



Growing Dorian closes in on Florida

But hurricane may spare state a direct strike, experts say

BY ADRIANA GOMEZ LICON AND ELLIS RUA
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MIAMI — Hurricane Dorian powered toward Florida with increasing fury Friday, menacing its eastern coast with a potentially devastating direct hit while also giving indications it might just skirt up the U.S. coastline.

Forecasters warned that no one is out of danger and Dorian could still wallop the state with “extremely dangerous” 140 mph winds and torrential rains late Monday or early Tuesday, with millions of people in the crosshairs along with Walt Disney World and President Donald Trump’s Mar-a-Lago resort.

But some of the more reliable computer models predicted a turn northward that would have Dorian hug the coast, delivering a glancing blow, the National Hurricane Center said. Weather Underground meteorology director Jeff Masters said: “There is hope.”

The encouraging signs came at the end of a day in which Dorian seemed to get scarier with each forecast update. It strengthened into a Category 4 hurricane Friday night, and there were fears it could prove to be the most powerful hurricane to hit Florida’s east coast in nearly 30 years.

Late Friday, the National Hurricane Center’s projected new track showed Dorian hitting near Fort Pierce, about 70 miles north of Mar-a-Lago, then running along the coastline as it moved north. But forecasters cautioned that the storm’s track was still highly uncertain and even a small deviation could put Dorian offshore or well inland.

Trump declared a state of emergency in Florida and authorized the Federal Emergency Management Agency to coordinate disaster-relief efforts.

“This is big and is growing, and it still has some time to get worse,” Julio Vasquez said at a Miami fast-food joint next to a gas station that had run out of

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Beulah Kames, 83, sweeps the floor in the exposition hall during the Du Quoin State Fair on Tuesday.

The state’s other summer celebration

‘Perhaps no fair has as rich a history as the Du Quoin State Fair’

BY JAMIE MUNKS

DU QUOIN, Ill. — Each year when the parade kicking off Illinois’ second state fair winds down, fairgoers stream by the hundreds to Wanda Rednour’s lawn, which sits in the middle of the state fairgrounds.

The longtime Du Quoin resident opens her home for a lawn party to kick off the fair. If the Du Quoin State Fair, located on a sprawling piece of lush southern Illinois land, is a “park with a party in the middle of it,” as fair manager Josh Gross describes it, then Rednour’s annual bash is the party within the party in the park.

It’s the sort of thing that engenders a more intimate experience than the much larger Illinois State Fair in Springfield about 150 miles north — so much so that some regulars say it reminds them more of a county fair than a state fair.

The Du Quoin State Fair, which the state has owned and



Taylor Hayes holds her son, Easton, 3, while watching the tractor pull competition at the Du Quoin State Fair.

operated since 1986, was previously run by private owners. In its heyday, when it was home to the Hambletonian, the “Kentucky Derby of harness racing,” the fair would draw hundreds of thousands of people from all over the region during its annual summer run.

The fairgrounds lost that race in 1980 but soon drew the prestigious World Trotting Derby, which held court in the summer in Du Quoin for decades. It was cut in 2010, when the state Department of Agri-

culture’s budget was slashed, part of widespread cutbacks aimed at closing a major deficit in the state budget that year. There were some concerns locally at the time that the fair itself would cease to exist because of the state’s budget woes.

“This place has been held together on duct tape and baling wire for years,” said Gross, a Du Quoin native who took the reins of the Du Quoin fair earlier this year. “If I’m trying to rebrand it and reimagine it and kind of make it what it used to be, you have to find a way to spend a little money. That’s my personal approach.”

Gross counts among his goals beefing up attendance, which he said was around 100,000 people last year, down significantly from when the Du Quoin State Fair drew people from all over the region, and when many southern Illinois residents would trek there multiple times

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HEIDI STEVENS
Balancing Act

Program gives Chicago kids chance to tri

Some had never seen Lake Michigan before triathlon training in it

Gillian Fealy’s first triathlon attempt didn’t go as planned. She got 20 yards into the swim and had to stop.

“I actually thought I was having a heart attack,” she said. “Turns out it was a full-on panic attack.”

That was nine years ago in Rockford. In 2011, Fealy gave it another shot, training for and completing the annual Chicago Triathlon.

It changed the course of her life. “When you cross that finish line after all these obstacles,” she said, “it’s like, ‘Wow, I can do that! What else can I do?’”

Fealy, 35, spent the next eight years trying to bring that same



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First-time triathlete Ana Torres, 9, practices her running at Rowe Elementary School in Chicago on Aug. 22.

epiphany as many people as she could reach. She opened Live Grit, a shop in the West Loop, that sold triathlon gear. She helped launch the Chicago Triathlon’s first-timers program, a training and support group for aspiring triathletes.

She organized an annual “grit and run it” 5K every December where, instead of an entry fee, budding runners bring a small, unwrapped gift to donate to teen-

agers in the care of Chicago’s public guardian office.

Three years ago, she turned her focus to kids.

Fealy clerked at the Office of the Cook County Public Guardian in 2012, while attending Chicago-Kent College of Law. She saw what Chicago could do to a kid without a support system, without easy access to ample resources

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Across state, football numbers taking a hit

Participation at high school level at 26-year low as other sports, video gaming growing

BY JOHN KEILMAN

High school football participation in Illinois last year dipped below 40,000 players for the first time since 1993, a sign of the sport’s continuing struggle to attract athletes.

Figures put out by the National Federation of State High School Associations this week show that America’s overall sports participation last year dropped for the first time in three decades. Football led the way: Over the last 12 years, the number of students playing the sport has dipped by 8%.

Football’s losses in Illinois, however, have been far more severe. From a peak of 51,334 players in 2007, the state last year saw only 38,366 teens go out for the sport, a 25% drop.

Illinois High School Association Executive Director Craig Anderson couldn’t explain the sport’s extreme decline here, but said his organization aims to join with other groups to rehabilitate football’s reputation.

“Coaching high school football is a lot different than when I played. It takes a lot of convincing.”

— Tony Faltin,
Lane Tech coach

“That’s where we really need to turn the tables and try to create a national movement (regarding) football, and the fact that the game is the safest it has even been in its history,” he said. “We just have to get the conversation happening on a variety of levels.”

Coaches told the Tribune several factors are driving the decline, including the trend of children specializing in a single sport and a growing aversion to football’s rigor. But the

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Woman dies after falling onto Red Line tracks

By MARIE FAZIO

A woman died after she fell onto the Red Line tracks at the Roosevelt station Friday morning, according to police and fire officials.

Emergency crews were called to the station at 1167 S. State St. about 5:45 a.m., according to the Chicago Fire Department. Initial reports indicated the 35-year-

old woman suffered a medical emergency and fell.

After responding to a call of a person on the tracks, crews found the woman "on the tracks in a restricted area," according to a police media alert. She was pronounced dead at the scene, according to police and fire officials.

The woman was "under a rail and showed signs of electrocution," according

to police. It was initially reported that the woman may have been hit by a train, but police said by a little before 9 a.m. that investigators no longer believed that was the case.

Two CTA workers, a man and a woman, were taken to Mercy Hospital in Chicago and were reported stable, officials said. Police said they suffered panic attacks. Detectives were con-

ducting a death investigation, and Fire Department spokesman Juan Hernandez said the station was an active crime scene.

Red Line trains bypassed the Roosevelt station for several hours after the emergency began, the CTA said. Trains were rerouted to the elevated tracks between the Fullerton and Cermak-Chinatown stations.



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Live Grit Soars founder Gillian Fealy, left, and Laura Cayce speak with triathletes at Rowe Elementary School on Aug. 22.

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and reliable mentors.

"I started thinking about how I could use this transformative moment people have after running a triathlon and use it for something truly good," Fealy said.

"And I thought, 'Let's put together a triathlon program for kids, especially kids that might not have access to something like this.'"

After law school, she opened Live Grit and signed on with AmeriCorps, which placed her at Rowe Elementary as a physical education teacher.

She started training kids at Rowe, a charter school on the city's Near North Side. She bought bikes and threw them in a U-Haul to bring to the school. They swam at Chicago Park District pools and Ohio Street Beach. At the end of the training, the kids competed in the 2017 Life Time Kids Tri, the annual youth triathlon at Foster Beach.

Live Grit Soars was born. "We added 'soars' because that's what we want them to do — soar," she said. "Whatever that

means, wherever they want to go, whatever they want to do, let it be their decision. Not the world's decision."

(Live Grit, the store, closed in September 2018.)

Last school year, Fealy doubled the size of her group at Rowe and expanded the program to Breakthrough Urban Ministries, an East Garfield Park-based nonprofit that serves families affected by poverty. When 1,000 or so kids ages 7-14 descended on Foster Beach for last weekend's Life Time Kids Tri, 18 of them were from Live Grit Soars.

"Our big thing is building physical and emotional strength, using the sport of triathlon," Fealy said. "I've had people try to talk me out of doing this because triathlon is so difficult. Swimming is not the most accessible sport. For some of the kids, there's learning to ride a bike, and then there's the obstacle of where they can ride a bike. But, to me, that's exactly why it's so important to do this. Swimming and biking represent so much more than just swimming and biking."

They represent freedom — to access new parts of the world, to explore the world outside of your own neighborhood, to feel joy. Some of her athletes have never seen Lake Michigan, let alone swum in it, before they start training.

"That's not uncommon," she said. "It might be 2 miles straight across town, but they haven't had that

opportunity to see it. That's the thing — just giving them the opportunities and the skills so they can reach whatever they want in their lives, and doing our best to not let external factors limit their trajectory."

Krystle Shadd's 10-year-old son, Brandon, just completed his second triathlon with Live Grit Soars. Doctors discovered a cancerous tumor on Brandon's left kidney when he was 16 months old, and the subsequent surgeries and treatments make a lot of contact sports out of the question.

Running, swimming and biking are perfect endeavors for him.

"It's a beautiful thing," she said. "This is huge for our entire family. Brandon has a younger sister who wants to join now. My husband and I said, 'We should get out and try that ourselves.'"

Zoe Miranda's son, Luis, joined Live Grit Soars at Rowe, where he's about to start fifth grade. Last summer, Zoe Miranda and her husband, Juan, couldn't get Luis on a bike.

"He was afraid of falling, he was afraid people were going to make fun of him," Zoe Miranda said. "I told him, 'Everyone starts from somewhere. Everyone falls. It's all about picking yourself up.'"

"He needed somebody else to tell him to get back up," she said. "He needed a team."

Fealy has a vision for Live Grit Soars. The nonprofit just appointed Executive Director Laura Cayce, a chiropractic physician

with a master's in sports science and rehabilitation. Cayce is Live Grit Soars' first full-time employee.

"By next year our goal is to have 70 kids do the triathlon," Fealy said.

Fealy and Cayce, 31, want to maintain a ratio of 1 coach for every 7 kids, and they want to stay on the West Side, rather than blanket the city.

"There's so much more we need to be touching on beyond swimming and biking," Fealy said. "We need to make sure kids have their other needs met — nutrition needs, school supplies. So we're talking about how we can add more services."

"People want to talk about how you're planning to grow and serve thousands of kids," she said. "But what would it mean if we just served 78 kids and really had an impact?"

Especially when that impact is contagious.

"We have the biggest cheering section at the triathlon — parents, neighbors, teachers, athletes," Fealy said. "That's what we want. We just want to build this giant community of people behind these young people."

Holding them steady, watching them soar.

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Former CPS security guard accused of abuse

4 girls, ages 7 to 12, allegedly assaulted over 20-year period

By ROSEMARY SOBOL

Horrific details were released in court Thursday about allegations that a 67-year-old former Chicago Public Schools security guard sexually assaulted or abused four girls under the age of 12 over a span of nearly 20 years ending as recently as earlier this year, prosecutors said.

In one incident, James W. Wilson threatened to “use his position at CPS to alter her grades if she would not comply,” authorities alleged.

Wilson, charged with predatory criminal sexual assault and aggravated criminal sexual abuse, was denied bond during a hearing before Judge John F. Lyke Jr. at the Leighton Criminal Court Building, court records show.

Wilson, who has not been employed at CPS since he resigned in 2009, according to prosecutors, is of the 7700 block of South Hamilton Avenue, in the city’s Gresham neighborhood.

Prosecutors said in 2004 and in 2009 Wilson was the subject of a CPS investigation into whether he had “inappropriate sexual conver-

sations” with minor students. The district placed a “do not hire” designation in his file and he resigned on July 1, 2009, prosecutors said.

One of the earliest alleged attacks, in 2004, happened while he was a CPS guard and supervisor of security, when Wilson recorded himself performing oral sex on an 11-year-old female relative after calling her into his office in the basement of his home while she was doing her homework, prosecutors said.

Another time, he drove the 11-year-old to his CPS office and showed her photos he’d created from the videos; during an additional alleged incident, he pulled up to her in his car while she walked to school, took her to his home and made her undress in front of a camera, authorities allege. Prosecutors said he sexually assaulted her after telling her to “spin around naked.”

Wilson also allegedly assaulted another victim multiple times between 2013 and 2015 and again earlier this year, prosecutors said.

Another victim, according to prosecutors, was a 7-year-old neighbor who was with her parents when she attended a party at Wilson’s house in 2013.

Authorities allege he followed her into a basement bathroom,

pushed her against the wall, pulled down her pants and underwear and sexually assaulted her, stopping only when he heard someone approaching.

During another party later the same year at his house with her parents, she told her mom she was scared to use the bathroom alone and even tried to persuade her mom to accompany her, but she wouldn’t, prosecutors said.

When the girl didn’t return after a few minutes, her mom went downstairs looking for her and saw Wilson in front of her in the basement, officials said. After the girl “outcried” to her mom and Wilson tried to “interfere” in the conversation, her mom found cocoa butter on her daughter’s private parts and underwear that prosecutors said Wilson placed there.

Another alleged incident involving the same girl occurred in 2014 or 2015, when she was 8 or 9 years old and was asked to get papers for her father from Wilson’s office. She went to his basement office, and he pulled her clothing off and sexually assaulted her, prosecutors said.

On another occasion when she was 8 or 9, he allegedly forced her



Wilson

to watch pornography while he fondled himself and sexually assaulted her, allegedly forcing her to perform oral sex about half a dozen times, prosecutors said.

As recently as earlier this year, when she was 12, she was in a garage with Wilson when he fondled her, causing her pain, according to prosecutors.

A separate alleged attack involved a girl who was 11 and attended school near Wilson’s home and whom Wilson was babysitting with his wife, according to authorities. Wilson is accused of following the girl to his basement and fondling her; another morning, before school, Wilson confronted her while wearing nothing but a bathrobe and tried to grab her, prosecutors said.

The girl ran, hid under a dining room table and then fled the house, prosecutors said. Wilson told the girl not to tell anyone, but she alerted her mother to what happened, prosecutors said.

A witness contacted the Illinois Department of Children and Family Services on July 3 this year after at least one victim told the witness Wilson had fondled her, officials said.

The earliest alleged assault happened in 2001, when Wilson was 49 and the alleged victim, the daughter of a woman dating a relative of Wilson’s, was 10 or 11, prosecutors said.

Wilson, who authorities said asked the girl to call him “paw paw,” allegedly fondled the girl as many as 20 times, at least once after she had fallen asleep on a couch and awoke in Wilson’s bed, wearing only underpants while he was clad only in a robe, prosecutors said.

After Wilson asked the victim to have sex with him, she got dressed and went to another room, but he repeated the request, this time offering her money, prosecutors allege.

Later that year, Wilson called her into a room, locked the door and then sexually assaulted her. The incident included him fondling her breasts and “measuring” them to see if they were “getting bigger,” prosecutors said. This victim, now 28 years old, told her mother what happened when she was 19, prosecutors said.

Wilson is expected in court again on Sept. 5.

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Lane Tech football coach Tony Faltn talks to his team after a practice at the school Thursday. The school had 95 kids on the varsity and junior varsity teams entering Friday’s opener.

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continuing fear of head injuries remains the biggest reason, some said.

“These are really smart kids,” Lane Tech coach Tony Faltn said. “When you start talking concussions and permanent brain damage, you see some of these parents saying, ‘Eh, I don’t know if I want Johnny to play football.’”

His school is cutting against the participation trend, though, with 95 kids on the varsity and junior varsity teams headed into Friday’s season opener. That’s 15 more than Lane Tech has averaged in recent years, he said, something he attributes to vigorous recruiting, a \$50,000 investment in top-of-the-line helmets and the sideline presence of the concussion specialist.

“Coaching high school football is a lot different than when I played,” he said. “It takes a lot of convincing.”

In Villa Park, Willowbrook coach Nick Hildreth has seen a surge of underclassmen coming into his program, something he attributes to a new flag football league in town.

“We have implemented flag football (and) expanded it twice over the last two years in our Villa Park youth league, and really worked that angle,” he said. “We went from 13 kids two years ago in



Lane Tech players engage during practice at the school Thursday.

flag football to about 116 right now.”

Andrew coach Adam Lewandowski said he has had to turn prospective players away this year after his program roster jumped to 174, about 25 more than usual.

He said that could be due in part to the team’s recent success, making it to the state playoffs three straight years. But he added that football in the southwest suburbs has generally held fast despite the decline elsewhere.

“People around here get it,” Lewandowski said. “If they have questions (about safety), they do their research. They talk to doctors. They get the information back and feel good about it.

They’re not going to be the kind who get scared and run and hide and cover their kids in bubble wrap. That’s no way to live.”

But not every program has been so fortunate. Vernon Hills has seen its numbers dip, and while coach Bill Bellecomo said that’s partly due to a smaller-than-normal senior class, he has also found that fewer athletes today embrace football’s Spartan discipline.

“I heard over and over from kids: ‘I’d like to have my summer; I don’t want to put in the weight room and summer camp hours,’” he said. “It’s a tough sell.”

Some schools are giving up the game altogether. Mooseheart, a small private school near Aurora,

started playing football more than a century ago, but this year is forgoing the sport in favor of its first boys soccer team.

“It’s a combination of things,” Executive Director Gary Urwiler told the Aurora Beacon-News earlier this year. “But ultimately, when you look at the strength of our program and look at the profile of our students, the majority come to us with more soccer experience than football.”

Other schools are turning to 8-man football to keep the sport alive. Illinois will have 16 teams playing the miniaturized version of the sport this fall, more than double last year’s total.

Outside the gridiron, Illinois’ overall sports participation is on par with the national average. Most sports are down slightly, but there are some bright spots.

Boys volleyball reached record highs last season, with 215 schools and 7,341 athletes participating. Girls wrestling, while not yet recognized as its own IHSA sport, saw more than 670 participants, a sixfold increase in just three years.

Colleen McGlynn, a board member of the Illinois Wrestling Coaches and Officials Association and the mother of former high school and current college wrestler Grace Kristoff, said she expects the sport to have its own sanctioned state championship within a few years. For now, the association puts on its own state meets.

“Not every girl is meant to be a

cheerleader or a basketball player,” McGlynn said. “Wrestling takes everybody, from little to big, short to tall. There’s something all-encompassing about the sport that draws girls into it.”

Lacrosse, meanwhile, is continuing its meteoric rise. With 4,340 boys and 2,950 girls playing last season, it’s gaining on more traditional sports such as swimming and tennis.

Annie Lesch, girls coach at Glenbrook South, said she expects the surge to continue for years as more teens discover the sport.

“We’re in major growth mode,” she said. “I see community teams popping up all over the place. Even within my conference, not every school has it. I wouldn’t be surprised if more and more schools add it, because kids want to play.”

Meanwhile, a new option could soon present itself. Anderson said the IHSA is continuing discussions over making competitive video gaming a sanctioned sport or activity (titles under consideration include “League of Legends,” “FIFA,” “NBA 2K” and “Super Smash Bros.”), and the official stamp of approval could come by 2021.

“I believe within the next two years we’ll likely have an esports state series where schools can enter and participate,” he said.

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for the fair's end-of-summer run. This year, Gross hopes to draw about 130,000 people to the 11-day fair, which runs through Labor Day. And in the future, he'd like to get attendance numbers back up over 200,000, he said.

"I want to get the attendance back and make it a destination event again," Gross said.

Gross wants to bring the World Trotting Derby back to the grounds and increase the number of year-round events — he's shooting for a music festival next year and wants the fairgrounds to host a Civil War reenactment around July 4.

"Everyone focuses on the fairgrounds and the 11 days of the fair, but the other 350 days — there's a lot of facilities that can be utilized. ... I think there's a lot of room for improvement. Bringing that revenue in just helps all of southern Illinois," Gross said.

Gov. J.B. Pritzker seemed to indicate a commitment to Du Quoin when he took part in the fair's kickoff last Friday, noting that the state is investing more than \$3 million "to rebuild and renew" the fairgrounds, and he and first lady M.K. Pritzker's ongoing work at the Hayes House, the governor's southern Illinois executive residence.

"We made big investments here so that the Du Quoin State Fair would be a great experience this year and for many years to come," Pritzker said. "The ongoing projects here to repair the grandstand and resurface the main street will make this fair what southern Illinois deserves."

"Perhaps no fair has as rich a history as the Du Quoin State Fair," Pritzker said.

'Du Quoin is for families'

The private Rednour home that hosts the opening fair bash every year sits on the fairgrounds next to the Hayes House, which the state bought in the 1980s. Both homes were built by Du Quoin State Fair founder W.R. Hayes.

On Thursday night, the eve of the fair kickoff party, Rednour was in the kitchen, the smell of bacon wafting through the house and visitors wandering in and out. The family still does the cooking for the party, where they expect more than 1,000 guests.

"It's a laugh a minute. It's



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Joe Hancock holds 4-year-old grandchild Rosalie McCree while looking at rides at the Du Quoin State Fair.

something different all the time, because things don't go the way they're supposed to," Rednour said. "I like for them all to come see the fair. The rolling hills and the waterways. I don't think there's a fairground in the whole United States that's prettier than this one."

Rednour's late husband, John, was a longtime Du Quoin mayor. She invites visitors in for tea or lemonade, whether it's someone she knows or someone who wanders into the backyard to take photos of her nearly adult human-sized mice statues. And, Rednour has an abundance of stories about her gubernatorial neighbors over the years, along with other politicians who have been to her home.

Gov. Jim Thompson was in office when the state purchased the property. Since then, the Hayes House has been the executive residence in southern Illinois for six governors. John Rednour was a Democratic National Committee delegate, but the pair didn't let politics get in the way of striking up a friendship with their neighbors. They were particularly close with two Republican governors: Thompson and his wife, Jayne, and former Gov. George Ryan and his late wife, Lura Lynn, Wanda Rednour said.

"When the election's over, we all have to work together," Rednour said. "They're just like everybody else, in my estimation. They're just people. I don't put

anybody on a pedestal."

Freddy Miller, who operates Miller Spectacular Shows and has been the carnival operator at the Du Quoin State Fair for about two decades, calls Rednour "Miss Wanda" and said he views her as a second mother. Miller lives in Arkansas but travels with his family during fair season to operate carnivals throughout the region. The office inside his trailer on the fairgrounds is filled with photos of his grandchildren and with their toys. The children and Miller's daughters-in-law swim in Rednour's pool when they're in town, and he recalls her bringing him peach cobbler when he gets to the grounds in past years. The Du Quoin State Fair has been Miller's favorite fair for a "long, long time," he said.

Altogether, Miller spends about three weeks each year in Du Quoin, yet when he walks into local restaurants and banks, people know who he is.

"I feel very connected to this fair," Miller said. "We mesh really well. Some gear to teens, others gear to little kids, we gear to families. We're a family operation ourselves, and that's what we understand. Du Quoin is for families. I'm not talking bad about Springfield — but it's different."

An economic engine

The Du Quoin State Fair drew headlines earlier this summer

when Pritzker's administration canceled a planned Aug. 27 concert by the band Confederate Railroad because of its use of the Confederate flag in its logo, spurring backlash. A Facebook page calling for a boycott of the Du Quoin State Fair after the concert cancellation drew more than 5,300 members since it was created July 4.

The social media page's summary says the calls for a boycott are aimed at showing Pritzker's administration "that we in Southern Illinois don't need to be taught anything from Cook County or their liberal agendas."

Asked about the issue at a news conference last month, Pritzker called the Confederate flag symbolic of racists and white nationalists and said he doesn't think the state should be "sponsoring something that is amplifying that symbol."

Du Quoin Mayor Guy Alongi said he respected Pritzker's decision to pull the band, but he took issue with those who called for boycotting the fair.

"I'm not going to tell him how to run the state, and I know he's not going to come to Du Quoin and tell me how to run Du Quoin," Alongi said. "When J.B. is no longer governor, maybe the next governor would let Confederate Railroad come on. But he was elected our governor, whether people like it or not, and I'm going to respect his decision because

he's our governor and I think his administration has the right to put the type of entertainment that they want to put on stages at Du Quoin.

"You know, because of one person's decision, don't hold everyone else hostage because of that. People invest in this fair, we have vendors that depend on the income of this fair, kids enjoy this fair, and I don't think boycotting the fair was the way to go."

Alongi calls the Du Quoin State Fair an economic engine for the southern Illinois region. The town's population is about 5,800, according to a 2018 U.S. census estimate. Du Quoin itself has around 125 hotel rooms, Alongi said. So when events at the fairgrounds draw a large number of visitors, they often visit during the day and then venture on to Carbondale, Marion or Mount Vernon in the evening, Alongi said.

Alongi thinks the state needs to look at Du Quoin "real hard" and increase the fair's entertainment budget to draw bigger-name acts with wider appeal, even if that also means raising ticket prices. He also thinks the event should be marketed more widely in population centers in nearby states — Evansville, Indiana; Paducah, Kentucky; and as far as Nashville and Memphis, Tennessee, he said.

On average, around \$1.59 million is spent to put on the Du Quoin State Fair, a Department of Agriculture spokeswoman said.

Alongi said he hears "rumblings" of calls for the state to do away with the Du Quoin fair, something he attributes in part to a "disconnect" between northern and southern Illinois, and a lack of understanding of the differences between the two.

"This fair, regardless of what the people think up north, is a necessity to the region. And this fairgrounds is a necessity to the region," Alongi said. "And if you look at the big picture of what it costs the state to run this fairgrounds, to me it's a bleep on the radar screen."

Alongi likens Du Quoin and its events, like a back-to-school fair for local children, to Mayberry, the wholesome fictional North Carolina town that was the setting for "The Andy Griffith Show."

"We're not a rich community, by any means, but we're a sustaining community," Alongi said. "We take care of our own, we love our football, we love our kids."

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Illinois governors have more than one official residence

Pritzkers spent nearly \$100K of their own money to renovate Downstate Hayes House

BY JAMIE MUNKS

DU QUOIN, Ill. — Illinois first lady M.K. Pritzker is leading a restoration effort at the governor's official Downstate residence in Du Quoin, marking what some locals see as more attentiveness to the region than they've seen in years.

The Pritzkers are privately funding the work on the state-owned Hayes House and so far have spent nearly \$100,000, according to the governor's office.

"She's doing a great job to preserve this historic jewel that this community deserves," Gov. J.B. Pritzker said last week while in Du Quoin for the start of the state fair there. "We expect to be here many times. Many times, in the coming years."

The home sits on the Du Quoin State Fairgrounds and has served as the Downstate executive residence for Illinois governors and their families since the state bought the sprawling property from a private owner in the 1980s.

The Hayes House had fallen "into disrepair," Pritzker said, like "many state facilities."

"My wife really has fallen in love with the house there, and with the history of the Hayes House, and she's working hard to restore not just the home but also the history so people can see it and experience it," Pritzker said. "And, of course, we're trying very hard to lift up Du Quoin and make sure we're restoring the fairgrounds to its once-greatness."

The Pritzkers have made multiple trips to Du Quoin since Pritzker took office in January, and have updated carpet, wallpaper and furnishings, made roof and HVAC repairs and have made improvements to the

Executive Protection Unit's quarters. "Extensive work" remains for the windows, wallpaper and painting, Pritzker spokeswoman Emily Bittner said.

The Pritzkers "recognize the significance of the Hayes House to the local community and are pleased to be able to personally pay for improvements to this historic home," Bittner said.

It's not the first time that the deep-pocketed Illinois governor, who took office in January, has reached into his own wallet to pay for state expenses. He personally paid \$50,000 for a national search to find a new head for the troubled Illinois Department of Child and Family Services, and in January announced he was dipping into his own wealth to double the salaries of his top government aides. The governor also paid for renovations at his office in the Thompson Center in Chicago, the Chicago Sun-Times has reported.

The Hayes House and a privately owned neighboring home were built in the 1940s by Du Quoin State Fair founder W.R. Hayes. The state of Illinois bought the home in 1986, during Gov. Jim Thompson's tenure. It's served as the southern Illinois home base for governors ever since, but they haven't always spent much time on the grounds.

