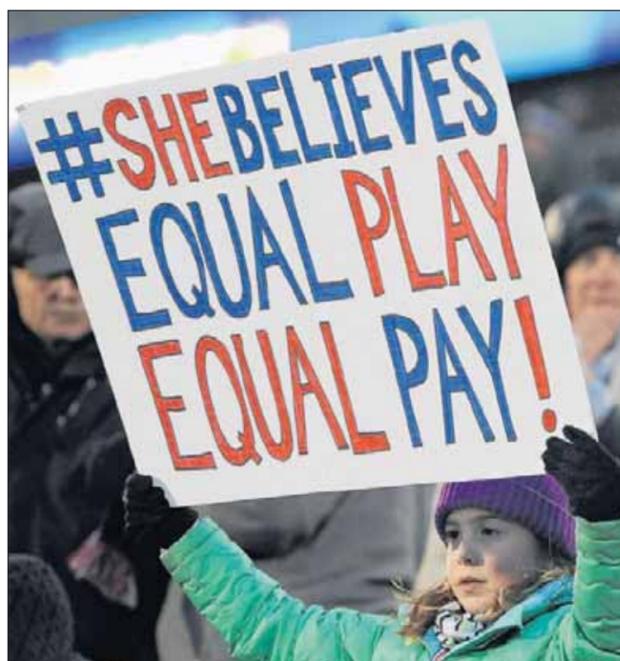
"It's the view that men's sport is an economic benefit, and women's sports is an economic drain, and whatever you give women is a charitable donation," Williams said. "They can't see where that value is going to come from."

King and her then husband, Larry, owned and ran a tournament before the WTA was formed, and that business education schooled her in sports economics. Virginia Slims, the cigarette brand, sponsored women's tennis in the early days looking to attract women to smoking. The USWNT got the much more palatable Luna Bar brand as a sponsor interested in promoting the team and equal pay.

Like Williams, the key for King was in proving economic value, or speaking the language of the men in charge. King said it was a shortcut to make up for lost time.

"The investments have never been there for the women," King said. "We're second in the marketplace by 150 years. If we had the same enthusiasm and support, think of where we'd be."

The USWNT is so far beyond needing to prove value. It tops the men's team in terms of highest-rated World Cup matches, recent revenue and, what matters the most, the World Cup titles.



JESSICA HILL/AP

A girl holds up a sign for equal pay for the U.S. women's soccer players in 2016, a squabble that has yet to be resolved three years later.

Realistically, the USWNT would have a much harder time breaking from U.S. Soccer, due to the structure of FIFA and the International Olympic Committee. According to rules, a national body oversees the game for both genders. With U.S. Soccer set to host the 2026 World Cup, there may be ways for Congress to pressure the federation.

In July, the House Democratic Women's Caucus wrote a letter to U.S. Soccer calling on it to "address institutionalized gender discrimination."

True that hiring lobbyists, as the federation did this month according to Politico, is a proven Washington move, but it probably doesn't count.

In the meantime, the team is fighting the U.S. Soccer Federation in court.

"It's quite simple from our perspective," Christen Press said during Thursday morning's media tour. "We want to be paid equally, and that just means that when we show up to a game, that we get compensated the same way a man would for showing up for the same game. Because, on this issue, there is no social equality for women without financial equality."

There's nothing more American than the ideal of equality. Even if we have fallen short of it throughout our history, it's still a guiding principle.

As King sees it, U.S. Soccer doesn't need another reason to pay both teams equally, or use an excuse not to.

"As the governing body of soccer in the U.S., they should do it," King said.

"Maybe the women should break away. ... They'd get more support than they'd ever dream of. They need to ask themselves, am I on the right side of history?"

— Billie Jean King



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“Downton Abbey” cast member Harry Hadden-Paton prepares for his live TV interview at Pleasant House Pub in Pilsen on Sunday.

‘DOWNTON’ DOWNTOWN

Fans don their vintage finery for ‘Downton Live’ bash in Pilsen

BY STEVE JOHNSON

In Aidee Abate’s Shorewood home, there’s now an uncovered window.

The black curtain that used to adorn it spent Sunday night draped around Abate’s body, refashioned by its wearer into an instantly recognizable take on Lady Mary Crawley’s riding get-up.

“Four days of nonstop sewing!” said Abate, a 32-year-old who described herself as a homemaker, explaining what it took to make her outfit and the riding coat and jodhpurs sported by husband Scott for his dapper woolen take on Matthew Crawley, Lady Mary’s distant cousin and then husband.

If the name Crawley and its associated intrigues don’t instantly ring bells, if you can’t summon an image of Lady Mary riding sidesaddle in that iconic outfit with the white blouse and top hat, you probably weren’t a good candidate to spend Sunday night in an English-inspired tavern in Pilsen among still-devoted fans of a certain end-of-empire drama.

If, however, you still pine for “Downton Abbey’s” take on the English gentry lurching into the modern age — and if you’re more excited about the forthcoming “Downton” movie sequel than any cinematic product that might be squirting out of the Marvel pipeline — then Pleasant House Pub was a smashing place to be.



Scott and Aidee Abate arrive in costumes she made to attend the “Downton Abbey” party at Pleasant House Pub in Pilsen.

To reap some benefit from the film, which officially opens Sept. 20, PBS and local affiliate WTTW-Ch. 11 staged the event, a three-city live TV special called “Downton Abbey Live!” It was

PBS, after all, which aired “Downton” for its six seasons ending in 2016.

More than just homage to one of the biggest hits U.S. public television has had recently,

“Downton Live” on Sunday was a pledge-period special event, complete with interviews with some of the cast and many appeals to support your local PBS station.

Viewers could learn that the two-hour film will center on a visit to Downton Abbey by the king and queen, which, naturally enough, gets the estate’s knickers in a twist. From Chicago, Harry Hadden-Paton, who played Bertie (and who is in town to star in a theatrical production of “The King’s Speech”), said the film’s goal was to deliver “what (people) expect from the characters but also give them something a bit different and a few surprises along the way.”

“It’s 1927,” he added, “and we are a modern family.”

The real prize, though, was in the pledge swag. For a donation of \$84, for example, viewers could get a drinking vessel celebrating one of the show’s most popular characters, Maggie Smith’s Emmy-winning portrayal of the “Dowager Countess,” Lady Violet Crawley.

“The Lady Violet Wit and Wisdom Heat-Changing Mug,” the announcer touted. “This stylish mug features iconic images of the Dowager Countess — but add a hot beverage and her most iconic quotes are revealed!”

Perhaps needless to say, this was a popular item among the Chicago partygoers, who would at one point chant, with gusto,

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Fredo deserves respect

John Cazale holds his own as the character predated the insult



RICK KOGAN
Sidewalks

Barroom insults are as old as barrooms and they come in many forms.

For my money the best is not the name “Fredo,” recently hurled at Chris Cuomo by some goof at a bar called the Sunset Beach on Shelter Island, N.Y., but rather the insult tossed during a scene in the 1973 Martin Scorsese movie “Mean Streets.”

Here’s the set up: Johnny Boy (Robert DeNiro) and his friends Charlie (Harvey Keitel), Jimmy (Lenny Scaletta) and Tony (David Proval) have gone to a basement bar/pool hall to try to get some money they are owed by a bookie named Joey ‘Clams’ Scala (George Memmoli). He is reluctant to hand it over and the following conversation ensues:

Joey ‘Clams’ Scala: “And we don’t pay mooks.”

Jimmy: “Mook? I’m a mook?”

Joey: “Yeah.”

Jimmy: “What’s a mook?”

Johnny Boy: “A mook, what’s a mook?”

Tony: “I don’t know ...”

Johnny Boy: “What’s a mook?”

Jimmy: “You can’t call me a mook!”

Joey: “I can’t?”

Jimmy: “No ...”

