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Sterigenics leaving Willowbrook



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Lauren Kaeseberg, an activist with Stop Sterigenics, gestures toward the Sterigenics Willowbrook plant during a news conference Monday.

Business under fire for pollution says it failed to broker deal on new lease

By MICHAEL HAWTHORNE

For more than a year, community activists in Chicago's western suburbs fought to drive Sterigenics out of Willowbrook. The village mayor and leaders of surrounding communities threatened to seize the company's sterilization plant through eminent domain. State lawmakers from both political parties promised to ensure the controversial facility closed for good.

But in the end, it appears a routine business decision helped nudge the Oak Brook-based com-

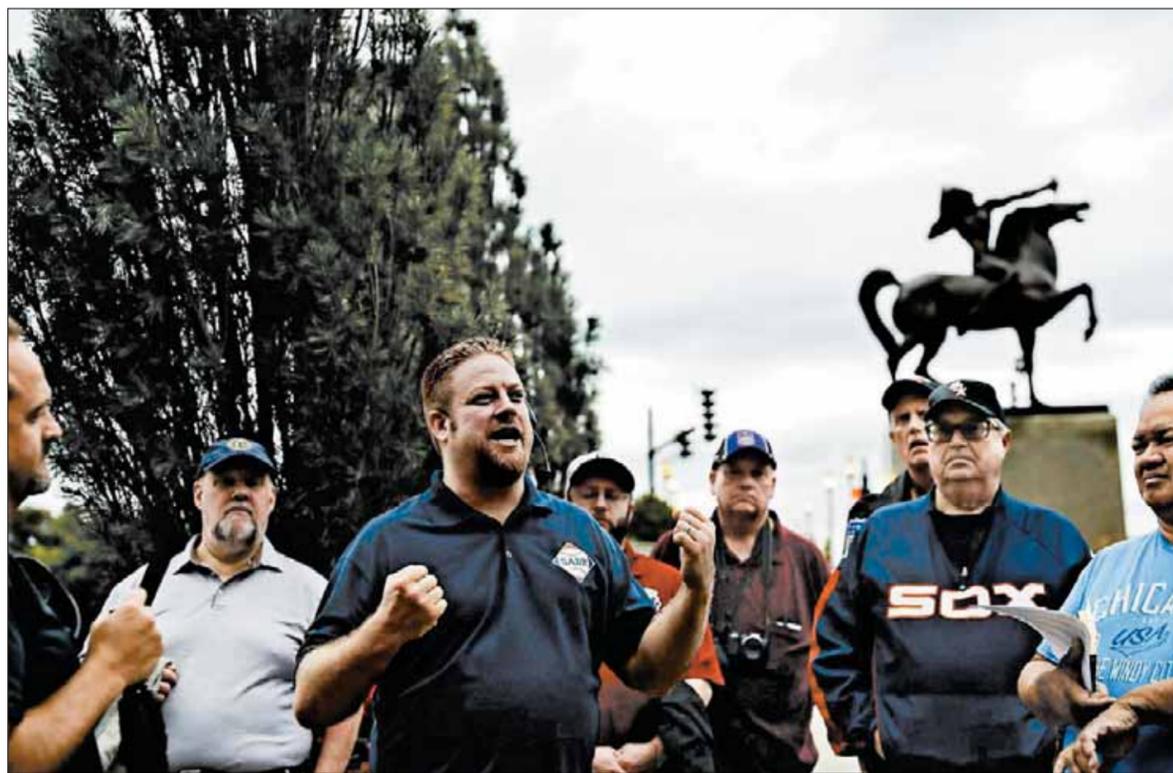
pany to abandon its Willowbrook operation, which federal records show was one of the nation's largest industrial sources of cancer-causing ethylene oxide pollution.

In a statement announcing it had failed to broker a deal on a new lease, Sterigenics said Monday it is shifting its Chicago-area business to other facilities, citing an "unstable legislative and regulatory landscape" that "created an environment in which it is not prudent to maintain these critical sterilization operations in Willowbrook."

