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BOB THOMAS

After an SUV was driven inside Woodfield Mall in Schaumburg on Friday, police said three people were taken to hospitals for "non-life-threatening medical issues" that did not involve being struck.

SUV careens through mall in Schaumburg

Driver, 22, in custody after Woodfield patrons scramble, take cover

BY ROSEMARY SOBOL, ELAINE CHEN, RAFAEL GUERRERO AND JAVONTE ANDERSON

Police say a man is in custody after driving a vehicle into Woodfield Mall on Friday afternoon, smashing displays and sending

customers and store employees scrambling, many who feared they were under a mass attack.

The 22-year-old man was detained by mall patrons before police arrived, but authorities did not disclose a motive for the incident. No charges have been filed and the man was treated on the scene and declined to be taken to a hospital, authorities said.

Schaumburg police Chief Bill Wolf addressed reporters at the police station Friday night, many

of whom pressed him for the reason behind the man's actions.

Wolf said they have not ruled out that the 22-year-old, whose last known address was in Palatine, had a medical condition.

"That is one of the possibilities that we are investigating, that there was some type of medical issue involved here," Wolf said. Additionally, Wolf said police found evidence the man was

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Trump asked for inquiry of Biden son

President: Complaint about Ukraine came from partisan source

BY JONATHAN LEMIRE, MICHAEL BALSAMO AND LISA MASCARO
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump urged the new leader of Ukraine this summer to investigate the son of former Vice President Joe Biden, a person familiar with the matter said Friday. Democrats condemned what they saw as a clear effort to damage a political rival, now at the heart of an explosive whistleblower complaint against Trump.

It was the latest revelation in an escalating controversy that has created a showdown between congressional Democrats and the Trump administration, which has refused to turn over the formal complaint by a national security official or even describe its contents.

Trump defended himself Friday against the intelligence official's complaint, angrily declaring it came from a "partisan whistleblower," though he also said he didn't know who had made it. The complaint was based on a series of events, one of which was a July 25 call between Trump and Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, according to a two people familiar with the matter. The people were not authorized to discuss the issue by name and were granted anonymity.

Trump, in that call, urged Zelenskyy to probe the activities of potential Democratic rival Biden's son Hunter, who worked for a Ukrainian gas company, according to one of the people, who was briefed on the call. Trump did not raise the issue of U.S. aid to Ukraine, indicating there was not an explicit quid pro quo, according to the person.

Biden reacted strongly late Friday, saying that if the reports are true, "then there is truly no bottom to President Trump's willingness to abuse his power and abuse our country."

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William Guerrero, 18, of Pilsen, is a design student at Robert Morris University. "The Earth is in danger, and we need to do something about it."

Activists march for Global Climate Strike

Several hundred gather in Grant Park, go to Federal Plaza in Loop

BY ELAINE CHEN

A huge crowd of students and activists gathered Friday in Grant Park and marched to Federal Plaza in the Loop to call attention to issues related to global climate change, joining marches and protests held around the world.

Police estimated between 1,500 and 3,000 people marched through downtown Chicago streets, down Columbus Drive, Ida B. Wells Drive and Van Buren Street.

"Donald Trump, hey you! We deserve a future too," participants chanted.

By a little before 12:30 p.m., the crowds packed Federal Plaza, spilling out onto nearby

streets.

Earlier, labor activists rallied Friday morning in front of Amazon's Chicago headquarters before the march and later joined the students. The rally at the Chicago Amazon office was planned in support of a walkout by

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District weighs locker room policy for students

BY ANGIE LEVENTIS LOURGOS

After years in the national spotlight on transgender rights, one northwest suburban community remains deeply divided as its high school district considers granting unrestricted locker room access based on gender identity.

Hundreds of parents, students and community members packed Palatine High School on Thursday, some praising Township High School District 211's proposed policy change and others calling it a violation of privacy rights.

One teen pleaded with school officials to remember that "all

students matter."

"Schools have a duty to protect the privacy, dignity and well-being of all students," said Sarah Harrington, a high school senior. "Girls should not be forced to change next to a boy even if he thinks he's a girl and vice versa. Boys don't belong in the girls locker room and vice versa. It's

common sense."

District resident Paul Dombrowski said he and his husband have been fierce advocates for LGBT youths, and urged the board to pass the policy.

"This isn't a political issue, this isn't a religious issue, it's an issue

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inside the mall before getting behind the wheel of the SUV.

"There is no indication that this was a terrorist attack; there is no indication this was something pre-planned and no indication that the mall itself was a target or thought to be a target ahead of time," Wolf said.

The mall has been inspected, and there is no structural damage, said Wolf, who added the shopping center was scheduled to reopen Saturday morning.

The black SUV smashed the doors near the Sears and Rainforest Cafe area of the mall about 2:25 p.m., Schaumburg officials said. From videos posted to social media and witnesses' descriptions, the SUV was seen careering through the mall's common areas before coming to rest against a pillar, as people screamed and ran out of the way.

Three people were taken to hospitals for "non-life-threatening medical issues," but did not stem from the SUV hitting them, police said in a statement. Four others were treated on the scene.

The incident frightened patrons of the mall, some of whom later described not knowing if it was a mass shooting or other type of attack, and raced out of the mall at the urging of employees.

Jackie Sanko, of Schaumburg, was waiting in line at Garrett Popcorn when she said she heard screaming, followed by a crash and the sound of metal screeching. She was shocked to see a black SUV zigzagging inside the mall. "I've got to get out of here as fast as I can," she said she thought, running between the poles of the popcorn stand to duck inside a nearby store.

She took cover in La Senza, where employees rushed her and customers to a stockroom in the back, offering everyone bottled water. She estimated that they were on lockdown inside Woodfield for about an hour and 40 minutes, but said she felt more secure

once she was in the back area of the store.

In a video shared on Twitter, someone shouted "This is not happening right now," as the SUV drove through the mall near a Forever 21 store, smashing a display in the middle of the mall as people ran after the SUV. The SUV then appeared to smash into a store.

Overhead video and photos from the scene showed an entrance to the mall smashed, glass lying on the ground, leaving a hole large enough for a car to have traveled through.

In another video showing smashed windows at a mall entrance, one person says "Oh my goodness," and another says the driver "went all the way through ... through the mall."

Bob Thomas, a Chicago Tribune executive, said he was walking through the Macy's store on his way to the Apple store to get his phone fixed, and as he headed toward the main mall, the fire alarm went off.

"The loudspeaker kept saying there's been an incident in the building. They said, 'Please leave as soon as possible,'" Thomas said. "There was no security staff telling people to do anything."

He thought it was a false alarm and kept walking. But then he said he heard someone say they were evacuating the mall.

"It was kind of chaotic," Thomas said. "A guy in the Apple store said, 'They're reporting a car driving through the first floor.'"

He headed back to Macy's. "I got to the center of the mall, I saw this car. It's a black SUV crashed against a pillar in front of Clarks shoe store. The front tire was flat. Two firemen were walking around it," he said. Thomas took a photograph, and "all of a sudden the tact team came in with assault rifles and yelling, 'Get out, get out, get out of the mall!'"

Business owner Lateef Farooqui, 43, lives in Guadalajara, Mexico, and runs a virtual office company. He was in town visiting his two kids who attend Chicago's DePaul University. Farooqui said he'd just finished lunch and sat down at a table in the second-floor rest area just outside Sears to do some work on his

laptop. Suddenly, "waves" of panicked shoppers began running past him.

"It was like dominoes coming at you — everybody just stood up and began running toward me," Farooqui said.

"Somebody said, 'gun' ... someone else said, 'shooter' ... someone else said, 'bomb'" Farooqui said.

After jumping up and following them, he "spun around," and not hearing anything that sounded like gunfire, worked his way back toward Sears. Peering over a railing, Farooqui heard a loud "bang," and realized there was a car inside the mall, slamming into stores. He took off after it and began shooting "shaky" video because he was so nervous and posting to Facebook Live.

He realized the SUV had slammed so hard into Forever 21 its bumper fell off before it careened toward Hollister Co., shattering the glass windows before taking off toward Macy's and ending up crashing into a steel pole. He saw the suspect, who appeared to be in his 20s, wearing a red shirt, after a large crowd gathered around him and police led him outside in handcuffs.

"He seemed calm, he wasn't yelling anything," Farooqui said. "I was about 10 feet away from him. Everyone was staring at him, but he had his head down."

"He didn't seem like someone who was out of control. He was very chill ... Everybody's looking at him and he just walked with the police, about three on each side," Farooqui said. "It was nuts."

There was a second scare, Farooqui said, about five minutes after the man was captured when security officers ran through the mall saying, "Get out!" to everybody. Then stores were placed on lockdown, including Forever 21.

"They looked the most shaken up," Farooqui said of the Forever 21 staffers, who he saw stumble out of the store still wearing their badges. "They had tears, some were running out to meet their family."

Abram Taylor was helping a customer at a Sprint kiosk when he saw the SUV crash into Forever 21.

"He was driving in re-

verse and hitting things, driving in reverse and hitting things, trying to do as much damage as he could," the employee recalled. "And I knew he was coming toward my kiosk."

Taylor fled in fear to try to hide. About 15 seconds later, he saw the SUV smash into the kiosk where he had just been standing, wrecking the structure. He was terrified, thoughts of "my family, getting away, getting to safety, trying not to get hit," all flashing through his mind in that brief instant.

Jonathan Galingan, 31, was working in a cosmetics store on the second floor of the mall when he heard the commotion of people yelling and running. "All of a sudden, we just see people bolting across our store, bolting into our store," said Galingan, a manager at Morphe.

For a time, people thought there might be someone shooting in the mall, Galingan said.

"They were yelling, 'Active shooter!' We all panicked and were in shock, so we started escorting people toward our back door," Galingan said.

He said they didn't see or hear the car, which was a level below.

Galingan said he and three employees helped lead 20 customers out an emergency exit at the back of the store and descended a staircase that brought them outside the building.

"I was thinking of the children that were coming in, being yanked by their parents," Galingan said.

Galingan didn't have time to grab the keys for his car, so he and his coworkers walked toward a nearby parking lot and watched the emergency crews that converged on the scene. "I'm still in shock," he said. "I can't believe that an incident like this happened at the mall."

Schaumburg spokeswoman Allison Albrecht said officials have asked the public to avoid the area, if possible.

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Palatine

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of equal rights," he said. "This issue is about fundamental fairness. The question is whether the district is going to be fair to all students and demonstrate leadership by promoting acceptance."

The district has served as a battleground for transgender student rights for the past four years.

A transgender teen identified publicly as "Student A" made national news several years ago when she filed a complaint against District 211 with federal authorities over locker room access. The case marked the first time a school district was found to have violated Title IX based on gender identity.

The district agreed to let the student use the girls locker room in accordance



ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Signs expressing disapproval for a proposal to grant transgender students unrestricted locker room access in alignment with their gender identity sit on the floor at a school board meeting at Palatine High School Thursday.

with her gender identity, and also installed privacy stalls.

In 2016 a group of parents and students filed a federal lawsuit against the school district, arguing transgender locker room access violated the rights of other students. That lawsuit was dropped in April.

Transgender student Nova Maday filed a lawsuit in 2017 claiming the district restricted her to an "unspecified private changing area within the locker room," and told the Tribune this felt "humiliating."

Maday, who graduated last year, called the proposed policy change "fantastic."

"This is just the tip of the iceberg of what we're looking for," Maday told a reporter, but did not speak during the public comment session. "This is just bare bones, making sure trans students have access to locker rooms and bathrooms."

The crowd held up a sea of signs with clashing messages, occasionally arguing opposing perspectives side by side.

Trans students belong in locker rooms.

Stop sexually violating kids! End mixed-sex locker rooms!

Separate is not equal.

Morality is not bigotry.

One parent asked the board to not pass the policy, saying she was concerned about the "continued legal protection of women and girls as a class."

"In this era of the important national reckoning of #MeToo, it is not consistent to teach young girls that their boundaries of privacy are unimportant," said Bethany Morrison.

The group D211 Parents for Privacy — which opposes unrestricted access — called the proposed policy "pure insanity" in a Facebook post.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois issued a statement supporting the proposal and the district's recognition that "students who are transgender deserve to be treated fairly and equally in every way, and deserve dignity and respect in all aspects of their lives."

No policy decisions were made at the meeting, but the board could take action on the proposed policy next month.

"Our society and community has advanced over the years," district Superintendent Dan Cates told the crowd. "The proposed policy we are presenting provides for equal educational opportunities, without ex-

ception or condition, and without the restriction of private changing stalls that we have required of transgender students for the past four years."

The nation has recently grappled with transgender student rights. The Obama administration in 2016 issued a controversial decree that schools must accommodate transgender students, including granting access to facilities based on gender identity. Then in 2017 the Trump administration reversed those protections, arguing decisions on access should be made at a local level.

Cates added that the proposed policy has already been widely adopted by schools across Illinois. The district includes roughly 12,000 students at five high schools and two alternative high schools.

"We haven't heard of challenges or controversies associated with unrestricted access in districts across the state," he said. "We realize there are varying views on this issue and anyone who is uncomfortable for any reason can seek support or alternatives."

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Assistant State's Attorney Margaret Hillmann makes opening statements in the trial of Corey Morgan for the murder of 9-year-old Tyshawn Lee at the Leighton Criminal Court Building in Chicago on Tuesday. Morgan and Dwight Doty are being tried after being charged with first-degree murder in the 2015 slaying.

Prosecutors present puzzle pieces in killing

Young witnesses testify about shooting of 9-year-old in 2015

BY MEGAN CREPEAU

The day after 9-year-old Tyshawn Lee was fatally shot execution-style near Dawes Park, the nearby Ralph Ellison High School was buzzing with the news.

To hear all the chatter, it seemed as if the whole school had been at the park about the time that fourth grader Tyshawn was allegedly lured into an alley and shot multiple times at point-blank range on the unseasonably warm November day in 2015.

Shawn Walsh, then a dean at the high school at 1817 W. 80th St., heard the gunshots as he was leaving work. When he realized the next day how many students were even closer to the crime scene, he notified a colleague who contacted police.

It was an early break for detectives in the high-pressure case.

Nearly four years later, some of those students and other young bystanders took the witness stand this week to testify against two

men on trial for Tyshawn's killing.

Corey Morgan and Dwight Doty are accused of targeting Tyshawn after Morgan's brother and mother were shot — allegedly by a rival gang whose members included Tyshawn's father. A third co-defendant, Kevin Edwards, pleaded guilty earlier this month to first-degree murder in exchange for a recommended sentence of 25 years in prison.

The young witnesses were near the park that day and testified this week that they saw one or both men at the park on the afternoon of the shooting.

Though all are now 18 or older, many still seemed like kids on the witness stand, fidgeting, swiveling back and forth in the chair and answering questions in shy, quiet voices.

After a tense interplay between prosecutors and defense attorneys, 19-year-old Trinity Richardson left the stand Friday with a loud sigh, exclaiming, "Weird!"

Their testimony was

more circumstantial than a slam dunk for prosecutors.

None of the witnesses said they viewed the actual attack on Tyshawn.

In the trial's first week, only one witness so far has testified to seeing anyone interact with Tyshawn at the park. And she did not identify the defendants in police photo arrays.

Another witness was the only one to identify photos of all three defendants.

But none of the witnesses was asked to identify either defendant sitting across the courtroom from them.

One witness identified Morgan in a photo array but not in a live lineup. Another picked out Morgan in one lineup but did not identify Doty in a different one. Still another said she saw a black SUV speed away from the alley after shots were fired and got a glimpse of the driver's face. But she at first identified him as Edwards only tentatively, then said she was sure.

Prosecutors hope, though, that each of the six young witnesses provided a

small piece of a puzzle that jurors will find convincing.

But the testimony left plenty for defense attorneys to criticize.

Some gave slightly differing versions of how many people were out playing basketball in the park and what precisely the older men did when they joined up with the teens. One testified that he asked police about the rapidly growing pot of reward money as he was cooperating with detectives.

The eyewitnesses will likely prove more pivotal to the more circumstantial case against Morgan.

Prosecutors allege that Doty was captured on audio recordings bragging about the slaying in Cook County Jail and that DNA evidence found on Tyshawn's basketball was linked to him.

Testimony could stretch into October.

Chicago Tribune's Annie Sweeney contributed.

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Veteran cop pleads guilty to bribery

Leaked details on crash victims to attorney service

BY JASON MEISNER

A veteran Chicago police officer pleaded guilty Friday to taking thousands of dollars in bribes from the owner of a west suburban attorney referral service in exchange for exclusive information about crash victims and their insurance carriers.

In pleading guilty to a single count of conspiracy to commit bribery, Kevin Tate, 48, who joined the Police Department in 2005, admitted accepting at least \$10,000 in kickbacks dating to 2015.

The officer has been stripped of his police powers since being charged in 2018, but the department will likely now move to fire him since his conviction for a felony.

He faces up to about three years in prison based on preliminary sentencing guidelines, but his attorneys are still free to argue for probation.

U.S. District Judge Charles Norgle set sentencing for Jan. 8.

Federal prosecutors alleged Tate and his fellow patrolman, Officer Milot Cadichon, took bribes in the form of cash and wire transfers from Richard Burton, who owns National Attorney Referral Service based in west suburban Bloomingdale. Burton then used the information to solicit accident victims as clients for attorneys, according to prosecutors.

Burton pleaded guilty in June to conspiracy to commit bribery and is cooperating with investigators, court records show.

Cadichon, meanwhile, pleaded guilty last month to accepting at least \$10,000 from Burton during the scheme. He is scheduled to be sentenced in November.

According to an FBI search warrant affidavit unsealed last year, Burton exchanged hundreds of text messages with Tate

and Cadichon — who both worked patrol in the Calumet District on the Far South Side — that included detailed information that only the police were supposed to be allowed to view.

While crash reports in Chicago are typically not publicly available until after a processing period, officers can access them immediately — but only for "legitimate law enforcement reasons," the indictments alleged.

The messages indicate that Burton had arranged regular "pay days" for the two officers at two-week intervals, often for \$300, prosecutors alleged.

Burton also expressed frustration at times that the officers weren't getting him information fast enough to give him a leg up in the cutthroat profession. In one exchange with Tate in October 2016, Burton texted that he could have signed up three or four new clients if Tate had gotten him names of victims sooner, the affidavit alleged.

"I was sick to the stomach just thinking about it. LOL," the affidavit quoted Burton as writing. "It's just amazing how competitive this business is. If you're not Johnny on the Spot you can forget it."

A year later, in August 2017, Burton appeared to get upset with Cadichon after the officer pestered him about missing a payday. Burton shot back that he was meeting with a client on Chicago's South Side and couldn't answer Cadichon's messages.

"When you're in Englewood it's a little stressful for a brother with no gun," Burton texted, according to the affidavit. "... You know that I take no days off and I work my ass off."

Burton then appeared to smooth things over, telling Cadichon he appreciated how hard he was working for him. "I'll put it like this," Burton wrote. "If I had 5 people like you I'd be a millionaire."

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Prosecutors: Man charged in knife attack is suspected in other attacks

BY ELVIA MALAGÓN

A man accused of slashing a woman's neck and face is also now suspected of attacking three other women in the span of two weeks this summer, according to Cook County prosecutors.

Adam Bramwell, 32, of the 6200 block of South Michigan Avenue, was ordered held without bail during a Friday bond hearing in front of Cook County Judge Susana Ortiz. He faces several felony charges ranging from attempted first-degree murder to arson.

Bramwell didn't say anything and looked down as prosecutors outlined to a packed courtroom gallery how he allegedly attacked the four women from July 8 to July 18. The most widely reported attack happened about 3:30 a.m. July 18, as a 22-year-old recent graduate of DePaul University walked home in the area of the 2300 block of North Halsted Street after spending time with friends.

Bramwell was driving in a stolen 2010 Suzuki with Indiana plates when he spotted the 22-year-old. He then went into a dead-end alley and hid, said Assistant State's Attorney Andrea Salone. He grabbed the woman from behind and put a knife to her throat as he tried to get her into the car, Salone said. The woman fought back as Bramwell

pulled out chunks of her hair.

"The victim's blood was found pooled on the alley floor," Salone said in court. "More of her blood splattered on the building wall."

The woman was able to get away before collapsing on Halsted. An Uber driver spotted her and called 911. The woman was bleeding from slash wounds to the face and neck, police said. She spent a month hospitalized while she underwent two surgeries and had two strokes, according to prosecutors.

The attack happened near the DePaul campus in Lincoln Park, and police believed that it could have been a sexually motivated attack. The woman was not sexually assaulted, police said at the time.

Bramwell is accused of stealing the 2010 Suzuki Grand Vitara the day before the attack from a parking garage, Salone said. Police previously had said the SUV was stolen from the 300 block of North Desplaines Street. The keys had been left in the unlocked Vitara, she said. Bramwell was seen on video entering the garage on a bike and pulling the door handles of several cars, prosecutors said.

Days before, about 8:40 a.m. July 13, Bramwell carjacked and attacked a wom-



Bramwell

an who had just returned from a coffee run, Salone said. The attack happened in the 1800 block of North Fremont Street when Bramwell, who was holding a 4-inch blade, confronted the woman as she got out of her car, Salone said. He demanded she show her purse, forcing her to give him \$7 and her driver's license, prosecutors said.

At one point, the woman tried to get away, managing to open the garage door, but Bramwell pulled her to the ground. He then choked her and dragged her by her hair into a nearby alley, Salone said in court. The woman screamed for help and Bramwell took off in the woman's vehicle.

The first incident happened about 7:45 a.m. July 8 as a woman picked up a Zipcar rental from a condominium garage. Information about where the garage was located within the city was not immediately available.

Bramwell approached the woman from the driver's side door and tried to enter the car by pulling on the handle multiple times, Salone said. He also tried to open the car through the rear passenger side door. The woman pointed to the Zipcar sign and managed to

exit the garage. The woman saw Bramwell at the garage exit and waved at her, Salone said.

Police on July 18 found the two stolen cars burned in what appeared to be an arson not far from where Bramwell was staying at the time. On July 20, Bramwell sent a photograph of himself with visible burn injuries to someone through Facebook, prosecutors said. After the attacks, police released photos and video of a person who they said was the suspect in the DePaul-area attack.

Bramwell was arrested Aug. 7 while riding a bus through Montgomery County, Texas, just north of Houston, after the local fugitive task force received a tip he was on the bus, according to a news release from the Montgomery County sheriff's office. He was extradited from Texas this week.

He had previously spent time in prison on charges of burglary, robbery, domestic battery and aggravated unlawful use of a weapon, according to the Illinois Department of Corrections.

Bramwell is a lifelong resident of the Chicago area and had worked for six months as a laborer, according to his public defense attorney.

Chicago Tribune's Rosemary Sobol and Katherine Rosenberg-Douglas contributed.

Former U. of C. student reported missing is safe

BY ELYSSA CHERNEY

Authorities have located a former University of Chicago student who was reported missing earlier this month.

Chicago police announced Thursday afternoon that Charles Thomas, 23, has been found safe.

Kathy Thomas, the man's mother, said in a statement that Thomas was found in a cornfield in Indiana and is now in police custody, awaiting extradition to Illinois.

He was found by the Lake County, Indiana, sheriff's office, said Chi-

cago police Officer Jessica Alvarez.

He was last seen Sept. 6 in Chicago's Irving Park neighborhood, near his home, authorities said.

Thomas was shot by campus police last year and criminally charged in the encounter, sparking anti-police protests at the elite South Side university last year. At the time, Thomas' attorney said the incident was prompted by a mental health episode.

The charges remain pending.

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Union Station parking garage to close Sept. 30

BY MARY WISNIEWSKI

If you regularly leave your car at the Union Station Self Park garage, you'll need to find a new spot by the first of October.

The 700-spot parking structure will permanently close Sept. 30, according to Amtrak spokesman Marc Magliari. Amtrak is selling the property under the structure a block south of the station to make way for a 50-story office building, which will be called BMO Tower. BMO Financial

Group will anchor the planned 700-foot-tall structure.

Amtrak said the underground pedway connecting Union Station to the CTA's Transit Center will remain in operation.

Amtrak noted that overnight parking in the area is limited and train customers are encouraged to use public transit, taxis, ride-share and drop-offs for Union Station.

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Amazon employees Friday in Seattle.

Events for the Global Climate Strike movement, spearheaded by Swedish 16-year-old Greta Thunberg, were planned in cities across the world, with local events also planned for Naperville, Des Plaines, Evanston, Waukegan, Portage and other communities.

The movement organized events in many countries in the spring, which Illinois students joined in March and in May, when each event drew about 500 people, said Isabella Johnson, the Illinois state lead organizer and a high school senior at Benet Academy, a Catholic school in Lisle. On Friday, "we got way more people than we were expecting."

"We were meant to protest on the sidewalks, but it went out on the streets," Johnson said.

In Grant Park before the march, Kate Puharich, a freshman at Deerfield High School, carried a hand-painted sign with a picture of TV cartoon character Lisa Simpson saying, "Can there be any doubt that the culprit is greenhouse gas?"

She had "always been told, 'Just wait when you're older to get into politics,'" Puharich said. "But when I saw the United Nations report that this will become irreversible by 2030, I thought, 'Wow, I can't wait that long.'"

As marchers left Grant Park and approached Federal Plaza, their voices began echoing off the buildings lining the streets, and they chanted louder: "Oceans are rising, and so are we."

At Federal Plaza, the crowd gathered at the north end, where speakers took up a microphone to address the crowd.

Johnson demanded swift action from politicians. "It is clear that (students) are leading this movement, although I wish that we did not have to," she said.

Throughout the march, students raised signs urging lawmakers to pass the federal Green New Deal and the Illinois Clean Energy Jobs Act. The Illinois bill aims to get the state on a path to 100% renewable energy by 2050.

Johnson also reminded students who are old enough to register to vote.

"To the leaders who laughed at our efforts," she said, "will you be laughing when we vote you out?"

IN THEIR OWN WORDS

Portraits of Chicago-area students and activists marching in the international Climate Strike rally

By E. JASON WAMBSGANS

Thousands of students and activists marched from Grant Park to Federal Plaza on Friday as part of a global climate strike to highlight issues related to climate change. The march in Chicago was one of many held both locally and around the world. The Chicago Tribune spoke to some demonstrators in Chicago.



Dania Noghnogh, 23, of Chicago, is a law student at John Marshall Law School. "It really scares me that my kids might move in a world that's not clean and safe. Every day people need to start making small changes in their life. Our politicians need to start listening, and people need to turn out and vote."



Evie Stoelinga, 13, attends the Lab School. "The Earth is dying and we need to save it. We don't have a future if the Earth isn't around. I hope that people who care know that they are not alone and lots of people believe this is a problem."



Nico Pavon, 15, of Oak Park and River Forest High School. "I thought it was really important for me to take pictures of this to represent how it's not OK for our planet to be dying and we need to save it."



Monsol Cole-Kweli, 15, of Homewood-Flossmoor High School. "I've been studying climate change for a good minute. All my science fair projects have proved what I was worried about."

Many Chicago high school students showed up to Friday's event. They had been warned by CPS that they would be excused for the rally but only if they returned after the event ended.

In New York, where Thunberg led a march, the public school district had announced it would excuse both partial-day and full-

day absences.

Cindy Jurado, a junior at Bogan High School and a member of youth activism organization GoodKids, MadCity, said this was the first large movement she's participated in.

Jurado said her passion for climate change issues stems from her love for planting, which she

began doing with her mother when she was 7 years old.

When she was walking across the Ida B. Wells Bridge leaving Grant Park, she said, "I got chills seeing everyone chant. I think it's really cool to see people from all different parts of Chicago."

China Smith, a senior at King College Prep and also a member

of GoodKids, MadCity, said that after Friday's strike, "we have to keep acting."

"I felt that my presence (in the march) was at least a step," Smith said. "With certain things sometimes we can feel helpless, but just having my presence there today shows a lot. It shows legislators that we're here."

Thomas Turner

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Acting Homeland Security Secretary Kevin McAleenan, right, and Alexandra Hill Tinoco, minister of foreign affairs for El Salvador, announced the asylum agreement Friday.

US, El Salvador sign asylum deal, but with details vague

BY COLLEEN LONG
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Associated Press

NEW YORK — The United States on Friday signed an agreement to help make one of Central America's most violent countries, El Salvador, a haven for migrants seeking asylum, but provided few details about how it will unfold.

Acting Homeland Security Secretary Kevin McAleenan and El Salvador's foreign minister, Alexandra Hill Tinoco, signed the "cooperative asylum agreement" in a live-streamed press conference. They lauded the two countries for working together to stem migration to the U.S. but provided few details about when the agreement takes effect, who is affected and how.

Instead, McAleenan, who called the agreement "a big step forward," and Hill Tinoco discussed U.S.

assistance in making El Salvador a safer and more prosperous place for its citizens. Hill Tinoco talked about ending gang violence.