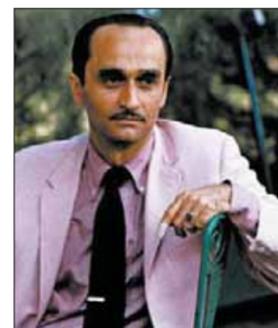
Joey: “I’ll give you mook!”

Joey then punches Jimmy in the face and a wild brawl erupts.

No blows were exchanged during the recent “Fredo” flap.

Undoubtedly you have heard of it and likely seen it too. It resulted in a confrontation involving CNN anchorman Cuomo and was captured on cell phone video, as every misstep seems to be in these intrusive times, and then exploded into a viral “sensation,” viewed by millions of people

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HBO

John Cazale as Fredo in “The Godfather II,” before the name became a barroom insult.

IN PERFORMANCE ‘You Can’t Fake the Funk’ ★★★

‘You Can’t Fake the Funk,’ but you can start the party

BY CHRIS JONES

Prince used to argue that any attempt to define funk was inherently Sisyphean: “If you can describe it,” he declared, “it ain’t funky.”

But Daryl D. Brooks gives it a go in his exuberantly entertaining new revue at Black Ensemble Theater. Through one jukebox hit after another, his show argues that funk was born of rebellion from the crossover compromises of Motown, single-parented by one James Brown, disciplined by the strong downbeat but supported in its syncopated physicality and raised up as a flexible, uncompromising, long-lived genre (no sub-genre here) that could encompass work as diverse

When: Through Sept. 23

Where: Black Ensemble Theater, 4450 N. Clark St.

Running time: 2 hours

Tickets: \$55-65 at 773-769-4451 or blackensemble.org

as “Shaft” and “September.” And in its diverse maturity, funk could respond to the demands of the market, and straddle the worlds of R&B, soul, jazz and disco.

It’s certainly true that Brooks picks the songs that serve his thesis: The Commodores’ “Brick House” fits neatly into the show, but there’s no mention of their late morphing into the softer realm of “Easy” and “Three

Times a Lady,” which hit No. 1 on both sides of the Atlantic and brought the Commodores a level of fame that had previously eluded them. And while the Gap Band’s “You Dropped the Bomb on Me” was a fine funky hit, we internationalist young funk fans of circa 1979 were more likely to be listening to “I Don’t Believe You Want to Get Up and Dance,” a huge global hit you can hear in nightclubs to this day. “Boogie Wonderland,” a funkier song than Earth Wind & Fire’s “September,” ain’t there. And what about Kool & the Gang? Is not “Jungle Boogie” a funk landmark? And what about the plastic-funk glories of “Celebration,” one of the

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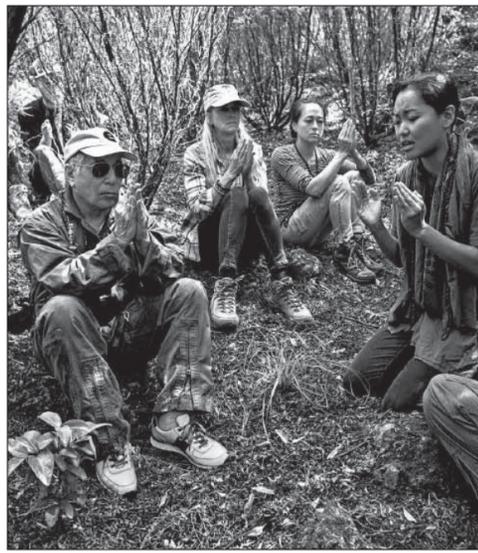


ALAN DAVIS PHOTO

David Simmons, Stewart Romeo and Jayla Williams-Craig in “You Can’t Fake the Funk (A Journey Through Funk Music)” at Black Ensemble Theatre.

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ANNA KIM/AP

Paul Simon, left, joins in a ceremony during the planting of a lama tree at Auwahi Forest Reserve on Maui.

Simon slip-slides into Hawaiian forest

AUWAHI, Hawaii — Musician Paul Simon joined environmentalists trying to reinvigorate a Hawaii forest on Maui and planted a tree during a ceremony, a report said.

The singer-songwriter visited Auwahi Forest Restoration Project with volunteers who are trying to revive plant life in the area, The Honolulu Star-Advertiser reported.

Simon helped plant a lama tree and participated in chants with the group after a helicopter tour that he called “awe-inspiring” and “life-changing.”

Simon inserted the plant and a scroll into a hole before refilling the soil and speaking with group members.

“To even sit with you guys and be in the same community is such a privilege,” Simon said.

The part-time Maui resident performed two environmental benefit concerts at the Maui Arts & Cultural Center earlier in the week that drew more than 8,000 attendees. Simon plans to donate the proceeds to the Auwahi project and the Hawaii environmental group Kuaaina Ulu Auamo.

— Associated Press

Aug. 20 birthdays: News anchor Connie Chung is 73. Actor Ray Wise is 72. Singer Robert Plant is 71. Singer Rudy Gatlin is 67. Singer-songwriter John Hiatt is 67. “Today” show weatherman Al Roker is 65. Actress Joan Allen is 63. Actor James Marsters is 57. Rapper KRS-One is 54. Actor Billy Gardell is 50. Singer Fred Durst is 49. Actor Ben Barnes is 38. Actor Andrew Garfield is 36. Singer-actress Demi Lovato is 27. Actor Christopher Paul Richards is 16.



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Married: With a simple “We do,” Dwayne “The Rock” Johnson announced his wedding to his long-time girlfriend on Instagram. A photo of the star and Lauren Hashian was posted on the social media site. Both were wearing white, and they were standing overlooking the ocean. The post said the date of their apparent nuptials was Sunday, in Hawaii. The couple are parents to two daughters. Johnson also has a teenage daughter from a previous marriage.

New crew: Carrie Underwood, who has hosted the Country Music Association Awards since 2008 with Brad Paisley, is losing her partner-in-crime. But she won't be on her own: The CMAs announced Monday that “special guest hosts” Dolly Parton and Reba McEntire will join Underwood during the Nov. 13 event. The organization says the show will celebrate “legendary women in Country Music throughout the ceremony.” Nominees will be announced Aug. 28.

Distressed: Singer Elton John says he's “deeply distressed” by media accounts that criticized the Duke and Duchess of Sussex for taking a private jet to go on vacation. John took to Instagram on Monday to slam stories that suggested Prince Harry and Meghan were hypocritical for accepting jet travel to stay at his home in Nice despite their devotion to eco-causes. John and his partner “wanted the young family to have a private holiday.” The jet offered a “high level of much-needed protection.” He says the flight was carbon neutral because it was offset by a contribution to Carbon Footprint.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Family trip was like herding cats

Dear Amy: My partner and I recently traveled abroad with her family.

We are all adults. We spent six days with her mother, father, brother and sister-in-law. We both knew that there would be the usual frustrations associated with spending time in close quarters with her enmeshed family. We stayed in vacation rental homes, where each couple had their own room.

During our trip became apparent to both of us that her family's dynamics stifled our experience. Her mother and brother bickered much of the time. In addition, her brother, who was far removed from his comfort zone, complained about all sorts of things beyond anyone's control. At one point I overheard him say to his wife, “I really, REALLY don't want to be here.”

My partner's mother would worry if we wanted to do anything on our own and feared for our safety. In an effort to respect her wishes, we stayed together as a group, but trying to get everyone to do the same thing in a given day was like herding bored housecats. We aren't super-assertive, but the rest of the group was extremely passive.

My partner and I decided that we do not wish to have any future experiences like this. The problem is that her family seems intent on planning more vacations together, including one in six months! We don't want to be rude or hurtful to her family members, nor do we intend to lie about our reasons for opting out of future family travel.

How do we (two inde-

pendent, excited travelers) vacation with an anxious, enmeshed family?
— *Travel Bugged*

Dear Bugged: After outlining the many (valid) reasons you don't want to travel with this group, you then ask how to travel with this group. Are you sure you want to? You are both adults. You have free will. Until you learn to deliver a respectful “We're going to travel on our own this year,” you will be dominated.