Sterigenics and its corporate predecessors fumigated medical equipment with the toxic gas for more than three decades in an industrial park behind a Target store and across the street from Willowbrook Village Hall. The company's shock announcement came less than two weeks after the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency awarded Sterigenics a new permit that would have dramatically reduced the amount of ethylene oxide released into surrounding communities.

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It was a scandal that rocked baseball 100 years ago. But a fight drags on.



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Society for American Baseball Research's Jacob Pomrenke leads a walking tour Friday of historic Loop-area baseball sites.

Clearing the Black Sox

By PATRICK M. O'CONNELL

Debra Ebert and Sandy Schley sat toward the back of the second-floor ballroom at the Chicago History Museum, amid the crowd of 200 baseball fans and history buffs as historians, writers and professors delved deeply into the records and ramifications of the infamous 1919 World Series.

Fans and members of the Society for American Baseball Research spent their weekend listening to debates about the legacy of Sox star "Shoeless" Joe Jackson and club owner Charles Comiskey, gobbling up every morsel of information about the Black Sox betting scandal.

Ebert and Schley's connection to the topic cut deeper than most at the society's Black Sox Scandal Centennial Symposium. Their great-uncle, Sox third baseman Buck Weaver, was one of the eight players permanently banned from base-



CHICAGO TRIBUNE HISTORICAL PHOTO

White Sox player George "Buck" Weaver in an undated photo. Weaver was part of the 1919 White Sox and the Black Sox trial.

"The things that people get away with now, this is like nothing. If someone would just listen to us ..."

— Debra Ebert, great-niece of Sox third baseman Buck Weaver

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Trump lashes out at accuser

House panels seek Giuliani's records on his dealings with Ukraine

By JOHN WAGNER
The Washington Post

President Donald Trump called the complaint lodged by a whistleblower "a fraud" Monday as he continued to lash out at an anonymous U.S. intelligence official despite a warning by the individual's lawyer that Trump's previous comments had endangered his client's safety.

In a spate of morning tweets, Trump also questioned whether House Intelligence Committee Chairman Adam Schiff, D-Calif., who is leading the investigation, should be arrested for "treason," renewing a line of attack from the weekend.

"The Whistleblower knew almost nothing, its 2ND HAND description of the call is a fraud," Trump said in one tweet.

He referred to the whistleblower's account of Trump's July call with Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, a description that closely tracked a rough transcript released by the White House.

House Democrats last week began an impeachment inquiry into Trump's actions tied to the call, in which Trump repeatedly urged Zelenskyy to investigate former vice president Joe Biden, a leading Democratic contender for the presidency, and his son, at a time when the White House had suspended military aid to Ukraine.

Three House committees issued a subpoena Monday to Trump's lawyer, Rudy Giuliani, demanding he turn over all records pertaining to his contacts regarding Ukraine, the Biden family, and related matters.

In a letter to Giuliani accompanying the subpoena, Schiff, House Foreign Affairs Committee Chair-

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Chicago public libraries halt overdue-book fines

Aim is to widen access for low-income residents

By KATHERINE ROSENBERG-DOUGLAS AND JOHN BYRNE

Chicago public libraries will stop fining people for overdue books and wipe away patrons' outstanding debt, a move that makes the city the largest of more than 200 municipalities across the country to do so.

In a Monday announcement, Mayor Lori Lightfoot said she wants to help low-income people

regain access to the system that has blocked them from borrowing materials because they have hit the threshold of \$10 in fees.

Research cited by the American Library Association and the Urban Libraries Council suggests eliminating overdue fees also should increase overall book return rates and overall circulation rates — meaning more books in the hands of more Chicagoans.

"I can say this with complete confidence: I have been follow-

ing these stories of the growing trend towards eliminating fines at library systems across the country very closely for the last year, and I'm not aware of any serious consequence of a library going fine-free," said Curtis Rogers, a spokesman for Washington, D.C.-based Urban Libraries Council.

Starting Tuesday, checked-out books automatically will renew as many as 15 times, as long as no one else places a hold on them, according to Patrick Molloy, a spokesman for Chicago's library

system. