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Vaping involves inhaling an aerosol created from heated liquid.

Officials urge public to stop vaping

5 deaths, including 1 in Ind., linked to use of e-cigarettes

BY KATE THAYER

As the number of deaths related to a mystery respiratory illness linked to vaping has increased to five, state and federal public health officials warned the public Friday to refrain from vaping both nicotine and THC products, particularly those bought off the street or altered, as they continue to try to pin down the culprit.

"More information is needed to better understand a relationship between any specific products and any specific substances in those products," said Mitch Zeller, director, Center for Tobacco Products at the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. The agency is analyzing products used by hospitalized patients to try to find a common link. "Samples show a mix of results and no one substance or compound."

Since earlier this summer, public health officials throughout the country have reported a rash of otherwise healthy and relatively young patients who are struggling to breathe coming into emergency rooms and saying they have a history of vaping nicotine and/or THC-filled e-cigarette devices. Symptoms include breathing difficulty as well as vomiting, diarrhea and fever, officials said.

Five people have reportedly died, including one in Illinois. The count includes newly reported deaths in California, Indiana and Minnesota, according to the Associated Press on Friday. No other information regarding the deaths was provided by public health officials.

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STERIGENICS PLANT EMISSIONS

"We'll do everything in our power to keep the doors closed."

— House Minority Leader Jim Durkin

Willowbrook plant allowed to reopen



STACEY WESCOTT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

At the DuPage County Courthouse on Friday, Lauren Kaeseberg voices opposition to a ruling that the Sterigenics plant can reopen.

Officials, community groups push for new measures

BY MICHAEL HAWTHORNE
AND CLIFFORD WARD

Sterigenics is a step closer to reopening its sterilization plant in west suburban Willowbrook, but local officials and community groups are pushing new measures that could drive the company out of town.

Under a legal settlement approved Friday by a DuPage County judge, Sterigenics is required to limit emissions of cancer-causing ethylene oxide to just a few dozen pounds a year. The Oak Brook-

based company will not be cleared to resume operations in Willowbrook until it can show that proposed improvements to its pollution-control equipment work as intended.

Illinois Attorney General Kwame Raoul and Robert Berlin, the DuPage County state's attorney, said their deal with the company expands on a recently enacted state law targeting Sterigenics and Medline Industries in north suburban Waukegan, another firm that uses the highly toxic gas to sterilize medical

equipment.

Combined with a new state permit, the Sterigenics settlement promises dramatically cleaner air in Willowbrook and surrounding communities, state and county officials said. Annual emissions would be restricted to 85 pounds a year, down from 4,600 pounds the company released during 2017.

The settlement "gives our offices the tools to act quickly to protect the commu-

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Dorian inundates Outer Banks

Hundreds feared trapped by waning storm's floodwaters

BY JEFFREY COLLINS AND BEN FINLEY
Associated Press

ATLANTIC BEACH, N.C. — A weakened Hurricane Dorian flooded homes on North Carolina's Outer Banks on Friday with a fury that took even storm-hardened residents by surprise, forcing people to climb into their attics. Hundreds were feared trapped by high water, and neighbors used boats to rescue one another.

Medics and other rescuers rushed to Ocracoke Island — accessible only by boat or air — to reach those who defied mandatory evacuation orders along the 200-mile ribbon of low-lying islands.

"We are flooding like crazy," Ocracoke Island bookshop owner Leslie Lanier texted. "I have been here 32 years and not seen this."

Its winds down to 90 mph, Dorian howled over the Outer Banks as a far weaker storm than the brute that wreaked havoc on the Bahamas at the start of the



MARK WILSON/GETTY

Water floods Highway 12 as Hurricane Dorian hits the area on Friday in Nags Head, N.C.

week. Just when it looked as if its run up the Southeast coast was coming to a relatively quiet end, the Category 1 hurricane sent seawater surging over neighborhoods, flooding the first floors of many homes, even ones on stilts.

"There is significant concern about hundreds of people trapped on Ocracoke Island," Gov. Roy Cooper said.

Over and over, longtime residents said that they had never seen flooding so bad,

and that places in their homes that had never flooded before were inundated.

"We were all on social media laughing about how we'd done well and there was really no flooding at all, just rain, typical rain," Steve Harris, who has lived on Ocracoke Island for most of the last 19 years. And then, "the wall of water just came rushing through the island."

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CTA's biggest job in history to start in fall

\$2.1B Red-Purple Line work projected to last until 2025

BY MARY WISNIEWSKI

The CTA is waiting for permits to start major construction on its Red and Purple Line modernization project, but plans to begin the work early this fall, officials said Thursday.

In the meantime, the agency is letting Lakeview residents, local business owners and riders know what to expect before the biggest job in its history. The \$2.1 billion job will not be finished until 2025.

"It's very important to me that the community understand what we're doing," said CTA President Dorval Carter, speaking at a media briefing Thursday that took reporters on a tour of the construction area. The agency has held hundreds of community meetings and has been handing out business cards and information pamphlets to make sure people know what's coming, Carter said.

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Tom Skilling's forecast



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On Saturday, workers plan to reopen the ramp to Ida B. Wells Drive, where the exit sign on Friday still identified the street by its former name, Congress Parkway.

2 ramps on the Jane Byrne Interchange ready to reopen

BY MARY WISNIEWSKI

A little relief on the long-running Jane Byrne Interchange construction project is scheduled for this weekend, with two ramps reopening and a third gaining a second lane, according to state officials.

By 8 a.m. Saturday, weather permitting, workers will reopen the ramp from the inbound Dan Ryan Expressway, or Interstate 90/94, to inbound Ida B. Wells Drive.

The second lane of the inbound Dan Ryan “flyover” ramp to the outbound Eisenhower Expressway, or Interstate 290, also will open to traffic, along with the reopening of the Morgan Street exit ramp, according to the Illinois Department of Transportation.

To get the ramps reopened, the flyover will be closed to all traffic Saturday between midnight and 8 a.m.

Outbound Ida B. Wells will temporarily close, weather permitting, from

11 p.m. Monday to 5 a.m. Tuesday. A ramp from the Kennedy to the outbound Eisenhower also will be closed during that time.

Detours will be posted, and IDOT warns drivers that they will see significant overnight delays. The department urges motorists to watch for workers.

IDOT also said the westbound Eisenhower will be fully open to traffic as of 5 a.m. Tuesday. Construction began on the westbound Ike in October 2017.

“While construction remains ongoing, Gov. (J.B.) Pritzker has made it clear completing this project without further delay is a priority and the department looks forward to unveiling a fully reconstructed Jane Byrne Interchange as quickly as possible,” said acting Illinois Transportation Secretary Omer Osman, in a statement Friday.

The reconstruction of the interchange is expected to be completed in 2022 at a cost of \$713 million. The project started in late 2013

and is taking 3½ years longer than expected due to delays caused by utility rerouting and other complications.

Major work on the ramps due to reopen this weekend had long been finished, but the state had to wait to reopen them because other projects needed to be completed first, IDOT said.

For example, reconstruction of the Morgan Street bridge was finished in fall 2014, but the exit ramp had remained closed due to other work within the interchange, IDOT said.

More pain is coming, as additional ramp closures are planned for next spring when the project shifts into a new phase — rebuilding ramps connecting the Kennedy, Dan Ryan and Eisenhower expressways, as well as Ida B. Wells, IDOT said.

The Jane Byrne Interchange carries about 400,000 motorists daily.

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nity and hold Sterigenics accountable for any future violations of Illinois’ new ethylene oxide restrictions or other state environmental laws,” Raoul and Berlin said in a statement.

Once the improvements are made, state and county lawyers wrote in court documents, the risk of developing cancer from breathing the facility’s pollution will be reduced to about one case for every million people exposed during their lifetimes — the federal government’s most protective standard.

Sterigenics agreed to settle after losing a bid to move the case to federal court and an attempt to throw out a state order that shut the facility down in February.

Company officials, who have repeatedly denied the Willowbrook facility endangered its neighbors, welcomed the settlement and dropped their lawsuit against the state.

“It’s important to remember what Sterigenics does — Sterigenics saves lives,” Gerard Kelley, one of the company’s attorneys, told Judge Paul Fullerton.

Local officials and the Stop Sterigenics community group contend the legal settlement and state law aren’t tough enough.

Less than two months after calling the bipartisan law the toughest in the nation, one of its authors, House Minority Leader Jim Durkin, introduced another measure Friday that would allow local officials throughout Illinois to ban the use of ethylene oxide in their communities.

“We’ll do everything in our power to keep the doors closed,” Durkin said about Sterigenics after the court hearing, flanked by two other local Republicans, state Sen. John Curran and state Rep. Deanne Mazzochi.

The public clamor for more action is so intense that the mayors of Burr Ridge, Darien, Hinsdale and Willowbrook are mulling plans to seize the Sterigenics buildings through eminent domain and pay the company fair market value for the properties. Such authority normally is reserved for clearing land for roads or hospitals.

Those actions are motivated in part by months of protests by residents who are frightened and angry after learning their communities have been exposed to ethylene oxide for



STACEY WESCOTT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Lauren Kaeseberg, left, and Margie Donnell, co-founders of Stop Sterigenics, speak outside the DuPage County Courthouse in Wheaton on Friday.

decades.

Sterigenics first came to public attention after an August 2018 report from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency listed surrounding neighborhoods among just a few dozen nationwide facing cancer risks from toxic air pollution that exceed the agency’s guidelines.

Nearly all of the risk is from exposure to ethylene oxide, which has been on the federal list of carcinogens since 1985. More recent research shows the chemical is far more dangerous than previously thought, and in 2016 the EPA concluded that exposure to even small concentrations can cause breast cancer, leukemia and lymphomas.

Annual emissions from the Willowbrook facility generally have declined during the past 25 years, company records show. But it legally released more than 254,000 pounds of ethylene oxide into surrounding neighborhoods between 1993 and 2017.

Former Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner, who co-founded a private equity firm that took over Sterigenics in 2011, initially downplayed the risks. Months of bipartisan political pressure prompted the U.S. EPA to install monitoring equipment, and the results led the state’s new governor, Democrat J.B. Pritzker, to shut down the facility shortly after taking office.

In May, federal officials revealed that emissions from Sterigenics continued to endanger neighbors after the Rauner administration had approved the company’s plans for additional pollution-control equipment last summer.

Pollution from the facility increased the risk of developing cancer for people living as far as 25 miles away from Willowbrook, federal officials told residents at a public forum in Burr Ridge. The biggest risks were in six suburbs — Willowbrook, Darien, Burr

Ridge, Hinsdale, Indian Head Park and Western Springs — with the risk declining steadily the farther away a neighborhood was from the facility, the officials said.

The response from elected officials reflects the tenacity of community organizers and the changing political landscape in DuPage County. Once a dependable base of power for Republicans in Illinois, the county has trended more toward Democrats in recent national elections. Hillary Clinton won nearly 54% of the DuPage vote in 2016, compared with 39% for Donald Trump; Pritzker bested Rauner last year 48% to 46%.

During his campaign, Pritzker cut a television commercial highlighting the incumbent’s ties to Sterigenics. Democrats also made the company an issue in local races for Congress and the state legislature.

On Friday, Pritzker stopped short of calling for a special session of the legislature to consider Durkin’s new bill — something the governor pledged to do in July. Lawmakers return to Springfield on Oct. 28 for their fall veto session.

“The governor is pleased that Leader Durkin and his colleagues are proposing a solution to strengthen their original legislation,” Emily Bittner, a Pritzker spokeswoman, said in an email. “He looks forward to immediately reviewing the measure, and he will support it unless there are constitutional concerns.”

The company still faces dozens of lawsuits filed on behalf of its neighbors — and resistance from others in the community.

“We will not stop until the sign’s off the building and we see them out of our community,” Lauren Kaeseberg, a member of the Stop Sterigenics group, said after the court hearing.

Michael Hawthorne is a Tribune reporter, and Clifford Ward is a freelancer.

Thieves smash windows of Near West Side restaurant, steal ATM and flee

BY ELVIA MALAGÓN

At least two men smashed through the glass doors of a Near West Side restaurant and took off with an ATM, according to Chicago police.

The thieves broke into the restaurant in the 2300 block of West Taylor Street in the Tri-Taylor neighborhood just before 3:30 a.m., police said. Other people were seen outside the busi-

ness, which was closed at the time. Police aren’t sure how many people were involved.

The men were last seen heading west in a gray Toyota Prius and a black Jeep, police said. Officers had not made any arrests in the case as of Friday morning.

It’s not the first time someone has stolen an ATM from a business. There have been other instances of people stealing similar mach-

ines across the city, said Sally Bown, a spokesperson for the Police Department. Police last month sent out an alert warning of at least 10 similar ATM thefts from businesses dating to early July on the South, Southwest and West sides.

“They are literally taking the entire machine,” Bown said.

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Relatives of several teens charged with murder pray Thursday in the Lake County Courthouse after their hearing.

'Lake County Five' hearings postponed

Murder charges may be revised after investigation

BY JIM NEWTON AND FRANK ABDERHOLDEN

Preliminary hearings for five defendants charged with murder in a controversial Old Mill Creek shooting that left a 14-year-old dead were postponed Thursday for two weeks as officials raised the possibility the charges could be revised once the investigation is complete.

The group of teens, dubbed the "Lake County Five" by some activist groups, is now scheduled to appear for preliminary hearings Sept. 19, after Lake County Associate Judge Paul Novak granted Thursday's continuance by agreement of both prosecutors and defense attorneys.

Prosecutors requested the delay, stating that the investigation into the shooting isn't complete, and that the state had contacted defense attorneys prior to Thursday's court appearance to reach the consensus on a continuation.

Assistant Lake County State's Attorney Steve Scheller said investigators were still reviewing "hundreds of pages" of police reports from several police jurisdictions as well as other evidence.

"We're looking at everything before making a final charging decision," Scheller said in court Thursday afternoon.

According to the state's attorney's office, all felony cases are subject to a revision of initial charges before formal charges are finalized, and sometimes the charges are upgraded or downgraded based on additional evidence from the investigation.

In a statement released shortly after the continuance, Lake County State's Attorney Michael Nerheim said his office "will continue to evaluate this case and work towards a resolution that is fair to all parties involved, while also fulfilling our obligation to keep our community safe."

"In doing so, I will consider the facts, circumstances, any mitigating factors, and the ages of the offenders," Nerheim added in the statement.

The five defendants were charged with murder in the shooting of one of their friends by an Old Mill Creek homeowner, who told police he discovered



Chloe Pollion of Chicago, mother of Kendrick Cooper, one of several teens charged with murder in last month's shooting in Old Mill Creek, holds a poster with photos of some of the teens during a brief news conference after a court proceeding on Thursday.

the group in his driveway near one of his cars in the early morning hours of Aug. 13.

According to authorities, the homeowner said when a member of the group began moving toward him with something in his hand, he fired his gun. One shot struck 14-year-old Ja'quan Swopes in the head, killing him.

Authorities said a knife was found on the driveway in the area in which the homeowner said the teens were. The defendants are Stacy Davis, 17; Steven Davis, 17; Curtis Dawson, 16; Kendrick Cooper, 17, and Diamond Davis, 18, according to the Lake County Circuit Clerk's Office. All are from Chicago.

Pastor Marshall Hatch of the New Mount Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church of Chicago held hands and prayed with the family members in the lobby of the Lake County courthouse tower following Thursday's hearing.

"The 14-year-old was killed — it's already a tragedy, and what they shouldn't do is turn this into a travesty of justice," Hatch said. "It's obviously overcharged. Everybody knows it's overreach on the part of the Lake County state's attorney."

In an initial bond court hearing soon after their arrests, bail for each defendant was set at \$1 million. Officials said the four younger teens are being held in juvenile detention in Vernon Township rather than in the Lake County jail.

According to the Lake County Sheriff's Office, an investigation found the six teenagers traveled to Old Mill Creek in a stolen Lexus to commit a burglary. The homeowner went

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— Pastor Marshall Hatch

outside to see why there were people near his parked 2011 Audi and yelled at the individuals to leave, but at least one moved toward him with an unknown object in his hand, officials said in a release.

The group fled the home with the fatally wounded teen after he was shot, and dropped Swopes and another one of defendants off at a Gurnee accident scene, where medical help was sought for the injured teen.

The remaining teens immediately left the accident scene, and the incident eventually culminated in a high-speed chase involving the remaining defendants and police from Lake County to Chicago, where they were apprehended when the car they were driving ran out of gas, authorities said.

The state's attorney's office decision to charge the teens with the felony murder of one of their group shot by someone else has sparked an angry backlash from activists and advocacy groups, who have taken to calling the group of teens the Lake County Five.

Those activists planned a prayer vigil outside the courthouse for Thursday with people planning to

gather at noon.

The scene at noon was quiet, however, with the exception of Courtside Ministries, which regularly occupies the corner of Washington and County streets on Wednesdays. But the participants came back Thursday with additional ministers for the Lake County Five court hearing, offering to pray or talk with anyone who felt compelled to do so.

"We're not here to preach — just have a conversation with people," said Matt Kearney, founder of Transform Nation ministry.

"That's why we're here today, for the families and the Lake County Five," he said. "We just want to be here for them, pray for them and be someone they can talk to or be counseled if they want."

At one point, several ministers, including some who attended a community meeting Wednesday night related to the case, prayed in a circle just before the court hearing was scheduled to start.

"Our hearts break for everyone in this case. We just want justice to be done, and whatever it is, we want it to be fair," Kearney said. "We pray for the family, the first-responders and the man who shot the young man and hope it brings healing into his life."

While only a few people were present at noon, the vigil grew a bit after the hearing postponement was over and family members of the victim and the defendants joined in prayer.

Illinois law allows authorities to charge suspects with murder if someone dies during the commission of another serious crime.

Nerheim has said that the forcible felony laws in Illinois are similar to others across the country and have been upheld by courts nationwide.

According to a sheriff's office release, the teens were charged with murder during the commission of a forcible felony because, when the 14-year-old was shot and subsequently died, the group was in "the commission of a burglary."

Hatch said Thursday that the larger issue is that it can't be legal to shoot someone to protect property.

"Our hearts go out to the family, and our hearts go out to the family that lives at that address," he said. "Some of us want to make sure some light is shown on this case."

Mom speaks out as ex-teacher gets probation

'We were all devastated' after news of bathroom recordings in elementary school

BY MEGAN CREPEAU

A former Chicago Public Schools teacher leaned forward with his face in his hands Friday as the mother of a boy on the autism spectrum took the witness stand at the Leighton Criminal Court Building.

Elliott Nott had just pleaded guilty to planting a camera in a bathroom at a Near North Side elementary school and video-recording more than 20 teachers and staffers as well as the boy, then 8.

In a wavering voice, the mother, identified only by her initials E.R. because of the sensitivity of the case, told Judge Dennis Porter that her son had screamed and cried for months after learning he could have been watched "at his most private moment."

She testified how she was often called to come pick him up at Ogden International School at 24 W. Walton St. because he refused to use the bathroom, usually reserved for faculty and staff but open to the boy because of his special needs.

Ultimately, the family left the city altogether, she said. "We were all devastated that someone with constant involvement with our children had done this repulsive act," the mother said.

The judge went along with the recommendation of Cook County prosecutors and sentenced Nott, 44, to two years of probation.

"Especially if there's a repetition of this kind of behavior, I know as much as you've suffered now ... I assure you, it can get much worse," Porter warned.

Prosecutors said Friday that Nott, who taught music and coached track at the school, affixed a camera to the bottom of a sink that faced toward a toilet. A teacher noticed it in September 2016, Assistant State's Attorney Holly Grosshans said. The boy was the only minor captured on Nott's recordings, she said.

In a plea deal with Nott, prosecutors dropped the most serious count of child pornography against him. He pleaded guilty to 26 counts of making unauthorized video recordings — a charge that won't require him to register as a sex offender.

During his two years on probation, Nott will be assigned to a sex offenders program intended to provide intense supervision by specially trained staff.

In addition, his license to teach has been revoked, but it was unclear if that would

be limited to the two-year probation period.

Before the judge imposed the sentence, Nott apologized to the victims and their families as well as his former colleagues.

"I wish I could make amends, but I know I can't," he said.

Nott's attorney, Gigi Gilbert, told the judge that her client has already suffered immensely in the three years since the camera was discovered, saying

the "shame" of the allegations "has basically devastated his life." He lost his job, wiped out his family's savings and faces lawsuits, she said.

"He's a giving person. He's a family man. He's committed to his

family and he works hard. He volunteers," Gilbert said. "This behavior is completely, completely, completely out of character."

The attorney said Nott has sought treatment for what she described as an "addiction" to voyeurism.

"He's not a pedophile," she said.

While prosecutors said in court Friday that Nott had no felony convictions in his background, the Chicago Tribune reported shortly after his arrest in 2016 that he had two lesser convictions on his record. Court records from New Hampshire and Illinois showed that Nott was convicted of a prowling charge while he was a college track coach on the East Coast and of a misdemeanor years earlier in a downstate window peeping case.

CPS vowed at the time to re-examine its policies on conducting background checks of new hires, but two years later, the Chicago Tribune's "Betrayed" investigative series found that ineffective background checks had for years exposed students to educators with criminal convictions and arrests for sex crimes against children. CPS also failed to disclose to other school districts that past employees had resigned after investigators found credible evidence of abuse and harassment.

In the meantime, E.R. and her family have moved to the suburbs, she told the judge Friday.

Her son still refuses to use a public bathroom anywhere but his new school, she said. "He still brings up, 'Why did my teacher record me using the bathroom? Isn't that disgusting?'" she said.

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Man in coma after being hit with a bowling ball

BY LIAM FORD

Cicero police say they have identified an attacker who they believe critically injured a man by hitting him in the head with a thrown bowling ball during a fight this week.

The 28-year-old man was in a medically induced coma at Loyola University Medical Center Friday, after suffering severe head trauma in the attack Wednesday evening at Town Hall Bowl, 5025 W. 25th St., according to Cicero spokesman Ray Hanania.

The attack took place after a brawl started among people who were bowling Wednesday night, Cicero town spokesman Ray Hanania said in a news release. The attacker threw the bowling ball at the man,

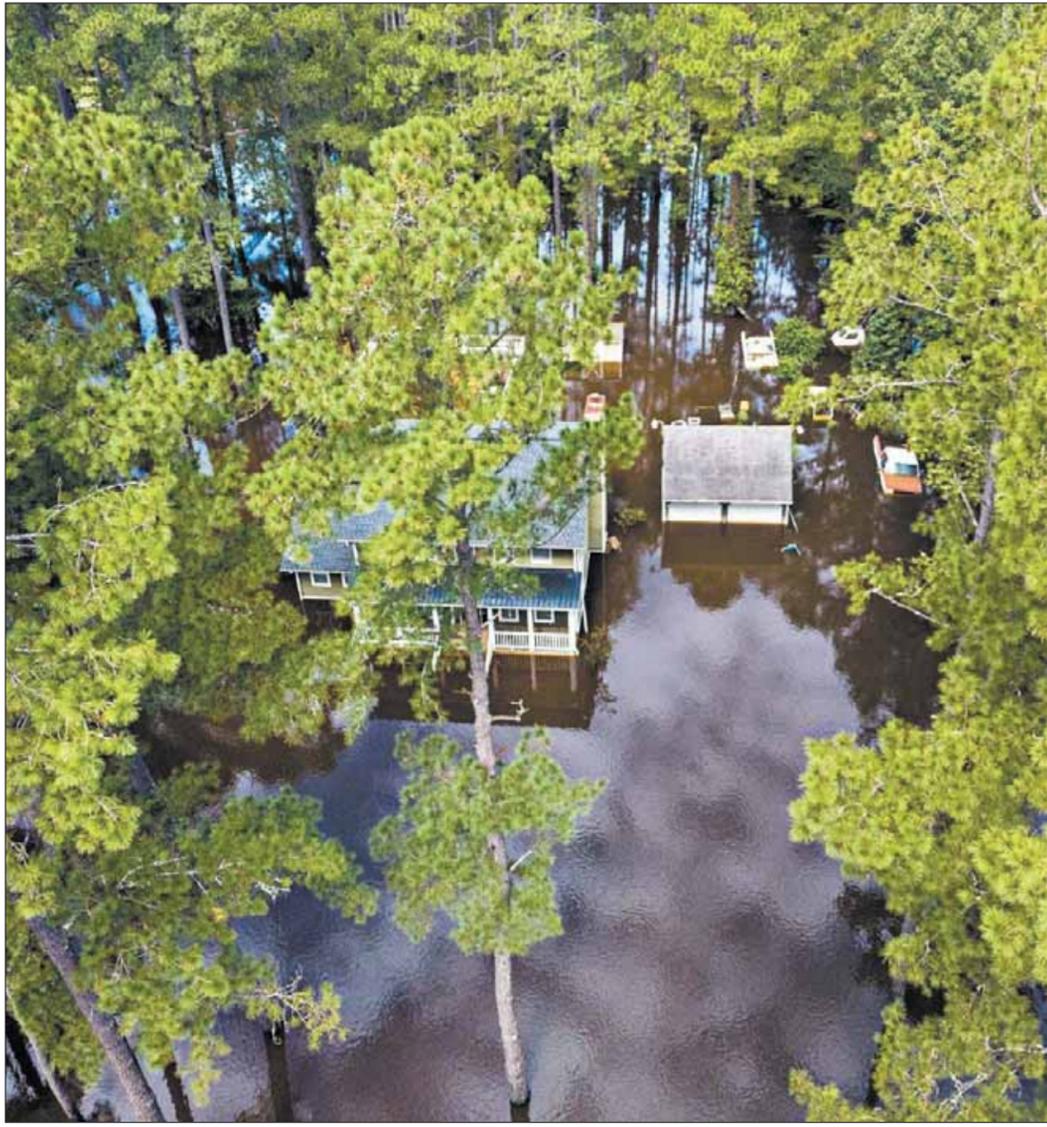
police said in an alert. The attacker was seen in a social media post, hitting the 28-year-old in the head with the ball, Hanania said.

After the attack, the man fled the scene as patrons at the bowling alley scattered, and a patron flagged down police after workers at the bowling alley failed to call authorities, Hanania said.

Cicero police posted a photo of the man on the agency's Facebook page and on Twitter and said Friday morning that they had identified him. Hanania said in an email that he didn't have information on the suspect's status Friday afternoon.

Anyone with information about the attack was asked to call Cicero police at 708-652-2130.

Associated Press contributed.



JASON LEE/AP

A home on Long Avenue Extension at Grier Swamp was surrounded by water Friday.

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"It just started looking like a bathtub, very quickly," said Harris, who was safe in his third-floor condo. "We went from almost no water to 4 to 6 feet in a matter of minutes."

The Coast Guard began landing local law enforcement officers on the island via helicopter and airlifting out the sick, the elderly or others in distress, Hyde County authorities said. National Guard helicopters

also flew supplies and a rescue team in. Residents were told to get to the highest point in their homes in the meantime.

"Several people were rescued from their upper floors or attics by boat by good Samaritans," Ocracoke Island restaurant owner Jason Wells said in a text message.

In Buxton on Hatteras Island, close to where Dorian blew ashore, Radio Hatteras volunteer Mary Helen Goodloe-Murphy said that people were calling in to report that "houses are shaking like crazy" and that

"It just started looking like a bathtub, very quickly. We went from almost no water to 4 to 6 feet in a matter of minutes."

— Steve Harris, Ocracoke Island resident

"it's never been like this before."

By evening, the governor said that officials were aware of no serious injuries on the Outer Banks from the storm.