"I mean, those individuals threaten people, those individuals kill people, those individuals request for the poorest and most vulnerable population to pay just to cross the street," she said, adding that her country needs more investment from the U.S. and other nations.

The agreement, first reported by The Associated Press, could lead to migrants from third countries obtaining refuge in El Salvador even though many Salvadorans are fleeing their nation and seeking asylum in the U.S.

It's the latest effort by President Donald Trump's administration to force asylum-seekers in Central America to seek refuge outside the United States. Immigration officials also

are forcing more than 42,000 people to remain in Mexico as their cases play out and have changed policy to deny asylum to anyone who transited through a third country en route to the southern border of the U.S.

Condemnation from migrant and refugee advocates was swift.

"Today's announcement of a 'cooperative asylum agreement' between the United States and El Salvador is yet another example of the U.S. government's callous disregard for the safety and lives of people fleeing violence in Central America," said Alison Parker, managing director for the U.S. program of Human Rights Watch. "El Salvador does not have the capacity to keep its own nationals safe, much less migrants from any other country." Parker added that only 18 people are seeking asylum inside El Salvador.

US to send additional troops to Saudi Arabia after attacks

BY LOLITA C. BALDOR
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In a muted military response to last week's attack on Saudi oil facilities, President Donald Trump has approved deployment of additional U.S. troops and air defense assets to Saudi Arabia.

At a news conference late Friday following a White House meeting with Trump, Defense Secretary Mark Esper emphasized that the deployments were defensive in nature, and in response to requests from Saudi Arabia and the United Arab Emirates to help protect "critical infrastructure" from further attacks by Iran.

Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Gen. Joseph Dunford said that what he characterized as a "moderate deployment," numbering in the hundreds, will be in addition to any forces and equipment the United States is asking other allies to contribute.

He said the military will determine the exact composition of the new forces, the second time in recent months that the United States has boosted troops in the region in response to Iranian actions.

Esper said that it was clear that the drones and cruise missiles used in the Sept. 14 attack against two Saudi oil installations "were Iranian produced and were not launched from Yemen" as Iranian-backed Houthi rebels there initially claimed. Iran has denied responsibility.

Asked if further, offensive action was contemplated, Esper demurred, saying "this is the first step



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Secretary of Defense Mark Esper said the deployments were to protect key infrastructure from attacks by Iran.

we're taking." U.S. military officials, concerned that the situation has the potential to escalate, said they were seeking to ensure that the response took a diplomatic path, or at least paired any military actions with diplomacy.

Earlier in the day, Trump indicated that he is content for now not to retaliate militarily against Iran.

"I think I'm showing great restraint," Trump said, acknowledging he has gotten conflicting advice on what to do.

The administration hopes to use next week's United Nations General Assembly to seek support for an increase in global pressure, especially by European allies who until now have appealed to Trump not to undercut their efforts to salvage the Iran nuclear deal he withdrew from last year.

At least one U.S. ally sounded relieved at Trump's apparent restraint. Visiting Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison, standing at the president's side during their joint news

conference, praised Trump's "calibrated, very measured response."

Their remarks came after Trump announced a new round of sanctions against Iran, targeting its central bank and sovereign wealth fund. "We've now cut off all source of funds to Iran," Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin said.

While the sanctions against the wealth fund are new — and potentially freeze tens of billions of dollars in Iranian assets held or invested overseas — the central bank sanctions largely duplicate existing measures.

In Tehran, the top military aide to Supreme Leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei warned that any U.S. aggression against Iran would "throw the region into turmoil," Iran's Mehr News Agency reported. Maj. Gen. Yahya Rahim Safavi said that "the Islamic Republic has turned into a major and invincible power in West Asia and if the Americans are planning any plots ... Iran will not leave them unanswered."

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Judge: Trump must give video deposition in protesters' suit

NEW YORK — A New York judge Friday ordered President Donald Trump to give a videotaped deposition in a lawsuit filed by protesters who claim they were roughed up outside Trump Tower in September 2015 after he began his presidential campaign.

State Supreme Court Judge Doris Gonzalez of the Bronx denied Trump's effort to quash the subpoena, ordering him to videotape a deposition for the trial before jury selec-

tion begins Sept. 26.

Six protesters of Mexican origin who claimed they were assaulted sued Trump, the Trump Organization, his presidential campaign and security personnel.

Trump's argument that there must be "exceptional circumstances" to depose a high-ranking government official did not apply here, she said, because he is being called to answer for conduct outside of office.



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Farmers pile up wheels of cheese during the Chaesteilet festival in Justistal, Switzerland, on Friday. By tradition, farmers gather every September when the cows come down from mountain pastures and share the cheese in proportion to their cows' milk production.

New York Mayor Bill de Blasio drops 2020 presidential bid

NEW YORK — New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio ended his campaign for the 2020 Democratic presidential nomination on Friday after struggling to gain traction in a sprawling field of candidates.

Announcing his decision in an MSNBC interview, de Blasio did not throw his support behind any candidate but said he would support the eventual Democratic nominee

"with energy."

"I feel like I've contributed all I can to this primary election, and it's clearly not my time," de Blasio told the hosts of "Morning Joe." "So I'm going to end my presidential campaign, continue my work as mayor of New York City, and I'm going to keep speaking up for working people and for a Democratic Party that stands for working people."

Trial ordered for Marine and SEAL charged in soldier's death

NORFOLK, Va. — The case against a Navy SEAL and a Marine who are charged in the hazing-related death of a Green Beret will go to trial.

The Navy said in a statement Friday that an admiral referred the charges against SEAL Tony DeDolph and Marine Mario Madera-Rodriguez to a court-martial hearing. No date has been set.

DeDolph and Madera-

Rodriguez are among four American servicemen charged in Army Staff Sgt. Logan Melgar's death.

He died in 2017 while serving in the African country of Mali.

Prosecutors say the servicemen tried to embarrass Melgar over perceived slights. They said Melgar was placed in chokeholds meant to temporarily knock him unconscious before Melgar stopped breathing.

Secret FBI demands for data go beyond tech companies

WASHINGTON — The FBI has sent secretive written demands for information to more than 120 companies in recent years — including telecommunications providers, technology firms and credit agencies — according to documents released Friday, raising new questions about the government's ability to quietly gather data on people.

The demands, called national security letters or NSLs, are issued without court oversight and typically are accompanied by gag orders on the companies. The people whose

data is being requested rarely know of the NSLs or have the chance to contest their demands in court.

The new documents, released through a Freedom of Information Act lawsuit by civil liberties group Electronic Frontier Foundation, underscore ongoing questions about the effectiveness of a 2015 law designed, in part, to bring some transparency to the issuing and enforcing of NSLs.

Atop the list of companies that the documents show received NSLs are credit agencies Equifax, Experian and TransUnion;

telecommunications providers AT&T, T-Mobile and Verizon; financial services companies Bank of America, Western Union and Capital One; and technology companies Google, Microsoft and Facebook. Some received dozens, others just a few.

None of the companies commented Friday on the disclosures aside from saying that they comply with the requirements of NSLs, as mandated by law.

NSLs are written directives from the FBI demanding confidential communication or financial transaction records.

Paris police gird for protests over Macron, climate

PARIS — French President Emmanuel Macron has called for calm on France's annual heritage weekend, as authorities in Paris prepare to deploy thousands of police to protect landmarks and government buildings.

His call comes as an array of protesters plan to

descend on Paris and other cities. Unions, environmental activists and yellow vest supporters are set to air their grievances known.

But beyond the heritage weekend, where French authorities open up cultural sites all around the country to the public, authorities are also wary that the

weekend could provide a moment for yellow vest supporters to revive their flagging movement against economic injustice.

Macron addressed some yellow vest concerns this year, but anger is mounting again over his plans to overhaul the costly, convoluted pension system.

Marines in Calif. charged with human smuggling

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. — Nine Marines at California's Camp Pendleton base have been charged with human smuggling.

They include two riflemen who were stopped by U.S. Border Patrol agents on July 3 driving from the U.S.-Mexico border with three Mexicans in the back of a BMW.

The corps on Friday said the Marines, all lance corporals, were charged with violating the Uniform Code of Military Justice by transporting or conspiring to transport immigrants in the country illegally.

Four other Marines who were also detained in the human smuggling investigation weren't specifically charged with smuggling.

They face other charges, including failure to obey orders, drunkenness, endangerment, larceny and perjury.

In Iraq: A bomb exploded on a minibus packed with passengers outside the Shiite holy city of Karbala Friday night, killing 12 people and wounding five others, Iraqi security officials and the state news agency said.

This was one of the biggest attacks targeting civilians since the extremist Islamic State group was declared defeated inside Iraq in 2017. The group's sleeper cells continue to wage an insurgency and carry out sporadic attacks across the country.

One official said that before the blast, a passenger exited the minibus but left a bag containing explosives under one of the seats. The device was then detonated remotely at an Iraqi army checkpoint about 6 miles south of Karbala.

Texas assesses damage after Imelda's floods

By **JUAN A. LOZANO**
Associated Press

HOUSTON — Emergency workers used boats Friday to rescue about 60 residents of a Houston-area community still trapped in their homes by floodwaters after one of the wettest tropical cyclones in U.S. history.

At least four deaths have been linked to the remnants of Tropical Storm Imelda, which deluged parts of Texas and Louisiana and drew comparisons to Hurricane Harvey two years ago. Officials took advantage of receding floodwaters to begin assessing how many homes and cars were flooded.

Almost 16 feet of standing water was reported in Huffman, northeast of Houston, when a nearby bayou overflowed. The Harris County Sheriff's Office deployed its marine unit to evacuate dozens of residents.

Officials have warned residents they might not see high waters recede in their neighborhoods until the weekend.

Tuesday Martin, one of the residents in Huffman who was rescued, couldn't help but think of Harvey when Imelda's floodwaters rushed into her home.

"Harvey affected us. We lost the whole first floor,"



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A school bus makes its way on a flooded street Thursday in Houston, where vehicles were left and later towed.

Martin said. "So, it's like two years later, we do not want to go through this again."

East of Houston in Jefferson County, which got hit by more than 40 inches of rain, officials also began taking stock of their damage. They also announced the death of Malcolm Foster, 47, a Beaumont resident whose body was found inside his vehicle.

The heaviest rainfall had ended Thursday night in Southeast Texas, but forecasters warned that parts of northeast Texas, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Louisiana could see flash flooding as Imelda's remnants shifted to the north.

Officials in Harris County, which includes Houston, said there had

been a combination of at least 1,700 high-water rescues after Thursday's torrential rainfall.

"The water is getting lower and it's time for assessment and to move into recovery," said Harris County Judge Lina Hidalgo, the county's top administrator.

Most of the Houston-area roads that became water-logged after heavy rainfall Thursday and resulted in more than 1,650 vehicles being abandoned and later towed were mostly dry Friday.

But parts of one of the major thoroughfares that passes through Southeast Texas — Interstate 10 — remained closed Friday due to flood waters from torrential rain in the Beau-

mont area. Another freeway section, closer to Houston, was also shut down as officials assessed damage to its bridges over the San Jacinto River after they were hit by two barges that broke free of their moorings.

Nearly 123,000 vehicles normally cross the bridges each day, according to the Texas Department of Transportation.

More than 900 flights were canceled or delayed Thursday in Houston. Airports in the city resumed operating normally Friday.

Officials say two of the deaths from Imelda happened in the Houston area: a man in his 40s or 50s drowned Thursday while driving a van through 8-foot-deep floodwaters, and a man whose body was found in a ditch Friday and is believed to have drowned.

In Jefferson County, besides Foster's death, officials say a 19-year-old man was electrocuted and drowned Thursday while trying to move his horse to safety.

The National Weather Service said preliminary estimates suggested Jefferson County was hit with more than 40 inches of rain in a span of 72 hours, which would make it the seventh-wettest tropical cyclone to hit the continental U.S.

Walmart to stop selling e-cigarettes

By **ANNE D'INNOCENZIO**
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Walmart said Friday that it will stop selling electronic cigarettes at its namesake stores and Sam's Clubs in the wake of a string of several hundred mysterious illnesses and eight vaping-related deaths.

The nation's largest retailer said the move is due to "growing federal, state and local regulatory complexity" regarding vaping products.

It will complete its exit from e-cigarettes after selling through its current inventory, the company said in a statement.

Walmart's decision is the latest blow to the vaping industry, which has tried to position its products as healthier alternatives to smoking cigarettes, which are responsible for 480,000 deaths a year, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

But the industry has come under increased scrutiny after the deaths and illnesses — along with a surge in underage vaping.

President Donald Trump has proposed a federal ban on flavored e-cigarettes and vaping products.

Michigan banned the sale of flavored e-cigarettes

this week. In June, San Francisco became the first major U.S. city to ban the sale of electronic cigarettes.

E-cigarettes represent a very small part of Walmart's nicotine business, which also includes traditional cigarettes, smokeless tobacco and nicotine gum.

The Vapor Technology Association, a trade group, was quick to slam Walmart's move against vaping products while keeping cigarettes on its shelves.

"The fact that Walmart is reducing access for adult smokers to regulated vapor products while continuing to sell combustible cigarettes is irresponsible," Tony Abboud, executive director of the association, said in a statement.

"This will drive former adult smokers to purchase more cigarettes."

More than 500 people have been diagnosed with breathing illnesses after using e-cigarettes and other vaping devices, according to U.S. health officials.

An eighth death was reported this week. But health officials still have not identified the cause.

In July, Walmart raised the minimum age to buy tobacco products, including all e-cigarettes, to 21.



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President Trump said he and Ukrainian leader Volodymyr Zelenskyy are to meet next week on the sidelines of the U.N.

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He said Trump should release the transcript of his July phone conversation with Zelenskyy "so that the American people can judge for themselves."

The government's intelligence inspector general has described the whistleblower's Aug. 12 complaint as "serious" and "urgent." But Trump dismissed it all on Friday, insisting "it's nothing."

He scolded reporters for asking about it and said it was "just another political hack job."

"I have conversations with many leaders. It's always appropriate. Always appropriate," Trump said. "At the highest level always appropriate. And anything I do, I fight for this country."

Trump, who took questions in the Oval Office alongside Australian Prime Minister Scott Morrison whom he was hosting for a state visit, was asked if he knew if the whistleblower's complaint centered on his July 25 phone call with Ukrainian President Zelenskyy. The president responded, "I really don't know," but he continued to insist any phone call he made with a head of state was "perfectly fine and respectful."

Trump was asked Friday if he brought up Biden in the call with Zelenskyy, and he answered, "It doesn't matter what I discussed."

But then he used the moment to urge the media "to look into" Biden's background with Ukraine.

Trump and Zelenskyy are to meet next week on the sidelines of the United Nations. The Wall Street Journal first reported that Trump pressed Zelenskyy about Biden.

The standoff with Congress raises fresh questions about the extent to which Trump's appointees are protecting the Republican president from oversight and, specifically, whether his new acting director of national intelligence, Joseph Maguire, is working with the Justice Department to shield the president.

Democrats say the administration is legally required to give Congress access to the whistleblow-

er's complaint, and Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Calif., has said he will go to court in an effort to get it if necessary.

The intelligence community's inspector general said the matter involves the "most significant" responsibilities of intelligence leadership.

Schiff said Trump's attack on the whistleblower was disturbing and raised concerns that it would have a chilling effect on other potential exposers of wrongdoing.

He also said it was "deeply disturbing" that the White House appeared to know more about the complaint than its intended recipient — Congress.

The information "deserves a thorough investigation," Schiff said. "Come hell or high water, that's what we're going to do."

House Democrats also are fighting the administration for access to witness statements and documents in impeachment probes.

In the whistleblower case, lawmakers are looking into whether Trump lawyer Rudy Giuliani traveled to Ukraine to pressure the government to aid the president's reelection effort by investigating the activities of Biden's son.

During a rambling interview Thursday on CNN, Giuliani was asked whether he had asked Ukraine to look into Biden. He initially said, "No, actually I didn't," but seconds later he said, "Of course I did."

Giuliani has spent months trying to drum up potentially damaging evidence about Biden's ties to Ukraine. He told CNN that Trump was unaware of his actions. "I did what I did on my own," he said. "I told him about it afterward."

Still later, Giuliani tweeted, "A President telling a Pres-elect of a well known corrupt country he better investigate corruption that affects US is doing his job."

Democrats have contended that Trump, in the aftermath of special counsel Robert Mueller's Russia investigation, may have asked for foreign assistance in his upcoming reelection bid.

Trump further stoked those concerns earlier this year in an interview when he suggested he would be open to receiving foreign help.

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U. of C. Medical Center nurses walk off the job

BY LISA SCHENCKER

Nurses at University of Chicago Medical Center — 2,200 of them — went on strike at 7 a.m. Friday, the first strike in the history of the 618-bed hospital, one of Chicago's largest and most prestigious. Hundreds of nurses marched at 58th Street and Maryland Avenue, holding signs that said, "On strike for my patients" and chanting, "What do we want? Safe staffing. When do we want it? Now?"

Though the nurses union called only a one-day strike, it will turn into a lockout. The nurses won't be allowed to return to work until Wednesday because the hospital contracted with temporary nurses to take their places until that time.

The hospital spent the days before the strike curtailing some services. Dozens of babies and children in intensive care units were moved to other hospitals.

The hospital went on full bypass late Wednesday, meaning it is asking ambulances to take new patients to other hospitals, including trauma patients — sparking concern from some in the community who spent years fighting for trauma services on the South Side. It is also limiting transfers from other hospitals, temporarily closing some units, transferring some patients to other hospitals, and rescheduling some elective procedures.

Hospital spokeswoman Ashley Heher couldn't say Friday whether the ambulance diversions and curtailed services would continue in the coming days. She said the hospital is continually assessing the situation.

The service cutbacks were necessary to ensure quality care for patients still in the hospital during the strike, said Dr. Stephen Weber, U. of C. Medicine's chief medical officer. "No matter how many patients we're

carrying for, we want to ensure the security and safety of each one of them." Weber said he didn't know Friday how many of the hospital's beds were still occupied.

Some patients wove through the crowds of striking nurses early Friday to get to appointments at the hospital. A number stopped to take video on their phones of the chanting protesters.

Loeita Williams said she's been happy with the care she's received at the hospital and believes nurses when they say they're understaffed. The South Shore resident said she wasn't concerned about the care she'd receive Friday because she was there for a straightforward appointment.

Renee Jackson, of Hyde Park, voiced her support for the strikers as she walked to her doctor's office at the hospital Friday morning. She's been particularly pleased with the nurses. "I've seen them at work," she



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Nurses picket Friday at University of Chicago Medical Center. It has hired temporary nurses to work until Wednesday.

said. "They deserve everything they're asking for."

Jean Greenberg watched the strike unfold from down the street Friday morning.

Her husband, who had lymphoma, was a patient at the hospital for years until he died in June. She said his nurses were excellent and she supports them in their

strike, though she worried about the effects of noise from the picket line on arriving patients. "If I had to bring my husband, as sick as he was, to this setting, it would have been very distressing," Greenberg said.

Vivian Nunn, of the South Loop, went to the hospital Friday for a test. She said the

strike didn't have an impact on her care, but she could see how it might affect some patients. Nunn worked as an administrative assistant and clerk at the hospital more than 20 years ago. "If I had to go to a regular floor and all the nurses were out here and we had temporary nurses in there, I'd be a little concerned." Still, she said she's sure the temporary nurses are qualified, and she agrees with the striking nurses that they need more staff in certain departments.

The hospital said negotiations broke down Wednesday over incentive pay for future job applicants. But Marti Smith, Midwest director of the National Nurses Organizing Committee/National Nurses United, attributed the breakdown to disagreement on overtime and staffing that the nurses feel affect patient safety.

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Daughter of Ebony founder resigns from spot on magazine's board

BY ROBERT CHANNICK

Linda Johnson Rice has resigned as chairman emerita of the Ebony Media board, citing the failure of the struggling Ebony and Jet brands to live up to their legacy in the African American community after Johnson Publishing sold the magazines to a Texas private equity firm in 2016.

Ebony, once an influential monthly lifestyle magazine, has been on a "print hiatus" since the spring.

In an email sent Thursday to the principals of Ebony Media owner CVG Group, Johnson Rice explained her

decision to step down from the board, effective immediately.

"When I agreed to continue on with the companies after the sale to the CVG Group, I did so hopeful that the Ebony and Jet brands would continue to be a dominant and positive force in the African American community," Johnson Rice said in the email, which was obtained by the Tribune Friday. "Obviously, despite my hopes, the last three years did not result in what I envisioned when the transition occurred, and because of that, I have made the decision to move on."

Michael Gibson, co-founder and chairman of CVG Group, thanked Johnson Rice for her leadership in an email to the Tribune Friday, while pledging to "continue to work" to return both Ebony and Jet to prominence.

"The turnaround has been quite challenging," Gibson said in the email.

Founded in Chicago by Johnson Rice's father, John Johnson, Ebony magazine has documented the African American experience since it first hit newsstands in 1945. Jet, formerly a weekly digest, has been a digital-only publication since 2014.

CVG bought Ebony and Jet for an undisclosed price in 2016, with Johnson Rice staying on as chairman emerita of the board.

Ebony has struggled under CVG. In 2018, the publication agreed to pay dozens of freelancers nearly \$80,000 to settle a lawsuit over unpaid work. Ebony went on print hiatus in the spring.

Gibson said Friday that Ebony will remain out of print for the rest of the year, with a plan to restart it in a "slightly new format" in early 2020.

Meanwhile, Johnson Publishing, which retained

its cosmetics business and other assets, filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy protection in April. At a bankruptcy auction in July, a consortium of foundations bought the historic Ebony photo archives for \$30 million. A portion of the proceeds were used to pay \$13.6 million owed to secured creditors George Lucas and Melody Hobson, whose company, Capital V Holdings, issued a \$12 million loan to Johnson Publishing in 2015.

The historic collection will go to the Smithsonian National Museum of African American History and Culture, the Getty Research

Institute and other cultural institutions to ensure public access and use by scholars, researchers and journalists.

"Obviously, the transition of the Johnson Publishing Company archives earlier this year was critically important to seeing the legacy of my parents live on in perpetuity," Johnson Rice said in her resignation email to Ebony Media.

"I know that as I move forward, I intend to explore projects to support that history and legacy which I hold deeply to my heart."

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MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 27,194.75 Low: 26,926.68 Previous: 27,094.79



| | | |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Nasdaq -65.21 (-.80%) Close: 8,117.67 High: 8,202.82 Low: 8,086.16 Previous: 8,182.88 | S&P 500 -14.72 (-.49%) Close: 2,992.07 High: 3,016.37 Low: 2,984.68 Previous: 3,006.79 | Russell 2000 -1.71 (-.11%) Close: 1,559.76 High: 1,570.02 Low: 1,554.25 Previous: 1,561.47 |
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|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| 10-yr T-note -0.02 to 1.75% | Gold futures +8.90 to \$1,507.30 | Yen -0.30 to 107.67/\$1 | Euro +0.0031 to .9079/\$1 | Crude Oil -0.04 to \$58.09 |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|

Major market growth and decline

| 5-day % change | | | 30-day % change | | | 1-year % change | | |
|----------------|-------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|-----------------|-------|-------|
| DOW | NASD | S&P | DOW | NASD | S&P | DOW | NASD | S&P |
| -1.05 | -0.72 | -0.51 | +5.10 | +4.72 | +5.09 | +0.72 | +1.64 | +2.13 |

| FUTURES | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|
| COMMODITY | AMOUNT-PRICE | MO. | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | SETTLE | CHG. | |
| WHEAT (CBOT) | 5,000 bu minimum- | cents per bushel | Dec 19 | 486.50 | 491.25 | 483.50 | 484.25 | -3.75 |
| CORN (CBOT) | 5,000 bu minimum- | cents per bushel | Dec 19 | 372.75 | 374.50 | 369.50 | 370.75 | -2 |
| SOYBEANS (CBOT) | 5,000 bu minimum- | cents per bushel | Nov 19 | 893 | 893.50 | 880.75 | 882.75 | -10.25 |
| SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT) | 60,000 lbs- | cents per lb | Oct 19 | 29.81 | 29.81 | 29.25 | 29.28 | -0.53 |
| SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT) | 100 tons- | dollars per ton | Oct 19 | 292.00 | 293.50 | 290.50 | 291.10 | -1.10 |
| LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX) | 1,000 bbl- | dollars per bbl. | Oct 19 | 58.65 | 59.10 | 57.79 | 58.09 | -0.04 |
| NATURAL GAS (NYMX) | 10,000 mm btu's, | \$ per mm btu | Oct 19 | 2.552 | 2.579 | 2.506 | 2.534 | -0.04 |
| NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX) | 42,000 gallons- | dollars per gallon | Oct 19 | 1.780 | 1.7128 | 1.6743 | 1.6784 | -0.0223 |
| | | | Nov 19 | 1.6699 | 1.6787 | 1.6445 | 1.6470 | -0.0161 |

Source: The Associated Press

LOCAL STOCKS

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

| STOCK | XCHG. | CLOSE | CHG. | STOCK | XCHG. | CLOSE | CHG. | STOCK | XCHG. | CLOSE | CHG. |
|---------------------|-------|--------|-------|-----------------------|-------|--------|-------|-----------------------|-------|--------|-------|
| Abbott Labs | N | 83.58 | +35 | Equity Commonwealth | N | 33.42 | -25 | McDonalds Corp | N | 209.39 | -1.13 |
| AbbVie Inc | N | 72.39 | +72 | Equity LifeStyle Prop | N | 134.11 | +1.13 | Middleby Corp | O | 115.33 | -1.69 |
| Allstate Corp | N | 107.92 | -44 | Equity Residential | N | 85.17 | -34 | Mondelez Intl | O | 54.65 | -39 |
| Aptargroup Inc | N | 118.05 | +20 | Exelon Corp | N | 48.45 | +65 | Morningstar Inc | O | 158.29 | -2.26 |
| Arch Dan Mid | N | 40.90 | ... | First Indl RT | N | 39.58 | +20 | Motorola Solutions | N | 166.21 | -1.21 |
| Baxter Intl | N | 87.40 | ... | Fortune Brds Hm&Sec | N | 52.75 | -31 | NISource Inc | N | 29.48 | +0.4 |
| Boeing Co | N | 379.39 | -5.05 | Gallagher AJ | N | 88.80 | -67 | Nthn Trust Cp | O | 94.27 | -1.51 |
| Brunswick Corp | N | 52.31 | -1.21 | Grainger W | N | 292.18 | +0.2 | Old Republic | N | 22.97 | +0.3 |
| CBOE Global Markets | N | 115.56 | -88 | GrubHub Inc | N | 59.77 | -74 | Packaging Corp Am | N | 102.84 | -1.49 |
| CDK Global Inc | O | 47.79 | +82 | Hill-Rom Hldgs | N | 105.24 | +71 | Paylocity Hldg | O | 98.83 | +1.80 |
| CDW Corp | O | 121.06 | -74 | IAA Inc | N | 44.90 | +78 | RLI Corp | N | 92.07 | -0.68 |
| CF Industries | N | 49.29 | -72 | IDEX Corp | N | 164.34 | -2.33 | Stericycle Inc | O | 50.33 | +4.6 |
| CME Group | O | 211.15 | -80 | ITW | N | 155.06 | -81 | TransUnion | N | 81.04 | -0.28 |
| CNA Financial | N | 49.19 | -26 | Ingredion Inc | N | 82.06 | -79 | US Foods Holding | N | 42.81 | +3.2 |
| Cabot Microelect | O | 145.11 | +61 | John Bean Technol | N | 102.91 | -3.43 | Ultra Salon Cosmetics | O | 228.75 | -1.32 |
| Caterpillar Inc | N | 128.16 | -1.96 | Jones Lang LaSalle | N | 137.12 | -27 | United Airlines Hldg | O | 89.09 | -33 |
| ConAgra Brands Inc | N | 29.81 | +15 | Kemper Corp | N | 77.76 | -14 | Ventas Inc | N | 72.21 | -0.06 |
| Deere Co | N | 164.07 | -37 | Kraft Heinz Co | O | 28.14 | -01 | Walgreen Boots Alli | O | 55.00 | +4.3 |
| Discover Fin Svcs | N | 82.94 | -80 | LKQ Corporation | O | 31.79 | -10 | Wintrust Financial | O | 65.67 | -26 |
| Dover Corp | N | 98.91 | -06 | Litellfuse Inc | O | 173.12 | -2.94 | Zebra Tech | O | 203.68 | -4.27 |

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

| NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE | | |
|-------------------------|-------|-------|
| STOCK | CLOSE | CHG. |
| McDermott Intl | 2.01 | +4.3 |
| Bank of America | 29.59 | -2.3 |
| Chesapeake Energy | 1.58 | -0.6 |
| AT&T Inc | 37.91 | +76 |
| Oracle Corp | 53.47 | +10 |
| Gen Electric | 9.37 | -0.5 |
| Range Resources | 4.74 | +0.8 |
| QEP Resources Inc | 4.30 | +17 |
| Antero Midstream Cp | 7.35 | +15 |
| Blackstone Group | 52.89 | -0.1 |
| Pfizer Inc | 36.69 | +1.8 |
| Ford Motor | 9.17 | +0.7 |
| ICI Bank Ltd | 11.83 | +1.06 |
| Valaris plc ADS | 6.85 | +0.7 |
| Snap Inc A | 17.04 | +1.6 |
| MetLife Inc | 47.44 | -0.2 |
| Altria Group | 40.81 | +6.9 |
| Superior Energy | .31 | -0.4 |
| Wells Fargo & Co | 48.63 | -0.8 |
| Transocean Ltd | 5.82 | -2.3 |
| Penney JC Co Inc | .95 | +1.4 |
| Fitbit Inc | 4.10 | +4.3 |
| Sithwstn Energy | 2.09 | +0.6 |
| Denbury Res | 1.29 | -0.3 |

LARGEST COMPANIES

| Based on market capitalization | | |
|--------------------------------|---------|--------|
| STOCK | CLOSE | CHG. |
| AT&T Inc | 37.91 | +76 |
| Alibaba Group Hldg | 182.51 | +2.05 |
| Alphabet Inc C | 1229.93 | -8.78 |
| Alphabet Inc A | 1229.84 | -8.91 |
| Amazon.com Inc | 1794.16 | -27.34 |
| Apple Inc | 217.73 | -3.23 |
| Bank of America | 29.59 | -2.3 |
| Berkshire Hath B | 208.12 | -1.10 |
| Exxon Mobil Corp | 72.08 | -25 |
| Facebook Inc | 189.93 | -21 |
| HSBC Holdings prA | 26.37 | +0.6 |
| JPMorgan Chase | 118.90 | -4.8 |
| Johnson & Johnson | 131.65 | +1.54 |
| MasterCard Inc | 271.17 | -4.74 |
| Microsoft Corp | 139.44 | -1.63 |
| Procter & Gamble | 122.24 | +3.4 |
| Verizon Comm | 60.29 | +31 |
| Visa Inc | 174.06 | -1.9 |
| WalMart Strs | 116.98 | -1.30 |

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

| Based on total assets | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--------|-------|-------|------|
| FUND | NAV | CHG | 1-YR | %RTN |
| American Funds AMCPA m | 32.09 | -0.8 | -4 | |
| American Funds AMRCBA m | 27.73 | -0.16 | +5.1 | |
| American Funds CptWldGrncA | 48.78 | -2.3 | +2.2 | |
| American Funds CptWldGrncA | 61.26 | -1.0 | +5.0 | |
| American Funds FdmtInvSA m | 59.73 | -3.6 | +1.3 | |
| American Funds GrfAmrCA m | 50.23 | -3.3 | | |
| American Funds IncAmrCA m | 22.77 | -0.3 | +5.0 | |
| American Funds InvAmrCA m | 38.35 | -2.2 | +5.0 | |
| American Funds NwPrspctVA m | 45.00 | -2.0 | +3.4 | |
| American Funds WAMtInvSA m | 46.72 | -2.5 | +5.5 | |
| Dodge & Cox Inc | 14.17 | +0.4 | +9.1 | |
| Dodge & Cox IntlStk | 41.73 | +0.7 | -2.1 | |
| Dodge & Cox Stk | 189.57 | -1.02 | -2.1 | |
| DoubleLine TTRetBd | 10.73 | ... | +7.7 | |
| Fidelity 500IntlPrm | 104.42 | -5.1 | +4.2 | |
| Fidelity Contrafund | 13.08 | -0.6 | +5 | |
| Fidelity TTMktDxInvPrm | 84.96 | -3.9 | +2.9 | |
| Fidelity USBDIxDxPrm | 11.96 | +0.5 | +1.2 | |
| Franklin Templeton IncA1 m | 2.32 | ... | +0.5 | |
| Metropolitan West TTRetBd | 11.04 | +0.2 | +10.4 | |
| PIMCO IncI2 | 11.93 | ... | +6.3 | |
| PIMCO IncIstl | 11.93 | ... | +6.4 | |
| PIMCO TTRetIns | 10.48 | +0.3 | +10.3 | |
| Schwab SP500Dx | 46.40 | -2.2 | +4.2 | |
| T. Rowe Price BCG | 116.63 | -9.1 | +4.7 | |
| T. Rowe Price GrStk | 69.06 | -5.6 | +4.1 | |
| Vanguard 500DxAdmrl | 277.32 | -1.35 | +4.2 | |
| Vanguard BalDxAdmrl | 37.62 | -0.4 | +6.2 | |
| Vanguard DivGrInv | 30.28 | -1.5 | +12.9 | |
| Vanguard EqInAdmrl | 76.56 | -1.6 | +5.1 | |
| Vanguard GrDxAdmrl | 86.32 | -7.0 | +5.8 | |
| Vanguard HCAmrl | 82.93 | +5.7 | -3.3 | |
| Vanguard InTRngAdm | 10.44 | +0.3 | +10.9 | |
| Vanguard IntTRTEAdmrl | 14.04 | ... | +7.8 | |
| Vanguard InslDxInv | 272.12 | -1.32 | +4.2 | |
| Vanguard InslDxInvPlus | 272.14 | -1.33 | +4.2 | |
| Vanguard InslTSMInPls | 64.32 | -2.8 | +3.0 | |
| Vanguard MdCplDxAdmrl | 208.61 | -7.5 | +3.2 | |
| Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl | 139.95 | -6.9 | -1.0 | |
| Vanguard STInvMGrdAdmrl | 10.72 | +0.1 | +5.8 | |
| Vanguard SmCplDxAdmrl | 74.91 | -1.7 | +3.3 | |
| Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv | 32.33 | -0.1 | +5.4 | |
| Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv | 19.41 | -0.1 | +4.9 | |
| Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv | 35.38 | -0.3 | +4.2 | |
| Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv | 21.72 | -0.3 | | |

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EDITORIALS

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Itasca needs more info on drug clinic

Facts. I'm the mayor of Itasca, and all my fellow residents and I want are the facts pertaining to how the Haymarket Center's plans would affect our 8,700-person village. Everyone around us, including columnist Kristen McQueary ("Would you support an opioid addiction treatment center in your neighborhood?," Sept. 17), think they have the facts on the financial impact to our village. Until Haymarket answers our questions, we don't have the facts.

To be clear, DuPage County needs a drug and mental health rehabilitation facility. However, the way Haymarket representatives and supporters have gone about engaging in this process is astounding.

Let's start with some elected officials running to the media in support before Haymarket even submitted a proposal. Also, for *four months*, we've asked Haymarket questions about issues that would impact our village. Chief among those requests was for information about the 911 calls Haymarket has experienced at its Chicago facility.

We have one ambulance. While Haymarket told us it will use a private ambulance service, what happens when that ambulance is out or a visitor calls 911? Our fire protection district will respond. Our fire officials can't answer with: "Oh, Haymarket's private ambulance will handle that?"

Holiday Inn Itasca generates about \$250,000 in tax revenue. If a nonprofit moves here, Itasca loses those funds. How many families live paycheck to paycheck? Our village lives tax revenue to tax revenue. What would we cut?

DuPage County Chairman Dan Cronin, according to the media, said there could be grants for Itasca. Grants are temporary. I also learned from the media that state Rep. Deb Conroy, D-Villa Park, said Gov. J.B. Pritzker would consider making funds available. Nothing is guaranteed.

I met with Haymarket officials to help them understand our concerns. They said they understood — because they had to sell part of their Chicago property due to being owed three years of funding from the state. What would we have to sell?

Wednesday night's Plan Commission hearing was the first step in learning the facts; however, it was postponed because of the crowds. Our FPD estimated that 1,600 people came — approximately 18% of our village. Several hundred could not get in because of capacity.

When that many people show up for a public hearing, it means something. We don't have the answers to the questions we have asked. If we don't have sufficient information to develop an informed opinion, I struggle to understand how anyone else can.

— Mayor Jeff Pruyyn, Itasca

Give CPS students what they need

Last week, one of my 17-year-old juniors approached me in tears during the last period of the day. He was distressed after sharing a traumatic experience in his previous class during a tough conversation about community violence. The symptoms he described experiencing after thinking of friends and family affected by gun violence were similar to those of post-traumatic stress disorder: anxiety, shortness of breath, difficulty sleeping, muscle spasms, etc.

Thankfully, for the first time, our school has a social worker on staff every day, a relative luxury in Chicago Public Schools. My student likely also needed a nurse to help him through his physical symptoms, but this was not the day our nurse was in.

CPS educators constantly wear multiple hats and juggle different responsibilities because of seriously inadequate staffing levels in our buildings. It is a travesty that we make decisions on how to help our students based on the staff we have and not the staff they need.

When Lori Lightfoot was a candidate, she said all the right things about social workers, mental health clinics and nurses. Now she wants us to take her word for it. However, we know too well that promises made are often promises not kept. Contractual language is the gold standard for judging whether Mayor Lightfoot actually intends to make those promises a reality.

As a member of the CTU for the last 17 years and also a member of our bargaining team, I have been extraordinarily proud of my union's efforts to fight racist school closings and the savage budget cuts imposed on our classrooms over the past 10 years. We have made valiant efforts to advocate for early childhood programming, bilingual and special education support, social workers, paraprofessional and school-related personnel staffing minimums, and librarians and nurses in every single school. It is high time that our students receive the resources and support that many suburban districts offer as a matter of principle and conscience.

My fellow union members are united around these critical issues. We know that CPS, a district that has been placed under supervision over sexual abuse allegations, is unwilling to meet us halfway on these reasonable and necessary suggestions. As Frederick Douglass said, "Power concedes nothing without a demand." The CTU leadership and membership will stand strong to ensure that the district spends its \$1 billion in additional revenue on our students and their needs.

— Jackson Potter, social studies teacher and trustee for the Chicago Teachers Union, Chicago

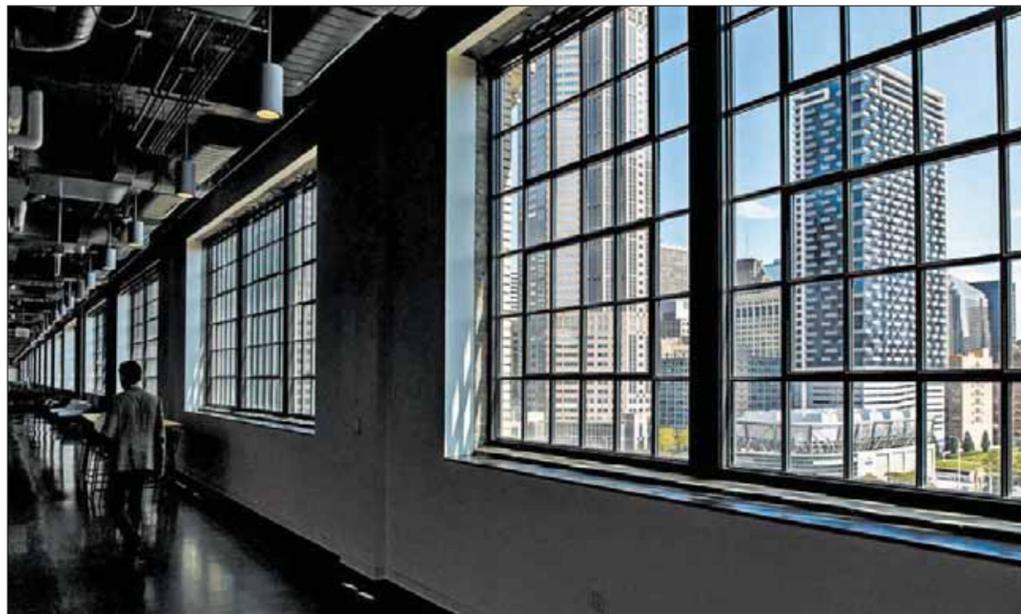
Let our votes express our anger

A slap on the back or handshake to the writer who wrote the editorial "Illinois pols who pander to voters, then pounce" (Sept. 15). The two hypocrites who voted to freeze their legislative salaries in 2012 but sued to collect them in 2017 should be flogged in the public square along with any other former or current legislators who voted for a freeze and now line up for reimbursement.

It is pathetic that many voters do not have access to or time to read commentary like this. The claimants are absolutely shameless.

The Tribune Editorial Board is right to ask us to remember this episode when we vote next year on the constitutional amendment to create a graduated income tax. It is all disgusting.

— Jack Kenesey, Palatine



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

A view of the Loop from tenant office space on the sixth floor of The Old Post Office on Wednesday.

What Old Post Office says about Chicago

You could be forgiven if you ever gave up on prospects for the old main post office, which closed in 1997. Chicago is known for soaring skyscrapers. The post office, that hulk straddling the Eisenhower Expressway, stunned with its girth. The building was once necessary to process catalog mailings and order shipments for locally based Sears and Montgomery Ward, but that was a long time ago.

Now the dead letter office is coming back to life. What a surprising twist that reflects a creative reuse of building space in the economically vibrant Loop. After an \$800 million revamp, the building — owned by New York-based 601W Cos. and known as The Old Post Office — will welcome its first office tenants in October.

In the last several weeks, Uber Technologies and CBOE have signed on to join Walgreens and others in restoring the old main post office to a hub of activity. PepsiCo, Cisco Systems, Home Chef and Ferrara Candy will add to the healthy blend of tech and consumer products companies moving in. They seem likely to enjoy some of that innovation-inspiring



PHIL VELASQUEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE 2017

The long-vacant old main post office at 433 W. Van Buren St. is being redeveloped by New York-based 601W Cos. into offices and retail space.

synergy we're always hearing about.

The refurbished behemoth will be one of Chicago's largest office buildings, reports the Tribune's Ryan Ori. It will have a fitness center, roof deck, clublike lounge and food hall with seating along the Chicago River. These are amenities we've seen before, but picture the scale: The "roof deck" will be a 3.5-acre park.

This renaissance was accom-

plished with some city investment. In 2018, the City Council agreed to provide the owner with tax credits for renewing a historic building, saving 601W an estimated \$100 million over the life of the redevelopment. Tenants so far have signed leases ranging from 10 to 15 years. That should ensure both the developer and city, which will reap much more in property taxes from a well-occupied building, do well on their investments.

Reviving the post office took longer than anyone would have liked. An eccentric British investor bought the building in 2009, only to do nothing with it. Then-Mayor Rahm Emanuel got so fed up he threatened to seize the building. The wait may have been worked to the post office's advantage. Suburban companies have a hankering to move downtown. Trends in office usage have turned toward large, open floor plans.

Soon, thousands of office workers will begin streaming into The Old Post Office through the restored art deco lobby. This gateway to the city now stands as a first-class symbol of change and growth in Chicago.

The felony murder statute in Illinois

Prosecutors in Lake County dropped felony murder charges against five teens whose friend was shot to death by a homeowner during an alleged burglary. Prosecutors made the right decision, but Illinois lawmakers still should look at narrowing the scope of an unusually broad statute.

Most states allow willing participants in a crime to be charged with felony murder when they or their co-defendants directly cause a death. In Illinois, the law can apply to situations in which one of the accomplices — not an innocent vic-

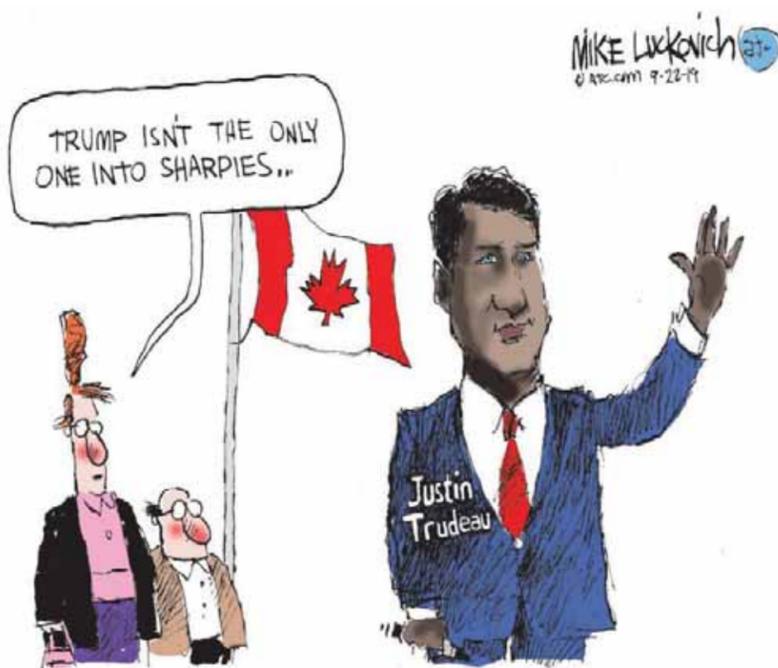
tim or bystander — dies. It can apply even when suspects weren't immediately present when the death occurred.

In the Lake County case, an Old Mill Creek man told police he found a group of teens near one of his cars in his driveway about 1 a.m. Aug. 13. He said one of them began moving toward him with something in his hand, and he fired, striking 14-year-old Ja'quan Swopes in the head. Authorities said a knife was found on the driveway. The teens were charged with felony murder, leading to an outcry that prosecutors were

overreaching. Activists dubbed the group the Lake County Five.

Under a deal announced this week, adult defendant Diamond Davis, 18, is expected to plead guilty to felony conspiracy to commit burglary and misdemeanor trespass charges. The cases against the other four teens moved to juvenile court.

For both teens and adults in Illinois, the felony murder law is not on par with what most of the country has decided is a fair application of principle. As we said in August, a reworking of this statute could enable a more just use of it.



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IN PERFORMANCE

Jonas Brothers deliver at United Center

'Happiness Begins' tour stop is the group's first outing since 2013

By **JESSI ROTI**

You can call it a comeback. "Three years ago, we sat in a room together and said, 'What if we did this again?'" Kevin Jonas, consummate spokesman and eldest of the Jonas Brothers, recalled in front of a packed house at United Center on Thursday night.

"We thought, who would care?" he continued. "Chicago would care."

In 2007, the Jonas Brothers were inescapable. Wholesome, talented and just barely out of their teens, they penned songs about girls and young love, what it was like "growing up Jonas" and navigating newfound fame. After rolling out four guitar-driven albums that honed their pop-rock sound and sold over 17 million copies, the group called it quits in 2013 over "creative differences," scrapping an entire album and leaving a void in pop music.

Nearly a decade later, with numerous solo efforts between them and each of their once-noted virginal "promise rings" replaced by a wedding band, the JoBros have returned. Showcasing their new album "Happiness Begins" on Thursday, the first of two nights at United Center, with newfound appreciation for their familial bond, the men want you to know: Life's good.

In just under two hours, through filmlike sequences placing each brother opposite his younger self, and a set list fit for fans who even remembered (and cherished) their ill-fated 2006 debut, the JoBros told their story the way they wanted to.

Ostensibly, the concert was two parts; the brothers juggling what they want to do with what they know they have to do. The glossier, midtempo, synth-laced tracks from "Happiness Begins" introduced a distinctive slinkiness, sitting in stark contrast to previous hits like "S.O.S." and "That's Just the Way We Roll," which defined the group by power chords and super hooks. Nick



ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The Jonas Brothers perform Thursday at the United Center in Chicago as part of their "Happiness Begins" tour.

Jonas in particular, known as a young age for being a "musician's musician," a multi-instrumentalist, audiophile perfectionist who was arguably the biggest factor in the act's split, appeared less wound, giving into The Police-lite, '80s island-pop vibe grounding "Only Human" and easy, breezy bombast of "Cool."

Other times, the youngest Jonas on stage still seemed to be getting comfortable with being one of three again. The 27-year-old, who's become one of the internet's most-memed sex symbols and stepped outside of the Jonas sound as a solo artist with the greatest success, is a far-cry from the curly-haired 17-year-old who wanted to be Elvis Costello. While Joe and Kevin fell right back into their "roles" on stage: Joe, the relentlessly energetic, goofy with vocal flare and a smoldering stare, and Kevin, the af-

fable, guitar-playing older brother who's everyone's mom's favorite, Nick struggled to find the right balance between his past and present self.

Making the transition from teen idol to respected, adult artist has proved difficult for such Disney descendants, but the trio took it in stride as they traveled down a barricaded pathway through the center of the crowd to a smaller stage. Electric guitars were swapped for acoustic to deliver more pre-breakup favorites including "Gotta Find You" from "Camp Rock," the Disney Channel original movie in which the brothers starred opposite a then-unknown Demi Lovato, and fan-requested "Just Friends," off 2008's "A Little Bit Longer." Nick and Joe dipped into their respective solo catalogs, Nick's "Jealous" and Joe's "Cake by the Ocean" (which he released with DNCE)

becoming part of the set as Kevin, the five-piece backing band and two additional vocalists, disappeared backstage.

Another brief video clip introduced the audience to Kevin's children, furthering the narrative around growth and family, before the venue went dark again. A string of ballads followed, love songs promising unflinching partnership and commitment despite hardships of the past — fitting sentiments for artists who were recently married (Nick to actress Priyanka Chopra and Joe to "Game of Thrones" Queen of the North Sophie Turner), but also for brothers who've reconciled and are hopeful for the future.

But the fans won't be ready to let go of the Jonas Brothers' past anytime soon. A medley of greatest hits including "Mandy," "Paranoid," "Play My Music," "Hold

On" and "Tonight" hit like an adrenaline needle to the chest, each chorus becoming its own fist-pumping anthem. Capping their main set with "Lovebug," which soared over a squealing guitar solo (cementing it as one of the band's best), and "Year 3000," immediately taken over by the thousands of voices inside United Center, the threesome looked genuinely moved by the reception of their return.

"It was a hard road to get here," Nick Jonas said. "But we're glad we made it. We're happy you're here too."

As "Burnin' Up" and "Sucker" ended the night's encore, it was clear that while the brothers have grown up — dancin' on top of cars and stumblin' out of bars — the innocence of their music and legacy lives on.

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IN PERFORMANCE

Muti opens 10th season with vivid Shostakovich

By **HOWARD REICH**

Riccardo Muti launched his 10th season as music director of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra on Thursday evening with a program rich in contemplation and brightened with brilliant orchestral color.

Just as he did last year, Muti opened the orchestra's season — its 129th — with music of Shostakovich. Last September, it was the composer's Symphony No. 13, "Babi Yar," a terrifying commentary on genocide.

This time, Muti made Shostakovich's Symphony No. 6 the evening's centerpiece. And though the work doesn't convey quite the scale and dramatic ambition of the 13th Symphony — with its epic vocal-instrumental forces and searing text by Yevgeny Yevtushenko — it poses its own difficulties.

Specifically, its expansive first movement stands as a lyric poem of sustained introspection. Stretching longer than the rest of the symphony to come, the first movement challenges musicians to navigate a score that emphasizes stillness over action, meditation over motion, mystery over resolution. The ambiguities of this music, with its unpredictable melodic contours and ever-shifting orchestral timbres, represents one of the most profound discourses in 20th century orchestral writing.

Muti chose to address the rigors of this vast statement via imploring phrases, full-bodied orchestral tone and immense, openhearted gestures. This was a first movement that offered considerable rhetorical heat in some passages, exquisitely sen-



TODD ROSENBERG PHOTOGRAPHY

Leif Ove Andsnes performs Grieg's Piano Concerto in A Minor with the Chicago Symphony Orchestra led by Riccardo Muti on Thursday.

suous sound in others. The conductor projected emotion directly, all the while taking a brisker tempo than some might have expected.

The result was a first movement of vivid expression that proceeded unstoppably from one melodic episode to the next. In essence, Muti crafted an essay in vibrant tone and urgent phrasemaking.

Muti brought a spirit of whimsy and considerable rhythmic buoyancy to the second movement scherzo, the orchestra's seemingly nonchalant virtuosity evident in the brass's power and precision and the ensemble's grandeur en masse.

There was plenty of wit and sparkle in the finale, which served as a kind of counterweight to the despair of the symphony's opening. Even after all that had transpired, you had to smile during these final passages, Shostakovich's high spirits and shardonic wit representing, perhaps, the human inclination to persevere in spite of everything.

Muti conducted the CSO's first performance of Scriabin's "Reverie" for Orchestra right before the Shostakovich, this brief work — with its mystical undercurrents — a fitting curtain-raiser for the struggles yet

to come.

Grieg's Piano Concerto in A Minor represented the populist antithesis of all this soul searching, and it received a mostly elegant reading from pianist Leif Ove Andsnes. This was a Grieg Concerto minus the bombast, Andsnes making his points through quicksilver passage-work, impeccable articulation and a singing, beautifully sculpted tone. True, he hammered some right-hand octaves that would have benefited from more artfully shaped phrasing, but that was a minor flaw one hopes he'll correct in future performances. As an encore, Andsnes played "Gangar (Norwegian March)," Op. 54, No. 2, from Grieg's Lyric Pieces.

The evening began with Mendelssohn's "Calm Sea and Prosperous Voyage" Overture, which Muti enriched via ample pictorial detail, unforced melodic flow and an aptly pensive ending.

The Chicago Symphony Orchestra performs various portions of this program through Saturday in Orchestra Hall at Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave.; ticket prices vary; 312-294-3000 or www.cso.org.

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IN PERFORMANCE

No apologies, no notes at Louis C.K. show

By **ZACH FREEMAN**

Anyone expecting an apology or remorse from comedian Louis C.K. regarding his widely reported sexual misconduct — first in the New York Times in November 2017 — will have to keep looking. In his late set Thursday night at Zanies in Rosemont — the second of six shows over three days that quickly sold out earlier this week — he seemed to be working to reframe himself as the victim.

At times during his show, he almost reveled in the shame, claiming everyone in the audience has a "thing" that they do sexually that would be embarrassing if anyone found out. His own culpability in the reports of him masturbating in front of women went unmentioned. Instead he put the focus squarely on how he has been affected by the fallout; he used to play arenas, he noted at one point with a cynical laugh, reminding the audience how lucky they were to see him in such an intimate space.

But he doesn't want anyone quoting him on that. On top of the use of a Yondr case to keep everyone's phones locked up throughout the course of the show — which is something a number of comics have begun doing — this show came with an additional disclaimer: "Recording of any kind, including note taking, is not permitting (sic) in the show room. You will be asked to leave." I tested the waters during one of the opening acts by using a pencil to write down the comic's name — Mike Earley, by the way — and someone quickly approached me, pointed and said, "There's no writing during the show."

Mixed in with some jokes that seem vulgar just for vulgarity's sake, he had plenty of what



MARK MAINZ/GETTY

Comedian Louis C.K. performs in 2006 in Hollywood, California.

could be considered "classic" Louis C.K. material — stuff that pushes past what's generally acceptable to joke about.

But can Louis C.K. on an unpublicized, downright furtive tour of the country work with the same level of nuanced material as the theater-packing comedian of pre-2017? And, more importantly, does he have an audience that wants him to? Many in the audience Thursday seemed happy to clap any time he said something off-color.

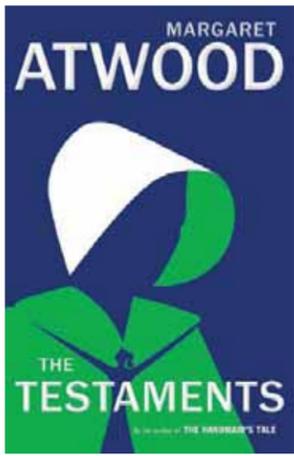
He lost his train of thought at one point, wondering out loud what he had been trying to get at, when an audience member yelled, "Baby rape!" (This was, in fact, a technically accurate response in regards to what C.K. had been talking about.) But for a moment C.K. seemed to be faced with the awkward ecstasy of someone clearly too ecstatic about the surface-level horror of his subject matter and — if only for a blink — he seemed completely turned off by it. But then he took a drink from his cup. And pushed on.