But if you do want to travel with them, you should develop an itinerary for yourselves each day and invite them to join you, or not. For instance: “Monday Marla and I will visit the Indigenous Museum. We'll leave at 10 a.m. Anyone who wants to join us, please do. Otherwise, we'll have lunch nearby and you can join us then.”

A family member's worry about your safety should not dictate your choices. You are an adult, and so is your partner's mother. After reassurances from you, she will have to handle her own emotions.

Dear Amy: I have another question to add to your list of “Why would you ask that?”

I am a teacher. I just turned 65. The annoying question I get is: “Are you still working?” My answers generally are: “Yes, I am still working. Yes, I am still very capable and focused on my job. Yes, I can still roll with the changes and embrace new technology. Yes, I still enjoy what I do. Yes, my students (and colleagues) still bring me joy.”

I get tired of answering

this question, and so do my contemporaries. But when one has worked all of one's adult life, why not work for a couple more years? Any suggestions? I'd love a new answer to this question.
— *Still Working*

Dear Still Working: To me, the question “Are you still working?” seems a natural conversation-starter for people in your age-cohort. Many people in their mid-60s are retired or thinking of retirement.

This question is another version of “... and what's new with you?”

The version of this that might bother me (if I were you) would be: “WHY are you still working?”

Because I can't quite see the offense, I can't suggest a snappy comeback. So I suggest you answer, “Yes, I am. What about you?” as a way to answer the question and toss it back to the person who asked it.

Dear Amy: “Smoked Out in Redwood City” was complaining about neighbors who use a fire pit at night. In your answer, you reported that Redwood City is “in close proximity” to the area where the devastating Camp Fire was.

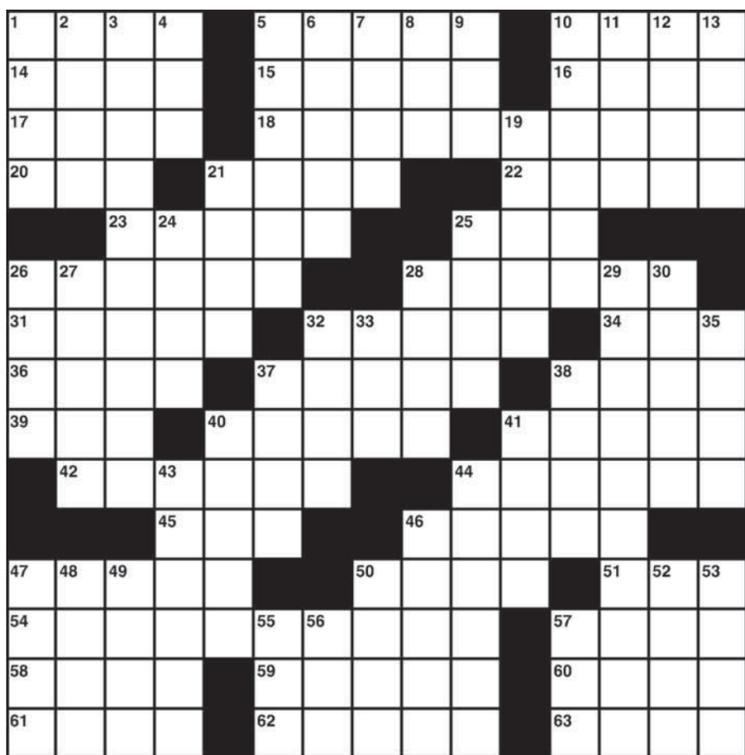
Amy, your answer was great, but these towns are 200 miles apart!
— *Get a Map*

Dear Map: The scariest part is that I actually looked this up on a map, and I still made the error. Thank you for the correction.

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A generation later, still ahead of their time

'90s toons 'Rocko's' and 'Invader Zim' get a Netflix revival

BY ROBERT LLOYD
Los Angeles Times

Cartoon characters are great to have under contract. They don't age; they don't argue. They are the most reusable of beings. Mickey Mouse has had a 90-year career in show business — so far. There were years in suspended animation, as it were, as lean times for animation waited for better ones. But the Mouse is still in the house.

Younger viewers, raised on a steady diet of Pixar, Disney and Dreamworks Animation, may be astonished to learn there were years in which cartoons were hardly being made, in America at least. It was on the ropes both as a business and an art.

This began to change with the appearance of shows like Ralph Bakshi's "The New Adventures of Mighty Mouse" (CBS, 1987), John Kricfalusi's "The Ren & Stimpy Show" (Nickelodeon, 1991), and Joe Murray's "Rocko's Modern Life" (Nickelodeon, 1993), creator-driven projects that were at once historically conscious, forward-looking and fringe. There being no clear career path in cartooning, the field was, almost by definition, dominated by outsiders, weirdos and nerds.

Now, Nickelodeon, via Netflix, has brought back two of its more eccentric old properties, for what might be billed as "one night only," if you couldn't stream them whenever and as much as you wanted. "Rocko's Modern Life: Static Cling" debuted Aug. 9; Friday brings Jhonen Vasquez's feature-length "Invader Zim: Enter the Florpus." (An earlier Nick revival, "Hey Arnold! The Jungle Movie," aired in 2017.) Each has been written or co-written by its



Heffer, Rocko and Filburt in "Static Cling," a revival special of the '90s cartoon "Rocko's Modern Life."

creator, reunites the original cast and stays true to its voice and aesthetic — neither has been retooled, like the rebooted "Powerpuff Girls," for a "modern audience," or needed to be. (Like all great cartoons, they are not particularly for children.)

Whatever combination of inspiration and algorithm, brand exploitation and fan service, has conspired to resurrect these oddball series — both battled the censors, and "Zim," though almost immediately a cult favorite, was taken off the air in the midst of its second season — each revival is a successful and satisfying work of animated art. They are crass only in their humor.

"Rocko's Modern Life" picks up where the series ended in 1996. Rocko, a wallaby; Filburt, a turtle; Heffer, a cow; and Rocko's dog, Spunky (a non-talking dog, like Pluto), have been stuck in space for 20 years, "with no cable TV and no clean undergarments," having lost the remote control for the errant rocket that carried their house into space. (It is finally discovered between Heffer's buttocks.)

"I don't think we're in the '90s anymore," says Rocko, upon reentry, and there are jokes about kale,

drones, selfies, virtual reality, computer animation, online shopping — a delivery truck bears the legend "Impulse-o-shop.com. Things you don't need delivered fast" — Starbucks, YouTube, gluten-free diets and nostalgia itself. The special, like the series, offers a critique of consumerist economics — "modern life," yo. During the climax, as money from the Conglom-O corporation (its original slogan, "We Own You," is now "We Still Own You") rains down upon the citizens of O-town, someone cries, "This is the fruit of capitalist redundancy." Though I have not worked out exactly what that means, it is not the sort of thing you hear in most cartoons.

"Rocko" was always self-aware, and "Static Cling" goes all in, with a metafictional recounting of its own rebirth. It's about reviving "The Fatheads," Rocko's own favorite cartoon, and it touches explicitly on the intersection of fandom and commerce such revivals represent: "90s cartoon solves problem \$," runs a chyron in one news report. ("Local man misses important plot point looking for hidden jokes," runs another.) In a plot point much commented on, the "Fatheads" creator, a

cane toad formerly known as Ralph Bighead and played by Murray himself, is now named Rachel, occasioning a sweet line from her mother, Bev Bighead: "I think it's great what Rachel has done. I'm sure she's much more comfortable with herself. Plus, I just found these shoes in her size — aren't they adorable?" Mothers of daughters may recognize themselves.