One 79-year-old man was airlifted from Ocracoke Is-

land because of a pre-existing condition, authorities said.

"The hurricane has left behind destruction where storm surge inundated Ocracoke Island," Cooper, the governor, said. "Currently the island has no electricity and many homes and buildings are still underwater."

Around midmorning, the eye of the storm came ashore at Cape Hatteras, Dorian's first landfall in the continental U.S. after a week and a half in which it spread fear up and down the coast and kept people guessing as to where it would go.

By late afternoon, Dorian had peeled off the coastline and was finally making its exit out to sea. It is expected to remain a hurricane as it sweeps up the Eastern Seaboard through Saturday, veering far enough offshore that its hurricane-force winds are unlikely to pose any threat to land in the United States.

Power outages had dropped by about one-third, to around 213,000 in the Carolinas and Virginia.

At least four deaths in the Southeast were blamed on Dorian. All were men in Florida or North Carolina who died in falls or by electrocution while trimming trees, putting up storm shutters or otherwise getting ready for the hurricane.

As Dorian closed in, more than a quarter-million residents and visitors were ordered to evacuate the Outer Banks, which stick out from the Eastern Seaboard like the side-view mirror on a car. But many just tied down their boats, removed objects from their yards that could blow away, and hunkered down.

Dorian slammed the Bahamas at the start of the week with 185 mph winds, killing at least 30 people and obliterating countless homes. From there, it swept past Florida and Georgia, then sideswiped the Carolinas on Thursday, spinning off tornadoes that peeled away roofs and flipped recreational vehicles.

Still, the damage was far less than feared in many parts of the Carolinas, including historic Charleston, South Carolina, which is prone to flooding even from ordinary storms, and Wilmington, North Carolina, the state's biggest coastal city.

Joseph Pawlick went out Friday morning to rake leaves, twigs and other debris from the sidewalk outside his Wilmington home.

"I slept like a baby last night. This, thankfully, was not bad," he said.

Vaping

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As many as 450 people have been hospitalized across the country, including dozens in Illinois, officials said Friday. Illinois and Wisconsin have the highest number of cases, and the states' public health departments published a report Friday in the New England Journal of Medicine outlining the first 53 cases, which date back to April — earlier than previously suspected.

Of the cases detailed in the report, most were men, and the patients had a median age of 19, said Dr. Jennifer Layden, chief medical officer and state epidemiologist at the Illinois Department of Public Health. All of the patients reported using e-cigarette devices, and a majority reported vaping THC, but many also used nicotine, she said.

While investigators reported a common ingredient in THC oil that patients across the country have vaped — a chemical in vitamin E — public health officials said Friday that it's still unclear the chemical is the source of the illness, and that it was not found in all products tested by the FDA.

Vaping has grown increasingly popular among young people in recent years and involves inhaling an aerosol created from heated liquid that often contains nicotine or THC — the compound in marijuana that produces a high. While tobacco use among youth has plummeted, vaping is on the

rise, causing concern among doctors and school officials. Physicians have warned parents and teens about the ingredients found in e-cigarettes, including chemicals like propylene glycol and glycerin, along with nicotine and its addictive properties. Medical experts say lungs are vessels for air, not chemicals.

Public health officials are also concerned about devices used for vaping THC oil that are bought off the street and about devices that have been altered. While the vaping industry has pointed to the black market as the source of the lung illness, public officials said they aren't sure that's the case. During a call with reporters on Friday, public officials cautioned against using altered e-cigarettes bought off the street.

"If you're thinking of purchasing one of these products of the street, out of the back of a trunk or in an alley ... think twice," Zeller said.

CDC officials also said e-cigarettes should never be used by young people, pregnant women, or adults who do not currently use tobacco products, and also suggested people consider other smoking cessation methods instead.

For more information on the ongoing investigation into the illnesses, visit the CDC website. And to report any health or product issues with e-cigarettes to the FDA, visit the online Safety Reporting Portal.

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A CTA Red Line train pulls into the Belmont Station. The first part of the project will involve a bypass.

Project

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The first part of the project will involve digging 70-foot-deep holes to prepare for new track foundations for the Red-Purple bypass, which will carry northbound Brown Line trains over Red and Purple Line tracks north of the busy Belmont station. The bypass will replace a 112-year-old rail junction that carries about 150,000 riders every weekday.

The bypass is the best-known and most controversial part of the project, since it will mean a tall bridge over the current tracks and a change to the Lakeview skyline.

But also crucially important to CTA traffic flow is the rebuilding of the Red and Purple Line bridge that runs beneath the planned bypass, said Chris Bushell, the CTA's senior vice president for infrastructure. Right now, both the northbound Brown Line tracks and the Red and Purple Line tracks just north of Belmont curve back and forth, like the letter "S." Riders on the lines can feel the slow-moving trains jerk around on the curves that frequently need maintenance.

The reconstruction work will straighten the tracks.

Riders curious about what is being fixed can go to the north end of the Belmont station platform to see the tangle of tracks and switches, the red lights that stop Red and Purple Line trains and the swiveling track formation.

The new bypass will be built just east of the current northbound Brown Line track, and will be about the height of a four-story building.

Both the bypass and the new Red-Purple bridge will have a closed, concrete base instead of an

open track bed, which will mean the "L" will be a lot quieter, Bushell said. "Now it's so noisy when you're underneath it, you can't hear yourself think," he said.

Making the changes will allow the CTA to run trains more frequently on the Red Line, because the trains won't have to slow down as much on curves and Red and Purple Line trains won't have to stop to let the Brown Line trains through, Bushell said.

"It's not just a North Side issue..." Bushell said. "It will improve capacity throughout the whole system."

Service will continue on all lines during construction, though Red and Purple Line service will sometimes have to be reduced from four tracks to two between Belmont and Newport Avenue, CTA officials said.

Carter recalled that Bushell first came to him to talk about the need for the project back in 2007, so it has been discussed by the agency for a long time. The CTA is paying for it through a combination of federal funds and tax-increment financing.

Construction of the bypass and track realignment and reconstruction will take place between this fall and the winter of 2024. Reconstruction of the Red Line stations at Lawrence, Argyle, Berwyn and Bryn Mawr, along with the rebuilding of six miles of track, viaducts and other structures between the stations, will begin in late 2020 and continue through spring of 2024.

The CTA also will put in a new signal system along the corridor to allow for more trains and more reliable service, the agency said. That work will start in early 2021, and continue through early 2025, the CTA said.

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Opposition refuses to budge in Brexit chaos

British PM vows to push again for general election

BY JILL LAWLESS
Associated Press

LONDON — Britain's Brexit dilemma intensified Friday, as opposition parties refused to support Prime Minister Boris Johnson's call for an election until he secures a delay to Britain's exit from the European Union — something he vows he'll never do.

Johnson insists Britain must leave the EU in 55 days, and says an election is the only way to break the deadlock that has seen lawmakers repeatedly reject the divorce deal on offer, but also block attempts to leave the EU without one.

He wants to go to the public Oct. 15, two weeks before the scheduled Brexit day of Oct. 31, but needs the support of two-thirds of lawmakers to trigger a snap election.

Johnson lost a vote on the same question this week, but he plans to try again Monday.

After discussions Friday, lawmakers from several opposition parties said they would not back an election unless the government asked the EU to postpone Brexit, removing the risk the United Kingdom could crash out without a deal.

Johnson says he would "rather be dead in a ditch" than delay Brexit.

Parliament is trying to force his hand, passing an opposition-backed law that would compel Johnson's Conservative government to seek a three-month Brexit postponement if no divorce deal is agreed by Oct. 19.



British Prime Minister Boris Johnson strolls around a farm Friday in Scotland, where he campaigned. He vowed to steer Britain out of the EU and lead the country forward.

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The legislation was approved Friday by the unelected House of Lords, after gaining backing from the elected House of Commons earlier this week. It will become law within days once it gets the formality of royal assent.

But pro-EU lawmakers want to hold off on triggering an election until the Brexit delay has actually been secured, fearing Johnson will try to wriggle out of the commitment.

"I do not trust the prime minister to do his duty," said Liz Saville Roberts, leader in Parliament of the Welsh

party Plaid Cymru.

She said lawmakers needed to be sitting in Parliament in late October, rather than on the election campaign trail, to ensure Britain does not crash out of the EU. That makes an election before November unlikely.

"We need to make sure that we get past the 31st of October," she said.

Blocking an election is a risky strategy for the opposition, which could be accused of denying the public its say.

The Conservative Party on Friday tweeted a

mocked-up image of Labour Party leader Jeremy Corbyn in a chicken suit, and Johnson said he had "never known an opposition in the history of democracy that's refused to have an election."

Scottish National Party leader Nicola Sturgeon tweeted: "An early general election is now a question of 'when' not 'if' — but Johnson mustn't be allowed to dictate the timing as a device to avoid scrutiny and force through a 'no deal' Brexit."

Johnson's options are unclear if he loses Monday's

vote. He could call a no-confidence vote in his own government, which would only need a simple majority to pass. He could try to change the law that governs how elections can be triggered. He could even resign.

In short, it's a mess.

Johnson became prime minister in July after promising Conservatives that he would complete Brexit and break the impasse that has paralyzed Britain's politics since voters decided in June 2016 to leave the bloc and which brought down his predecessor, Theresa May. After only six weeks in

office, however, his plans are in crisis. The EU refuses to renegotiate the deal it struck with May, which has been rejected three times by Britain's Parliament.

Johnson's push to leave the EU at the end of next month, come what may, is facing opposition in the courts as well as in Parliament.

Most economists say a no-deal Brexit would cause severe economic disruption and plunge the U.K. into recession.

Johnson enraged his opponents by announcing he would suspend Parliament at some point next week until Oct. 14, leaving just over two weeks to the deadline. Critics accused him of subverting democracy and carrying out a "coup."

Transparency campaigner Gina Miller took the government to court, arguing the suspension was an "unlawful abuse of power."

On Friday, a panel of three High Court judges ruled against her, but said the case can be appealed to the Supreme Court, which has set a hearing for Sept. 17.

Outside court, Miller said she was disappointed with the ruling but would not give up.

"We need to protect our institutions," she said. "It is not right that they should be shut down or bullied, especially at this momentous time in our history."

Johnson insists he wants to secure a divorce deal, and his chief Brexit negotiator, David Frost, was in Brussels on Friday for talks with EU officials.

But the bloc says Britain has made no concrete proposals for changes to May's rejected deal.

NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

Pentagon identifies soldier killed in Kabul car bombing

WASHINGTON — The Pentagon said Friday that Army Sgt. 1st Class Elis A. Barreto Ortiz, 34, from Morovis, Puerto Rico, was killed in action Thursday when a car bomb detonated near his vehicle in Kabul, Afghanistan.

Ortiz was assigned to the 82nd Brigade Support Battalion, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division in Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

He was the fourth U.S. service member killed in

the past two weeks in Afghanistan.

Meanwhile, with insurgent violence on the rise and U.S.-Taliban peace talks at a critical moment, Afghan President Ashraf Ghani is planning to travel to Washington in the next week to meet with U.S. officials, an aide to a senior official in Ghani's administration confirmed Friday. The trip was planned for Saturday but has now been delayed by several days, the aide said.

Judge reduces the sentences of 3 contractors in Iraq massacre

WASHINGTON — A federal judge on Thursday greatly reduced the sentences of three former Blackwater security contractors in a complex case dating back to 2007.

U.S. District Judge Royce Lamberth sentenced Paul Slough to 15 years in prison, Evan Liberty to 14 years and Dustin Heard to 12 years and seven months. All three had received 30-year terms in a 2015 trial. A

fourth defendant in the same trial, Nicholas Slaten, was sentenced to life in prison.

The case stems from a chaotic 2007 incident when the men's Blackwater unit opened fire at a Baghdad traffic circle, killing 14 unarmed Iraqis and wounding 17.

The men all essentially blamed the fog of war, claiming they mistakenly believed they were under attack.

India loses touch with lander on its final approach to moon

NEW DELHI — India's space agency said it lost touch Saturday with its Vikram lunar lander as it made its final approach to the south pole of the moon to deploy a rover to search for signs of water.

The fate of the lander — whether it crashed or landed — wasn't immediately known.

The agency said the spacecraft's descent was normal until about 1 mile from the lunar surface.

A successful landing would have made India just the fourth country to land a vessel on the lunar surface, and only the third nation to operate a robotic rover there.

The roughly \$140 million mission, known as Chandrayaan-2, was intended to study permanently shadowed moon craters thought to contain water deposits that were confirmed by the Chandrayaan-1 mission in 2008.



An Italian squadron trails smoke that shows why it is known as the Freccia Tricolori during a performance at the Airpower 2019 airshow Friday in Zeltweg, Austria.

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Sheriff: Dive boat fire victims killed by smoke, not flames

SANTA BARBARA, Calif. — Dozens of people trapped on a scuba diving boat that caught fire off the Southern California coast appear to have died from smoke inhalation, not burns, authorities said Friday.

"The indicators are from the preliminary examination of the bodies that the victims died prior to being burned," Santa Barbara County Sheriff Bill Brown said. "The burn damage to the victims was post-mortem."

More than half the 34 people killed as they slept in bunks below deck early

Monday have been positively identified through DNA, and their family members around the world are being notified, Brown told reporters.

Divers are searching for the one body that still has not been found.

Five crew members jumped overboard after trying to rescue the 33 scuba divers and one crew member whose escape routes were blocked by fire, federal authorities and the boat's owner said. The crew, including the captain, said they were driven back by flames, smoke and heat.

Multiple investigations

into the disaster are focused on determining what happened and have not become a criminal probe, though Brown said charges are possible.

Gathering DNA to identify remains burned beyond recognition has taken an extraordinary effort.

The remains of 18 people have been positively identified, and the sheriff released the names of nine whose families have been notified.

A salvage crew working with the Coast Guard was trying to recover the ship that sank in 60 feet of water.

Prosecutors appeal acquittal of rape victim

SAN SALVADOR, El Salvador — Federal prosecutors in El Salvador have appealed the acquittal of a young woman who was accused of homicide after having a miscarriage.

Last month, a judge threw out the charge at Evelyn Beatriz Hernandez's retrial. The rape vic-

tim had already served 33 months of a 30-year prison sentence when her original conviction was overturned in February.

Prosecutors said in a statement Friday they want a higher court to review the "overabundance of evidence" and find her guilty again of killing her unborn

child.

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

US officials will discuss slashing refugee cap

WASHINGTON — Trump administration officials will meet next week to discuss whether to further restrict the number of refugees accepted into the U.S.

That's according to a senior administration official who was unauthorized to speak publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity. Senior leaders will meet Tuesday in the Situation Room to discuss the cap, which is set by the president.

Some administration officials believe the refugee cap should be slashed because of the number of asylum seekers at the U.S.-Mexico border and other protections afforded to migrants who live in war-torn countries or those devastated by natural disasters.

The cap, which has been decreasing under Trump, is at 30,000. Last budget year it was 45,000, and 22,491 were admitted.

In India: A 74-year-old woman has given birth to twin girls in the southern Indian state of Andhra Pradesh, reviving several controversies around geriatric pregnancies.

The doctor who delivered the babies, Sankkayala Uma Shankar, told The Washington Post on Friday that the mother, Mangayamma Yaramati, provided a birth certificate showing she is 74.

Shankar, delivered the twins via Caesarean section Thursday, and said the mother and the babies are doing well.

Yaramati and her 82-year-old husband, Sitarama Rajarao, said they had wanted children for years, and that they had been stigmatized in their village for being childless, the BBC reported.

Hong Kong protests flare despite bill's withdrawal

BY KIN CHEUNG
Associated Press

HONG KONG — Hong Kong protesters besieged a police station and a subway stop Friday, prompting police to fire tear gas and rubber bullets as new violence erupted despite the government's promise to drop a proposed law that sparked months of demonstrations in the semiautonomous Chinese territory.

About 2,000 angry protesters surrounded the police station in the crowded, working-class district of Mong Kok late Friday for a second straight night, demanding accountability over a violent police raid on the nearby Prince Edward subway station on Aug. 31.

Police set up barriers at the entrance of the police station and later fired tear gas and rubber bullets to ward off the crowd, many of whom wore masks and used umbrellas to shield themselves.

Rumors have been circulating on social media accusing police of covering up the alleged death of a protester during the earlier raid at the subway station. Videos taken show police



KIN CHEUNG/AP

Firefighters put out a fire set by protesters during a demonstration Friday in Mong Kok, in Hong Kong. About 2,000 angry protesters surrounded the police station in the district.

swinging batons and shooting pepper spray at people inside a stopped train. Protesters want surveillance camera recordings of the raid to be released.

The demonstrators retreated after riot police confronted them with more tear gas but refused to leave. Some set off street fires with piles of carton boxes while others used sticks and metal rods to smash traffic lights and the metal roofing at another subway stop.

Authorities were earlier forced to shut the Prince Edward subway station during the evening rush hour after demonstrators protested there against the alleged police violence.

Separately, more than 1,000 people gathered Friday night at a public park

near Hong Kong's legislative complex, chanting "Fight for freedom." Medical workers rallied earlier at the office of the hospital authority.

Hong Kong leader Carrie Lam announced two days ago her government will formally withdraw an extradition bill that would have allowed residents to be sent to mainland China for trial. Many saw it as a glaring example of the city's eroding autonomy since the former British colony returned to Chinese control in 1997.

The protest movement was triggered by the extradition bill, but the focus has since shifted to alleged excessive use of force by police in the violent clashes and to other issues.

Protesters have adopted

a new slogan: "Five key demands, not one less." They want an independent investigation into the allegations of police brutality, the unconditional release of those detained, no more labeling of the protests as riots, and direct elections of the city's leaders.

Lam has rejected those demands, saying a police watchdog agency investigating police misconduct was credible. Critics say the agency is led by her allies and doesn't have the power to summon witnesses.

Police say they have used the minimum amount of force necessary to quell riotous demonstrations. The city is bracing for more protests over the weekend, including reported plans to target the airport again on Saturday.

ROBERT MUGABE 1924-2019

Liberator ruled with iron fist for decades

BY FARAI MUTSAKA
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Associated Press



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The current president of Zimbabwe called Robert Mugabe, above, a "remarkable statesman of our century."

HARARE, Zimbabwe — Former Zimbabwean leader Robert Mugabe, an ex-guerrilla chief who took power when the African country shook off white minority rule and presided for decades while economic turmoil and human rights violations eroded its early promise, died Friday in Singapore. He was 95.

Mugabe enjoyed strong support from Zimbabwe's people soon after he became the first post-colonial leader of what had been British-controlled Rhodesia.

Often violent farm seizures from whites who owned huge tracts of land made him a hated figure in the West and a hero in Africa.

His successor, President Emmerson Mnangagwa, tweeted word Friday that an "icon of liberation" had died. Mnangagwa, a long-time loyalist until Mugabe dismissed him from his Cabinet, named Mugabe a national hero, Zimbabwe's highest posthumous honor.

He said the nation would observe an official mourning period for its late leader, "a great teacher and mentor" and a "remarkable statesman of our century."

Singapore's Foreign Ministry said it was working with Zimbabwe on arrangements to fly Mugabe's body home. In recent years, Mugabe sought medical treatment at Gleneagles Hospital in Singapore.

Presidential spokesman George Charamba said Mugabe was readmitted to the hospital complaining of chest pains. His personal doctor, Dr. Jonathan Matenga, was flown to Singapore and was with Mugabe when he died, Charamba said.

Mugabe's popularity began to rise again after Mnangagwa failed to deliver on promises of economic recovery and appeared to take an even harsher and more repressive stance against critics. Many began to publicly say they missed Mugabe.

Forced to resign amid pressure from the military, his party and the public in November 2017, Mugabe was defiant throughout his long life, railing against the West for what he called its neo-colonialist attitude and urging Africans to take control of their resources — a populist message that

was often a hit, even as many nations on the continent shed the strongman model and moved toward democracy.

A target of international sanctions over the years, Mugabe nevertheless enjoyed acceptance among peers in Africa who chose not to judge him in the same way as Britain, the United States and other Western detractors.

"They are the ones who say they gave Christianity to Africa," Mugabe said of the West during a visit to South Africa in 2016. "We say: 'We came, we saw and we were conquered.'"

Even as old age took its toll and opposition to his rule increased, he refused to step down until the pressure became unbearable in 2017 as his former allies in the ruling party accused him of grooming his wife, Grace, to take over — ahead of long-serving loyalists such as Mnangagwa, who was fired in November 2017 before returning to take over with the help of the military.

Mugabe was born on Feb. 21, 1924, in Zvimba, 40 miles west of the capital of Harare. As a child, he tended his grandfather's cattle and goats, fished for bream in muddy water holes, played soccer and "boxed a lot," as he recalled later.

Mugabe lacked the easy charisma of Nelson Mandela, the anti-apartheid leader who became South Africa's first black president in 1994 after reconciling with its former white rulers. But he drew admirers in some quarters for taking a hard line with the West, and he could be disarming despite his sometimes harsh demeanor.

"The gift of politicians is never to stop speaking until the people say, 'Ah, we are tired,'" he said at a 2015 news conference. "You are now tired. I say thank you."

Abaco survivors say 'only animals can live here'

Associated Press

ABACO, Bahamas — Hundreds of storm victims, carrying their meager possessions in duffel bags and shopping carts, gathered Friday at the port in Grand Abaco in hopes of getting off the hurricane-devastated island, amid signs of rising frustration over the pace of the disaster-relief effort.

"It's chaos here," said Gee Rolle, 44, a construction worker who waited with his wife for a boat that could take them to the capital, Nassau. "The government is trying their best, but at the same time, I don't think they're doing a good enough job to evacuate the people. It ain't livable for nobody. Only animals can live here."

The Bahamian Health Ministry said helicopters and boats were on the way, but officials warned of delays because of flooding.

The search for victims and survivors went on, meanwhile, five days after Dorian blasted the Bahamas with 185 mph winds.

At the port, some of those who lined up behind a yellow cloth tape arrived

as early as 1 a.m., hoping to get to Nassau.

"It's going to get crazy soon," said Serge Simon, 39, who drives an ice truck and waited with his wife and two sons, 5 months old and 4. "There's no food, no water. There are bodies in the water."

There were no government-organized evacuations yet, but the Royal Bahamas Defense Force helped people board a 139-foot ferry that had come to pick up its employees and had room for an additional 160 people.

A British navy ship moored offshore sent in aid on a landing craft. Two private yachts also brought in supplies. An array of organizations and companies, including the United Nations, Royal Caribbean and American Airlines, have mobilized to send in food, water, generators, roof tarps, diapers, flashlights and other supplies.

The evacuation was slow, and there was frustration for some who said they had nowhere to go after the Category 5 hurricane splintered whole neighborhoods.

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Cooper's Hawk opening first Chicago location

BY ROBERT CHANNICK

Cooper's Hawk, the fast-growing suburban winery and restaurant chain, is making its first foray into Chicago this fall, hoping to crack the city's competitive dining scene with a Napa-themed experience that previously has been confined to strip malls.

Launched in 2005, Downers Grove-based Cooper's Hawk is opening a three-level, 24,000-square-foot restaurant on Oak Street, in the former Esquire Theater in Chicago's Gold Coast neighborhood. More recently, the space was home to Del Frisco's Double Eagle Steakhouse, which closed in 2018 after five years.

It will be the largest restaurant for the chain, which has 39 suburban locations in 10 states. It is slated to open on Nov. 11.

Cooper's Hawk has carved out a niche by bringing wine and casual upscale dining to the masses — much the way Starbucks did with espresso. The privately

owned company has its own 125,000-square-foot winery in southwest suburban Woodridge, which makes 37 varietals sold exclusively at its restaurants and through a wine club. This year, Cooper's Hawk is projected to produce 850,000 cases of wine, or more than 10 million bottles.

"We're trying to democratize the good life. Everything good happens around a glass of wine and bringing that to the masses is paramount to our goals," said John Inserra, president and chief operating officer of Cooper's Hawk. "It brings the wine country to these suburban and now urban markets."

Tim McEnery, founder and CEO of Cooper's Hawk, started the restaurant chain as a 29-year-old, opening his first location in southwest suburban Orland Park. This year, the chain is projected to generate \$340 million in sales, up 18% over 2018, McEnery said.

In July, private equity firm Ares took a stake in



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Cooper's Hawk is opening a three-level, 24,000-square-foot restaurant in the former Esquire Theater on Oak Street in Chicago's Gold Coast neighborhood.

Cooper's Hawk. Terms of the investment were not disclosed.

Each restaurant has a Napa-style tasting room that has helped put Cooper's Hawk on the wine and dining map. The chain has 390,000 wine club members, most of whom visit a Cooper's Hawk restaurant each month to pick their bottle of wine. But turning a suburban

success story into a city dining destination will be both a challenge and an opportunity for the chain.

Inserra said a typical Cooper's Hawk restaurant does about \$9 million in annual revenue by its third year. Projections are for the Chicago location to double that.

"We have 150,000 wine club members just in the Chicago area," Inserra said.

"I think they are excited to have a destination location in the city where they can rely on Cooper's Hawk to curate a great dining/wine experience."

One difference between the Chicago location and every other Cooper's Hawk restaurant — besides its urban setting — will be the availability of wines outside of its own homegrown portfolio. Another difference

will be the availability of parking.

"Normally our restaurants are out in the suburbs, surrounded by parking," Inserra said. "That will be a little bit different experience for our guests."

Staffing the restaurant will be a challenge as well, Inserra said. Cooper's Hawk is looking to hire 219 people before the opening — everything from servers and cooks to wine-tasting room attendants. Inserra said the restaurant plans to hire another 50 employees going into 2020.

Likening the Chicago location to the Starbucks Reserve Roastery Chicago on North Michigan Avenue, which is also scheduled to open in November, Inserra said its newest restaurant will take Cooper's Hawk to the next level.

"Our Chicago project is going to be our tribute to the world of wine," Inserra said.

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The deal struck by Honda, VW, Ford and BMW to agree to stricter emissions standards is under federal investigation.

Calif. power to curb auto pollution challenged

BY TOM KRISHER AND ELEN KNICKMEYER
Associated Press

DETROIT — The Trump administration on Friday began an all-out challenge to California's authority to set its own automotive emissions standards as government agencies opened an antitrust investigation and told state officials that they appear to be violating the law in a deal with four automakers to cut pollution.

The U.S. Justice Department opened an antitrust

probe into the July deal between Honda, Volkswagen, Ford and BMW to agree to stricter emissions standards than preferred by President Donald Trump.

The Department of Transportation and Environmental Protection Agency sent a letter to California saying the deal appears to violate the Clean Air Act and other laws.

"Congress has squarely vested the authority to set fuel economy standards for new motor vehicles, and nationwide standards for

GHG (greenhouse gas) vehicle emissions, with the federal government, not with California or any other state," the agencies wrote in a letter dated Friday to the California Air Resources Board.

The letter came as the Justice Department began an antitrust probe of the July deal between the automakers and CARB.

Ford spokesman T.R. Reid confirmed Friday that the company received a letter from Justice informing it of an inquiry.

The July deal bypassed the Trump administration's plan to freeze emissions and fuel economy standards adopted under the Obama administration at 2021 levels.

The four automakers agreed with the California Air Resources board to reduce emissions by 3.7% per year starting with the 2022 model year, through 2026. They would have gone up by 4.7% per year through 2025 under the Obama standards, according to California.

MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 26,860.87 Low: 26,708.39 Previous: 26,728.15



Nasdaq Close: 8,103.07 High: 8,134.39 Low: 8,098.52 Previous: 8,116.82	S&P 500 Close: 2,978.71 High: 2,985.03 Low: 2,972.51 Previous: 2,976.00	Russell 2000 Close: 1,505.17 High: 1,517.01 Low: 1,504.91 Previous: 1,510.75
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10-yr T-note -0.01 to 1.55%	Gold futures -9.20 to \$1,506.20	Yen -0.06 to 106.89/\$1	Euro +0.0007 to .9068/\$1	Crude Oil +0.22 to \$56.52
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Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW +1.49	NASD +1.76	S&P +1.79	DOW +1.94	NASD +1.81	S&P +2.06	DOW +3.40	NASD +2.54	S&P +3.73

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 19	458.50	461	458.50	460.25	-3.75
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 19	347.50	348.25	341.50	342.50	-4
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 19	853.50	853.50	844.75	845	-4.75
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Sep 19	28.49	28.65	28.37	28.48	+0.1
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Sep 19	289.40	290.40	287.20	287.20	-1.50
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Oct 19	56.19	56.95	54.83	56.52	+2.2
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Oct 19	2.435	2.505	2.403	2.496	+0.61
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Oct 19	1.5461	1.5838	1.5093	1.5742	+0.082
		Nov 19	1.5267	1.5622	1.4911	1.5532	+0.244

LOCAL STOCKS

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

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	86.04	+14	Equity Commonwealth	N	33.80	-0.1	Middleby Corp	O	113.45	+1.10
AbbVie Inc	N	67.62	+5.9	Equity LifeStyle Prop	N	135.24	+2.4	Mondelez Intl	O	56.63	+4.9
Allstate Corp	N	105.31	+9.3	Equity Residential	N	86.85	+8.6	Morningstar Inc	O	160.83	-5.6
Aptargroup Inc	N	120.88	-3.2	Exelon Corp	N	48.12	-0.5	Motorola Solutions	N	174.80	+1.23
Arch Dan Mid	N	38.71	+0.8	First Indl RT	N	38.81	-3.8	NiSource Inc	N	29.33	-3.4
Baxter Intl	N	89.78	+1.87	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	51.57	+0.4	Nthn Trust Cp	N	89.82	-2.0
Boeing Co	N	363.00	+2.70	Gallagher AJ	N	90.50	+7.7	Old Republic	N	22.51	+0.6
Brunswick Corp	N	49.46	+0.8	Grainger WW	N	278.22	+1.44	Packaging Corp Am	N	100.61	+0.8
CBOE Global Markets	N	118.70	-5.1	GrubHub Inc	N	60.40	...	Paylocity Hldg	O	107.37	-1.27
CDK Global Inc	O	44.92	+4.0	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	106.22	+2.7	RLI Corp	N	91.82	-8.7
CDW Corp	O	118.39	-0.8	IDEX Corp	N	168.85	+1.4	Stericycle Inc	O	45.98	-4.1
CF Industries	N	48.64	+4.7	ITW	N	152.49	+1.01	TransUnion	N	84.91	+5.6
CME Group	O	223.07	+1.89	Ingredion Inc	N	79.17	-3.0	Tribune Media Co A	N	46.58	+0.2
CNA Financial	N	47.95	+1.1	John Bean Technol	N	105.52	-7.2	US Foods Holding	N	40.66	-1.0
Cabot Microelect	O	130.04	+3.9	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	137.45	+6.1	Ulta Salon Cosmetics	O	233.10	-3.61
Caterpillar Inc	N	122.70	-2.9	Kemper Corp	N	73.98	-3.3	United Airlines Hldg	O	86.30	+4.6
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	28.66	+2.1	Kraft Heinz Co	O	27.28	+6.9	Ventas Inc	N	75.23	+6.1
Deere Co	N	156.52	+2.2	LKQ Corporation	O	26.90	-0.1	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	52.56	+2.3
Discover Fin Svcs	N	82.25	+4.3	Littelfuse Inc	O	166.44	+5.5	Wintrust Financial	O	62.64	-2.2
Dover Corp	N	95.14	-9.9	McDonalds Corp	N	220.03	+5.4	Zebra Tech	O	202.73	-3.12

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Bank of America	27.73	-3.9
Gen Electric	8.71	-10
Chesapeake Energy	1.58	-0.2
AT&T Inc	36.25	+3.6
Ford Motor	9.34	...
Snap Inc A	16.62	+7.5
Barrick Gold	17.87	-5.3
Mallinckrodt plc	1.87	+2.8
Itau Unibanco Hldg	8.58	+3.0
Sthwstn Energy	1.93	-0.2
Banco Bradesco ADS	8.39	+3.3
Teva Pharm	7.01	+1.2
Transocean Ltd	5.04	+0.9
Pfizer Inc	36.50	+1.6
Wells Fargo & Co	47.15	-4.7
Freepport McMoRan	9.42	-1.1
Yamana Gold Inc	3.45	-0.9
Kinross Gold	4.95	-1.3
Cloudera Inc	8.80	+5.2
Ambev S.A.	4.61	+0.3
Vale SA	11.34	+0.1
Range Resources	3.93	-2.4
Annaly Capital Mgmt	8.31	-0.6
Aurora Cannabis Inc	6.08	+2.2

LARGEST COMPANIES

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
AT&T Inc	36.25	+3.6
Alibaba Group Hldg	176.69	-2.25
Alphabet Inc C	1204.93	-6.45
Alphabet Inc A	1206.32	-5.87
Amazon.com Inc	1833.51	-7.21
Apple Inc	213.26	-0.2
Bank of America	27.73	-3.9
Berkshire Hath B	204.73	+4.9
Exxon Mobil Corp	70.93	+6.6
Facebook Inc	187.49	-3.41
HSBC Holdings prA	26.14	+0.4
Home Depot	231.13	+2.98
JPMorgan Chase	112.61	+2.4
Johnson & Johnson	128.21	-3.7
MasterCard Inc	291.38	-7.0
Microsoft Corp	139.10	-9.5
Procter & Gamble	122.87	+1.1
Visa Inc	185.74	+0.1
WalMart Strs	114.73	-7.1

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCPA m	32.05	...	+1.8
American Funds AMRCNBAlA m	27.75	+0.4	+6.0
American Funds CptWldGrncA m	48.77	+0.5	+4.2
American Funds CptWldGrncA m	61.51	+1.1	+5.9
American Funds FdmtInvSA m	59.50	+0.6	+3.4
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	50.00	-1.3	+2.0
American Funds IncAmrcA m	22.86	+0.7	+5.9
American Funds InvCAmrcA m	38.29	+0.4	+2.4
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	45.05	+0.6	+6.1
American Funds WAMtInvSA m	46.58	+1.0	+7.0
Dodge & Cox Inc	14.21	+0.1	+9.0
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	40.22	+1.7	+1.8
Dodge & Cox Stk	185.95	+2.2	-1.6
DoubleLine TlRtRetBdl	10.80	...	+7.8
Fidelity 500IldXPrm	103.88	+1.0	+5.6
Fidelity Contrafund	13.18	-0.6	+3.3
Fidelity TlMktDlxnsPrm	84.35	+0.4	+3.9
Fidelity USBDlxnsPrm	12.05	+0.1	+10.2
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.29	+0.1	+4.0
Metropolitan West TlRtRetBdl	11.13	+0.1	+10.3
PIMCO IncI2	11.95	...	+6.2
PIMCO IncIstl	11.95	...	+6.3
PIMCO TlRtRetns	10.58	+0.1	+10.3
Schwab SP500IldX	46.16	+0.5	+5.6
T. Rowe Price BCGR	117.41	-2.6	+7.4
T. Rowe Price GrStk	69.55	-1.1	+6.7
Vanguard 500IldXAdmrl	275.88	+2.6	+5.6
Vanguard BalldXAdmrl	37.75	+0.3	+6.8
Vanguard DivGrInv	30.69	+0.9	+16.8
Vanguard EqInAdmrl	75.81	+2.1	+5.0
Vanguard GrldXAdmrl	87.11	-0.5	+8.2
Vanguard HCAAdmrl	81.63	+0.9	-3.4
Vanguard InTrngAdmrl	10.12	-1.1	+11.0
Vanguard IntTEAdmrl	14.57	-0.1	+8.1
Vanguard InslDlxns	270.71	+2.6	+5.6
Vanguard InslDlxnsPlus	270.73	+2.6	+5.6
Vanguard InslTSMInPls	64.15	+0.3	+4.0
Vanguard MdCpDlxnsPrm	207.73	+2.8	+3.6
Vanguard PmCpAdmrl	138.72	-1.0	+4
Vanguard STInvMGrdAdmrl	10.76	...	+5.8
Vanguard SmCpDlxAdmrl	73.79	-1.6	+4.5
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	32.24	+0.4	+6.0
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	19.33	+0.3	+5.8
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	35.19	+0.5	+5.2
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	21.58	+0.3	+4.5
Vanguard TlBMDlxAdmrl	11.18	+0.1	+10.3
Vanguard TlBMDlxns	11.18	+0.1	+10.3
Vanguard TlBMDlxAdmrl	23.56	+0.5	+11.0
Vanguard TlBMDlxns	35.35	+0.7	+11.1
Vanguard TlBMDlxns	11.78	+0.2	+10.9
Vanguard TlBMDlxAdmrl	27.71	+0.8	+6.9
Vanguard TlBMDlxns	110.84	+3.3	+7
Vanguard TlBMDlxnsPlus	110.86	+3.2	+7
Vanguard TlBMDlxns	16.57	+0.5	+6.9
Vanguard TlSMIldXAdmrl	73.82	+0.3	+3.8
Vanguard TlSMIldXns	73.84	+0.3	+3.8
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EDITORIALS

America's outbreak of vaping illness
and its most vulnerable victims — teens

After the death of an Illinois resident hospitalized for an unknown respiratory illness linked to vaping — the first in the country since a rash of hospitalizations across many states — public health officials say they still are trying to identify what ingredients or products are responsible.

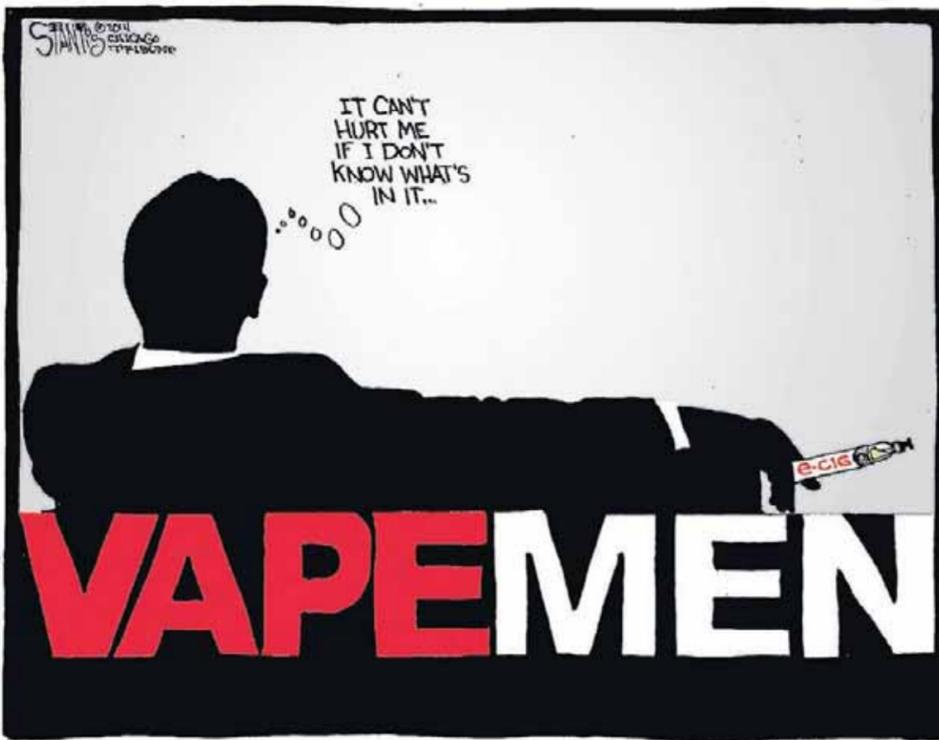
— Chicago Tribune news story posted Aug. 23, 2019

Two weeks after news of that Illinois death, the search for what's causing these illnesses has yielded a suspect. The epidemiological quest now unfolding suggests one more reason young people should be especially wary of vaping.

Bear with a brief science discussion: Vitamin E acetate is a chemical derived from vitamin E. The acetate, an oil, shows up harmlessly in supplements taken by millions of Americans and in topical skin treatments. It's also now being looked at as a potential link among some 450 cases in which people across the country, including at least 42 in Illinois, have been sickened after vaping.

What's the evident link? Investigators for the federal Food and Drug Administration found vitamin E acetate in samples taken from patients who were hospitalized, The Washington Post reports. FDA officials are looking into whether those patients inhaled the acetate while using e-cigarette products that deliver THC, the psychoactive compound in marijuana. One scientist told the Post that when heated and vaporized, vitamin E acetate is inhaled and then cools, "it has now coated the inside of your lungs with that oil."

There's a lot more digging to be done on this. Researchers say the vitamin E acetate theory is preliminary and that they don't understand exactly what made so



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many people sick. The first cases date back to spring. As of Friday, at least five patients had died.

Why did the chemical appear in the vaping devices involved in these cases? How many of these cases involved counterfeit nicotine vaping devices altered to administer THC, versus devices sold at legal marijuana dispensaries? Many of the people hospitalized were using nicotine vaping devices as well as devices that delivered THC — what role did that play?

Nobody can say with certainty. But the latest developments — this troubling outbreak of a mys-

terious illness included — underscore the growing awareness of vaping's health risks. That goes for devices that deliver nicotine as well as those that deliver THC. The evolving knowledge is especially worrisome given that one segment of the population, teenagers, is highly enamored with e-cigarettes.

The FDA bans the sale of e-cigarettes to youths under 18. Many states have their own age restrictions on purchases; in Illinois, as of July, it's 21. That hasn't stopped teens from "juuling" or "blowing a fat cloud," as

many put it. Nearly a quarter of teens in a 2018 survey by the National Institute on Drug Abuse said they had vaped within the past month, double the 2017 rate.

While the marketed purpose of vaping is to wean smokers off traditional cigarettes, with teens the opposite is happening. A Journal of the American Medical Association study showed in February that youths ages 12 to 17 who vaped were twice as likely to become tobacco cigarette smokers within a year. E-cigarette makers have marketed their devices with teen-enticing flavors such as mango and creme brulee.

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In some cases in which teens have been hospitalized after vaping, a youth initially had been vaping with nicotine devices, then moved on to vaping THC.

The Tribune's Kate Thayer recently spoke with Adam Hergenreder, 18, hospitalized for an unknown respiratory illness after vaping. The Gurnee teen started using nicotine vaping devices at 16, then later began buying THC-filled devices off the street. "People just see that little (vaping) pod and think, how could that do anything to my body," Hergenreder told Thayer. "I'm glad I could be an example and show people that (vaping products) ... will mess up your lungs."

As researchers rush to comprehend how some vaping impairs respiration, those words are strong, sound advice for teens and their parents. It's made even stronger by the fact that an 18-year-old gave it from his hospital bed, with tubes affixed to his nostrils to keep him breathing.

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WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

According to the psychologist Peter Gray, children today are more depressed than they were during the Great Depression and more anxious than they were at the height of the Cold War. ... This isn't just a matter of increased diagnoses. The number of children and teenagers who were seen in emergency rooms with suicidal thoughts, or having attempted suicide, doubled between 2007 and 2015.

To put it simply, our kids are not OK. ...

The work of raising children, once seen as socially necessary labor benefiting the common good, is an isolated endeavor for all but the most well-off parents. ... No longer able to rely on communal structures for child care or allow children time alone, parents who need to work are forced to warehouse their youngsters for long stretches of time. School days are longer and more regimented. ...

Many parents and pediatricians speculate about the role that screen time and social media might play in this social deficit. But it's important to acknowledge that simply taking away or limiting screens is not enough. Children turn to screens because opportunities for real-life human interaction have vanished; the public places and spaces where kids used to learn to be people have been decimated or deemed too dangerous for those under 18. ...

It's no wonder so many are succumbing to despair. In many ways, America has given up on childhood, and on children. **Kim Brooks, The New York Times**

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

I'm a Bears fan. Tell me I'm not wasting my time.

With all due respect to Bears coach Matt Nagy, I'd like to tell him: Please don't patronize me or other Chicago Bears fans by telling me I should be upset. Please don't.

Yes, I am just some poor schlub working two jobs for an average of 12 hours a day, and that's fine. No, I've never played a down in my life, and I have no business telling Nagy how to play the game. Do I make mistakes? Absolutely. Do I own up to those mistakes? Absolutely. Nobody's perfect, and I wouldn't expect to go to work prepared to do the job we were hired to do.

The NFL is just an exhibition of grown men playing a child's game for our amusement. But every time I wear a shirt or a jersey or a hat that bears the name of my favorite team, I do it with pride because that's my team. I, and everyone else out there like me, carries Nagy's water when we do that.

As a fan, I wear the humiliation of Nagy and the Bears' defeat as much as the pride of their victories. Seeing the Bears do well matters to me. I could go on and on about why, but who cares, really? I'm just tired. I'm tired of being embarrassed. I'm tired of investing my time in a team that falls flat on its face when, by rights, it should take care of business or, at least, appear competent in failure.

When I was in my late 20s, I had an '85 Bears player humiliate me by telling me I was "too young" to appreciate him when I held out my hand to shake his and tell him it was an honor to meet him and ask for his autograph on a poster that belonged to my

grandfather. (I was 3 years old in 1985, but as a grown man, I'd watched tapings of nearly every game of the '85 season.)

The only thing that mitigated that embarrassment was Richard Dent, at a separate event, looking me in the eye, shaking my hand and saying, "No, the honor's mine."

So I've taken pride in enjoying the accomplishments of the Chicago Bears and the men who played for them. I've been humiliated too, but I keep coming back. I'm just running out of energy and patience to keep that up. I've seen my team lose to the Packers before. But I can't stomach what I saw Thursday night. Nagy needs to do more than just acknowledge that I should be upset. He needs to show me that I'm not wasting my time when I wear the blue and orange.

— Jason Ruediger, Barrington

Demolish the Thompson Center

My first look at the Thompson Center design and floor plan was during construction of the building when I was asked to plan space for the attorney general's office. The theory was that this would be a wonderful building that would consolidate the many state offices that were spread around Chicago.

But by building a structure on a full city block that would accommodate about one-fourth of the space in nearby buildings occupying their entire block, all of the state offices could not be moved into this "wonderful" building. Those that were left out have been happy ever since.

We saw a design without the office workers in mind. It was designed to attract tourists inside to take photos and ride glass-

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CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Bears head coach Matt Nagy holds a news conference after the Bears' season-opening loss to the Green Bay Packers on Friday in Chicago.

enclosed elevators and to win architectural awards despite design errors. The first time I walked into the Thompson Center, it made me think that the only thing missing was a prison guard tower to monitor the surrounding cellblocks.

Today we are faced with enormous costs for repairs to keep a building that should never have been built, or we can sell the mess to private investors and use the proceeds to pay rent all over the city wherever space can be found.

The practical course to take is: Tear down the Thompson Center, keep the property with its excellent location, build a tall new building on most of the city block and actually bring all of the Illinois government offices into the new building. This time, consult each agency for its needs before floor plans are drawn. The new

building should have extra office space that could be rented to private concerns, which could produce income for upkeep, with any additional income going into the state's general fund.

Columnist John Kass' recommendation to repurpose the Thompson Center as a weed greenhouse ("Don't sell the Thompson Center. Grow weed," Aug. 30) is a better idea than keeping the building as-is or selling it.

This is a "historical" but useless building with a bad history that has earned the right to disappear while the postmodernism crowd waves good-bye.

— Robert Tingle, Palatine

Use Thompson Center as homeless shelter

Rather than turning the Thompson Center into one giant marijuana silo, why not recycle it into affordable housing for the poor and shelter for the homeless? Seriously.

The building has its aesthetic critics, but it is still a good, sound structure that could, with a few necessary and affordable adjustments in a short turnaround, become affordable and available. The same could be said for the scores of shuttered school buildings scattered throughout the city's neighborhoods.

Rather than wasting any more taxpayer dollars on new construction, there are vast numbers of spaces already suitable for any sized family to move into on short notice.

Why this idea hasn't occurred to the hand-wringers running our city, county and state puzzles me. This is a no-brainer.

— Dennis Allen, Wilmette

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Kaitlin Olson, from left, Glenn Howerton, Danny DeVito, Charlie Day, and Rob McElhenney in "It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia."

Unlikely path to history

'It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia' reaches milestone with its 14th season this month

BY JOE OTTERSON
 Variety

A group of friends hang out in a bar. It's a typical sitcom setup. But "It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia" has never been typical — and FX Entertainment president Eric Schrier can attest to that. He was one of the executives "laughing our a—es off" a decade and a half ago at a screening of the show's pilot.

"I think what was so great about it was that it was an alternative version of a sitcom, where you had these crazy characters that said and did all things totally politically incorrect," he says. "But there was a smarter understanding behind the show. They were dealing with societal issues, so there was this great combination of a high-brow side of it masked with a very broad-based lowbrow side."

The single-cam series, which debuted in 2005 on FX, will air its 14th season this

month. In doing so, it will tie "The Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet" for longest-running live-action TV comedy in history, making it an unlikely entry into the television pantheon. "Always Sunny" has now aired more seasons than "Cheers," "MASH," "Seinfeld," "Friends" or "Frasier."

"Always Sunny" was one of FX's first originals, airing alongside early hits like "The Shield," "Rescue Me" and "Nip/Tuck." It is also FX's longest-running show, period. Its core cast — Rob McElhenney, Glenn Howerton, Charlie Day, Kaitlin Olson and Danny DeVito — has remained intact virtually throughout its run.

The show has endured in part because of its willingness to push the boundaries of comedy. Topics lampooned on the series have included pedophilia, incest, racism, alcoholism, abortion and the gun debate — and that was just in Season 1. Its main characters all work at a fictional Philadelphia bar called Paddy's Pub,

where they engage in various schemes and illicit dealings for personal gain or simply to undermine each other.

The show also helped redefine what a comedy, particularly one on basic cable, was capable of in the early aughts. One need only look at the shows that were up for the best comedy Emmy in 2005 — "Everybody Loves Raymond," "Arrested Development," "Will & Grace," "Scrubs" and "Desperate Housewives" — to see how the landscape has changed in the years since "Always Sunny" started.

The show connected early with college-age men. But DeVito notes that longevity has brought with it a broader audience.

"I've experienced this where 11-year-olds will come up to me on the street," DeVito says. "Almost the same fans as 'Matilda!' I expect them to say, 'I'm such a big fan of 'Matilda,' ' but this kid goes, 'My favorite was the water park episode!' I think of it, and I say to myself 'Holy s—, I was running around in that one talking about having AIDS to get to the front of the line of a waterslide.'"

"Always Sunny" has never been a favorite of the awards community. In fact, the show did an entire episode spoofing exactly that in its ninth season. The plot revolves around the gang trying to win the award for best bar in Philadelphia; the episode ends with Day's character singing a song to awards voters in Paddy's Pub that culminates with him belting out, "Go f— yourself," and spitting on the bewildered patrons.

Yet the series remains popular even after more than a decade. According to FX, the 13th season averaged just over 3 million viewers per episode

in multiplatform viewing. That's up from 2.2 million multiplatform viewers in Season 10.

Part of the show's early appeal was its almost homemade aesthetic, which was influenced by the original pilot that McElhenney, Day and Howerton shot for next to nothing with a digital camera before pitching it to various networks.

"We knew what we liked, but we didn't know how things were supposed to be done," Howerton says. "It was sort of that bullheaded attitude and being told, 'You can't do it that way,' that emboldened us."

All three agree, however, that they're glad they knew so little going in about making a show, something McElhenney calls a "trial by fire." He does say there's one thing he would change though: "To remember to enjoy the process a little bit more, which we certainly started to do as time went on," he says. "When we started, I was 25 or 26, and I so desperately didn't want to wait tables anymore that I was willing to do anything and everything to make sure that this was going to succeed. We just killed ourselves to make sure that it held up to a certain standard, which I'm proud of doing, but at the same time it wasn't as enjoyable as it could have been if we lightened up a little bit."

That early effort has clearly paid off, with all of the core cast members pursuing successful projects since the show began. DeVito continues to star in films like the live-action "Dumbo"; Howerton toplines the comedy series "AP Bio," which was recently revived for a third season at the NBCUniversal streaming service after two seasons on NBC; Olson starred in the Fox series "The Mick"; and McElhenney and

Day are prepping a comedy series for Apple.

Howerton is also branching out within "Always Sunny," making his directorial debut in the new season. He says it was always his intention to start directing on the series, but he held off until now. "The reason I haven't done it before, besides the fact it's hard to do because we shoot multiple episodes at one time, is I have a tremendous amount of respect for directors and what that takes," he says. "I never wanted to just jump into it like, 'Oh, I could do this.'"

But one of the drawbacks of being on a series as successful as "Always Sunny" is that network executives are essentially expecting the same show when they hear about a new project.

"Rob and I went through that with our Apple show," Day says. "There's always some expectation that they're going to get 'Sunny,' but then there is always the hope that they are going to get us as a cast. 'Sunny,' beyond the writing, is us performing and the chemistry that we have together. So there is the hurdle of saying, 'Well, you're not going to get that, but you are going to get something great.'"

Olson echoes that sentiment, saying she's often pitched projects in which she would basically be playing her character from "Always Sunny," adding those shows "just aren't as well written." "I would love to play some other characters in some different endeavors, but it's nice to be able to come back here because I realize how great we have it."

"I really feel like I hit the jackpot," she continues. "It's hard to imagine another show ending up as fun and as special as this one."

Whistleblower's act drives 'Official Secrets'

Gun sees message: 'It is vital to speak up in a democracy'

BY RICK BENTLEY
 Tribune News Services

Katharine Gun wasn't looking for attention or any type of notoriety when in 2003, while working as a British intelligence specialist, she leaked a top secret memo.

After reading how President George W. Bush wanted the Brits to help collect compromising information on United Nations Security Council members to blackmail them into voting in favor of invading Iraq, her only motivation was to do what she considered to be the right thing. Once she revealed she was the whistleblower, Gun became the focus of a tsunami of media attention. Her decision to leak the memo and the aftermath are again in the spotlight, as Gun's the subject of the feature film "Official Secrets," starring Keira

Knightley as Gun. Gun's willing to give up her privacy again because her hope is "Official Secrets" will spark discussions about the importance of doing the right thing. That doesn't mean just being a political whistleblower,



Gun

but being willing to speak out no matter the type of job. She knows making such a decision

is difficult but necessary. There was a long period when Gun wasn't certain whether her story was going to get told.

"This whole thing has been going on since 2008, and when it finally came to fruition it was quite unbelievable," Gun says. "Martin Bright (the journalist who wrote the original story based on the memo) and I had gotten the point that this was unlikely to ever take place. It is kind of



Keira Knightley as Katharine Gun and Adam Bakri as Yasar Gun in "Official Secrets."

surreal. In a way, it is like seeing somebody else's story that is remarkably like my own.

"Because it has been such a long time, I have been able to process it. It took a while in my career where I could actually talk about it without getting heart palpitations and feeling agitated."

One of the reasons the film feels like someone else's story is that while all the elements regarding

Gun's actions and the subsequent battle with the British government are based in fact, several areas had to be changed. To guard the identity of the person who was given the original memo, a new character was invented. Her co-workers' names were also changed.