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NATIONAL BESTSELLERS

HARDCOVER FICTION

1. **"The Testaments"** by Margaret Atwood (Doubleday/Talese) *Last week: —*



2. **"The Institute"** by Stephen King (Scribner) *Last week: —*

3. **"The Oracle: The Jubilean Mysteries Unveiled"** by Jonathan Cahn (Frontline) *Last week: 1*

4. **"Killer Instinct"** by James Patterson and Howard Roughan (Little, Brown) *Last week: —*

5. **"The Titanic Secret"** by Clive Cussler and Jack Du Brul (Putnam) *Last week: —*

6. **"Vendetta in Death"** by J.D. Robb (St. Martin's) *Last week: 2*

7. **"The Girl Who Lived Twice: A Lisbeth Salander Novel"** by David Lagercrantz (Knopf) *Last week: 3*

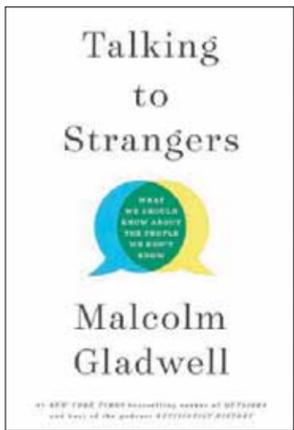
8. **"A Better Man"** by Louise Penny (Minotaur) *Last week: 4*

9. **"The Dark Side"** by Danielle Steel (Delacorte) *Last week: 7*

10. **"The Inn"** by James Patterson and Candice Fox (Little, Brown) *Last week: 5*

HARDCOVER NONFICTION

1. **"Talking to Strangers: What We Should Know about the People We Don't Know"** by Malcolm Gladwell (Little, Brown) *Last week: —*



2. **"Call Sign Chaos: Learning to Lead"** by Jim Mattis and Bing West (Random House) *Last week: 1*

3. **"Everything Is Figureoutable"** by Marie Forleo (Portfolio) *Last week: —*

4. **"Antoni in the Kitchen"** by Antoni Porowski and Mindy Fox (HMH/Martin) *Last week: —*

5. **"The Education of an Idealist: A Memoir"** by Samantha Power (Dey Street) *Last week: —*

6. **"Radicals, Resistance, and Revenge: The Left's Plot to Remake America"** by Jeanine Pirro (Center Street) *Last week: 3*

7. **"Beholding and Becoming: The Art of Everyday Worship"** by Ruth Chou Simons (Harvest House) *Last week: —*

8. **"The Only Plane in the Sky: The Oral History of 9/11"** by Garrett M. Graff (Avid Reader) *Last week: —*

9. **"She Said: Breaking the Sexual Harassment Story That Helped Ignite a Movement"** by Jodi Kantor and Megan Twohey (Penguin Press) *Last week: —*

10. **"Tools and Weapons: The Promise and the Peril of the Digital Age"** by Brad Smith and Carol Ann Browne (Penguin Press) *Last week: —*

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ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Neighbors at odds over view of bay

Dear Amy: I live near a lovely bay. My neighbors on the bay side have unobstructed views. I live across the street, so I only have a pocket view, which gives me enormous pleasure. I love it so much that I added 50 feet to my kitchen several years ago to expand my view.

Unfortunately, my across-the-street neighbor has a huge tree that is quickly expanding horizontally, thus blocking out more and more of my view with every month. Soon the view will disappear.

I have spoken to this neighbor a number of times. I invited her to my house so she could see the problem for herself.

She says the tree screens her view of her next-door neighbor's house. It is clear that the "original" tree served this purpose, but it is also clear that the new growth does not provide additional screening.

She is adamant, hostile and attacking when I broach the subject, and she recently called me a wacko for suggesting that I pay for a tree trim with an arborist of her choice.

I would love to engage in mediation with her (we have a free community mediation service), but I know from that this suggestion would enrage her.

I feel confident that her husband would be more accommodating, but she is the one who calls the shots. I have thought of sending them a joint email since he probably doesn't know about this situation, and certainly doesn't know about her offensive behavior.

I have checked with a lawyer, and have no legal recourse. Any suggestions

for how to break through her tough stance?
— *Losing My View*

Dear Losing: You've already been branded the neighborhood wacko, so you might as well expand your brand and send a joint email to these neighbors.

I suggest that you yet again offer to pay for tree trimming. You might also offer them a cash incentive, if you are motivated and able to do so.

Let them know you would appreciate discussing this with them and the community mediator. However, you should understand that they have no motivation to mediate anything with you.

You should assume that you will not actually receive any accommodation, and so after this email contact you should drop the matter and hope that the next big storm on the bay might settle this matter in your favor.

Dear Amy: I dated "Cassie" for almost a year and a half. She broke up with me, but we were able to be good friends afterward. At some point, she stopped messaging me, and we talked less and less.

Cassie invited me to a party she is hosting, but I also have a possible date for the same day.

Cassie messaged me and said, "A guy asked me out at church, and I said yes. I've had my eye on him for a while. He's gonna be at my party and I just wanted to give you a heads-up."

Amy, I know she's trying to make me mad. So I messaged her today and said, "Hey, do you even want me at your party? I don't want you to invite me

just because you feel you have to." She responded: "It doesn't matter to me, but I just don't want you getting mad or anything if you see me with a guy."

I said I wouldn't be mad and I explained I didn't want to be there if she didn't want me there. And all she basically said was that it was up to me. So, I don't know if I should go or not. If the date is a definite yes then I'm going on the date, but if not, should I go to the party?
— *Wondering*

Dear Wondering: No, you should not go to this party. This relationship is over, "Cassie" is telling you it is over, and she is giving you the benefit of a heads-up concerning her party. You are obviously triggered by this and interpreting her honesty as an opportunity to try to manipulate her. It's time for you to strike out on your own.

Dear Amy: "Baggage Handler" was a mom who discovered that an airport worker had left a note containing his phone number in her daughter's baggage.

Mom freaked out, and so did you. But this is how modern young people communicate.
— *Not Upset*

Dear Not Upset: Actually, leaving handwritten notes is how Victorians communicate. However, I agree that if this daughter is an adult, her reaction should be respected.

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IN PERFORMANCE 'The Color Purple' ★★★

New production has all of the feeling this well-traveled musical has earned

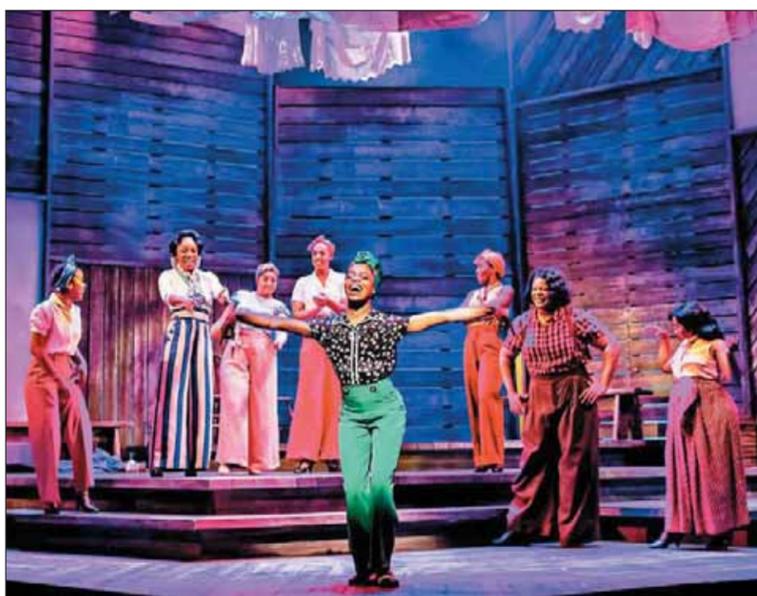
By CHRIS JONES

Chicago has a long history with "The Color Purple," the 2004 musical version of Alice Walker's beloved story of suffering, resilience and triumph. As produced by Oprah Winfrey, the star of the 1985 Steven Spielberg movie, Gary Griffin's original Broadway production (which I first saw in Atlanta 15 years ago) played here for many months. John Doyle's minimalist but starry and deeply potent Broadway revival, later out on the road with an exquisite touring cast, offered further chances to see Marsha Norman's adaptation and hear the very sticky and initially underestimated musical numbers by Brenda Russell, Allee Willis (who also had a hand in most of the hits of Earth, Wind and Fire) and the frequent Madonna collaborator Stephen Bray. And there was a warm-centered Chicago production at the Mercury Theater in 2013, featuring Sydney Charles as one of the narrators.

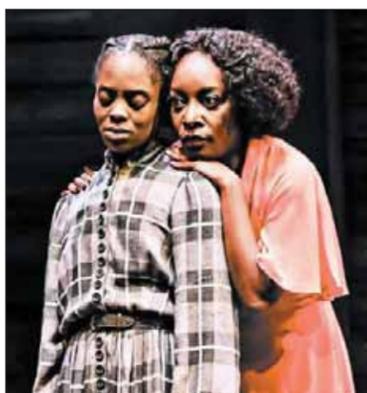
So my work has led me to this show nine times before, but I can honestly say that I've enjoyed it every time. And, sitting in Oakbrook Terrace on Thursday night, I was struck by all the gasps of surprise at the plot points, many of which bespeak of the range of human cruelty. As with any musical, there is always a new audience. And, frankly, it was pretty clear Thursday that many people around me had never read this book. Maybe that will change with the next coming development in the story of "The Color Purple," which is the movie of the musical, soon to be coming your way.

Charles, who plays the much bigger role of Shug Avery in the rising director Lili-Anne Brown's new production, is one of the experienced anchors in what mostly is a young cast at the Drury Lane Theatre. Charles, centered and complex as ever, works alongside Nicole Michelle Haskins, whose towering performance as Sofia could withstand comparison to the Tony Award-nominated turn by Felicia P. Fields, which is no faint praise in my book. I also found Gilbert Domally, the whopping young talent who plays Harpo, similarly impressive.

Newcomer Eben K. Logan reaches down deep to find her Celie and she comes up with a deeply moving performance that feels fully earned and owned. For a theater of this level, Logan has a way to go with the score, as in the more technical aspects of really delivering the songs on pitch and with full vocal force, especially the climactic "I'm Here." To find help there, she might look across at Kyrie Couter, the skilled singer and superb actress playing Nettie, Celie's beloved



Eben K. Logan and the cast of "The Color Purple" at Drury Lane Theatre.



Logan as Celie and Sydney Charles as Shug Avery in "The Color Purple."

sister. But I think Logan may get there on her own, once the enormity of this task settles. And even now, you believe every moment of what she is doing. This is what matters most. The rest, with help, will come.

I'd say the same for the rest of the production. At times the stage pictures need more clarity and cohesion, as do the rules of physical engagement. You see one actor respecting an interior division within Arnel Sancianco's set, and another walking right through a wall you just have formed in your mind. And a couple of key

When: Through Nov. 3

Where: Drury Lane Theatre, 100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace

Running time: 2 hours, 30 minutes

Tickets: \$55-\$70 at 800-745-3000 and www.drurylanetheatre.com

moments are blocked from much of the audience. The show will improve the more the performers trust the material and let it breathe around them; my favorite aspects of Breon Arzell's very creative choreography are when it starts to burrow into the sub-conscious of the characters. There is real pain in this show: what occurs between Celie and Mister (Melvin Abston) ranges deeper, I think, than this staging yet goes; Abston needs to walk further into a room few of us care to enter, if only to find his way out the other side, by the grace of Celie, and remind us of the real systemic roots of all his actions.

But in its best moments, this "Color Purple" has something none of these other productions had to quite the same extent; an empowered ensemble, working as one in service of a sung parable. With lessons for all of us. And hope.

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Danny Burstein played Harold Zidler for "Moulin Rouge! The Musical" on Broadway.

'Moulin Rouge! The Musical' coming in 2020

By CHRIS JONES

The hit Broadway musical "Moulin Rouge! The Musical," a new stage version of the lush and louche Baz Luhrmann movie from 2001, will have an extended engagement in Chicago. The show, which opened on Broadway last July and plays to sold-out houses, is scheduled to play Chicago's James M. Nederlander Theatre, 24 W. Randolph St., from Dec. 17, 2020, through Feb. 21, 2021, presumably livening up a chilly Chicago winter with its retro Parisian glamour and a dizzying menu of jukebox romantic ballads, as penned by 161 different composers.

In an interview with the Tribune, the show's Australian lead producer, Carmen Pavlovic, said that a further extension into the spring was possible.

"We are thrilled to bring the show to Chicago," Pavlovic said, speaking from Sydney. "We think of it as a very important market for this show."

The Chicago stand is part of the show's first national tour, which kicks off in New Orleans, a nod to the Francophile identity of the piece, before coming directly to Chicago.

"Moulin Rouge!" features a book by the longtime Chicago playwright turned internationally known screenwriter, John Logan. Alex Timbers is the director. Pavlovic said every effort would be made to replicate the Broadway experience, which features an eye-poppingly immersive, faux-Parisian set by Derek McLane, on the road.

Anachronistic and intentionally excessive, "Moulin Rouge!" features songs (or at least snippets of songs) made famous by the likes of Katy Perry, Beyoncé Knowles, David Bowie, Shirley Bassey, Lady Gaga and an array of other artists. It is pitched as a date-night pastiche.

Casting has yet to be announced and single tickets are not yet on sale. For group bookings and more information, visit www.broadwayinchicago.com
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WATCH THIS: SATURDAY



Catherine Oxenberg (left) and Gretchen Carlson

“Beyond the Headlines: Escaping the NXIVM Cult With Gretchen Carlson” (9:03 p.m., 11:59 p.m., Lifetime): Gretchen Carlson hosts this one-hour special produced in conjunction with a Lifetime original movie on the same subject. Actress Catherine Oxenberg opens up to Carlson about her struggle to extricate one of her daughters from a cult run by Keith Raniere.

“Angrily Ever After” (7 p.m., BET): Newly anointed morning news anchor Tia Logan (Jasmine Burke) not only seems to be on the fast track to an exciting career, but she’s just a week away from tying the knot with Malcolm Wright (Todd Anthony), the most eligible bachelor in Washington, D.C. Everything starts to unravel, however, when during her final wedding gown fitting, she spies her beloved pitching woo with another woman.

“2019 Creative Arts Emmy Awards” (7 p.m., 9:35 p.m., FXX): Edited from two nights of ceremonies held on Sept. 14 and 15 at the Microsoft Theater in Los Angeles, this two-and-a-half-hour special presents highlights of awards categories that didn’t make the on-camera cut for inclusion during the Primetime Emmy telecast on Sept. 22. The Creative Arts awards focus on such categories as reality, variety special, animated and short-form animated programs, among many others.

“The LEGO Movie 2: The Second Part” (7 p.m., HBO): Emmet Brickowski (voice of Chris Pratt) makes a desperate attempt to rescue his friends from the Syster System, while also dealing with a looming cataclysmic event known as “Armageddon” in director Mike Mitchell’s 2019 sequel to the 2014 blockbuster “The Lego Movie.” In addition to Pratt, returning voice cast members include Elizabeth Banks, Will Arnett, Charlie Day, Alison Brie, Nick Offerman and Will Ferrell.

“Escaping the NXIVM Cult: A Mother’s Fight to Save Her Daughter” (7 p.m., 10:03 p.m., 12:59 a.m., Lifetime): As Amanda Carrington on ABC’s “Dynasty,” actress Catherine Oxenberg went through one over-the-top crisis after another, yet none rivaled the real-life nightmare she endured when her daughter India became ensnared by a shady cult known as NXIVM, led by the charismatic Keith Raniere. Peter Facinelli, Jasper Polish and Sara Fletcher also star.

“Love & Marriage: Huntsville” (8 p.m., 11 p.m., OWN): As Melody expresses her desire to dissolve the Comeback Group, the Holts and the Scotts find themselves at odds over the fate of this gathering in the new episode “Don’t Call It a Comeback.” Tensions escalate sharply as LaTisha tries to defend her husband over Martell’s gossip that Marsau is stringing along no fewer than 20 girlfriends.

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| | MTV | Ridic. (N) | Ridiculous. | Ridiculous. | Ridiculous. | Ridiculous. | Ridiculous. | Ridiculous. ♦ | |
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| NICK | Henry (N) | All That (N) | SpongeBob | SpongeBob | Friends © | Friends © | Friends © | | |
| OVATION | † (6) Maigret © | | Rain Man (R,'88) *** | | Dustin Hoffman, Tom Cruise. © | | | | |
| OWN | Love & Marriage | | Love & Marriage (N) | | Iyanla, Fix My Life (N) © | | Love ♦ | | |
| OXY | Snapped: "Angela Stoldt." © | | Snapped: "Lisa Graham." © | | Snapped © | | Snapped ♦ | | |
| PARMT | Creed (PG-13,'15) *** | | Michael B. Jordan, Sylvester Stallone. © | | | | Top Gun ♦ | | |
| SYFY | † (5:30) Edge of Tomorrow | | Iron Man (PG-13,'08) *** | | Robert Downey Jr. © | | | | |
| TBS | † Pirates | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Big Bang | Full Frontal | | |
| TCM | Les rendez-vous d'Anna (NR,'78) Aurore Clément, Helmut Griem. | | | | Hotel Monterey ('72) ** ♦ | | | | |
| TLC | Untold Stories of the E.R. | | Untold Stories of the E.R. | | Untold Stories of the E.R. | | Stories ER ♦ | | |
| TLN | Exalted | | Pacific Garden Mission | | In Grace | | Humanitarian | | |
| TNT | (7:15) Man of Steel (PG-13,'13) ** | | Henry Cavill, Amy Adams. © | | | | Batman ♦ | | |
| TOON | Dragon | Dragon Ball | Burgers | Burgers | Family Guy | Family Guy | Dragon (N) | | |
| TRAV | Ghost Adventures © | | Ghost Adventures (N) © | | | | | Ghost ♦ | |
| TVL | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | Two Men | | |
| USA | Law & Order: SVU | | Law & Order: SVU | | Law & Order: SVU | | Mod Fam | | |
| VH1 | Barbershop: The Next Cut (PG-13,'16) *** | | Ice Cube. © | | | | Think Like a Man ** ♦ | | |
| WE | Criminal Minds © | | Criminal Minds © | | Criminal Minds © | | Criminal ♦ | | |
| WGN America | M*A*S*H © | M*A*S*H © | M*A*S*H © | M*A*S*H © | M*A*S*H © | M*A*S*H © | Wanted (R) ♦ | | |
| PREMIUM | HBO | The LEGO Movie 2: The Second Part (PG,'19) *** | | | | | (8:50) Aquaman (PG-13,'18) ** ♦ | | |
| | HBO2 | Room 104 | Crazy Rich Asians (PG-13,'18) *** | | | Constance Wu. | | Real Time, Bill Maher ♦ | |
| | MAX | Enemy at the Gates (R,'01) ** | | Joseph Fiennes. | | (9:15) Cold Mountain (R,'03) *** ♦ | | | |
| | SHO | Shameless © | | American Assassin (R,'17) ** | | Dylan O'Brien. | | Reservoir ♦ | |
| | STARZ | Drunk Parents (R,'19) Alec Baldwin. © | | (8:39) Power © | | (9:40) Colombiana *** ♦ | | | |
| STZNC | (7:08) Junior (PG-13,'94) *** © | | | | Spartacus: Blood & Sand | | Jeepers ♦ | | |

'RAMBO: LAST BLOOD' ★

Stallone trying to squeeze one last money drop from series

BY KATIE WALSH
Tribune News Service

Can someone please put John Rambo out of his misery? The '80s franchise has long-since grown cold, but in an era of reboots and sequels, it's no surprise that some might try to squeeze one last money drop out of this title. But in this haggard, sorry state, here's hoping "Rambo: Last Blood," lethargically directed by Adrian Grunberg, is the end of the line for Sylvester Stallone's once-iconic character. Rambo lumbers to the finish line in the flaccid fifth installment, which is a Frankenstein's monster of badly photocopied references to the previous movies, limply strung together with the laziest of screenplays.

This time, it's not Vietnam, Burma, Afghanistan or even the U.S. that has drawn John Rambo's ire, but Mexico. John's living a quiet life on an Arizona ranch, keeping a protective eye on young Gabrielle (Yvette Monreal), an adopted niece of sorts. When Gabby runs away across the border to find her birth father and ends up trafficked into sexual exploitation (a turn one can see coming from a mile away), woe upon the gangsters who kidnapped her. Rambo's gonna rip their collarbones out one by one.

"Last Blood" is deeply, topically xenophobic. And while, obviously, the "Rambo" films aren't exactly known for their international diplomacy, the hackneyed, poorly executed racial stereotypes and sexual violence to which Gabriella is subjected is just offensively lazy screenwriting. The whole script is lazy. It's barely a script at all. Writers Stallone, Matthew Cirulnick and Dan Gordon trade on charged imagery rather than, you know, actually writing characters that fully express the spectrum of human morality. "Good vs. evil" is an idea



YANA BLAJEVA/LIONSGATE

Sylvester Stallone returns as John Rambo in "Rambo: Last Blood."

MPAA rating: R (for strong graphic violence, grisly images, drug use and language)

Running time: 1:41

John, who articulates himself like he's endured one too many traumatic brain injuries, is obsessively hung up on, in that sometimes he monosyllabically grunts about "bad guys."

You have to feel for him. And we might be able to, if the film at all explored the PTSD he tries to treat with

fistfuls of mystery pills, obsessive horse training and wholly unnecessary blacksmithing. Rather than exploring the interior world of an aging Rambo, "Last Blood" is preoccupied with the "Home Alone"-style traps John sets up in the tunnels underneath his farm in an extended montage that becomes ludicrously outlandish as it progresses. There's a glimmer of hope that maybe, just maybe, the leaden affair will lighten up with some lighthearted bloodshed, but no. As soon

as Rambo lures the Mexican sex traffickers into his underground lair, he traps merely slice and dice bodies grimly, joylessly.

Everything about "Last Blood" so perfunctory, it

makes the film something to be slogged through, rather than enjoyed. It's right there on Stallone's face, rendered uncannily unexpressive. He seems the most tired of anyone, going

through the motions, trudging through what might hopefully be this character's last ride. If only anyone involved had made a modicum of effort to make it memorable.

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Horoscopes

Today's birthday (Sept. 21): Benefit through strong family ties this year. Reliably show up for the ones you love. Enjoy sweetness together this winter, before a community effort shifts focus. Home improvements could disrupt next summer, before a shared win with friends. Making a difference begins at home.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Household issues require attention. Research and plan materials, sources and options. Look for hidden costs and impractical details. Hunt for a valuable solution.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 7. Wait for developments. Pay attention. Withhold judgment or determination. All is not as it appears. A formidable barrier blocks the path.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 7. Avoid old worries and frustrations. Take care of business to keep deadlines and promises. Reschedule when needed. For different results, say something new.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 7. When unfocused or foggy, ask, "What do I want here?" Pamper yourself with ambrosia, rest and hot water. Consider your self-interest.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 6. Consider current events. Adapt to changing plans. Take a philosophical view. Reflect on your own personal history, core values and future dreams. Persist.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Passions could get incited. Look before you leap. Stay frugal and attentive. Share data and resources to advance a group cause. Get involved with friends.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 7. Discover limitations at work. Fact and fantasy clash. Decrease clutter, and postpone what you can for now. Stick to practical priorities and basics.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Take your show on the road. Enjoy the scenery along the way. Your educational adventure may not go as planned. Adapt and learn.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 7. Collaborate on shared financial plans. Collaborate without provoking sensitivities. You won't have to defer gratification forever. Pass on things no longer needed. Set your targets.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 7. Coordinate with your partner on a challenge. Put your heads together. Avoid controversy or risk, and handle basic practical priorities. Wait for developments.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 7. Don't overdo things physically. Slow to avoid accident or injury. Prioritize your health and work. Avoid toxic inputs. Nurture your energy and wellness.

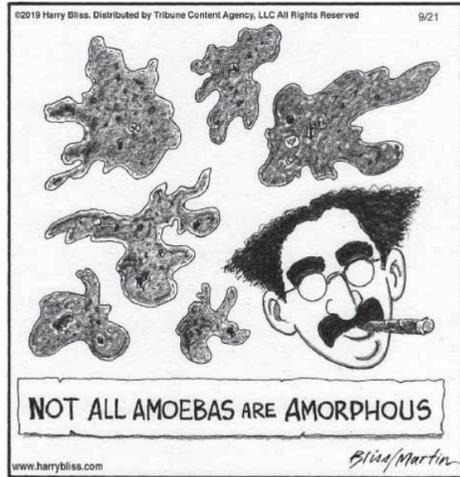
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 7. Recharge your energy by indulging your passions, arts and creativity. Express what's in your heart. Have fun with people you love. Goof around.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

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Bridge

East-West vulnerable, East deals

North
 ♠ 7
 ♥ 10
 ♦ J10 9 5 4 2
 ♣ A10 8 7 4

West
 ♠ Q10 9 6
 ♥ 8 2
 ♦ A 8 7 6
 ♣ 9 5 2

East
 ♠ 4
 ♥ K Q 9 7 6 5 4
 ♦ 3
 ♣ K Q 6 3

South
 ♠ A K J 8 5 3 2
 ♥ A J 3
 ♦ K Q
 ♣ J

We know, we know. You would have led the ace of diamonds and given partner a diamond ruff. But you're a great player and these were only experts.

South won the opening heart lead with the ace and ruffed a heart in dummy. He then cashed the ace of clubs and ruffed a club, followed by cashing the ace of spades. Declarer then led the diamond king to West's ace, and West returned a diamond to South's queen. South exited with a low spade to West, who played his last safe exit card, a club. South ruffed the club, cashed the king of spades, and led a spade to West. West, down to only diamonds, had to put dummy on play and allow South to enjoy the established diamonds. Making four after a well-played hand.

It's possible that a different North would panic after the double and bid four no trump for the minors, leading to a five-diamond contract by South. Oddly, it would also take a diamond lead to defeat that contract. On a heart lead, South would win, lead club to the ace, and ruff a club in his hand. A heart ruff back to dummy would allow another club ruff.

South would ruff another heart in dummy and lead the jack of diamonds. West, with nothing left except spades and diamonds, would eventually be forced to win his second diamond trick and lead a spade into dummy's ace-king-jack. We know, we know. You would have led a diamond against this contract also.

— Bob Jones
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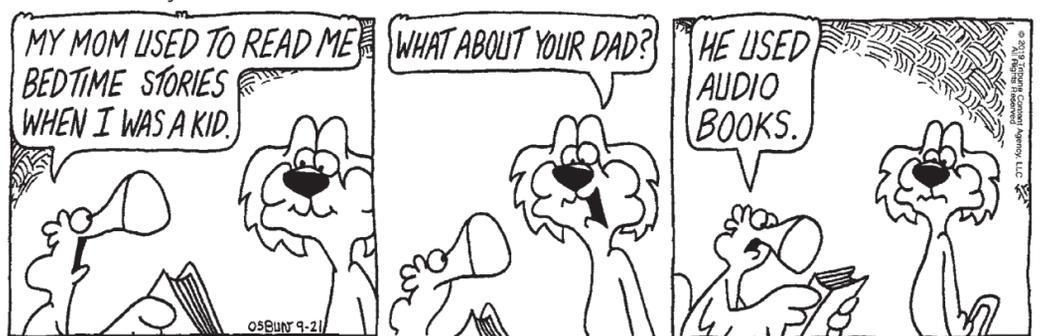
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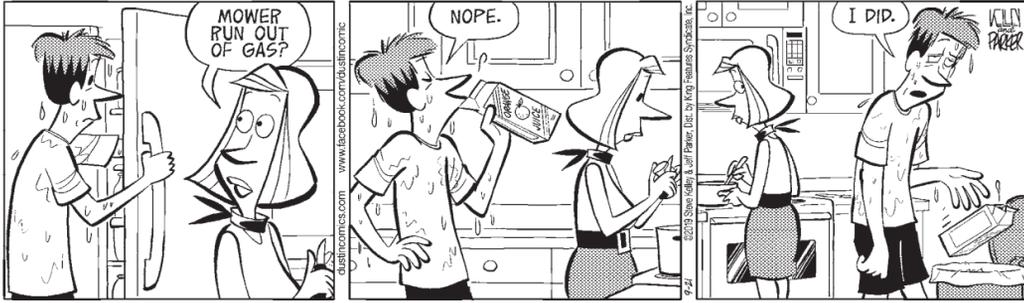
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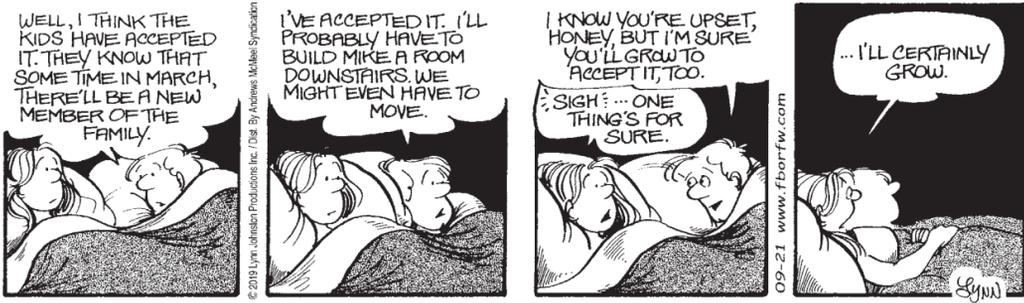
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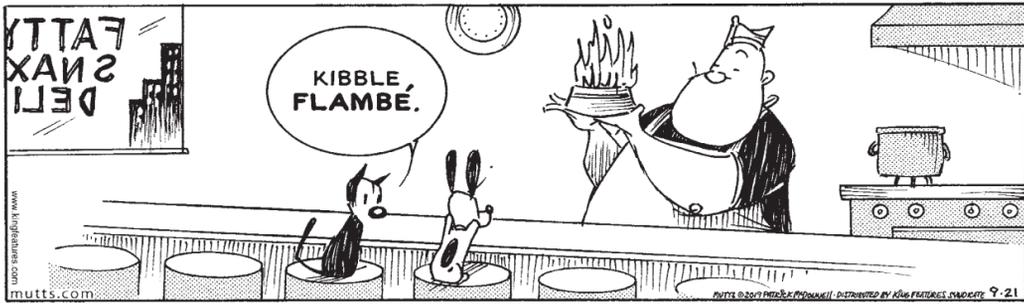
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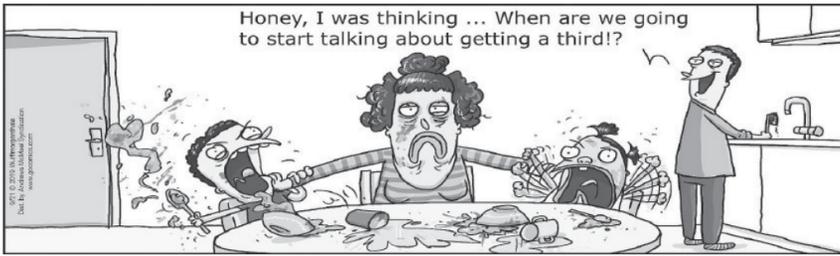
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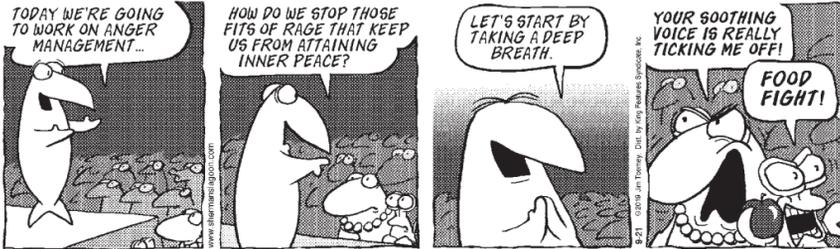
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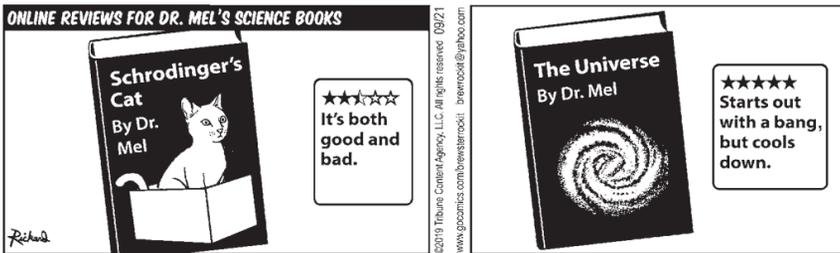
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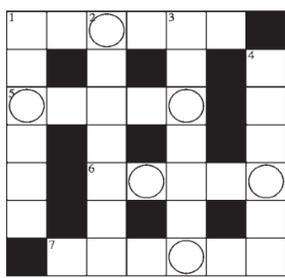


Trivia Bits

Which of these is an example of a Platonic solid?
 A) A football
 B) Icicles
 C) Ketchup
 D) A Rubik's cube

Friday's answer: Ethan Allen and the Green Mountain Boys of Vermont led an attack on Fort Ticonderoga.