There are also fart jokes. "Invader Zim," the 27 previous episodes of which are available on Hulu, is a dark, sometimes disgusting series about a megalomaniacal paranoid alien living in disguise (as an elementary school student) on Earth. Zim, accompanied by GIR — an imperfectly functioning robot assistant with the personality of a hyperactive child and usually dressed as a dog — believes he has been sent to prepare the planet for invasion, but he has in fact been exiled by his superiors for being insufferable. Only classmate Dib Membrane recognizes Zim for the alien he is, and fails repeatedly to convince anyone else of the threat that Zim theoretically poses. (Incompetence usually saves the day.)

As we rejoin the story, after an unspecified long-but-not-very-long time,



Nickelodeon's "Invader Zim" returns, via Netflix, in the feature-length "Invader Zim: Enter the Florpus."

'Rocko's Modern Life: Static Cling'

Where: Netflix

Rating: TV-Y7 (may be unsuitable for children under the age of 7)

'Invader Zim: Enter the Florpus'

Where: Netflix

Rating: TV-Y7 (may be unsuitable for children under the age of 7 with an advisory for fantasy violence)

Zim has disappeared — in fact, he's been hiding in a toilet — while Dib, confining himself to his room, monitors surveillance cameras with such obsession that he has become literally "more chair than man." And then, suddenly, Zim appears on Dib's surveillance camera.

"He's back. And he's doing stretches! Nobody stretches like that unless he's warming up for evil!"

This consists of kicking over trash cans and "switching people's mail around." "That's illegal!" Dib cries, as they meet again.

"I'm reading someone's newspaper," Zim cackles. "I don't pay for a subscription!"

"Nobody reads newspapers anymore," Dib replies, "but no! Stop!"

Things do get more evil after that, and positively apocalyptic.

The show was so far ahead of its time that it still feels ahead of its time. "Zim" is fast moving and violent, not so much in the "Itchy & Scratchy" sense — though there is a bit of that — as in the madness of its villains and heroes, the speed with which it whips you around, and the general feeling of filth and decay

that informs the characters and their environment. (Nickelodeon fielded Vasquez from the comics world, where he was known for the series "Johnny the Homicidal Maniac.") It's a superior action show, when it goes that way — Vasquez and supervising producer Breehn Burns ("Bravest Warriors") also do well with quieter comedy — and the set pieces here, which integrate traditional 2D animation and CGI, feel big and effective. The drawing itself is sharp and angular in a way that remains little imitated, and was reportedly difficult to animate.

The revival's feature length has fractionally slowed the pace, just as the new widescreen format — that's how ancient the original cartoons are; they never made it out of the old standard format — makes it feel less cramped and claustrophobic. Technological advances in cartoon-making and television viewing make both "Rocko" and "Zim" look a little cleaner, a little more detailed than before. These improvements are not fatal.



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"Downton Abbey" fans attend a live show and watch party event Sunday at Pleasant House Pub in Pilsen.

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"PBS! PBS!"

"I'm texting my family asking them to purchase the Dowager Countess mug," said Jaime Delgado, a social worker, perched on a bar stool with a prime view of the telecast activities.

Delgado was dressed as Tom Branson, the show's upwardly mobile chauffeur. "I was going for chauffeur chic," Delgado said, shirt-sleeves rolled up to reveal tattoos that were probably not period accurate. "It's a little more working-class, like maybe I've been working on the Rolls."

Friend Meagan Piccochi-Dennis had on a diaphanous rose-colored dress. "I'm trying to bridge the gap between the beginning and the end of the series," she said. "I'm not quite flapper but not quite turn-of-the-century." Her anachronism was the Apple Watch she tried to cover with bracelets.

Another Tom Branson was Chicago pediatrician Martin Duncan, 32. "He embodies a lot of the best elements of the era," Duncan said of the Irish socialist character who — spoiler alert, I suppose — married into the Crawley family and then after his wife died became estate manager for the grand English home for which the series is named.

"It's about escapism," said Yvonne Morris, a former college administration worker from University Park. "It's escaping the humdrum of the every day — and being a retiree al-



"Downton Abbey" fan Geri Jackson arrives in costume at Pleasant House Pub in Pilsen.

ways ready for a new adventure."

Her dress, black satin gloves and cigarette holder were meant more to evoke the time period rather than a specific character, she said. And it wasn't exactly an elaborate plan: "My girlfriend ordered stuff from Amazon and said in the car, 'Here, you're going to put it on.'"

Kara Fagan, 28, a Logan Square resident who works for Cards Against Humanity's community team, was dressed as a "downstairs" character from the show's coterie of servants and the family for which they work. Fagan chose Anna Smith, later Bates, the head housemaid. Not only was the costume easy to do, she said, "I really like Anna as a character. She's strong. She's self-sufficient. And she's one half of a lovely love story."

She's hoping the movie treats favorite characters well. "I'm just so happy it's happening," she said.

The range and number



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Anna Robbins, center, was the costume designer for "Downton Abbey" in seasons 5 and 6, as well as the upcoming film.



"Downton Abbey" fans Meagan Piccochi-Dennis and Jaime Delgado attend the watch party in costume at Pleasant House Pub in Pilsen.

of the costumes — an effort was made by maybe 30 to 40 percent of the 120-plus attendees, who bought tickets via the WTTW website — impressed visitor and special guest Anna Robbins. Robbins, in the eyes of some, is the real star of the show, the costume designer for seasons

five and six and for the film.

"The costumes are literally going to be seen on a much bigger scale," she said in an interview. "So the quality and detail and craftsmanship within the costumes have got to be that much better."

When her questioner

suggested that dressing the Dowager Countess character might involve elements borrowed from suits of armor or a battleship, Robbins demurred, but did allow that her proper Edwardian, previous-century outfits do not lack structure.

When she wasn't being

interviewed during the Chicago moments of the national TV show, Robbins was scoping out the guests, trying to pick a best outfit winner.

"It's brave to put yourself out there," she said.

For a winner, she settled on the Abates. "You see her and instantly you know that's Lady Mary in her riding habit," Robbins said. "That riding habit was absolutely iconic and beautiful."

The designer was even more sure the couple merited the prize when she learned Aidee Abate had made the outfits, she said.

But there is a price to pay for fashion, especially outdoor fashion worn indoors on a summer night under bright TV lights.

As the couple waited beside Robbins and local pledge host Ken Verdoia for their moment on the broadcast, Aidee fanned herself furiously.

"It's incredibly satisfying," she said later. "It made all this sweating worth it."

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and counting. The president chimed in on Twitter.

It was the buzz for days and, happily, will fade into oblivion.

But it nevertheless presents an opportunity to remember the man who was Fredo.

That was actor John Cazale, who played the vulnerable son (nee Fredo) of Don Corleone (Marlon Brando) and middle brother of the violently nutty Sonny (James Caan) and icily shrewd Michael (Al Pacino) in "The Godfather" and "The Godfather II" films (I don't count his archival scenes in "The Godfather III"). He also was in "The Conversation," "Dog Day Afternoon" and "The Deer Hunter."

That's it, his entire film career, five movies. They are (except "The Godfather III") fine films, so good that each was nominated for a best picture Oscar. In sum, 40 Academy Award nominations were earned by the films. Though Cazale was not nominated for his acting in them, anyone who has seen these movies cannot forget him.

The "Fredo" affair compelled me to create a personal Cazale Film Festival. But before embarking on that, I went to the source. In his "The Godfather"



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From left, James Caan (as Santino "Sonny" Corleone), Marlon Brando (as Don Vito Corleone), Al Pacino (as Michael Corleone) and John Cazale (as Fredo Corleone).

novel on which the films were based, author Mario Puzo describes Fredo as "a quiet boy ... a child every Italian prayed to the saints for. Dutiful, loyal, always at the service of his father, living with his parents at age thirty. He was short and burly, not handsome but with the same Cupid head of the family, the curly helmet of hair over the round face and sensual bow-shaped lips...He was always too serious when he was young and he was never a man for the Family

business."