Gun knows if the British agree to the plan suggested by the United States, the result would be a war in Iraq based on false infor-

mation and manipulation. Revealing the memo comes with major risks — chiefly, the impact on her husband, who is a Muslim seeking to stay in England — but Gun reaches the conclusion it would be impossible to live with herself if she remained silent and war erupted in Iraq.

Releasing the memo put the brakes on Gun's government career. She spent a few years teaching but

eventually decided her time would be better spent staying at home with her daughter. Gun has repeatedly said that faced with the same situation, she would make the same decision without hesitation. She becomes less absolute when asked what advice she would give her daughter if she faced the same kind of dilemma.

"That's a toughie," Gun says. "Obviously, my immediate reaction and instinct as a parent is to not want them to suffer or come to any harm. But I would hope that she would do the right thing. I would hope that she would stand by her conscience and didn't become too corrupted."

"If you look at the trajectory of where all of the governments are, the future looks far more draconian than it is even today. That's worrying, the fact that you could get to the point where you literally cannot even speak the truth anymore. It is vital to speak up in a democracy."

"Otherwise we are living in dictatorships."



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Smart home turns mate into tracker

Dear Amy: In this age of “smart homes,” where everything can be synched up by an app with notifications, are we wrong to feel a loss of privacy?

I work from home, so I am mainly there during the day. My husband gets alerts every time the front door is opened. If a package is delivered, he receives an image of it. He can track the electricity usage from our solar production. He can turn off the lights and open the skylight from his phone. Today he texted me that I shouldn't be running the dryer during certain peak hours. He then shut it off remotely!

I have nothing to hide but am increasingly annoyed that my actions are being tracked. He's micro-managing me from afar! How should I handle this?

— *Living in the Future*

Dear Living: I think you should send yourself a big bouquet of flowers and have it delivered during your husband's peak “watching hours.” On the card, write: “Kindly stop watching me, dear. I don't like it.”

I wish people were more aware of the potential negative impact these devices and systems can have on our personal lives. Once you surrender your privacy and your freedom to make choices, including mistakes, without interference, what do you have left? An on-going relationship with Big Brother.

If you cannot persuade your husband to respect your privacy and detach from you during the day, then you should find a co-working space, a coffee shop, or a garden shed to

work out of to escape his surveillance.

Dear Amy: I'm a 30-year-old woman who lives with my boyfriend. I've had several weddings in the past few years for friends and family, and I'm happy for all of them. However, I am sick of attending bridal showers when the couple has lived together for years and is financially stable. It feels gift-grabby. Showers originated for couples moving out of their parents' homes and living with each other for the first time — people “just starting out” with empty homes.

Showers also hark back to traditional gender roles. I feel silly buying cooking tools for “Lindsey's shower” when I know her fiancé does the cooking.

Am I being a curmudgeon? Many of these couples have lived together for years in furnished homes, and items will be used by both the man and woman, yet they expect only their female friends (not males) to provide new domestic items. It also is a gross reminder of consumer culture wherein people collect mounds of junk they don't need.

My mother said that even if I don't attend, I'd still have to send a gift just because I was invited!

— *Fed Up*

Dear Fed Up: If an invitation alone obligated a person to provide a gift, then we'd all receive a lot more disingenuous invitations. If you don't attend a shower, you are not obligated to send a gift (although some people choose to send gifts, regardless).

I agree with you about

consumer culture and gender roles. However, when you give a gift at a shower, it is intended as a gift for both parties (and not all showers are cis-gendered affairs). I also don't think it is up to you to decide whether a couple “needs” dish towels or a blender. Attend with an open mind or don't attend.

Some marrying couples are getting creative about showers; for couples who are well-equipped with traditional shower-type gifts, I love the idea of a “charity shower,” where guests are encouraged to bring food, toiletries, school backpacks to fill, or cash, for a charity of the couple's choosing.

Dear Amy: “Mutt Mama” adopted an aggressive dog and wanted advice about how to keep others away.

A yellow ribbon or scarf prominently tied on a leash or collar is a clear and easily recognized signal that this dog is NOT friendly and DO NOT APPROACH.

It would also give Mama a chance to educate others who may not have learned that lesson. Kudos to her for taking on the pet that might not have been adoptable.

— *Dog Lover*

Dear Dog Lover: Several people pointed out that a yellow scarf or ribbon should be recognized by other dog owners as a signal to give a wide berth. Thank you.

The following are Amy's reader letters and responses from the omitted Friday column.

Dear Amy: I am married to the man of my dreams. After a rough first marriage,

I was definitely rewarded with an amazing second one.

My husband and I have been together for 11 years, and it still feels like we're honeymooning. The problem? I'm terrified that something will happen to him. I know it's silly, but the fear that he will die never leaves. I lie awake some nights, heart pounding, worrying about it.

I know that worrying solves nothing, but I can't shake it! I reached out for therapy, but my insurance doesn't cover mental health and my city is woefully lacking in resources. I'm on two wait lists for affordable therapy, but I'm not sure what to do in the meantime. Any tips on managing this fear?

— *Scared Silly in New Orleans*

Dear Scared Silly: Given that this fear and rumination are interfering with your daily life, it's important that you continue to pursue professional counseling. I assume that this fear is at its core not really about your husband but about you. Coming to terms with other losses in your life will help you to embrace your daily blessings with less fear attached.

If you don't learn to manage this, your ongoing fear will affect your lovely and loving relationship.

In the short term, I suggest diving into practical and healthy pursuits that may help to rewire your brain. Running, yoga, meditation and music are activities you can pursue as ways to distract and expand your consciousness and to better control your ruminative thoughts.

You live in New Orleans (lucky you!), so I suggest you pick up your ukulele and join one of the free jam sessions that spring up around the city. Music will open you up.

For an introductory guide to a daily meditation practice, read “How to Meditate: A Practical Guide to Making Friends with Your Mind,” by the wonderful Buddhist sage Pema Chodron (2013, Sounds True). Chodron lovingly leads the reader toward a beginner's meditation practice.

Fearful thoughts will still enter your mind. But meditation can teach you to open a window and let them merely pass through.

Dear Amy: This may sound silly, but my 50-year high school reunion is approaching fast. One of the people who will attend is the “mean kid” who tormented me. I can't tell you how many times he followed me in the hall, yelling, “HEY, UGLY! YOU'RE SO UGLY YOU SHOULD KILL YOURSELF!”

According to people who still know him, he has spent the intervening years honing his witty repartee.

I've had a long and happy marriage (he's been married/divorced four times), a wonderful family, and a great career (research chemist). I have no idea why it still bothers me. Why does it still hurt?

I do not want him to control my behavior. I've thought carefully about how to react if I see him. I've decided I won't remember him. I'm also prepared to leave quickly if I decide I want to. I under-

stand that he's either a sad, unhappy person or a nasty jerk. Either way, I have my husband and children.

I love your thoughtful advice.

— *Hurting*

Dear Hurting: This still hurts because being bullied and harassed in adolescence is noxious, undermining and unforgettable.

You should spare a thought for the wounded life of the person who would be so cruel. Only someone deeply scarred would seek to torment and injure another young person in such an obvious way.

But enough about him.

I like your idea to “not know” this man at the event. If you can't avoid an encounter or introduction, responding with “... And you are ...?” might make you smile inside.

I assume you were not his only victim. Attend this reunion knowing that you have a squad of people cheering you on.

Dear Amy: Thank you for your response to “Saddened,” who had recently been dumped by her husband. No, she should not have to beg her husband to see their children, but yes, she should always try to advocate for the kids.

As you said in your answer, it's hard.

— *Been There*

Dear Been There: Yes, it's hard. But that's what good parents do.

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‘BEFORE YOU KNOW IT’ ★★ 1/2

Charming NY dramedy about reunited family

By KATIE WALSH
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Longtime creative collaborators and writing partners Hannah Pearl Utt and Jen Tullock tackle the messy business of parenting and parentage in “Before You Know It,” in which they star as a pair of sisters navigating the loss of one parent and the gain of another. Utt and Tullock previously wrote and starred in the same-sex marriage web series “Disengaged,” and Utt makes her feature directorial debut with this charming, if slight, dramedy.

Rachel (Utt) is utterly frustrated by her unconventional life. Living in an apartment above an old theater with her father, Mel (Mandy Patinkin), sister, Jackie (Tullock) and niece, Dodge (Oona Yaffe), doesn't leave much room for a personal life or even a career, as her demanding actor/playwright father needs his daughters' full support for his creative theatrical endeavors. That all comes crashing down when Mel unexpectedly passes away, and the sisters learn that a soap opera actress, Sherrell (Judith Light), is the other name on the deed to the theater. Could she be their long-lost mother?

“Before You Know It” is a distinctively New York film, filled with quirky characters and moments of serendipity, the kind of movie that makes New York seem like a small town, filled with interpersonal connections that can be lost or gained in an instant. Utt captures the sense of place and the people in it well as the film whirls around the staid, serious Rachel and the impulsive, heady Jackie, who are processing their father's death and the



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Hannah Pearl Utt, from left, Judith Light and Jen Tullock play a family reunited in “Before You Know It.”

No MPAA rating

Running time: 1:38

shocking discovery of their mother, whom they believed dead.

At the core of the story are the three women, and the film is strongest when the trio pulls focus. Sherrell is only able to communicate her life story through the veil of the character she's played on TV for 30 years and connects with erstwhile writer Rachel. The wanton Jackie cycles through every emotion, man and glass of wine that crosses her path, to the detriment of her daughter, Dodge, but the pattern of neglect is a reproduction of her own experience with losing a mom at a young age. Tullock, especially, is the breakout star of the film, imbuing her ostentatious character with real soul.

Tullock's on-screen chemistry with Utt, as well as Light's incredibly specific performance, propels the film forward, through messy half-baked subplots. Mike Colter is always a

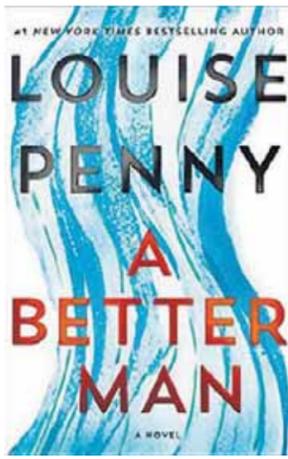
welcome screen presence, but as the sisters' accountant, Charles, his story line, which involves the friendship between his daughter and Dodge, just feels undone and underwritten. Ostensibly, it's to show the challenges just about anyone has with a parent, but it feels awkwardly shoehorned in, as does a brief encounter with Alec Baldwin, playing Dodge's child psychologist who has a dalliance with Jackie.

Utt and Tullock's writing brushes the depths of humanity, including parental neglect, abandonment, domestic abuse and even the complications of estate planning (or lack thereof). But while it gestures at darker moments that crop up in the surreal period of immediate grief, “Before You Know It” always zigs away, choosing levity, irony and rom-com beats over melodrama. It's a charming and quirky New York tale, if a bit disorganized, finding its voice when it quiets down to just listen to the three women at the center of the story.

NATIONAL BEST-SELLERS

HARDCOVER FICTION

1. **“A Better Man”** by Louise Penny (Minotaur) *Last week:* —



2. **“The Girl Who Lived Twice: A Lisbeth Salander Novel”** by David Lagercrantz (Knopf) *Last week:* —

3. **“The Dark Side”** by Danielle Steel (Delacorte) *Last week:* —

4. **“The Inn”** by James Patterson and Candice Fox (Little, Brown) *Last week:* 1

5. **“One Good Deed”** by David Baldacci (Grand Central) *Last week:* 2

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

7. **“The Nickel Boys”** by Colson Whitehead (Doubleday) *Last week:* 5

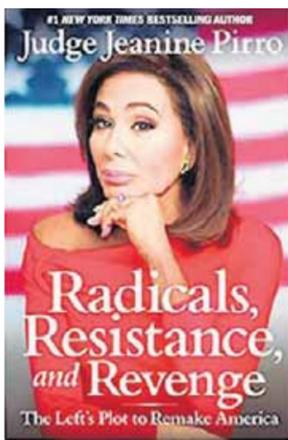
8. **“Outfox”** by Sandra Brown (Grand Central) *Last week:* 8

9. **“The Silent Patient”** by Alex Michaelides (Celadon) *Last week:* 12

10. **“The Bitterroots”** by C.J. Box (Minotaur) *Last week:* 6

HARDCOVER NONFICTION

1. **“Radicals, Resistance, and Revenge: The Left's Plot to Remake America”** by Jeanine Pirro (Center Street) *Last week:* —



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

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

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

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

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

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

8. **“How to Be an Antiracist”** by Ibram X. Kendi (One World) *Last week:* 2

9. **“Unfreedom of the Press”** by Mark R. Levin (Threshold) *Last week:* 12

10. **“Everything Is F*cked: A Book About Hope”** by Mark Manson (Harper) *Last week:* 11

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WATCH THIS: SATURDAY



Robert Irvine

“Restaurant: Impossible” (9 p.m., 12 a.m., Food): In the new “Revisited: Marriage Impossible,” Robert Irvine returns to Joe Willy’s Seafood House, where he found an owner with a hair-trigger temper who was pushing his exhausted wife to the very brink. Now, Robert wants to see whether this couple is still honoring their commitment to be equal partners.

“College Football” (2:30 p.m., ABC): The reigning College Football Playoff champion Clemson Tigers and sophomore quarterback Trevor Lawrence face some early challenges this season. They meet coach Jimbo Fisher’s Texas A&M Aggies, who wrapped up last season with a Gator Bowl victory. The Aggies are loaded with talent, but have the unfortunate distinction of playing in the SEC’s West division with the likes of Alabama and LSU.

“2019 U.S. Open Tennis” (3 p.m., ESPN): The final Grand Slam event of the year is about to wrap up as the Women’s Final of the U.S. Open takes place at the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center in Flushing, New York. Naomi Osaka held off Serena Williams in last year’s final to win her first Grand Slam title. But Osaka was ousted in the early rounds of the tournament, leaving the door open for Williams.

“Beetlejuice” (4 p.m., 6 p.m., 8 p.m., Syfy): With a musical stage adaptation scheduled to open on Broadway in 2019, Tim Burton’s dark but wacky 1988 comedy has lost little of its power to entertain. Alec Baldwin and Geena Davis star as a couple who summon an unconventional exorcist named Beetlejuice — aka Beetlejuice (Michael Keaton) — to rid their home of unwanted visitors. The twist is that the exorcist and his clients are ghosts, and the intruders are human.

“Mary Queen of Scots” (7 p.m., 3:05 a.m., HBO): Best known for his chronicling of political intrigue in the series “House of Cards,” screenwriter Beau Willimon likewise traced the complicated 16th-century conflicts between Mary (Saoirse Ronan), Queen of Scots, and her cousin, Queen Elizabeth I (Margot Robbie) of England, in director Josie Rourke’s 2018 historical drama. Both lead actresses received praise for their performances.

“Identity Theft of a Cheerleader” (7 p.m., 11:01 p.m., Lifetime): Vicky Patterson (Maiara Walsh) dropped out of high school during her senior year, buckling under her mother’s (Gail O’Grady) expectations and bullying from her classmates. Now 31, Vicki has reached rock bottom, so she hits on a desperate, possibly mad strategy: She’ll steal the identity of a high school senior cheerleader and redo her final year.

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SATURDAY EVENING, SEP. 7

BROADCAST	PM	MOVIES					
		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30
CBS	2	Bull: “Justice for Cable.”	48 Hours ©			48 Hours ©	News (N) †
NBC	5	Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows: Part 2 (PG-13, '11) *** Daniel Radcliffe, Rupert Grint. Harry may have to make the ultimate sacrifice. ©					NBC 5 News at 10pm (N)
ABC	7	† (6:30) College Football: LSU at Texas. (N) (Live) ©					Eyewitness News (N) †
WGN	9	† (6) MLB Baseball: Chicago Cubs at Milwaukee Brewers. From Miller Park in Milwaukee. (N) (Live) ©				WGN Weekend News at Nine (N) (Live) ©	Savoring Sweetness †
Antenna	9.2	B. Miller	B. Miller	Soap ©	Soap ©	Johnny Carson ©	
This TV	9.3	In the Heat of the Night	In the Heat of the Night	In the Heat of the Night	In the Heat of the Night	Heat/Night †	
PBS	11	Father Brown: “The Honourable Thief.” (N) ©	Shakespeare and Hathaway (N)		Death in Paradise ©	Poldark-Master †	
CW	26.1	King of Hill	King of Hill	Family Guy	Family Guy	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad
The U	26.2	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cheaters ©		Forensic Factor ©	Cops ©
MeTV	26.3	Svengoolie: “The Werewolf.” ©				Star Trek ©	B. Rogers †
H&I	26.4	The District ©	The District ©			The District ©	Hill Street †
Bounce	26.5	† Daddy’s Little Girls **	Dope (R, '15) *** Shameik Moore, Tony Revolori. ©				
FOX	32	† (6:30) College Football: Buffalo at Penn State. (N) (Live) ©					Fox 32 News
Ion	38	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU			Law-SVU †
Telem	44	† (6) Titanic (PG-13, '97) **** Leonardo DiCaprio, Kate Winslet. ©					Noticiero
MNT	50	Dateline: “Manson.” ©	Dateline ©			Dateline: “Deadly Trust.”	Whacked
UniMas	60	† (6) Abduction (‘11) *	Blow (R, '01) ** Johnny Depp, Penélope Cruz.				
WJYS	62	Paid Prog.	Moses	Bishop	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
Univ	66	Como dice el dicho ©	La Rosa de Guadalupe ©				Noticias 66
AE		Live PD: Rewind (N) ©	(8:03) Live PD: “Live PD -- 08.25.18.” © †				
AMC		Pet Sematary (R, '89) ** Dale Midkiff. ©				Christine (R, '83) ** Keith Gordon. © †	
ANIM		The Zoo: San Diego (N)	The Zoo: San Diego (N)			(9:02) The Vet Life (N)	Vet Life
BBCA		† (5) Cast Away (‘00) ***	Nature’s Great (N)			(9:10) Planet Earth II: “Grasslands.”	
BET		Kidnap (R, '17) ** Halle Berry, Sage Correa.			Martin ©	Martin ©	Martin © †
BIGTEN		† (6:30) College Football: Western Michigan at Michigan State. (N) ©				Postgame	Drive (N) †
BRAVO		† (6:50) Fifty Shades Darker (R, '17) ** Dakota Johnson. ©				Fifty Shades Darker ** †	
CLTV		News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	Chic.Best	Weekend
CNN		CNN Newsroom (N)				Now More Than Ever: The History of Chicago ©	The 70’s †
COM		† (6:25) 21 Jump Street (R, '12) *** Jonah Hill. ©				21 Jump Street (R, '12) *** © †	
DISC		Deadliest Catch ©	Deadliest Catch: “Smoke on the Bering Sea.” (N) © †				
DISN		Ratatouille (G, '07) *** Voices of Patton Oswalt. ©			Big City	Big City	Raven
E!		† The Devil Wears Prada	The Devil Wears Prada (PG-13, '06) *** Meryl Streep. ©				
ESPN		† (6) College Football: BYU at Tennessee. (N) (Live)			Scores (N)	College Football (N) †	
ESPN2		† (6:30) College Football: Tulane at Auburn. (N) (Live)				SportsCenter (N) © †	
FNC		Watters’ World (N) ©	Justice With Jeanine (N)			Greg Gutfeld (N)	Watters †
FOOD		Restaurant: Im. (N)	Restaurant: Im. (N)			Restaurant: Im. (N)	Restaurant †
FREE		† (6:15) Finding Nemo (G, '03) **** ©	(8:45) Finding Dory (PG, '16) *** © (SAP) †				
FX		† Transformers	Transformers: Age of Extinction (PG-13, '14) ** Mark Wahlberg. †				
HALL		† (6) My One & Only (‘19)	Love, Romance & Chocolate (NR, '19) Lacey Chabert. ©				
HGTV		Good Bones ©	Good Bones ©			House Hunters Reno (N)	Hunters (N)
HIST		Ancient Aliens: Declassified: “Engineering Mysteries.” (N) © †					
HLN		Vengeance: Killer	How It Really Happened			Forensic	Forensic
IFC		† (5:30) Zero Dark Thirty (R, '12) *** Jessica Chastain.				The Green Mile (R, '99) *** © †	
LIFE		Identity Theft of a Cheerleader (NR, '19) ©				(9:03) The Twisted Son (NR, '19) †	
MSNBC		All In With Chris Hayes	Rachel Maddow Show			All In With Chris Hayes	TBA †
MTV		Ridic. (N)	Ridiculous. Ridiculous. Ridiculous.			Ridiculous. Ridiculous. Ridiculous.	
NBCSCH		† MLB Baseball: Angels at White Sox (N)				Postgame	Football
NICK		Henry Danger ©	Henry Danger ©			Friends ©	Friends †
OVATION		† (6) Maigret ©	The Doors (R, '91) *** Val Kilmer, Meg Ryan. © †				
OWN		Love & Marriage	Love & Marriage (N)			Black Women OWN (N)	Love †
OPY		Snapped ©	Snapped ©			Snapped: “Notorious: Tupac Shakur.” †	
PARMT		† Twilight	The Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 2 (PG-13, '12) ** ©				Twilight ** †
SYFY		† (6) Beetlejuice (‘88) ***	Beetlejuice (PG, '88) *** Michael Keaton. ©				Futurama
TBS		† Batman ***	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Full Frontal
TCM		Sounder (G, '72) *** Cicely Tyson, Paul Winfield. ©				Bright Road (NR, '53) ** ©	
TLC		Say Yes to the Dress: “Fashionably Late.” (N) ©				Say Yes to the Dress ©	Say Yes †
TLN		Exalted	Pacific Garden Mission	In Grace		Humanitarian	Pure Pas
TNT		The Accountant (R, '16) ** Ben Affleck, Anna Kendrick. ©				The Accountant (‘16) ** †	
TOON		Dragon	Dragon Ball	Rick, Morty	Rick, Morty	Family Guy	Family Guy
TRAV		Ghost Adventures ©	Ghost Adventures (N) ©				Ghost †
TVL		Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men
USA		Captain America: Civil War (PG-13, '16) *** Chris Evans. ©					Straight Up
VH1		Friday (R, '95) *** Ice Cube, Chris Tucker. ©				Next Friday (R, '00) ** Ice Cube. © †	
WE		Criminal Minds ©	Criminal Minds ©			Criminal Minds ©	Criminal †
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BOOK REVIEW

Tyranny aplenty. Somehow it all computes.

Race and robots collide in Rion Amilcar Scott’s vivid new fiction collection

BY CHRIS BARTON

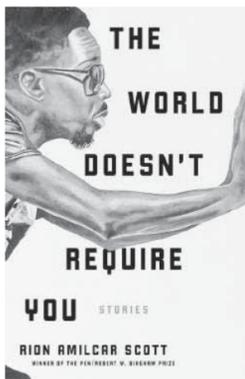
Imagine a world where the son of God is alive and leading a struggling church gospel band. It’s also where a new, highly advanced line of service robots must confront their programming after being designed to resemble lawn jockeys, and a hitchhiker inadvertently finds himself on a road trip along the Underground Railroad.

Welcome to the imaginary town of Cross River, Maryland, the setting for Rion Amilcar Scott’s vivid “The World Doesn’t Require You.” The fiction collection is a rich, genre-splicing mix of alternate history, magical realism and satire that interrogates issues of race and sexism.

This is Scott’s second visit to Cross River, also home to his Pen/Robert W. Bingham Prize-winning 2016 “Insurrections.” In addition to the above curiosities, the fictional town also lays claim to being the site of the only successful slave rebellion in U.S. history and is the meeting point of all sorts of past and present issues surrounding race.

Cross River stands in tragic contrast to the neighboring white-dominated town of Port Yooga. But Scott’s imagination runs deeper than simply placing his characters in opposition to a single force and instead examines the ways oppression is passed down and continues to thrive.

Consider the robot at the heart of “The Electric Joy of Service.” Told from the perspective of the new being (who shares a name with Twain’s escaped slave in “Huckleberry Finn”), the story begins with the robot’s inventor reveling in the absurd shock of a racist design. “Rich whites will rush out to buy their own robot slaves,” Jim’s Master



‘The World Doesn’t Require You’

By Rion Amilcar Scott, Liveright, 384 pages, \$25.95

assures his corporate investors, who are initially aghast. “And we can make these things any race the customer pleases.”

The Robotic Personal Helpers (or Riffs) are a hit, however. After being betrayed by his partners, the

Master uploads a virus to spread the facts behind Cross River to spur a cyborg rebellion. But he spares his first creation. “For you,” he promises Jim, “a gift: a patch to block the disease of history. Go on being content.”

It’s one of a few biting drawn scenarios that bring to mind the work of Paul Beatty, whose 2015 novel “The Sellout” won the Booker Prize with its barbed critique of post-racial America, or even the pointed surrealism of Boots Riley’s 2018 film “Sorry to Bother You.” But Scott digs a little deeper, returning to Jim in a later, longer story, “Mercury in Retrograde,” which finds Jim falling in love, yet in increasing conflict with a more advanced new creation called Fiona.

Partly human and designed to satisfy the Master’s longing for controllable female companionship (and all the misogyny that implies), Fiona grows frustrated in both her role and with Jim’s reluctance to pursue freedom — even as he grows to understand the hatred in his appearance and in turn how bigotry is internalized. “I was disgusting,” Jim says. “My

very existence a kind of hatefulness. Anyone who saw me would hate me. The more I studied, the more I asked: How could I not, likewise, hate me?”

But as they grow together, Fiona and Jim are driven apart as he’s proved unable to evolve far enough. “One can only fight their programming so much,” Jim admits to Fiona.

Scott has as vivid ear for description and pace, rendering one nightmarish story that feels like an un-aided episode of Jordan Peele’s “Twilight Zone” reboot. Beginning with someone hitching a ride from a stranger into Cross River, the story wryly named after the chorus of Dr. Dre’s 1993 single “Let Me Ride” culminates in a drug-addled fever dream where images of racist

caricatures merge with a party replete with sly nods toward the Wizard of Oz, R. Kelly and a “comedian who hadn’t made a funny remark in years” berating a crowd to their delight.

While Scott needs only a few pages to make an impact, he devotes the bulk of “The World Doesn’t Require You” to the novella-length closer, “Special Topics in Loneliness Studies.” Telling the story of an academic rivalry at Cross River’s historically black Freedman’s University, “Special Topics” at first feels elusive, with a kitchen sink construction of emails, PowerPoint slides, essays and imagined folklore amid an unreliable narration, but it coalesces into an indictment of a patriarchal academic system that diminishes female voices.

Scott delivers his most

direct critique via a student — primarily seen through her emails — who looks past the institution to a larger world where loneliness is “a motivator of low-level human tyranny.” The story connects to the upheaval of 2019 in a way that few recent works of fiction have.

“I don’t wish to end my loneliness,” she writes, defying the course’s goals. “I wish to learn from it, to grow from it so I can enjoy the inevitable and brief moments of oneness that are on the other side of isolation.” It’s far from the answer the professor had hoped for, but in the hands of someone as skilled as Scott, it’s impossible to deny.