Jumble Crossword



- CLUE**
 1. Trash
 2. Step
 3. Bearing
 4. Lament
- CLUE**
 1. Endured
 2. Crush
 3. In the past
 4. Divide in two

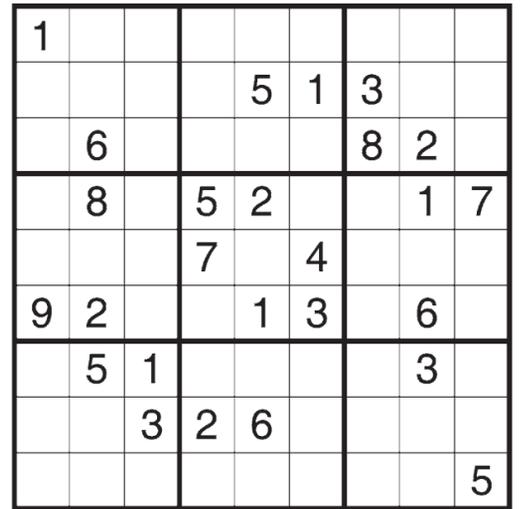
TRIPLE BONUS
 The circled letters can be unscrambled to form three different BONUS answers.

CLUE: Last
CLUE: Type of list
CLUE: Classifier

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Sudoku 1 2 3 4

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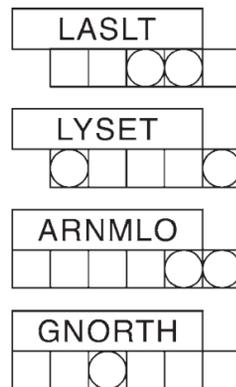
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

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.



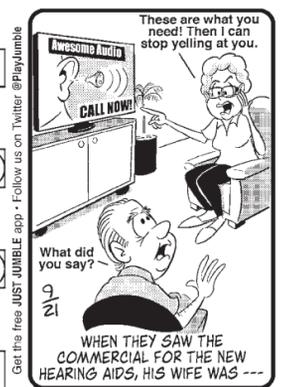
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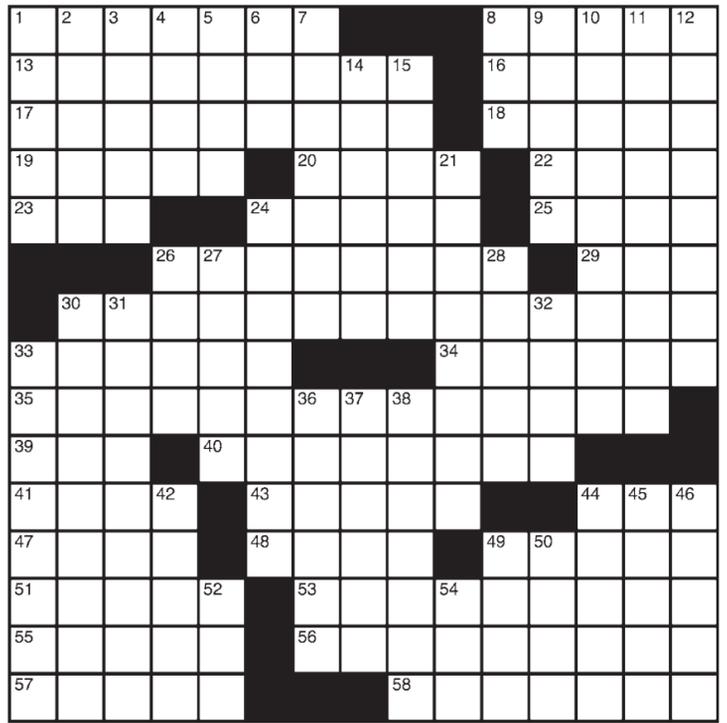
Jumbles: WOVEN FRESH PARADE SOLELY
 Answer: The deer had a baby, and they just loved to — FAWN OVER HER

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Crossword

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Across

- 1 Prepared for a shot
- 8 It dropped "Western" from its name in 1997
- 13 By design
- 16 Basic
- 17 Come to one's senses
- 18 Not level
- 19 Department store section
- 20 Pacific resort, popularly
- 22 Some years ago
- 23 Like
- 24 Westernmost African capital
- 25 Hardly Mr. Cool
- 26 Commonly crumbled fare
- 29 Word on Italian street signs
- 30 Competition involving pictures
- 33 Hometown folks

- 34 Portmanteau coin
- 35 Longtime Warner Bros. output
- 39 _ player
- 40 Calm
- 41 Legendary Asian
- 43 "War on Peace" author _ Farrow
- 44 Network for cinema lovers
- 47 Homecoming figure
- 48 Headline
- 49 Pinky _
- 51 Completely lost
- 53 Waiting line
- 55 Imply
- 56 Some of Nixon's Plumbers, formerly
- 57 Simpson of fashion
- 58 "Aha!"

- 14 Really absorb
- 15 With all judges present, as at a Circuit Court
- 21 Lower-calorie cookie since 2015
- 24 Hardly Hollywood's most wanted
- 26 Filter target
- 27 World record?
- 28 High-and-mighty sort
- 30 Exchanged for an equivalent
- 31 Pucker inducer
- 32 Revolutionary-era loyalist
- 33 Super Bowl LI performer
- 36 Hot
- 37 View from Anchorage
- 38 Warn, watchdog-style
- 42 Utopian
- 44 Many Beliebers
- 45 Cuban hero José
- 46 Peak
- 49 Dreamcast maker
- 50 Sharpen
- 52 Had
- 54 "What a terrible idea!"

Down

- 1 Puccini 3-Down
- 2 Magic star of the '90s
- 3 See 1-Down
- 4 Member of an Iraqi minority
- 5 "Wonder Woman" (2017) villain
- 6 Microbrew option
- 7 Asti wine grape
- 8 Pampering place
- 9 Brown on the Food Network
- 10 Ring centerpiece
- 11 Cause of many '70s lines
- 12 Come before

Friday's solution



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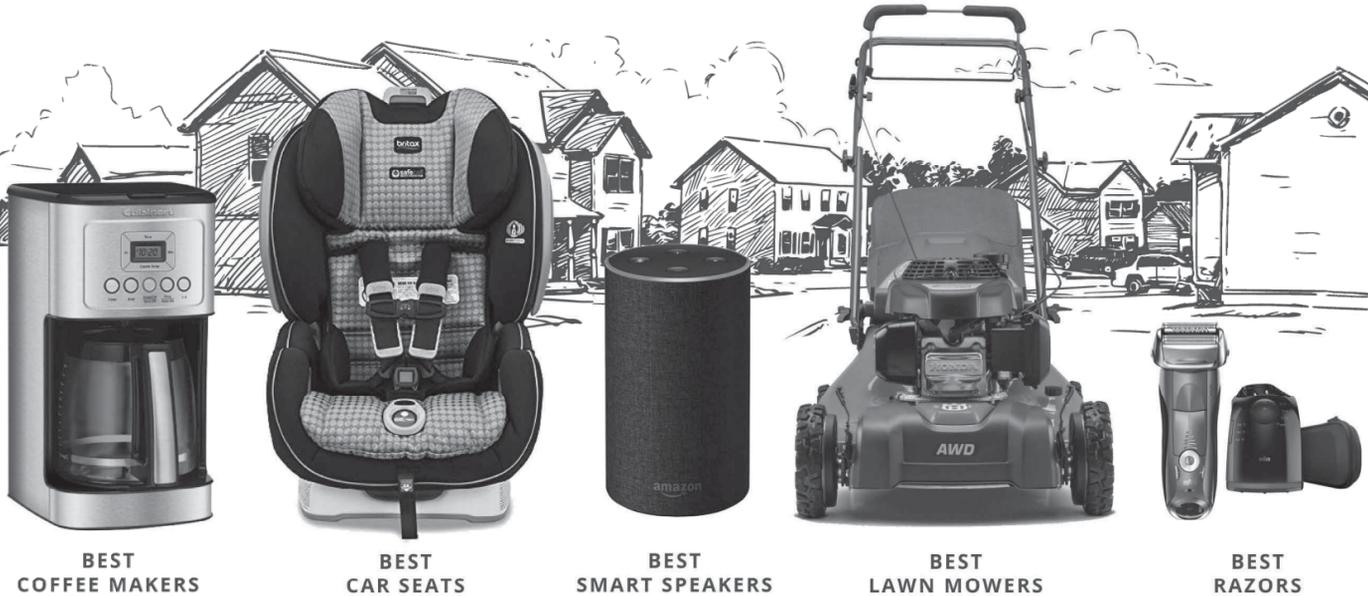
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CARDINALS 2, CUBS 1

They're a handful

Cards push Cubs 5 games back in NL Central; shot at division all but done



PAUL SULLIVAN
On the Cubs

The writing was on the brick wall Friday afternoon, and the Cubs know how to read.

A tough 2-1 loss to the Cardinals in a must-win game at Wrigley Field, their fourth straight after scoring 55 runs during a four-game winning streak, left the Cubs five games behind the division leaders with eight games remaining.

Even with five more games against the Cards, the Cubs' chances of catching them are so remote they would need a high-powered telescope to see them.

"The division, we have to beat the Cardinals every game here on out, which can be done, but..." Anthony Rizzo said. "We want to get to the playoffs. We've got to win games."

So is it time to focus on the wild-card race, in which the Cubs trailed the Brewers by 1 1/2 games before Milwaukee's night game against the Pirates?

"We've just got to focus on winning (Saturday)," Rizzo said. "That's really it. That's our only focus."

The Cubs fell to 9-10 in September, their second straight late-season fade after blowing a five-game division lead to the Brewers last year and then Game 163 to Milwaukee at Wrigley.

They finished 1-for-9 with runners in scoring position Friday, and the one hit, a Kris Bryant single to left in the third, didn't even score a run because Rizzo only could advance from second to third because of his sprained right ankle.

Turn to **Sullivan**, Page 3

Cubs reliever Steve Cishek walks back to the mound after walking the Cardinals' Matt Carpenter in the sixth inning.

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THE RACES



| NL CENTRAL | GB |
|------------|-------------|
| Cardinals | 87-67 — |
| Brewers* | 83-70 3 1/2 |
| Cubs | 82-72 5 |



| NL WILD CARDS | GB |
|---------------|--------------|
| 1. Nationals | 84-68 +1 1/2 |
| 2. Brewers* | 83-70 — |
| Cubs | 82-72 1 1/2 |

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Cardinals 2, Cubs 1
National 6, Marlins 4
Pirates at Brewers, late*

SATURDAY'S GAMES

Cardinals (Hudson 16-7, 3.35) at Cubs (Quintana 13-8, 4.37) 1:20 p.m. | WGN-9
■ Nationals at Marlins, 5:10
■ Pirates at Brewers, 6:10



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Mitch Trubisky looks for an open receiver Sunday.

BEARS

Perfect timing for speech

Nagy showed Bears example of late rally

BY DAN WIEDERER

A few important seeds for the Bears' final-minute heroics against the Broncos on Sunday were planted six nights earlier. Late on Sept. 9, with coaches still in their offices at Halas Hall, the "Monday Night Football" dramatics between the Texans and Saints stirred conversation.

Sparked by Deshaun Watson's brilliant two-pass, 75-yard touchdown drive, the Texans took a 28-27 lead with 37 seconds to play. And in Lake Forest, the wheels started turning.

Said Nagy: "We're calling each other on the phone saying: 'What would you do here? What play would you run there? How would you defend this? What would you call here?'"

In five plays, Drew Brees drove the Saints 35 yards. They sandwiched their final completion between a spike to stop the clock and their final time-out with two seconds remaining. Kicker Will Lutz then nailed a 58-yard field goal as time expired.

Eventually, Nagy decided, that entire final sequence had to be shown to Bears players. A situational refresher. Soak it all in. Observe the details of the game-winning drive. Take note of the belief and focus the Saints showed.

Turn to **Bears**, Page 8

UP NEXT

Bears at Redskins
7:15 p.m. Monday, ESPN

BLACKHAWKS

Dach not certain to make team

Top pick skates for 1st time since concussion

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD

The wait is over for Kirby Dach to make his first on-ice appearance at Blackhawks training camp.

The 2019 first-round pick, who suffered a concussion during the final game of the NHL Prospect Tournament last week, performed some light skating and stickhandling drills for 30 minutes Friday.

"Good that he could get out there," Hawks coach Jeremy Colliton said. "I'm not going to get too excited about it, but it's not a bad thing. We'll see how the next little while plays out."

Now comes the wait to see when Dach, taken third, will begin practicing with the team and whether it's too late for him to earn a spot on the opening-night roster. Even before the 6-foot-4, 230-pound Saskatchewan native was injured Sept. 10, it wasn't certain he would make the team.

Colliton insisted Dach still is being considered for a spot despite already missing a full week of practice and at least the first four preseason games, including Saturday's home game against the Bruins.

Turn to **Blackhawks**, Page 8

HOW IS THIS HAPPENING? LOOK NO FURTHER THAN THE LAST 9 GAMES

On the morning of Sept. 12, Cubs President Theo Epstein took his frustrations to the airwaves, telling WSCR-AM 670: "We were just caught from behind in the wild-card standings by a team that our run differential is over 100 runs better than. But they're playing better ball — the Brewers, they just beat us five out of seven in huge games. We put them back in the race. It's the inability to show up and play winning baseball. We're playing bad baseball —

second-most errors in the league, the most outs on the bases in the league. Those things chip away at your margin for error." And what has happened in the nine games since Epstein took his frustrations public? The Cubs have outscored their opponents 68-32 with nothing but a 5-4 record show for it. They won those five games by a whopping 41 runs; they've lost four in a row by a total of five runs. And they're on the outside looking in with eight games to go.

| Running tally since Sept. 12 | Sept. 12 | Sept. 13 | Sept. 14 | Sept. 15 | Sept. 16 | Sept. 17 | Sept. 18 | Sept. 19 | Sept. 20 |
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TOP OF THE SECOND



TEDDY GREENSTEIN

Out to build on strong week

I rag on myself after bad weeks, so I guess I'm allowed to brag about starting 10-0 last week. (A 10-team parlay pays 825-1, by the way, the same odds as an NFL official getting a roughing-the-passer call right.)

I whiffed on the last two games in part because Syracuse refused to let Clemson run out the clock. The wonderfully named Chez Mellusi scored from 57 yards out to torpedoe a Syracuse plus-28 push. Oh, well. There's no crying in this column.

On to our latest batch of picks against the spread. Thursday morning odds courtesy of MyBookie.ag. Selections in **bold**.

Michigan State (minus 9½) at Northwestern

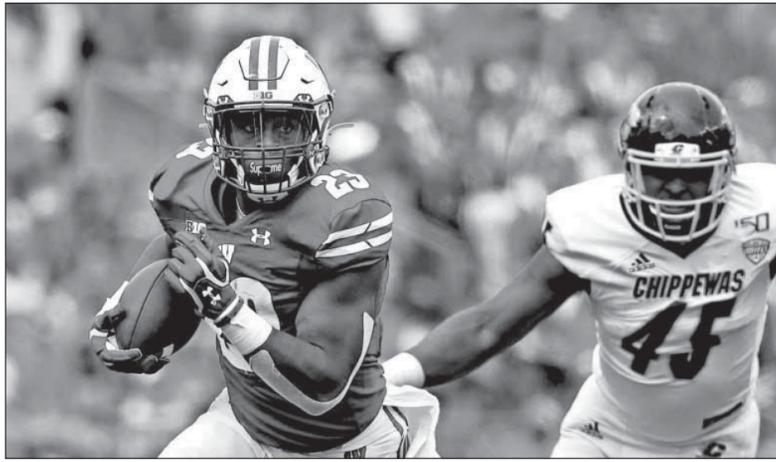
11 a.m. | ABC-7

As obvious as it was to take UNLV plus 18½ last week at Ryan Field, this one is like asking whether Pat Fitzgerald Snapchats. You could pick **Northwestern** simply based on Sparty's slipshod offense against Arizona State or use the handicapping trends: The Wildcats are 13-6-1 in their last 20 as an underdog, and Mark Dantonio is 3-10 as a road favorite.

Michigan (plus 3½) at Wisconsin

11 a.m. | FOX-32

The Badgers have the home-field advantage and the great Jonathan Taylor. The Wolverines have an 8-6 road record since 2016 and, if you believe some message boards, a dinged-up Zach Charbonnet. The Badgers have a surprisingly efficient quarterback in Jack Coan (76.3 completion percentage). The Wolverines have a quarterback with Crisco on his paws in Shea Patterson (four fumbles). The home team dominates the series (9-1 since 2002), and The Action Network calculated this beauty: Top 25 home teams after a week off have covered the spread at a 58.6% clip since 2005. Those investing in Michigan point to two dudes: All-Big Ten left tackle Jon Runyan Jr. and receiver Donovan Peoples-Jones (4.4 speed). If they're able to return from injuries, all bets are off. Not literally. No refunds. And no way I'm picking against the **Badgers**.



Running back Jonathan Taylor is a good reason to back Wisconsin against Michigan. MORRY GASH/AP

Connecticut (plus 28) at Indiana

11 a.m. | BTN

Illinois was favored by 20 against UConn on the road, and now Indiana has its largest spread against an FBS team since, um, the Antwaan Randle El days? Why hasn't Rutgers scheduled U-Can't (as ESPN.com labeled the Huskies)? All that said, I'm taking the **Huskies** and the four TDs.

Boston College (minus 8½) at Rutgers

11 a.m. | BTN

Call me crazy, but if the Scarlet Knights can't beat a BC team that just got doubled up (48-24) at home by Kansas, it might be time to rethink the whole Chris Ash thing. And "might" might not be the right word. I'm on **BC**.

Auburn (plus 3½) at Texas A&M

2:30 p.m. | CBS-2

The conference of "It just means more" offers this Week 4 beauty. Weird factoid is that since 2012, Auburn is 3-0 in College Station, Texas, and A&M is 3-1 at Auburn. I'll bank on the **Tigers** and the refinement of quarterback Bo Nix in a low-scoring game.

Miami (Ohio) (plus 39) at Ohio State

2:30 p.m. | BTN

This spread has dropped all the way from 40 to 39, so someone has faith in the RedHawks. Don't look at me. I'm backing the **Buckeyes**.

Nebraska (minus 13½) at Illinois

7 p.m. | BTN

I'm a robust 0-3 with my Nebraska predictions, so don't shop for wisdom here. The Cornhuskers are 0-6 on the road under Scott Frost, but the opponents (Michigan, Wisconsin, Northwestern, Ohio State, Iowa and Colorado) weren't exactly awful. Lovie Smith needs a good showing in the worst way, but don't count on it coming against Adrian Martinez under the lights. This line opened at a mere 7½; that was a bargain. But I'm still with the **Huskies**.

Notre Dame (plus 14½) at Georgia

7 p.m. | CBS-2

I loved Notre Dame plus the mound of points against Clemson in the playoffs last season. Oops. Now I love **Notre Dame** with this mountain of points. The Irish have the defense to hang, and they unleashed some intriguing skill players against New Mexico in Javon McKinley and Avery Davis.

Last week: 10-2.

Season total: 23-17-2.

If Irish hang in, game could live up to hype

By C.J. DOON

The Baltimore Sun

After a relatively quiet Week 3 in college football with no major upsets, there will be plenty of opportunities for drama this weekend.

Here are the most intriguing questions for Week 4:

Can Notre Dame hang with Georgia?

You don't often see the No. 7 team in the country listed as a two-touchdown underdog, but that's what the Fighting Irish are against the No. 3 Bulldogs on the road.

The teams were at the focal point of the playoff discussion last season, when an undefeated Notre Dame got in ahead of a two-loss Georgia, which suffered a close loss to No. 1 Alabama in the SEC title game. It's something Dawgs fans won't soon forget, especially after seeing how helpless the Irish looked in a 30-3 loss to eventual national champion Clemson in the Cotton Bowl.

Georgia's path back to the playoff runs through Alabama and a tough SEC schedule. However, a nonconference win over a top-10 opponent would only bolster its resume. If the Bulldogs fail to beat the Crimson Tide again, or slip up against Florida, Auburn or Texas A&M, a win over Notre Dame is a potential tiebreaker over another one-loss Power 5 team.

For the Irish, who don't get to play in a conference championship game as an independent, this is essentially a playoff-elimination game.



JOHN BAZEMORE/AP

QB Jake Fromm and No. 3 Georgia host No. 7 Notre Dame in a game with big implications.

Can Utah keep the Pac-12's playoff hopes alive?

The Utes have four ranked teams remaining on their schedule, but Friday night's trip to Los Angeles against USC might be their toughest test. The Trojans slipped out of the Top 25 after an OT loss to BYU, but they're still among the most talented teams in the conference, and freshman quarterback Kedon Slovis seems to improve each week.

However, Utah's Tyler Huntley and Zack Moss remain among the best quarterback-running back tandems in the nation, and the Trojans haven't exactly been lights-out defensively, allowing 5.6 yards per play.

With the pressure on Utah (which jumped into the AP top 10 this week) to carry the conference's playoff hopes, the players might finally feel the weight of those expectations in a game they're favored to win.

Can Wisconsin prove that its dominant start wasn't a fluke?

It's not who you play, it's how you play. And if we're going to judge teams just three weeks into the season, the No. 13 Badgers deserve credit for being as dominant as any, outscoring South Florida and Central Michigan a combined 110-0.

Preseason Heisman Trophy contender Jonathan Taylor has been as good as advertised at running back and has evolved as a pass-catcher, and the defense ranks at or near the top in almost every major statistical category. But what has really stood out through two games has been the play of junior quarterback Jack Coan.

After taking over as the starter near the end of last season, Coan retained the job over highly touted freshman Graham Mertz in the offseason. This season, Coan has risen to another level, completing 76.3% of his attempts with five TDs and no picks and throwing for more yards (564) in two games than he did in five (515) last year. The coaching staff seems to have more trust in him, and with the return of receiver Quintez Cephus, the offense is .

Saturday's home game against No. 11 Michigan provides an early litmus test for the Badgers, who have aspirations of a Big Ten title, a Rose Bowl berth and a playoff appearance. While the Wolverines have struggled to find any success offensively under new coordinator Josh Gattis, they have one of the nation's best defenses and have had two weeks to prepare. Count out Jim Harbaugh at your own risk.