"Every governor is a little different," Du Quoin State Fair manager Josh Gross said. "Gov. Thompson was here quite a bit, Gov. (Bruce) Rauner was not, Gov. (Pat) Quinn was not. This feels like the most interest someone has genuinely taken in the property. I think once they get their personal touch on it, I think we'll see them down here quite a bit."

In 2003, then-Gov. Rod

10 mph. Forecasters warned that its slow movement could subject the state to a prolonged pummeling from wind, rain and storm surge.

Coastal areas could get 6 to 12 inches of rain, with 18 inches in some places, triggering life-threatening flash floods, the hurricane center said.

FEMA official Jeff Byard said Dorian is likely to "create a lot of havoc" for roads, power and other infrastructure.

Also imperiled were the Bahamas, where canned food and bottled water were disappearing quickly and the sound of hammering echoed across the islands as people boarded up their homes. Dorian was expected to hit by Sunday with the potential for life-threatening storm surge that could raise water levels 15 feet above normal.

"Do not be foolish and try to brave out this hurricane," Prime Minister Hubert Minnis said. "The price you may pay for not evacuating is your life."

Florida's governor urged nursing homes to take precautions to prevent tragedies like the one during Hurricane Irma two years ago, when the storm knocked out the air conditioning at a facility in Hollywood and 12 patients died in the sweltering heat. Four employees of the home were charged with manslaughter earlier this week.

DeSantis said the timely message from those arrests is: "It's your responsibility to make sure you have a plan in place to protect those folks."

At NASA's Kennedy Space Center in Cape Canaveral, NASA moved a 380-foot-high mobile launch platform to the safety of the colossal Vehicle Assembly Building, built to withstand 125 mph wind. The launcher is for the mega rocket that NASA is developing to take astronauts to the moon.

The hurricane season typically peaks between mid-August and late October. One of the most powerful storms ever to hit the U.S. was on Labor Day 1935. The Category 5 storm crashed ashore along Florida's Gulf Coast on Sept. 2. It was blamed for over 400 deaths.



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The Hayes House sits on the grounds of the Du Quoin State Fair. The Pritzkers are privately funding restoration there.

Blagojevich fended off calls by some lawmakers to sell the Hayes House.

"No matter what some politicians might say, we will never sell one of the more enduring symbols of Southern Illinois," Blagojevich wrote in a letter published in The Southern Illinoisan newspaper.

The Illinois Governor's Mansion Association over-

sees both the Governor's Mansion in Springfield and the Hayes House in Du Quoin.

The Springfield mansion, which is on the National Register of Historic Places and was built in 1855, underwent multimillion-dollar renovations during Gov. Bruce Rauner's administration, funded largely by private donations.

While the Hayes House in Du Quoin has opened its doors to the public for some events and open houses in the past, it's less used and isn't open for regular tours like the Governor's Mansion in Illinois' capital city.

Du Quoin Mayor Guy Alongi called the Hayes House a "symbol" to Du Quoin and southern Illinois residents.

"It's important, because that house needed some renovation," Alongi said. "Other governors have just come and gone and not done anything to that mansion. At least they're doing something to it:"

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Storm

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fuel. "No one knows what can really happen. This is serious."

As Dorian closed in, it played havoc with people's Labor Day weekend plans.

Major airlines began allowing travelers to change their reservations without a fee. The big cruise lines began rerouting their ships. Disney World and the other resorts in Orlando found themselves in the storm's projected path.

Jessica Armesto and her 1-year-old daughter, Mila, had planned to have breakfast with Minnie Mouse, Donald Duck and Goofy at Disney World. Instead, Armesto decided to take shelter at her mother's hurricane-resistant house in Miami with its kitchen full of nonperishable foods.

"It felt like it was better to be safe than sorry, so we canceled our plans," she said.

Still, with Dorian days away and its track uncertain, Disney and other major resorts held off announcing any closings, and Florida authorities ordered no immediate mass evacuations.

"Sometimes if you evacuate too soon, you may evacuate into the path of the storm if it changes," Gov. Ron DeSantis said.

Homeowners and businesses rushed to cover their windows with plywood. Supermarkets ran out of bottled water, and long lines formed at gas stations, with fuel shortages reported in places. The governor said the Florida Highway Patrol would begin escorting fuel trucks to help them get past the lines of waiting motorists and replenish gas stations.

At a Publix supermarket in Cocoa Beach, Ed Ciecinski of the customer service department said the pharmacy was busy with people rushing to fill prescriptions. The grocery was rationing bottled water and had run out of dry ice.

"It's hairy," he said. Dorian was centered about 575 miles east of West Palm Beach with winds of 130 mph. It was moving northwest at an ever-slower

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Trump: Tariffs on China get bad rap

Failing companies 'badly run and weak,' the president says

By ELI STOKOLS
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump said Friday that “badly run and weak companies” are blaming him, not their own “bad management,” for an economic slowdown even as he continued to attack the Federal Reserve, telegraphing his growing unease about the economy and strenuously trying to avoid any blame attached to his trade policies.

“If the Fed would cut, we would have one of the biggest Stock Market increases in a long time,” Trump tweeted. “Badly run and weak companies are smartly blaming these small Tariffs instead of themselves for bad management ... and who can really blame them for doing that? Excuses!”

The president canceled a weekend trip to Poland to monitor Hurricane Dorian, which threatens his numerous properties in Florida. But he remains preoccupied with the possibility of an economic slowdown or a recession appearing on the horizon as he’s heading into a reelection campaign.

Friday’s comments continued a stretch of days in which Trump has been on Twitter — sending out missives about the economy, defending his trade war with China and criticizing the Federal Reserve for not taking more dramatic action to stimulate the economy.

“We don’t have a Tariff



ALEX BRANDON/AP

Behind closed doors, President Donald Trump and his team have debated what action to take on the economy, aides say.

problem (we are reigning in bad and/or unfair players), we have a Fed problem,” Trump tweeted. “They don’t have a clue!”

Behind closed doors at the White House, Trump and aides have engaged in several conversations this week about what action they might take on the economy, according to multiple aides.

“There’s real frustration and some concern, obviously, about what could happen if this goes the wrong way,” said one senior

administration official, speaking on condition of anonymity.

“And there’s a sense that we have to message on this hard because the media is going to focus on any bit of bad news.”

Earlier this week, a new poll showed, for the first time in Trump’s presidency, that more Americans believe the economy is getting worse, 37%, than better, 31%.

The same Quinnipiac University survey showed Trump losing by substantial

margins to all five of the top-polling Democratic presidential candidates.

The president’s messages this week have amounted to a mix of blame-shifting and cheerleading to convince the public the economy is still booming and that a deal with China is within reach. Both fly against facts to the contrary: The unemployment rate remains low, but job growth has slowed, and there’s no evidence that the Chinese are ready to accept Trump’s terms for resolving the trade conflict.

Two of Trump’s tweets Friday suggested that he may be reconsidering an idea he seemed to rule out just days ago: indexing capital gains. He retweeted a tweet from the Club for Growth, a conservative group, which urged that. And he quoted a similarly encouraging tweet from Steve Forbes, asking: “An idea liked by many?”

Trump has gone back and forth over the last 10 days on indexing capital gains taxes to the inflation rate, which could reduce

the taxes that investors pay on profits from the sale of stock or other assets. Some legal experts believe the administration could change the rules on indexing by regulation, bypassing Congress, but others dispute that.

Last week, he said he was considering the idea. The next day he told reporters it was probably off the table, noting that almost all the tax benefits of indexing would go to the wealthy.

While Trump’s flip-flop adds to the uncertainty affecting markets, one effort aimed at settling them has now been revealed to have been based on a falsehood.

After ratcheting up tensions with China a week ago before traveling to France for the Group of Seven summit, a move that caused markets to tumble, Trump told reporters Sunday morning that he’d spoken overnight with Chinese officials who were suddenly interested in resolving the monthslong trade dispute.

When reporters pressed for more specifics after a spokesman for China’s foreign minister said Beijing was unaware of such a phone call, Trump and Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin wouldn’t say whom they had spoken to, but insisted that “communication” had taken place “at the highest level.”

Two administration sources later conceded privately that there had not been such a call.

The president, looking to stem a stock market slide, was basing his claims on a public statement from China’s Vice Premier Liu He that Trump took as a positive sign, they said.



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Boris Johnson takes questions from children at 10 Downing Street in London on Friday.

UK’s Johnson faces mounting challenges to his Brexit plans

By GREGORY KATZ
Associated Press

LONDON — British Prime Minister Boris Johnson’s decision to suspend Parliament for part of the run-up to the Oct. 31 Brexit deadline faces mounting legal and political challenges ahead of a weekend of planned street protests.

There are three ongoing court tests to Johnson’s plan, which he says is routine but which will shorten the time in which opponents in Parliament could seek to pass legislation blocking a disorderly “no deal” departure from the European Union.

A Scottish judge Friday declined to issue an immediate injunction to block the suspension of Parliament but set up a full hearing Tuesday on the legal bid launched by cross-party legislators determined to keep Parliament in session.

A separate case in London has also received the heavyweight backing of former Prime Minister John Major — a fellow Conservative from Johnson’s party — and from Tom Watson, the deputy leader of the opposition Labour Party.

Major hopes to formally join the case started by activist Gina Miller so he can argue that Johnson has exceeded his authority by

asking Queen Elizabeth II to shutter Parliament for several weeks during the crucial period before the Brexit deadline.

“If granted permission to intervene, I intend to seek to assist the court from the perspective of having served in government as a minister and prime minister, and also in Parliament for many years as a member of the House of Commons,” he said.

A case is being heard in Northern Ireland, as well.

The various courts are being asked to intervene in what is seen by Johnson’s opponents as a power grab that undercuts the sovereignty of Parliament.

It is too early to gauge the possible impact of street protests planned for Saturday in London and other major British cities. Activists hope a massive turnout could influence vacillating members of Parliament when it reconvenes on Tuesday after a summer recess.

Opponents of a possible “no deal” Brexit will have to hustle to craft a bill in the constrained time period. Success may depend on whether a significant number of legislators from Johnson’s Conservative Party are willing to join forces with Labour and other parties to frustrate the prime minister’s oft-stated goal of taking Britain

out of the EU on Oct. 31 regardless of whether a deal is in place.

Shami Chakrabarti, a senior adviser to the Labour Party on justice issues, told BBC radio that she is hopeful there is enough opposition in Parliament to block Johnson from carrying out a “no deal” departure.

“If they try any more of this stuff we will use any means necessary to prevent this undemocratic behavior — that includes people taking to the streets, that includes people taking to the airwaves, that includes people going to court.”

The legislators backing the legal bid in Scotland want Johnson to submit a sworn affidavit explaining his reasons for suspending Parliament.

The defiant prime minister warned Friday that opposition to his plans is weakening Britain’s negotiating position by giving EU leaders the impression that Parliament may step in to block Brexit.

“I’m afraid that the more our friends and partners think, at the back of their mind, that Brexit could be stopped, that the U.K. could be kept in by Parliament, the less likely they are to give us the deal that we need,” Johnson told Sky News. He claimed there is still time to make a deal with the EU.

VALERIE HARPER 1939-2019

‘Rhoda’ star, lovable friend on ‘Mary Tyler Moore Show’

By JOHN ROGERS
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Valerie Harper, who scored guffaws, stole hearts and busted TV taboos as the brash, self-deprecating Rhoda Morgenstern on back-to-back hit sitcoms in the 1970s, died Friday.

She was 80. Harper had been battling cancer for years, and her husband said recently he had been advised to put her in hospice care.

Harper was a breakout star on “The Mary Tyler Moore Show,” then the lead of her own series, “Rhoda.”

She won three consecutive Emmys (1971-73) as supporting actress on “The Mary Tyler Moore Show” and another for outstanding lead actress for “Rhoda,” which ran from 1974-78. Beyond awards, she was immortalized — and typecast — for playing one of television’s most beloved characters, a best friend the equal of Ethel Mertz and Ed Norton in TV’s sidekick pantheon.

Fans had long feared the news of her passing.

In 2013, she first revealed that she had been diagnosed with brain cancer and had been told by her doctors she had as little as three months to live.

But she refused to despair. “I’m not dying until I do,” Harper said in an interview on NBC’s “Today” show. “I promise I won’t.”

Mary Tyler Moore, her famous co-star, died in January 2017. Ed Asner, Cloris Leachman and Betty White are among the former cast members who survive her.

In recent years, Harper’s other appearances included “American Dad!” “The Simpsons” and “Two Broke Girls.”

Harper was a chorus dancer on Broadway as a teen before moving into comedy and improv. She



RON FREHM/AP 1987

Emmy Award-winning actress Valerie Harper had been battling cancer for years. Harper, 80, died Friday.

found comedy when she fell in with a group of Second City players from Chicago who had taken up residence in Greenwich Village. In 1970, she auditioned for the part of a Bronx-born Jewish girl who would be a neighbor and pal of Minneapolis news producer Mary Richards on a new sitcom for CBS.

It seemed a long shot for the young, unknown actress. As she recalled, “I’m not Jewish, not from New York, and I have a small shiksa nose.” And she had almost no TV experience.

But Harper, who arrived for her audition some 20 pounds overweight, may have clinched the role when she blurted out in admiration to the show’s tall, slender star: “Look at you in white pants without a long jacket to cover your behind!”

It was exactly the sort of thing Rhoda would say to “Mar,” as Harper recalled in her 2013 memoir, “I, Rhoda.”

Harper was signed without a screen test.

With the success of Rhoda’s character, a spinoff of “The Mary Tyler Moore Show” seemed inevitable. In 1974, Rhoda was dis-

patched from Minneapolis back home to New York City, where she was reunited with her parents and younger sister in a new sitcom that co-starred Nancy Walker, Harold Gould and Julie Kavner.

She also met and fell in love with the hunky owner of a demolition firm.

The premiere of “Rhoda” that September was the week’s top-rated show, getting a 42% share of audience against competition including Monday Night Football on ABC.

A few weeks later, when Rhoda and her fiancé, Joe, were wed in a one-hour special episode, more than 52 million people — half of the viewing audience in the country — tuned in.

But “Rhoda” couldn’t maintain those comic or popular heights. A domesticated, lucky-in-love Rhoda wasn’t a funny Rhoda.

By the end of the third season, the writers had taken a desperate step: Rhoda divorced Joe.

The series ended in 1978 with Harper having played Rhoda for a total of nine seasons.

She reunited with Moore in a 2000 TV film, “Mary and Rhoda.”

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Trial in 9/11 case scheduled to start in early 2021 at Gitmo

WASHINGTON — A military judge on Friday set a date in early 2021 for the start of the long-stalled war crimes trial of five men being held at the Guantanamo Bay prison on charges of planning and aiding the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

Air Force Col. W. Shane Cohen set the start date of Jan. 11, 2021, and evidentiary deadlines in a case that has been bogged down in pretrial litigation. The five defendants were

arraigned in May 2012.

The U.S. has charged the five with war crimes that include terrorism, hijacking and nearly 3,000 counts of murder for their alleged roles planning and providing logistical support to the Sept. 11 plot.

The five defendants include Khalid Shaikh Mohammad, a senior al-Qaida figure who has portrayed himself as the mastermind of the Sept. 11 attacks and other terrorist plots.

NATO says US service member killed in combat in Afghanistan

WASHINGTON — A U.S. service member has been killed in Afghanistan, NATO said Friday, barely a week after two Army Green Berets were killed in combat.

The brief statement from the NATO Resolute Support mission said the latest death occurred Thursday but provided no further details.

The service member's identity was being withheld until family could be

notified.

The announcement came as negotiations between a U.S. envoy and the Taliban appear to be close to an agreement on ending America's longest war.

More than 2,400 U.S. service members have died in Afghanistan since the U.S.-led invasion in late 2001 to topple the Taliban, whose government had harbored al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden.

Delta Air Lines pilot charged with alcohol violation

MINNEAPOLIS — A Delta Air Lines pilot from Minnesota was charged Friday with operating an aircraft under the influence of alcohol.

Tests confirmed that 37-year-old Gabriel Schroeder, of Rosemont, had a blood alcohol level between 0.04% and 0.08% when detectives arrested him on a plane at the Minneapolis airport just as it started boarding for a flight to San Diego on July

20, according to the criminal complaint.

The limit set by the Federal Aviation Administration is 0.04%, which is half the legal limit for driving in Minnesota.

Schroeder's first court date is Nov. 27.

According to the complaint, Schroeder told detectives that he'd had one beer and three vodka drinks the night before. Delta removed Schroeder from flying after his arrest.



ANTONIO SEMPERE/GETTY-AFP

Two migrants trying to enter the Spanish territory of Ceuta on the northern coast of Africa by climbing a barbed-wire fence are intercepted by police on Friday. More than 150 migrants entered Ceuta from Morocco after storming a border fence.

More vaping illnesses logged, many involving marijuana

WASHINGTON — Health officials are recommending people who vape consider avoiding e-cigarettes while they investigate more cases of a breathing ailment linked to the devices.

While the cause remains unclear, officials said Friday that many reports involve e-cigarette products that contain THC, the mind-altering substance in marijuana.

Officials from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said they are looking at 215 possible cases across 25 states. All the cases involve teens or

adults who have used e-cigarettes or other vaping devices. Symptoms of the disease include coughing, shortness of breath, chest pain, fatigue, nausea and vomiting.

The CDC and Food and Drug Administration warned the public not to buy vaping products off the street. And officials recommended people concerned about the health risks "consider refraining from using e-cigarette products."

Health and Human Services Secretary Alex Azar said in a statement the government is "using every tool we have to get to the

bottom of this deeply concerning outbreak."

E-cigarettes generally heat a flavored nicotine solution into an inhalable aerosol. The products have been used in the U.S. for more than a decade and are generally considered safer than traditional cigarettes because they don't create all the cancer-causing by-products of burning tobacco.

But some vaping products have been found to contain other potentially harmful substances, including flavoring chemicals and oils used for vaping marijuana, experts say.

Citizenship list in India sparks fears for millions

NEW DELHI — India will publish Saturday a controversial citizens list that advocates say will help rectify decades of unchecked illegal immigration into the northeastern state of Assam. Critics fear it will leave millions of people stateless. The Hindu nationalist-led gov-

ernment of Prime Minister Narendra Modi backs the project, and has vowed to roll it out nationwide.

Some view the National Register of Citizens as an attempt to deport millions of India's minority Muslim population. But activists who have been fighting for such a list for decades say

that it's simply to protect Assam's indigenous people, whether Hindu, Muslim or tribal.

The draft version of the register released in June left off about 4.1 million of the state's 32 million residents, leading some to flee and others to commit suicide.

Brazil says it is successfully controlling Amazon fires

WASHINGTON — Brazil's foreign minister said his country is successfully extinguishing the fires in the Amazon region that have generated international concern after discussing the situation here with President Donald Trump on Friday.

Brazilian President Jair Bolsonaro said earlier in the day that his son, congressman Eduardo Bolsonaro, and Foreign Minister Ernesto Araujo were heading to Washington to discuss possible U.S. aid in fighting the fires.

Araujo told reporters after meeting with Trump that the fires "are not an excuse to promote ideas of international management of the Amazon."

"The fires that exist today are already being fought and we are being successful in extinguishing most of the fires," he said, adding that the meeting with Trump did not bring up specific U.S. aid.

In Syria: Syrian government forces will soon begin a unilateral cease-fire in northwestern Idlib province, Russia's military said Friday, as hundreds of protesters were met with tear gas marching toward a border crossing with Turkey demanding that Ankara either open the border for refugees or work on stopping the Syrian army's advance.

The protest and cease-fire announcement came after weeks of a crushing offensive by Syrian troops on the last remaining rebel stronghold, forcing hundreds of thousands of displaced people to flee, many of whom were already without shelter.

A similar cease-fire at the beginning of the month lasted a few days, after which the government offensive resumed.



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Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

U. of C. Medicine nurses give union OK to call strike

BY LISA SCHENCKER

About 2,300 University of Chicago Medicine nurses are one step closer to walking off the job, after voting Thursday night to authorize their union to call a strike.

The vote allows the union to call a one-day strike at any time, without going back to the nurses for approval, said Talisa Hardin, a nurse at the University of Chicago Medical Center and a chief nurse representative for the National Nurses Organizing Committee/National Nurses United.

The hospital's contract with the union expired in April, and the two sides are in negotiations. "So far we haven't been making a lot of

progress so we're hoping with this strike vote we'll see some progress happening at the table," Hardin said.

The nurses want lower nurse-to-patient ratios and more security officers at the hospital, among other things. "Right now there are days where nurses have to take care of more patients than they can safely take care of," Hardin said.

In a statement, U. of C. Medicine officials expressed disappointment over the strike authorization vote. "The University of Chicago Medical Center does not want a strike, and UCMC continues to focus on bargaining in good faith toward a contract," the statement said.

"Staffing on our units continues to average well ahead of the fixed ratios" the union is advocating for, said spokeswoman Ashley Heher in an email.

The hospital plans to use

temporary, agency nurses to replace striking nurses if they walk off the job, Heher said. Though the strike would last one day, agency nurses would work for five days per the requirements of the agency's contract with the hospital, she said.

In July, nurses picketed at the hospital, alleging the facility was short staffed, didn't have adequate security protocols and had faulty equipment, all of which, they alleged, has made it difficult for nurses to properly care for patients.

The union also filed complaints with state and federal agencies in June. The union alleged in its complaint to the federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration that the hospital wasn't properly recording all required information about patient attacks on nurses and wasn't following the union's proposals to help nurses handle violent patients.



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Nurses participate in an informational picket July 22 at University of Chicago Medical Center, in front of the Duchossois Center for Advanced Medicine, in Chicago.

A spokesman for the federal agency didn't return a call Thursday seeking more information about the complaints.

In a complaint filed with

the Illinois Department of Public Health, the union alleged that the hospital failed to provide adequate nurse staffing and illegally mandated that nurses work

overtime.

The state Public Health Department investigated and found deficiencies related to emergency medical equipment not being fully checked for readiness, and IV tubing not being properly labeled, among other things. But overall, the hospital was found to be in compliance with the federal government's requirements to participate in Medicare.

The hospital will continue working on improvements in the areas cited as deficiencies but sees the department's final report as "an affirmation of our safety and first-in-class staffing among Chicago-area medical centers," Heher said.

The union authorized a strike in 2015 during contract negotiations but reached agreement with U. of C. Medicine shortly before a scheduled strike.

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United pushes back return of 737 Max jetliners to mid-December

BY DAVID KOENIG
Associated Press

United Airlines is again delaying the earliest possible return of its grounded Boeing 737 Max jets.

The airline said Friday that it has removed the Max from its schedule until Dec. 19, six weeks longer than previously planned.

United owns 14 Max jets, which have been grounded since March after the second of two accidents that together killed 346 people.

Taking the Max out of the

schedule reduces United's risk of alienating customers by canceling flights close to departure if the plane does not return to service as quickly as Boeing hopes.

United's announcement means it could be flying the Max during the week before Christmas — a period when heavy travel and bad weather can snarl airline operations. By contrast, Southwest Airlines is delaying its earliest possible use of the plane until early January.

Robert Mann, an aviation



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consultant and former airline executive, said United's timing is possible if computer-based training for pilots

and some "confidence-inspiring" demonstration flights can be wrapped up in November.

With each passing month, the loss of the Max results in more flights being dropped from United's schedule — from 70 a day in September to 96 a day for most of December — because it's not getting any new deliveries either.

United expected to have 27 Max jets by the end of September and 30 by the end of the year. The Chicago-based carrier has nearly 800 planes in its fleet.

Airlines haven't been able to quickly replace the

missing planes, so they are cutting back on growth — or in the case of Southwest, actually shrinking.

Boeing is working to fix flight-control software implicated in crashes off the coast of Indonesia and in Ethiopia and solve another problem that Federal Aviation Administration test pilots discovered in June.

The company has shown its changes to FAA over the past several months and expects to formally submit a recertification package in September.

MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 26,514.62 Low: 26,295.59 Previous: 26,362.25



Nasdaq
-10.51 (-.13%)

Close: 7,962.88
High: 8,017.91
Low: 7,914.74
Previous: 7,973.39

S&P 500
+1.88 (+.06%)

Close: 2,926.46
High: 2,940.43
Low: 2,913.32
Previous: 2,924.58

Russell 2000
-1.88 (-.13%)

Close: 1,494.84
High: 1,504.45
Low: 1,488.34
Previous: 1,496.72

10-yr T-note
-.01 to 1.50%

Gold futures
-7.40 to \$1,519.10

Yen
-.37 to 106.25/\$1

Euro
+.0061 to .9109/\$1

Crude Oil
-1.61 to \$55.10

Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
+3.02	+2.72	+2.79	-31	-51	-19	+1.69	-1.81	+86

FUTURES							
COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 19	467.50	467.50	450	451.25	-18.50
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 19	359.75	364.50	356.75	358	-1.75
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 19	856.25	864.75	855	857	+7.5
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Sep 19	28.53	28.66	28.37	28.64	+27
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Sep 19	292.30	292.30	289.10	289.30	-2.70
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Oct 19	56.63	56.72	54.55	55.10	-1.61
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Oct 19	2.288	2.299	2.257	2.285	-0.11
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Sep 19	1.6828	1.6845	1.5985	1.6096	-0.751
		Oct 19	1.5784	1.5784	1.5044	1.5297	-0.451

LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization. Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	85.32	+50	Equity Commonwlth	N	33.66	+01	Middleby Corp	O	109.66	-45
AbbVie Inc	N	65.74	-48	Equity LifeSty Prop	N	134.72	-63	Mondelez Intl	O	55.22	-06
Allstate Corp	N	102.39	+17	Equity Residential	N	84.76	+49	Morningstar Inc	O	161.58	+52
Aptargroup Inc	N	122.22	+53	Exelon Corp	N	47.26	+51	Motorola Solutions	N	180.91	-25
Arch Dan Mid	N	38.05	+32	First Indl RT	N	38.95	-16	NISource Inc	N	29.55	+11
Baxter Intl	N	87.95	+45	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	51.06	+17	Ntn Trust Cp	O	87.93	+66
Boeing Co	N	364.09	+135	Gallagher AJ	N	90.71	+193	Old Republic	N	23.36	-10
Brunswick Corp	N	46.60	+46	Grainger WW	N	273.65	+29	Packaging Corp Am	N	100.58	+50
CBOE Global Markets	N	119.16	+22	GrubHub Inc	N	59.34	+59	Payload Hldg	O	109.22	-165
CDK Global Inc	O	43.16	-64	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	107.68	+24	RLI Corp	N	91.57	-23
CDW Corp	O	115.50	+80	IDEX Corp	N	164.71	-61	Stericycle Inc	O	44.89	-06
CF Industries	N	48.19	-07	ITW	N	149.86	+171	TransUnion	N	83.65	+13
CME Group	O	217.29	+160	Ingredion Inc	N	77.27	+138	Trubus Media Co A	N	46.58	+06
CNA Financial	N	47.13	+44	John Bean Technol	N	102.32	+48	US Foods Holding	N	40.45	+05
Cabot Microelect	O	124.65	+02	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	134.05	-01	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	237.73	-99.72
Caterpillar Inc	N	119.00	+123	Kemper Corp	N	69.98	-62	United Airlines Hldg	O	84.31	-38
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	28.36	-23	Kraft Heinz Co	O	25.52	+19	Ventas Inc	N	73.39	-23
Deere Co	N	154.91	-157	LQY Corporation	O	26.27	+08	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	51.19	+79
Discover Fin Svcs	N	79.97	-03	Littelfuse Inc	O	156.07	-15	Wintrust Financial	O	62.83	+21
Dover Corp	N	93.74	+149	McDonalds Corp	N	217.97	-141	Zebra Tech	O	205.03	-346

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE	STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Gen Electric	8.25	+18	
Bank of America	27.51	+14	
Ford Motor	9.17	+10	
Chesapeake Energy	1.44	-05	
Vale SA	11.00	+28	
Ambev S.A.	4.54	+06	
Banco Bradesco AGS	7.99	+20	
Annaly Capital Mgmt	8.30	-01	
EnCana Corp	4.44	-05	
AT&T Inc	35.26	+11	
Callon Petrol	4.11	-25	
Stwhstn Energy	1.58	-16	
Mallinckrodt plc	2.59	-49	
Itau Unibanco Hldg	8.24	...	
Pfizer Inc	35.55	+22	
Dell Technologies C	51.53	+476	
Wells Fargo & Co	46.57	+38	
Teva Pharm	6.90	-07	
Penney JC Co Inc	.74	-02	
Altria Group	43.74	-51	
Gerdau SA	3.05	+08	
Barrick Gold	19.38	+10	
Kinder Morgan Inc	20.27	-13	
Transocean Ltd	4.55	-03	