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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (Sept. 7): Home and family take your heart this year. Love motivates you into focused action. Winter brings romance, fun and heartwarming sweetness, before a community puzzle requires resolution. Make messes with home renovation or relocation next summer, before pieces fall into place with friends.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 9. Prepare for a professional challenge. Monitor and edit communications carefully. Dispel illusions, and go for clarity. Take advantage of an unexpected opportunity.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Don't charge ahead blindly. Watch the road ahead carefully for unexpected dips and turns. Adapt to current events and news.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 8. Planning saves time and money. Collaborate to get what's needed. Discuss shared financial endeavors, and strategize for best value.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 9. Your partner can see your blind spots. Collaborate for a wider view and deeper perception. Negotiate to refine the plan. Share resources, ideas and talents.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 9. Maintain healthy practices and routines, despite distractions or competition for your attention. Don't overdo things. Postpone what you can.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 9. Make a lovely connection. Keep things practical, as distractions abound. Discover shared enthusiasms, passions and pursuits. Create romance, delight and intrigue from simple ingredients.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Home and family have your attention. Prioritize foundational structures, and budget less urgent upgrades for later. Keep systems functional. Invest in efficiency and conservation.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Navigate a conflict of interests or misunderstanding by listening and learning, generously. Communicate your view and consider others.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. Appearances can be deceptive. Check out a lucrative opportunity for solid foundations. Keep your scheduled appointments and obligations.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 9. Take time for yourself. Abandon preconceptions, expectations and fantasies. Growth and development flower. Recognize what you have. Consider your strengths. Make an amazing discovery.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 7. Consider past and future while resting in the present. Dreams and visions flavor your plans with possibility. Listen to your intuition, and check the data.

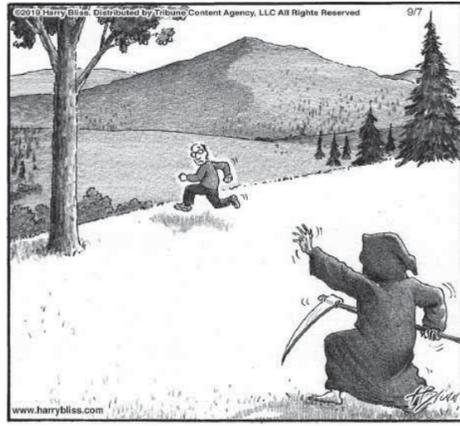
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Social activities further your career. Participate with parties, meetings and gatherings. Let your friends know what you're up to.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

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Bridge

East-West vulnerable, South deals

North		East	
♠ J10 8 3	♥ J 9 8 5	♠ 9 6 5	♥ K 7 6 3 2
♦ A K 9	♣ J 2	♦ 10	♣ K 9 8 4
West		South	
♠ A	♥ Q 10 4	♠ K Q 7 4 2	♥ A
♦ 7 6 2	♣ A Q 7 6 5 3	♦ Q J 8 5 4 3	♣ 10

Another highly competitive auction as is so typical in today's tournament world. Everyone had a dandy time and the fun finally stopped when North-South reached five spades.

Five spades is an excellent contract and would make most of the time. West, however, started thinking when he stopped bidding. West reasoned that, at unfavorable vulnerability, his partner was likely to have a singleton to justify his bid of four clubs. Where was it? Surely not in a black suit. South had bid diamonds in the auction, so West thought East's most likely shortness would be in diamonds. He backed his judgment by leading the six of diamonds. South won with dummy's ace and ran the jack of spades to West's ace. West could have defeated the contract by two tricks if he led a diamond right away, but he had second thoughts. For partner to have started with a singleton diamond, South would have to have a six-card diamond suit. This would be most unusual after the opening bid of one spade. West hedged his bets by cashing the ace of clubs before leading a second diamond. This resulted in down one instead of two, but it was still an excellent result. Nice lead!

— Bob Jones
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Baby Blues



Zits By Jerry Scott and Jim Borgman (Zits is on vacation until September 16. Please enjoy this strip from 2015.)



Mr. Boffo



Frazz



Classic Peanuts



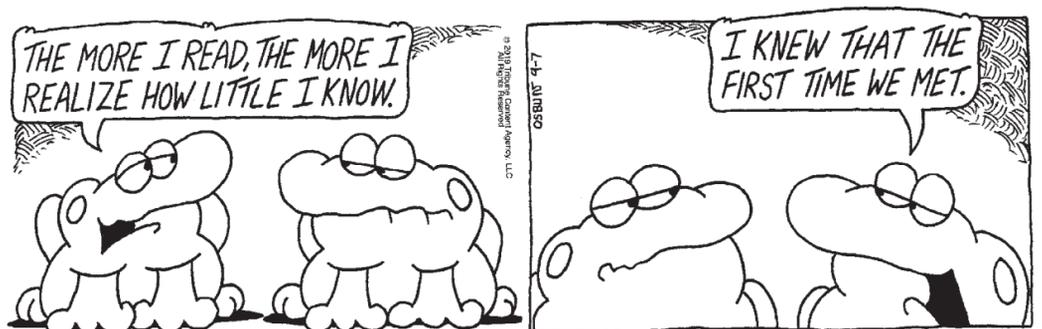
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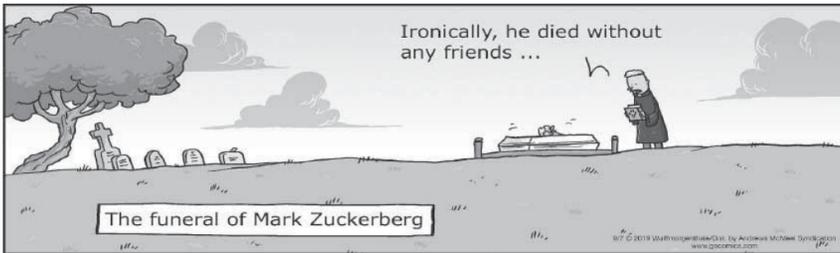
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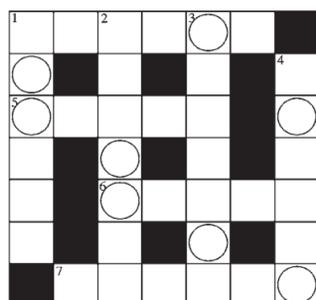


Trivia Bits

Who won an Oscar for his role in "Glory," a film about the Massachusetts 54th regiment?
A) Matthew Broderick
B) Cary Elwes
C) Morgan Freeman
D) Denzel Washington

Friday's answer: The giant armadillo typically has 100 teeth.

Jumble Crossword



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

ACROSS
CLUE ANSWER
1. Circumvented VDEADE
5. ___ ship GCAOR
6. ___ pollution SNEIO
7. Obstruct EEDMIP

DOWN
CLUE ANSWER
1. Usher, guide SCRTEO
2. OPEC, for example AYCNRMO
3. Caustic OVESREI
4. Chill, ice up EZREFE

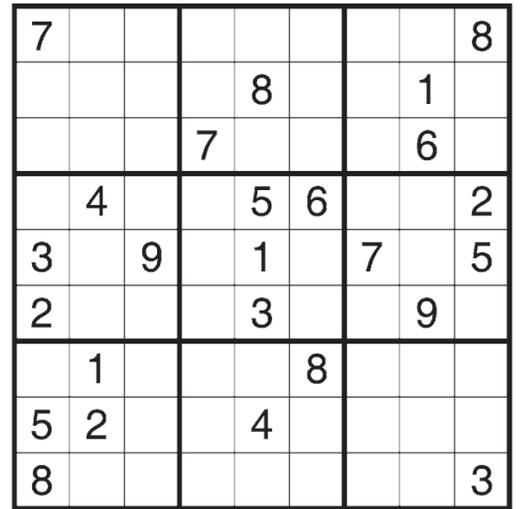
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Sudoku 1 2 3 4

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6	9	7	1	5	8	4	3	2
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5	8	1	3	2	4	7	9	6
7	5	2	8	1	9	6	4	3
8	4	3	5	7	6	1	2	9
1	6	9	2	4	3	8	5	7
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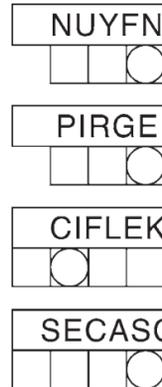
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

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.



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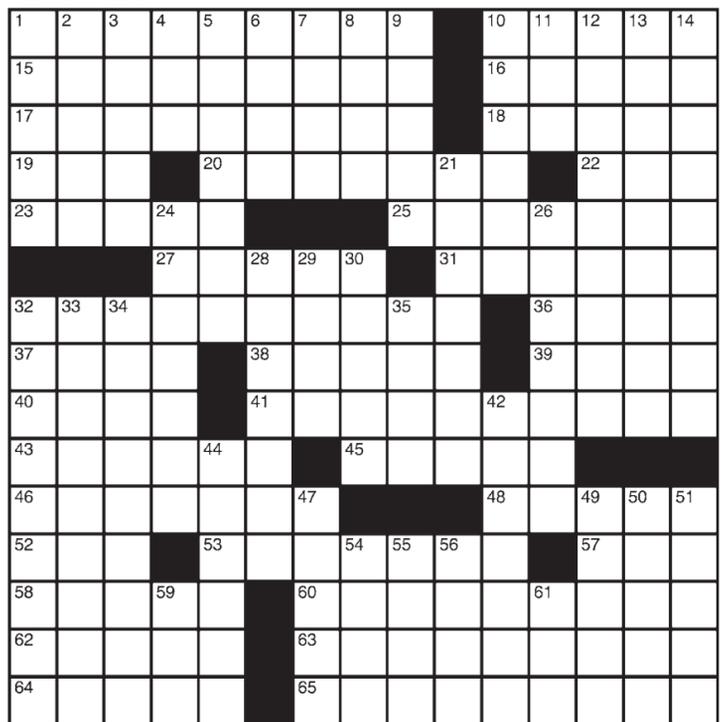
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Jumbles: NOVEL WHILE EXTORT ACIDIC
Answer: The branch didn't work for building their nest, but the birds weren't going to -- DWELL ON IT

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Crossword

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Across

- 1 Peak of early 2000s cinema
- 10 Martin Sheen's first name at birth
- 15 Doesn't honor
- 16 Blow away
- 17 "Let's rock and roll!"
- 18 Actor Max von ___
- 19 Verb that sounds like a letter
- 20 Holders of leaves
- 22 Rank aboard the Enterprise: Abbr.
- 23 Turbine blade
- 25 Moved, as a movie camera
- 27 "Claws" star ___ Nash
- 31 Get choppers
- 32 One up, barely
- 36 Oozy substances
- 37 Prefix for "six"
- 38 Class with no struggles

- 39 Unwieldy thing
- 40 British boxer Khan
- 41 Album info
- 43 Talking points?
- 45 Role for which Liam got an Oscar nod
- 46 Show ardor
- 48 Occupied
- 52 IPA, say
- 53 About 5, for coffee
- 57 Humanities degs.
- 58 Enjoy a season in a day, perhaps?
- 60 Therapy subjects
- 62 Run onstage?
- 63 Wrap up
- 64 Judges
- 65 Duty for the bereaved

- 24 In the world
- 26 Looney Tunes surname
- 28 Metaphorical margin of victory
- 29 Contents of some 20-Across
- 30 Having only two answers
- 32 Fight over covers, perhaps?
- 33 Citrusy flavor
- 34 "The only way to deal with an unfree world is to become so absolutely free that your very ___ is an act of rebellion": Camus (attributed)
- 35 Votes for
- 42 Succeeds to the max
- 44 Sri Lankan currency
- 47 Send to cloud nine
- 49 WWII sub
- 50 Gift list addressee
- 51 Cape Ann's county
- 54 Nights before
- 55 Rapper Lil Uzi ___
- 56 Singer Franklin, Aretha's elder sister
- 59 Opal, for one
- 61 Suffix with salt

Down

- 1 Patch plant
- 2 Nostalgic-cool?
- 3 Beginning
- 4 Pabst dispenser
- 5 Journey with strokes? 6 ___ noire
- 7 Gobi locale
- 8 Search high and low
- 9 Apt eye rhyme for "bread"
- 10 Fight in the sticks
- 11 2019 Emmy nominee Adams
- 12 Escaped
- 13 Polar environmental concern
- 14 Paper departments
- 21 Approached nightfall

Friday's solution



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Coach Matt Nagy tries to explain at a news conference Friday why he opted to go for it on fourth-and-10 rather than try a 51-yard field goal.

TRUST TO DUST

Bypassing 51-yard FG hints at Nagy's doubt about Pineiro



DAN WIEDERER
On the Bears

The Bears' second-longest play of a patience-testing Thursday night brought a sliver of light into the massive hole in which the offense had been burying itself. The line was in disarray. The quarterback was unsettled. Rhythm was nonexistent.

But when Mitch Trubisky found running back David Montgomery wide open up the left seam for 27 yards late in the third quarter, it looked as if the Bears had sneaked one hand — or at least a few knuckles — out of the ditch, ready to pull themselves to the surface.

As coach Matt Nagy described it Friday, "As bad as we were on offense — as bad as we were — it was (still) 7-3."

Nagy's team was breathing, fighting through the dirt.

But after Montgomery's big gain? The Bears did absolutely everything possible to supply skeptics of their struggling of-

fense a cartload of evidence to confirm they are, at best, a work in progress and, at worst, a sloppy, disorganized group that can't seize opportunities.

The completion to Montgomery brought up first-and-10 at the Packers 33. Tarik Cohen followed with a 5-yard reception. More than 4 minutes remained in the third quarter. The Bears were down by four.

And then? Trubisky went deep to Allen Robinson, a pretty pass that almost set up first-and-goal at the 2. But Robinson got only one foot down in bounds, and somehow the Bears were in disarray getting reset in the next 40

seconds. With confusion over what personnel grouping they were in, they took an inexcusable delay-of-game penalty — their second of that drive — and didn't use a timeout to avoid it.

Third-and-5 became third-and-10.

Then Trubisky made a startlingly late and inaccurate throw that sailed past Cordarrelle Patterson. And rather than attempt a 51-yard field goal to cut the Packers lead to 7-6, Nagy made his most perplexing decision of the night.

Fourth-and-10? Let's go for it. Wait. Why?

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Preseason irrelevant in Bears' sloppy loss



BRAD BIGGS
On the Bears

Don't blame Matt Nagy sitting his front-line players for nearly the entire preseason for his offense's pitiful performance Thursday night in the Bears' 10-3 loss to the Packers at Soldier Field.

Some already are doing so — rationalizing that the terrible showing by the offense was due to a little rust. The Bears offense was so bad, 40 or 50 preseason snaps wouldn't have cured it.

It's really difficult to imagine how the Bears — who had since April to prepare for the rival Packers — simply could look so awful.

Nagy was the NFL Coach of the Year last season, an award he deserved. He didn't forget what

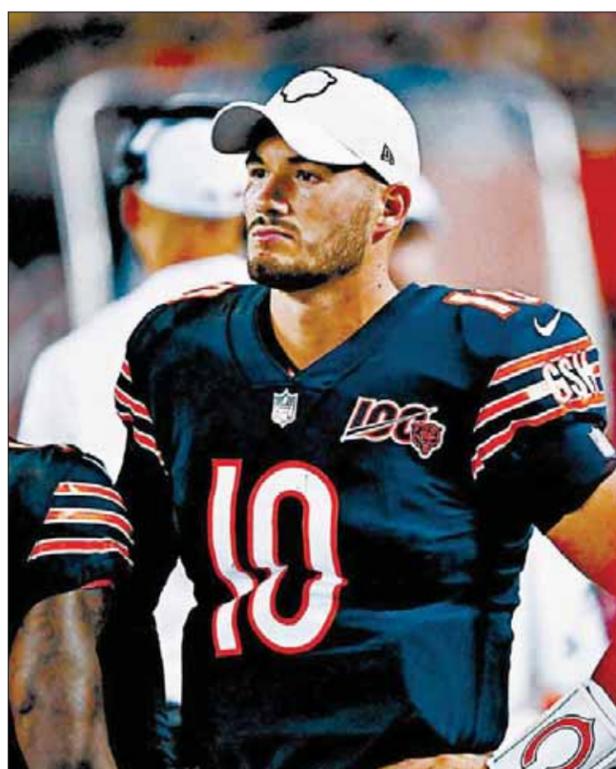
he was doing since then. But he was completely outclassed in the game. Never before had the Bears been held to three points or less in the season opener at home.

Credit the Packers, who reshaped their defense in the off-season with some bold moves in free agency, including a four-year, \$36 million contract for former Bears safety Adrian Amos. They also made moves to bolster the front seven, signing outside linebackers Za'Darius Smith and Preston Smith.

But the Packers don't have the 1985 Bears defense. Heck, they don't have the 2019 Bears defense.

Quarterback Mitch Trubisky was as bad Thursday as he was in the playoff loss to the Eagles in January. He completed 26 of 45 passes for 228 yards and was sacked five times, a couple of them avoidable. Amos picked him off in the end zone with 1 minute, 58 seconds remaining, basically sealing the loss. A good chunk of

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Mitch Trubisky watches from the sideline after Packers safety Adrian Amos intercepted him late in the fourth quarter of Thursday's loss.

CUBS AT BREWERS

Bears' loss steals attention

Cubs' fight for postseason berth takes brief back seat



PAUL SULLIVAN
On the Cubs

MILWAUKEE — The Cubs might have caught a break this weekend thanks to an unexpected phenomenon occurring 98 miles south of Miller Park.

All the grumbling from disgruntled Chicago sports fans for the next week or so now can be directed at coach Matt Nagy and the lifeless Bears offense after their 10-3 loss to the Packers on Thursday night at Soldier Field, giving the Cubs a brief reprieve from the critics during the stretch run.

When you're in a tight division race with the Cardinals, every little thing matters.

But instead of thanking the Bears, Cubs manager Joe Maddon reacted as if he was just another a longtime meatball/first-time caller.

"Too bad, man," Maddon said Friday before the Cubs took on the Brewers. "I was upset too. Surprised too."

Everyone south of the Mars Cheese Castle was upset and surprised, but Maddon was mostly upset for his pal Nagy.

"I've gotten to know Coach a little bit," he said. "I think (Mitch) Trubisky is a nice quarterback. It was weird. I mean, I heard about all the different methods today from (Thursday's game). I'm sure they'll fix it. They've got some talent."

There's only so much angst to go around, even in a sports-crazed city such as Chicago. So the Cubs should feel lucky the Bears were so awful Thursday night that it was all anyone could talk about Friday.

Javier Baez's sore left thumb, which on Sunday was deemed minor, was not on the tip of anyone's tongue Friday, even as the injury was stretching into its fifth day with an MRI scheduled for Saturday.

Jason Heyward's .144 average since Aug. 1 was worrisome, but it paled in comparison with Trubisky throwing into double coverage in the final minutes with the game on the line.

And no one was concerned over Maddon's handling of the closer's role in Craig Kimbrel's absence while trying to come to terms with Nagy's impotent game plan.

No, the Bears' ineptitude couldn't have come at a more perfect time for the Cubs, who could use some cover as they attempt to catch the Cardinals in the National League Central and maintain the second wild-card spot in case they don't.

The shock waves the loss to the Packers created were eerily similar to those greeting the Cubs' slow start, when

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DAN WIEDERER

Nagy takes 1st shot at 2nd-guessing

Bears coach Matt Nagy met the media Friday afternoon at Halas Hall, describing his emotions and explaining his team's shortcomings from Thursday night's demoralizing 10-3 loss to the Packers. Here's a rundown of the most important things Nagy said.

On why he opted against attempting a 51-yard field goal, choosing instead to go for it on fourth-and-10 late in the third quarter

Just because that was past the exact number that we talked about for that depth. You could try it, but I just didn't want to break our rule of saying (this is) where we're at. The other part of it too was we weren't down there very often. So for myself I was feeling like, you know what, we have an opportunity here to get a touchdown and put us up rather than put us down one.

On his level of concern that a 51-yard kick was out of range for a strong-legged kicker on a relatively calm September night at Soldier Field

I think that's a real legit question for sure. He hit a 53 earlier (in warmups). I think it was going the other way. And it was a little windy, so going (south), we knew going that direction that it just was going to be close. And if he doesn't make it, now they get the ball, not quite at midfield, but (there's) that flip of the field. I felt like the percentages were better for us to go for it and get it. And if we didn't get it, the defense is up with them having the ball there instead. It was just a decision I made.

On whether the offense was discom-bobulated due to a lack of preseason game action

The first play of the game, the bobbled snap with 29 (Tarik Cohen)? If that has anything to do with him not playing in the preseason, then I'd be shocked. If we hold onto that ball, that might be down the sideline for 40 yards. It was blocked up like a gem. So we didn't (get that big play) and that's just how it goes. ... When I go ahead and make that decision to not play in the preseason like we did, I open myself to criticism for when you don't play well. I get that. So that's a fair question.

On what he learned about his own play-calling in the season opener

It wasn't good enough. I told the players that. I told them that last night in the locker room. It starts with me. I need to be better and I will be better and I'm going to demand that from myself, from our coaches and from our players. I think good coaches figure out the why part. They don't just get all angry and upset and start pointing fingers or being frustrated. Last night? That was tough. And I'm not talking about right after the game. I'm talking about the whole night and even this morning. You still feel it. But I have this competitiveness in me that I'm not going to let that take away from how I'm going to attack this next week. I'm going to use this to make me a better coach and we're going to use it as a team. I need to be better, there's no doubt about it.

On where he needs to be better

I think probably just a lot more of communication-wise on the sideline during plays, that sort of thing. A lot of it isn't so much of what's going on during that play or the



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Matt Nagy reviews his — and his team's — shortcomings Friday at Halas Hall.

next play but maybe a little bit more of just how we go about doing things with the game plan.

On what he saw on Mitch Trubisky's fourth quarter interception in the end zone

In that situation, I think he's seeing it right. Meaning it was a look there where he was throwing in a corner route and the nickel fell off late when he went to throw it. So he was trusting (Allen Robinson) one-on-one with (Adrian) Amos. But the nickel, 38 (Tamon Williams), fell off late. And it ended up like a double-coverage forced throw. Those are those ones, right after you let it go you want it back. And we're going to continue to keep working with his eyes, making sure he's going to where my eyes are going during the game. And then also, too, in that situation, they're playing soft and off and they're letting you dink and dunk underneath. That's a learning tool for him.

On needing to get the running game going

I said it last night. We didn't run the ball enough. So however we end up doing that, we need to figure that out as coaches. ... I've never been a part of a game like that. It was a weird game. No rhythm. ... I think for us, in any offense, you've got to be able to get that run game established so it opens up other things and we know we need to be better there.

On the decision to run receiver Cordarrelle Patterson on a third-and-1 play in the first half

We could've had Walter Payton back there and he wasn't getting anything. It wouldn't have mattered. But with that said, that's

part of the beauty of what he does. He's able to do that. Anybody that watches the way he's run in other scenarios like that, he's done some damage. If he gets (the first down), it's a beautiful play call.

On his assessment of the offensive line's run blocking

I think that after those guys watch the tape I think that they'll see that (it was not good.) And it's not just run-blocking, there were a lot more passes too. But in general I think our offensive line holds themselves to higher standards.

On whether he needs to get rookie running back David Montgomery more involved

Again, this is all kind of new to us. But we liked what he did. We've liked what he did since we've seen him here with us and I think we'll kind of feel him out. You saw when he got the ball, he did some nice things. Again, it's just like a shooter in basketball. They want to shoot the ball and get in rhythm and get some foul shots if they're cold early on and get some free throws. It's the same thing. I've got to keep that in mind with these guys and keep them going. There's a lot to balance. When you have different players at different positions, when you have multiple guys, there is a little bit of a wait to that.

On Trubisky's mood after such a rough performance

He'll be fine. That's our job to make sure that he stays up. We're all down right now. That was a game where there was a lot of hype to it. It's a very meaningful game. But at the same time, we have to make sure that we understand that it is Week 1. If he is down, that's OK.

LET'S PLAY 2

	Sept. 15 @Broncos 3:25 p.m. FOX-32	Sept. 23 @Redskins 7:15 p.m. ESPN
	Saturday @Brewers 6:10 p.m. WGN-9	Sunday @Brewers 1:10 p.m. NBCSCH
	Saturday Angels 6:10 p.m. NBCSCH	Sunday Angels 1:10 p.m. WGN-9
	Sept. 14 FC Dallas 2:30 p.m. Univision	Sept. 21 @FC Cin. 6:30 p.m. ESPN+
	Sunday @Mystics 3 p.m.	Wed. or Sept. 15 Playoffs TBD

SATURDAY ON TV/RADIO

AUTO RACING
2 p.m. NASCAR Xfinity: Indiana 250
NBCSN

BASEBALL
3 p.m. Yankees at Red Sox FS1
6 p.m. Phillies at Mets FS1
6:10 p.m. Cubs at Brewers WGN-9
6:10 p.m. Angels at White Sox NBCSCH
7 p.m. Cardinals at Pirates WGN-AM 720
8 p.m. Giants at Dodgers MLB

COLLEGE FOOTBALL
11 a.m. Cincinnati at Ohio State ABC-7
11 a.m. Army at Michigan FOX-32
11 a.m. Vanderbilt at Purdue BTN
11 a.m. Syracuse at Maryland ESPN
11 a.m. West Virginia at Missouri ESPN2
11 a.m. Old Dominion at Va. Tech ESPNU
11 a.m. Rutgers at Iowa FS1
11 a.m. UAB at Akron CBSSN
Noon Northern Illinois at Utah PACN
2:30 p.m. Illinois at Connecticut CBSSN
WIND-AM 560
WLS-AM 890
2:30 p.m. Texas A&M at Clemson ABC-7
2:30 p.m. Nebraska at Colorado FOX-32
2:30 p.m. C. Michigan at Wisconsin BTN
2:30 p.m. So. Miss at Miss. St. ESPNU
2:30 p.m. Grambling at La. Tech NFL
3 p.m. Murray State at Georgia ESPN2
6 p.m. BYU at Tennessee ESPN
6 p.m. UCF at Florida Atlantic CBSSN
6:30 p.m. LSU at Texas ABC-7
6:30 p.m. Buffalo at Penn State FOX-32
6:30 p.m. W. Michigan at Mich. St. BTN
6:30 p.m. Tulane at Auburn ESPN2
6:30 p.m. UT-Martin at Florida ESPNU
9:30 p.m. Stanford at USC ESPN
9:30 p.m. California at Washington FS1
9:30 p.m. Minnesota at Fresno St. CBSSN

GOLF
6 a.m. European Open Golf

HORSE RACING
3:30 p.m. Breeders' Chall. Series NBC-5

LACROSSE
5 p.m. Chaos vs. Whipsnakes NBCSN

TENNIS
3 p.m. U.S. Open ESPN

TRACK AND FIELD
12:30 p.m. Ironman Triathlon (tape) NBC-5
2 p.m. IAAF Diamond League (tape) NBC-5

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Even in the moment, the decision felt as baffling as the one Marc Trestman made six years ago, opting to send Robbie Gould out for a 47-yard overtime field-goal attempt on second down against the Vikings. That made absolutely no sense then and makes no sense now.

Trestman's was a decision made out of an inexplicable fear. And it's easy to argue Nagy's move and subsequent explanations seem similarly related to his ongoing kicker PTSD.

Nagy's explanations from the witness stand after the game Thursday and again at Halas Hall on Friday only added to the confusion.

He asserted multiple times that special teams coordinator Chris Tabor predetermined 51 yards to be out of Eddy Pineiro's range kicking toward the south end zone.

"Just to make it clear," Nagy explained, "that's not some number that he puts his finger down on a piece of paper and says, 'Let's go on this number.' That's based off of what (Pineiro) did in pregame."

Cut and dried, Nagy insisted. Done and done.

So what is the Bears' level of concern that their strong-legged young kicker doesn't have range beyond 50 yards on a calm early September night at Soldier Field?

"Well," Nagy replied, "I think that's a real legit question for sure."

And just to be clear, had the Bears not taken that inexcusable delay penalty, a 46-yard field goal would have had the green light?