Even though Cazale — skinny, pale, drawn out, with straight hair and prominent forehead — was not at all in Puzo's physical mold, director Francis Ford Coppola said, "There was no hesitation to cast him."

My Cazale Film Festival offered some stunning examples of Cazale's talent and how he holds his own opposite such stars as those in the Godfathers, Gene Hackman in "The Conversation," and DeNiro again and Christopher Walken in

"The Deer Hunter."

It's hard to take your eyes off him in any scene he's in.

Just watch in "Godfather II" as he invokes a proud memory, traveling back to his own youth to explain fishing to his nephew Anthony. He says, "You know when I was your age, I went out to fishing with all my brothers and my father, and everybody. And I was, I was the only one who caught a fish. Nobody else could catch one except me. You know how I did it?"

Every time I put the line in the water, I said a Hail Mary and every time I said a Hail Mary, I caught a fish. You believe that? It's true, that's the secret. You wanna try it when we go out on the lake?"

He's also amazing in a short exchange in "Dog Day Afternoon," opposite Pacino, who plays a bank robber named Sonny. Cazale is his accomplice, Sal. Their bank job has gone terribly wrong but as they hold out hope that they might be able to manage to get away, they wishfully speculate about a possible destination.

Sonny: "Now is there any special country you wanna go to?"

Sal: "Wyoming."

Cazale improvised that memorable answer and when I asked my colleague and friend, Tribune movie critic Michael Phillips about it, he did not hesitate to say, "Wyoming. A lesser actor might've treated that single word, an honest if factually off answer to a question, as a punchline, not a moment of painfully funny truth. But Sal was not played by a lesser actor. Cazale had his own, quiet, brilliant way of ensuring our understanding of all sorts of desperate, touching characters."

Phillips later shared with me the words of another film critic and historian David Thomson, who put it like this: "It is the lives and work of people

like John Cazale that make filmgoing worthwhile."

Cazale died at 42 in 1978 of lung cancer. He died before "The Deer Hunter" was released in theaters.

In 2009 there was a 40-minute long documentary was made about his life and death, "I Knew It Was You: Rediscovering John Cazale," and now available on a variety of movie sites. It tells of his early years in Revere, Massachusetts and then working odd jobs while edging his way onto stages in New York City. It tells of how he met and fell in love with another young actor named Meryl Streep and of their life together and how she was at his bedside when he died; shows ample clips from his films and offers words of praise from those close to him. Their memories are peppered with words such as "subtlety," "emotional depth," "intense," "vulnerable," and "courage."

Pacino says, "He could do anything ... I learned more about acting from John than anybody."

The most touching words come from Streep who says, among many tender things, "John was a special human being and uniquely talented actor."

For the moment he is also a barroom insult, the center of a modest political storm. That will pass. The movies will remain.

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biggest hits of all time?

Still, any such revue has to make its choice and you can't blame Brooks (who not only writes and directs but apparently even stage manages every night) for avoiding some of funk's trickier commercial compromises. Especially since

"You Can't Fake the Funk" features some terrific choices: Sly and the Family Stone's "Higher," the Ohio Players' "Fire," and even "Car Wash," the hit record by Rose Royce that sold 2 million copies and served as one of the few funk megahits to feature a female lead vocalist in Gwen "Rose" Dickey (there was also the Mary Jane Girls, the oft-overlooked creators of the hit "In My House,"

and a now-disbanded group that had to suffer the ignominy of being named after Rick James' favorite drug).

Brooks has brought many innovations to the Black Ensemble formula: swifter transitions, more polish, tighter running times, an updated vibe, richer design, less narrative interruption to the music everyone has come to hear and greater visual variety.

"You Can't Fake the Funk" rips along very nicely along those lines, deftly featuring Robert Reddick, a monarch of the strong downbeat, and his crack seven-piece band, whom Brooks sends roaming all over the theater, all the better to start the party, one patron at a time. The ensemble of performers, all dressed up in funkalicious attire by Rueben Echoles, is very solid (highlights include

Jayla Williams-Craig's take on Dickey and Stewart Romeo's hilarious Stone). As choreographed by Christopher Chase Carter, the atmosphere is ebullient, especially during the Earth, Wind and Fire medley that closes Act 1. And you might just learn a thing or two about the genre: Did you know the Gap Band took their name from the initials of the streets where they lived? Or that the

Commodores all met as freshman at what's now Tuskegee University? Or that Earth, Wind and Fire evolved from quality time with astrological mysticism?

All fine funky stuff, super-freaks.

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WATCH THIS: TUESDAY



Natalie Zea

"The Detour" (9:30 p.m., 10:30 p.m., TBS): As a rule, people have a number of reasons for getting married, ranging from love to financial security. In the Season 4 finale, "The Groom," however, Nate (Jason Jones) heads to the altar for a motive that's certainly commendable but not ideal: to save his (real) family. Since that suggests the bride is someone other than Robin (Natalie Zea), it's hard to see how this ends well for the Parker clan.

"Payne Stewart Award" (6 p.m., 12 a.m., 5 a.m., Golf): Joplin, Mo., native Hale Irwin, 74, receives the prestigious award presented annually by the PGA Tour to the golfer who best exemplifies the values and character of its namesake, the three-time major champion who died in a 1999 plane crash. Since turning pro in 1968, Irwin has claimed more than 90 worldwide victories, including 20 times on the PGA Tour.

"Big, Small & Deadly" (8 p.m., 11 p.m., 4 a.m., ANIM): You can't always gauge a threat by the size of the living "package" it comes in, and in this new wildlife series, host Dave Saltoni searches the globe for dangerous creatures that encompass a staggering diversity in scale. The series premiere, "Killer Whales," finds Dave taking a fascinating look at one of the ocean's most famous apex predators, the killer whale; Orcas take center stage as one of the most prolific hunters in the sea.

"The Real Housewives of Orange County" (8 p.m., 10:30 p.m., Bravo): In a new episode called "All Aboard the Rumor Train," Kelly's teary-eyed departure from Tamra's housewarming party prompts the other women to start airing their own grievances, because, well, it's just that kind of show, isn't it? Shannon and Braunwyn become closer friends, bonding further over their mutual challenges.

"Animal Kingdom" (8 p.m., 9:01 p.m., TNT): While both friends and enemies from the past close in, the Cody gang scrambles to protect their reputation in the fallout from Smurf's (Ellen Barkin) heist, in the Season 4 finale, "Smurf." Craig (Ben Robson) struggles to adapt to the pace of his new life. Elsewhere, the tension between Pope and J (Shawn Hatosy, Finn Cole) reaches the boiling point.

"Pose" (9 p.m., 10:30 p.m., 12 a.m., FX): The Emmy-nominated series concludes its sophomore season with a finale called "In My Heels," which finds Blanca (Mj Rodriguez) struggling to reassemble her children in the House of Evangelista in the aftermath of her own medical setback. Dominique Jackson and Indya Moore also star.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Comedian Marc Maron.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Singer Nicki Minaj; comic Phoebe Robinson; Julia Michaels performs.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actor Jeff Goldblum; actress Aisha Tyler.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