LARGEST COMPANIES

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
AT&T Inc	35.26	+11
Alibaba Group Hldg	175.03	+222
Alphabet Inc C	1188.10	-475
Alphabet Inc A	1190.53	-371
Amazon.com Inc	1776.29	-1011
Apple Inc	208.74	-27
Bank of America	27.51	+18
Berkshire Hath B	203.41	+21
Exxon Mobil Corp	68.48	+05
Facebook Inc	185.67	+10
HSBC Holdings prA	25.96	+01
Home Depot	227.91	+59
JPMorgan Chase	109.86	+64
Johnson & Johnson	128.36	+12
MasterCard Inc	281.37	-01
Microsoft Corp	137.86	-26
Procter & Gamble	120.23	-95
Visa Inc	180.82	-35
WalMart Strs	114.26	+18

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	31.63	+03	-1.1
American Funds AMCRNBalA m	27.48	+04	+4.4
American Funds CptWldGrncA m	47.79	+16	-5
American Funds CptlncBldrA m	60.80	+08	+3.6
American Funds FdmtlInvSA m	58.45	+15	-1
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	49.39	-01	-1.5
American Funds IncAmrcA m	22.57	+04	-3.8
American Funds InvCAMrcA m	37.71	+06	+5.5
American Funds NwPrsptvA m	44.15	+12	+1.1
American Funds WAMtInvSA m	45.81	+13	+4.7
Dodge & Cox Inc	14.21	+01	+9.0
Dodge & Cox IntStk	39.24	+26	+7.3
Dodge & Cox Stk	181.48	+79	-5.3
DoubleLine TlRetBdl x	10.82	-02	+7.9
Fidelity 500IdxInvsPmm	102.02	+08	+2.9
Fidelity Contrafund	13.06	-04	+2
Fidelity TlMktIdxInvsPmm	82.94	+06	+1.3
Fidelity USBdIdxInvsPmm	12.08	+01	+10.3
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.28	...	+2.7
Metropolitan West TlRetBdl	11.15	+01	+1.4
PIMCO IncI2	11.91	+02	+5.3
PIMCO IncIstl	11.91	+02	+5.4
PIMCO TlRetIns	10.58	+01	+10.0
Schwab SP500Idx	45.33	+04	+2.9
T. Rowe Price BCGr	115.70	-12	+3.7
T. Rowe Price GrStk	68.57	+02	+2.8
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	270.93	+21	+2.9
Vanguard BalIdxAdmrl	37.39	+02	+5.3
Vanguard DivGrIn	30.33	+03	+16.0
Vanguard EqInAdmrl	74.37	+17	+2.7
Vanguard GrIdxAdmrl	85.62	-13	+4.8
Vanguard HCAmrl	81.37	+14	-4.8
Vanguard IntTEAdmrl	14.61	-01	+8.3
Vanguard InsIdxInvs	265.85	+21	+2.9
Vanguard InsIdxInvsPmm	265.87	+21	+2.9
Vanguard InsTSMInPls	63.08	+03	+1.4
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	90.05	+04	-4.9
Vanguard MdCpIdxAdmrl	204.05	+06	+1.2
Vanguard PmmCpAdmrl	136.13	+34	+3.4
Vanguard STInvMGrAdmrl	10.77	...	-6.0
Vanguard SmCpIdxAdmrl	72.99	+04	-6.2
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	31.97	+05	+4.3
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	19.13	+04	+3.6
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	34.77	+07	+2.8
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	21.29	+05	+1.9
Vanguard TlBIdxAdmrl	11.21	+01	+10.4
Vanguard TlBIdxInvs	11.21	+01	+10.4
Vanguard TlBIdxAdmrl x	23.63	-03	+11.5
Vanguard TlBIdxInvs x	35.46	-08	+11.6
Vanguard TlTnAdmrl	14.61	-01	+1.5
Vanguard TlTnSldAdmrl	27.13	+14	+4.3
Vanguard TlTnSldInvs	108.52	+60	-4.3
Vanguard TlTnSldInvsPlus	108.54	+60	-4.3
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EDITORIALS

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Take action to curb gun violence

I remember where I was standing when I heard that a shooting had occurred at Columbine High School in Colorado. It was my senior year at Hilton Head Island High School, and I was about to leave my hometown for college at Northwestern University. Visions of children crying, a boy with a broken arm dangling from the school window, remain with me today. My future husband, from Colorado, watched as classmates at the University of Colorado at Boulder left their classroom when told, "If you have a sibling at Columbine, come with me."

We have had far too many moments of silence since Columbine and Sandy Hook and now Gilroy, El Paso and Dayton. Our children deserve real action to stop the epidemic of gun violence in our country. What's a free country worth if you fear public spaces where community gathers? What does that do to a child's psyche?

I ask everyone to take two actions today. First, call your U.S. representative and ask that he or she support gun violence prevention legislation to keep guns out of dangerous hands. Second, Make the Promise at www.sandyhookpromise.org and help bring Sandy Hook Promise's no-cost, violence prevention programs to our schools and community.

The Say Something anonymous reporting system allows students to submit tips about troubling behavior — including assault, bullying, animal cruelty and child abuse — through a website, telephone hotline or mobile app.

— Emily Wessel Farr, Sandy Hook Promise leader, Chicago

Retired cop's ties to immigrants

The Oval Office occupant is again blathering about repealing birthright citizenship, and once again he hasn't thought through an issue he calls a problem.

Once my father was sure those 1956 Soviet invaders were good and gone, he and his friend crept down from the chimney. They fled the Soviets overrunning their native Hungary. Dad made it to France and then the U.S. Before his death, he was considered one of the premier structural engineers in the country.

He obtained his citizenship after I was born in 1958, so under the Trump travesty, I would have to go back — to where? To Hungary, where I know no one? Or to my mother's parents' home countries of Sweden and Denmark? My mother was born in New York. Or does the president think the man's country of origin trumps the woman's?

My husband arrived as a child from central Mexico. His parents were born there, so he has to go back, right, President Trump? But wait. Unlike the president with his bone spur deferment, my husband served the nation in the U.S. Marine Corps; when it came time for him to be honorably discharged, he was a gunnery sergeant.

Then there's our work, his and mine, which has consumed most of our adult lives: Chicago police officers. We've missed countless holidays and special events with our families because — like workers at hospitals and fire stations, workers who run the trains and subways across the country — everyone can't be off work at the same time. We never once left unfinished business to go golfing. We've been scorned, threatened, attacked and shot at, with only each other and our brothers and sisters in blue to watch our backs.

Married young, he and his first wife had three children, now in their 30s and 40s. Are they to be sent to San Luis Potosi in Mexico because he was brought here illegally and unwittingly? After his divorce, he and I married and eventually had a child. Is she to be sent away, because Trump thinks she's an anchor baby?

But there's more. My husband chose to give up his Mexican citizenship when our daughter was about 5. He became a citizen of the United States, the country he proudly served.

— Maja Ramirez, retired Chicago police officer, Chicago

Detainees should be immunized

A teen with measles at Disneyland, another in Phoenix at a hip-hop competition — these are two news stories raising alarms about the danger of measles being spread by unvaccinated children.

Last winter, we had news stories of thousands held in quarantine due to measles and chickenpox outbreaks in immigration detention centers.

Flu season is fast approaching. Last week, federal authorities announced flu shots will not be provided for detained migrant families in border camps. Since December, three detained children reportedly have died of flu.

The Trump administration has also just announced plans that would allow indefinite detention of undocumented children.

Last October, waiting to board a plane out of Phoenix, I witnessed five frightened Central American preteens receiving boarding passes from their Spanish-speaking handlers. None of the children spoke to one another or seemed to have a family relationship. Presumably, they were being sent to a detention center in Chicago.

One of the boys was seated in front of me. Obviously terrified of his first plane ride, he didn't understand directions to fasten his seat belt nor did he respond when a flight attendant asked him if he wanted a drink or snack. He sat wide-eyed, unmoving and silent. The little girls and two other boys were also scattered, alone, throughout the plane. One of the boys bolted for the toilet just as the plane was landing, having been afraid to move during the flight.

It should be assumed these poor, desperate children fleeing violence to find sanctuary in the U.S. had not been vaccinated against any dangerous infectious illnesses. These traumatized children are put onto planes and shipped around the country to be imprisoned in detention centers at taxpayers' expense. Every airplane carrying detainees exposes unsuspecting passengers to illness.

Though there are some in our country who have no problem with the inhumane, amoral regard our administration shows toward asylum-seeking migrants, we should all be alarmed at the disregard shown for preventing the spread of dangerous illnesses.

— Jane Cox, Wheaton



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An AR-15-style assault rifle with high-capacity magazines and ammunition.

Upholding Cook County's assault weapons ban

When a gunman began firing on people in downtown Dayton, Ohio, on Aug. 4, police responded quickly, killing the shooter 32 seconds later. But by then, he had shot 26 people, nine of them fatally. He was able to wreak such havoc so rapidly because he used an AR-15 military-style gun with a high-capacity magazine.

These firearms, commonly known as assault weapons, have been put to horrific use in such places as Newtown, Connecticut; Las Vegas; Parkland, Florida; and El Paso, Texas. Inspired by the guns soldiers wield in combat, they include such features as pistol grips and folding stocks and are perfect for inflicting many casualties in a short time.

The dangers they pose have long been recognized. In 1994, Congress enacted a law banning these weapons, as well as magazines capable of holding more than 10 rounds. The ban expired in 2004. But in 2006, Cook County approved a similar ban, outlawing the sale and possession of such guns as well as high-capacity magazines. The city of

Highland Park, in Lake County, later imposed its own prohibition.

Gun-rights zealots see these laws as an affront to the Second Amendment, which gained new force when the U.S. Supreme Court invalidated bans on handguns in Washington, D.C., in 2008 and Chicago in 2010. In those decisions, the court stressed that individuals have the right to own guns for purposes of self-defense.

But the justices didn't reject gun restrictions across the board. The court stipulated that the Second Amendment doesn't guarantee "a right to keep and carry any weapon whatsoever." It indicated it had no problem with laws with denying guns to felons, barring guns from schools, regulating commercial sales and the like.

The justices didn't address the regulation of "assault weapons." But in 2015, the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Chicago upheld the Highland Park law. And on Thursday, the same court said the Cook County ban does not infringe on any constitutional right.

Lawyers for the gun owners who

challenged the law argued that restrictions that might be tolerable in Highland Park, a suburb where violent crime is rare, are unacceptable for the whole of Cook County, which has many dangerous areas. But the appeals court dismissed the idea that constitutional rights vary from place to place, and it noted that county residents still may choose from a variety of guns suitable for self-defense.

An assault weapons ban is no panacea. Many mass shootings have been carried out with ordinary handguns and rifles. But military-style weapons seem to have a special allure for this type of killer. As the 7th Circuit judges said in the Highland Park case, "The features of an assault weapon, as set out in the ordinance, appear to be more valuable in an offensive capacity than a defensive one."

Whether the Supreme Court will agree with the appellate court's analysis, or ever consider this case, remains to be seen. In the meantime, people who live or work in Cook County can be grateful that here, at least, the danger of these guns has not been ignored.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

To date, the federal government has poured around \$36 billion into financial incentives for hospitals and other health groups to adopt electronic health records systems, yet they are cited by physicians across the country as a leading source of anxiety. ... Doctors who have adopted these systems spend less and less time on face-to-face medicine and more time logging notes. ... According to a 2018 study from the Physicians Foundation, 23% of physicians' time is spent on

nonclinical paperwork.

To mitigate this problem, many physicians have opted to hire "medical scribes" to literally follow them around taking notes for them. While some have praised this option as an effective means of lightening doctors' notekeeping loads, others criticize the burgeoning industry as archaic and unnecessary.

Still others argue that the purpose of a diagnosis should be to further the interests of an individual patient, not to bolster an IT system.

In an attempt to cover every single possible medical outcome, many diagnostic codes are absurdly precise: The ICD-10 coding system, for example, was approved in 2014 and includes among its tens of thousands of individual diagnoses "sucked into jet engine, initial encounter," "bitten by orca, initial encounter," injuries while "knitting and crocheting," and "problems ... with in-laws."

Devorah Goldman,
National Affairs



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Singer-pianist Freddy Cole, brother of the late Nat King Cole, performs at the 41st annual Chicago Jazz Festival at Pritzker Pavilion on Thursday.

IN PERFORMANCE

SWEET MEMORIES

Freddy Cole pays homage to brother Nat King Cole at Chicago Jazz Festival

BY HOWARD REICH

When you're nearly 88 years old and brought to the piano in a wheelchair, it takes guts to put on a show.

But that's what the intrepid singer-pianist Freddy Cole did with flair Thursday night at the Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park, giving the 41st annual Chicago Jazz Festival its first emotional high.

Though the fest officially began last weekend with a series of Neighborhood Concerts, the Pritzker Pavilion sets count as the main events, with a large crowd turning out on Thursday evening — notwithstanding ominous storm warnings that (fortunately) never materialized. What unfolded instead was a balmy evening of music-making rooted in the long and splendid history of Chicago jazz.

Cole, of course, is a younger brother of jazz legend Nat King Cole, who died in 1965 at age 45. So Freddy Cole's show amounted to an homage to his more celebrated sibling, whose centennial the world is celebrating this year.

Not surprisingly, the most affecting portion of the set, which closed Thursday night's festivities, was a traversal of some of Nat

What to hear this weekend

The music continues Saturday and Sunday at Millennium Park, Randolph Street and Michigan Avenue, at the Pritzker Pavilion and adjacent Von Freeman Pavilion, and Jazz and Heritage Pavilion; admission is free; www.chicagojazzfestival.org or www.jazzinchicago.org.

SATURDAY

■ **The Fat Babies:** 1:50 p.m., Von Freeman Pavilion. Early period jazz lustrously re-imagined.

■ **Frank Catalano:** 3 p.m., Jazz and Heritage Pavilion. A thunderous tenor saxophonist.

■ **Ryan Cohan's "Originations":** 5:25 p.m., Pritzker Pavilion. Original suite from an accomplished pianist-composer.

■ **Christian McBride:** 6:25 p.m., Pritzker Pavilion. A reigning bass virtuoso and inventive bandleader.

■ **Cecile McLorin Salvant:** 7:45 p.m., Pritzker Pavilion. Arguably today's leading jazz singer.

SUNDAY

■ **Paulinho Garcia:** Noon, Jazz and Heritage Pavilion. Sublime vocals and guitar work.

■ **Sharel Cassity:** 12:40 p.m., Von Freeman Pavilion. An up-and-coming saxophonist-bandleader.

■ **Juli Wood's Big Bari Band:** 1:30 p.m., Jazz and Heritage Pavilion. An aptly named ensemble.

■ **Latino-America Unida:** 6:25 p.m., Pritzker Pavilion. New ensemble staffed by star soloists.

■ **Eddie Palmieri Sextet:** 7:45 p.m., Pritzker Pavilion. The great one returns.

King Cole's hits, each evoking a long-gone era in jazz-tinged American pop. As soon as Freddy Cole began the strains of "Straighten Up and Fly Right," a sweet sigh of recognition swept the audience, as listeners presumably deduced they were about to hear a tribute to a jazz master who

launched his career in Chicago.

Freddy Cole sang the golden oldie with characteristic ease and elegance, accompanied in duet fashion by son Lionel Cole. The combination of Freddy Cole's reedy voice and Lionel Cole's chesty baritone made for a most appealing euphony, accompanied

by Freddy Cole's silvery pianism, Randy Napoleon's buoyant guitar work and a chugging backbeat from the rest of the band.

Then Freddy Cole moved on to "Sweet Lorraine," another Nat King Cole classic, performed here as a soft-and-lovely nocturne in a medium-slow swing tempo. Though the younger Cole always has made a point to sound more like himself than anyone else, it wasn't hard to detect echoes of Nat King Cole's velvety voice and speech-song phrasing.

And though it's true that Freddy Cole had started his set in somewhat muted fashion, he gained momentum with each tune, showing more vocal heft in "Mona Lisa" and a storytelling quality in "Nature Boy" — both universally identified with Nat King Cole.

By the time Freddy Cole swung into "On the South Side of Chicago," a signature piece for him, he'd arrived at something close to full cry. The lyrics — celebrating an era when the South Side produced future jazz stars such as Dinah Washington, Joe Williams, Johnny Hartman, Dorothy Donegan and more — drew vociferous response from the crowd. And when Cole sang the tune's pivotal line, "I can still hear old Von

Freeman blowing," there was no doubt that Cole had given Chicago a night to remember.

The Pritzker Pavilion evening began with Chicago drummer-bandleader Mike Reed presenting "The City Was Yellow," a project celebrating compositions penned here between 1980 and 2010 (and documented in a newly published book of the same name).

Reed's hope that these works eventually could become standards widely performed in Chicago clubs and concert halls might be a tad idealistic, considering the complexities and idiosyncrasies of the work. But their value was unmistakable in this performance by Reed and a cast of virtuoso instrumentalists who had written much of the repertoire.

The whirring flute virtuosity that Nicole Mitchell offered in her "Wheatgrass," the magisterial lines tenor saxophonist Ari Brown produced in his "Rahsaan in the Serengeti," the ingenious horn-choir passages of bassist Matt Ulery's "Good Morning" and the rambunctious ensemble work in Geof Bradfield's "Nairobi Transit" pointed to the depth of the Chicago jazz scene past, present and, one hopes, future.

Howard Reich is a Tribune critic.

IN PERFORMANCE 'Casa Valentina' ★★ 1/2

On transformation and the inner female self

BY CHRIS JONES

Set in the Catskills in 1962, Harvey Fierstein's "Casa Valentina," now at the Pride Arts Center, is a work about mostly professional men whose regular recreation involved weekends spent at a discreet resort made up of private bungalows where they could attach a wig, put on some makeup and step into a dress.

Thus attired, they then could talk, dance and eat with like-minded friends before packing their feminine identities away, heading back into New York City and continuing their Monday morning lives as married, heterosexual men.

When I first saw this interesting and balanced work on Broadway in 2014, I recall Fierstein's program note explaining that such a resort did indeed exist and that some of his characters were based on real people (one of them is a judge and another is an ex-georgant). He also took pains to

point out that "the gentlemen in our play are not drag queens or female impersonators." Rather, he wrote, they were men with an interest in what they reference in the play as the outward manifestation of the inner female self.

The play, directed at Pride by Michael D. Graham, is set some seven years before the Stonewall Rebellion, often described as the beginning of the modern gay-rights movement. In essence, "Casa Valentina" is probing whether these men were helping or hurting that cause.

That's a complex question and the play airs both sides. On the one hand, the men were living their best lives and jettisoning heteronormative practice, albeit in secret, and their activities belied the notion, widely believed at the time, that masculinity or human gender are inherently binary and devoid of fluidity or complexity. On the other, the members of the group (as the play explores in some detail) mostly



CODY JOLLY PHOTO

Josh Marshall, Patrick Byrnes and Michael Hagedorn in Harvey Fierstein's "Casa Valentina" at the Pride Arts Center.

were hostile toward homosexual men, seeing any association not only as unfairly exposing them to criminal prosecution or personal scandal but claiming that their identities and activities were, in fact, separate and distinct. Much effort was expended to keep homosexuals out of their party, even if that meant sending gay men into harm's way. And openly transgender persons, the kind of Americans whose identity did not shift on weekends, similarly were excluded.

So was all this indicative of

self-delusion? Incremental change? Dangerous compartmentalization? Persecution of allies? Those are the issues of "Casa Valentina," clearly a result of Fierstein's long fascination with these men and this ambiguous moment in the long march toward gay liberation.

Graham's production is a generally solid, honest and sometimes moving staging of a very worthy piece of writing: it contains a couple of excellent performances in work by Patrick Byrnes, whose George/Valentina

When: Through Sept. 29

Where: Pride Arts Center, 4139 N. Broadway

Running time: 2 hours, 10 minutes

Tickets: \$30-\$40 at 866-811-4111 or 773-857-0222 or www.pridefilmsandplays.com

is the owner of the resort, and by Josh Marshall, as Michael/Gloria, and whose dynamic definition invigorates every scene. But the staging, which gets too stuck with trappings and other bits of business, often misses the inherent poetry in Fierstein's writing.

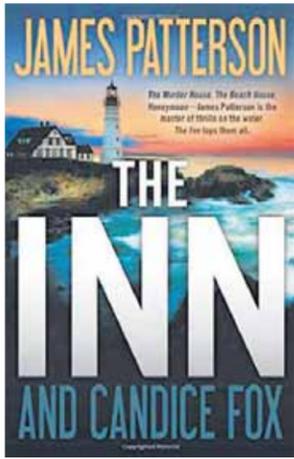
Some of the scenes feel under-rehearsed and, on opening, the text was not yet solid. The set is a jumble of stuff. And, in the end, you don't get enough sense of the isolation felt by these men and thus the tactile joy they feel on their voyages to their mutual happy place in the Catskills. The original production made much of transformation — one of the major themes of the play — but here you don't feel like you are fully seeing dual identities and the price paid when your own true self is so subject to secrecy.

Chris Jones is a Tribune critic.

NATIONAL BEST-SELLERS

HARDCOVER FICTION

1. **"The Inn"** by James Patterson and Candice Fox (Little, Brown) Last week: 2



2. **"One Good Deed"** by David Baldacci (Grand Central) Last week: 4

3. **"Old Bones"** by Douglas Preston and Lincoln Child (Grand Central) Last week: —

4. **"The Last Widow"** by Karin Slaughter (Morrow) Last week: —

5. **"The Nickel Boys"** by Colson Whitehead (Doubleday) Last week: 6

6. **"The Bitterroots"** by C.J. Box (Minotaur) Last week: 3

7. **"The Turn of the Key"** by Ruth Ware (Scout) Last week: 7

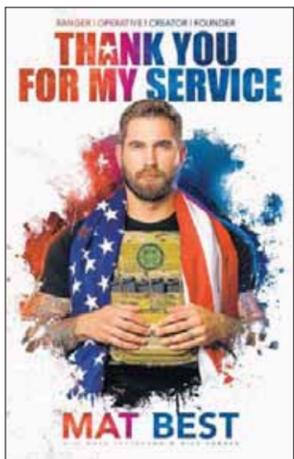
8. **"Outfox"** by Sandra Brown (Grand Central) Last week: 5

9. **"Inland"** by Téa Obreht (Random House) Last week: 12

10. **"Tidelands"** by Philippa Gregory (Atria) Last week: —

HARDCOVER NONFICTION

1. **"Thank You for My Service"** by Mat Best, Ross Patterson and Nils Parker (Bantam) Last week: —



2. **"How to Be an Antiracist"** by Ibram X. Kendi (One World) Last week: 1

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

4. **"It's Not Supposed to Be This Way: Finding Unexpected Strength When Disappointments Leave You Shattered"** by Lysa TerKeurst (Nelson) Last week: 4

5. **"Dare to Lead: Brave Work. Tough Conversations. Whole Hearts."** by Brené Brown (Random House) Last week: 3

6. **"Girl, Stop Apologizing: A Shame-Free Plan for Embracing and Achieving Your Goals"** by Rachel Hollis (HarperCollins Leadership) Last week: 7

7. **"The Outlaw Ocean: Journeys Across the Last Untamed Frontier"** by Ian Urbina (Knopf) Last week: —

8. **"The Pioneers: The Heroic Story of the Settlers Who Brought the American Ideal West"** by David McCullough (Simon & Schuster) Last week: 8

9. **"Three Women"** by Lisa Taddeo (Avid Reader) Last week: 11

10. **"Trick Mirror: Reflections on Self-Delusion"** by Jia Tolentino (Random House) Last week: 6

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ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Wedding snub does seem personal

Dear Amy: I met "Jane" and "Louis" two years ago. Jane and I work together and quickly became good friends — she even called me her "work wife." Jane and Louis introduced me to my boyfriend, "Charlie," whom I've been dating now for over a year. They have been friends with Charlie for several years.

Jane and Louis got engaged earlier this year. Charlie received an invitation to the wedding. However, the invite didn't include a "plus one." When Charlie asked them about this, they said, "Sorry, no girlfriends are allowed, only married couples."

One, I was shocked and hurt that I've been reduced to only being Charlie's girlfriend, when I thought I was also good friends with this couple. Two, I've never heard of this rule. I understand not wanting to pay for random dates at a wedding, but my boyfriend and I are in a serious relationship. We've attended other weddings together. Charlie still plans to attend this wedding, and I would never ask him not to.

Should I just assume it's a budget issue and let it go? Or do I have a right to be upset and re-evaluate our friendship?

— *Sidelined Friend*

Dear Sidelined: My standard position is to advise people not to take things personally. However, and unfortunately, this does seem personal, and quite awkward.

You know this couple well. They thought enough of you to introduce you to your guy. You are the bride's work wife, for goodness' sake!

True, wedding recep-

tions are very expensive. Many marrying couples follow a guideline to invite couples to their wedding only if the couple is married, engaged or living together, but this guideline is often stretched to include committed couples, and/or "plus-ones."

You are wise to take the high road. I hope their wedding and marriage goes well. Your marriage to your work wife might be in trouble, however.

Dear Amy: Our closest friends are always late. Usually they are 10 minutes late, give or take a couple of minutes. Over the years they have been late as much as 40 minutes.

The wife in this couple is the main reason for the lateness 95% of the time. This past week they were 30 minutes late, and we were leaving when they pulled up. Unfortunately, I'm not much for waiting. So I was upset, and we didn't have such a great time. Now she is mad at me for getting mad at her for being 30 minutes late!

What do we do now? If she calls, fine, but we are not going to call to check on them! Am I off-base to expect a little respect and consideration?

I have talked to several other friends, no names mentioned, and they all say that she is "rude and inconsiderate," and that her time is more important than ours. What is your take on this?

— *Very Tired of Waiting*

Dear Very Tired: Like you, my personal clock seems permanently set to "Let's go!," so I understand the frustration of dealing with people who always

run late. However, at some point it is your job to find a way to cope with a pattern that is predictable and (evidently) unchanging.

Unless you are about to miss the opening curtain at the theater or are hopping on the space shuttle together, you could mitigate the effect on you by adjusting their "start time" by 10 minutes or so, taking separate cars, or by calling them when you feel anxious to check on their ETA.

They are being inconsiderate. They are being rude. It is appropriate for you to express how frustrating this is for you. But if their rudeness is going to cause you to sulk for an extended period, or ruin your own good time, then you shouldn't spend time with them until you can find ways to control your reaction.

And no, she does not have the right to be mad at you for being mad. That's her way of deflecting her discomfort over the trouble she caused.

Dear Amy: "Lonely" was an older married woman seeking romance online. I was glad you warned her about "catfishing" and told her never to send money to these scammers.

I wish you had told her to get out and meet actual people through volunteering.

— *Faithful Reader*

Dear Faithful: "Lonely" definitely needed to step away from her computer. Great advice. Thank you.

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Odenkirk sees the good in his dark character

On 'Better Call Saul,' Jimmy 'does have deep feelings inside of him'

By HUGH HART
Los Angeles Times

Decades before comedian-turned-serious actor Bob Odenkirk burrowed into dark territory as the title character in "Better Call Saul," he had an epiphany onstage at Chicago's Second City while performing with Joe Canale and Chris Farley.

"We were doing an improv," Odenkirk recalls. "In the middle of it, I looked out at the audience and I could see how fun it was for them to watch Chris, how much fun it was to watch Joe and how not that much fun I was. I had this flashing thought: 'I belong on the drama side of things.'"

Premonition notwithstanding, Odenkirk decided to stick with comedy. In the years to come, he won Emmy Awards for his writing contributions to "The Ben Stiller Show" and "Saturday Night Live," then earned a cult following as co-creator of HBO's subversive sketch series "Mr. Show."

Odenkirk finally got a chance to test his dramatic mettle in 2014 when producers Vince Gilligan and Peter Gould asked him to reprise his slippery "Breaking Bad" character, Saul Goodman, in a stand-alone series. Speaking by phone from his home in Albuquerque, N.M., midway through production on "Better Call Saul's" fifth season, Odenkirk remembers that meeting in Hollywood.

"Vince and Peter floated a lot of ideas, but I told them the first job was to make this character likable," he says. "In the world

of 'Breaking Bad,' where everyone else is dealing drugs and doing awful things, this wise-ass lawyer is fun because he's not afraid he's going to die any second. But taken all by himself? Saul's a rat.

"So Vince and Peter dug down into his past and discovered this incredibly earnest Jimmy McGill character. Before he becomes Saul Goodman, Jimmy's giving his all to be the best person he can be."