"Forty-six?" Nagy said. "Oh, yeah. Oh, yeah."

But then he waffled a bit, contradicting the notion that Pineiro's "number" was a strict guideline for his decision. In truth, Nagy acknowledged, more might have been at play.

"The other part of it too," he said, "was we weren't down there (in Packers territory) very often. So I was feeling like, 'You

know what? We have an opportunity here to get a touchdown and put us ahead rather than put us down one.' ... Is there ever any gray in that if you get to a point where it's a game-winning field goal? Yeah. There absolutely is. Then that's my decision."

Nagy stressed he was concerned a Pineiro miss would have given the Packers good field position. But if field position was a worry, why go for it on fourth-and-10 rather than punt? What factored into that decision?

Nagy's reply: "Do we like the play call? Where are we at in the game? And what's my gut feel on that versus the 51-yard field goal to get you to 7-6?"

For Nagy, the risk-reward didn't feel right.

Instead, the fourth-and-10 play fell apart. A blitz frazzled Trubisky in the pocket. He tucked the ball and scrambled and was tackled 7 yards short of the sticks.

Turnover on downs.

In the locker room Thursday night, Pineiro indicated he felt he had range in the 55- to 58-yard ballpark — kicking in either direction — and was eager to give it a try. But he never got that opportunity.

That whole sequence, it turns out, exposed all the vulnerabilities that have the potential to pop this city's Super Bowl balloon.

Kicker trepidation? Still lurking. Erratic quarterback play? Check.

No offensive rhythm? Costly penalties and mental blunders? Confirmed.

A young and still inexperienced head coach continuing to get his bearings as a game manager? Sure seems like it.

The travesty is that a special Bears defense turned in a magnificent effort that would have been showered with praise for nine days had the offense been able to score 13 points.

Instead, the Bears stagger into the week-end with a cleanup project that might require a hazmat suit.

Nagy acknowledged the ickiness, labeling the performance "unacceptable," "ridiculous," "terrible" and "super frustrating."

"This is not who we are," he said.

The next step, though, is providing consistent on-field evidence to the contrary.

Biggs

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Trubisky's 228 yards came on check-down throws.

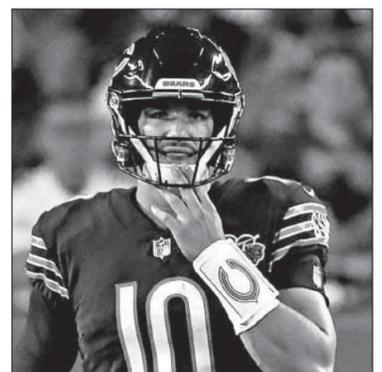
Wide receiver Allen Robinson, the intended target on the interception, had a nice game with seven catches for 102 yards. But that was about the only offensive highlight. I told Robinson after the game that fans would be wondering if a preseason without action was an explanation for a poor showing.

"They can keep wondering that," he said. "We can't change that. I felt very prepared to go out here and make plays, and I think everyone else did the same. But we just got behind the sticks, whether it was a penalty, no matter what it was. In a crucial situation, for whatever reason, we end up getting, what, first-and-40? ... We were down four points at that time. First-and-40? It's hard like that. We've got to do a better job on first and second down to give ourselves a shot on third down. And we also have to do a better job on first and second down to stay out of some third downs too."

Said Trubisky postgame: "The snaps in the preseason have nothing to do with the way we execute or the sloppiness of tonight, because we weren't doing that in practice. We were smooth in practice. ... It just seemed a little scattered tonight ... and we just put ourselves in bad situations and shot ourselves in the foot. "You could maybe attribute it to that (no preseason action), but it's kind of a stretch. ... We just need to do our job."

None of the other receivers distinguished himself. Taylor Gabriel has had more than 52 receiving yards only once in the last 13 games, including the playoff loss. Newcomer Cordarrelle Patterson caught one pass for 3 yards, and Anthony Miller and Javon Wims didn't make a catch.

Robinson is right: The Bears were abysmal on third down, converting only 3 of 15. They twice failed on third-and-1. On



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Bears quarterback Mitch Trubisky after a delay of game penalty Thursday.

one, Patterson lined up as the only running back and took a handoff on what essentially was a dive play. On the other, the Bears ran an RPO that turned into a sack.

One thing the Bears wanted to improve this summer was huddle efficiency — get in and out of the huddle quickly, giving Trubisky more time to survey the defense in order to get an edge in the pre-snap process. The Bears had two delay of game penalties. That's not managing the huddle.

"It was terrible. Absolutely terrible," Nagy said. "It's unacceptable. ... So, is it a preseason thing? No, it's not a preseason thing. Our defense, they played pretty well today not playing in the preseason. But what it comes down to is just us needing to be better."

"If there's one thing that I feel like is one of my strengths, it's being able to accept this stuff and then try to do everything you can to fix it. You man up, you talk to your players, you get input, you talk to your coaches and you demand better. And that's what we need to do."

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

BASEBALL



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The White Sox's Danny Mendick singles in the fourth inning Friday.

ANGELS AT WHITE SOX

Mendick grinds his way to Sox

Low-round pick uses grit, baseball smarts to get chance in majors

BY LAMOND POPE

Charlotte manager Mark Grudzielanek met with his players Monday after the White Sox Triple-A affiliate lost its final game of the season.

Infielder Danny Mendick will always remember the conversation.

"Grudz was talk to us about the game and our season (and) he said, 'And we have a guy getting called up for the first time,'" Mendick said.

That's how Mendick found out he was joining the Sox.

"It was pretty cool," Mendick said. "The whole team was there. Everyone was excited. I was really happy."

Mendick appeared in his first game Tuesday, pinch running in the ninth inning against the Indians at Progressive Field in Cleveland. He got his first big-league at-bat the next night as a pinch hitter, striking out in the ninth inning.

He made his first start Thursday and collected the first hit of his career with a bunt single in the sixth inning.

"That's one way to do it,"

Mendick said with a smile after the game. "Not how you draw it up, that's for sure."

Mendick had two singles in Thursday's 7-1 victory. He said the pinch-running duties eased some of the nerves.

"The bunt helped me out the most," Mendick said. "Once I got the hit, it was like, whew, you could relax a little bit. And then I put a good swing on a ball (on a single in the seventh). It was a lot of fun."

He was back in the lineup Friday when the Sox opened a three-game series against the Angels at Guaranteed Rate Field.

Mendick, 25, had a .279/.368/.444 slash line with 26 doubles, 17 home runs, 64 RBIs, 75 runs and 66 walks in 133 games with the Knights.

"Danny made a very good impression on the staff with his work ethic in March with the big-league club, and Charlotte's staff echoed what the (Double-A) Birmingham staff said about the way he goes about his business, with the professionalism and how smart of a ballplayer he is," Sox general manager Rick Hahn said Tuesday.

Mendick, a 22nd-round pick in the 2015 draft out of Massachusetts-Lowell, showcased his ver-

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satility, appearing in 48 games at second base, 42 at shortstop, 35 at third and nine in left field.

"He wasn't a high-round pick where he was going to be pushed," Sox bench coach Joe McEwing said Friday. "He always had to produce to keep moving. And he's done that. It's rewarding for the scouting department, for player development and for himself and the way he continues to grind. (He) believes in himself. ...

"I couldn't be happier for him or prouder of him."

Mendick said his goal for the final month is "to keep progressing."

"Doing what I was doing in Triple-A, bringing it and learning more here," Mendick said. "These guys, you're playing with the best of the best now. (I want) to learn every day and try to be a better version of myself"

CUBS

MRI planned on Baez's thumb

Maddon: 'We need to find out for sure what we're dealing with'

BY MARK GONZALES

MILWAUKEE — Kyle Schwarber's production last month helped compensate for the loss of Willson Contreras.

But results of an MRI scheduled for Saturday on Javier Baez's ailing left thumb could dictate whether Schwarber and his teammates will need to pick up the slack for their All-Star shortstop during the final 22 games of the season.

"(Baez) is very important," Cubs manager Joe Maddon said Friday night, about two hours before he left Baez out of the lineup for the fourth consecutive game. "The thing you're looking at there is he's been a little off his game offensively knowing he's going to get back on it at the right time.

"It is what it is. We've got Addison (Russell), who is a wonderful shortstop. He doesn't have the same offensive pedigree Javy does. But he can play shortstop with anybody."

Baez had just three hits in his last 18 at-bats with one double before missing his last four starts, and Maddon said it's doubtful Baez will play Saturday night regardless of the MRI results.

Baez underwent X-rays on the thumb after injuring it on a headfirst slide into second base against the Brewers on Sunday at Wrigley Field. The results were negative, but Baez has had difficulty catching the ball.

Baez tried to return to the lineup Thursday night but felt discomfort during batting practice. He hit only .267 in August and has only one home run since Aug. 5. But the Cubs defense is considerably stronger with him at shortstop.

Maddon said Baez attempted to swing Friday, but "it just didn't feel right."

"So as opposed to continually waiting, we need to find out for sure what we're dealing with, and that way it should make him feel better mentally," Maddon said.

Baez fractured his left ring finger on a slide during in 2015 while playing for Triple-A Iowa and missed two months. Maddon said he has no issues with Baez's headfirst slides.

"It can happen feet-first slide too," Maddon said. "He could have gotten hurt getting out of his car. I don't like when people slide headfirst and the catcher has the ball at home. That's when you're going to get hurt."

The Cubs managed to win their first three games without Baez, thanks in part to Schwarber, who was 6-for-9 with two doubles, two home runs and eight RBIs during that span and is batting .307 with six doubles, 10 home runs and 27 RBIs in 30 games since Aug. 2.

Maddon made a significant adjustment in the lineup Friday, batting Kris Bryant fifth for the first time this season while moving Schwarber to the second spot for only the second time this season to take advantage of his hot hitting.

"You look at what he's done over the last 20 at-bats or so," Maddon said of Schwarber. "I thought he deserved more protection right now."

Maddon has noticed Schwarber has a more controlled swing with better use of his hands.

"If he maintains what he's doing in the next several years, it's going to be dangerous," Maddon said. "It's better than it was in the beginning of the year. It's as good as I've seen him actually approach a thrown baseball. He really looks good to me at the plate."

Maddon added that Ben Zobrist, who reached safely in seven of his first nine plate appearances since returning from the restricted list and batted leadoff Friday, will get a break Saturday night.

CUBS NOTES

Darvish reveals forearm soreness dates to July

BY MARK GONZALES

MILWAUKEE — Yu Darvish posted a 3.19 ERA in his last 10 starts while striking out 78 in 62 innings despite discomfort in his right forearm dating two months.

Darvish, who will return to the Cubs rotation Saturday night against the Brewers after missing his last start, recalled when he first felt tightness.

"This started July 3 at Pittsburgh," Darvish recalled Friday. "I threw a two-seamer to (Colin) Moran in the sixth inning. That was the first time."

Darvish said manager Joe Maddon would pull him early from starts at the first sign of tightness in subsequent starts.

"It's not tight," Darvish said. "Just a little soreness."

Darvish isn't concerned with his spike in innings from 40 2/3 during his injury-plagued 2018 season to his current total of 152 2/3.

"The last 13 years I've pitched a lot of innings, so this is not a big deal," said Darvish, who recovered from Tommy John surgery in 2015.

Darvish said he could back off on some of his work between starts to maintain his health for the rest of the season.

Hultzen up: The Cubs on Saturday will promote left-handed reliever Danny Hultzen, the second pick in the 2011 draft who missed the 2014 and 2017 seasons because of left shoulder surgeries.

A source confirmed Friday night that Hultzen, 29, who posted a 1.26 ERA with 23 strikeouts in 14 1/3 innings with Triple-A Iowa, will be added to the roster. This will mark the first time Hultzen, who spent six seasons in the Mariners organization, will be on a major-league roster.

Hultzen received a five-year, \$8.5 million bonus from the Mariners out of the University of Virginia and advanced to Triple-A Tacoma in 2013 before suffering injuries to his labrum and rotator cuff that forced him to miss all of 2014. Hultzen spent the 2017 season at Virginia as a volunteer assistant coach while completing his bachelor's degree.

Sullivan

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they lost six of their first seven games and told their fans not to panic.

Naturally, the Bears did likewise.

"Don't panic," Nagy told reporters Friday at Halas Hall. "See, for the people that panic, it doesn't go very well."

Nagy must not know very many people in Chicago, where panic is part of sports fans' DNA. Maddon actually has welcomed the stereotypical panicky Cub fan in the past, rationalizing you can't manage fans' feelings so you're better off just letting them vent. For some, the pleasure of winning Game 7 of the 2016 World Series might not have been quite as nice if not for the agony of watching

Aroldis Chapman serve up the tying home run to Rajai Davis in the eighth inning.

Panic can be cathartic.

Perhaps Maddon can help Nagy understand the true nature of the Chicago sports fan with a helpful text or two. Nagy already has borrowed Maddon's concept of throwing a postgame party after wins, calling it Club Dub, and the two have a lot in common, including a gift for gab and an unconventional approach to game strategy.

Both won in their first seasons in Chicago and instantly bonded with long-suffering fan bases, and both can rub opponents the wrong way by doing things that call attention to their genius label, such as Nagy's gadget plays and Maddon's use of a relief pitcher in the outfield.

The Cubs have their own issues to worry about, including

this series against the Brewers. But that doesn't mean they need to ignore the Bears' plight.

The Bears-Packers game was on all the TVs in the Cubs clubhouse when Thursday's game against the Brewers ended after nearly four hours, and the media was let inside right after Trubisky threw the crucial interception that virtually sealed the Packers' win.

One prominent player joked the Bears "sucked" and their Super Bowl dreams were over, trying to get a rise out of the media. It didn't work.

But Willson Contreras seemed to make a statement afterward, putting on his Khalil Mack Bears jersey before leaving the clubhouse — as if to show he wasn't about to lose faith after one loss.

Maybe Chicago can follow Contreras' lead.



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Bears coach Matt Nagy throws the ceremonial first pitch before the Cubs-Reds game on July 17 at Wrigley Field.

BASEBALL

American League

Table with columns: EAST, CENTRAL, WEST, W, L, PCT, GB, WCGB, L10, STR, HOME, AWAY. Lists standings for American League divisions.

Late games noted below

PROBABLE PITCHERS FOR SATURDAY

Table with columns: NATIONAL LEAGUE, AMERICAN LEAGUE, TEAM, PITCHER, TIME, W-L, ERA, TR, 2019 VS. OPP., LAST 3 STARTS. Lists probable pitchers for Saturday.

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

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

AMERICAN LEAGUE

FRIDAY'S RESULTS
Texas 7, Baltimore 6
Kansas City 3, Miami, 0
Tampa Bay 5, Toronto 0
Boston 6, N.Y. Yankees 1
L.A. Angels 5, Chi. White Sox 4
Houston 7, Seattle 4
Cleveland 6, Minnesota 2 (11)
G1: Oakland 7, Detroit, 3, cmp. susp. gm
G2: Detroit 5, Oakland 4 (11)
SUNDAY'S GAMES
Texas at Baltimore, 12:05 p.m.
Kansas City at Miami, 12:10 p.m.
Toronto at Tampa Bay, 12:10 p.m.
Cleveland at Minnesota, 1:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels at Chi. White Sox, 1:10 p.m.
Seattle at Houston, 1:10 p.m.
Detroit at Oakland, 3:07 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Boston, 7:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

FRIDAY'S RESULTS
Pittsburgh 9, St. Louis 4
N.Y. Mets 5, Philadelphia 4
Kansas City 3, Miami, 0
Arizona 7, Cincinnati 5
Atlanta 4, Washington 3
Milwaukee 7, Chi. Cubs 1
Colorado 3, San Diego 2
San Francisco 5, L.A. Dodgers 4
SUNDAY'S GAMES
Arizona at Cincinnati, 12:10 p.m.
Kansas City at Miami, 12:10 p.m.
Philadelphia at N.Y. Mets, 12:10 p.m.
Washington at Atlanta, 12:20 p.m.
St. Louis at Pittsburgh, 12:35 p.m.
Chi. Cubs at Milwaukee, 1:10 p.m.
Colorado at San Diego, 3:10 p.m.
San Fran. at L.A. Dodgers, 3:10 p.m.

BOX SCORES

Box score for Royals vs. Marlins. Includes batting, pitching, and fielding statistics.

Box score for Rays vs. Blue Jays. Includes batting, pitching, and fielding statistics.

Box score for Rangers vs. Orioles. Includes batting, pitching, and fielding statistics.

National League

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AROUND THE HORN

Yankees: OF Giancarlo Stanton had five plate appearances in a simulated game Friday as he works to return this month from a knee injury. The slugger also worked out in right field at the Yankees complex in Tampa, Fla. He's expected to take part in another simulated game Saturday. Stanton has been limited to nine games this year, hitting .290 with one HR and seven RBIs. The 2017 NL MVP while with the Marlins strained his left biceps March 31 in his third game, strained a shoulder and calf during his rehab and didn't return to the Yankees lineup until June 18. A week later, he strained the PCL in his right knee.

A's: Chad Pinder homered, Mike Fiers earned his fourth victory or his 14th, however you want to look at it, and the A's beat the Tigers 7-3 in Oakland, Calif., in a game that was suspended May 19 in the seventh due to weather. Fiers (14-3) is unbeaten over 21 starts dating to his no-hitter May 7. He allowed three runs and four hits over six innings. The victory gave the A's their first 11-game winning streak since winning 20 straight in 2002 and the longest in the majors this season. Rays: Brendan McKay and four relievers combined on a two-hitter, Mike Zunino hit a two-run HR, and the Rays beat the Blue Jays 5-0 in St. Petersburg, Fla. The Rays, in a tight three-way AL wild-card race with the A's and Indians, have won eight of nine. ... RHP Tyler Glasnow, who was leading the majors in wins and ERA before a strained forearm sidelined him May 11, will start Sunday's home game against the Blue Jays. Glasnow (6-1, 1.86 ERA) is expected to pitch about two innings. Dodgers: LHP Hyun-Jin Ryu will miss a start in the rotation to get some rest. He will skip a scheduled start against the Orioles in Baltimore, and should get 9-10 days off in a row. Ryu boasted a major-league leading ERA of 1.45 on Aug. 11. Since then, the 32-year-old All-Star Game starter has a 9.95 ERA. Ryu has pitched 161 2/3 innings this season, the most he has pitched since 2013.

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Table with columns: TEAM, AB, R, H, BI, SO, AVG. Lists batting statistics for New York vs. Boston.



JOHN SLEEZER/KANSAS CITY STAR

Pitcher Tyler Skaggs had fentanyl and oxycodone in his system when he died July 1.

MLB

Testing for opioids possible

Los Angeles Times

Major league players aren't routinely tested for opioids. Now, one week after Tyler Skaggs' autopsy revealed the Angels pitcher had fentanyl and oxycodone in his system when he died July 1, the commissioner's office and the players' union are expected to discuss whether to expand the major league drug testing program to include random screenings for opioids.

"For several reasons, including the tragic loss of a member of our fraternity and other developments

happening in the country, it is ... important to re-examine all of our drug protocols relating to education, treatment and prevention," union chief Tony Clark said in a statement Friday.

In the minors, where players aren't represented by the union, the commissioner's office mandates testing for opioids. Of the 75,000 tests administered over the last five years, only 10 were positive.

"We have not received information from our medical community that leads us to believe opioids are a widespread issue in

baseball," deputy commissioner Dan Halem said.

But Halem said the increasing prevalence of opioid abuse in the general population could present an opportunity for the league and union to work together toward protecting the welfare of players.

It's unclear whether the league and union would consider suspending players that might test positive for opioids, referring them to a confidential testing program, or both.

In the minors, players receive treatment after a first positive test and are suspended after a second.

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Box score for Braves 4, Nationals 3. Includes batting, pitching, and fielding statistics.

Box score for Angels 5, White Sox 4. Includes batting, pitching, and fielding statistics.

Box score for Mets 5, Phillies 4. Includes batting, pitching, and fielding statistics.

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At USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center; New York; outdoors-hard
MEN'S SINGLES SEMIFINALS
#2 Rafael Nadal d.

#24 Matteo Berrettini, 7-6 (5), 6-4, 6-1.
#5 Daniil Medvedev d.
Grigor Dimitrov, 7-6 (5), 6-4, 6-3.

MEN'S DOUBLES FINAL
#1 Robert Farah-Juan Sebastian Cabal d.
#8 Marcel Granollers.

Horacio Zeballos, 6-4, 7-5.
SATURDAY'S WOMEN'S FINAL
#8 Serena Williams vs.
#15 Bianca Andreescu

NFL

NFC NORTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Green Bay	1	0	0	1.000	10	3
Detroit	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Minnesota	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Chicago	0	1	0	.000	3	10

NFC EAST	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Dallas	0	0	0	.000	0	0
N.Y. Giants	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Philadelphia	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Washington	0	0	0	.000	0	0

NFC SOUTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Atlanta	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Carolina	0	0	0	.000	0	0
New Orleans	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Tampa Bay	0	0	0	.000	0	0

NFC WEST	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Arizona	0	0	0	.000	0	0
L.A. Rams	0	0	0	.000	0	0
San Fran.	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Seattle	0	0	0	.000	0	0

AFC NORTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Baltimore	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Cincinnati	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Cleveland	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Pittsburgh	0	0	0	.000	0	0

AFC EAST	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Buffalo	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Miami	0	0	0	.000	0	0
New England	0	0	0	.000	0	0
N.Y. Jets	0	0	0	.000	0	0

AFC SOUTH	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Houston	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Indianapolis	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Jacksonville	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Tennessee	0	0	0	.000	0	0

AFC WEST	W	L	T	PCT	PF	PA
Denver	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Kansas City	0	0	0	.000	0	0
LA Chargers	0	0	0	.000	0	0
Oakland	0	0	0	.000	0	0

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Atlanta at Minnesota, noon
Baltimore at Miami, noon
Tennessee at Cleveland, noon
Kansas City at Jacksonville, noon
Washington at Philadelphia, noon
L.A. Rams at Carolina, noon
Buffalo at N.Y. Jets, noon
Cincinnati at Seattle, 3:05 p.m.
Indianapolis at L.A. Chargers, 3:05 p.m.
San Francisco at Tampa Bay, 3:25 p.m.
N.Y. Giants at Dallas, 3:25 p.m.
Detroit at Arizona, 3:25 p.m.
Pittsburgh at New England, 7:20 p.m.
MONDAY'S GAMES
Houston at New Orleans, 6:10 p.m.
Denver at Oakland, 9:20 p.m.

PACKERS 10, BEARS 3

THURSDAY'S RESULT
Green Bay 0 7 0 3-10
Chicago 3 0 0 0-3

First quarter
Chi: FG Pineiro 38, 4:09.
Second quarter
GB: Graham 8 pass from Rodgers (Crosby Kick), 13:08.

Fourth quarter
GB: FG Crosby 39, 5:15.
TEAM STATS

	GB	CHI
First downs	13	16
Total net yards	213	254
Rushes-yards	22-47	15-46
Passing	166	208
Punt returns	1-1	4-36
Kickoff returns	0-0	0-0
Int. returns	1-0	0-0
Comp.-att-int	18-30-0	26-45-1
Sacked-yds lost	5-37	5-20
Punts	9-47-6	8-42-6
Fumbles-lost	0-0	0-0
Penalties-yards	10-71	10-107
Possession time	31:03	28:57

Rushing: GB, Jones 13-39, Rodgers 3-8, Valdes-Scantling 1-0, J. Williams 5-0. Chi, M. Davis 5-19, Montgomery 6-18, Trubisky 3-11, Patterson 1-(minus 2).
Passing: GB, Rodgers 18-30-0-203, Chi, Trubisky 26-45-1-228.

Receiving: GB, Valdes-Scantling 4-52, D. Adams 4-36, Graham 3-30, J. Williams 2-15, Lewis 2-14, T. Davis 1-28, Tonyan 1-28, Jones 1-0. Chi, Cohen 8-49, Robinson 7-102, M. Davis 6-17, Gabriel 2-24, Montgomery 1-27, Shaheen 1-6, Patterson 1-3.
Missed field goals: None.
Interceptions: GB, Amos 1-0. Chi, None.

ODDS

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
NATIONAL LEAGUE SATURDAY
at Cincinnati -150 Arizona +140
St. Louis -130 at Pittsburgh +120
Chi Cubs -124 at Milwaukee +114
at NY Mets -150 Philadelphia +130
at Atlanta -140 Washington +140
at San Diego -163 Colorado +153
at LA Dodgers -239 San Fran. +219

AMERICAN LEAGUE SATURDAY
at Boston off NY Yankees off
at Tampa Bay off Toronto off
at Baltimore off Texas off
at Minnesota -157 Cleveland +147
LA Angels -145 at Chi Wh. Sox +135
at Houston -385 Seattle +355
at Oakland -290 Detroit +260

INTERLEAGUE SATURDAY
at Miami -115 Kansas City +105

COLLEGE FOOTBALL
WEEK 2 SATURDAY
at Pittsburgh 4 Ohio
at Virginia Tech 28½ Old Dominion
UAB 9½ at Akron
at Michigan 22 Army
at Purdue 17 Vanderbilt
at Iowa 19 Rutgers
at Maryland 1½ Syracuse
at Missouri 13½ W. Virginia
at Ohio State 15½ Cincinnati
at Kansas State -24½ Bowling Green
at Utah 21½ N. Illinois
at Georgia Tech 6½ South Florida
Tulsa 6½ at San Jose St
Nebraska 4½ at Colorado
at Clemson 17 Texas A&M
at Wisconsin 35 Cent. Mich.
at Appalach. St 22½ Charlotte
at Miss. St 16½ Southern Miss
Illinois 21 UConn
at UNLV Pk Arkansas St
at Baylor 25½ UTSA
at Alabama 55½ New Mexico St
at UCLA 9 San Diego St
at Florida St 21½ La.-Monroe
Wyoming 7 at Texas St
at SMU 3½ North Texas
at Tennessee 3½ BYU
UCF 10½ at FAU
at FIU 7½ W. Kentucky
at Kansas 7½ Coast. Carol.
at La.-Lafayette 13½ Liberty
at Michigan St 16 W. Michigan
LSU 6½ at Texas
at Auburn 17 Tulane
at Mississippi 6½ Arkansas
at Oregon 23½ Nevada
at Penn St 30½ Buffalo
at Kentucky 15 E. Michigan
at Texas Tech 34½ UTEP
Miami 5 at N. Carolina
at USC 3 Stanford
at Washington 13½ California
Minnesota 3 at Fresno St
at Hawaii 6½ Oregon St

NFL WEEK 1 SUNDAY
at Minnesota 4 Atlanta
at Philadelphia 10 Washington
at NY Jets 2½ Buffalo
Baltimore 6½ at Miami
at Tampa Bay 1 San Fran.
Kansas City 3½ at Jacksonville
at Cleveland 5½ Tennessee
LA Rams 1 at Arizona
Detroit 2½ at Carolla
at Seattle 9½ Cincinnati
at LA Chargers 6½ Indianapolis
at Dallas 7½ NY Giants
at New England 6 Pittsburgh
pregame.com
at New Orleans 7 Houston
Denver 1 at Oakland

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Arizona St. 19, Sacramento St. 7
#24 Boise State 14, Marshall 7
Virginia 52, William & Mary 17
Wake Forest 41, Rice 21

SATURDAY'S GAMES

Top 25

#12 Texas A&M at #1 Clemson, 2:30 p.m.
N. Mexico St. at #2 Alabama, 3 p.m.
Murray St. at #3 Georgia, 3 p.m.
S. Dakota at #4 Oklahoma, 6 p.m.
Cincinnati at #5 Ohio St., 11 a.m.
#6 LSU at #9 Texas, 6:30 p.m.