* Subject to change

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TUESDAY EVENING, AUG. 20

	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	NCIS: "Perennial." ©	FBI: "Compromised." ©	NCIS: New Orleans: "Legacy." ©	News (N) ♦			
	NBC 5	America's Got Talent: "Quarter Finals 2." (N) (Live) ©				(9:01) Bring the Funny: "The Comedy Clash 3." (N)		NBC 5 News (N) ♦
	ABC 7	Bachelor in Paradise: "603B." (N) ©				Bless This Mess	black-ish ©	News at 10pm (N) ♦
	WGN 9	black-ish ©	black-ish ©	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N)		WGN News at Ten (N)
	Antenna 9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	B. Miller	B. Miller	Johnny Carson ©		3's Comp.
	This TV 9.3	† (6:30) The Falcon and the Snowman (R,'85) ***				Blow Out (R,'81) ***		John Travolta. ♦
	PBS 11	Chicago Tonight (N)	Straight No Chaser: Songs of the Decades ©			Straight No Chaser: Songs of the Decades ©		
	The U 26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)	The Game	Engagement	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©	
	MeTV 26.3	Andy Griffith	Andy Griffith	Green Acres	Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett	
	H&I 26.4	Star Trek ©		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9		Star Trek ♦
	Bounce 26.5	The Game	The Game	Sparkle (PG-13,'12) **	Jordin Sparks, Whitney Houston. ©			
	FOX 32	The Resident: "Emergency Contact." ©		First Responders Live: "Episode 110." (N) ©		Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		Modern Family ©
	Ion 38	Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Private Eyes		Private ©
	Telem 44	† Exatión EE. UU. (N)		El final del paraíso (N) ©		Preso No. 1 (N) ©		Chicago (N)
CW 50	Pandora (N) ©		Mysteries Decoded (N)		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago ♦	
UniMas 60	† (6) Snakes on a Plane **		Apocalipsis		Noticiero Uni		Apocalipsis	
WJYS 62	Israel	Gospel	Joyce Meyer	Robison	Dr. T Felder	Ab. Life	Monument	
Univ 66	La reina soy yo (N)		Juntos, el corazón nunca		Sin miedo a la verdad (N)		Noticias (N)	
CABLE	AE	The First 48 (N)		Intervention (N) ©		60 Days In: Narcoland (N)		First 48 ♦
	AMC	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Lethal 3 ♦
	ANIM	River Monsters ©		Big, Small & Deadly (Series Premiere) (N)		Wild Peru: Andes Battleground ©		Planet of the Apes ***
	BBCA	Rise of the Planet of the Apes (PG-13,'11) ***	James Franco. ©					
	BET	† American Gangster ***		Tales (N)		The Next Big Thing (N)		Tales ♦
	BIGTEN	Iowa Football Classic ©		The BIG Show ©		Iowa Football Classic ©		BIG Show ♦
	BRAVO	Housewives/OC		Housewives/OC (N)		Flipping Exes (N) ©		Watch What
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics
	CNBC	Shark Tank ©		The Profit (N) ©		Cash Pad (N) ©		The Profit ♦
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		Tonight (N) ♦
	COM	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Alternat.	Daily (N) ♦
	DISC	Deadliest Catch (N)		Deadliest Catch (N) ©		Undercover Billionaire (N)		Catch ♦
	DISN	Bunk'd ©	Bunk'd ©	Raven	Raven	Coop	Coop	Raven
	E!	Vacation (R,'15) **	Ed Helms, Christina Applegate. ©			Dating		Dating (N)
	ESPN	† 2019 Little League World Series (N)		Baseball (N)		MLB Baseball: Yankees at Athletics (N) ♦		
	ESPN2	SC Feat. (N)	Leagues Cup: Club America vs Tigres UANL (N) (Live)			Leagues Cup (N) ♦		
	FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)		Hannity (N) ©		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News
	FOOD	Chopped ©		Chopped (N) ©		Supermarket Stakeout (N)		Chopped ♦
	FREE	† Princess-Frog		Ice Age (PG,'02) ***		Voices of Ray Romano. ©		700 Club ♦
	FX	† (6) Spider-Man: Homecoming (PG-13,'17) ***		† Pose: "In My Heels." (Season Finale) (N)				Pose © ♦
	HALL	† Valentine in the Vineyard		Love Unleashed (NR,'19) Jen Lilley. ©				Golden Girls
	HGTV	Good Bones (N) ©		Good Bones: "Keeping It in the Family." ©				Roommate
	HIST	American Pickers		American Pick. (N)		(9:05) American Pickers		Pickers ♦
	HLN	How It Really Happened ©	(Part 3 of 3)			Forensic	Forensic	Forensic
	IFC	Baby Mama (PG-13,'08) **	Tina Fey. ©			(9:15) Knocked Up (R,'07) ***		© ♦
	LIFE	Dance Moms (N) ©		Dance Moms (N) ©		(9:03) Dance Moms (N)		Dance (N) ♦
	MSNBC	All In With (N)		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)
	MTV	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.
	NBCSCH	MLB Baseball: San Francisco Giants at Chicago Cubs. (N) (Live)						Postgame
	NICK	Spy Kids 2: The Island of Lost Dreams (PG,'02) ***		Friends ©		Friends ©		Friends ♦
	Ovation	† (6) Little Black Book (PG-13,'04) **		The American President (PG-13,'95) ***				
	OWN	Ambitions: "Backstabbers." Ambitions: "Giving Up." Ambitions: "Ex-Factor." (N)						David ♦
OXY	Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago ♦	
PARMT	† (6:30) Coming to America (R,'88) ***				Ink Master (N) ©		Coming ♦	
SYFY	The Hunger Games: Catching Fire (PG-13,'13) ***		Jennifer Lawrence. ©				Futurama	
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Detour (Sea-	Conan (N)	
TCM	A Summer Place (NR,'59) ***	Richard Egan. ©			(9:15) A Tree Grows in Brooklyn ©			
TLC	The Little Couple (N) ©		The Little Couple (N) ©		Outdaughtered ©		Couple ♦	
TLN	Let Think	Z. Levitt	Focus on	Know Cause	Life Today	Insights	Convoc. ♦	
TNT	† (5) Wonder Woman ***		Animal Kingdom (Season Finale) (N)		(9:01) Animal Kingdom		Sully *** ♦	
TOON	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	Rick, Morty	
TRAV	Expedition Unknown: "Ancient Jungle Mysteries." (N)				Code of the Wild (N) ©		Code-Wild ♦	
TVL	Raymond	Everybody Raymond	Raymond		Two Men	Two Men	King	
USA	WWE SmackDown! (N) (Live) ©				Miz & Mrs	Chrisley (N)	Mod Fam ♦	
VH1	Hip Hop (N)	Hip Hop Sq.	Love & Hip Hop		Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	
WE	Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Criminal ♦	
WGN America	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ♦	
PREMIUM	HBO	The Mule (R,'18) **	Clint Eastwood. ©			Hard Knocks (N)		Sports (N) ♦
	HBO2	Succession: "The Vault." Last Week		Black Lady		My Dinner With Hervé (NR,'18) ♦		
	MAX	The Secret of My Success (PG-13,'87) **				(8:50) Blockers (R,'18) ***		†
	SHO	† (5:50) Tombstone ***		City on a Hill ©		Faster (R,'10) **		Dwayne Johnson. ♦
	STARZ	† 30 Minutes or Less (R) **		(7:52) The Rook ©		(8:48) Holmes & Watson (PG-13,'18) ♦		
STZENC	† (6:01) Just Go With It **		Power ©		(9:01) Power ©		Live Free ♦	

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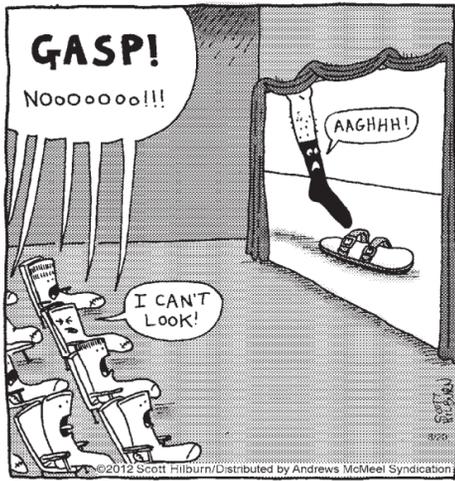


Today's birthday (Aug. 20): Savor love this year. Persistent action grows your work and health stronger. Challenging work or health circumstances require adaptation this summer, leading to new levels of physical performance by winter, followed by contemplation and planning. Reorient for romance next summer. True your compass to your heartbeat.