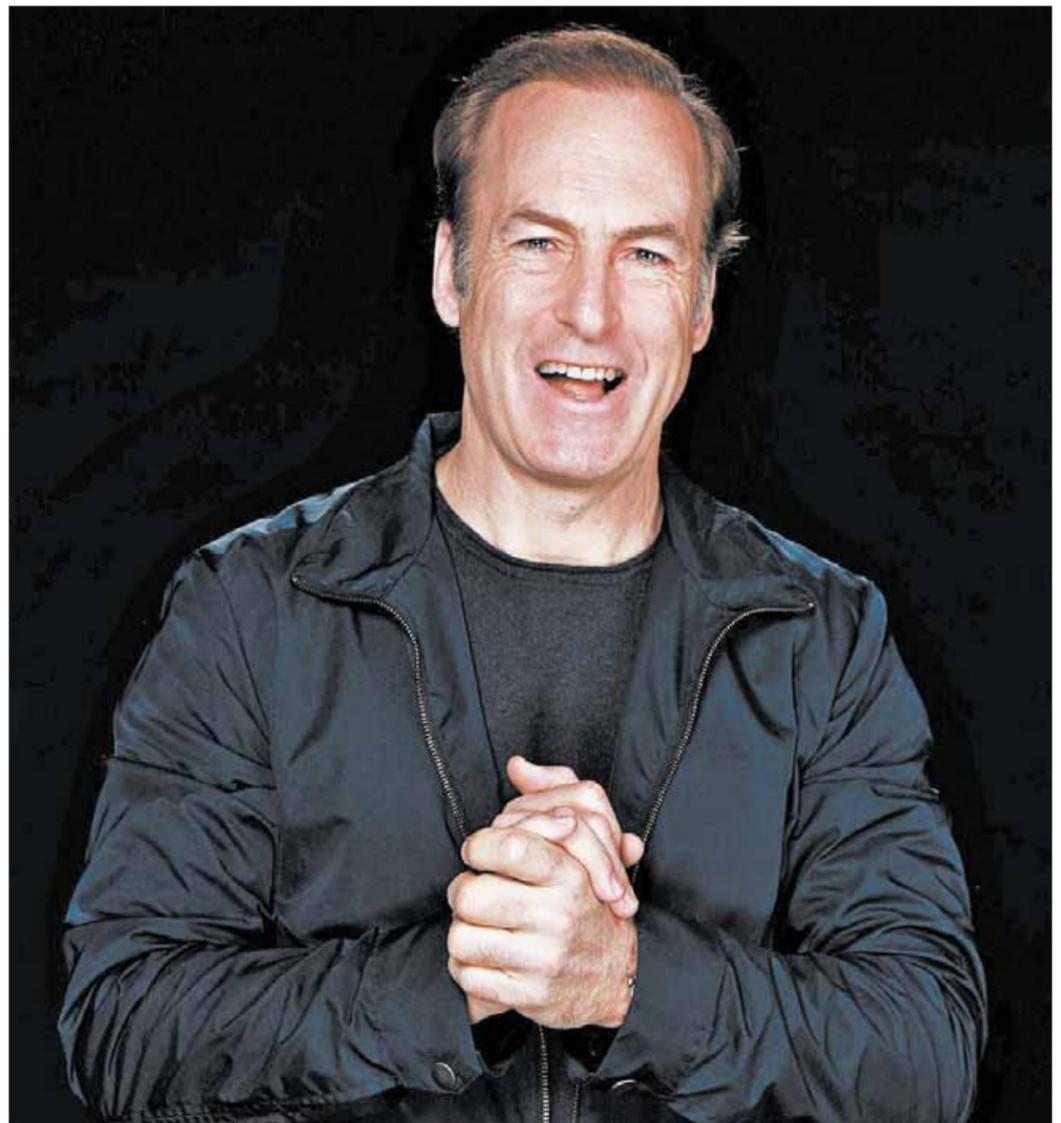
By "Better Call Saul" Season 4, which garnered Odenkirk his fourth consecutive lead-actor award nomination, sweet Jimmy McGill has turned sour. Rejected and disparaged by his role-model brother, disbarred for swindling an elderly woman, Jimmy turns down a chance to make an honest living as a photocopier salesman and steals the would-be employer's precious Hummel figurine.

Before long, he's selling cellphones from the trunk of his car to street thugs. Why not stick to the straight and narrow? Odenkirk blames it on the reptilian brain.

"Jimmy has a pretty very active amygdala that pops up every once in a while and makes him do something insane," Odenkirk says with a laugh. "That's not just random behavior. It's part of his character."

Playing Jimmy/Saul in crook mode comes easily to Odenkirk, who cites his unctuous agent Stevie Grant in "The Larry Sanders Show" as a precursor cut from the same prevaricating cloth.

"When Saul's putting on a show, ranting and raving



Bob Odenkirk is filming the fifth season of "Better Call Saul," playing a character that originated on "Breaking Bad."

or pontificating, I just eat that up because those scenes come off to me like pure comedy," Odenkirk says. "But for me, the meat of the show is a deeper character examination you find in these quiet moments. When the camera's 12 inches away, you don't have to push it the way you do in comedy."

Odenkirk especially savors the stripped-down exchanges between Jimmy McGill and his formidable lawyer girlfriend, Kim Wexler, played by Rhea Seehorn.

"As someone who's been married for 22 years, I love the naturalistic scenes that take place between Jimmy and Kim," he says. "When Jimmy comes home late at night after getting beat up, they're in the bathroom sitting next to each other on the lip of the toilet. Jimmy's really lost and he says, 'What the hell is wrong with me?'"

"It's a beautifully written moment that trusts me and Kim to just be human beings without any protective bravado."

Jimmy exits Season 4 in

a jubilant mood after persuading the legal review board to reinstate his license to practice law with what appears to be a genuine *cri de coeur* invoking his late brother's memory. Of course, it's just another performance.

"Jimmy does have deep feelings inside of him, and he excavates those feelings to crank up the waterworks and manipulate people," Odenkirk observes wryly. "That's what actors do."

"Better Call Saul" periodically flashes forward to a bleak future in Omaha,

where Jimmy/Saul, in hiding, manages the local Cinnabon under the fake name "Gene Takovic."

"I'm curious about what's going to happen to that guy," Odenkirk says. "I hope Gene finds some degree of ... equilibrium where he's not falling short every day. Or maybe Saul's just too angry inside and has to hurt other people."

"Hope against hope because Vince Gilligan and Peter Gould are probably not going to write characters who end up in a better place."

WATCH THIS: SATURDAY



Gina Rodriguez

"Miss Bala" (7 p.m., 11:51 p.m., Starz): Gina Rodriguez undertakes quite a change of pace in director Catherine Hardwicke's 2019 crime thriller which casts the actress as Gloria Fuentes, a makeup artist from Los Angeles. While Gloria is visiting her best friend (Cristina Rodlo) in Mexico, the latter is kidnapped by a band of armed gunmen. To save her friend, Gloria must take down a drug cartel.

"Say Yes to the Dress" (7 p.m., 11 p.m., TLC): After Randy hears of an unlucky bride who lost her dream wedding dress to the California wildfires, he and Kleinfeld owner Ronnie Rothstein decide to bring the young woman, Eryka, to New York for the shopping experience of her life in the new episode "Cinderella Gone Wrong." She's stunned and teary when Ronnie gives her a dazzling dress as a gift.

"Planet Earth: Nature's Great Events" (8 p.m., 3:50 a.m., BBCA): Sir David Attenborough narrates this stunning docuseries, which looks at how seasonal changes that result in shifting weather patterns and ocean currents produce conditions that present challenges and opportunities to certain species. The premiere, "The Great Melt," explores how the dramatically increasing summer thaw of sea ice in the arctic regions could be disastrous for animals like polar bears.

"My One & Only" (8 p.m., Hallmark): In this new 2019 romance, dating couple Stephanie and Oliver (Pascale Hutton, Stephen Huszar) are seeking any signs suggesting that they are destined to spend life together, so they sign up for a popular relationship TV show called "The One." While magic between the pair doesn't seem to be in the cards, however, some sparks start to fly between Stephanie and Alex (Sam Page), the hot ranch owner charged with being their guide.

"Black Love" (8 p.m., 11 p.m., OWN): In the new episode "Mountains & Molehills," the couples share stories about maintaining a healthy relationship between two very different personality types, which involves fighting fair, being considerate of the other person and, in general, being prepared to work hard at making your marriage a success. Featured couples include Salli Richardson-Whitfield and Don-dre Whitfield, and Kathy Drayton and Luther Freeman.

"Boogie Nights" (9:35 p.m., Showtime): Director Paul Thomas Anderson was only a child during the 1970s, but he earned an Oscar nomination for his right-on depiction of the decade in this 1997 drama. Mark Wahlberg stars as the new kid on the adult movie block whose impressive anatomy brings him fame and fortune in the thriving porn industry of the time. Burt Reynolds received a Golden Globe for his portrayal of the pretentious producer.

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	SHO	On Becoming a God		Mile 22 (R,'18) ** Mark Wahlberg.				(9:35) Boogie Nights †	
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Drew Peterson is escorted out of the Will County Courthouse in Joliet after his arraignment was postponed.

Drew Peterson case to be featured on yet another TV episode

BY JESSICA VILLAGOMEZ

The story of convicted murderer Drew Peterson will be back on television and featured on an episode of "How it Really Happened with Hill Harper," scheduled to air at 8 p.m. on HLN Sept. 1. The one-hour episode features interviews with friends, family and experts who retell the story of Stacy Peterson, the fourth wife of Peterson who went missing in October 2007. The episode also recounts Peterson's relationship with his third wife, Kathleen Savio, whose death by drowning was later reexamined as a homicide committed by Peterson.

Peterson was sentenced to 38 years in prison for the murder of Savio and was later sentenced to an additional 40 years in prison for trying to hire a hit man to kill the prosecutor who put him behind bars.

HLN announced this week the special will reveal "interviews with friends and family of both victims as well as those intimately involved in the investigation, the

episode reveals how in the final days before Stacy's disappearance, she left clues that would ultimately seal her husband's fate." The story of Drew Peterson has been recounted by several TV shows, podcasts and made-for-TV films over the years, including the 2012 Lifetime movie "Drew Peterson: Untouchable," starring Rob Lowe as the former Bolingbrook police sergeant.

PEDRO BELL 1950-2019

Chicago-born album cover artist dies at 69

BY RANDALL ROBERTS
Los Angeles Times

Pedro Bell, whose wild, psychedelic album covers for Detroit cosmic funk band Funkadelic defined the influential group's aesthetic, died Tuesday. He was 69.

His death was confirmed by longtime Funkadelic bassist Bootsy Collins. No cause of death was given. Funkadelic founder George Clinton acknowledged his collaborator's passing on Facebook, referencing Bell's backward-spelled nickname: "RIP to Funkadelic album cover illustrator Pedro Bell. Rest easy, Sir Lleb!"

Starting with the band's 1973 album, "Cosmic Slop," and continuing for the next decade, Bell's densely populated LP covers were intrinsic to Funkadelic's landmark concept albums. Musing on identity, commerce, afro-futurism and sex, Bell mixed comic panels, photo collages, scribbled editorial asides and politically-driven invective to create his striking artwork.

"If you want to survive, you better have some visual

concept, and if you really want to survive you better have more than that," he told an interviewer in 2009.

Born in Chicago into a religious family, Bell's earliest inspiration arrived during Bible-reading sessions with his father. "He used to read Genesis, and that turned me on to dinosaurs and Godzilla," Bell said. "I also got turned on to Latin, and that's where I came up with the idea of having a Rumpasaurus. Revelations was all about the future, which lead me to reading a lot of science fiction."

Self-taught, Bell got his big break after sending what he described to Juxtapoz magazine as "a hand-designed envelope duplicating a dollar bill with the address where the serial number is supposed to go"



PEDRO BELL

Detail of Pedro Bell's art for Funkadelic.

to Funkadelic's manager. The query led to his first project, Funkadelic's 1973 album "Cosmic Slop." Said Bell of Funkadelic's Clinton, "Back in those days, George knew nothing about UFOs and stuff. In the early '70s, all that space

thing came from me." "That space thang" would come to represent Clinton's musical cosmology, one that celebrated blackness and space travel while mixing pop culture references with op-ed indictments.

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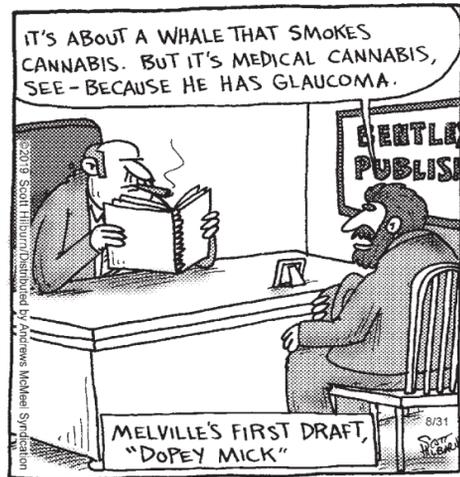


Today's birthday (Aug. 31): Enjoy domestic bliss this year. Romance deepens with regular shared practice. Your heart flutters anew next winter, before stirring you to help friends with a challenge. Home repairs and renovations next summer lead to a victory for your crew. Love inspires and empowers.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. Accept an offer of assistance. A partner's support makes a world of difference. Walk and talk together. Hold a meeting with a view.
Taurus (April 20-May 20): 9. Strengthen your heart. Have fun and keep practicing your physical moves. Get romantic with your performance. Love is the game and the prize.
Gemini (May 21-June 20): 8. Relax, and consider options for fun. Simple pleasures satisfy. Try excellent company, a nice view or scenery and a picnic basket. Connect and play together.
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Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 9. Profit through creative communications. Avoid distractions, spectacular news and silly arguments. Follow the money for an illuminating view. Research and share your discoveries.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 9. Optimism fuels your profits. Provide excellent services and your reputation grows. Polish your public image. Make upgrades and keep the good stuff.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 9. Your influence is on the rise. Punctuate an agreement with optimism. Lend a helping hand. You've got the power and confidence to make something good happen.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Emotions may infuse your view. Private contemplate allows you to process recent events. Provide a stabilizing influence. Make a spiritual or meaningful connection.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. You're especially popular. Pull together for a community project. Let people know what's needed. You can find the funding for improvements.
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Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 9. Things fall into place with your exploration. You're learning valuable tricks. The connections you make could prove lucrative. Link up with an expert.
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Share creative visions with your partner. Align financial priorities. Review budgets and projections to determine resource allocation. Catch errors before they get expensive.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss



Bridge

Both vulnerable, South deals

North

- ♠ 83
- ♥ A Q 8 4 3
- ♦ K Q 10 7 2
- ♣ 7

East

- ♠ A Q J 9 7 6
- ♥ 2
- ♦ J 8 6 5
- ♣ 10 6

South

- ♠ K 10 4 2
- ♥ K 10 6
- ♦ A 4 3
- ♣ A K Q

South's two no trump bid, in competition, showed the same range as a jump to two no trump would have shown without the two-spade overcall — 18-19. North bid aggressively after that to an excellent slam. 12 tricks would have been easy with a 3-2 split in either red suit.

East won the ace of spades at trick one and continued with the queen of spades to South's king. If anyone had four diamonds to the jack, surely it would be West, so declarer led a diamond to dummy's king and a diamond back to his ace. East having four diamonds was a surprise, not to mention a disappointment, but it did help South to get a count on the hand.

East was known to have a six-card spade suit and was now known to have started with four diamonds. Three high clubs showed that East had started with two clubs and a singleton heart. Was the singleton heart the jack? That was against the odds, as there were four little hearts missing also. The chance that East's singleton heart was the jack was four to one against.

South backed his judgment by leading the 10 of hearts from his hand, intending to run it if West played low. West chose to cover with the jack, although it didn't matter. South captured this with dummy's ace. He returned to his hand with the king of hearts and led a low heart to dummy for the proven finesse against West's nine of hearts. Very well played!

— Bob Jones, tcaeditors@tribpub.com

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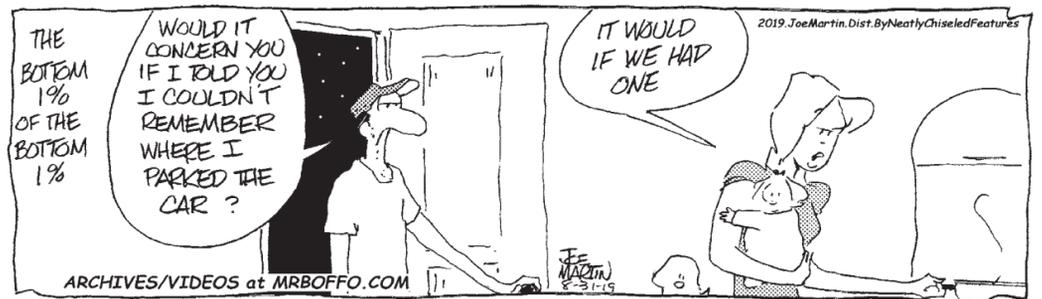
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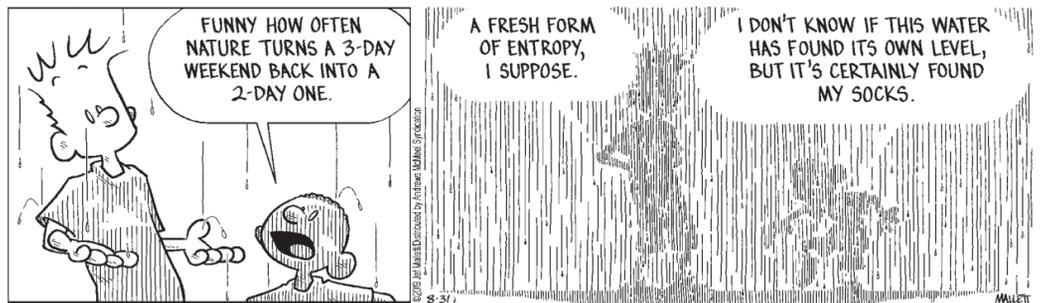
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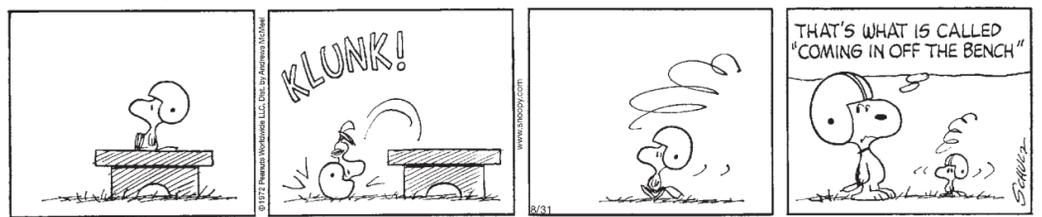
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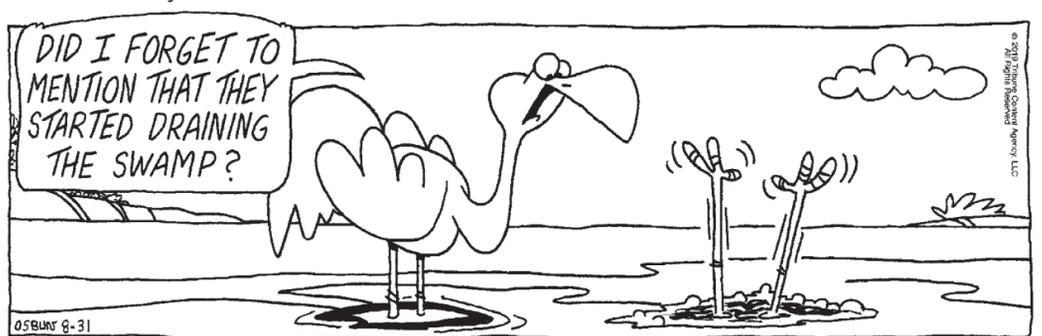
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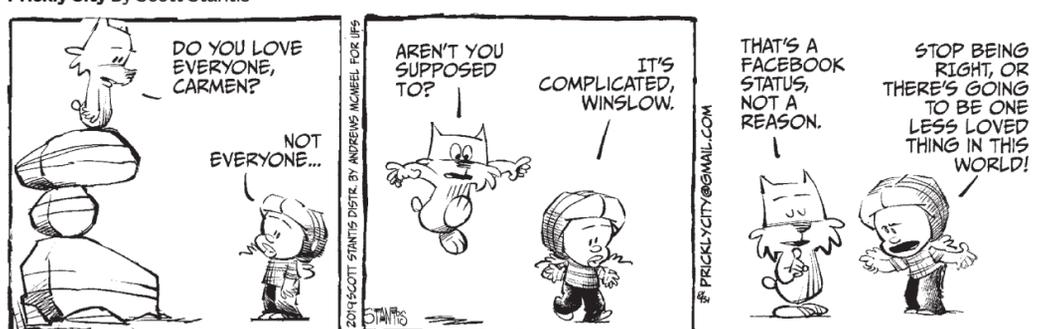
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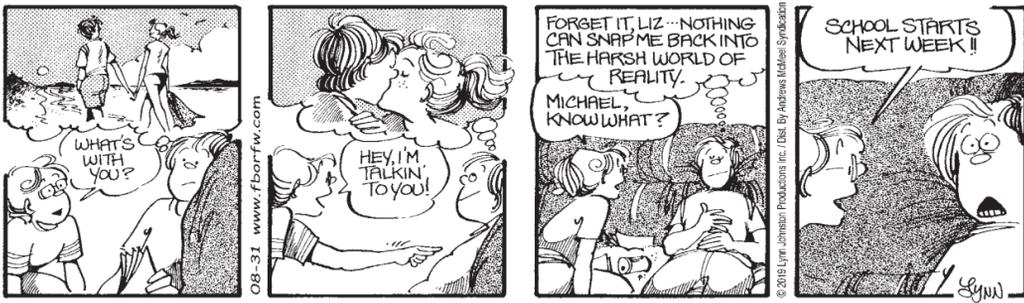
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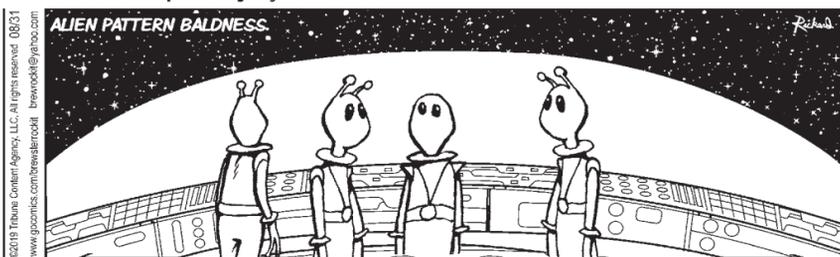
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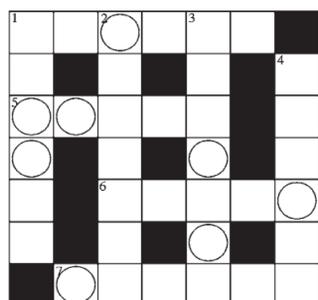
Trivia Bits

Amber is fossilized what?

- A) Dinosaur blood
- B) Fish eggs
- C) Insect larvae
- D) Tree resin

Friday's answer: The nene is the official state bird of Hawaii.

Jumble Crossword



- ACROSS**
- CLUE ANSWER
- American _____ ESCEHETGANI
 - Huge _____ LAPRO
 - Keep _____ SRETEC
- DOWN**
- CLUE ANSWER
- French brandy _____ ACCGNO
 - Bad _____ PLEAEMX
 - Pioneer, colonist _____ ETRESLT
 - Castle part _____ RURTTE

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.

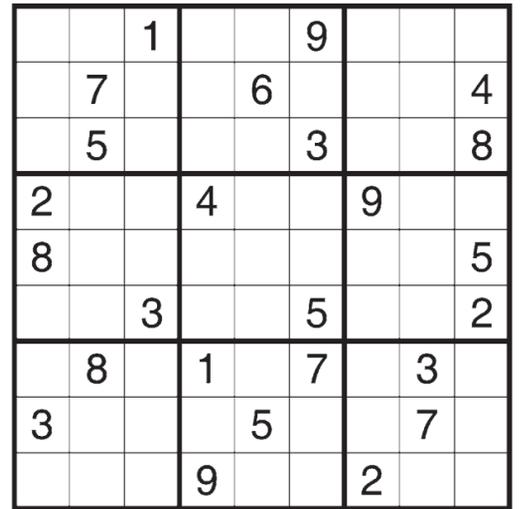
DOUBLE BONUS
The circled letters can be unscrambled to form two different BONUS answers.

CLUE: Directing
CLUE: 1, 2 or 3, for example

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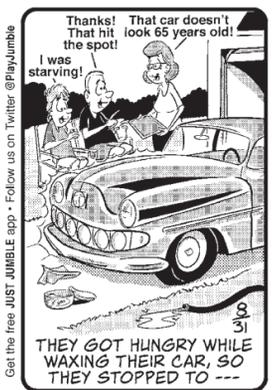
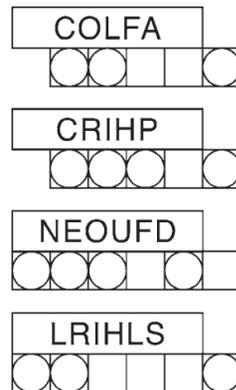
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Friday'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



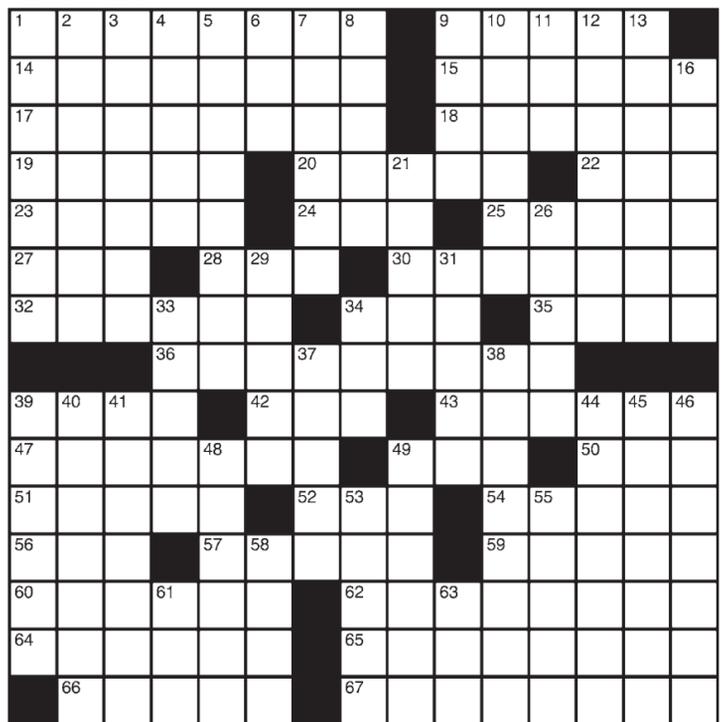
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Jumbles: ELUDE BUNCH COSMOS ZEALOT
Answer: When something starts to smell moldy and stale, it — MUST BE CLEANED

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Crossword

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Across

- Literary reminder
- Mideast presidential name since 1971
- Dutch treat?
- More green
- Regular order
- Hoped-for airport monitor update
- Word preceding an opinion
- Chided
- Base used often
- "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" playwright
- Longtime ISP
- Common picture postcard color
- Routing preposition
- Ones bringing charges, briefly
- "Gotcha"
- Canal speaker
- Gone Girl! girl

- Buds
- Limit-enforcing tactic
- Consort of Shiva
- Vientiane people
- Story collection including "Robbie"
- Trying to lose
- Comics fight sound
- Blackjack component
- Asian noodle dish
- UFC sport
- Philosophical principle that rules out unlikely explanations
- 48-Down victim
- Diamond play
- Preppy collars
- Garfield's successor
- "Whew!" evoker
- Vacanza a dicembre
- Quick, provocative reactions, as to current news
- Finish choice
- Hoowink

- Analgesic brand
- Starts over
- Artist who influenced Schiele
- Marx Brothers straight man
- Youngest to win six Grammys in one night
- Its flag has two green stars
- 45 half
- Excitement
- Fictional invitation written in currants
- Seat sides
- Hangul alphabet user
- "Lolita" character
- Vivian Darkbloom, to Vladimir Nabokov
- Rival of boxer Robinson
- Arm on a shoulder
- "Woe Is I" author Patricia
- Least gassy
- 56-Across damager
- "Cat ___": Jane Fonda film
- Like action heroes
- Prioritized players
- Evolutionary diagram
- Overhead expense?
- Sluggo Mel