LET'S PLAY 2

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|--|-------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| | Monday @Redskins 7:15 p.m. ESPN/WGN-9 | Sept. 29 Vikings 3:25 p.m. CBS-2 |
| | Saturday Cardinals 1:20 p.m. WGN-9 | Sunday Cardinals 1:20 p.m. ABC-7 |
| | Saturday @Tigers 5:10 p.m. NBCSCH | Sunday @Tigers 12:10 p.m. WGN-9 |
| | Saturday Bruins 7:30 (pre.) NBCSCH+ | Wednesday Capitals 7:30 (pre.) NBCSCH+ |
| | Saturday @FC Cin. 6:30 p.m. ESPN+ | Sept. 29 Toronto FC 4 p.m. ESPN+ |

SATURDAY ON TV/RADIO

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| AUTO RACING | 6:30 p.m. Monster Energy: Auto Parts 400 NBCSN |
| BASEBALL | Noon Blue Jays at Yankees MLB 1:20 p.m. Cardinals at Cubs WGN-9 WSCH-AM 670 4 p.m. Mets at Reds (in prog.) MLB 5:10 p.m. White Sox at Tigers NBCSCH WGN-AM 720 6 p.m. Phillies at Indians FS1 9 p.m. Rockies at Dodgers (in prog.) MLB |
| BOXING | 9:30 p.m. Quillinn vs. Angulo FS1 |
| COLLEGE FOOTBALL | 11 a.m. Michigan State at NU ABC-7 WGN-AM 720 11 a.m. Michigan at Wisconsin FOX-32 11 a.m. Boston College at Rutgers BTN 11 a.m. Tennessee at Florida ESPN 11 a.m. Southern Miss at Alabama ESPN2 11 a.m. California at Mississippi ESPNU 11 a.m. La.-Monroe at Iowa State FS1 11 a.m. Morgan State at Army CBSSN 2:30 p.m. Auburn at Texas A&M CBS-2 2:30 p.m. Washington at BYU ABC-7 2:30 p.m. Miami (Ohio) at Ohio St. BTN 2:30 p.m. Louisville at Florida St. ESPN 2:30 p.m. UCF at Pittsburgh ESPN2 2:30 p.m. Temple at Buffalo ESPNU 2:30 p.m. South Alabama at UAB NFL 2:30 p.m. SMU at TCU FS1 2:30 p.m. Wyoming at Tulsa CBSSN 6 p.m. Oregon at Stanford ESPN 6 p.m. Old Dominion at Virginia ESPN2 6 p.m. Ball State at N.C. State ESPNU 6 p.m. Baylor at Rice CBSSN 6:30 p.m. Oklahoma St. at Texas ABC-7 7 p.m. Notre Dame at Georgia CBS-2 WMVP-AM 1000 7 p.m. Nebraska at Illinois BTN WLS-AM 890 9:15 p.m. Toledo at Colorado State ESPN2 9:30 p.m. UCLA at Washington St. ESPN 9:30 p.m. Utah St. at San Diego St. CBSSN |
| GOLF | 6:30 a.m. Euro: BMW Championship Golf 2 p.m. PGA: Sanderson Farms Golf 5 p.m. Champions: Sanford Int. Golf 11 p.m. Asian: Shinhan Donghae Golf |
| NHL PRESEASON | 1 p.m. Penguins at Blue Jackets NHL 6 p.m. Rangers at Flyers NHL 8:30 p.m. Bruins at Hawks NBCSCH+ |
| HORSE RACING | 4 p.m. Breeders' Cup Challenge NBC-5 |
| PREMIER LEAGUE LACROSSE | 1:30 p.m. Redwoods vs. Whipsnakes NBC-5 |
| WORLD CUP RUGBY | 5 a.m. England vs Tonga NBCSN |
| SOCCER | 6:30 a.m. Leicester vs. Tottenham NBCSN 8:30 a.m. Bayern Munich vs. Koln FS1 9 a.m. Man. City vs. Watford NBCSN 11:30 a.m. Newcastle vs. Brighton NBC-5 10 p.m. NWSL: Spirit at Red Stars NBCSCH (taped) |
| TENNIS | 6 a.m. Laver Cup Tennis 10 a.m. ATP: Moselle Open Tennis 10 p.m. WTA: Osaka, Seoul, Wuhan Tennis |

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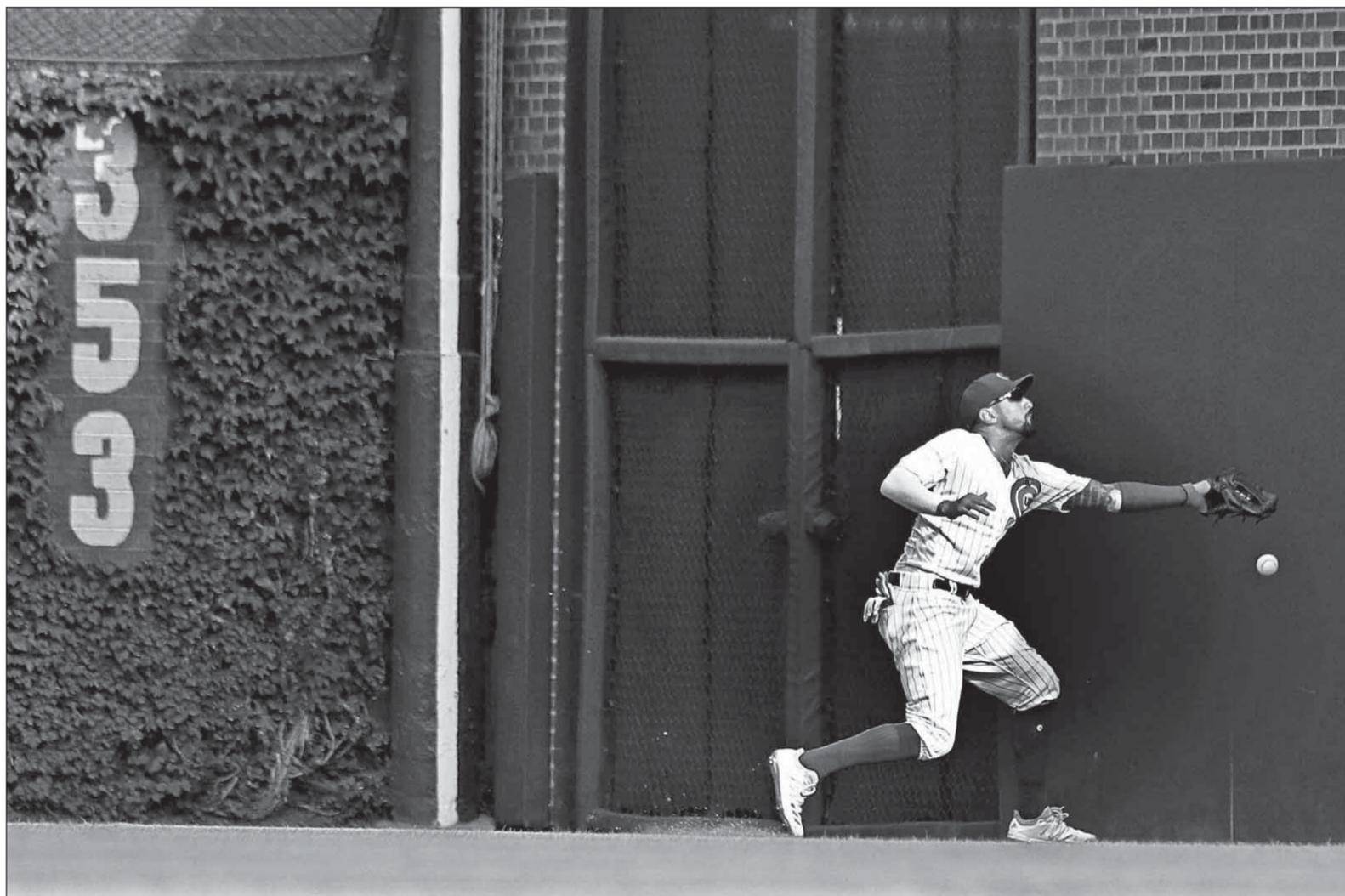
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Cubs right fielder Nicholas Castellanos is unable to catch a ball hit by the Cardinals' Yadier Molina that went for a single in the eighth inning Friday afternoon at Wrigley Field.

Trying to stay positive

As Cubs' postseason hopes grow dimmer, Maddon hoping to keep lights on

BY PAUL SULLIVAN

Joe Maddon got philosophical Friday morning when asked about a perceived "melancholy" feeling to the end of the regular season.

"Whenever there is uncertainty, there's always that feeling within any human being," the Cubs manager said. "But as a group we're still focused on a positive outcome, so you don't turn melancholy yet. That said, (Thursday) was a tough game. We came back, we fought again, they got us."

"But there are still a lot of different ways to go to the World Series this year. Let's just play today's game before you start getting too upset about things."

The Cubs played the game and lost to the Cardinals 2-1. Then it was time to get upset again.

It was the same old Cubs roller coaster that has been a theme of the 2019 season. Up for a few days. Down for a few days.

Last weekend they reached new heights before falling to a new low Friday.

"That was a pretty nice series against the Pirates, and it's not been the same," Maddon said of the 47-run outburst in their three-game sweep. "And even the first game against Cincinnati (was productive). Then after that we've just had a very difficult time. We've been missing some key elements, and (Anthony Rizzo) got his three (at-bats) there."

"We have to figure it out somehow. There's no question about it. You're pretty much going to see these same lineups against right-handed pitchers (Dakota Hudson and Miles Mikolas). I don't know what Rizzo's status is going to be for (Saturday) yet. I'm going to try to get him off his feet as much as possible today."

Rizzo was removed after the sixth inning in a double-switch. His spot came up in the seventh with two on and one out, and Ben Zobrist lined out to center. It came up again in the ninth with a man on, and Zobrist grounded out to end it.

The Cubs are playing with an "all hands on deck" mentality with eight games left and the season on the brink. Reliever Brandon Kintzler said Rizzo's comeback from his sprained right ankle "inspired" him to return from his oblique injury.

"I can't sit here and worry about (an)



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The Cardinals' Carlos Martinez, right, celebrates the win against Ben Zobrist and the Cubs.

oblique when this guy has got one leg," Kintzler said.

Zobrist agreed Rizzo's return — and home run Thursday — was impressive.

"The player has to talk everybody into the fact that he can do it, because he has to believe enough," Zobrist said. "It was pretty cool to see the toughness in him and the determination, I'm going to get out there and play and do something for the boys."

"Then to do something in the game was pretty cool."

But inspiration can only take you so far, and it was difficult to watch Rizzo on the bases Friday with his lack of mobility. He

said his ankle felt good but added it was day-to-day.

The Cubs are in dire straits in the playoff hunt, and the mood at Wrigley could get ugly if the offense doesn't wake up Saturday and Sunday.

"We've got to figure it out, obviously," Maddon repeated. "We are running out of time. ... But you've got to keep playing the game as though you're going to catch St. Louis."

The Cubs could be done before the ivy starts turning color, a scenario few envisioned a week ago when they were feasting on Pirates pitching.

Sunday's potential rain could be problematic

BY TIM BANNON

Sunday's forecast calls for rain — an 80% chance during the day and a 60% chance at night.

The Cubs-Cardinals game at Wrigley Field is scheduled for 1:20 p.m. It's the Cubs' last regular-season home game and the finale of a crucial four-game series.

So, worst-case scenario: What if it rains hard all day and night and they simply cannot play?

If the game is postponed, MLB policy is to look for the next available mutual day off, said Mike Teevan, vice president of communications for Major League Baseball.

The Cubs are off Monday, but the Cardinals have an 8:40 p.m. game against the Diamondbacks in Phoenix.

The Cardinals are off Thursday, but the Cubs have a 6:05 p.m. game against the Pirates in Pittsburgh.

The Cubs and Cardinals finish the season with a three-game series in St. Louis. Couldn't they play a makeup game there as part of a doubleheader?

Teevan said the Cubs would not want to give up a home game, so that would be unlikely.

The most probable solution would be to play Sept. 30, the day after the scheduled end to the season. MLB leaves that date open for makeup games. But it also leaves that date open for tiebreaker games.

So, here's another worst-case scenario: What if a Cubs-Cardinals makeup game is necessary and one of those teams also needs to play a tiebreaker?

The National League wild-card game is scheduled for Tuesday, Oct. 1. That could be pushed to Oct. 2, the day of the American League wild-card game, but it could then affect the start of the division series, again something MLB wants to avoid.

If that makeup game on Sept. 30 would not affect either team's playoff status — if it is eliminated, for instance — the game would not be played at all.

Sullivan

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"If you go and look, (Marcell) Ozuna, I thought was going to make a play on it," Rizzo said. "If he dives and catches that, I'm in no-man's land. You kind of have to freeze there for a second."

With the bases loaded and one out, Kyle Schwarber promptly grounded into an inning-ending double play off Michael Wacha.

The Cubs offense has scored nine runs in the four losses after the 55 runs in the previous four games against the Pirates (three) and Reds.

"It's just one of those things," Nicholas Castellanos said. "I don't think there's really a rhyme or reason for it. I don't know how many hits we got, but I think we got a lot more than they did. That's baseball."

The Cubs out-hit the Cardinals 9-4, but that is irrelevant in baseball.

They got more than they could have asked for out of spot starter Alec Mills. Filling in for Cole Hamels, who was scratched because of left shoulder fatigue, Mills threw 4 ²/₃ shutout innings in his first major-league start since July 22.

But a bullpen meltdown in the sixth spoiled Mills' outing.

With the Cubs leading 1-0 after five, reliever David Phelps walked the first two hitters on nine pitches before departing for Steve Cishek, who walked Matt Carpenter to load the bases.

Yadier Molina promptly singled up the middle to bring home the tying and go-ahead runs.

"We've got 18, 19 games against these guys in the regular season, so it's not like this game is any more important than the other ones against these guys," Phelps said. "It's just that we're running out of games right now."

"Ones like that where Millsy gives us an incredible start, and I come out there in the sixth and throw eight out of nine balls, it's

unacceptable. It put Steve in a bad spot coming in there.

"I pride myself on having command of the baseball, and going out and doing that, it's just embarrassing."

The Cubs still had a chance to turn the tables off the Cardinals bullpen in the seventh. Jason Heyward and Nico Hoerner started things with back-to-back bloop singles. But reliever John Brebbia retired Ian Happ and Ben Zobrist before inducing Bryant to loft a fly to left, where Ozuna caught it near the warning track.

Ozuna then trotted back to the wall and fell gently backward into the vines with his arms spread, providing a picturesque moment for Cardinals fans to punctuate the beautiful late-afternoon.

The Cubs knew what was at stake this weekend but have two one-run losses — the Cardinals won 3-2 in 10 innings Thursday — to show for it. They have five one-run losses in September, including the last three games.

When Brandon Kintzler spoke before

the game about returning from his oblique injury, he was asked if the rest of the games against the Cardinals were must-win.

"I've been acting like that since April," he replied. "I'm stressed all the time. But yes, 100% we've got to win out. But we've got to start one at a time."

But if Friday was Day 1, it ended with a resounding thud.

"It's weird," Rizzo said. "These are tough games. One at a time. It doesn't matter what we did four days ago. It doesn't matter what we did yesterday. Flush today away as fast as you can and come into tomorrow and play. ... It's not going to be easy, but you can't think about what's going to happen."

What's going to happen if the Cubs don't make the postseason has been the subject of speculation since opening day.

The reckoning is looking more and more likely, which could give these final two home games the feel of a wake.

Do the Cubs have it in them for one last-gasp run to save the season?

We're about to find out.

BASEBALL

American League

| EAST | W | L | PCT | GB | WCGB | L10 | STR | HOME | AWAY |
|------------|-----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|-----|-------|-------|
| x-New York | 100 | 55 | .645 | — | — | 5-5 | L-1 | 55-24 | 45-31 |
| Tampa Bay | 91 | 63 | .591 | 8½ | — | 6-4 | W-2 | 44-32 | 47-31 |
| Boston | 80 | 73 | .523 | 19 | 10½ | 4-6 | L-1 | 37-41 | 43-32 |
| Toronto | 63 | 91 | .409 | 36½ | 28 | 8-2 | W-5 | 31-44 | 32-47 |
| Baltimore | 50 | 104 | .325 | 49½ | 41 | 4-6 | W-1 | 24-55 | 26-49 |

| CENTRAL | W | L | PCT | GB | WCGB | L10 | STR | HOME | AWAY |
|-------------|----|-----|------|-----|------|-----|-----|-------|-------|
| Minnesota | 95 | 59 | .617 | — | — | 6-4 | W-2 | 45-34 | 50-25 |
| Cleveland | 91 | 63 | .591 | 4 | — | 8-2 | W-5 | 48-31 | 43-32 |
| Chicago | 67 | 86 | .438 | 27½ | 23½ | 4-6 | W-2 | 35-39 | 32-47 |
| Kansas City | 56 | 99 | .361 | 39½ | 35½ | 3-7 | L-4 | 29-47 | 27-52 |
| Detroit | 45 | 108 | .294 | 49½ | 45½ | 2-8 | L-4 | 21-55 | 24-53 |

| WEST | W | L | PCT | GB | WCGB | L10 | STR | HOME | AWAY |
|-------------|-----|----|------|----|------|-----|-----|-------|-------|
| z-Houston | 101 | 53 | .656 | — | — | 7-3 | W-6 | 59-20 | 42-33 |
| Oakland | 93 | 61 | .604 | 8 | — | 9-1 | W-3 | 51-28 | 42-33 |
| Texas | 74 | 80 | .481 | 27 | 17 | 3-7 | L-6 | 42-33 | 32-47 |
| Los Angeles | 69 | 85 | .448 | 32 | 22 | 2-8 | L-2 | 36-39 | 33-46 |
| Seattle | 65 | 89 | .422 | 36 | 26 | 7-3 | L-1 | 33-42 | 32-47 |

Late games noted below; x-clinched division; z-playoff berth

PROBABLE PITCHERS FOR SATURDAY

| NATIONAL LEAGUE | 2019 | 2019 VS. OPP. | LAST 3 STARTS |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|----------------|
| TEAM PITCHER | TIME W-L ERA TR | W-L IP ERA | W-L IP ERA |
| STL Hudson (R) | 16-7 3.35 21-9 | 0-0 0.0 0.00 | 2-1 19.0 1.89 |
| Chi Quintana (L) | 1:20p 13-8 4.37 17-12 | 1-0 10.0 3.60 | 1-0 10.1 11.32 |
| NY Wheeler (R) | 11-7 4.09 16-13 | 0-0 6.0 6.00 | 2-0 19.0 1.42 |
| Cin DeSclafani (R) | 2:10p 9-9 3.93 14-15 | 0-0 5.2 0.00 | 0-2 20.0 3.15 |
| Was Strasburg (R) | 17-6 3.49 19-12 | 4-0 30.1 1.19 | 1-1 17.0 3.71 |
| Mia Yamamoto (R) | 5:10p 4-5 5.14 6-7 | 0-0 0.0 0.00 | 0-2 14.1 7.53 |
| Pit Marvel (R) | 0-2 9.00 0-2 | 0-0 0.0 0.00 | 0-2 9.0 9.00 |
| Mil Davies (R) | 6:10p 10-7 3.70 17-12 | 2-0 23.1 2.31 | 2-0 14.1 3.14 |
| SF Cueto (R) | 1-0 0.00 2-0 | 0-0 0.0 0.00 | 1-0 10.0 0.00 |
| Ari Fried (L) | 6:20p 16-6 4.42 21-8 | 1-0 6.0 3.00 | 1-2 14.1 6.28 |
| Ari Gallen (R) | 3-6 2.81 7-8 | 1-0 7.0 0.00 | 1-2 18.2 2.89 |
| SD Quantrill (R) | 7:40p 6-8 5.33 5-12 | 0-1 5.0 14.40 | 0-3 12.1 14.59 |
| Col Gonzalez (R) | 1-6 6.23 2-9 | 0-0 10.1 4.35 | 1-0 16.1 2.20 |
| LA Ryu (L) | 8:10p 12-5 2.45 18-9 | 0-1 20.1 4.87 | 0-1 16.0 5.63 |

| AMERICAN LEAGUE | 2019 | 2019 VS. OPP. | LAST 3 STARTS |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| TEAM PITCHER | TIME W-L ERA TR | W-L IP ERA | W-L IP ERA |
| Tor Zeuch (R) | 1-0 4.61 1-0 | 1-0 5.1 3.38 | 0-0 4.1 6.23 |
| NY Paxton (L) | 12:05p 14-6 3.88 18-9 | 1-0 14.0 6.43 | 3-0 18.2 0.48 |
| Bos TBD | — | — | — |
| TB Glasnow (R) | 5:10p 6-1 2.03 8-2 | 1-0 12.0 3.00 | 0-1 10.1 4.35 |
| Chi Nova (R) | 10-12 4.83 16-16 | 1-0 14.1 3.77 | 1-0 10.0 7.20 |
| Det Alexander (L) | 5:10p 1-3 4.87 2-4 | 0-1 9.1 5.79 | 1-2 16.0 5.06 |
| Sea TBD | — | — | — |
| Bal Wojchicki (R) | 6:05p 3-8 5.38 4-10 | 0-0 0.0 0.00 | 1-1 14.0 6.43 |
| KC Sparkman (R) | 4-11 6.02 6-15 | 1-1 16.2 5.94 | 1-1 13.1 7.43 |
| Min Berrios (R) | 6:10p 13-8 3.58 18-12 | 0-0 14.0 3.21 | 2-1 19.1 3.72 |
| LA Sandoval (L) | 0-3 4.91 2-5 | 0-0 0.0 0.00 | 0-2 10.2 4.22 |
| Hou Milley (L) | 6:10p 14-5 3.71 22-9 | 3-0 16.1 2.20 | 1-1 6.1 19.89 |
| Tex Burke (L) | 0-1 5.19 3-2 | 0-0 3.0 18.00 | 0-0 14.0 9.00 |
| Oak Manea (L) | 8:07p 2-0 5.00 2-1 | 1-0 6.0 0.00 | 2-0 18.0 0.50 |

| INTERLEAGUE | 2019 | 2019 VS. OPP. | LAST 3 STARTS |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------|
| TEAM PITCHER | TIME W-L ERA TR | W-L IP ERA | W-L IP ERA |
| Phi Vargas (L) | 6-8 4.48 13-14 | 0-0 0.0 0.00 | 0-1 11.1 6.35 |
| Cle Plesac (R) | 6:10p 8-6 3.72 13-6 | 0-0 0.0 0.00 | 1-2 19.0 4.74 |

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

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

AMERICAN LEAGUE

FRIDAY'S RESULTS
Baltimore 5, Seattle 3
Toronto 4, N.Y. Yankees 3
Tampa Bay 5, Boston 4 (11)
Cleveland 5, Philadelphia 2
Chi. White Sox 10, Detroit 1
Houston 6, L.A. Angels 4
Kansas City 3, Minnesota 4
Oakland 8, Texas 0
SUNDAY'S GAMES
Seattle at Baltimore, 12:05 p.m.
Toronto at N.Y. Yankees, 12:05 p.m.
Boston at Tampa Bay, 12:10 p.m.
Chi. White Sox at Detroit, 12:10 p.m.
Kansas City at Minnesota, 1:10 p.m.
L.A. Angels at Houston, 1:10 p.m.
Texas at Oakland, 3:07 p.m.
Philadelphia at Cleveland, 5:37 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

FRIDAY'S RESULTS
San Francisco 6, Atlanta 0
St. Louis 2, Chi. Cubs 1
N.Y. Mets 8, Cincinnati 1
Cleveland 5, Philadelphia 2
Washington 6, Miami 4
Milwaukee 10, Pittsburgh 1
Arizona 9, San Diego 0
L.A. Dodgers 12, Colorado 5
SUNDAY'S GAMES
N.Y. Mets at Cincinnati, 12:10 p.m.
Washington at Miami, 12:10 p.m.
San Francisco at Atlanta, 12:20 p.m.
Pittsburgh at Milwaukee, 1:10 p.m.
St. Louis at Chi. Cubs, 1:20 p.m.
Arizona at San Diego, 3:10 p.m.
Colorado at L.A. Dodgers, 3:10 p.m.
Philadelphia at Cleveland, 5:37 p.m.

BOX SCORES

CARDINALS 2, CUBS 1

| ST. LOUIS | AB | R | H | BI | SO | AVG |
|-----------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| Fowler lf | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .244 |
| Edman 2b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .289 |
| Goldschmidt 1b | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .258 |
| Ozuna lf | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .243 |
| Carpenter 3b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .225 |
| Kelce c | 4 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | .269 |
| DeJong ss | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .236 |
| Bader cf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | .217 |
| Wacha p | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .166 |
| a-Ravello ph | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | .219 |
| Hestley p | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .333 |
| c-Wieters ph | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .217 |
| Brebbia p | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 |
| d-J.Martinez ph | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .265 |
| c-Martinez p | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| TOTALS | 31 | 2 | 4 | 2 | 11 | .244 |

| CHICAGO | AB | R | H | BI | SO | AVG |
|----------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| Rizzo 1b | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .290 |
| Cishek p | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| Zobrist 2b | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .271 |
| Castellanos rf | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | .335 |
| Bryant 3b | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .120 |
| Schwarber lf | 4 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | .245 |
| Contreras c | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .271 |
| Bote 2b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .259 |
| Chatwood p | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .167 |
| Caratini 1b | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .271 |
| Holland p | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| Hayward cf | 3 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | .255 |
| Hoerner ss | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .286 |
| Stroup 3b | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .508 |
| Ryan p | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 |
| b-Happ ph-1b | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .217 |
| Lucroy 1b | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .227 |
| Kemp ph | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .172 |
| TOTALS | 33 | 1 | 9 | 2 | 3 | .245 |

BLUE JAYS 4, YANKEES 3

| TORONTO | AB | R | H | BI | SO | AVG |
|-----------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| Alford lf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .188 |
| Tellez ph | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .221 |
| Davis cf | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .151 |
| Biggio 2b | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | .235 |
| Gurriel Jr. dh | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | .281 |
| Guerrero Jr. 3b | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .226 |
| Grichuk rf | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .233 |
| Hernandez cf-1f | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | .222 |
| Smook 1b | 3 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | .206 |
| Jansen c | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | .210 |
| Urena c | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .259 |
| TOTALS | 33 | 4 | 7 | 4 | 12 | .244 |

| NEW YORK | AB | R | H | BI | SO | AVG |
|----------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-------------|
| LeMahieu 3b-2b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .328 |
| Judge dh | 3 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 0 | .272 |
| Gregorius ss | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .246 |
| Torres 2b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .284 |
| Urshela 3b | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .322 |
| Voit 1b | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | .270 |
| Gardner cf | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .254 |
| Frazier rf | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .265 |
| Arshola 3b | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | .226 |
| Romine c | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .276 |
| Wade lf | 2 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | .253 |
| Maybin ph-1f | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .288 |
| TOTALS | 32 | 3 | 6 | 3 | 12 | .244 |

WHITE SOX 10, TIGERS 1

| CHICAGO | AB | R | H | BI | SO | AVG |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|
| Sanchez 2b | 6 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 1 | .255 |
| Andersson 3b | 5 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 1 | .336 |
| b-Goins ph-ss | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .354 |
| Abreu 1b | 6 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | .279 |
| Moncada 3b | 3 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 0 | .314 |
| Mendick 3b | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .308 |
| EJ. Jimenez lf | 5 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 2 | .268 |
| Collins dh | 5 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 1 | .143 |
| McCann c | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .274 |
| Palka rf | 5 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | .272 |
| Engel cf | 5 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | .234 |
| TOTALS | 46 | 10 | 19 | 10 | 12 | .245 |

| DETROIT | AB | R | H | BI | SO | AVG |
|---------------|-----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-------------|
| Reyes cf | 4 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | .303 |
| H.Castro 2b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .299 |
| Cabrera dh | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .285 |
| a-Dixon ph-dh | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .246 |
| Stewart lf | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | .242 |
| Candelario 1b | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .198 |
| Mercer ss | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | .273 |
| Rodriguez 3b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .214 |
| Hicks 3b | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .212 |
| Demeter rf | 2 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | .225 |
| TOTALS | 32 | 1 | 7 | 1 | 9 | .245 |

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Detroit 001 000 000-1 7 3
a-popped out for Cabrera in the 6th; b-popped out for Andersson in the 9th; E-Stewart (5), Rodriguez (7), Reyes (1); **LOB:** Chicago 11, Detroit 6; **2B:** Anderson (32), Collins (2), Sanchez 2 (19), Engel (8), Jimenez (2), McCann (24), off Zimmerman; **RBI:** Collins (8), Sanchez 2 (41), Moncada 2 (75), E. Jimenez 4 (75), Engel (5), Cabrera (56), St. Louis (17); **LBP:** H.Castro, **GIDP:** H.Castro, **DP:** Chicago 2 (Abreu, Anderson, Abreu; Anderson, Abreu, Anderson).
CHICAGO IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Cease, W, 4-7 6 5 1 2 1 2 8 5.79
Herrera 1 0 0 0 1 6 3.38
Buehler 2 0 0 0 0 0 7.21
DETROIT IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Zimmermann, L 11 9 9 1 6 6.85
1-12 3%
Ramirez 1½ 0 0 0 0 1 4.19
Schreiber 1 2 0 1 1 1 6.30
Soto 2 0 1 1 1 1 5.30
Reininger 1 2 0 0 0 2 4.67
Cisnero 1 2 0 0 0 1 8.05
IBB: off Zimmerman (Moncada), **Umpires:** H. Jansen Visconti; **1B:** Bill Miller; **2B:** Doug Edinger; **3B:** Chad Whitsom; **Time:** 3:14; **A:** 15,265 (41,297).



Ronald Acuna Jr., left, and Dansby Swanson celebrate after the Braves' victory Friday.

BRAVES 6, GIANTS 0

Braves win NL East title again

WHITE SOX

WHITE SOX 10, TIGERS 1

'Black Sox' part of history

Team acknowledges
but won't celebrate
1919 AL Championship

BY LAMOND POPE

A banner hangs beneath the stadium lights beyond the left-center-field seats at Guaranteed Rate Field listing the seven seasons the White Sox won the American League championship.

The list begins with 1906, when the "Hitless Wonders" beat the mighty Cubs in Chicago's only intracity World Series. It ends with 2005, when the team was on its way to its third and most recent World Series title.

And then there's 1919.

The 100-year anniversary of the infamous World Series known for the "Black Sox" gambling scandal draws near. Game 1 of the 1919 Series was Oct. 1.

As the 2019 season inches closer to an end, the modern Sox reflected on a piece of team history.

"When you look at all the things that have been written, you think about the gambling, you think about the belief that guys threw games (and) that they didn't play the best that they could play at that particular time," Sox manager Rick Renteria said. "It was a sad moment in baseball history."

"And I still want to believe that nobody would want to give less of themselves as they are going out there competing, because competing is the biggest thing you live for when you are playing any professional sport."

The Sox, who finished the season 88-52 and had won the 1917 World Series, were favored to beat the National League-champion Reds, despite their gaudy 96-44 record. The Sox fell behind 4-1 in the best-of-nine series and lost in eight games. Eight Sox players, including "Shoeless" Joe Jackson, were charged in 1920 with conspiring to fix the Series' outcome.

"It's part of our history," Sox senior vice president of communications Scott Reifert said recently. "But that relationship with the club and the 1919 team has evolved over time. Winning in 2005 really changed everything. That whole concept of 'You'll never win because of that' was gone. It was erased in four nights."

"It was a historical moment in this franchise's history. Now it's more about understanding that history accurately."

The current Sox recognize some of the history and acknowledge how much has



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"It was a sad moment in baseball history," White Sox manager Rick Renteria says of the 1919 "Black Sox" gambling scandal.

changed on and off the field. Sports gambling has become legal in some states, including Indiana.

"With guys in this clubhouse or any clubhouse in the major leagues, you don't want those guys betting on baseball," infielder Ryan Goins said. "It would be a big issue if guys were throwing games, that would be a huge issue. But overall, sports betting is becoming normal in different states."

While the scandal has been noted in films such as "Eight Men Out" and "Field of Dreams," for the most part it has faded from the national sports conversation.

Reifert said the Sox haven't purposely avoided the 1919 season, rather that when it comes to celebrations, the team typically centers on teams or individuals that connect closely with fans.