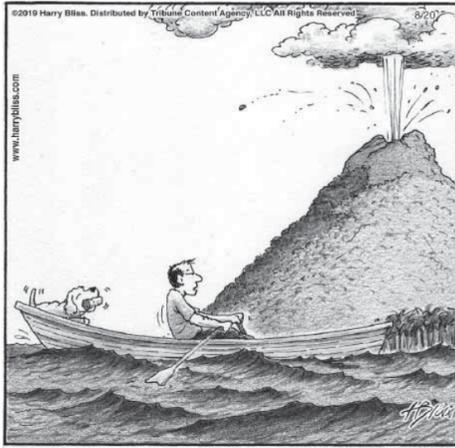
- Aries** (March 21-April 19): 9. Your research proves valuable. Professional advice comes in handy. You're earning your pay. Have faith in your own imagination.
- Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 9. Your influence is growing, and you're especially attractive. You're more confident and less patient. Check your course; then it's full speed ahead.
- Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 6. Keep things simple. Peace and quiet suits your mood. Finish things up before starting new projects. Organize your space, thinking and schedule.
- Cancer** (June 21-July 22): 9. You're especially popular. Make dates with friends. Attend meetings, gatherings and parties. Resources and valuable information flow through your connections. Share and collaborate. Motivate teamwork.
- Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 9. Take advantage of an interesting professional opportunity. Share resources with your team and allies. Get valuable advice and guidance from a friend.
- Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Educational opportunities tempt. Can you mix business with pleasure? Take a trip, attend a class or conference; explore and discover valuable new tricks.
- Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 9. Patience with financial management pays off. Review numbers carefully to avoid errors. Use your experience, intellect and efforts to contribute to a joint venture.
- Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Collaborate with your partner on a shared objective. Negotiate terms and who does what. Keep your promises. Support and be supported. Romance arises in conversation.
- Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. Guard against impatience. Listen to your coach. Keep practicing. Ask for clarification if you don't get it. Profit from meticulous service and performance.
- Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Relax and have fun with friends and family. It's OK to let your feelings show. Get goofy with the kids. Dance with your sweetheart.
- Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Tend your garden. Domestic renovations and upgrades have your attention. Costs can vary widely. Research options, materials and price. Consider color, functionality and style.
- Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Indulge your curiosity and study. Creative arts satisfy and engage you. Write and publish. Share the news and your views. Use your persuasive charms.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn
(Argyle Sweater is on vacation this week. Please enjoy this strip from 2012.)



Bliss By Harry Bliss



Bridge

North-South vulnerable, South deals

<p>North ♠ J94 ♥ K ♦ K74 ♣ A86432</p>	<p>East ♠ 10 ♥ J764 ♦ QJ62 ♣ QJ109</p>
<p>West ♠ 8653 ♥ 109 ♦ A10985 ♣ K5</p>	<p>South ♠ AKQ72 ♥ AQ8532 ♦ 3 ♣ 7</p>

We are indebted to Larry Cohen and his excellent web page, larryco.com, for today's deal. North-South were playing "Key Card" Blackwood and South's five club response showed zero or three key cards, among the four aces and the king of spades. Spades was the agreed trump suit by inference. The five-diamond continuation asked for the queen of spades and South's six-spade bid promised the queen but denied any side king.

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	1NT	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♣	Pass
4♠	Pass	4NT	Pass
5♣	Pass	5♦	Pass
6♠	All pass		

Opening lead: Ace of ♦

West shifted to a trump at trick two and Cohen tells us that one declarer went down when he played dummy's nine of spades, thinking it was a "free" finesse.

A heart to the king and a spade to the ace revealed the 4-1 trump split, and South could not ruff a heart with the jack of spades as that would set up West's eight as a winner. He now needed a 3-3 heart split and went down when that didn't materialize.

The correct play is to rise with dummy's jack of spades at trick two and cash the king of hearts. A spade to hand and a heart ruff in dummy will set up the hearts. A diamond ruff back to his hand allows South to draw the outstanding trumps and enjoy the long hearts.

This is really an easy hand. All it takes is a little care at trick one.

— Bob Jones
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Dilbert By Scott Adams



Baby Blues By Rick Kirkman and Jerry Scott



Zits By Jerry Scott and Jim Borgman



Mr. Boffo By Joe Martin



Frazz By Jef Mallett



Classic Peanuts By Charles Schulz



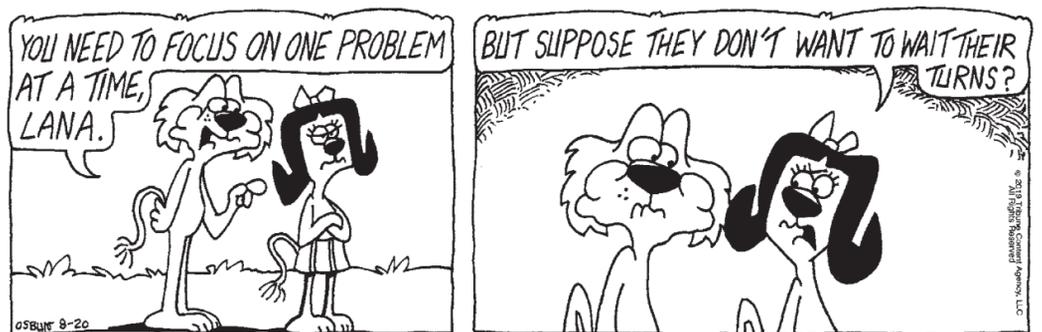
Pickles By Brian Crane



Dick Tracy By Joe Staton and Mike Curtis



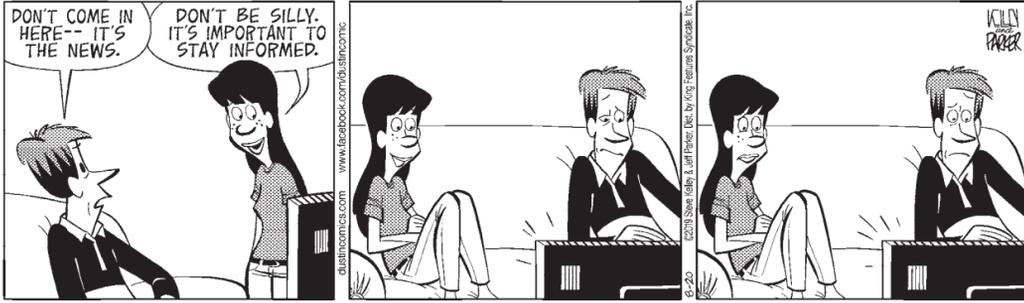
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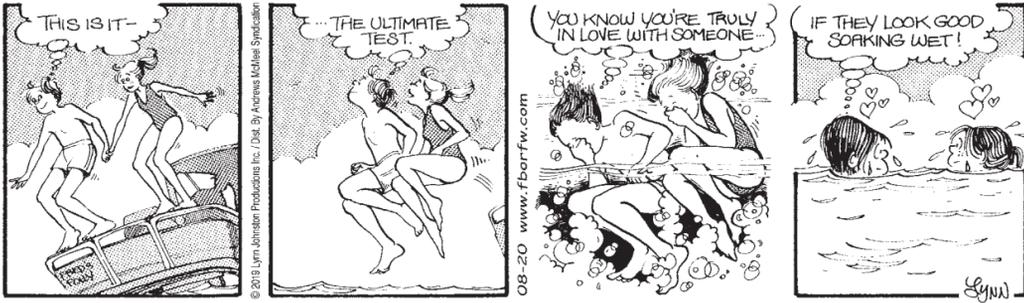
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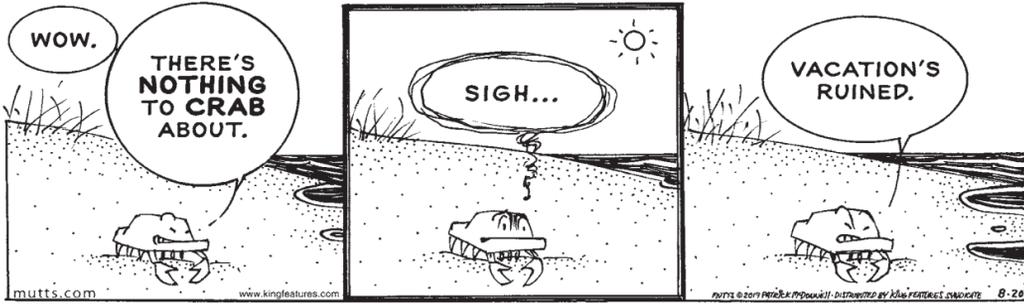
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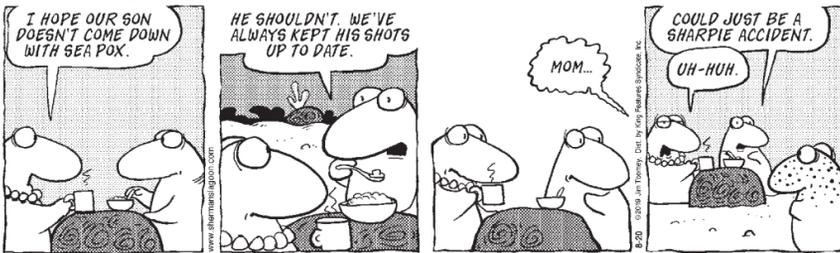
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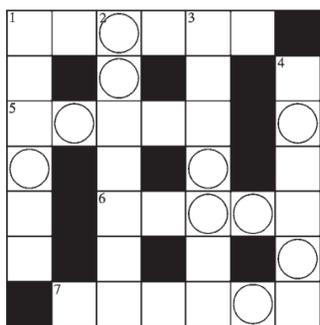
Broom-Hilda By Russell Myers