Friday's solution



Down

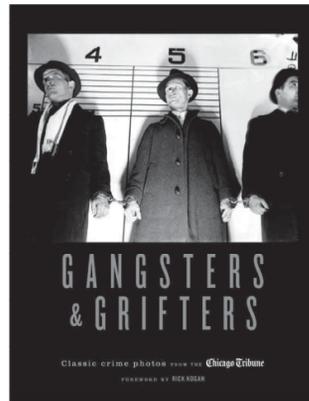
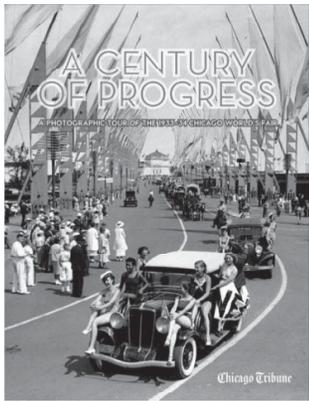
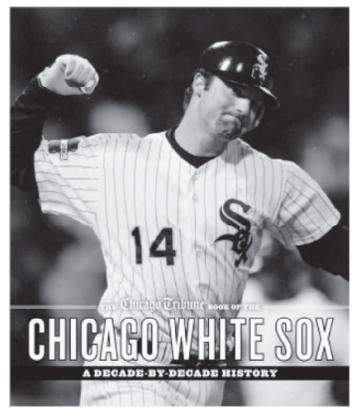
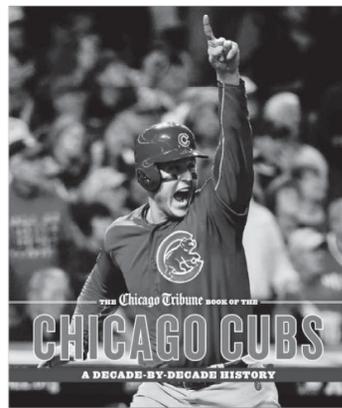
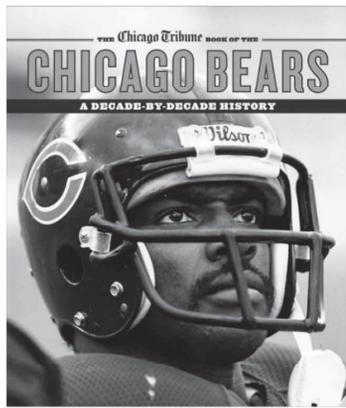
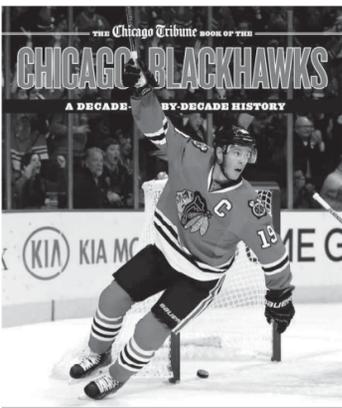
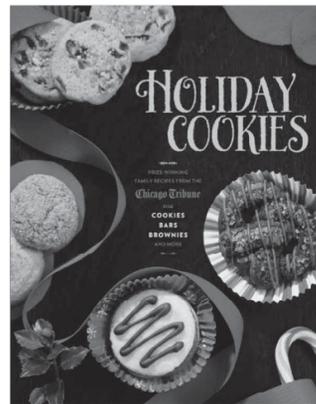
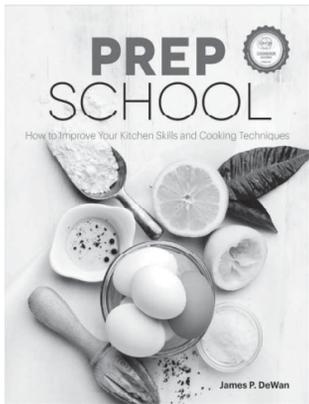
- Robin's milieu
- Laertes' sister
- Place for free rounds
- 1971 title detective
- Wack
- Toon storekeeper
- Vaquero's props
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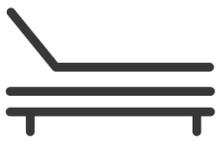
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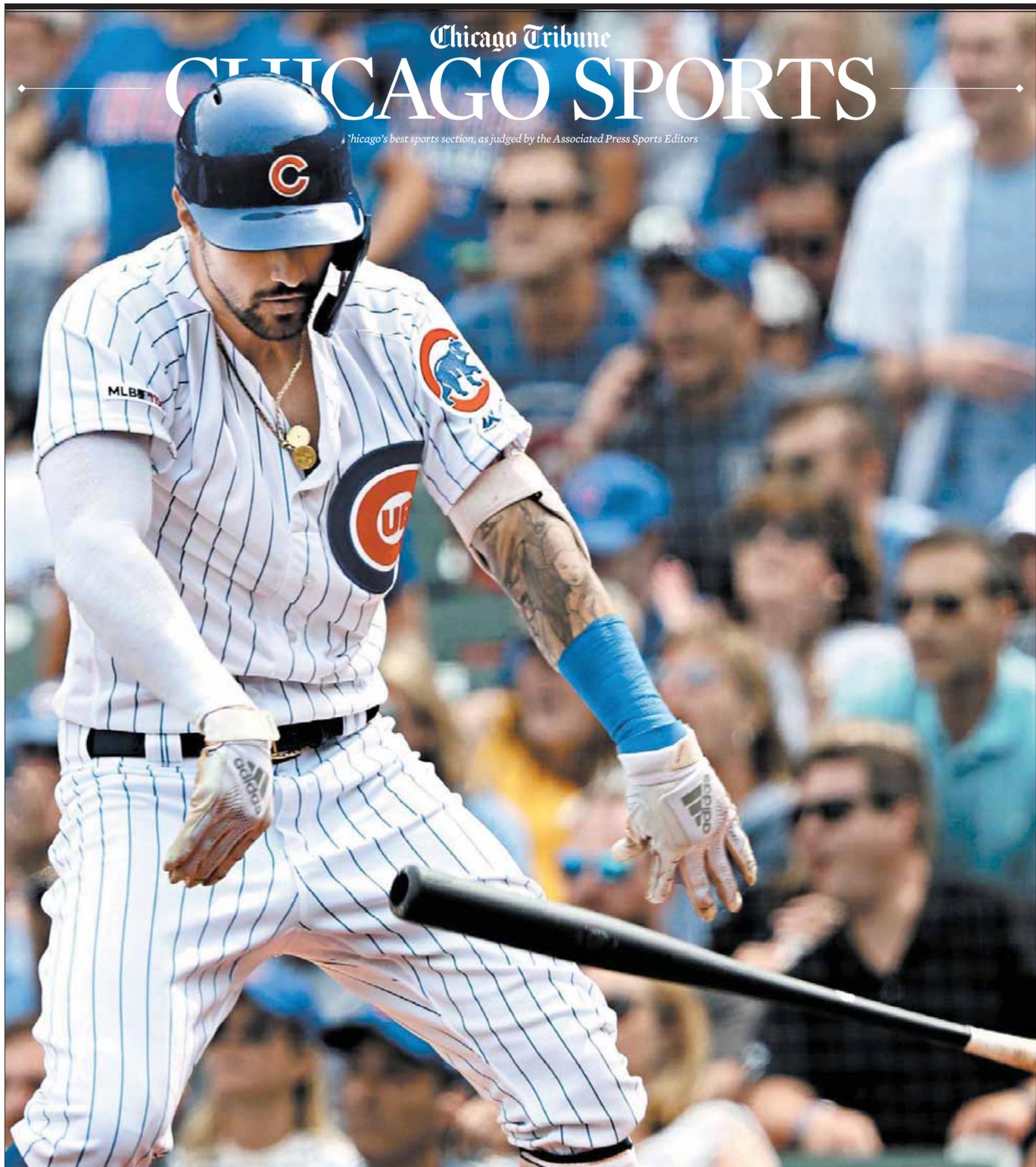
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Nicholas Castellanos slams his bat after hitting a two-run home run in the second against the Brewers. He said he was "looking to the boys to get them fired up" with the bat slam.

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Slam, bam bat man

Castellanos hits 2 home runs — and adds 1 emphatic bat slam — to ignite the Cubs

Joe Maddon said outfielder Nicholas Castellanos is so upbeat on a daily basis, the Cubs manager wants to meet the rest of the Castellanos clan.

"This is a reality show in the making," Maddon said. "A much more productive one."

Informed of Maddon's suggestion after hitting a pair of home runs and driving in four in the Cubs' 7-1 victory over the Brewers on Friday at Wrigley Field, Castellanos grinned.

"People would watch it," he said.

Keeping up with the Castellanoses?

It does have a ring to it. There's little doubt Castellanos



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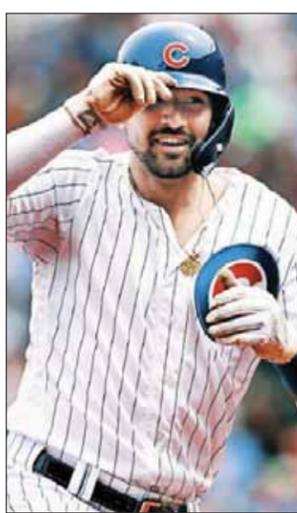
is having the time of his life since escaping the drudgery of the Tigers rebuild July 31.

He's hitting .357 as a Cub with 11 home runs, nine doubles and 20 RBIs in only 112 at-bats over 27 games. It's the most home runs by a Cub in his first calendar

month in franchise history, according to ESPN stats, and only Justin Upton has hit more in his first month with a team, knocking out 12 with the Braves in April 2013.

The Cubs right fielder began his show Friday with a two-run home run off Chase Anderson in the first following Ian Happ's

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Castellanos celebrates while rounding the bases after hitting a two-run home run in the first inning Friday at Wrigley Field.

Maddon anticipating Zobrist return to be a 'normal day'

By **PAUL SULLIVAN**

Ben Zobrist remains on schedule to return to the Cubs on Sunday when rosters expand, though when he'll start a game is up in the air.

The Cubs are set to face Brewers left-hander Gio Gonzalez on Sunday and then two Mariners lefties in Justus Sheffield and Felix Hernandez on Monday and Tuesday.

"It's not a really groovy time for him, the way he's coming back, regarding the pitching matchups," manager Joe Maddon said Friday. "So we'll see."

The Cubs have said the switch-hitting Zobrist will not play every day.

Maddon didn't know whether

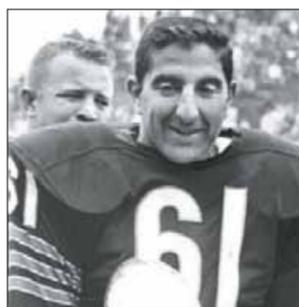
Zobrist would want to address his teammates as a unit Sunday but said: "I'm hoping it's a normal day."

Zobrist, 38, hasn't spoken with the media since leaving the team in early May for family reasons after he and his wife, Julianna, filed for divorce. He declined to do interviews while on his minor-league assignments over the last month and has been working out at his home in Nashville, Tenn., this week preparing for his return.

Zobrist will draw a lot of attention from Cubs fans and the media. How the Cubs plan to handle the moment is uncertain.

"I trust Zo in a moment like

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BEST BEARS PLAYERS EVER

NFL's 1st full-time middle linebacker



Our pick at No. 6, Hall of Famer **Bill George**, led the Bears' 1963 NFL championship defense. **Back Page**

Pineiro seeks comfort zone

Kicker does his homework after game as he tries to figure out Soldier Field

About 45 minutes after the Bears' 19-15 preseason loss to the Titans on Thursday, while Matt Nagy was answering the final questions of his news conference, Eddy Pineiro was walking the middle of Soldier Field with a confidant.

Pineiro started on the north side of the field, pointing at what were certainly flight paths for kicks. He occasionally plucked some grass from the field and let it fall, trying to get a handle on the wind after a relatively breezy night — it was coming from the southwest at 23 mph when the game began.

Pineiro wants to become more



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comfortable kicking at Soldier Field, and if Nagy's postgame comments ring true, Pineiro likely will get that chance. Nothing is finalized. Nothing is guaranteed. And any chance Pineiro does get likely will be with a

short leash. He doesn't have the financial security that kept Cody Parkey around last season.

But after hooking an extra-point attempt after the Bears' only touchdown Thursday — he hooked the heck out of it — Pineiro settled down and made three field goals from 32, 39 and 35 yards in the preseason finale. He should have had another try from 48 yards on the final play of



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the second quarter, but a false-start penalty on center Sam Mustipher led to a 10-second runoff on the clock, and the half ended.

Pineiro's pregame warmup started similarly. He badly missed a kick left from 33 yards, the distance of an extra point, on his first attempt. It was even wider than his extra-point miss during the game.

The Bears are putting a greater premium on the performance

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Bears kicker Eddy Pineiro (15) celebrates with holder Pat O'Donnell after making a field goal in the second half Thursday.

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White Sox starter Ivan Nova works against the Braves on Friday night in Atlanta. Nova allowed five runs and was taken out of the game after four innings.

Was Cease tipping pitches?

Veteran catcher McCann says combating the issue is part of 'chess match' of the game

BY LAMOND POPE

ATLANTA — Lucas Giolito remembers possibly tipping pitches earlier this season. "I think it had to do with how I was moving my glove," the White Sox ace said Friday. "For me, you have to choose: 'Am I going to be moving my glove every single time when I come set, or am I going to be as still as possible?' You just want to make sure you're not doing something different when you're gripping a certain pitch or whatever that may be."

"It's very correctable. You just have to really commit to deciding on one movement."

Giolito obviously corrected the flaw. He ranks among the top 10 in the American League in several categories, including wins (14-7), ERA (3.20) and strikeouts (203).

The topic of tipping pitches, or having a "tell," came up Thursday after the Sox's 10-5 loss to the Twins at Guaranteed Rate Field. Manager Rick Renteria said it was a possibility after rookie Dylan Cease allowed eight runs on 10 hits in two-plus innings.

Cease said after the game that even if that was the case, "at the end of the day I know if I execute pitches better, I'll have better results."

Renteria didn't want to dive too deeply into subject before Friday's game against the Braves at SunTrust Park, the Sox's first in Atlanta since 2002.

"I'd rather not tell you the signs I'm looking for, but we're going to look at it and see if there is anything there with our guy," Renteria said. "Most times as we talk in the room and go over it ... it's just guys missing their location. You put together a good game plan against a pitcher and you stick with it."

"And at the major-league level you miss

your spot and a good hitter is going to get it, and the Twins are a good-hitting ballclub. We'll look at everything that might be possible, but this kid has a pretty good arm and pretty good stuff. But at the end of the day you still have to command it you still have to execute."

Catcher James McCann said it's all part of the "chess match."

"It's something hitters do — they study film to see if a pitcher tips," McCann said. "That's something, coming up around guys like Torii Hunter and guys that had been around, they had tips on everybody. It's pretty amazing. It's almost a lost art in today's game. There's not a lot of young guys that come up that know how to do it."

"Torii taught me a few things and he learned it from Kirby Puckett and the guys that he came up with. It's one of those things where there's a lot of pitchers that do it. It's just a matter of finding it. And pitchers know they do it. They try to find it when they are doing it and eliminate it."

Giolito, who is scheduled to face the Braves on Sunday in the series finale, said sometimes it's not easy to fix.

"Some things are harder to correct than others just because you're used to a certain muscle memory, either when you're getting a sign coming set, how your body moves when you begin your delivery," Giolito said. "That's generally when most tips come out."

He said the Sox have a good staff to identify and help square any issues.

"There's certain coaches or players that have really good eyes for it," Giolito said. "It's kind of a natural thing. Especially if your in baseball, around baseball, watching baseball for a really long time. You get better and better. Every team will have a player, a coach, multiple, or even have someone, a video guy or someone in the video room who is ... constantly looking for something for that competitive advantage."

"You've got to stay on top of it. We have a pretty good group of guys here that we keep our eyes out and look for things so we can correct them quickly."

Jay chooses to get surgery on torn muscle

BY LAMOND POPE

ATLANTA — White Sox outfielder Jon Jay will have season-ending surgery next week to repair a torn muscle in his right hip.

Dr. William Meyers will perform the surgery Thursday in Philadelphia.

"(Jay had) been dealing with it for quite a while," Sox manager Rick Renteria said Friday. "He's been working, playing through it, managing it. At the end, he and all the powers that be within his group decided he wanted to get it fixed."

The Sox signed Jay, 34, to a one-year contract in January. He began the season on the injured list with a strained right hip and made his debut June 24.

Jay finished with a .267 average, eight doubles and nine RBIs. He reached base safely in 36 of 47 games but was 7-for-52 (.135) in his last 17.

"He's been around a while, put together some really good at-bats (and) had some nice conversations with those guys," Renteria said. "I'm sure he would have wanted to continue but felt at this time it was probably best to get it corrected."

The Sox recalled outfielder Ryan Cordell from Triple-A Charlotte. Cordell is batting .227 with six home runs and 20 RBIs in 81 games with the Sox this season.

He appeared in 14 games with Charlotte, going 14-for-51 (.275).

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leadoff double. After back-to-back doubles by David Bote and Jose Quintana — the first extra-base hit in Quintana's career — made it 3-0 in the second, Castellanos launched his second homer into the left-field bleachers.

To celebrate, Castellanos held the bat high with both hands over his head and slammed it to the ground in a novel twist on the traditional bat flip. Asked to explain the move, he said he was "looking to the boys to get them fired up" with the bat slam.

"I really didn't have an explanation," he said. "I (wasn't) meaning to do that or anything. It just came out. ... I just felt like expressing myself in that moment."

The Cubs won their fourth straight, moving within one game of the first-place Cardinals in the National League Central.

Quintana (12-8) shut out the Brewers on four hits in 5²/₃ innings before being removed after 104 pitches. Kyle Schwarber hit his team-leading 32nd homer in the eighth.

But Castellanos stole the show. After Thursday's win over the Mets, he said he ran into actor and uber-Cubs fan Bill Murray in Maddon's office.

"I just walked right up to him, and he was like 'I know you,'" Castellanos said. "It was fun kind of going back and forth with him. Witty, smart."

Castellanos then texted the photo of himself with Murray to his younger brother, Ryan.

"He texted me back and said: 'Is that Tom Hanks?'" Castellanos said.

Nicholas soon after posted the text exchange to his Instagram account, and like Friday's bat slam it quickly spread across the internet. Ryan then tweeted: "Great all of Chicago thinks Nick is a philosopher and I'm a moron."

Nicholas disagreed, saying after Friday's win that his brother is "the smartest person I ever met."

Castellanos will be a free agent in November, and after this month he's sure to be



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Cubs starter Jose Quintana swings for an RBI double against the Brewers in the second inning Friday at Wrigley Field. Quintana improved to 12-8 and lowered his ERA to 3.90.

one of the more coveted hitters on the market. It's reminiscent of 1984, when the Cubs acquired Rick Sutcliffe from the Indians in June and watched him go 16-1 and win the NL Cy Young Award.

When Sutcliffe was still with the Indians, his agent asked him and his wife, Robin, to list five teams he might want to sign with after the season. A native of Lee's Summit, Mo., Sutcliffe knew exactly where he was going.

"We wrote down five names," Sutcliffe later told the Tribune's Bob Verdi. "Kansas City, Kansas City, Kansas City, Kansas City, Kansas City. But then I got traded to the Cubs, and everything changed."

Playing on the '84 Cubs, a team that changed the history of the franchise and Wrigleyville, was life-changing for Sutcliffe. After the season-ending Game 5 NLCS loss to the Padres, fans began begging ownership to re-sign their new star.

In December he turned down a bigger offer from the Padres before signing a five-year, \$9.5 million deal to return to the Cubs. Sutcliffe said afterward he had "unfinished business."

Thirty-five years later, Castellanos may find himself in Sutcliffe's shoes. He has been nothing short of sensational, and Cubs fans have showered him with praise since his arrival.

Re-signing Castellanos should be a priority for Cubs President Theo Epstein after this season, but for now the only focus is on getting to October. Castellanos hasn't been shy about his love for Chicago and playing for the Cubs.

"It's awesome," he said. "Not because of me, but just because of where I'm at and who I'm playing with and where we're at in the standings and what these two months are. That's what's rewarding." The reality show is just beginning.

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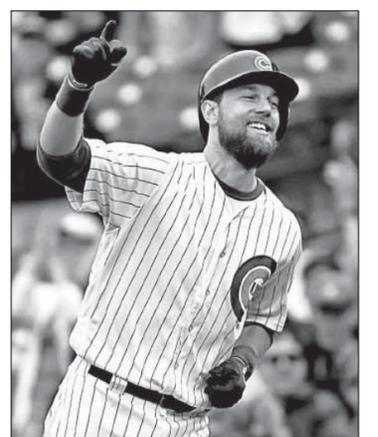
that," Maddon said. "How could you not? I'm sure he's going to handle it really, really well."

"And I don't think the players are going to be that impacted just because of who he is and how he comports. They'll support him. We'll support him. We understand the fact people are going to want to hear from him a bit."

"But I have so much faith literally in how he's going to handle the whole thing. I'm sure he'll talk and it will be over."

Zobrist hasn't played in a game for the Cubs since May 6, and he was placed on the restricted list two days later.

In 12 games with four minor-league affiliates — Class A South Bend and Myrtle Beach, Double-A Tennessee and Triple-A Iowa — Zobrist went 7-for-37 (.189) with a .333 on-base percentage, two home runs and four RBIs. He hit .241 in 26 games with the Cubs before leaving the team.



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Ben Zobrist, celebrating a game-winning homer in 2018, has not played for the Cubs since May 6.

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RANKING THE BEST BEARS PLAYERS EVER

#6 Bill George

Hall of Fame linebacker was first building block of the great 1963 defense

BY WILL LARKIN

In 1954 Bill George suffered the most fortuitous injury in Bears history.

During his first season as the first full-time middle linebacker in NFL history, George wasn't quite sure what to make of his new position. He had to guard against the run and pass equally, and even for the most intelligent player on the team, it sometimes got confusing.

George found himself chasing fakes, leaving his position in the middle of the field open for a fullback to run to or an end to settle in for a pass.

"You know how I finally overcame that weakness?" George told the Tribune's Cooper Rollow on Nov. 2, 1958. "I sprained my ankle. Had to stay where I belonged because I couldn't run fast enough to go anywhere else. And all at once people began telling me I was great."

George started his pro career in 1952 as a middle guard, lined up against the center in a five-man defensive line. His job was to gum up the middle of the line on running plays. On passing plays, he was to hit the center and retreat into coverage.

During a 1954 preseason game, George despaired as the Eagles dropped short pass after short pass into the middle of the field. He believed he could have broken up each one if he didn't have to engage with the center after the snap.

George Connor, George's teammate who five years earlier became the NFL's first outside linebacker, claimed credit for telling George to back away from the line before the snap. Bears coach George Halas and defensive coordinator Clark Shaughnessy also said the idea was theirs.

The way George told it to Rollow on Feb. 6, 1974, he said to Connor during the Eagles game: "Hell, I could break up that pass if I didn't have to hit that offensive center first."

"What are you hitting him for, then?" Connor responded. "Why don't you go for the ball?"

"So the next time the Eagles had a passing situation," George said, "I dropped back and knocked down a pass. The second time they tried it, I intercepted."

Before long, middle linebacker became the NFL's glamour position on defense, with Joe Schmidt of the Lions, Les Richter of the Rams, Sam Huff of the Giants and Ray Nitschke of the Packers joining George before the end of the decade as players at the position who would be enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

The Bears' legacy is stronger there than at any other position. Of the top 12 in the Tribune's ranking of the 100 best players in team history, four are middle linebackers: George, who played for the Bears from 1952 to '65, Dick Butkus (1965-73), Mike Singletary (1981-92) and Brian Urlacher (2000-12). All four are in the Hall of Fame, with Urlacher joining his three predecessors in Canton, Ohio, in 2018.

George's 14 seasons with the Bears are tied with linebacker Doug Buffone for second-most behind long snapper Patrick Mannelly's 16. George was voted to eight Pro Bowls, and his eight first-team All-Pro selections are the most in Bears history. The Hall of Fame named him to its 1950s All-Decade team. In 2014, the Tribune's Don Pierson ranked George the second-best linebacker in team history behind Butkus.

George Allen was a Bears assistant from 1958 to '65 before becoming head coach of the Rams (1966-70) and Redskins (1971-77). Like most of George's coaches, he was amazed at the linebacker's combination of ability and intelligence.

"Bill George was the smartest defensive player I ever coached," Allen told Rollow and Pierson on Oct. 1, 1982. "He called the defensive signals for the Bears when they were at their best defensively. He studied films, kept a notebook of his own, did his homework every week and always prepared to play his best."

"He practically invented the middle linebacker position and the 4-3 defense."

George served as a bridge between two other all-time great Bears. His first season, 1952, was Bulldog Turner's last. George's last season with the Bears, 1965, was Butkus' first.

The Bears drafted George, an All-American in football and wrestling at Wake Forest, in the second round as a future pick in 1951. From 1949 until the NFL-AFL merger in 1967, teams could pick players with a year of college eligibility remaining and keep their rights until they entered the NFL. Halas used the opportunity wisely, gaining George, linebacker Joe Fortunato, fullback Rick Casares and quarterback Ed Brown under the rule before they played their senior seasons.

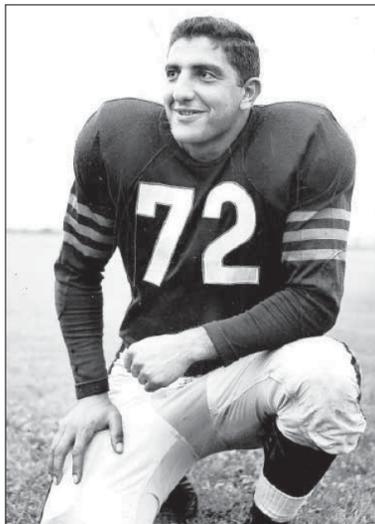
With George at middle guard, the Bears went 5-7 in 1952 and 3-8-1 in '53. After his move to middle linebacker, they went 8-4 in 1954 and '55, then 9-2-1 in '56, a season that ended with a 47-7 loss to the Giants in the NFL championship game at Yankee Stadium.

George returned to the title game in 1963, when the Bears defeated the Giants 14-10 at Wrigley Field as he won his only championship in his 12th season. After the game, George tossed the game ball to Allen, by that point the team's defensive coordinator. With George's old friend Connor conducting locker-room interviews for NBC, the Bears serenaded Allen with a song that created a bit of a stir among the national TV audience.



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Bill George, pictured circa 1954, intercepted 18 passes and recovered 19 fumbles during his career and was the leader on defense during the 1963 NFL championship season, when the Bears held teams to an average of 10 points.



Hall of Famer Bill George, circa 1953.

"Hooray for George! Hooray for George! He's a horse's ass!"

Bill George — not to be confused with Georges Halas, Connor or Allen — was the first building block of the great 1963 defense that led the Bears to their only championship between 1946 and 1985.

Halas methodically added pieces year after year. He drafted Fortunato in 1952, traded for defensive end Doug Atkins in '55, drafted defensive tackle Earl Leggett in '57, drafted safety Richie Petitbon and traded for linebacker Larry Morris in '59, picked up safety Rosey Taylor as an undrafted free agent and cornerback Dave Whitsell off the Lions' scrap heap in '61 and drafted cornerback Bennie McRae and defensive end Ed O'Bradovich in '62.

In the final move to complete the championship unit, Allen switched 10-year veteran Stan Jones from offensive guard to defensive tackle before the 1963 season.

The Bears coaches — Halas and defensive coordinators Shaughnessy and Allen — always were comfortable adding wrinkles to their defense because they knew George could handle almost any responsibility. He also had a way of explaining complex schemes in a manner his teammates could understand.

"Shaughnessy was ... a guru, a genius," Jones said in "Papa Bear: The Life and Legacy of George Halas," Jeff Davis' 2005 biography. "It was like having Albert Einstein work with first-year algebra students. ... He'd be up there breaking chalk and writing up all those things. Bill George was the one who interpreted what he was doing."

Rollow wrote: "Shaughnessy has equipped the Bears with some 300 defenses — six basic alignments and approximately 50 variations of each. George is the only member of the squad who knows the assignment of every player on every variation."

O'Bradovich, 11 years younger than George, remembered in John Mullin's 2003 book, "Tales from the Chicago Bears Sidelines," that the linebacker's instincts and ability to read an offense regularly made his teammates look good.

"He could think right with (Colts quarterback) Johnny Unitas," O'Bradovich said. "Unitas would be calling an audible and George'd be yelling, 'OB, OB, jump inside, jump inside, they're coming inside!'"

"Sure as (expletive), I'd jump inside the tackle or tight end and make the tackle and look great. He did that all the time."

George's intelligence made him the perfect prototype for a middle linebacker. His physical attributes also helped. His strength at 6-foot-2 and 237 pounds helped him shed blockers in the run game, and his long arms helped him bat down passes and reach for his 18 career interceptions.

GEORGE AS A BEAR

1952-65 | 14 seasons | 152 games

Bears record: 101-72-5 (.581).

Playoff appearances: 2; NFL champion in 1963.