"We tend to try to acknowledge things

WHITE SOX RECAP

Rookie Eloy Jimenez hit a grand slam in a five-run fourth, and the White Sox pounded out 19 hits in a 10-1 rout of the Tigers on Friday at Comerica Park in Detroit. Jimenez went 3-for-5, and the homer was his 29th. For more coverage, go to chicagotribune.com/sports

that mean something to our fans," Reifert said. "That's so long ago. If you look at the statues in the outfield (concourse), we often talk, 'Should we have a statue of a guy from the 19-0-something team?'"

"Other than it being a cool statue of an old player, nobody alive really saw that person play. That general mindset kind of applies in this case."

It's a topic that likely will arise again when the Sox play the Yankees next season in the "MLB at Field of Dreams" game on Aug. 13 in Dyersville, Iowa.

Pitcher Lucas Giolito said there are lessons to take from 100 years ago.

"I'm all for the integrity of the game," said Giolito, who is on the advisory board of Taylor Hooton Foundation, which strives to inform people about appearance and performance-enhancing substances. "That's just how I see it. I like the even playing field. I don't like cheating. I don't like anything shady."

Renteria also said there is plenty to take away from the chapter.

"Competing and doing the best you can on a daily basis is what everybody strives for professionally," he said. "And if we continue to move forward in that regard and not have to look back anymore at it, we are probably in a good place."

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| AFC | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EAST | | | | | | | | | | | |
| W | L | T | PCT. | PF | PA | HOME | AWAY | AFC | NFC | DIV | |
| New England | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 76 | 3 | 1-0-0 | 1-0-0 | 2-0-0 | 0-0-0 | 1-0-0 |
| Buffalo | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 45 | 30 | 0-0-0 | 2-0-0 | 1-0-0 | 1-0-0 | 1-0-0 |
| N.Y. Jets | 0 | 2 | 0 | .000 | 19 | 40 | 0-2-0 | 0-0-0 | 0-2-0 | 0-0-0 | 0-1-0 |
| Miami | 0 | 2 | 0 | .000 | 10 | 102 | 0-2-0 | 0-0-0 | 0-2-0 | 0-0-0 | 0-1-0 |
| SOUTH | | | | | | | | | | | |
| W | L | T | PCT. | PF | PA | HOME | AWAY | AFC | NFC | DIV | |
| Houston | 1 | 1 | 0 | .500 | 41 | 42 | 1-0-0 | 0-1-0 | 1-0-0 | 0-1-0 | 1-0-0 |
| Indianapolis | 1 | 1 | 0 | .500 | 43 | 47 | 0-0-0 | 1-1-0 | 1-1-0 | 0-0-0 | 1-0-0 |
| Jacksonville | 1 | 2 | 0 | .333 | 58 | 60 | 1-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 1-2-0 | 0-0-0 | 1-1-0 |
| Tennessee | 1 | 2 | 0 | .333 | 67 | 52 | 0-1-0 | 1-1-0 | 1-2-0 | 0-0-0 | 0-2-0 |
| NORTH | | | | | | | | | | | |
| W | L | T | PCT. | PF | PA | HOME | AWAY | AFC | NFC | DIV | |
| Baltimore | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 82 | 27 | 1-0-0 | 1-0-0 | 1-0-0 | 1-0-0 | 0-0-0 |
| Cleveland | 1 | 1 | 0 | .500 | 36 | 46 | 0-1-0 | 1-0-0 | 1-1-0 | 0-0-0 | 0-0-0 |
| Cincinnati | 0 | 2 | 0 | .000 | 37 | 62 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-0-0 | 0-2-0 | 0-0-0 |
| Pittsburgh | 0 | 2 | 0 | .000 | 29 | 61 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-0-0 |
| WEST | | | | | | | | | | | |
| W | L | T | PCT. | PF | PA | HOME | AWAY | AFC | NFC | DIV | |
| Kansas City | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 68 | 36 | 0-0-0 | 2-0-0 | 2-0-0 | 0-0-0 | 1-0-0 |
| Oakland | 1 | 1 | 0 | .500 | 34 | 44 | 1-1-0 | 0-0-0 | 1-1-0 | 0-0-0 | 1-1-0 |
| L.A. Chargers | 1 | 1 | 0 | .500 | 40 | 37 | 1-0-0 | 0-1-0 | 1-0-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-0-0 |
| Denver | 0 | 2 | 0 | .000 | 30 | 40 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 |
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| EAST | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Dallas | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 66 | 38 | 1-0-0 | 1-0-0 | 2-0-0 | 0-0-0 | 2-0-0 |
| Philadelphia | 1 | 1 | 0 | .500 | 52 | 51 | 1-0-0 | 0-1-0 | 1-1-0 | 0-0-0 | 1-0-0 |
| N.Y. Giants | 0 | 2 | 0 | .000 | 31 | 63 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 |
| Washington | 0 | 2 | 0 | .000 | 48 | 63 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-2-0 | 0-0-0 | 0-2-0 |
| SOUTH | | | | | | | | | | | |
| W | L | T | PCT. | PF | PA | HOME | AWAY | AFC | NFC | DIV | |
| Tampa Bay | 1 | 1 | 0 | .500 | 37 | 45 | 0-1-0 | 1-0-0 | 1-1-0 | 0-0-0 | 1-0-0 |
| Atlanta | 1 | 1 | 0 | .500 | 36 | 48 | 1-0-0 | 0-1-0 | 1-1-0 | 0-0-0 | 0-0-0 |
| New Orleans | 1 | 1 | 0 | .500 | 39 | 55 | 1-0-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 1-0-0 | 0-0-0 |
| Carolina | 0 | 2 | 0 | .000 | 41 | 50 | 0-2-0 | 0-0-0 | 1-2-0 | 0-0-0 | 0-1-0 |
| NORTH | | | | | | | | | | | |
| W | L | T | PCT. | PF | PA | HOME | AWAY | NFC | AFC | DIV | |
| Green Bay | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 31 | 19 | 1-0-0 | 1-0-0 | 2-0-0 | 0-0-0 | 2-0-0 |
| Detroit | 1 | 0 | 1 | .750 | 40 | 37 | 1-0-0 | 0-0-1 | 0-0-1 | 1-0-0 | 0-0-0 |
| Minnesota | 1 | 1 | 0 | .500 | 44 | 33 | 1-0-0 | 0-1-0 | 1-1-0 | 0-0-0 | 0-1-0 |
| Chicago | 1 | 1 | 0 | .500 | 19 | 24 | 0-1-0 | 1-0-0 | 0-1-0 | 1-0-0 | 0-1-0 |
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| W | L | T | PCT. | PF | PA | HOME | AWAY | NFC | AFC | DIV | |
| San Francisco | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 72 | 34 | 0-0-0 | 2-0-0 | 1-0-0 | 1-0-0 | 0-0-0 |
| L.A. Rams | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 57 | 36 | 1-0-0 | 1-0-0 | 2-0-0 | 0-0-0 | 0-0-0 |
| Seattle | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 49 | 46 | 1-0-0 | 1-0-0 | 0-0-0 | 2-0-0 | 0-0-0 |
| Arizona | 0 | 1 | 1 | .250 | 44 | 50 | 0-0-1 | 0-1-0 | 0-0-1 | 0-1-0 | 0-0-0 |

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Miami at Dallas, noon
 Oakland at Minnesota, noon
 Cincinnati at Buffalo, noon
 Baltimore at Kansas City, noon
 Atlanta at Indianapolis, noon
 Detroit at Philadelphia, noon
 Denver at Green Bay, noon
 N.Y. Jets at New England, noon
 N.Y. Giants at Tampa Bay, 3:05 p.m.
 Carolina at Arizona, 3:05 p.m.
 Houston at L.A. Chargers, 3:25 p.m.
 New Orleans at Seattle, 3:25 p.m.
 Pittsburgh at San Francisco, 3:25 p.m.
 L.A. Rams at Cleveland, 7:20 p.m.
MONDAY'S GAME
 Chicago at Washington, 7:15 p.m.

AUTO RACING

NASCAR MONSTER ENERGY CUP FEDERATED AUTO PARTS 400

Lineup for Saturday's race after Friday's qualifying; at Richmond Raceway; Richmond, Va.; Lap length: 0.75 miles

| SP NO. | DRIVER | MK | MPH |
|--------|---------------------|----|---------|
| 1. | Brad Keselowski | F | 127.185 |
| 2. | Kevin Harvick | F | 126.559 |
| 3. | Chase Elliott | C | 126.174 |
| 4. | Kyle Busch | T | 126.103 |
| 5. | Clint Bowyer | F | 126.068 |
| 6. | Denny Hamlin | T | 125.921 |
| 7. | Aric Almirola | F | 125.529 |
| 8. | Martin Truex Jr. | T | 125.430 |
| 9. | Kurt Busch | C | 125.214 |
| 10. | Jimmie Johnson | C | 125.180 |
| 11. | Michael McDowell | F | 125.087 |
| 12. | Matt DiBenedetto | T | 125.012 |
| 13. | Kyle Larson | C | 124.971 |
| 14. | Daniel Suarez | F | 124.948 |
| 15. | Ryan Blaney | F | 124.931 |
| 16. | Erik Jones | T | 124.902 |
| 17. | Austin Dillon | C | 124.821 |
| 18. | Ricky Stenhouse Jr. | F | 124.769 |
| 19. | Ryan Newman | F | 124.683 |
| 20. | Alex Bowman | C | 124.654 |
| 21. | Ryan Preece | C | 124.430 |
| 22. | Daniel Hemric | C | 124.412 |
| 23. | Chris Buescher | C | 124.212 |
| 24. | Paul Menard | F | 124.155 |
| 25. | William Byron | C | 123.808 |
| 26. | Matt Tifft | F | 123.485 |
| 27. | David Ragan | F | 123.440 |
| 28. | Joey Logano | F | 123.310 |
| 29. | Corey Lajoie | F | 123.231 |
| 30. | Bubba Wallace | C | 122.951 |
| 31. | Ty Dillon | C | 122.388 |
| 32. | Ross Chastain | C | 122.039 |
| 33. | JJ Yeley | F | 121.283 |
| 34. | Austin Theriault | C | 120.919 |
| 35. | Reed Sorenson | C | 120.805 |
| 36. | Landon Cassill | C | 120.240 |
| 37. | Spencer Boyd | C | 119.554 |
| 38. | Quin Houff | C | 119.184 |

C-Chevrolet; F-Ford; T-Toyota

NHL PRESEASON

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Tampa Bay 3, Nashville 1
 Toronto 3, Buffalo 0
 New Jersey 4, NY Rangers 2
 NY Islanders 4, Detroit 3 (OT)
 St. Louis 4, Winnipeg 3 (OT)
 Edmonton 6, Calgary 2

ODDS

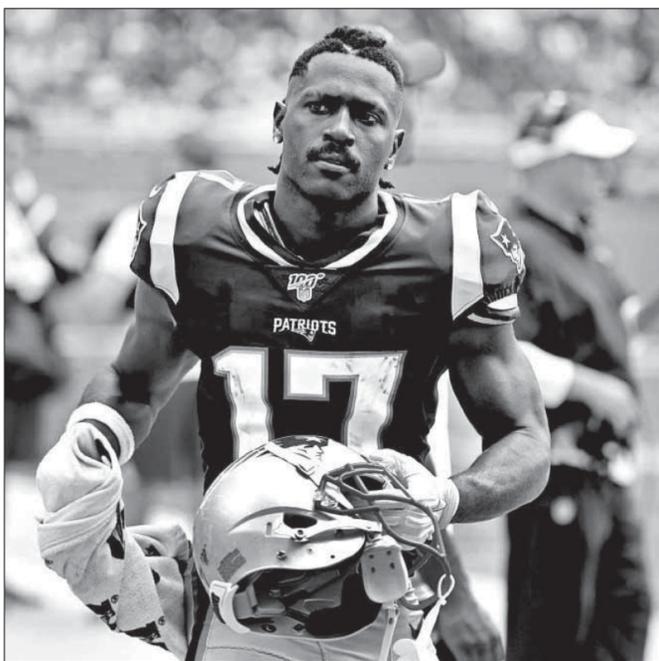
| MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL | | |
|-----------------------|----------|--------------------|
| NATIONAL LEAGUE | SATURDAY | |
| at Chi Cubs | -127 | St. Louis +117 |
| NY Mets | -118 | at Cincinnati +108 |
| Washington | -245 | at Miami +225 |
| at Milwaukee | -207 | Pittsburgh +187 |
| at Atlanta | off | San Fran. off |
| Arizona | -126 | at San Diego +116 |
| at LA Dodgers | -320 | Colorado +290 |
| AMERICAN LEAGUE | | |
| SATURDAY | | |
| at NY Yankees | -300 | Toronto +270 |
| Chi White Sox | -120 | at Detroit +110 |
| at Tampa Bay | off | Boston off |
| at Baltimore | off | Seattle off |
| at Minnesota | -310 | Kansas City +280 |
| at Houston | off | LA Angels off |
| at Oakland | -270 | Texas +240 |
| INTERLEAGUE | | |
| SATURDAY | | |
| at Cleveland | -168 | Philadelphia +158 |

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

| WEEK 4 | SP | OU | SATURDAY |
|----------------|-----|-----|-----------------|
| at Iowa St | 18 | 54 | La-Monroe |
| at Ohio State | 38½ | 56 | Miami Ohio |
| at Clemson | 41½ | 61 | Charlotte |
| at Indiana | 27½ | 56½ | UConn |
| UCF | 11 | 61½ | at Pittsburgh |
| at Ohio | 3 | 67½ | La-Lafayette |
| Nebraska | 13½ | 62 | at Illinois |
| Temple | 15½ | 50½ | at Buffalo |
| at Miami | 29½ | 47½ | Cent. Mich. |
| at Virginia | 28 | 46½ | Old Dominion |
| Coast. Carol. | 17 | 61 | at UMass |
| Michigan St | 9 | 37 | at Northwestern |
| Troy | 17½ | 56 | at Akron |
| Boston Coll. | 8½ | 57½ | at Rutgers |
| at Syracuse | 4½ | 65½ | W. Michigan |
| at NC State | 19½ | 58½ | Ball St |
| at Wisconsin | 3 | 44½ | Michigan |
| Toledo | 9 | 66 | at Colorado St |
| at N. Mexico | 6½ | 71 | N. Mexico St |
| Washington | 6½ | 50½ | at BYU |
| at Arizona St | 8½ | 48½ | Colorado |
| at Mississippi | 2½ | 41½ | California |
| at Florida | 14 | 48½ | Tennessee |
| at Alabama | 38 | 61½ | Southern Miss |
| at Miss. St | 6 | 48 | Kentucky |
| LSU | 24½ | 62½ | at Vanderbilt |
| at N. Carolina | 2½ | 58 | Appalach. St |
| at Texas A&M | 4 | 47½ | Auburn |
| at Tulsa | 3½ | 46 | Wyoming |
| at Missouri | 8½ | 60½ | S. Carolina |
| W. Virginia | 4½ | 48½ | at Kansas |
| at Texas | 6½ | 72½ | Oklahoma St |
| at Kent St | 11½ | 62½ | Bowling Green |
| at TCU | 8 | 55 | SMU |
| at Arkansas | 21 | 61½ | San Jose St |
| at UAB | 10½ | 48½ | S. Alabama |
| Oregon | 10½ | 57½ | at Stanford |
| Baylor | 26 | 58½ | at Rice |
| at Georgia | 14½ | 58 | Notre Dame |
| at Florida St | 6½ | 61½ | Louisville |
| at Wash. St | 3½ | 54 | at UCLA |
| Utah St | 18½ | 54 | at San Dgo St |

NFL WEEK 3

| WEEK 3 | SP | OU | SUNDAY |
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| at Green Bay | 7 | 43 | Denver |
| at Philadelphia | 6 | 45½ | Detroit |
| at Kansas City | 5½ | 52 | Baltimore |
| at Buffalo | 6 | 44 | Cincinnati |
| at Indianapolis | 1 | 47 | Atlanta |
| at Minnesota | 9 | 43½ | Oakland |
| at New England | 21 | 43 | NY Jets |
| at Dallas | 22 | 47 | Miami |
| at Tampa Bay | 6 | 47½ | NY Giants |
| at Arizona | 2 | 44½ | Carolina |
| at Seattle | 4½ | 45 | New Orleans |
| at LA Chargers | 3 | 48½ | Houston |
| at San Fran. | 6½ | 43½ | Pittsburgh |
| LA Rams | 3 | 47 | Cleveland |
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| pregame.com | 3½ | 41 | at Washington |



LYNNE SLADKY/AP

Antonio Brown played one game with the Patriots before his release Friday.

NFL NOTES

Brown's brief stay with Patriots over

After another accusation, champs cut ties with WR

News services

Antonio Brown was released by the Patriots on Friday after a second woman accused him of sexual misconduct. The Patriots are the third team in seven months to tire of the off-field behavior that has overshadowed his accomplishments as one of the NFL's most prolific receivers for a decade.

The defending Super Bowl champions announced the move in a statement emailed to reporters, three minutes after Brown posted on Twitter: "Thank you for the opportunity (at)Patriots (hash)GoWinIt."

Brown has been accused of rape in a lawsuit by a former trainer. He also faces allegations that he exposed himself to an artist he hired to paint a mural at his home. Brown has denied the accusations.

In the email attributed to "a Patriots spokesperson," the team said: "We appreciate the hard work of many people over the past 11 days, but we feel that it is best to move in a different direction at this time."

Earlier this week, Nike cut ties with the receiver, saying in an email, "Antonio Brown is not a Nike athlete."

A four-time All-Pro who caught 837 passes over nine seasons with the Steelers, Brown wore out his welcome in Pittsburgh after he went missing for two days before the 2018 season finale. The Steelers traded him to the Raiders, who signed him to a contract that would have paid him up to \$50 million over the next three seasons.

But he never played a game for the Raiders, quarreling with the coach and general manager until they, too,

released him. The Patriots signed him only a few hours later, giving him a one-year deal that would have guaranteed him \$9 million and paid him up to \$15 million this season.

Newton won't play: The Panthers will be counting on second-year quarterback Kyle Allen to help them climb out of an 0-2 hole to start the season.

Allen was named the Panthers starter for Sunday's road game against the Cardinals after Cam Newton was ruled out with a mid-foot sprain. It will be the second career start for Allen, an Arizona native.

"He worked through a lot of the soreness this week and felt pretty good at the end of the week," Rivera said. "The one thing we don't want to do is have another setback. "So we want to make sure he is ready to roll and his foot can handle it."

Rivera said Newton will not travel with the team to Arizona but will instead remain behind in Charlotte to receive treatment.

The coach said Newton is "day to day," leaving his status unclear for Week 4.

The former league MVP aggravated his left foot during the Panthers' 20-14 loss to the Buccaneers on Sept. 12 and hasn't practiced since. It will be only the sixth career game he has missed due to injury.

Extra points: All-Pro LB Darius Leonard will miss the Colts' game against the Falcons on Sunday due to a concussion. ... The Browns placed TE David Njoku on IR with a wrist injury. ... Barron Hilton, the heir to a hotel fortune who was one of the founders of the American Football League and the original owner of the Chargers, died Thursday in Los Angeles. He was 91.

IN BRIEF

KU hoops hit with violations

The NCAA is preparing to issue a notice of allegations that details multiple major violations in the Kansas men's basketball program, according to reports Friday.

The notice will come after a summer of speculation following a top NCAA official saying the organization would make findings against schools involved in a pay-for-play recruiting scheme investigated by the FBI.

On June 12, Stan Wilcox, the NCAA's VP of regulatory affairs, said at least six schools would receive a notice of allegations for Level 1 violations this summer.

NC State on July 10 received a notice of allegations that included two Level 1 violations.

Level 1 violations carry some of the most severe punishment, including postseason bans and loss of scholarships.

College football: Houston senior QB D'Eriq

SPORTS



JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Allen Robinson gets up after making a 25-yard reception with one second left Sunday.

Bears

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Be ready, Nagy emphasized, if a similar scenario comes our way down the road.

"All we need," the coach told his team, "is one second and the ball."

"We don't just talk about it and draw white and black lines on a piece of paper," Nagy explained Friday at Halas Hall. "We show video evidence of it happening. Because for the players, they've got to see it. We've always done that. And then we try to stay current."

How was Nagy to know that his preaching would come into play in the team's very next game?

Naturally, the Bears fell behind 14-13 with 31 seconds to play. And that's when they all started thinking to themselves and then saying out loud to each other, "All we need is one second and the ball."

"Any human being is going to be deflated for about five seconds. Normal. OK," Nagy said. "We're all deflated for five seconds. The only thing you can do is worry about what you have. You have 31 seconds and the ball. That's 30 more seconds than what we say you need. Now, it's my job to go over on the sidelines and say to everybody, 'Hey, this is the exact situation that just happened. We just watched this two days ago. Now let's go make it happen. Think positive.'"

"And when you see those guys when they're sitting down there slouched on the bench, and they hear that and they feel it, then they get up."

To be clear, the Bears' final drive to beat the Broncos was far from a thing of beauty. They needed the gift penalty against Chubb plus a coverage breakdown by safety Kareem Jackson on Mitch Trubisky's final 25-yard completion to Allen Robinson to set up Eddy Pineiro's 53-yard, game-winning kick.

But there was something impressive in the way the Bears retained a winning mentality through all their struggles and sloppiness. And that's a testament to Nagy's ability to turn his team's dials properly, to frequently calibrate the right mindset for each week and for each situation within a game like the last one.

Something about seeing the Saints' rally resonated with the Bears.

Said right tackle Bobby Massie: "When

you see it like that, you understand that's a situation we could end up in. So you get a chance to see another team operate. You see the way they manage it. Getting the ball out on time. Getting down. The offensive line getting up, the receivers getting set. It was an excellent visual."

Massie was particularly impressed with the Saints' sense of calm.

"It was the way they operated. They got scored on. You think the game might be over. But they said, '(Expletive) it! Let's go win this (thing).'"

Trubisky's take?

"Seeing that clip, I think we were better prepared for (the Broncos) game and that ending situation because we had gone over that as an offense."

Eventually, Nagy is going to have to be far more productive in other significant areas. He can't be known mainly as an upbeat coach who has gadget plays named "Oompa Loompa" and "Santa's Sleigh." He can't be praised only for having a disco ball and strobe lights in "Club Dub" after wins. He can't just be a figurehead who yells "Boom!" after big moments of big victories.

Most significant, he is going to have to prove he can elevate Trubisky to the outer reaches of his potential. And Nagy is going to have to do far better as an offensive mastermind and strategist, with his unit now having failed to reach 20 points in 10 of their 19 meaningful games.

Still, it's important to acknowledge his ability to connect so naturally with players, to know the right buttons to push and how to push them. That's a key tenet of leadership. And Nagy's knack for consistently creating positive energy and instilling belief have been invaluable.

That was certainly the case in a stressful situation in the final minute last weekend in Denver.

"Almost the exact same scenario," Massie said. "Our mindset was, 'We're going to win this.' ... It just shows how brilliant Nagy can be as a coach. It's the different scenarios he brings up, the situations he puts us through in practice, the things we watch together on TV. He's an amazing coach in that way."

Added running back Tarik Cohen: "It helped to see it. And now having our own experience is going to help us even more when we're back in a similar situation."

Sure, the timing of Nagy's lesson might have been serendipitous. But again, that's coaching. That's preparation. That's leadership.

Blackhawks

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The Hawks also play host to the Capitals on Wednesday before leaving for Europe on Thursday to prepare for the Oct. 4 regular-season opener against the Flyers in Prague.

"He was never out of the running," Colliton said. "He's here. But we want to get him available first, and then we'll think about those things."

Dach, 18, isn't age-eligible to play with the IceHogs and would return to the Saskatoon Blades, his junior team, if he doesn't make the Hawks roster.

The Hawks also announced some cuts Friday, sending forwards Kris Versteeg, Tyler Sikura, Nathan Noel, Graham Knott, Tim Soderlund and Dylan McLaughlin and defensemen Chad Kryz, Jack Ramsey and Jake Ryzczek to the IceHogs.

Colliton said more cuts are coming Saturday as the team trims to the 25 or 26 players they plan to bring to Europe.

Versteeg, who is on an AHL contract, last played in the NHL during the 2017-18 season when he had eight points (three goals, five assists) with the Flames. Last season he had 16 points in 23 games while splitting time playing in Sweden and Russia's top leagues.

The Hawks have put a premium on NHL veterans this year, bringing in players such as Calvin de Haan, Olli Maatta, Andrew Shaw and Robin Lehner. But Versteeg, 33, isn't likely to join them at the United Center even though he has won two Stanley Cups and played 11 NHL seasons.



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Kirby Dach, who suffered a concussion last week, did some skating at practice Friday.

"He's got a ton of experience and obviously he's done very well in this organization," Colliton said. "It was great to have him back and it's hard. ... He's got to get back up to speed. It's been a while since he's been to an NHL camp and played NHL games."

"It was great to have him here so he can be on the same page with what we're trying to do tactically, and he's going to be a big part of Rockford, and then it's up to him. We'll see how he performs."

Colliton said De Haan, who is recovering from shoulder surgery and a groin injury, is not expected to play in either of the next two preseason games despite practicing at full strength the last few days.

"He's not available right now," Colliton said. "I don't think we have an exact timeline. It's great that he's out getting reps. He has taken some contact, so that's a positive."

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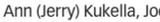
Gehrich, Caroline L.

Caroline L. Gehrich (née Ohman), of Bloomingdale, died peacefully on Thursday, September 12, 2019 at Alexian Brothers Medical Center in Elk Grove. Carol was born in Peru, Indiana on May 13, 1944; she was 75 years old. She was preceded in death by her beloved son, Donald R. Gehrich, II. She leaves behind many dear friends. Memorial Mass on Tuesday, September 24, 2019 at 10:45 a.m. at St. Isidore's Church in Bloomingdale, Illinois with interment to immediately follow.

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Green, Richard Kenneth

Richard Kenneth Green, 80, of Oak Brook. Beloved husband of Linda and the late Pat. Loving father of Rick (Nancy), Mike (Eve) Green, and Karen (Jeff) Stelmach. Devoted grandfather of Carolyn (Alex Schonemann), Andrew, Julia, Jessica, and Sydney Green; Brendan, Colin and Ally Stelmach. Dear brother of Jack (Anne) Green,



Ann (Jerry) Kukella, Joe (Nancy) Donovan, Will (Anne) Donovan and the late Carolyn (late Hank) Maloney. Fond uncle of many. Originally from Auburn, New York, Dick moved to the Midwest after graduating from the University of Notre Dame in 1962. He married Patricia Arch that same year. After a brief stint in Milwaukee, Dick, Pat and their growing family settled in Western Springs, Illinois. In 1971, he joined his father-in-law at Blistex, Inc. in Oak Brook, eventually serving as president of the company. After Pat's untimely passing in 2004, Dick had the great fortune of finding love for a second time. He and Linda were very happily married for nearly twelve years. He will be greatly missed by his loving family as well as his many friends at St. John of the Cross Parish, at LaGrange Country Club, at ND football tailgates, and in Tequesta, Florida where he spent his winters following retirement. Funeral Mass 11am Friday, Sept. 27, 2019 at St. John of the Cross Church, 5101 S. Wolf Rd., Western Springs. Luncheon to follow at Ruth Lake Country Club. All are invited. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Catholic Charities of Chicago (catholiccharities.net). Arrangements entrusted to **Hallowell & James Funeral Home** at 708/352-6500 or www.hjfunerals.com

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Januz, Dorothy

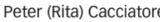
Dorothy Januz, 87, long time resident of Lake Forest passed away on September 15, 2019. She was born in Waukegan, IL on November 19, 1932 to Otto and Erna Heuer. Dorothy graduated from Warren Township Highschool in 1949 and continued on with her education with becoming a nurse from Northwestern Nursing School in 1953. She was an accomplished nurse for 30 years with Northwestern Lake Forest Hospital as well as Advocate Condell Hospital for 10 years. She will be greatly missed by her sister-in-law Mary "Betty" Heuer; nieces and nephews Mary Ann Scanlon, Linda Fogerty, William (Ronna) Heuer; and Marshall (Diane) Philyaw; she was preceded in death by her husband Lauren Januz; brother Karl Heuer; mother and father-in-law Cipron and Elsie Januz and her parents. Visitation will be held from 10-11 am on Monday, September 23, 2019 at **Wenban Funeral Home**, 320 Vine Avenue, Lake Forest, IL 60045, with a service to be held at 11 am. Burial will take place following the service at Northshore Garden of Memories in North Chicago, IL. Memorial contributions may be sent in loving memory of Dorothy Januz to Northwestern Memorial Foundation in her honor. Info: **Wenban Funeral Home** (847) 234-0022 or www.wenbanfh.com



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Lasek, Christopher R.