Army at #7 Michigan, 11 a.m.
Tulane at #10 Auburn, 6:30 p.m.
UT-Martin at #11 Florida, 6:30 p.m.
N. Illinois at #13 Utah, noon
Cal at #14 Washington, 9:30 p.m.
Buffalo at #15 Penn State, 6:30 p.m.
Nevada at #16 Oregon, 6:30 p.m.
C. Mich. at #17 Wisconsin, 2:30 p.m.
#18 UCF at Fla. Atlantic, 6 p.m.
W. Mich. at #19 Michigan St., 6:30 p.m.
Rutgers at #20 Iowa, 11 a.m.

#21 Syra. at Maryland, 11 a.m.
N. Colorado at #22 Wash. St., 4 p.m.
#23 Stanford at USC, 9:30 p.m.
#25 Nebraska at Colorado, 2:30 p.m.

East

Ohio at Pittsburgh, 10 a.m.
Marist at Georgetown, 11:30 a.m.
New Hamp. at Holy Cross, noon
Richmond at Bos. Coll., 2:30 p.m.
Illinois at UConn, 2:30 p.m.
Merrimack at CCSU, 5 p.m.
NC Central at Towson, 5 p.m.
S. Illinois at UMass, 5 p.m.
Lehigh at Villanova, 5 p.m.
Bryant at Albany (NY), 6 p.m.
Delaware at Rhode Island, 6 p.m.

South

Southern at Memphis, 11 a.m.
Chas. So. at S. Carolina, 11 a.m.
Old Dominion at Va. Tech, 11 a.m.
W. Carolina at NC State, 11:30 a.m.
S. Florida at Ga. Tech, 1 p.m.
Charlotte at Appal. St., 2:30 p.m.
Grambling St. at La. Tech, 2:30 p.m.
So. Miss. at Mississippi St., 2:30 p.m.
SE La. at Bethune-Cookman, 3 p.m.
La.-Monroe at Florida St., 4 p.m.
Tuskegee at Alabama St., 5 p.m.
Va. Lynchburg at Davidson, 5 p.m.
NC A&T at Duke, 5 p.m.
Gardner-Webb at East Carolina, 5 p.m.
Maine at Ga. Southern, 5 p.m.
Virginia Union at Hampton, 5 p.m.
St. Francis (Pa.) at J. Madison, 5 p.m.
Virginia St. at Norfolk St., 5 p.m.
Mississippi College at Alcorn St., 6 p.m.
W. Kentucky at FIU, 6 p.m.
Furman at Georgia St., 6 p.m.
E. Kentucky at Louisville, 6 p.m.
Tennessee St. at Middle Tenn., 6 p.m.
Jackson St. at South Alabama, 6 p.m.
BYU at Tennessee, 6 p.m.
E. Michigan at Kentucky, 6:30 p.m.
Liberty at La.-Lafayette, 6:30 p.m.
Arkansas at Mississippi, 6:30 p.m.
Miami at North Carolina, 7 p.m.

Midwest

UAB at Akron, 11 a.m.
Bowling Green at Kansas St., 11 a.m.
Kennesaw St. at Kent St., 11 a.m.
West Virginia at Missouri, 11 a.m.
Vanderbilt at Purdue, 11 a.m.
Dayton at Indiana St., noon
Fordham at Ball State, 1 p.m.
Howard at Youngstown St., 1 p.m.
Tenn. Tech at Miami (Ohio), 1:30 p.m.
E. Illinois at Indiana, 2:30 p.m.
North Dakota at N. Dakota St., 2:30 p.m.
S. Utah at N. Iowa, 4 p.m.
Indiana Wesleyan at Butler, 5 p.m.
Truman St. at Drake, 6 p.m.
Coastal Carolina at Kansas, 6 p.m.
LIU at S. Dakota St., 6 p.m.
Morehead St. at Illinois St., 6:30 p.m.

Southwest

UTSA at Baylor, 3 p.m.
MSU at Lamar, 6 p.m.
McNeese St. at Oklahoma St., 6 p.m.
North Texas at SMU, 6 p.m.
Wyoming at Texas St., 6 p.m.
Prairie View at Houston, 7 p.m.
UTEP at Texas Tech, 7 p.m.

West

W. Illinois at Colorado St., 3 p.m.
Lindenwood (Mo.) at E. Wash., 3:05 p.m.
San Diego St. at UCLA, 3:15 p.m.
Stony Brook at Utah St., 6:30 p.m.
SE Missouri at Montana St., 7 p.m.
Tulsa at San Jose St., 8 p.m.
Arkansas St. at UNLV, 9 p.m.
Minnesota at Fresno St., 9:30 p.m.
N. Arizona at Arizona, 9:45 p.m.
Oregon St. at Hawaii, 10:59 p.m.

GOLF

EUROPEAN OPEN

2nd of 4 rds; at Green Eagle Golf Course; Hamburg, Germany; 6,898 yds; Par 72
133 (-11)
Robert MacIntyre 68-65
Bernd Ritthammer 71-66

Also

145 (+1)
Padraig Harrington 71-74
Johannes Vermeer 76-69
146 (+2)
Siwan Kim 72-74
Patrick Reed 74-72
Kurt Kitayama 74-72

SOCCER

MLS

Eastern W L T PT GF GA
x-Philadelphia 15 8 6 51 54 42
x-N.Y. City FC 14 5 8 50 51 34
Atlanta 15 10 3 48 47 33
D.C. United 11 10 9 42 39 38
N.Y. Red Bulls 12 12 5 41 47 44
New England 10 9 9 39 41 47
Toronto FC 10 10 8 38 44 45
Montreal 11 15 4 37 42 56
Orlando City 9 13 7 34 25 39
Chicago 8 12 10 34 44 43
Columbus 8 15 7 31 33 44
Cincinnati 5 20 3 18 28 67

Western

W L T PT GF GA
x-Los Angeles FC 19 4 5 62 74 30
Seattle 13 8 7 46 46 43
Minnesota 13 9 6 45 46 37
San Jose 13 10 5 44 48 43
Real Salt Lake 13 11 4 43 40 35
FC Dallas 12 10 7 43 47 38
LA Galaxy 13 12 3 42 41 45
Portland 12 11 4 40 43 40
Sporting KC 10 11 7 37 41 45
Houston 9 15 4 31 38 49
Colorado 8 14 6 30 45 54
Vancouver 6 15 9 27 30 53

SATURDAY'S MATCHES

New England at N.Y. City FC, 2:55 p.m.
Toronto FC at Cincinnati, 6:30 p.m.
Los Angeles FC at Orlando City, 6:30 p.m.
Seattle at Colorado, 8 p.m.
Sporting KC at Portland, 9:50 p.m.

U.S. MEN'S SOCCER

(Won 8, Lost 4, Tied 1)
Friday: L, 3-0 vs. Mexico
NWSL
Club W L T PT GF GA
Portland 10 4 6 36 39 23
North Carolina 9 4 4 31 32 17
Utah 9 6 4 31 25 19
Chicago 9 8 2 29 29 26
Reign FC 7 5 6 27 16 20
Washington 7 7 4 25 22 19
Houston 6 8 4 22 18 28
Sky Blue FC 4 11 4 16 15 25
Orlando 4 12 2 14 19 37

FRIDAY'S RESULT

Utah 1, Portland 0

WNBA

Eastern W L PCT GB
x-Washington 25 8 .758 —
x-Connecticut 23 10 .697 2
x-Chicago 20 13 .606 5
Indiana 12 21 .364 13
New York 9 24 .273 16
Atlanta 8 25 .242 17

Western

W L PCT GB
x-Los Angeles 21 12 .636 —
x-Las Vegas 20 13 .606 1
x-Minnesota 18 15 .545 3
x-Seattle 17 16 .515 4
x-Phoenix 15 18 .455 6
Dallas 10 23 .303 11

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Indiana 86, New York 81
Washington 86, Dallas 73
Chicago 109, Connecticut 104 (OT)
Minnesota 83, Phoenix 69



CLIVE BRUNSKILL/GETTY

Daniil Medvedev celebrates after his 7-6 (5), 6-4, 6-3 semifinal victory Friday.

U.S. OPEN

Medvedev's rise hits new height

Third-seeded Russian wins in straight sets to reach 1st Slam final

By HOWARD FENDRICH

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Daniil Medvedev first made a name for himself at the U.S. Open by earning the wrath of spectators. Now he's gaining everyone's respect as he heads to his first Grand Slam final.

The No. 5-seeded Russian has gone from trolling angry crowds at Flushing Meadows to playing for the title after beating unseeded Grigor Dimitrov 7-6 (5), 6-4, 6-3 in the semifinals Friday under Arthur Ashe Stadium's closed retractable roof.

During his on-court interview, Medvedev referenced his "tournament of controversies," which included \$19,000 in fines and antagonizing booing fans, saying he knew it was "not going to be easy with the public."

Medvedev's tennis was a bit scratchy Friday, and he barely avoided dropping the opening set, but he did just enough with his mostly defensive style to get past Dimitrov, who had eliminated Roger Federer in a five-set quarterfinal.

"I do think he was better player in first set. I do think I was kind of lucky to win it," Medvedev said about Dimitrov. "Then the momentum changed completely."

In Sunday's final, Medvedev, 23, will face 18-time major champion Rafael Nadal. The 33-year-old three-time U.S. Open winner from Spain beat 23-year-old Italian Matteo Berrettini, the No. 24 seed, 7-6 (6), 6-4, 6-1 in Friday's second semifinal.

The 6-foot-6 Medvedev hadn't even been past the fourth round at a Slam until this one. He's been the tour's top player over the recent hard-court circuit, though, reaching three other finals on the surface. Medvedev has won 20 of his last 22 matches and leads the tour with 50 victories in 2019.

IN BRIEF

Basketball: Vlade Divac, who starred on Yugoslavia's national team during the 1980s and was among the early wave of Europeans to join the NBA, was among those inducted into the Hall of Fame in Springfield, Mass. The 7-foot-1 Serbian came to the Lakers in 1989 and played in the NBA until 2004. He finished as one of just seven players with more than 13,000 points, 9,000 rebounds, 3,000 assists, and 1,500 blocks. Divac, 51, currently serves as VP of basketball operations and GM for the Kings, for whom he played six seasons. ... Duke officials said outside investigators spent five months looking into attorney Michael Avenatti's claims that Nike funneled money to players, including former Blue Devils forward Zion Williamson, to steer them toward college programs it sponsored and found no evidence supporting his allegations. Duke said it found no proof that Williamson, the 2019 ACC and national player of the year as a freshman and the No. 1 pick by the Pelicans in June's NBA draft, received improper benefits that would have made him ineligible to play for the Blue Devils last season.

Golf: Rookie Robert MacIntyre of Scotland shot a bogey-free 7-under 65 to take a four-stroke lead midway through the European Open in Hamburg, Germany. MacIntyre reached 11-under 133. Germany's Bernd Ritthammer (66) was second.

NHL: Four-time All-Star center and former league MVP Joe Thornton signed a one-year, \$2 million deal to return to the Sharks. Thornton, 40, had considered retiring after his 21st NHL season, in which he had 16 goals and 35 assists in 73 games. Thornton has 413 goals and 1,065 assists in 1,566 career games with the Bruins and Sharks. He ranks 14th all-time in points and eighth in assists. ... The Hurricanes signed D. J. Gagne to a four-year contract worth an average of \$4.05 million per season. Gardiner, 29, had three goals and 27 assists in 62 games last season with the Maple Leafs. ... For the first time, the NHL selected four female officials to work on the ice at prospect tournaments held this weekend. Katie Guay and Kelly Cooke were selected as referees, while Kirsten Welsh and Kendall Hanley will work as lineswomen.

NFL NOTES

Raiders plan on Brown to play Monday

News services

The Raiders, in an abrupt reversal, allowed All-Pro receiver Antonio Brown to rejoin the team Friday and opted against suspending or releasing him.

He's scheduled to play in the Raiders' season-opening game Monday night at home against the Broncos, according to coach Jon Gruden.

"That's the plan," Gruden said Friday.

Gruden also said: "Antonio is back today. We're really excited about that. We're ready to move on. He's had a lot of, obviously, time to think about things. We're happy to have him back. I know Raider Nation is excited about that, too."

Brown apologized to his Raiders teammates during a meeting Friday, he confirmed when he spoke briefly to reporters.

"I'm excited to be out here today," Brown said. "I apologized to my teammates (and) the organization. Enough talk, man. I'm excited to be out here with my teammates. I'm grateful for all the fans. I'm excited to be a part of the Raiders and see you guys soon."

Brown's return came a day after he was told to stay home as team officials reportedly mulled a variety of possible disciplinary measures that included fining, suspending or releasing him.

A suspension would have been without pay and could have voided the guarantee of a large portion of the money in Brown's contract.

The penalties would have come in reaction to a practice-field incident Wednesday between Brown and Mike Mayock, the team's general manager.

Brown signed a three-year, \$50.1 million contract with the Raiders as part of the offseason trade that brought him from the Steelers. That deal contained \$30.1 million in guaranteed money. If he'd been suspended, that potentially would have revoked the guarantee of \$29.1 million of that total, although this season's salary would have become re-guaranteed by being on the Raiders roster

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Big Ten will have trouble against spread



TEDDY GREENSTEIN
Big Ten picks

Notre Dame is chilling after its workman-like victory at Louisville. Northwestern is (thankfully) off after mustering just 3.5 yards per play at Stanford.

But there are a ton of reasons to keep the remote in hand Saturday.

Here's our latest batch of picks against the spread. Wednesday afternoon odds courtesy of MyBookie.ag. Selections in bold.

Cincinnati (plus 16) at Ohio State
11 a.m., ABC-7

The Bearcats displayed a great pass defense in a victory against UCLA and are highly motivated to beat their in-state (non-)rival. Cincinnati coach Luke Fickell, a longtime Ohio State assistant, will feel right at home in the 'Shoe, and his **Bearcats** will keep it close.

Army (plus 22) at Michigan
11 a.m., FOX-32

Army rushed a hilarious 56 times in grinding out an unimpressive 14-7 victory over Rice. It's a clock-eating offense that makes it tough for opponents to cover large numbers, such as those in excess of three touchdowns. Take the **Black Knights**.

Rutgers (plus 19½) at Iowa
11 a.m., FS1

Rutgers won a game last week. Hallelujah. Hosting UMass and traveling to Kinnick Stadium are entirely different beasts. I'm on **Iowa**.

Syracuse (plus 2) at Maryland
11 a.m., ESPN

Five FBS teams pitched shutouts in Week 1, and two are in this game. Syracuse opened as a three-point favorite, and despite the five-point line shift, I'm taking a bite of the **Orange**.

Vanderbilt (plus 7) at Purdue
11 a.m., BTN

I'm jonesing for a Purdue rebound, but giving seven points to an SEC team with a solid defense is asking too much. **Vandy** it is.

Central Michigan (plus 35) at Wisconsin
2:30 p.m., BTN

The Badgers are banged up (safety Scott Nelson, right tackle Logan Bruss, linebacker Izayah Green-May), and first-year **Central Michigan** coach Jim McElwain might have found something in quarterback Quinten Dormady, a transfer from Tennessee. Take the points.

Nebraska (minus 3½) at Colorado
2:30 p.m., FOX-32

For what it's worth, The Gold Sheet handicappers love Nebraska and forecast a 16-point revenge win. My first instinct was to take the home 'dog, but I'll put some faith in Adrian Martinez & Co. and look for a breakout performance from the **Huskers**.

Illinois (minus 20) at Connecticut
2:30 p.m., CBSN

I don't care how good Brandon Peters looked or that UConn barely beat Wagner. A 20-point line is loco. If you're feeling really frisky, you can get 8½-1 on **UConn** straight up.

Eastern Illinois (plus 35½) at Indiana
2:30 p.m., BTN

The Adam Cushing era at EIU did not open as the former Northwestern offensive line coach wanted — a 24-10 loss at Chattanooga. Maybe I'm feeling sentimental, but I'll take the **Panthers** and all those points against a team that might be looking ahead to its Week 3 visit from Ohio State.

Buffalo (plus 29½) at Penn State
6:30 p.m., FOX-32

My god did the Nittany Lions open a can on Idaho, scoring 79 points and outgaining the Vandals 673-145. I wouldn't bet a penny on this, but I'll take a respected **Buffalo** program (running back Jaret Patterson is legit) to avoid a blowout.

W. Michigan (plus 16) at Michigan State
6:30 p.m., BTN

Count on the Spartans to avoid the 14(!) flags that marred their victory over Tulsa. But also don't be surprised if the **Broncos** dent Sparty's defense. Quarterback Jon Wassink, a senior from Grand Rapids, Mich., can sling it.

Minnesota (minus 3) at Fresno State
9:30 p.m., CBSN

Did anyone else think Fresno would be favored? It's hard to trust Big Ten teams that head west for late-night games (see Purdue-Nevada). And the **Bulldogs** outgained USC (462-447) last week.

Texas A&M (plus 17½) at Clemson
2:30 p.m., ABC-7

There's no way Boy Wonder Trevor Lawrence will struggle a second straight week, is there? Jimbo Fisher's Aggies have the talent and moxie to keep this one interesting, and Fisher is 6-0 against the spread in nonconference games at **A&M**.

LSU (minus 6½) at Texas
6:30 p.m., ABC-7

The **Longhorns** are getting 6½ points in Austin? When did LSU become Alabama? Ohio State transfer Joe Burrow has a massive game (23-for-27, 278 yards, 5 TDs) against Georgia Southern, but only three of his completions went beyond 10 yards. I'm all over the home 'dog here.

Last week: 9-6-1.



KAREEM ELGAZZAR/AP

Former Ohio State assistant Luke Fickell brings his Cincinnati team to Columbus with hopes of a program-defining win.

Bearcats eye upset, jump to big time

Baltimore Sun

Week 1 of the college football season can only tell us so much, often producing more questions than answers.

Here are three intriguing questions for Week 2:

Is Cincinnati ready to beat Ohio State on the road?

After finishing 4-8 in his first season taking over for Tommy Tuberville, Luke Fickell led Cincinnati to 11 wins and a Military Bowl victory over Virginia Tech in 2018. On Saturday, the former longtime Ohio State assistant returns to Columbus, where he served from 2002 to 2016, including as interim coach in 2011 after Jim Tressel was suspended and then resigned.

At Cincinnati, Fickell has laid the groundwork for success on the recruiting trail. His first full class in 2018 was ranked 48th nationally and No. 1 in the American Athletic Conference, according to the 247 Sports Composite rankings, a jump of 26 spots from Tuberville's last class.

Rebuilding programs take time, but Cincinnati is ahead of schedule. Desmond Ridder, the 2018 AAC rookie of the year, is among the best young QBs in the nation, and running back Michael Warren II returns after setting school records for overall TDs (20) and rushing TDs (19) last season. But what really stands out is the Bearcats defense, which ranked 10th nationally in 2018.

Stopping Justin Fields and the No. 5 Buckeyes' potent offense is Fickell's toughest assignment yet, but the Bearcats had no problem shutting down Chip Kelly and UCLA last week, holding the Bruins to 218 total yards and forcing four turnovers.

An upset is unlikely, but a hard-fought game against the perennial Big Ten power would go a long way toward convincing high school players in Ohio and around the country that there's something special happening in Cincinnati.

Can Texas A&M deliver the first big upset of 2019?

The Aggies almost knocked off Clemson in College Station last season. A Texas A&M lineman has already promised "there will be an upset" this time around in Death Valley.

Jimbo Fisher's team has the talent to give the defending national champions a scare, with quarterback Kellen Mond capable of neutralizing No. 1 Clemson's pass rush with his abilities to run and make plays downfield with his arm. The bigger question is whether the Aggies defense is up to the task.

Texas A&M was 98th in the country defending the pass last season, which spells trouble against superstar QB Trevor Lawrence. But the No. 12 Aggies corralled four interceptions last week, and Lawrence showed some early rust with two picks against Georgia Tech.

A Texas A&M victory would catapult the Aggies into the College Football Playoff conversation and would make Clemson's final 10 games (plus a likely Atlantic Coast Conference title game appearance) must-win to have any hope of repeating. You can't ask for much more from a Week 2 game.

How important is the LSU-Texas game?

Outside of Saturday night's game in Austin just being a fun, exciting matchup between blue bloods at a campus site (something the sport needs more of during the regular season), it could also factor heavily into the playoff discussion at the end of the season.

Think of a victory here as insurance. If LSU and Texas were to slip up against, say, rivals Alabama and Oklahoma, respectively, and fail to win a conference championship, a victory over a top-10 nonconference foe could convince the committee to put a one-loss LSU or Texas team in the playoff over an undefeated Group of 5, independent or Pac-12 team.

This game could be a fascinating discussion point heading into the unveiling of the final CFP rankings.

If the No. 6 Tigers and No. 9 Longhorns put together the kinds of seasons many expect, this game could end up deciding their playoff fates.

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In Memoriam

John (Jack) Kienzle

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Love you always, Marion and Family

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Daniel Wills

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Mom

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Death Notices

Bilek, Agnes R.

Agnes R. Bilek (nee McFee), beloved wife of the late Norman "Bud" Bilek; loving mother of Cathy (the late Ken) Keselica, Frank (Linda), John (Robin), Norman "Noisey" (Cindy), Joe (Cathy) and the late Michael "Mickey" Bilek; devoted grandmother of Barbara and Kenny Keselica, Frankie Bilek, Cathy (Nick) Leno, Jenny Ponzetti, Robyn, Cassey, Johnny, Kevin, Bridget, Nicole, Blaine, Alex, Hanna and Norm Bilek; cherished great grandmother of Benjamin, Greyson and Callie; dear sister of the late John (Phyllis) McFee, Sheila (Tom) Brennan, Mary (Charles) Warner, Chuck McFee and Ed (Lois) McFee; fond sister-in-law of Rita McFee; dearest aunt of many nieces and nephews. Will be sorely missed by Faith Marren and many loving relatives and friends. Agnes worked in the lunch room at St. Mary Star of the Sea School for many of years. Visitation Sunday 3-9 P.M. Funeral Monday 9:45 A.M. from **Lawn Funeral Home** 7909 State Road (5500W) Burbank IL 60459 to St. Mary Star of the Sea Church Mass 10:30 A.M. Interment St. Mary Cemetery Funeral info (708) 636-2320.



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Gehant, Donald Claude 'Don'

Donald "Don" Gehant was born in Aurora, Illinois and passed away on July 29, 2019 at the age of 80 in San Jose, California. He is survived by his loving wife, Marilyn Gehant (née Tisdale); his children: son, Luc Gehant of Chicago, IL; daughter, Rachelle Gehant of Campbell, CA; son, Allan Gately Gehant and daughter-in-law, Kathryn Gately Gehant, of Cambridge, MA; and son, Daniel Gehant, and daughter-in-law, Kimberly Gehant, of Menlo Park, CA; and four grandchildren: Hugo, Zoe, West, and Felix.

Don, the only son of Mary Ellen Gehant (née Callahan) and Claude Gehant, was raised in Elmhurst, IL. He attended St Thomas University in Minneapolis, MN studying economics and was an avid, life-long enthusiast of the dismal science. He served in the US Army Counter Intelligence Corps, and was stationed in Germany for his years of service; he loved to regale others with his stories from that time. He had a long career primarily in the field of Information Technology as a Systems Analyst at numerous companies and organizations including Sears, Cook County, CNA Insurance, and most recently the Chicago Transit Authority. He and Marilyn met while he was working in her home state of Michigan. Soon after their marriage, they decided to build their life and family in Evanston, IL. Above all, Don was a man of deep Catholic faith, founded during his Catholic education K12 through University. He started attending daily mass as a child and continued this practice throughout his life. He opened the chapel on base in Germany and ran the Sunday School. He was an active member of the St Vincent de Paul Society at Nicholas Church in Evanston, IL for many years. Most recently, he was an RCIA sponsor at St. Julie's Church in San Jose, CA.

Memorial Mass: Saturday, September 14, 2019, 11:00 AM at St Julie Billiard Catholic Church, San Jose, CA.
Interment of Cremated Remains: Private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to:
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Roman, Marcy R.

Marcy R. Roman, 56. Cherished daughter of Bennett and Gale Roman (née Graubart) and the late Beverly Schencker Roman; beloved wife of Michael Zych; devoted mother of Melanie Wirsing, Alexander Wirsing, and Vanessa Zych; loving stepmother of Jessica and Jillian Zych; treasured sister of Cindy (Dan) Safran; will be deeply missed by many nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends. Marcy was a consummate professional while working as a therapist and social worker. She will be missed by all of her clients whose lives she impacted. Funeral service Sunday, Sept. 8, 11 AM, at **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home**, 111 Skokie Blvd, Wilmette. Interment Shalom. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, www.cancer.org, or the charity of your choice. For info: 847-256-5700.



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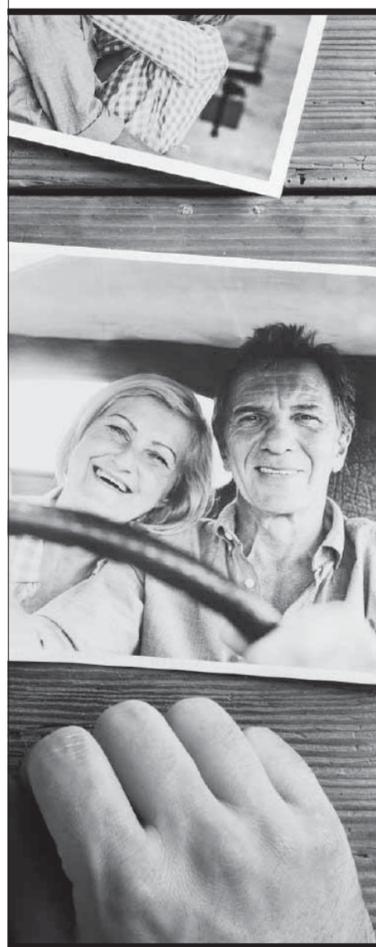
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 COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND
 CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD
 PROTECTION DIVISION**

**IN THE INTEREST OF
 Rogelio Garcia, Jr**

**MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Luz Garcia
 (Mother) AKA Luz Gutierrez**

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00773

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, **Rogelio Garcia aka Rogelio Garcia Sr (Father)**, respondents, and to **All Whom It May Concern**, that on **July 22, 2019**, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by **KIM FOX** in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge **Nicholas Geanopoulos** in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON **09/27/2019**, at **10:00 AM** in CALENDAR 17 COURTROOM K, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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

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

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

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
September 07, 2019



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Storekeeper (Original & Promotional)

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SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

NORMAL HIGH: 78° NORMAL LOW: 58° RECORD HIGH: 100° (1960) RECORD LOW: 42° (1986)

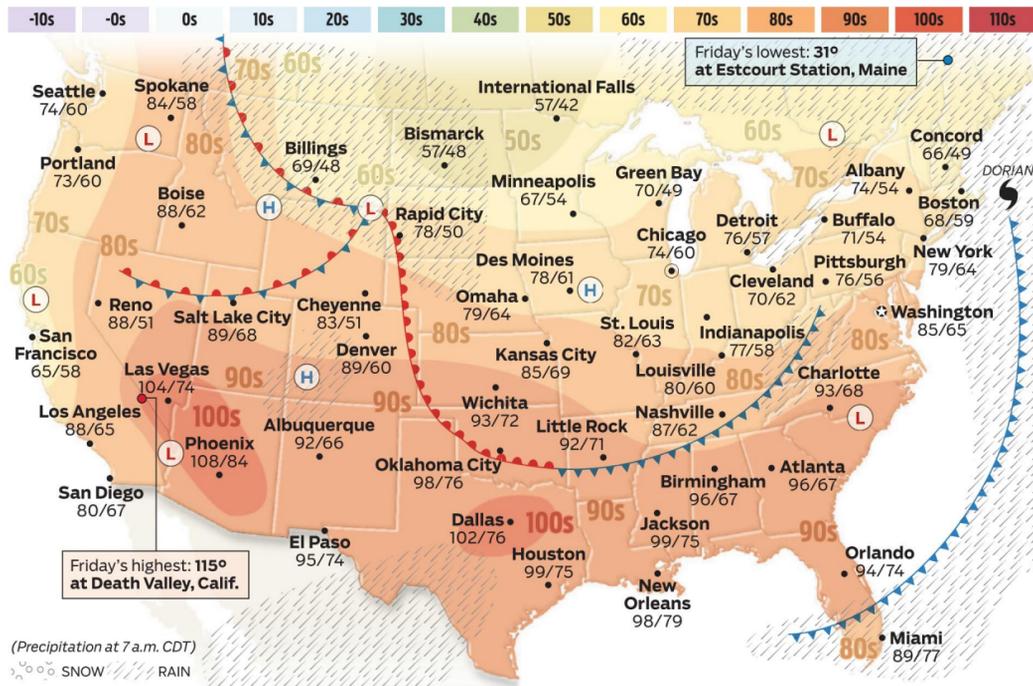
A nice Saturday, cooler and wetter Sunday

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 74 **LOW** 60

- Mostly sunny early with increasing clouds in the afternoon. Comfortable temps and humidity. High in the mid 70s but closer 70 near the lake.
- Lighter winds from the northwest at 4-10 mph help diminish Lake Michigan waves.
- Mostly cloudy overnight with scattered showers developing before daybreak. Light northeast winds.
- Seasonal nighttime temperature near 60.