Acquired: Second round (23rd overall), 1951 draft from Wake Forest.

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THE LIST

6. Bill George
7. Bulldog Turner
8. Doug Atkins
9. Dan Hampton
10. Brian Urlacher
11. Mike Ditka
12. Mike Singletary
13. Danny Fortmann
14. Richard Dent
15. Joe Stydahar
16. George Connor
17. Stan Jones
18. Steve McMichael
19. Devin Hester
20. Red Grange
21. Jimbo Covert
22. George McAfee
23. Jay Hilgenberg
24. Bill Hewitt
25. George Halas
26. Olin Kreutz
27. Joe Fortunato
28. George Trafton
29. Lance Briggs
30. Ed Healey
31. Link Lyman
32. George Musso
33. Ed Sprinkle
34. Paddy Driscoll
35. Harlon Hill
36. Rick Casares
37. Ken Kavanaugh
38. Charles Tillman
39. Gary Fencik
40. Luke Johnsos
41. Richie Petitbon
42. Ray Bray
43. Rosey Taylor
44. Johnny Morris
45. Joe Kopcha
46. Fred Williams
47. Matt Forte
48. Doug Buffone
49. Dave Duerson
50. Larry Morris
51. Dick Barwegan
52. Wally Chambers
53. Otis Wilson
54. Wilber Marshall
55. Dick Gordon
56. Jim McMahon
57. Neal Anderson
58. Mike Brown
59. Jim Osborne
60. Willie Galimore
61. Mark Carrier
62. Mark Bortz
63. Julius Peppers
64. J.C. Caroline
65. Ed O'Bradovich
66. Mike Pyle
67. Mike Hartenstein
68. Keith Van Horne
69. Tommie Harris
70. George Wilson
71. Jack Manders
72. Jimmy Williams
73. Jim Dooley
74. Robbie Gould
75. Bennie McRae
76. Johnny Lujack
77. Bill Osmanski
78. Jay Cutler
79. Jim McMillen
80. Khalil Mack
81. Eddie Jackson
82. Doug Plank
83. Zuck Carlson
84. Bill Wade
85. Kyle Long
86. Brandon Marshall
87. Lee Artoe
88. Alshon Jeffery
89. Beattie Feathers
90. Kevin Butler
91. Bill Karr
92. Matt Suhey
93. Ed Brown
94. Gary Famiiglietti
95. Akiem Hicks
96. Joey Sternaman
97. Hugh Gallarneau
98. Tom Thayer
99. William Perry
100. Patrick Mannelly

In Richard Whittingham's 1991 book, "What Bears They Were," Jones said: "Somebody once said Bill George had the cross-build between a pelican and a gorilla. He had these enormous shoulders and long arms."

The way George played middle linebacker still provides the template for how it is played today. So do his interviews, in which he always was sure to thank the defensive linemen who played in front of him, which for his 1958 interview with Rollow included Fred Williams, Bill Bishop, Jack Hoffman and Atkins.

"Those guys make my assignment simple," George said. "They strip all interference away from the ball carrier, leaving me with the easy job: making the tackle."

Joe Marconi played against George from 1956 to '61 with the Rams and with him from 1962 to '65 with the Bears. The fullback called George one of the best players he competed against in his 11-year career.

"(Rams coach) Sid Gillman couldn't put in enough offensive plays to stay away from Mr. George," Marconi told Rollow and Pierson. "In fact, our pass protection was called George protection."

Marconi was one of many players from western Pennsylvania who went on to play in the NFL. He said George, a native of Waynesburg, Pa., was "everybody's hero."

George always liked to say: "All the good players don't come from Pennsylvania. Just all the great players."

While George and Connor were innovators on the field as pioneers of modern linebacker play, off the field they blazed a trail to just about every Greek restaurant located in an NFL city.

"We kidded George about being Greek, and he'd get furious," Connor told Davis. "I'm no (expletive) Greek! He'd scream."

After an exhibition game in Little Rock, Ark., Connor took George to "the best Greek restaurant in town" and told the owner George's nickname was "The Golden Greek."

"I said he was sort of shy, but he sure was one hell of a guy. The owner came out during dinner and poured us a glass of wine. 'Opaa! To my countryman, the Golden Greek!'"

"Everyone in the restaurant stood up and cheered. Then the owner turned to Bill: 'This one is on me, my friends. You don't pay for a thing.'"

"After that, when we went on the road, Bill and I always went to the best Greek place in town. Never paid a nickel for anything when I was with the Golden Greek."

George was ferocious on the field but mostly amiable off it. He did speak his mind, however, without regard to a listener's feelings. Two of his favorite targets were Huff, who he felt didn't measure up to the rest of the league's great middle linebackers, and players from Notre Dame, who he felt received preferential treatment from the press.

Huff became a national sensation when he was wired for sound during a game for a 1960 TV special titled, "The Violent World of Sam Huff." When asked by Sports Illustrated what he thought about the program, George said: "If they're really going to do it right, they ought to get Joe Schmidt to play the part of Huff."

In 1975, George was fired from WBBM-TV's Bears broadcasts, on which he served as color commentator to Brent Musburger's play by play. His offense was joking that defensive tackle Mike McCoy had to take a pay cut when he joined the Packers from Notre Dame.

The Bears honored George on Nov. 1, 1964, presenting him with a new car and a color TV before they played the Cowboys at Wrigley Field as Mayor Richard J. Daley proclaimed it "Bill George Day" in Chicago. George tore knee ligaments in the first quarter and missed the final eight games of that season. In 1965, he lost his starting position to Butkus.

George played a final season with the Rams in 1966, following Allen after he became a head coach for the first time. George coached the Bears linebackers for one season under coach Abe Gibron in 1972, then returned to his business as a manufacturer's representative.

George was elected to the Hall of Fame in 1974. He said he could not believe it when he received the news.

"When I got a call from Canton," he told Rollow on Feb. 6, 1974, "I figured Fred Williams was broke down and needed some money."

On Sept. 30, 1982, George died in a car accident at the intersection of state routes 72 and 251, about 12 miles south of Rockford, when his vehicle collided with a tractor-trailer. The semi, trying to avoid George's car, crashed into another automobile, killing its driver as well.

Williams paid George a posthumous compliment that undoubtedly would have made "The Golden Greek" smile.

"He was the finest football player I've ever seen," the former Bears defensive tackle told Rollow and Pierson. "I played with Sam Huff two years at Washington after I left the Bears, and there just wasn't any comparison between the two."

BASEBALL

American League

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	88	48	.647	—	—	5-5	L-1	49-21	39-27
Tampa Bay	78	58	.574	10	1	5-5	W-2	35-31	43-27
Boston	72	62	.537	15	6	7-3	W-2	34-34	38-28
Toronto	54	82	.397	34	25	2-8	L-2	26-41	28-41
Baltimore	45	89	.336	42	33	6-4	W-1	22-46	23-43
CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Minnesota	83	51	.619	—	—	7-3	W-6	39-29	44-22
Cleveland	79	56	.585	4½	—	5-5	L-1	41-27	38-29
Chicago	60	74	.448	23	18	4-6	L-4	33-35	27-39
Kansas City	47	89	.346	37	32	2-8	L-2	25-43	22-46
Detroit	39	93	.295	43	38	2-8	L-6	17-47	22-46
WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Houston	88	48	.647	—	—	8-2	W-1	51-17	37-31
Oakland	78	56	.582	9	—	7-3	W-2	43-26	35-30
Texas	70	.485	22	13	5-5	W-1	39-28	27-42	
Los Angeles	64	71	.474	23½	14½	3-7	L-1	34-32	30-39
Seattle	57	79	.419	31	22	4-6	L-1	29-40	28-39

Late games noted below

PROBABLE PITCHERS FOR SATURDAY

NATIONAL LEAGUE	2019	2019 VS. OPP.	LAST 3 STARTS
TEAM PITCHER	TIME	W-L-ERA	W-L-IP-ERA
Cin Mahle (R)	2-10	4.93 4-15	0-1 10.1 7.84
STL Wacha (R)	12:15p	6-6 5.20 9-9	1-1 9.0 2.00
Mil Davies (R)	8-7	3.94 13-12	1-2 21.0 5.14
Chi Hamels (L)	1:20p	7-4 3.73 14-8	1-0 18.0 1.50
NY Matz (L)	8-8	4.06 12-12	1-2 11.0 11.45
Phi Vargas (L)	3:05p	6-6 4.09 12-11	0-0 0.0 0.00
Mia Lopez (R)	5-6	4.41 6-9	0-0 3.2 9.82
Was Ross (R)	6:05p	3-3 5.36 5-1	0-0 3.0 9.00
Cin Gray (R)	10-6	2.92 17-9	1-1 10.0 1.80
STL TBD	6:15p	—	—
LA Kershaw (L)	7:10p	11-7 3.86 15-12	0-2 24.1 4.07
Ari Ray (L)	8-12	4.67 12-15	0-0 0.0 0.00
Pit Musgrove (R)	7:10p	1-0 0.75 2-0	0-0 0.0 0.00
Col Melville (L)	8:05p	1-0 4.66 2-0	0-0 0.0 0.00
SF Webb (R)	8:05p	1-0 4.66 2-0	0-0 0.0 0.00
AMERICAN LEAGUE	2019	2019 VS. OPP.	LAST 3 STARTS
TEAM PITCHER	TIME	W-L-ERA	W-L-IP-ERA
Oak Bailey (R)	12-8	5.04 14-12	2-0 11.2 1.54
NY German (R)	12:05p	17-3 4.03 18-4	0-1 5.1 8.44
Hou Valdez (L)	4-6	5.14 2-4	1-0 6.0 3.00
Tor Buchholz (R)	2:07p	0-3 5.87 2-4	0-0 0.0 0.00
Cle Plesac (R)	7-4	3.50 12-4	0-0 0.0 0.00
TB TBD	5:10p	—	—
Min Perez (L)	9-5	4.47 14-9	1-1 11.0 4.09
Det Boyd (L)	5:10p	6-10 4.47 8-19	0-1 13.0 6.92
Bal Means (L)	9-9	3.61 8-13	0-1 5.0 3.60
KC Lopez (R)	6:15p	2-7 6.56 2-10	1-0 5.0 1.80
Sea TBD	—	—	—
Tex Burke (L)	7:05p	0-1 0.75 1-1	0-0 0.0 0.00
Los TBD	—	—	—
LA Peters (L)	8:07p	3-2 4.50 2-4	0-1 6.0 4.50
INTERLEAGUE	2019	2019 VS. OPP.	LAST 3 STARTS
TEAM PITCHER	TIME	W-L-ERA	W-L-IP-ERA
Chi (AL) Lopez (R)	8-11	5.08 12-15	0-0 0.0 0.00
Atl Keuchel (L)	6:20p	5-5 3.78 7-6	0-0 0.0 0.00

TR: Team's record in games started by today's pitcher.

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

AMERICAN LEAGUE

FRIDAY'S GAMES
 Oakland 7, N.Y. Yankees 2
 Houston 7, Toronto 4
 Tampa Bay 4, Cleveland 0
 Minnesota 13, t Detroit 5
 Atlanta 10, Chi. White Sox 7
 Texas 6, Seattle 3
 Baltimore 14, Kansas City 2
 Boston at L.A. Angels, late
SUNDAY'S GAMES
 Oakland at N.Y. Yankees, 12:05 p.m.
 Houston at Toronto, 12:07 p.m.
 Cleveland at Tampa Bay, 12:10 p.m.
 Minnesota at Detroit, 12:10 p.m.
 Baltimore at Kansas City, 1:15 p.m.
 Seattle at Texas, 2:05 p.m.
 Boston at L.A. Angels, 3:07 p.m.
 Chi. White Sox at Atlanta, 4:10 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

FRIDAY'S RESULTS
 Chi. Cubs 7, Milwaukee 1
 Washington 7, Miami 6
 N.Y. Mets 11, Philadelphia 5
 Atlanta 10, Chi. White Sox 7
 Pittsburgh 9, Colorado 4
 San Francisco 8, San Diego 3
 Arizona 5, L.A. Dodgers 4
 Cincinnati at St. Louis, ppd.
SUNDAY'S GAMES
 Miami at Washington, 12:35 p.m.
 Cincinnati at St. Louis, 1:15 p.m.
 Milwaukee at Chi. Cubs, 1:20 p.m.
 Pittsburgh at Colorado, 2:10 p.m.
 San Diego at San Francisco, 3:05 p.m.
 L.A. Dodgers at Arizona, 3:10 p.m.
 Chi. White Sox at Atlanta, 4:10 p.m.
 N.Y. Mets at Philadelphia, 6:05 p.m.

BOX SCORES

CUBS 7, BREWERS 1

MILWAUKEE	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Cain cf	5	0	1	0	1	.251
Huerta 2b	3	0	0	0	0	.000
Jackson p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
b-Thames ph	1	0	0	0	0	.000
Williams p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Kuechly cf	4	0	0	0	0	.331
Braun lf	3	0	1	0	0	.288
Grandall 1b	3	0	0	0	1	.249
Pina c	4	0	3	1	1	.234
Perez 3b	4	0	0	0	1	.239
Archie ss	4	0	1	0	0	.227
Anderson p	1	0	0	0	0	.030
a-Grisham ph	1	0	0	0	0	.239
Spangenberg 2b	1	0	0	0	0	.222
TOTALS	35	0	6	1	5	.211

CHICAGO AB R H BI SO AVG
 Happ cf 4 2 1 0 0 .231
 Castellanos rf 4 2 2 4 1 .357
 Caratini lf 4 0 2 1 0 .279
 Baez ss 4 0 1 0 3 .282
 Schwarber lf 3 1 2 1 0 .230
 Russell 2b 4 1 1 0 1 .243
 Lucroy c 4 0 0 0 1 .222
 Bote 3b 2 2 2 0 0 .262
 Quintana p 1 0 1 1 0 .083
 c-Bryant ph 1 0 0 0 0 .167
 Cishek p 0 0 0 0 0 .000
TOTALS **32** **7** **11** **7** **7**

RAYS 4, INDIANS 0

CLEVELAND	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Lindor ss	4	0	0	0	0	.298
Mercado cf	4	0	0	0	0	.271
Santana 1b	3	0	1	0	0	.291
Puig rf	4	0	0	0	2	.263
Kipnis 2b	4	0	0	0	1	.249
Chang 3b	3	1	1	1	2	.273
R.Perez c	3	0	1	0	1	.222
Naquin lf	2	0	1	0	1	.288
Allen lf	1	0	0	0	0	.227
Chanay 2b	2	0	0	0	1	.235
TOTALS	30	0	5	0	7	.211

TAMPA BAY AB R H BI SO AVG
 Sogard 2b 3 0 1 0 0 .301
 Pham lf 4 0 0 0 2 .270
 Meadows rf 4 1 1 0 0 .276
 Gregorius ss 4 1 1 0 1 .269
 d'Arnaud c 4 0 1 0 3 .259
 Choi dh 3 1 1 1 2 .273
 Garcia cf 3 0 0 0 1 .206
 Wendle 3b 3 0 0 0 1 .206
 Aguilar 1b 3 1 1 3 1 .279
 Adames ss 3 0 2 0 1 .252
TOTALS **31** **4** **8** **4** **11**

ATHLETICS 8, YANKEES 2

OAKLAND	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Semien ss	5	1	1	1	1	.276
M.Chapman 3b	4	1	1	0	3	.259
Olson 1b	4	2	2	0	0	.264
Canha cf	4	2	2	1	0	.276
Pinder rf	2	0	1	0	0	.239
a-Brown ph-lf	2	0	0	0	1	.205
Phegley c	4	0	0	0	1	.253
Profar 2b	5	1	2	3	1	.216
Neuse dh	3	0	0	0	1	.000
Grossman lf-rf	2	0	0	0	1	.252
TOTALS	38	8	12	8	8	.253

NEW YORK AB R H BI SO AVG
 LeMahieu 3b 3 1 1 0 0 .335
 Judge lf 4 0 2 0 0 .280
 Torres 2b 3 0 0 0 0 .285
 Gregorius ss 4 0 0 1 1 .257
 Sanchez dh 4 0 0 0 2 .231
 Voit 1b 4 0 1 2 0 .253
 Gardner cf 4 0 1 0 1 .251
 Tauchman c 4 0 0 0 0 .262
 Raimondi lf 3 0 0 0 0 .282
TOTALS **33** **2** **6** **1** **5**

ASTROS 7, BLUE JAYS 4

HOUSTON	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Springer cf	4	2	2	4	1	.295
Altuve 2b	5	0	2	0	2	.304
Brantley lf	5	0	2	0	0	.333
Bregman ss	5	0	2	1	1	.290
Alvarez dh	4	1	1	0	2	.323
Correia 1b	3	0	1	1	1	.307
Diaz 3b	3	0	1	1	1	.273
Chirinos c	5	1	1	0	0	.236
Redick rf	3	1	1	0	0	.265
TOTALS	39	7	13	7	8	.253

TORONTO AB R H BI SO AVG
 Bichette ss 5 0 1 0 0 .236
 Biggio 2b 3 1 1 1 2 .210
 Guerrero Jr. 3b 0 0 0 0 1 .280
 McKinney 1b 1 0 0 0 0 .219
 Grichuk rf 4 0 0 0 0 .234
 Hernandez cf 4 1 1 0 2 .222
 Sanchez 2b 3 0 1 0 0 .216
 Drury 1b-3b 4 0 0 0 1 .220
 Fishler lf 3 1 1 1 1 .175
 McGuire c 3 1 3 2 0 .300
TOTALS **33** **4** **8** **4** **10**

TWINS 13, TIGERS 5

MINNESOTA	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Kepler cf-rf	5	3	2	1	0	.355
Polanco ss	4	3	2	0	0	.200
Adrianza ss	1	0	0	0	0	.283
Cruz dh	4	1	3	2	0	.304
Rosario lf	5	2	2	3	1	.284
Sano 2b	2	0	0	0	2	.236
a-Schoop ph-2b	4	0	1	0	0	.264
Arreaz 2b-3b	4	2	1	1	0	.333
Cron 1b	5	2	2	3	0	.263
J.Castro c	2	0	0	0	2	.236
Cave rf-cf	5	1	0	1	2	.266
TOTALS	40	13	14	11	7	.253

DETROIT AB R H BI SO AVG
 Reyes lf 5 1 2 0 2 .280
 W.Castro ss 4 0 2 0 2 .273
 H.Castro cf 4 0 0 0 1 .283
 Rodriguez dh 4 2 2 2 2 .228
 Lugo 2b 4 0 1 1 0 .224
 Mercer 2b 4 0 1 0 2 .262
 Demeritte rf 4 0 1 0 2 .250
 Hicks 1b 4 2 2 1 1 .213
 J.Rosario c 4 0 1 1 1 .118
TOTALS **37** **5** **12** **5** **13**

MILWAUKEE 000 000 010 - 1 8 1
CHICAGO 230 000 111 - 7 11 0
E: Spangenberg (1), LOB: Milwaukee 9, Chicago 5. **2B:** Pina (7), Yelich (27), Arcia (12), Happ (3), Caratini (9), Schwarber (20), Bote (17), Quintana (1), Baez (38), HR: Castellanos 2 (11), off Anderson; Schwarber (32), off Claudio (2), Pina (20), Castellanos (4), Quintana (3), Caratini (29), Schwarber (73), SB: Arnie (8), S: Quintana.

CLEVELAND IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Bieber, L, 12-7 6½ 6 3 3 0 9 3.27
 Cimber, R 4 0 0 1 1 1 4.09
 Wittgren 1 0 0 0 1 1 2.82
TAMPA BAY IP H R ER BB SO ERA
 Pruitt 5½ 4 0 0 0 6 4.78
 Drake, W, 3-1 1 0 0 0 1 3.76
 Poche 1 0 0 0 1 0 4.99
 Kittredge 1 0 0 0 1 0 4.34
Inherited runners-scored: Cimber 2-2, IBB: off Sogard (Sogard), Umpires: H, Hunter Wadland; 1B, Vic Carapazza; 2B, Dan Lasogana; 3B, Tom Woodring. **Time:** 2:52. A: 15,294 (25,025).

NATIONALS 7, MARLINS 6

MIAMI	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Berti ss	4	1	1	1	1	.271
Noesi p	0	0	0	0	0	.250
Ramirez rf-cf	5	3	3	0	0	.273
Castro 3b-ss	5	1	3	3	2	.266
Walker 1b-3b	4	0	0	0	0	.263
Alfaro c	4	0	0	0	3	.270
Diaz 2b	4	0	1	1	1	.157
Brinson cf	4	1	1	0	1	.189
Garcia p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Cooper lf	0	0	0	0	0	.275
Dean lf	2	0	0	0	0	.206
b-Eaton ph	2	0	0	0	1	.059
Granderson rf	1					

SCOREBOARD

ODDS

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL		SATURDAY	
G1: at St. Louis	off Cincinnati	off	
G2: at St. Louis	off Cincinnati	off	
at Chi Cubs	-153 Milwaukee	+143	
NY Mets	-108 at Phillies	-102	
at Washington	-310 Miami	+280	
LA Dodgers	-145 at Arizona	+135	
Pittsburgh	-108 at Colorado	-102	
San Diego	-115 at San Fran.	+105	

AMERICAN LEAGUE		SATURDAY	
at NY Yankees	-157 Oakland	+147	
Houston	-168 at Toronto	+158	
Minnesota	-137 at Detroit	+127	
at Tampa Bay	off Cleveland	off	
Baltimore	-109 at Kansas City	-101	
at Texas	off Seattle	off	
at LA Angels	off Boston	off	

INTERLEAGUE SATURDAY

at Atlanta	-183 Chi White Sox	+168	
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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

WEEK 1 SATURDAY

at Ohio State	27½	FAU	
at Nebraska	35½	S. Alabama	
at NC State	17½	East Carolina	
at Illinois	18	Akron	
Indiana	18	Ball St	
at Kentucky	11½	LA-Laf.	
Miss. St.	19	LA-Laf.	
at Memphis	4½	Mississippi	
at Tennessee	26	Georgia St	
E. Michigan	6	at Coast. Carol.	
S. Carolina	11	N. Carolina	
Alabama	32½	Duke	
at Stanford	6½	Northwestern	
Virginia Tech	4½	at Boston Coll.	
Syracuse	18	at Liberty	
at Florida St	6½	Boise St	
at Arkansas St	2½	SMU	
at Michigan	34½	Mid. Tenn.	
at Iowa	22	Miami (Ohio)	
at LSU	27½	Ga. Southern	
Georgia	22	at Vanderbilt	
Virginia	2½	at Pittsburgh	
Missouri	17	at Wyoming	
Auburn	4	Oregon	
at Texas	20½	Louisiana Tech	
at Wash. St	32	New Mexico St	
at USC	13½	Fresno St	

SUNDAY

HOUSTON

at Oklahoma	23	Houston	
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MONDAY

Notre Dame	18	at Louisville	
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NFL WEEK 1 THURSDAY

at Chicago	3	Green Bay	
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SUNDAY 9/8

at Minnesota	3½	Atlanta	
at Philadelphia	8½	Washington	
at NY Jets	3	Buffalo	
Baltimore	5	at Miami	
at Tampa Bay	1	San Fran.	
Kansas City	3½	at Jacksonville	
at Cleveland	5½	Tennessee	
LA Rams	3	at Carolina	
Detroit	2½	at Arizona	
at Seattle	9½	Cincinnati	
at LA Chargers	7	Indianapolis	
at Dallas	7	NY Giants	
at New England	6	Pittsburgh	

MONDAY 9/9

at New Orleans	7	Houston	
at Oakland	Pk	Denver	

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Top 25

#18 Michigan State	28, Tulsa 7
#19 Wisconsin	49, South Florida 0

Others

Army 14, Rice 7
Maine 42, Sacred Heart 14
Nevada 34, Purdue 21
Rutgers 48, UMass 31
Wake Forest 38, Utah St. 35
Colorado vs. Colorado St., late
Oklahoma St. at Oregon St., late

SATURDAY'S GAMES

Top 25

#2 Alabama vs. Duke in Atlanta, 2:30 p.m.
#3 Georgia at Vanderbilt, 6:30 p.m.
#4 Ohio State, 1 p.m.
Ga. Southern vs. #6 LSU, 6:30 p.m.
Mid. Tenn. at #7 Michigan, 6:30 p.m.
La. Tech at #10 Texas, 7 p.m.
#11 Oregon vs. #16 Auburn
in Arlington, Tex., 6:30 p.m.
E. Wash. at #13 Washington, 2 p.m.
Idaho vs. #15 Penn State, 2:30 p.m.
Miami, Ohio vs. #20 Iowa, 6:30 p.m.
N. Iowa vs. #21 Iowa State, 1 p.m.
#22 Syracuse at Liberty, 5 p.m.
N. Mexico St. at #23 Wash. St., 9 p.m.
S. Alabama at #24 Nebraska, 1 p.m.
Northwestern at #25 Stanford, 3 p.m.

East

St. Francis (Pa.) at Lehigh, 11:30 a.m.
James Madison at West Virginia, 1 p.m.
Bucknell at Temple, 2 p.m.
Hy Cross at Navy, 2:30 p.m.
Va. Tech at Boston College, 3 p.m.
CCSU at Fordham, 5 p.m.
Va. Lynchburg at Merrimack, 5 p.m.
Virginia at Pittsburgh, 6:30 p.m.

South

Toledo at Kentucky, 11 a.m.
Mississippi St. vs. La.-Lafayette
in New Orleans, 11 a.m.
Howard at Maryland, 11 a.m.
Mississippi at Memphis, 11 a.m.
East Carolina at NC State, 11 a.m.
Boise St. vs. Fla. St. (Tallahassee), 11 a.m.

Georgetown at Davidson, Noon

Charleston So. at Furman, Noon
Towson at The Citadel, 2 p.m.
E. Michigan at C. Carolina, 2:30 p.m.
UNC vs. S. Carolina (Charlottesville), 3:30 p.m.
Georgia St. at Tennessee, 2:30 p.m.
Point (Ga.) at Kennesaw St., 5 p.m.
Elon at NC A&T, 5 p.m.
Wofford at SC State, 5 p.m.
Campbell at Troy, 5 p.m.
Mercer at W. Carolina, 5 p.m.
Lafayette at William & Mary, 5 p.m.
VMI at Marshall, 5:30 p.m.
Southern U. at McNeese St., 6 p.m.
Norfolk St. at Old Dominion, 6 p.m.
Alcorn St. at Southern Miss., 6 p.m.
Presbyterian at Stetson, 6 p.m.
MVU at Tennessee St., 6 p.m.
Grambling St. at La.-Monroe, 7 p.m.

Midwest

Akron at Illinois, 11 a.m.
Ball St. vs. Indiana in Indianapolis, 11 a.m.
N. Iowa at Iowa St., 11 a.m.
Indiana St. at Kansas, 11 a.m.
Rhode Island at Ohio, 1 p.m.
Montana at South Dakota, 2 p.m.
Butler vs. NDSU in Minneapolis, 3 p.m.
Drake at North Dakota, 4 p.m.
Nicholls at Kansas St., 6 p.m.
Illinois St. at N. Illinois, 6 p.m.
Monmouth (NJ) at W. Michigan, 6 p.m.

Southwest

Portland St. at Arkansas, 3 p.m.
Montana St. at Texas Tech, 3 p.m.
Prairie View at Texas So., 5:30 p.m.
SMU at Arkansas St., 6 p.m.
Stephen F. Austin at Baylor, 6 p.m.
Ark.-Pine Bluff at TCU, 7 p.m.
Houston Baptist at UTEP, 7 p.m.

West

Colgate at Air Force, 2:30 p.m.
Sam Houston St. at New Mexico, 5 p.m.
UC Davis at California, 5:30 p.m.
Missouri at Wyoming, 6:30 p.m.
Weber St. at San Diego St., 8 p.m.
S. Utah at UNLV, 9 p.m.
Fresno St. at USC, 9:30 p.m.

SUNDAY'S GAME

Houston at #4 Oklahoma, 6:30 p.m.

AUTO RACING

NASCAR MONSTER ENERGY CUP

SCHEDULE AND STANDINGS

Sunday: Bojangles' Southern 500, Darlington, S.C.
Sunday, Sept. 8: Big Machine Vodka 400 at the Brickyard, Indianapolis

Playoff Races

Sunday, Sept. 15: South Point 400, Las Vegas
Saturday, Sept. 21: Federated Auto Parts 400, Richmond, Va.
Sunday, Sept. 29: Bank of American ROVAL 400, Concord, N.C.
Sunday, Oct. 6: MENCs race, Dover, Del.
Sunday, Oct. 13: 1000Bulbs.com 500, Talladega, Ala.
Sunday, Oct. 20: Hollywood Casino 400, Kansas City, Kan.
Sunday, Oct. 27: First Data 500, Martinsville, Va.

x-non-points race

Points Leaders

Through Aug. 17
1. Kyle Busch, 932
2. Joey Logano, 893
3. Denny Hamlin, 855

TENNIS

139TH US OPEN

At USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center; New York; outdoors-hard

MEN'S THIRD ROUND SINGLES

#1 Novak Djokovic d. Denis Kudla, 6-3, 6-4, 6-2.