Christopher R. Lasek, age 23 of Hinsdale, IL; beloved son of Sue (nee Cacciatore) and Mark Lasek; loving brother of Richie, Charlotte, Josephine, and Mark Lasek; dear grandson of Lillian and the late Richard C. Lasek, and Charlotte & the late Victor J. Cacciatore; fond nephew of Victor (Josephine) Cacciatore, Joseph (Mary Jo) Cacciatore, Peter (Rita) Cacciatore, Cynthia (Roger) Bickel, Mary Beth Cacciatore, Gloria (Hayati) Turan, Christopher (Bridget) Cacciatore, Phillip (Jo Anne) Cacciatore, Daniel Cacciatore, and Maria Cacciatore; cousin and friend of many. Visitation Saturday, Sept. 21 from 10am until time of Mass, 12pm at St. John of the Cross Church, 5005 Wolf Rd., Western Springs. Private interment to follow at Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Hillside. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations given to Misericordia (misericordia.com) are appreciated. Funeral arrangements entrusted to **Hallowell & James Funeral Home, Countryside**. 708-352-6500. See the full obituary at hjfunerals.com.



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Nassau, David L.

David L. Nassau, 101, passed away September 18, 2019. Grandson of early settlers of Whiting and East Chicago Indiana. A Purdue graduate, was an expeditor for the U.S. government in building Plant III of Inland Steel during World War II. An Elk, a Mason, and a Shriner. He was also a member of the East Chicago Hall of Fame. Family business honored by the Indiana Historical Society for 100 years of family ownership. He is survived by his 3 children, Bruce Nassau, Larry Nassau (Philly), Anne Nassau Plous, 4 grandchildren, Jeff Plous (Lindsay), Kashi Hinds (Peter), Marlys Nassau, Mallory Nassau, and 2 Great Grandchildren, Blake Olivia Plous, and Maxwell David Plous. Funeral is private.

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Phenner, Michael E.

Michael Phenner lived a thoughtful, intentional life, and died a peaceful death on September 18, 2019 at his home in Evanston, IL. Michael was born on March 2, 1938 in Toronto Canada, and moved to Evanston in 1951. Michael attended the University of Notre Dame for his undergraduate and law degrees, graduating in 1959 and 1962, respectively. Michael clerked for Judge Roger Kiley in United States Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, followed by three years in the Judge Advocate General's Corps. During that time, Michael served as White House social aide in President Lyndon Johnson's administration, when he met Mary Theresa White, whom he married on September 23rd, 1967 in Bronxville, NY.

Michael practiced law in Chicago at Hopkins & Sutter for 34 years until 2000, when he left to lead New Ventures at The Cradle, the adoption agency where he welcomed his daughter Maureen and son Christopher in 1975 and 1972, respectively. Michael and Mary Phenner served on the board of The Cradle for 25 years. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to The Cradle, 2049 Ridge Avenue, Evanston, IL 60202. Michael was preceded in death by his sister Sonja, his father Lewis, his mother Bernice, his wife Mary of 49 years and Mary's sisters Dorothy and Patricia White. Michael is survived by his two children Chris (Erika) Phenner and Maureen (Justin) Albring and his four grandchildren of William and Harrison Phenner, Mac and Louis Albring, as well as Patricia White's husband Doug Snyder and his daughters Hue and Ket White. Funeral Mass will be at 10am CT on Monday, September 23 at St. Mary's Parish, 1012 Lake St, Evanston. A reception will follow at The Mather, at 425 Davis St., Evanston. St. Mary's has parking on its property, and is wheelchair accessible. The Mather is 0.4 miles to the northeast.

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Rondoni, Alice Genevieve (Foley)

Beloved Wife, Mother, Grandmother and Great-Grandmother passed peacefully away at age 86 on September 14th, 2019. Alice was born on October 7th, 1932. She was preceded in death by her husband, James (Jack) Rondoni. She is survived by her six children, Francis (Nancy), Lesley Williams (Roger), Catherine Connor (Kevin), Allison Sheehan (John), Sharon Kliebhan (Tom), and Jack (Katie). She is loved and admired by her 16 grandchildren and her 12 great-grandchildren. Alice was proud of her Irish heritage and was known for her gentle kindness, compassion, understanding and patience. She found pleasure in art and appreciated beauty in all things. Her greatest pleasure in life was her grandchildren and great-grandchildren who adored her company. Alice was a source of wisdom and guidance for her family throughout her life and took particular joy in creating a warm and welcoming environment in her home. She will be immensely missed by all her family and friends. Visitation will be held at 4:00 to 7:00 P.M. on Monday, September 23rd, 2019 at **Yurs Funeral Home** St. Charles. Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. Patrick's Church, 400 Cedar Street, St. Charles, IL, 60174, at 10:30 A.M. Tuesday September 24th, 2019. Lunch will follow the Burial. Contributions may be made to River Glen Retirement Community, St. Charles, IL 60174. For further information please call **Yurs Funeral Home** 630-584-0060

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Sakach, Mary Joan

Mary Joan Sakach (nee Barry), loving wife of John M. Sakach for 58 years, passed away peacefully at their home on September 18, 2019. She was born on April 5, 1940 to Paul O. and Rita Jane (Murray) Barry and pre-deceased by her brother Thomas (Sara) Barry. Beloved mother to Steve (Debra), Mike (Diane), Laura (John) Gambla, and Katie (Bart McCartin) Sakach. Revered grandmother of Elena and Julia Sakach; Connor, Christopher and Timothy Gambla; and Nathaniel (Dy) Welch. Caring aunt of Paul and Kelsey Barry and GG (great grandmother) of Aedan and Aymery Welch

Mary Joan was raised in Elmhurst and resided in Glen Ellyn. While raising her four children, she matriculated law school and practiced in Downers Grove. (insert services data) In lieu of flowers, donations to the Michael J Fox Foundation. Visitation Sunday 3 PM - 6 PM at **Williams-Kampp Funeral Home** 430 E. Roosevelt Rd. in Wheaton. Funeral Monday 9:15 AM Prayers at the Funeral Home. Procession to St. James the Apostle Church 480 S. Park Blvd. in Glen Ellyn, mass will be held at 10 AM. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. For info 630-668-0016 or www.williams-kampp.com

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Thermos, George P.

George P. Thermos, Beloved husband of Kathleen A. (nee, Barry) Thermos. Loving father of Mary (Richard) Tompson and Anastasia Thermos, loving grandfather of Mei Li and Lu Li Tompson and Roark Neitzel. Dear brother of the late Gus P. (Margaret), the late Demetra, the late Nicholas P. and the late Thomas P. (the late Nancy) Thermos. Devoted son of the late Peter and Mary (nee, Fifles) Thermos. Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Sunday, September 22, 2019, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Nelson Funeral Home, 820 W Talcott Road, Park Ridge. Family and friends will meet Monday morning, September 23, 2019, at Elmwood Cemetery, 2905 Thatcher Ave, River Grove, IL 60171 for graveside service and interment at 11:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, memorial tributes made to Greek American Rehab & Nursing Centre, 220 N. First St., Wheeling, IL 60090, or to a charity of your choice, would be appreciated. Arrangements by **John G. Adinamis Funeral Director, Ltd.**, 847-375-0095

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comment. Information is available at
www.cityofevanston.org. A public meeting will
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Examination: Knowledge of project manager
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By Theodore Eidukas
Vice President - Regulatory Affairs

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JUDICIAL BRANCH NH CIRCUIT COURT
10th Circuit - Family Division - Portsmouth
111 Parrot Ave., Portsmouth NH 03801-4402
In the Matter of Margaret King and Tracy
Vetri

Case Number: 670-2019-DM-00148
On May 08, 2019, Margaret King of Seabrook,
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with requests concerning:

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SATURDAY, SEPT. 21 NORMAL HIGH: 73° NORMAL LOW: 52° RECORD HIGH: 94° (2017) RECORD LOW: 39° (1991)

A wet weekend with flooding rain possible

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 81 LOW 68

■ Scattered morning showers become more widespread in afternoon with embedded t-storms possible.

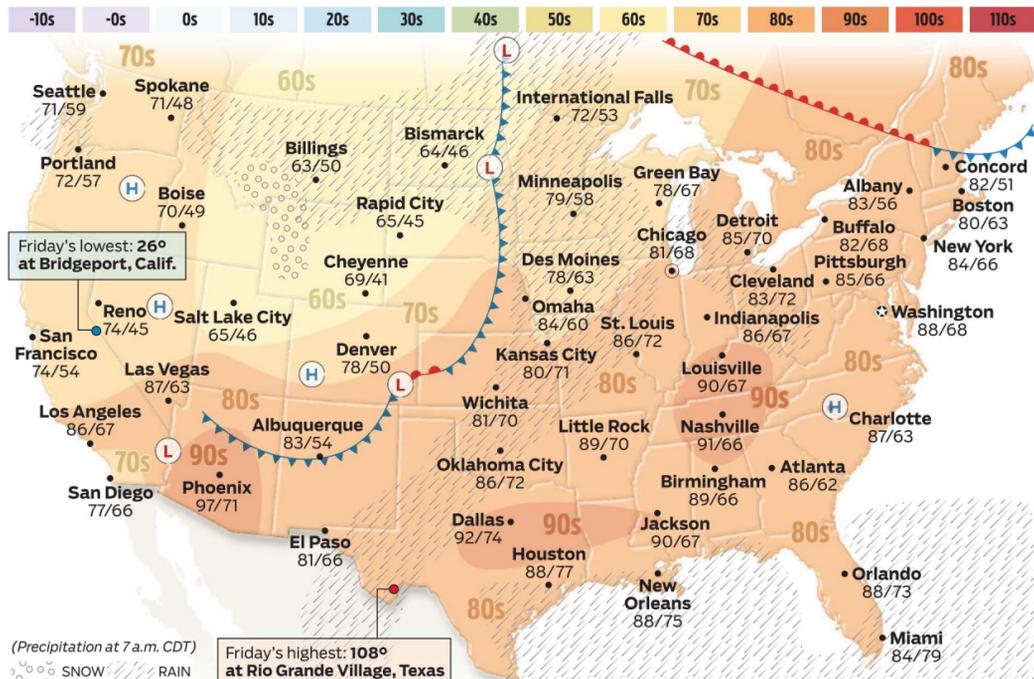
■ Mostly cloudy, windy, warm and humid. High in the low 80s.

■ SSW winds 15-25 mph with gusts to 35 mph in the afternoon.

■ Nighttime showers and thunderstorms with drenching downpours. Sharp river rises and flooding possible, especially in areas previously impacted.

■ Breezy with as strong SSW winds continuing. Humid overnight with a low in the upper 60s.

NATIONAL FORECAST



While some hours will be dry Saturday, it will be the beginning of a very wet weekend, with 2 to 4 inches of rain possible and most rain falling from Saturday afternoon to Sunday evening. A slow-moving system will combine the remnants of Tropical Storm Imelda with a cold front approaching from the Plains, providing the ingredients for heavy downpours. Swollen local rivers are predicted to rise with the weekend rains.

Strong southwest winds will help bring moisture to the region to support the heavy weekend rainfall.

The temperature should again reach 80 on Saturday before heavy cloud cover keeps the high temperature in the low 70s on Sunday.

Monday will bring a much-needed dry day and fall-like temperatures for the first day of autumn. Daytime hours should also be dry Tuesday.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 22

HIGH 73 LOW 59

Cloudy, humid. Showers and t-storms. Flooding rains possible. WSW winds. High in the low 70s. Heavy rain possible into evening. Skies clear overnight. Widely scattered showers. Winds turn NW. Low in upper 50s.

MONDAY, SEPT. 23

HIGH 72 LOW 58

High pressure brings sunny skies, cooler temps, breezy winds. Comfortable humidity. NW winds 8-12 mph to 20 mph. High in low 70s. Scattered overnight clouds. Winds diminish overnight. Low in upper 50s.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 24

HIGH 77 LOW 60

Partly sunny, breezy, warmer with a high in mid to upper 70s. SW winds 6-10 mph to 15 mph. Partly cloudy overnight with slight chance for an overnight shower or thunderstorm. SSW winds 8-12 mph. Low near 60.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 25

HIGH 79 LOW 55

Some sun early then increasing clouds. Warmer. Breezy SW winds. Increasing humidity. High in upper 70s. Showers. Possibly an isolated t-storm into evening. Winds diminish overnight. Low in mid 50s.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 26

HIGH 70 LOW 58

High pressure clears skies. Brings NW winds early which shift SE. Mostly sunny, cooler, less humid. High near 70 but cooler lakeside. Clouds increase in evening. Possible overnight shower. Low in upper 50s.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 27

HIGH 79 LOW 62

Partly sunny, breezy and warmer. Early shower possible. High near 80. Possible afternoon t-storm. S winds 10-20 mph. Gusts to 25 mph. Partly cloudy overnight with scattered showers. Low in low 60s.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
What are the world's temperature extremes?
Ed Zabrocki

Dear Ed,
Earth's climate is highly varied, with the weather ranging from blistering desert heat to the extreme cold of the polar regions, generating a 263-degree temperature span. The world's highest temperature actually occurred in the United States more than a century ago, when a temperature of 134 degrees was reached at the Greenland Ranch in Furnace Creek, Death Valley, California, on July 10, 1913.

The planet's icebox is located in the south polar region on the Antarctic icecap, where a temperature of 129 degrees below zero was recorded at Vostok on July 21, 1983.

Chicago's temperature extremes compute to about half of the world's, spanning 132 degrees, from a high of 105 on July 24, 1934, to a low of minus 27 on Jan. 20, 1985.

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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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Wet weekend with flooding potential to end summer

CHICAGO AREA PRECIPITATION PROBABILITIES

| | | | | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| 6AM-NOON SATURDAY | NOON-6PM SATURDAY | 6PM-6AM SAT NIGHT | 6AM-6PM SUNDAY | 6PM-6AM SUN NIGHT | 6AM-6PM MONDAY |
| 10% | 70% | 90% | 80% | 50% | 5% |

DAY #1— EXCESSIVE RAINFALL RISK
Valid Saturday through Sunday

DAY #2— EXCESSIVE RAINFALL RISK
Valid Sunday through Sunday night

DRENCHING WEEKEND RAINS
Blended model total estimated rainfall
Total rainfall through 7PM Monday

SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, NWS archives

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CHICAGO DIGEST

FRIDAY TEMPERATURES

| LOCATION | HI | LO | LOCATION | HI | LO |
|-----------|----|----|------------|----|----|
| Aurora | 84 | 65 | Midway | 86 | 69 |
| Gary | 86 | 66 | O'Hare | 84 | 68 |
| Kankakee | 86 | 64 | Romeoville | 84 | 66 |
| Lakefront | 81 | 66 | Valparaiso | 88 | 63 |
| Lansing | 85 | 67 | Waukegan | 79 | 62 |

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

| PERIOD | 2019 | NORMAL |
|-----------------------|--------|--------|
| Fri. (through 4 p.m.) | 0.00" | 0.11" |
| September to date | 2.93" | 2.18" |
| Year to date | 34.68" | 27.31" |

SATURDAY SUNBURN FORECAST

TIME OF EXPOSURE BEFORE SUNBURN BEGINS

| | |
|---------|---------------------|
| 7 a.m. | 3 hours, 35 minutes |
| 1 p.m.* | Over 60 minutes |
| 4 p.m. | Burn unlikely |

SOURCE: Clear Skin Dermatology; Dr. Bryan Schultz *Peak intensity

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

| SATURDAY | SUNDAY |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| Wind S 20-25 kts. SW 20-25 kts. | Waves 2-4 feet |
| Fri. shore/crib water temps 68°/66° | |

FRIDAY PEAK POLLEN LEVEL

| POLLEN | LEVEL |
|---------|-------|
| Tree | 0 |
| Grass | Low |
| 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 Moderate
Critical pollutant Particulates

SATURDAY RISE/SET TIMES

| | | |
|------|------------|-----------|
| Sun | 6:37 a.m. | 6:50 p.m. |
| Moon | 11:22 p.m. | 1:48 p.m. |

NEW Sept. 28, 1ST Q Oct. 5, FULL Oct. 13, 3RD Q Oct. 27

SATURDAY PLANET WATCH

| PLANET | RISE | SET |
|---------|-----------|------------|
| Mercury | 7:48 a.m. | 7:21 p.m. |
| Venus | 7:29 a.m. | 7:18 p.m. |
| Mars | 6:04 a.m. | 6:39 p.m. |
| Jupiter | 1:16 p.m. | 10:28 p.m. |
| Saturn | 3:13 p.m. | 12:28 a.m. |

BEST VIEWING TIME DIRECTION

| | |
|---------|--------------------|
| Mercury | Not visible |
| Venus | Not visible |
| Mars | Not visible |
| Jupiter | 8:15 p.m. 17.5° SW |
| Saturn | 8:15 p.m. 25.5° S |

SOURCE: Dan Joyce, Triton College

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FATHER OF FOOTBALL



Bert Bell helped transform the NFL into a modern Goliath

BY BARRY WILNER
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Bert Bell was not the first NFL commissioner. He was, however, the first to make a major impact on pro football.

To call Bell the father of the NFL draft would be accurate. It also would be an incomplete assessment, because Bell was a brilliant innovator who helped carry his league from an afterthought to a player among American sports.

The NFL ranked behind baseball and college football when Bell became the league's second commissioner in 1946. Even boxing and horse racing were more popular.

Bell's love affair with football began when he was the captain at Penn, where, his son Upton says, his dad threw the first pass in Rose Bowl history. Bert Bell then volunteered for the military in World War I before returning to Penn.

According to Upton Bell, his father and mother, an actress and dancer named Frances Upton, bought the Philadelphia neighborhood's Frankford Yellow Jackets as a wedding present for each other. They soon were renamed the Eagles, and Bert Bell began his impactful career as a pro football executive.

In 1935, after being burned by losing college players to other teams in bidding wars, Bell proposed a draft that took effect the next year — and has been copied by pretty much every other sport. Today, the NFL draft has spawned a cottage industry, has become a traveling show as popular as anything the NFL does outside of the Super Bowl and remains a key element to building teams.

Among his other early suggestions that took root in the NFL was a more balanced schedule in which the strong teams played other such squads, while the weak played the weak more often. That practice has been carried through the decades and still exists.

"My father was always in favor of poor teams having a chance to catch up quickly," Upton Bell told Ken Rappoport and me for our book "On the Clock, The Story of the NFL Draft."

Among his peers, Bell was one of the more highly regarded owners even though the Eagles saw little success on the field. When they sought to replace Elmer Layden as commissioner, the owners turned to Bell and elected him unanimously.

He immediately tackled two significant topics challenging the 10-team league: a rival organization, the All-America Football Conference; and the specter of gambling hovering over the sport.

Bell recognized it would take some time before the NFL-AAFC issue could be resolved. So he made his first priority establishing strong anti-gambling conduct codes to prevent scandals that occasionally plagued baseball, boxing and basketball.

Two New York Giants had been approached by a convicted felon seeking to fix the 1946 title game between the Bears and the Giants. One, fullback Merle Hapes, was barred from playing in it, while the other, quarterback Frank Filchock, was allowed to suit up. Subsequently, though, Bell suspended both indefinitely for "actions detrimental to the welfare of the National Football League and professional football." Neither Hapes nor Filchock ever appeared in another NFL game.

Wiser to the ways gamblers might influence outcomes, Bell's office remained diligent in monitoring point spreads. Bell hired several former FBI agents to work in league security roles.

As for the AAFC, Bell had been encouraged by several NFL owners to "crush" the competing league. Bell, however, saw the value in some of the AAFC's franchises, specifically Cleveland and San Francisco.

The NFL had only one West Coast team in those years, with the Rams having moved from Cleveland to Los Angeles in 1946. A California partner for them could open an entire geographic region for the league, Bell reasoned.

Bell also proposed sudden-death overtime for championship games so as to avoid having co-champions should the title match end in a tie. Such prescience bore fruit when the 1958 NFL championship between the Giants and Colts was, indeed, tied through four quarters.

And it wasn't a mere coincidence that the title game was broadcast nationally, though it was blacked out in New York because it was not a sellout.

Bell also was the first commissioner to recognize the NFL Players' Association, which angered every team owner.

"He was equally trusted by the media, the players and the owners," Upton Bell said in "On the Clock." "You would never get that again. I don't know any commissioner today that is trusted by everyone. When was the last commissioner that actually played the game? Any sport?"

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— Upton Bell, son of former NFL Commissioner Bert Bell

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Destiny bonded



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Quarterbacks Eli Manning of the New York Giants, left, and Ben Roethlisberger of the Pittsburgh Steelers, right, both entered the league in the first round of the 2004 NFL Draft. Both have been the long-time quarterback for their respective franchises and have each won multiple Super Bowl titles.

Manning, Big Ben were tied together at '04 draft, again this week

BY MARK MASKE
The Washington Post

When Eli Manning was benched this week by the Giants and Ben Roethlisberger's 16th season with the Steelers was cut short by an elbow injury, it was almost impossible not to flash back to that spring day in 2004. It began with the Giants coveting Manning but unsure if they'd be able to land him and Roethlisberger riding to Madison Square Garden wondering if he might end up playing in New York.

That memorable NFL draft turned out to be every bit as consequential for the league's balance of power over the ensuing 15 years as seemed possible on April 24, 2004. The Giants made their draft-day trade for Manning after the Chargers, then based in San Diego, took Manning first overall. Philip Rivers ended up with the Chargers, and Roethlisberger, passed up by the Giants at No. 4 in favor of Rivers and the pending blockbuster trade, went 11th to the Steelers.

"I'm a little happier now than I was 10 minutes ago," Manning said that day, having told the Chargers he didn't want to play for them. "I didn't expect a trade to happen. Obviously this is news to me, and it's good news."

That is four Super Bowl triumphs ago — two by Manning with the Giants and two by Roethlisberger with the Steelers. Manning, Roethlisberger and Rivers have remained with their original teams, with Rivers accompanying the Chargers to Los Angeles. Each is having, arguably, a Hall of Fame career.

But the early stages of this season have not been kind to NFL quarterbacks, and Manning and Roethlisberger became part of the attrition. Roethlisberger exited the Steelers' loss Sunday to the Seahawks, which dropped their record to 0-2, after grabbing at his elbow following a throw. He was replaced by Mason Rudolph, and the Steelers announced Monday that Roethlisberger needed season-ending surgery. A day later, Manning was told by coach Pat Shurmur, with the Giants at 0-2, that he was losing his starting job to rookie Daniel Jones, taken sixth



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Eli Manning was selected first overall in the 2004 NFL Draft by the San Diego Chargers but was immediately traded to the New York Giants. Ben Roethlisberger was selected 11th overall by the Pittsburgh Steelers.

in this year's draft.

They joined a list of shelved prominent quarterbacks that includes the Saints' Drew Brees and the Jaguars' Nick Foles, both injured, and the Jets' Sam Darnold, diagnosed with mononucleosis. Andrew Luck retired from the Colts just before the season. Cam Newton is out this week after he aggravated a foot injury in the Panthers' second game.

It is dismaying to a sport that increasingly has built its appeal around keeping its star quarterbacks healthy and historically productive.

"It's one thing to say, 'Next man up,' but this is ridiculous," former Redskins quarterback Joe Theismann said by phone this week. "I've never seen anything like it."

Fateful day

Manning, in consultation with his family and representatives, told the Chargers leading up to the 2004 draft he wouldn't play in San

Diego. Ernie Accorsi, then the general manager of the Giants, considered Manning a once-in-a-generation talent. A.J. Smith, then the GM of the Chargers, liked Rivers but held off on a trade until after drafting Manning.

On the day before the draft, the Giants told a Roethlisberger associate they might take him at No. 4 if the Chargers took Manning first and wouldn't trade him.

But Leigh Steinberg, then Roethlisberger's agent, warned Roethlisberger to remain wary of that possibility.

Several years after the draft, Steinberg recalled telling Roethlisberger during the ride to the draft to please remember that the Chargers had been locked on Rivers since the Senior Bowl scouting event, and Accorsi had been locked on Manning basically forever. The draft then was a two-day event held at what was then called The Theater at Madison Square Garden.

Steinberg was right. The Chargers took Manning with the top

selection, leading to the awkward scene of Manning holding a Chargers jersey and cap while posing with NFL Commissioner Paul Tagliabue.

"It's an important day for the NFL," Manning said that day before the trade. "The draft is a special time. I did not want to cause a scene. We already kind of caused one in a way, but I did not want to embarrass the commissioner."

The trade was completed soon after. Accorsi, who once had been forced as GM of the Colts to trade John Elway to the Broncos when the Hall of Fame quarterback-to-be refused to play in Baltimore, had his man. Rivers landed in Southern California. The Chargers also got draft picks that later would yield kicker Nate Kaeding and pass rusher Shawne Merriman.

Roethlisberger headed to Pittsburgh, saying on draft day, "It shows how much of a game this is, and no one really knows what's going on."

Up to the minute

Fast-forward to this week's NFL quarterbacking churn. With Manning and Roethlisberger, the sense of finality seems potentially greater.

Manning told reporters Wednesday: "I'm not dying and the season's not over." But he's in the final season of his Giants contract, and he turns 39 in January. Even if he would want to play elsewhere, would any other NFL team want him? The Giants already have moved on.

"I've been through the passing of the torch before with Johnny Unitas," Accorsi told the Giants website. "This is a very difficult time for me, although I knew sooner or later it would come. Eli Manning gave me the two greatest moments of my time in the National Football League. He will always be very special to me, as will his two Super Bowl championships."

Roethlisberger turns 38 in March and will be coming back from his elbow surgery. He has contemplated retirement previously. But he reiterated in a written statement this week what he'd said during a training camp interview — that he intends to play out his contract with the Steelers, which runs through the 2021 season.

"This is such a physical sport," Roethlisberger said in training camp. "You also can't control your injuries, your health and things like that. Having a family, you always take that into consideration. Now that I signed a new deal, I'm going to be out here and honor that contract."

But Roethlisberger's future, and the consideration of his and Manning's Hall of Fame credentials, are for another day. For now, Jones and Rudolph are joined as newly installed NFL starters by the Colts' Jacoby Brissett, the Jaguars' Gardner Minshew, the Jets' Luke Falk, the Saints' Teddy Bridgewater or Taysom Hill, the Panthers' Kyle Allen and the Dolphins' Josh Rosen (for the benched Ryan Fitzpatrick).

The league marches on. "Welcome to the NFL," Theismann said. "It's like the weather: Stay tuned. It'll change soon."

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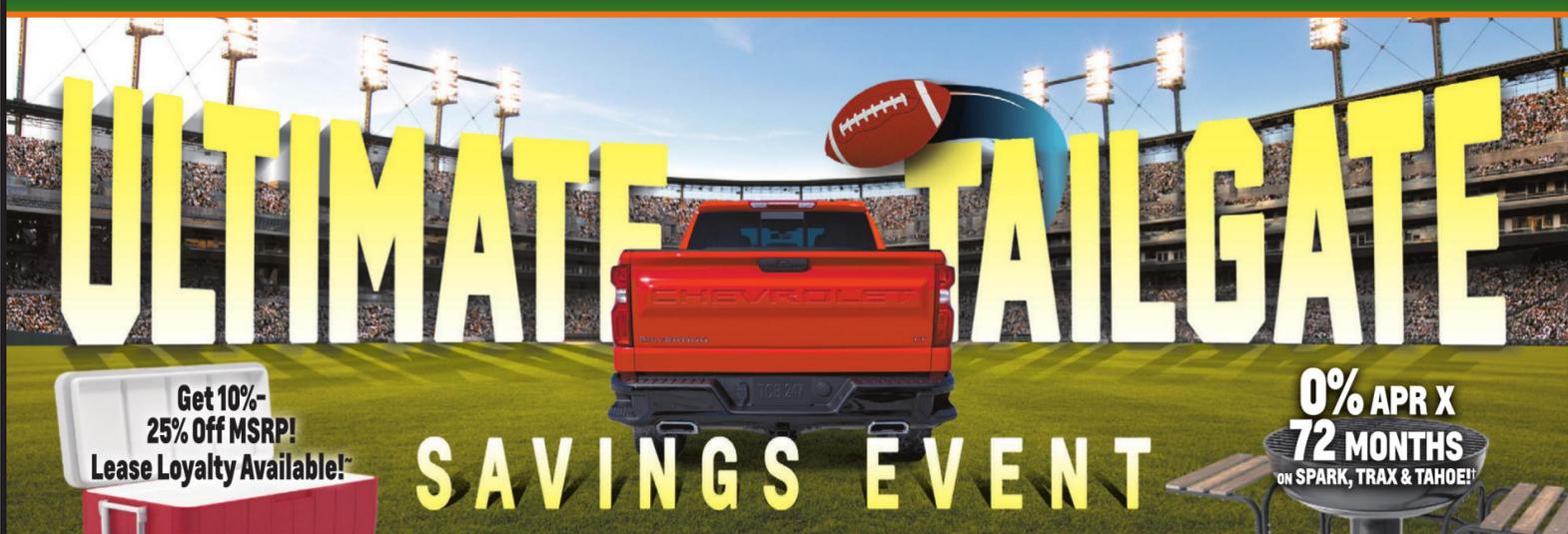
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