Trivia Bits

Mercury and which other element (atomic number 35) are liquid at standard room temperature?
 A) Argon
 B) Bromine
 C) Krypton
 D) Osmium
 Monday's answer: Ben & Jerry's Chunky Monkey has fudge chunks and walnuts in banana ice cream.
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Jumble Crossword

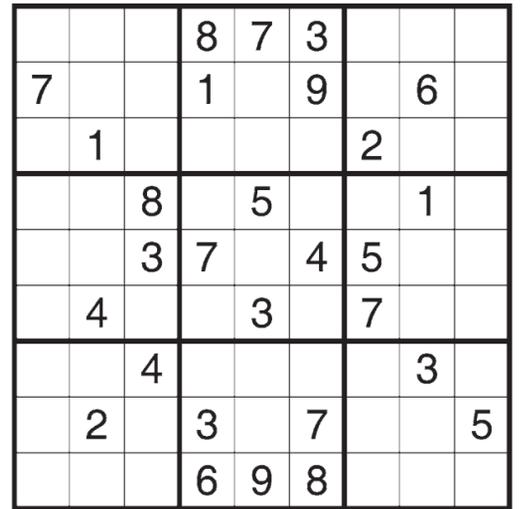


- CLUE ACROSS**
- Traffic
 - Greased
 - Trunk
 - Breathe in
- CLUE DOWN**
- Bit by bit
 - Jelly
 - Mountainous country
 - Type of songbird

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.
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Sudoku 1 2 3 4

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2	3	6	9	7	4	1	5	8
5	1	9	8	6	2	7	3	4
8	4	7	5	1	3	6	2	9
9	6	1	2	5	7	4	8	3
3	8	4	1	9	6	2	7	5
7	5	2	3	4	8	9	1	6
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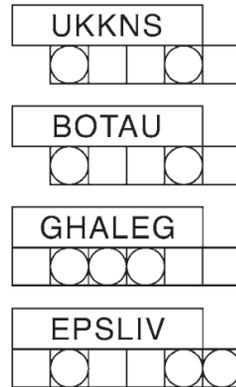
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Monday's solutions

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Jumble

Unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter per square, to form four words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.



Answer here



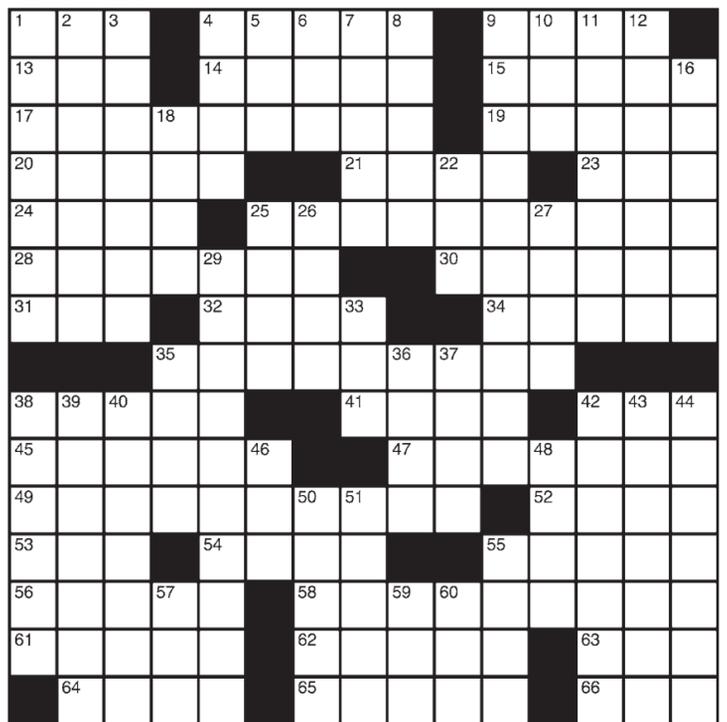
Monday's answers

Jumbles: CLANK KOALA FORBID TUXEDO
 Answer: The catamaran needed to turn around, so it did an A-"BOAT"-FACE

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Crossword

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- Across**
- New England fish
 - Seriously injures
 - Frosh, next year
 - "Should I take that as ...?"
 - Are
 - Boy Scout unit
 - *Pedigree ancestry
 - Luxury Honda
 - "Eight Miles High" band, with "The"
 - Farm building
 - Up to, in ads
 - The Beatles' "___ Love Her"
 - *Suit tailor's concern
 - Prospective elevator passenger's query
 - Villain played by Josh Brolin in most "Avengers" films
 - Flock female
 - Biblical paradise
 - 32 Olympics segment
 - Nightly ritual for young children
 - On the ocean
 - Red Sox manager Alex
 - Topeka's st.
 - "I want to see"
 - "The Lord of the Rings" wizard
 - *Teacher's outline
 - "___ all work out"
 - Barcelona gold
 - Field mouse
 - Diviner's deck
 - Opposite of sur
 - "Field of Dreams" subject, and where both parts of the answers to starred clues can go
 - Movie legend Greta
 - Appliance with burners
 - Actress Vardalos
 - Cannon of "Heaven Can Wait" (1978)
 - Sinatra classic with Anka lyrics
 - PIN requester
 - Beast fought by 47-Across
 - Canadian french fries dish
 - Where land and sky seem to meet
 - Most colorless
 - Chief Norse god
 - Like some mil. officers
 - Weaponless self-defense
 - Mimic
 - Goalie's goal
 - "Hurry!"
 - It has both Kings and Queens counties, briefly
 - Uses needle and thread
 - Roman robe
 - Persian Gulf republic
 - Comparable in duration
 - "Not Taken" place in a Frost poem title
 - "My apologies"
 - Catastrophic New Orleans hurricane
 - The whole shebang
 - Cardinals or Falcons
 - Frequent co-producer of U2 albums
 - Dashboard feature
 - Dufflux with proto- or cyto-
 - Southpaw
 - 55 Low card
 - Sched. question mark
 - Disabled car need
 - "2 Fast 2 Furious" actress Mendes

Monday's solution



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