#3 Roger Federer d. Daniel Evans, 6-2, 6-2, 6-1.

Alex de Minaur d. #7 Kei Nishikori, 6-2, 6-4, 2-6, 6-3.

#15 David Goffin d. Pablo Carreno Busta, 7-6 (5), 7-6 (9), 7-5.

Dominik Koepfer d. #17 Nikoloz Basilashvili, 6-3, 7-6 (5), 4-6, 6-1.

#23 Stan Wawrinka d. Paolo Lorenzi, 6-4, 7-6 (9), 7-6 (4).

Grigor Dimitrov d. Kamil Majchrzak, 7-5, 7-6 (8), 6-2.

WOMEN'S THIRD ROUND SINGLES

#2 Ashleigh Barty d. #30 Maria Sakkari, 7-5, 6-3.

#3 Karolina Pliskova d. Ons Jabeur, 6-1, 4-6, 6-4.

#5 Elina Svitolina d. #32 Dayana Yastremska, 6-2, 6-0.

#8 Serena Williams d. Karolina Muchova, 6-3, 6-2.

#10 Madison Keys d. #20 Sofia Kenin, 6-3, 7-5.

#22 Petra Martic d. #12 Anastasija Sevastova, 6-4, 6-3.

#16 Johanna Konta d. #33 Zhang Shuai, 6-2, 6-3.

#18 Wang Qiang d. Fiona Ferro, 7-6 (1), 6-3.

NFL

REGULAR SEASON: WEEK 1

THURSDAY'S GAME

Green Bay at Chicago, 7:20 p.m.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 8

L.A. Rams at Carolina, Noon

Tennessee at Cleveland, Noon

Kansas City at Jacksonville, Noon

Baltimore at Miami, Noon

Atlanta at Minnesota, Noon

Buffalo at New York Jets, Noon

Washington at Philadelphia, Noon

Indianapolis at L.A. Chargers, 3:05 p.m.

Cincinnati at Seattle, 3:05 p.m.

Detroit at Arizona, 3:25 p.m.

New York Giants at Dallas, 3:25 p.m.

San Francisco at Tampa Bay, 3:25 p.m.

Pittsburgh at New England, 7:20 p.m.

MONDAY, SEPT. 9

Houston at New Orleans, 6:10 p.m.

Denver at Oakland, 9:20 p.m.

SOCCER

MLS

EASTERN

	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Atlanta	15	9	3	48	46	30
Philadelphia	14	8	6	48	51	41
N.Y. City FC	13	5	8	47	48	33
N.Y. Red Bulls	12	11	3	42	47	42
D.C. United	10	10	9	39	36	38
New England	10	9	8	38	40	46
Montreal	11	14	4	37	42	53
Toronto FC	10	10	7	37	43	44
Orlando City	9	12	7	34	35	36
Chicago	8	12	9	33	43	42
Columbus	8	15	6	30	32	43
Cincinnati	5	19	3	18	27	64

WESTERN

	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Los Angeles FC	19	3	5	62	74	28
Real Salt Lake	13	10	4	43	40	34
Seattle	12	8	7	43	42	40
Minnesota	12	9	6	42	44	37
LA Galaxy	13	11	3	42	38	41
San Jose	12	10	5	41	45	43
FC Dallas	11	10	7	40	44	37
Portland	11	11	4	37	42	40
Sporting KC	9	11	7	34	40	45
Houston	9	14	4	31	38	48
Colorado	7	14	6	27	43	54
Vancouver	6	14	9	27	29	50

3 points for victory, 1 point for tie.

SATURDAY'S MATCHES

Colorado at N.Y. Red Bulls, 6 p.m.

Atlanta at Philadelphia, 6:30 p.m.

Chicago at Columbus, 6:30 p.m.

D.C. United at Montreal, 6:30 p.m.

Toronto FC at New England, 6:30 p.m.

Cincinnati at FC Dallas, 7 p.m.

Houston at Sporting KC, 7:30 p.m.

N.Y. City FC at Vancouver, 9 p.m.

Orlando City at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.

Real Salt Lake at Portland, 9:30 p.m.

NWSL

CLUB	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Portland	10	3	6	36	39	22
North Carolina	9	4	4	31	32	17
Chicago	9	8	2	29	29	26
Utah	8	6	4	28	19	15
Reign FC	7	5	6	27	16	20
Washington	7	7	4	25	22	11
Houston	6	8	4	22	18	28
Sky Blue FC	4	11	4	16	15	25
Orlando	4	12	2	14	19	37

SATURDAY'S MATCH

Washington at Orlando, 6:30 p.m.

GOLF

LPGA TOUR PORTLAND CLASSIC

2nd of 4 rds; at Columbia Edgewater CC; Portland, Ore.; 6,476 yds; Par 72



JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Rachel Bender of Newburgh, Ind., watches her 15-month-old daughter, Charlotte, and husband, Tim, as they check out the 7-foot tall bobblehead of Bears legend Mike Ditka.

Ditka bobblehead a hit at Millennium Park

BY JEREMY MIKULA

Da Coach is on display at Millennium Park.

A 7-foot bobblehead of former Bears player and coach Mike Ditka was temporarily installed near the Washington Street entrance of the park in the Loop.

The bobblehead is dressed in Ditka's iconic 1985 look — shirt and tie, sweater vest, mustache of course — and features a pair of sunglasses with yellow lenses.

Yes, the head moves up and down and side to side. No, it does not get into any heated arguments with defensive coordinators, referees, media members or Jim Harbaugh.

The bobblehead, which the Bears said is made of high-density foam and weighs

more than 150 pounds, is one of several the team is rolling out as part of its 100th season. Last week, a 7-foot version of "The Galloping Ghost" Red Grange was at North Avenue Beach.

The bobblehead of the Super Bowl XX-winning coach will be at Millennium Park through Monday evening, when it will be moved to Soldier Field.

The regular-sized Ditka bobblehead will be given to the first 20,000 fans who attend the season opener Thursday against the Packers at Soldier Field. Other bobbleheads given out this season include Bronko Nagurski, Walter Payton and Brian Urlacher.

The Tribune ranked Ditka, a Pro Football Hall of Famer, as the 11th-best player in franchise history.

Biggs

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in the preseason games, which makes sense, and Pineiro finished 8-for-9 on field-goal attempts and 3-for-4 on extra-point tries. It sounds like that might be enough to get him to the opener against the Packers on Thursday at Soldier Field.

"We're going to continue to work through it," Nagy said. "We have a couple days. ... I've liked what I've seen. He comes out and he misses that extra point. Right away, we all — one of those deals of, 'Here we go again.' But what I thought was pretty powerful was that he came back and made the next kick. And then made two more after that. We talk about it's not how you start, it's how you finish.

"If he ends up being our kicker Week 1, then I will definitely have some patience. Because if you don't — there's that stat that I think I mentioned to y'all before, and I don't know if you all went and dug up who those kickers were — but there's some interesting numbers with kickers who have struggled coming out of the gates that are now Hall of Famers and Pro Bowl kickers. So if I don't have patience at that position, I really think we're chasing the cat's tail. And that's not what I'm all about, and I know our coaches aren't about that. So there's going to be a little bit of patience. But there has got to be a method, I think, in being able to build trust with him and him build trust with us."

We should tap the brakes on Hall of Famers and Pro Bowl kickers for a minute, but I understand Nagy's point. The Bears had patience with Robbie Gould when he joined them as a rookie in 2005, and Nagy realizes it's a process, one in which he has put a great deal of faith in special teams coordinator Chris Tabor.

"I just like where he's at," Nagy said of Pineiro. "We'll discuss it and decide if it is the route we want to go. And if it is, then we just need to have a little bit of patience. But I'll go back to: I want to see a great success story from this kid. Hopefully we all do. Hopefully he is somebody we end up going with and we stick with and he wins us games. But the next couple days here, a lot of stuff can happen. So you just never know?"

If you are near Soldier Field early next week, keep an eye out for the stadium lights. Pineiro would like to get some more work at the stadium, so plan your helicopter rides accordingly.

"I'd love to come down to the stadium and get some kicks in and start getting used to the stadium," Pineiro said. "It's different than any other stadium that I've played in."

Money matters: The Bears created a good chunk of salary-cap space last week when they reworked left tackle Charles

Leno's contract, converting the majority of his base salary to an option bonus — a move that freed \$5.6 million in cap space.

Leno's base salary is now \$930,000 for this season, and he received an option bonus of \$7 million. It drops his cap number for this season to just more than \$3.3 million, and for cap purposes, two dummy years were added to the contract for 2022 and 2023. If he's still with the Bears in 2022, it will be on a new contract.

Leno is the third player since March to restructure his deal for cap purposes, a sign that the Bears will have future cap issues. That's what happens when teams collect a good number of high-level players you need to pay top dollar to keep. The Bears were in a very comfortable cap situation when general manager Ryan Pace took over in 2015, and they remained that way for several seasons. One reason is because they didn't have many star players who commanded big bucks. Even with misses in free agency, Pace and his contract negotiator, Joey Laine, structured deals that didn't have much of a long-term effect on the cap. Leno's cap number is going to climb big time next season to \$10.3 million and moves to \$11.3 million in 2021, so it's a temporary fix with him.

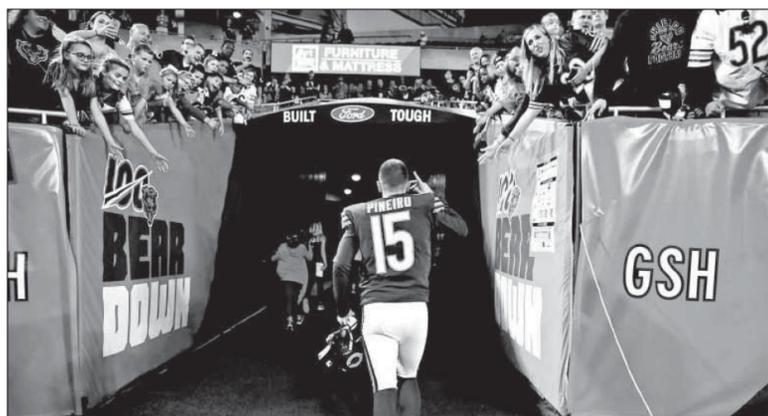
Outside linebacker Khalil Mack restructured his contract in March. He was scheduled to have a 2019 base salary of \$11.3 million with a \$4 million roster bonus. In the reworked deal, his base salary dropped to \$2.3 million and he picked up an option bonus of \$13 million, keeping the cash figure the same at \$15.3 million. That lowered his cap hit for this year to \$11.9 million and created \$10.4 million in space this year. Mack's cap hit climbs to \$26.6 million next year.

Defensive tackle Eddie Goldman also agreed to a slight tweak to his contract, converting a \$3 million roster bonus into an option bonus, and creating \$2.25 million in cap space. That lowered his cap hit this year to \$5.3 million. It climbs to \$10.8 million in 2020. Again, it's a temporary fix.

By restructuring the three deals, the Bears created \$18.25 million in cap space for this season. NFLPA records show the team is sitting on about \$26 million in cap space. Of course, any unused cap space for this season can be rolled over to 2020. The Bears have some players who are going to want to get paid after this season — and ones they likely want to pay in the coming days — so things are going to be snug for the foreseeable future.

The salary cap has been climbing steadily each year, and Bears likely are crossing their fingers that when a new collective bargaining agreement is hammered out — the current pact expires after the 2020 season — the cap will get a big boost to free things up.

This column was excerpted from Brad Biggs' "10 thoughts." Read the entire column at chicagotribune.com/bears



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Kicker Eddy Pineiro heads to the locker room after the game against the Titans.

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Death Notices

Levin, Dean I

Dean Levin, 68.

Beloved husband of Lynn, nee Elstrom. Loving father of Kirk (Serena) Dettie, Aaron (Cherie) Block, Scott (Nicole) Dettie and Danielle (Karyn) Levin. Proud grandfather of Brody, Raquel, Ethan, Paige, Adam, and Spencer. Cherished son of Beverly and the late Burt Levin. Dear brother of Stewart Levin and Blake (Gail) Levin. Private family service. For public shiva information contact the funeral home. Memorials may be made in his memory to the Disque Foundation, www.disquefoundation.org. Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals — Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

CHICAGO JEWISH FUNERALS

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Raglin, Ronald A.

Ronald A. Raglin, 58, went home to his Lord on August 26, 2019, at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago from complications after surgery on August 23. He was born December 7, 1960, in Chicago, IL, to Jeanette (Reed) Raglin and Clarence Williams. Ron grew up on the Southside of Chicago attended William Shakespeare Elementary School, the "center" with Sue Duncan, and Martin Luther King Jr. High School where he played basketball for the jaguars and graduated with the class of '79. He was a successful high school player, playing against players like Isaiah Thomas, Mark Aguirre, and Doc Rivers. His basketball success led him to California to the Blue Devils at Merced Community College on the 79-80 and 80-81 teams; the 79-80 team being the CC State Champion Runner-up. He graduated with an AA in 1981. He chose a Christian college in Kansas, Sterling College, to continue his basketball career for the warriors in 81-82 and 82-83. As an Elementary School major, he graduated with a BA in Elementary Education in 1984. It was there that he met Tena Powles and they were married on December 17, 1983.

Ron spent his entire 35 year career in public education, teaching and coaching - 7 years in Dos Palos, CA; 11 years teaching and coaching in Merced, CA; 10 years as an administrator in Chicago Public Schools, and 7 years in the U-46 School District in Chicago's Northwest Suburbs as the Assistant Superintendent of Educational Support Programs and Alignment and the AVID District Director. Ron was an AVID teacher and administrator for over 20 years, reaching thousands of students. He was a passionate advocate for justice and equity for ALL students always, advocating, mentoring, and working for every student to have the opportunity to be all they were designed to be. Preaching, as a lay pastor, was something Ron treasured, sharing the Word and what he believed about his Lord. He earned and was awarded numerous times, including the Jerry Sloan Summer Basketball Camp MVP in 1978; one of the 35 Outstanding Merced College Alumni recognized on the 35th Anniversary in 1998; the Community HERO Award by the Merced Sun Star and Save Mart in 1998; and most recently the 34th Annual Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Award of Elgin, IL, on January 19, 2019. A member of Willow Creek Community Church, Ron was a previous church deacon and elder, and active in many community organizations. His parents Jeanette and Clarence preceded Ron in death. He is survived by his wife Tena of 35 years, two children Matthew (Anastasia) and Marissa; 3 grandchildren Jayden, Amira, and Elianna; sisters Jennifer Sturden, Yvonne Saks, and brother Alvin Raglin; numerous nieces and nephews; brothers and sisters-in-law; and loving extended family and friends. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to the U-46 Educational Foundation address: 355 E Chicago St. Elgin, IL 60120, designated Ron Raglin. Funeral services will be held at 10:00 AM on Monday, September 2, 2019 at the Elgin High School Chesbrough Field House, 1200 Maroon Dr., Elgin, IL 60120. Visitation will be held on Sunday from 4-9 PM in the Chapel at Willow Creek Community Church, 67 Algonquin Rd., South Barrington, IL 60010. Laird Funeral Home, Elgin is assisting Ron's family with arrangements. 847-741-8800 or www.lairdfamilyfuneralservices.com.

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Whittier, Larry J.

Legendary Coach, Larry J Whittier passed away peacefully in St. Petersburg, FL at the age of 81.

Larry was incredibly passionate about people and the human spirit. He spent his life mentoring all around him, from the kids he coached, to the stranger who would quickly turn into a friend. He spent his career teaching, counseling and coaching in Illinois, Wisconsin, Iowa and Minnesota. He retired from the College of Lake County in 1999, after 27 years of service at the college.

Larry's drive for friendly competition kept him coaching cross country, women's basketball and men's football for most of his life. His competitive nature certainly did not stop with organized sports; he was an avid golfer, card player and took losing very personally. A hard working Father and genuine friend who was always more concerned with all others above himself. His wit and humor knew no bounds, everyone he touched was certainly better for having known him. He was loved and is missed by all.

Larry is survived by the love of his life, Diane of 59 years, their four children: Brett, Wade, Thad and Rod, 8 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren. A celebration of life ceremony will be held on Thursday, September 12th from 6pm-10pm at Mickey Finns in Libertyville, IL. A formal service and mass will be held at Carmel High School Chapel in Mundelein, IL on Friday, September 13th at 11:30am. All are welcome to attend.

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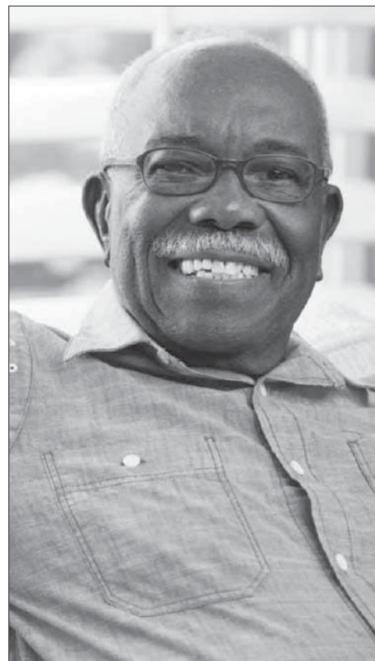


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SATURDAY, AUG. 31 NORMAL HIGH: 80° NORMAL LOW: 61° RECORD HIGH: 99° (1953) RECORD LOW: 47° (1872)

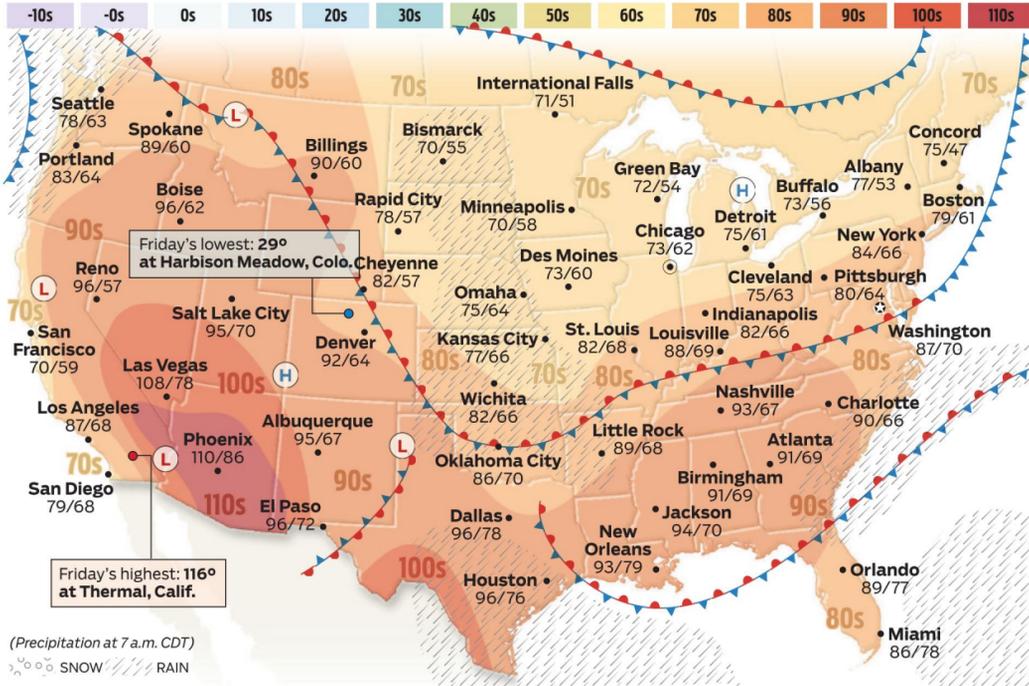
Holiday weekend to feature improving weather

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 73 **LOW** 62

- High pressure over the Great Lakes keeps temps cool for the season.
- Patchy high/mid-level clouds mix with morning sunshine. Sunrise temps range from near 50 outlying suburbs, to low 60s downtown.
- E-NE winds of 10-15 mph limit daytime heating.
- Highs range from upper 70s far W suburbs, to upper 60s lakeside.
- Cloud coverage thickens, especially toward evening. Periodic showers arrive at night.

NATIONAL FORECAST



Thunderstorms erupted over the Plains states late Friday in response to an influx of low-level moisture and the approach of a weak upper-level wave. Severe storms produced hail to 2 1/2 inches in diameter. As this wave moves east, showers and a few thunderstorms are expected to spread across the mid-Mississippi Valley. Clouds are forecast to thicken over the Chicago area Saturday as a front stalls to our south. Scattered showers may reach the far west suburbs Saturday evening, but rain is most likely overnight into Sunday. Forecast consensus suggests most of the metro area can expect 1/4 to 1/2 inch of rain by noon Sunday. Overcast skies are then forecast to break, leading to a partly sunny and warmer Labor Day. Light winds and temps at or above the normal high of 80 will give a summerlike feel to the day.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 1

HIGH 76 **LOW** 66

Occasional rain and possibly a t-storm, ongoing at daybreak, continue into mid-morning. Partial sun emerges in the afternoon. Highs from the upper 70s inland, to near 70 at the lake. E-SE winds 10-15 mph.

MONDAY, SEPT. 2

HIGH 81 **LOW** 67

Labor day turns summerlike. Partly sunny, somewhat warmer, and trending more humid. Late-day temps reach the low 80s. Cooler at the beaches as light, variable winds turn onshore.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 3

HIGH 85 **LOW** 63

Warm, humid. Temps peak in mid-upper 80s. Building clouds lead to scattered late afternoon/evening t-storms, mainly north of the city. SW winds 15-25 mph and gusty. Clearing, cooler overnight.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 4

HIGH 72 **LOW** 56

Windy, noticeably cooler and less humid. Morning sun gives way to broken afternoon cloudiness. N winds 20-25 mph turn NE. Temps hold in the low 70s; 60's along the lake.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5

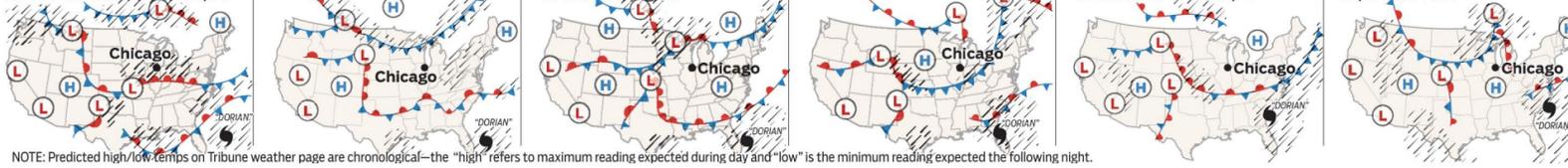
HIGH 72 **LOW** 58

Cool, fair weather high pressure sprawls across the Great Lakes bringing abundant sun and comfortable air. Afternoon temps again peak in the low 70s, cooler lakeside. NE-E winds diminish to 10-15 mph.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 6

HIGH 77 **LOW** 59

Mostly sunny and pleasant, though clouds increase late in the day. Temps climb to the upper 70s. Isolated showers possible in the evening as a cold front passes. SW winds around 10 mph turn NW.



NOTE: Predicted high/low temps on Tribune weather page are chronological—the "high" refers to maximum reading expected during day and "low" is the minimum reading expected the following night.

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
I've always wondered about the Barneveld, Wisconsin, F-5 tornado hitting at midnight. How could it be that strong?
Margaret Robertson, Chicago

Dear Margaret,
Thankfully, only a fraction of the worst tornadoes occur late at night or very early in the morning, but those that do can be horrifying. They're hard to spot, and warnings are difficult to communicate because so many are asleep. Just before midnight (11:41 p.m.) the night of June 7, 1984, a tornado ripped out of skies illuminated only by lightning and proceeded to tear apart 90% of Barneveld, Wisconsin. Within minutes, the F-5 twister killed nine and injured 200. Despite the absence of daytime heating, nocturnal cooling aloft in conjunction with the warm, moist lower levels created the instability needed to produce the killer storm.

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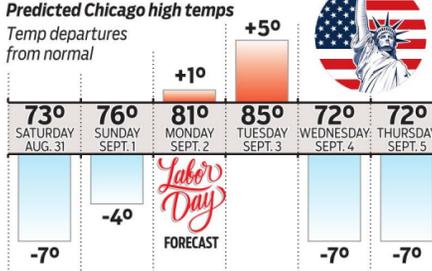
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Cool, easterly winds to keep late-summer warmth at bay

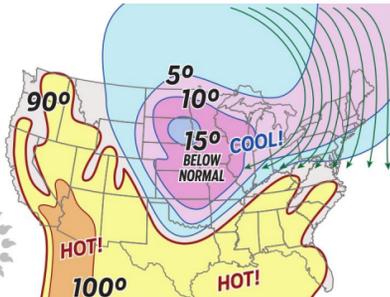
LABOR DAY WEEKEND OPENS COOL



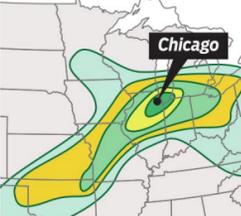
WHERE'S THE HOT AIR?