NATIONAL FORECAST



Saturday will be the nicer day this weekend. Early sun and a slightly below-normal high temperature in the mid-70s and comfortable humidity will lead to a nice Saturday.

Clouds will increase Saturday night, and a chance for light rain will exist by daybreak Sunday. The best chance for rain Sunday will be during the afternoon and evening, but some dry hours may allow for outdoor activities. Sunday will be cooler, with the high temperature struggling to reach 70.

Hurricane Dorian will continue its northeast track off the northeast coast of the U.S. The heaviest rain and winds will remain off the coast, but high waves and gusty winds are still expected. Hurricane-force winds are likely in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island and possibly Newfoundland this weekend.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 8

HIGH 69 **LOW** 59

Mostly cloudy. Scattered showers, especially south. Many rain-free hours. High near 70. Mid 60s lakeshore. East winds 6-10 mph. Gusts to 15 mph. Mostly cloudy. Showers overnight and light E winds. Low near 60.

MONDAY, SEPT. 9

HIGH 76 **LOW** 65

Mostly cloudy, breezy and warmer. High in the mid 70s but closer to 70 at the lake. Scattered showers possible, especially in the morning and overnight hours. SE winds 7-10 mph gusting to 15 mph. Low in the mid 60s.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 10

HIGH 86 **LOW** 68

Partly cloudy, windy, much warmer, more humid. SW winds 12-18 mph to 25 mph. High in mid 80s. SW winds 12-18 mph, gusting to 25 diminish overnight. Isolated evening, overnight t-storms possible. Low in upper 60s.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 11

HIGH 82 **LOW** 62

Partly cloudy, continued warm, humid with scattered t-storms possible. High near 80. S winds 5-10 mph. Cloudy, showers. An isolated t-storm possible overnight with SW winds 8-12 mph. Low in the low 60s.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 12

HIGH 80 **LOW** 60

Cloudy, continued humid. Showers. A slight chance of a t-storm. South winds 5-10 mph. High near 80. Cloudy with showers continuing overnight. An isolated t-storm possible. SW winds 8-12 mph. Low near 60.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 13

HIGH 80 **LOW** 60

Cloudy skies with showers and t-storms likely early as a cold front moves through the Midwest. S winds turn NW after the cold front passes. Warm with a high near 80. Clearing overnight with a low near 60.



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,
Hurricanes gather strength over warm ocean water — warm, salty water — but the rain that falls is always fresh. What has happened to the salt?
Jerry Witon

Dear Jerry,
Rainwater is fresh because only pure water evaporates from the ocean. The salt (and other impurities) stay behind. At the moment of evaporation, the salt in ocean water comes out of solution — it separates from the water and remains in the ocean — and only pure water evaporates. What happens is that salty ocean spray flies into the air and mixes with rain to produce salty rain. Some spray also evaporates and leaves its load of salt floating in the air. This essentially "seeds" the atmosphere with condensation nuclei that are important in the formation of rain droplets. The sea salt plays an important role in enhancing hurricane rainfall.

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WGN-TV meteorologists Mark Carroll, Steve Kahn, Richard Koeneman, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.

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Dorian track and wind speeds—Lake Michigan levels high

SEPT. 6, 2019: LATEST LAKE MICHIGAN WATER LEVEL



FRIDAY: HURRICANE DORIAN POUNDS NORTH CAROLINA... THEN RACES OUT TO SEA

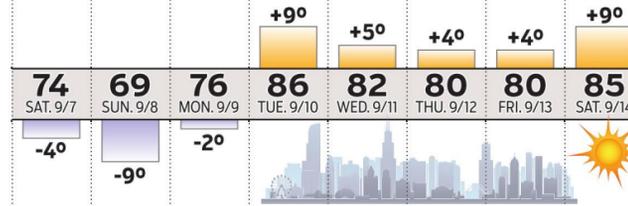
Bald Head Island, NC	89 mph
Federal Point, NC	75 mph
6 SE Wrightsville Beach	67 mph
Murrells Inlet	64 mph
Myrtle Beach, SC	63 mph
Oak Island, NC	61 mph
Wilmington, NC	56 mph
Georgetown, NC	55 mph
Back Island, NC	54 mph
Lake Arrowhead	52 mph
6 SW Pawley's Island	49 mph

ACTIVE TROPICAL CYCLONES AS OF 7 PM CDT FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 6



COOL WEEKEND—BUT WARMER WEEK FOLLOWS

Predicted Chicago O'Hare high temps and temp departures from normal



TOM SKILLING, MARK CARROLL, KYLE PITTMAN AND JENNIFER M. KOHNKE / WGN-TV

CHICAGO DIGEST

FRIDAY TEMPERATURES

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	72	62	Midway	75	65
Gary	72	60	O'Hare	72	65
Kankakee	75	62	Romeoville	73	63
Lakefront	72	65	Valparaiso	73	60
Lansing	72	62	Waukegan	72	63

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

PERIOD	2019	NORMAL
Fri. (through 4 p.m.)	0.00"	0.12"
September to date	0.56"	0.70"
Year to date	32.31"	25.83"

SATURDAY SUNBURN FORECAST

TIME OF EXPOSURE BEFORE SUNBURN BEGINS	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
7 a.m.	2 hours, 55 minutes	
1 p.m.*	30 minutes	
4 p.m.	1 hour, 16 minutes	

SOURCE: Clear Skin Dermatology, Dr. Bryan Schultz
*Peak intensity

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

WIND	W/NE 5-10 kts.	E 10-15 kts.
Waves	2-4 feet	1-3 feet
Fri. shore/crib water temps	66°/60°	

FRIDAY PEAK POLLEN LEVEL

POLLEN	LEVEL
Tree	0
Grass	Moderate
Mold	High
Ragweed	High
Weed	High

SOURCE: The Gottlieb Memorial Hospital Allergy Count, Dr. Rachna Shah

CHICAGO AIR QUALITY

Friday's reading: Moderate
Saturday's forecast: Good
Critical pollutant: Particulates

SATURDAY RISE/SET TIMES

Sun	6:22 a.m.	7:14 p.m.
Moon	3:34 p.m.	12:58 a.m.



SATURDAY PLANET WATCH

PLANET	RISE	SET
Mercury	6:37 a.m.	7:28 p.m.
Venus	6:55 a.m.	7:35 p.m.
Mars	6:13 a.m.	7:14 p.m.
Jupiter	2:05 p.m.	11:18 p.m.
Saturn	4:08 p.m.	1:23 a.m.

BEST VIEWING TIME DIRECTION

Mercury	Not visible	
Venus	Not visible	
Mars	Not visible	
Jupiter	8:45 p.m.	19.5° SSW
Saturn	8:45 p.m.	25.5° S

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— eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE —

England embraces rivalries for Women's World Cup lift

BY ROB HARRIS
Associated Press

LONDON — From her new home in Manchester, Jackie Groenen will gaze across to the nearby stands of Old Trafford visualizing the day she can play in the stadium.

Groenen can dream big this year.

Even before helping the Netherlands reach its first Women's World Cup final in July, Groenen had signed up as Manchester United's first overseas female player, ready for the team's debut in the Women's Super League.

United, the record 20-time English men's champion, launched a professional women's side only a year ago, and Groenen jumped at the chance to play for one of the most famous names in sports.

"When I'm home and I tell people I've been playing at FFC Frankfurt for years, they kind of go, 'Well, good for you,'" Groenen said. "It's a different kind of vibe, and you don't get that with teams like Man United, Man City or Liverpool. For women's football to grow, it's important to have that name and that badge on it."

Groenen will be pulling on the United shirt in a competitive game for the first time Saturday when the opening weekend of the WSL season sees the first-ever Manchester derby in women's professional soccer.

While Groenen does not know when she will get to play at Old Trafford — United's women play in a 12,000-seat arena across town — City will be using its main stadium Saturday for the derby. More than 20,000 tickets have already been sold for the game at Etihad Stadium, which seats 55,000 and is four times the capacity of the smaller venue that is usually home to City's women.

"That shows the impact the World Cup," City forward Georgia Stanway said. "There's nothing like playing in a full stadium with the atmosphere roaring."

Stanway was part of the England team that reached the World Cup semifinals, losing to the United States, the eventual champion. But she did collect medals with City last season, winning both domestic cups. Fueled by the investment by Abu Dhabi that has transformed the men's team since 2008, City has now established itself as Manchester's dominant force in women's football without a local rival until now.

"Obviously we've got fans that have been here for years, and Manchester's only ever been blue because Manchester United haven't existed," Stanway said. "Now we've got the competition — that's nice."

It is the curtain-raiser to a season that the English Football Association hopes will build on a World Cup that attracted a record women's soccer TV audience of 11.7 million for the semifinal against the Americans. Every WSL game will be broadcast worldwide either on the FA's new free app or on channels in Central America, Denmark, Dominican Republic, Finland, Mexico, Norway and Sweden.

"It is a step that had to come if you want to make the game a bit more famous," said Swiss midfielder Lia Wälti, who won the title with Arsenal in April. "It was a bit hard to follow women's football."

The WSL is preparing for its second season as the only fully professional women's soccer league in Europe. There is also now a title sponsor, with Barclays paying more than \$12 million over the next three seasons.

"Barclays coming in sets a precedent for other countries of what is to be expected," Birmingham midfielder Brianna Visalli said. "People are taking women's football more seriously."

Visalli reached the FA Cup final with West Ham in May, losing to Manchester City. The San Jose native decided to stay in England when her contract expired, joining Birmingham.

"I could have easily chosen a league outside the English league," she said. "But what is so attractive about this league is the direction it is heading."

Lyon, though, has proved an attractive destination for players craving bigger salaries and Euro-



FRANCISCO SECO/AP

The Netherlands' Jackie Groenen, right, is congratulated by teammate Shanice Van De Sanden after scoring during the Women's World Cup semifinal match between the Netherlands and Sweden on July 3 at the Stade de Lyon outside Lyon, France.

pean glory. Man United defender Alex Greenwood and Man City forward Nikita Parris were the latest English women to join compatriots Lucy Bronze and Izzy Christiansen at the winners of the last four Champions League titles, who pay annual salaries well over \$110,000. Salaries in the WSL aren't known to get close to reaching six figures.

"Are we in a place where we can compete with Lyon financially? No, because we are in Year 2," Manchester United manager Casey Stoney said. "The women's game (in England) is not in a place where we should be paying those sorts of figures for players until we start getting more people in the ground."

"We want to do it the right way and we want people to be here for the right reasons. If I throw money at it, I get a player who comes over for two years, takes

the money and then disappears."

But no longer do English women have to head to the United States to earn a living.

"I went to America and I played with Marta (at Western New York Flash in 2011), but now everyone wants to come here," said 32-year-old forward Gemma Davison, one of nine offseason signings by newly promoted Tottenham. "When I was 16 my dad was told that women's football would never go professional, and now I'm sitting here wearing a Tottenham Hotspur shirt, so happy days."

Reflecting the rise in interest in women's soccer, the Londoner was one of 24 players — two from each team — who descended on the England teams' training base at St. George's Park for two days of interviews to preview the ninth edition of the WSL.

The media interest needs to translate into rising WSL attend-

ances. The average crowd last season was only 833 after reaching 1,128 in 2016 after England's third-place finish at the 2015 World Cup.

Birmingham, which finished fourth behind Arsenal, Manchester City and Chelsea last season, is among a trio of WSL teams whose male counterparts do not play in the Premier League.

But the men's second-tier games are played at St. Andrew's, which is six times the 5,000-capacity home of their female counterparts.

"It was frustrating," said Kerys Harrop, a defender with Birmingham throughout its WSL journey since 2011.

"You felt, 'Why are all these people going to watch the men when they are a mediocre Championship side and not watching us when we are really successful and winning games?'"

It should be a record-breaking weekend, with City on course to eclipse the previous WSL attendance high of 5,265 fans. The record should be surpassed again Sunday when Chelsea hosts Tottenham at Stamford Bridge, where all 40,000 tickets have been distributed, albeit for free.

"I don't know whether it's going to be families," Chelsea and England goalkeeper Carly Telford said, laughing, "or the Shed End is full of hooligans."

The priority is filling stadiums and building interest as England prepares to play host to the 2021 Women's European Championship.

"If we step back now and don't push on, we'll lose that window to really push forward," Chelsea defender Millie Bright said.

"Off the back of the World Cup, now is the time to keep people invested in the game."

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Giants running back Saquon Barkley (26) says he can be even better after a stellar rookie season, in which he had more than 2,000 total yards.

Barkley's passion plays

Giants star running back works hard off the field to be outstanding on it

BY TOM ROCK
Newsday

Saquon Barkley cheats.

That was one of the things Sterling Shepard learned about his teammate when the two of them spent a few weeks in the offseason training together in Los Angeles. They lived in the same house, worked through the same drills and dreamed the same optimism about the upcoming season.

But when it came to some of the sprints, when they were going head to head to chug up Pacific sand dunes, and they came close to the finish line, well...

"He'll try to stick his hand out or something and try to cheat a little bit," Shepard said.

Barkley's response to such an aspersion?

"Come on, man!" the second-year running back said. "That's Sterling Shepard for you."

Whether Barkley actually broke any unwritten rules in the workouts may never be settled.

"Number one, if you're not cheating, you're not trying," Barkley said. "He says if you are running a race, what are they going to count, your chest or sticking out your arm, and I don't do that. Why would I do that during a race? If anything, I was the one who was running through because I know."

Barkley stopped for a moment. He was getting too excited. He gathered himself.

"I'm sorry," he said. "You can see how passionate I'm getting about that."

And you can imagine that if he gets so revved up about footraces on the beach, so intense about edging out a teammate by the length of an extended body part, so invested in coming in first when no one is watching, then proving himself as the top running back in the NFL this season is probably something that matters to him quite a bit.

He'll say that he just wants wins, that he'll trade rushing titles and MVP talk and all the other accolades that lay in front of him as his career is beginning to take off for a Super Bowl win.

And that's probably true. But the reality is that for the Giants to achieve that ultimate team



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Saquon Barkley spent most of his offseason out of the glare of New York City, but he still found time to attend the U.S. Open.

goal, they need their best individual player to thrive. And that's Barkley.

He already showed what he's capable of in his first season with the Giants when he ran for 1,307 yards, caught 91 passes for another 721 yards, scored 15 touchdowns and was named the NFL's Offensive Rookie of the Year. Now his job is to top it.

Even if it means figuratively sticking his arm out at the finish line.

"He's a Year 2 guy, and usually for talented people that work hard at what they do, you can see an improvement between Year 1 and Year 2," coach Pat Shurmur said. "Sometimes it's their biggest improvement."

In other words, you ain't seen nothing yet.

But can Barkley really get better? Isn't it asking way too much of someone to splash into the NFL with a record-setting performance and then top it?

"Maybe for some guys that will rest on their laurels," Shurmur said. "But I don't see that in Saquon. He's a guy that's just trying to get better every day."

And every night.

Even when he is not training, not preparing for the upcoming season, not focusing on carrying the Giants back to a level of glory that was last witnessed nearly a decade ago and is quickly fading toward ancient history (there are only two players left on the team who were part of a Super Bowl champion here), Barkley is constantly brainstorming ways to improve.

"You have so much time, especially when you're laying in bed at night in the hotel and you're just looking up at the ceiling, to just think," Barkley said. "So in those moments, I'm just trying to find ways that I can improve."

If he starts to think about running inside zone plays, he may hop out of bed and pull up some tape of Ezekiel Elliott or Todd Gurley demonstrating how they handle such schemes. If he dropped a pass that day — or earlier that week, or earlier in his life, really — he'll start flogging himself over the mistake and then cue up some clips

of great receivers past and present to watch their route-running and hand work on the football.

"I don't think I was really awful in anything, but there's a lot of things that I can work on in my game," he said. "All those little things are where I try to get better. I don't really try to just have one focal point because I think when you do that, you kind of just put yourself in a box. I try to make sure I maintain the same mindset to continue to get better at everything."

Which brings us back to Los Angeles.

Barkley spent his first offseason as a professional football player this summer far away from the buzz and expectation in New York. He and Shepard were both planning to train separately in Southern California and they were looking for places to live when Barkley found one first. It had enough room for Shepard and his family to move in too.

"It's good to train with your teammates," Barkley said. "Ob-

viously, you have respect for each other, but it's a different respect when you're actually living with each other, playing video games and going from fighting each other to chilling to competing at this and that. It makes you grow and respect each other and the game so much more. Not only as a player but as a person, to respect each other."

Both had been like little brothers to Odell Beckham Jr. when he was with the Giants. Now they are the men of the house in the Giants locker room.

The two had always been close, but the experience of sharing a house and a training regimen forged something more than a friendship.

"I love that dude," Shepard said. "We push each other every day. We compete with everything — who can swim the fastest or whatever — and I think it's all in good nature, and it's ultimately going to make us better."

Barkley admits that he isn't as talented at what he calls "Tier 2 sports" like table tennis or handball and concedes defeat to Shepard and other teammates in those contests. But to him, that's not the point of such events.

"It brings out the competitiveness in everybody when everyone is playing pingpong or we are playing card games or when we come out here on the field," Barkley said. "We didn't have that last year. We didn't have that competitive nature that we have. That's why I think we can have a really special year. If we continue to build, continue to build on that with the long, hard days and put in the work and focus on details, I believe we can have a great season."

That's what Barkley wants, for himself and the Giants.

"For me, I consider a proper encore would be just doing whatever I can to help my team to get into a position to compete in the playoffs, and to compete for a championship," Barkley said.

He's shown he'll do everything he can to achieve that.

Even if he has to stick out his arm at the finish line.

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'20 Volvo XC60 Polestar SUV — hybrid-performance luxury

Volvo will launch its Polestar performance line in a big way this fall with a couple of electrically augmented models, the 2020 XC60 Polestar SUV and V60 Polestar station wagon.

Both vehicles get a slightly more powerful version of Volvo's T8 E-AWD plug-in hybrid drivetrain, which consists of a supercharged and turbocharged 2.0L engine and an electrically powered rear axle.

Volvo also announced new services:

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The two Polestars should reach dealerships any day, along with an updated version of Volvo's bigger XC90 SUV, which has three rows of seats, and a beefed-up Cross Country version of the V60 wagon.

Polestar is Volvo's performance arm, in the same way AMG is Mercedes's in-house speed shop. Polestar tweaks the engineering of Volvo vehicles and will build Volvo-based electric performance vehicles under its own name. Polestar was an independent racing company that specialized in Volvos until the automaker bought it in 2015.

You can recognize Polestar engineered Volvos by their gold seat belts, big yellow Akebono brake calipers and an asterisk-like etching on a small chrome plate. Volvo sold a handful of Polestar modified S60 sedans last year. The XC60 and V60 mark the sub-brand's real introduction to American buyers.

Volvo charges a significant premium for Polestar's cosmetic and performance changes: start at \$71,000 and \$67,300, respectively, for the XC60 Polestar.

I recently drove the 2020 XC60 Polestar, V60 Cross Country and XC90 on highways, logging roads and mountain trails in the Canadian Rockies.

All the vehicles bristle with advanced safety and driver assistance features. Volvo's stated goal is to eliminate all deaths and serious injuries in its vehicles.

XC60 ride and handling is improved

The XC60 adds power from the Polestar treatment. Its 415 horsepower and 494 pound-feet of torque are nothing to sneeze at, but they're only up 15 hp and 22 pound-feet from the base XC60 T8 hybrid, 3.6% and 8%, respectively. The added power trims 0.1 second from the T8 hybrid's 0-60 mph time, from an already respectable 5.0 seconds to 4.9.

The steering and suspension upgrades that come with the "Polestar engineered" tag deliver plenty of value, though. Firmer steering, a bar connecting the front strut towers and a taut, but still comfortable, ride are apparent. Polestar returned the steering, throttle response and shift points, but the big improvement comes from an adjustable suspension with Ohlins dampers. They keep the Polestar XC60 flat and stable in quick maneuvers and heavy braking while also absorbing bumps for a comfortable ride.

The massive Akebono calipers and 14.6-inch front



2020 VOLVO XC60 T8 E-AWD POLESTAR

Five-passenger luxury-performance SUV
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System power: 415 hp, 494 pound-feet of torque
Transmission: 8-speed automatic

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Estimated EPA battery range: 18-21 miles
0-60 mph acceleration: 4.9 seconds
Wheelbase: 118.6 inches
Length: 112.8 inches
Width, including mirrors: 78.7 ins.
Height: 65.3 inches
Base curb weight: 4,745 pounds
Towing capacity: 3,500 pounds

brake discs deliver all the stopping power you'd ever want. Even more useful in daily driving, the retuned brakes also provide smoother, more natural pedal feel when they're being used to recharge the hybrid's 11.6 kWh lithium-ion battery.

Visual differences from the regular XC60 in addition to the golden seat belts that look a lot better than you'd expect, and the brake calipers Volvo insists are the same color but aren't, include a glossy black frame around the grille and Polestar alloy wheels.

Volvo considers the Audi SQ5 the XC60 Polestar's main competitor.

The XC60's Polestar's \$71,000 base price is daunting, but it includes Nappa leather, adaptive cruise control, a big sunroof and much more. The plug-in hybrid's projected battery-only range of 18-21 miles is not particularly impressive, and the big tablet-style touch screen that controls many features is less responsive than the best competitors.

V60 Cross Country AWD handles rocky trails

The V60 Cross Country AWD is a lifted, version of the V60 station wagon, with bigger wheel arches, burly tires and moldings for a rugged appearance. It's got 2.5 inches more ground clearance than a standard V60 wagon. That, and the hill descent feature to use engine braking when going down particularly steep grades, proved very useful when I drove a V60 Cross Country down a steep, twisting and rock-strewn trail from a 7,700-foot mountain peak to the road below.

Volvo softened the wagon's suspension for off road. Unlike the Polestar plug-in hybrids, the gasoline only V60 Cross Country has a mechanical all-wheel drive.

Prices for the V60 Cross Country start at \$45,100.

Volvo didn't make a V60 Polestar available to drive. The Polestar wagon has the same mechanical upgrades and visual touches as the XC60: asterisk badging, gold seat belts, big yellow Akebono brake calipers and black grille surround.

Prices for the V60 T8 E-AWD start at \$67,300.

XC90 luxury SUV adds six-seat model

The XC90 three-row SUV launched Volvo's resurgence with a bang when it debuted in 2015 as a 2016 model. For 2020, it gets some upgrades and new features to face new competitors like the Audi Q7 and Lincoln Aviator.

The big changes are inside: an new Orrefors crystal shifter, wool upholstery for buyers who want an upscale interior without the karmic burden they feel from leather and bucket seats in the second row for a six-seat interior.

Other new features include the bigger, 11.6 kWh battery, which should improve electric range 2-3 miles from the previous rating of 18; automatic braking linked to the cross-traffic and blind spot alerts; and optional Harman Kardon audio. The main exterior changes are a concave grille other Volvos will adopt, new colors and wheels.

Prices for the 2020 Volvo XC90 start at \$48,350.

— Mark Phelan, Detroit Free Press

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- 14 City where the Iditarod ends
- 15 Mean
- 16 Big horn
- 17 Extended family group
- 18 Bamboozled
- 20 Clucker
- 21 Phoenix team
- 22 ___ up; bungle
- 23 ___ Kent; Lois Lane's love
- 25 Mr. Knotts
- 26 Hateful
- 28 Airplane shelter
- 31 Himalayan nation
- 32 Part of a knife
- 34 Building site
- 36 Clothed
- 37 Housetops
- 38 Word attached to fish or board
- 39 Snack
- 40 Banquet
- 41 Uppsala native
- 42 Hankers
- 44 Uncouth
- 45 "___ Along, Little Dogies"

- 46 Reddish dye
- 47 Concur
- 50 Spiciness
- 51 Fred Astaire's dance
- 54 Thinnest
- 57 1,760 yards
- 58 Vienna's nation: abbr.
- 59 Spend foolishly
- 60 Gambler's woe
- 61 NBA team
- 62 ATM button
- 63 Pretzel shape

DOWN

- 1 ___ along; move slowly
- 2 "Old King ___" was a merry...
- 3 Set free
- 4 Big ___
- 5 Scrubs
- 6 Elephant's nose
- 7 Pitcher's delights
- 8 "___ Miserables"
- 9 Shade tree
- 10 Mighty
- 11 Ballerina's skirt
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All-Star first baseman and cancer survivor Anthony Rizzo signs baseballs for young patients during a recent visit to UChicago Medicine's Comer Children's Hospital.



TOGETHER WE ANSWER CANCER

The Chicago Tribune, the University of Chicago Medicine and the Anthony Rizzo Family Foundation have joined forces under the “Together We Answer Cancer” banner to support the American Cancer Society’s mission to free the world from cancer by raising funds for research and to support patients.

Anthony Bendy feels a special connection to Chicago Cubs first baseman Anthony Rizzo. They not only share the same first name, they also were diagnosed with the same cancer at almost the same age.

“Anthony Rizzo helped me get through Hodgkin lymphoma — twice,” said Bendy, 22, of New Lenox, who has been a Cubs fan since he was a young boy.

The first time was in 2016, soon after Bendy, then 19, arrived at the University of Chicago Medicine Comer Children’s Hospital to start cancer treatment. His mother, Jennifer, wrote the Anthony Rizzo Family Foundation, desperate to lift her son’s spirits the night before his first chemotherapy treatment.

The next day, a photo of Rizzo holding a big poster with the words “Stay Strong Anthony” arrived by email.

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Anthony Bendy with his parents, Jeffrey and Jennifer, a month after Anthony's last treatment for Hodgkin lymphoma.

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