Predicted Saturday high temps

Arrows depict Saturday afternoon predicted surface winds



SATURDAY NIGHT PRECIPITATION PROBABILITIES



CHICAGO LABOR DAY PRECIPITATION CHANCES



SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, NWS archives TOM SKILLING, PAUL MERZLOCK, BILL SNYDER, CLAUDIA OLECH AND JENNIFER M. KOHNKE / WGN-TV

MIDWEST CITIES

SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	pc	86	66	pc	88	67
Carbondale	sh	80	64	ts	83	63
Champaign	sh	78	65	pc	83	65
Decatur	sh	78	65	pc	83	65
Moline	cl	77	61	pc	79	61
Peoria	cl	77	65	pc	83	63
Quincy	sh	77	65	pc	81	65
Rockford	pc	79	66	sh	80	60
Springfield	pc	79	66	sh	83	64
Sterling	pc	75	59	sh	79	59
Indiana	ts	83	66	pc	85	65
Bloomington	sh	85	67	pc	86	67
Evansville	sh	85	67	pc	86	67
Fort Wayne	pc	78	59	sh	78	62
Indianapolis	cl	82	66	pc	84	66
Lafayette	pc	82	63	pc	82	63
Lafayette	pc	78	60	cl	78	61
Wisconsin	cl	72	54	pc	74	57
Green Bay	cl	71	53	pc	74	57
Kenosha	cl	72	56	pc	78	62
La Crosse	pc	71	53	pc	74	57
Madison	pc	72	54	pc	75	59
Milwaukee	pc	72	54	pc	73	60
Wausau	sh	70	51	sh	72	57
Michigan	pc	75	61	sh	74	63
Detroit	pc	75	61	sh	74	63
Grand Rapids	pc	77	58	sh	75	59
Marquette	cl	71	53	pc	74	57
St. Ste. Marie	pc	74	51	pc	75	57
Traverse City	pc	75	54	cl	76	57
Iowa	sh	70	57	pc	79	61
Ames	sh	70	57	pc	79	61
Cedar Rapids	cl	72	58	sh	77	58
Des Moines	cl	73	60	pc	81	63
Dubuque	cl	72	57	pc	76	59

OTHER U.S. CITIES

SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Albany	pc	97	73	pc	96	73
Albany	pc	77	53	cl	78	64
Albuquerque	pc	95	67	pc	92	67
Amarillo	pc	94	66	pc	95	68
Anchorage	sh	62	53	sh	66	55
Asheville	su	85	59	su	82	60
Aspen	pc	83	50	pc	84	51
Atlanta	su	91	69	pc	88	70
Atlantic City	su	78	66	pc	78	68
Austin	pc	89	70	pc	87	75
Baltimore	pc	85	62	pc	82	70
Billings	su	90	60	pc	93	62
Birmingham	su	91	69	pc	89	70
Bismarck	pc	70	55	pc	81	60
Boise	su	96	62	su	95	59
Boston	pc	79	61	pc	71	64
Brownsville	pc	95	76	su	97	77
Buffalo	pc	73	56	sh	74	62
Burlington	pc	73	50	pc	76	62
Charlotte	su	90	66	pc	86	68
Charltn SC	ts	82	75	ts	83	74
Charltn WV	pc	89	65	pc	89	64
Chattanooga	su	92	66	su	91	67
Cheyenne	pc	82	57	pc	91	61
Cincinnati	ts	83	65	pc	85	65
Cleveland	pc	75	63	sh	76	67
Colo. Spgs	pc	88	59	pc	90	61
Columbia MO	sh	77	66	pc	83	67
Columbia SC	pc	91	72	ts	87	71
Columbus	pc	82	63	sh	83	64
Concord	pc	75	47	pc	75	57
Corps Christi	ts	91	76	su	95	77
Crawford	pc	96	78	pc	97	77
Dallas	pc	96	78	ts	85	79
Daytona Bch.	pc	87	78	ts	85	79
Denver	su	92	64	pc	97	67
Duluth	pc	69	52	pc	70	58
El Paso	pc	96	72	pc	96	73

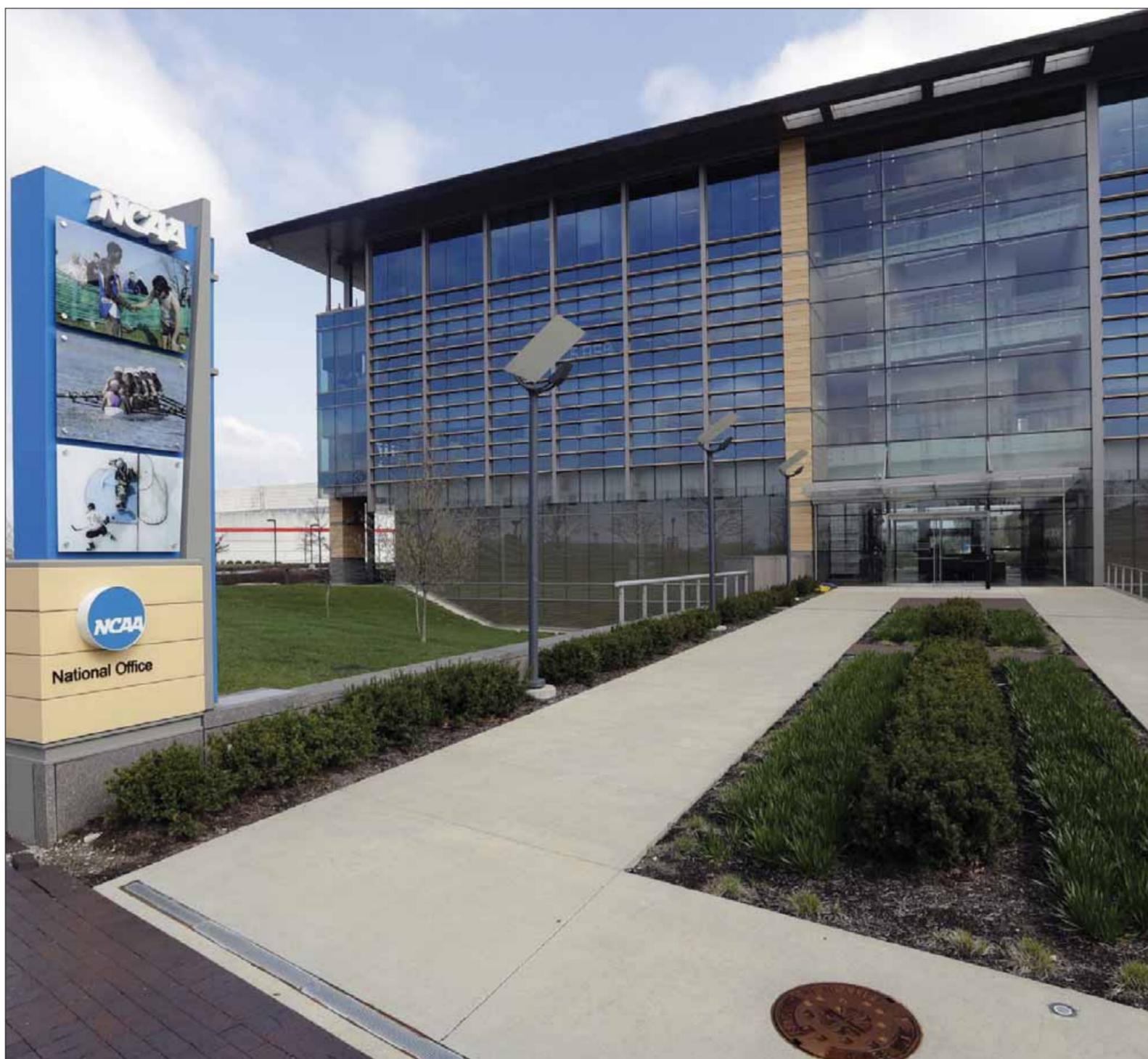
SAT./SUN.

FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO	
Fairbanks	sh	65	46	cl	67	49
Fargo	pc	72	57	pc	77	58
Flagstaff	pc	85	54	pc	85	54
Fort Myers	ts	90	75	ts	90	76
Fort Smith	pc	88	72	pc	90	71
Fresno	su	102	70	su	103	72
Great Falls	su	98	64	su	99	64
Harrisburg	pc	84	65	ts	77	67
Hartford	pc	78	56	pc	77	63
Helena	su	85	66	pc	89	68
Honolulu	cl	90	78	sh	89	78
Houston	pc	96	76	pc	98	77
Int'l Falls	pc	71	51	sh	68	49
Jackson	su	94	70	pc	93	72
Jacksonville	ts	88	79	ts	88	79
Jameau	pc	70	49	pc	66	51
Kansas City	pc	97	77	pc	84	69
Las Vegas	su	108	78	su	108	81
Lexington	cl	89	68	pc	90	67
Lincoln	sh	74	63	pc	83	67
Little Rock	pc	89	68	pc	91	70
Los Angeles	su	97	68	su	89	70
Louisville	ts	88	69	pc	90	69
Louisville	pc	90	70	ts	88	70
Macon	pc	92	70	pc	93	72
Memphis	pc	92	70	pc	93	72
Miami	ts	86	78	ts	85	78
Minneapolis	sh	70	58	cl	76	62
Mobile	ts	92	76	pc	90	77
Montgomery	pc	91	72	pc	90	72
Nashville	pc	83	67	pc	93	69
Las Vegas	su	93	79	pc	92	79
New Orleans	su	93	79	pc	92	79
New York	su	84	66	pc	88	69
New York	su	88	68	pc	84	69
Norfolk	pc	86	70	pc	92	73
Ola, City	sh	75	64	pc	84	67
Omaha	ts	89	77	ts	89	73
Orlando	ts	89	77	ts	89	73

SAT./SUN.

FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO	
Palm Beach	ts	87	78	ts	89	78
Palm Springs	su	114	84	pc	109	85
Philadelphia	pc	84	66	cl	81	68
Phoenix	su	110	86	pc	106	86
Pittsburgh	cl	80	64	ts	78	66
Portland, ME	pc	77	53	pc	69	59
Portland, OR	pc	83	64	pc	80	60
Providence	pc	80	56	pc	77	62
Raleigh	su	88	63	pc	86	66
Rapid City	pc	78	57	pc	86	61
Reno	su	96	67	su	95	60
Richmond	pc	91	65	pc	86	67
Rochester	pc	73	53	sh	77	63
Rochester	pc	97	62	pc	97	62
Salem, Ore.	pc	84	59	pc	82	57
Salt Lake City	su	95	70	su	99	70
San Antonio	pc	99	76	su	100	77
San Diego	pc	79	68	pc	79	70
San Francisco	pc	70	59	pc	70	57
San Juan	pc	89	78	cl	88	78
Santa Fe	pc	86	59	pc	83	57
Savannah	ts					

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The NCAA seems to make decisions regarding the eligibility of transfers in an arbitrary manner.

Transfer rules lack clarity

NCAA guidelines on player eligibility far from consistent

BY BARRY SVRLUGA
The Washington Post

When Virginia Tech opens its football season Saturday at Boston College, Brock Hoffman should be starting at center for the Hokies. Instead, Hoffman will be on a couch in his family's living room in Statesville, North Carolina, watching his teammates, unable to help.

"I think Brock's doing well," said Brian Hoffman, Brock's father. "But come game time, I don't know. I think he'll be depressed. I think he'll be a great teammate and be rooting on his buddies. But think about it: Here's a 20-year-old kid thinking, 'I'm going to play,' and at the last minute, it's taken away from him."

The start of the college football season brings with it a former Georgia quarterback ready to start for Ohio State, a former Ohio State quarterback immediately eligible to play for Miami, and a multi-talented defensive back who was enrolled at Auburn last winter now able to play for North Carolina this fall.

That last one, at least, makes complete and obvious sense: Cam'Ron Kelly's mother and sister have had health issues, so he wanted to transfer closer to his Chesapeake, Virginia, home. On Wednesday, the NCAA granted him immediate eligibility.

"God is good," Kelly tweeted. The NCAA, though? It's capricious and opaque at best, impersonal and callous at worse.

Hoffman's story has found a place in the national discourse not because his eligibility to play football this fall will impact who appears in the College Football Playoff.

No, it is worthy of discussion because it's illogical and inconsistent, and it's example No. 8 Billion of the NCAA's tone-deaf handling of students who compete in inter-collegiate athletics.

From the outside, the policy that requires a student to sit out a year if he or she transfers seems



CHARLES REX ARBOGAST/AP

"You're putting them in a position that's unfair, not right."

—Jim Harbaugh, Michigan football coach on athletes on not being able to transfer and gain immediate eligibility

antiquated and silly on its own. But cases such as Hoffman's seem downright random, even cruel. They appear so simple, until the NCAA complicates them. Brock Hoffman was an offensive lineman at Coastal Carolina. He wanted to be closer to his family, who needed help. Blacksburg, Virginia, is roughly two hours from Statesville. Conway, South Carolina, is a four-hour drive.

"We kind of thought this was an open-and-shut kind of deal," Brian Hoffman said Thursday in a phone interview. "My wife had a brain tumor. If she didn't have the brain tumor removed, she would have died. Brock wanted to be closer to home so he could help us out."

The NCAA has inserted language into its transfer rules that indicated waivers could be granted if anything at the previous school "directly impact(s) the health, safety and well-being of

the student-athlete."

That premise seemed to prevail when Justin Fields transferred from Georgia, where he was unable to unseat incumbent quarterback Jake Fromm, to Ohio State, which had an opening under center after Dwayne Haskins left early for the NFL. Oh, and Fields said a Georgia baseball player yelled racial slurs at him during a Bulldogs home game last fall. The NCAA declared Fields eligible in February. See, the process can work!

You know who noticed Fields' arrival in Columbus? Tate Martell, second to Haskins on Ohio State's depth chart last fall. He decided to leave for Miami. In March, the NCAA declared him eligible to play this season for the Hurricanes. According to the Miami Herald, the reason: Martell's representatives were able to show the NCAA that Martell was no longer wanted at Ohio State.

Why are we even arguing about this stuff? In a sane and just world, Fields and Martell and Hoffman should all be able to pick a school of their choice and play if their coach feels they're ready. A tuba player in the Ohio State marching band could transfer to Miami and toot his tuba immediately. Why should a football player — or a swimmer, or a field hockey player — be different?

Michigan Coach Jim Harbaugh tried to make the argument earlier this summer that athletes should be able to transfer once and gain immediate eligibility at their new schools regardless of the circumstances. Harbaugh said, sensibly, that requiring justification could cause players who simply want to change schools to conjure up fake reasons for leaving one place for another.

"You're putting them in a position that's unfair, not right," Harbaugh said last month at Big Ten media days. "You're just saying it just to say it. ... That's not something we should be promoting at the college level. Telling the truth matters, especially at a college."

Which points back to Hoffman's case. After his sophomore season, Coastal Carolina had a coaching change. The Hoffmans could have appealed for immediate eligibility at Virginia Tech on that basis alone. Instead, they told the truth.

"We thought medical hardship the whole time," Brian Hoffman said. "That's why we were doing it. It was to be closer to home. We weren't even thinking about the coaching change."

Stephanie Hoffman underwent the first of several procedures for a non-cancerous brain tumor in January 2017 — just as Brock was enrolling early at Coastal Carolina. She had her most recent procedure in August of that year, before the Hoffmans understood the trajectory of her recovery.

Once Brock decided, in December 2018, that he would leave for Virginia Tech, the Hoffmans made his case with reams of medical documents, including one doctor's note that said Stephanie would have benefitted from having more family around. She suffered partial facial paralysis, impaired vision and loss of hear-

ing. The NCAA's response, delivered through Virginia Tech: Why, if she was so hindered by the surgeries, did she keep her job as a high school math teacher?

"The poor woman," Brian Hoffman said. "We couldn't afford for her to retire. We have all these medical bills, and she doesn't have enough years in" to get her pension.

In case the NCAA wondered whether the Hoffmans' financial constraints were real, Brian submitted documents regarding Stephanie's retirement plan and other confidential material. Why? The NCAA, in three separate cases, repeatedly moved the goal line.

"Every time, we've gotten a different reason," Brian Hoffman said.

Get this one: Had the Hoffmans lived within a 100-mile radius of Blacksburg, the waiver would have been granted. According to freemaptools.com, Statesville is 102 miles from Blacksburg as the crow flies. Brian Hoffman said the NCAA told his family they were five miles outside the acceptable distance.

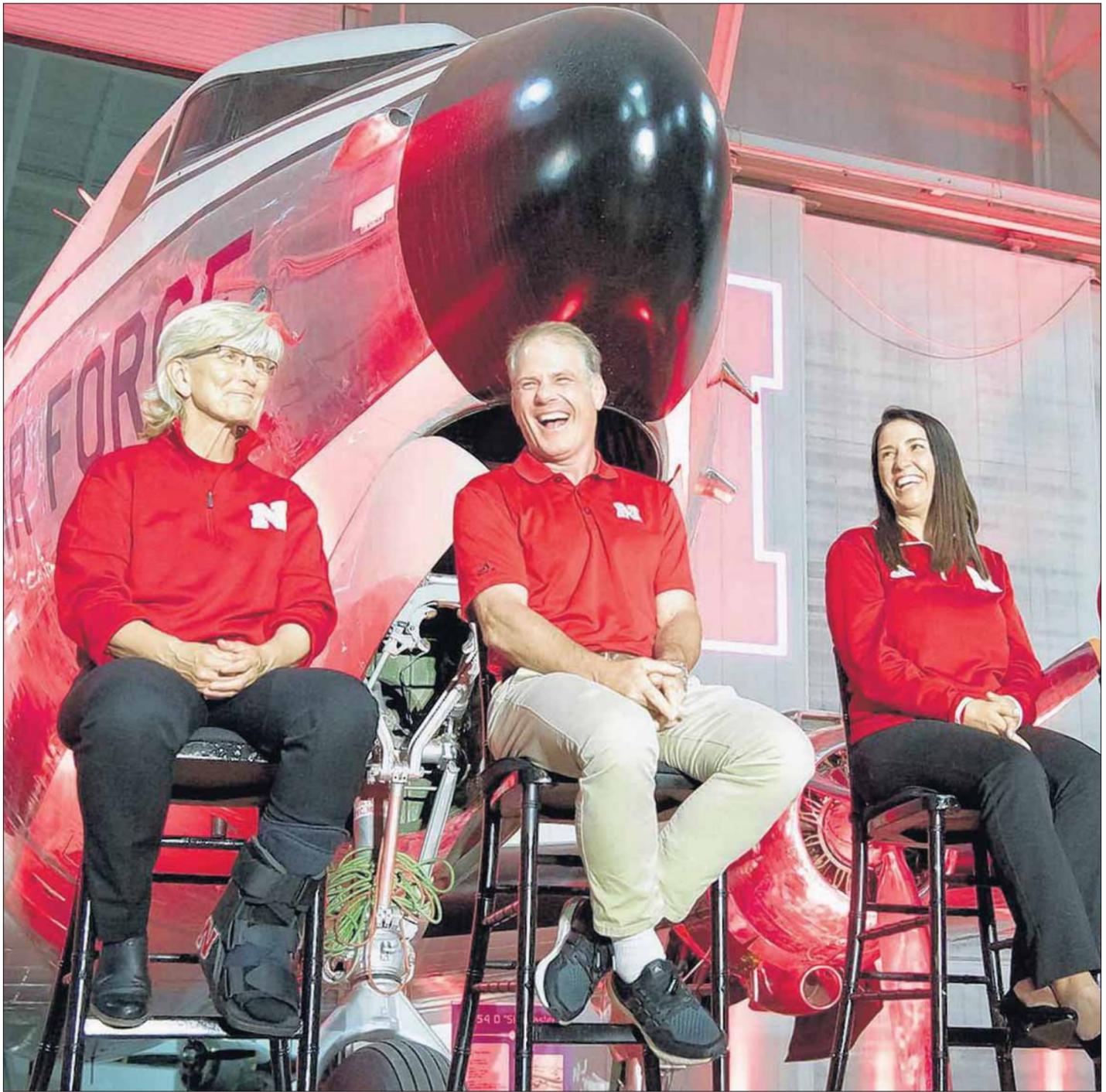
That likely wasn't the deciding factor, and the NCAA doesn't comment on specific cases.

Still, who exactly wins here? No one, of course. Hoffman can't play. The Hokies didn't know till this week. And the NCAA gets branded — again — as heartless and unwieldy, siding more with university administrators than with students and their needs.

The other day, as his team prepared for Boston College, Virginia Tech Coach Justin Fuente — who has worked closely, along with offensive line coach Vance Vice, on Hoffman's case — was addressing the Blacksburg Sports Club, the kind of thing college coaches do this time of year. An audience member asked him about athletes he admired. Michael Jordan, he said. Don Mattingly. And then...

"You know, right now, Brock Hoffman," Fuente said. He's still coming to work every day, Fuente said, even though there's nothing immediate to play for. It's a nice coda to a ridiculous, unnecessary story, the kind only the NCAA can bring you.

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Nebraska softball coach Rhonda Revelle, left, was reinstated before the school year after an investigation into what players allege was an abusive atmosphere. The players detailed what they said was a toxic culture on the team that included fat-shaming, verbal abuse, and erratic and harassing behavior by Revelle.

Voices heard? Options slim for college athletes

Complaints vs. Nebraska softball coach show limits to speaking up

BY BEN STRAUSS
The Washington Post

At the conclusion of their college softball season last May, Nebraska players brought a series of complaints to the university about their coach, Rhonda Revelle. The players detailed what they said was systematic emotional abuse and a toxic culture on the team that included fat-shaming, verbal abuse, and erratic and harassing behavior by Revelle.

In response, Revelle, 57, who has been in charge of the team for 27 years, was placed on paid administrative leave and the school conducted an internal investigation that lasted for weeks.

This last Sunday evening, on the eve of the new school year, athletic director Bill Moos gathered the team for an announcement: Revelle would be reinstated. In its news release, the school said no one affiliated with the athletic department — from administrators to coaches to players — would be available to comment further.

The series of events — both the allegations against Revelle and the school's response — has left the team reeling, according to interviews with nine people, including parents of players and seven current and former players who gave statements to the investigators. All requested anonymity out of concern they could face retaliation from the school. The team is scheduled to practice for the first time this school year Sunday, and players currently are debating whether to boycott.

The episode highlights the limited avenues available to college athletes who feel they have been mistreated by coaches.

"This solidifies why more student-athletes don't come forward, why they stay silent," one current Nebraska player said. "Who listens to us? Who are we supposed to talk to? How do we

have a voice in anything?"

In recent weeks, Nebraska players have reached out to Tim Nevius, a former NCAA investigator who now says he believes that college sports stakeholders do far too little to protect athletes. He formed a new group this year, the College Athlete Advocacy Initiative, which provides legal services and advice to college athletes.

"I think Nebraska missed an opportunity to take seriously the athletes' concerns about the program," Nevius said. "They essentially disregarded the athletes' serious complaints."

The Nebraska players attempted to utilize one route available to them in the spring. At the conclusion of each season, players fill out surveys about their experience with the team. The responses are anonymous but require identifying information, such as the player's year in school and the amount of scholarship money she receives. Softball has 13 full scholarships that are divided among a roster of approximately 20 players.

On last season's surveys, to protect their anonymity while detailing their concerns, the vast majority of players wrote they were seniors on full scholarships and then alleged they had been verbally abused and harassed by Revelle.

The allegations prompted a meeting with Moos, during which they shared additional details. They told Moos that the majority of players on the team last season had sought counseling from athletic department psychologists and that the treatment was the reason multiple players had transferred out of the program. One member of the team told Moos she had had suicidal thoughts because of the toxic climate of the team. The players told Moos they were scared to return in the fall to play for Revelle.

Afterward, Revelle was placed on paid leave, and an internal review commenced, during which players

were cautioned not to speak about the probe publicly and not to obtain their own legal representation. Outside lawyers were hired to interview players, who provided an even fuller picture. Players said Revelle asked them to report to her on each other's love lives and texted players at all hours of the day and night. In one instance, a player said Revelle texted her nearly 100 times over the course of one afternoon.

One recent former player said she suffered an injury during a game, and while lying in bed that night crying in pain, she received harassing text messages from Revelle questioning her injury. According to several players, investigators were told of another former player who was bullied into playing through a thumb injury for much of a season only to be examined by a family doctor after the season, who told her that she should have been in a cast for a month. Her family covered the medical bills out of pocket. Investigators also were told of a player who was in a serious car accident and said she was rushed straight to an away game without receiving a concussion test and later suffered headaches and post-concussion symptoms.

Asked this week about these and other specific allegations, the Nebraska athletic department responded with a statement that read: "First and foremost the well-being of our student-athletes will always be the top priority at the University of Nebraska. As previously stated, the concerns brought forward by members of our softball program were taken very seriously."

"We initiated a comprehensive review, and Coach Revelle and her staff understand the seriousness of the student-athlete concerns. As a result of the issues that were raised we have worked with Coach Revelle to address and alleviate those concerns moving forward. The University cannot comment further on a personnel matter."

An athletic department spokesperson said Revelle was aware of the specific allegations and that she declined to comment.

At the meeting at which Moos told the team Revelle was being reinstated, players asked for a copy of the investigation report. They later were told by an athletic department official that they could not see it.

"They basically said to us you got the review and they need to get back to doing their jobs," one former player said. "We're a small sport and we should be happy they even did a review. But we feel betrayed. We want our story to be told."

The school declined to answer why players were denied access to the report or whether Revelle and her representatives had seen it.

There are no NCAA rules with penalties governing coaches' behavior and player injuries, only guidelines. Between 2013 and 2016, Inside Higher Ed counted accusations of coaching abuse at 20 different colleges. In some cases, coaches face consequences. Earlier this year, North Carolina women's basketball coach Sylvia Hatchell resigned for making racially insensitive comments and forcing players to play through injuries. Three years ago, George Washington fired men's basketball coach Mike Lonergan after players complained of verbal and emotional abuse.

"I can tell you that this isn't uncommon," said Maddie Salamone, who chaired the NCAA's Student-Athlete Advisory Committee from 2013-14 when she played lacrosse at Duke University. "The truth is there is no one athletes can report to. Everybody that an athlete could trust or may rightfully trust, they still work for the university and answer to it. It creates complications and conflicts of interest because their ultimate goal is not to take care of athletes, but to protect the department and avoid scandal."

"We feel betrayed. We want our story to be told."

— Anonymous Nebraska softball player

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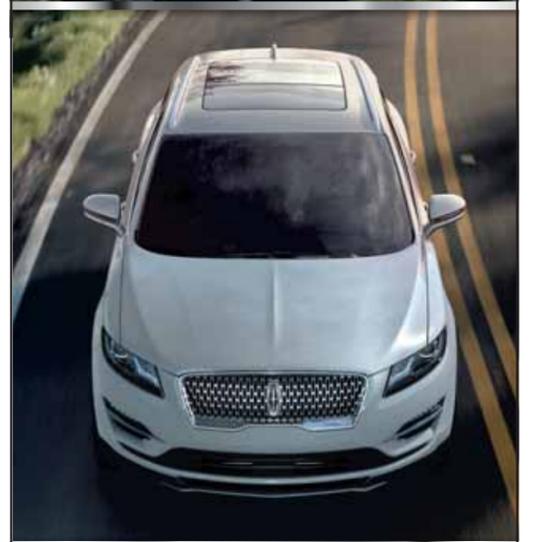


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As we enter the final weeks of summer, let's savor its warmth and the last moments of a carefree season. Knowing that autumn will soon be upon us, let's let loose with a melancholy last gasp of unbridled gratification before the onslaught of winter. The feeling that summer engenders is one that automakers attempt to capture in their best cars, an essential essence that reveals itself as you get in, hit the starter button and put it in gear.

Yet few cars possess it, particularly luxury cars. But the 2019 Rolls-Royce Dawn isn't just any car. To compare it to any consumer product, let alone other cars, is a bit unfair. For the Dawn is the result of an arcane alchemy that mixes mechanical excellence, exquisite design and a knowing eloquence that continues a treasured tradition that endures unabated over Rolls-Royce Motor Cars' 115-year history.

There is nothing else quite like it.

Once, there were many cars like this; American cars with names like Packard, Marmon, Pierce-Arrow and Duesenberg. To drive a 2019 Rolls-Royce Dawn is to appreciate how those cars felt in their time even though these cars remain snapshots in time, oblivious to the changing world. That can't be said of the 2019 Dawn despite its respect of tradition. For under the time-honored trappings resides a state-of-the-art automobile.

Using the same architecture that Rolls-Royce employs for the Ghost sedan and Wraith coupe, the Dawn drophead is your private earthbound jetliner, albeit one that's immensely powerful. Its 6.6-liter twin-turbocharged V-12 and eight-speed automatic transmission's 563 horsepower effortlessly whisks you to 60 mph in less than 5 seconds. You can still end up in a comfortable cell; top speed is 155 mph, although this is not a car for boy racers; that's not its demeanor. This is a grand tourer of the first order.

The Dawn has an ease and heft about it that lends the car an air of unflappability. Everything about this car revolves around effortlessness, so don't look for manual shift paddles on the steering column; the car is there to take care of the bother of shifting for you. The Dawn's perfectly-weighted steering initially feels light and numb, but becomes more satisfying as speed builds. Not surprisingly, the body leans in corners yet return enough grip and athleticism to take on more demanding roads.

All sorts of computer-controlled dampers and automatic ride height mechanisms deliver a deftly balanced driving experience and incredibly comfortable ride. Road shocks and noise are so effectively muffled, passengers don't notice or know of them. The Dawn's department is one that American luxury cars once provided, but no longer do now that accountants oversee car development and engineers have become blinded by adherence to harsh German driving characteristics.

It's easy to appreciate what's been lost as you pull out of your walled estate, the side-vision cameras revealing any oncoming traffic or loitering paparazzi. If there are



2019 ROLLS-ROYCE DAWN

Base price: \$346,300
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EPA fuel economy (city/highway): 12/18 mpg
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 Cargo capacity: 9.2 cubic feet
 Curb weight: 5,203 pounds

any, you can speed away as the Dawn's "Power Reserve" gauge keeps track of the car's engine power. Unlike a tachometer, which starts at 0 rpm and rises as your engine's rpms rise, this gauge starts at 100% on the right side of the dial and rotates backwards as more power is used. Consider it a tachometer in reverse. Enhancing this car's special feel is its hood ornament. Known as the Spirit of Ecstasy, it's been a crucial element since 1911 and retracts automatically when the car is shut off. But if you're flying by too quickly to show her off, your wheel hubs use ball bearings to ensure that the Rolls-Royce logos on the wheel centers are always upright and easily read.

As you'd expect, the Dawn's cabin sports supportive seats for four and are covered in buttery soft leather. The cabin's elegant book-matched wood veneer enriches the experience while also providing countless hours of Rorschach testing. And it's incredibly silent. Even the climate control is whisper quiet, without the annoying fan noise that bedevils so many other cars. This remains mostly true even when the power cloth top is lowered, something that takes a mere 22 seconds.

Of course, the Dawn has the expected infotainment and connectivity technology that thankfully can be

hidden behind a wood-veneered door. For this car is not about the real world, it's a rolling den of earthly delight. Driving is not a chore in this car, it's an experience — something that continues once you arrive at your destination, stepping out through rear-hinged doors. Maybe onlookers are watching you, but more likely they're looking at your steed, 5,100 pounds of perfectly proportioned metal, leather and action.

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- 23 Colorado ski resort
- 24 Computer, for many
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- 29 San Francisco transport
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- 36 Spanish shout
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- 43 Songbirds
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- 47 Pack animal
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- 56 Bluster
- 57 Go away
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- 60 Eczema symptom
- 61 Shoestrings
- 62 Fasten
- 63 Biblical pronoun
- 64 Warn
- 65 Firmament

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- 5 "We Had __"; Waylon Jennings hit
- 6 Long story
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- 33 Resist
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- 39 Bed coverings
- 41 Cry from the flock
- 42 Shaker contents
- 44 Detest
- 45 Least sullied
- 47 Bekins, for one
- 48 Judge's order
- 49 "Hell __ no fury like a woman scorned"
- 50 "__ upon a time..."
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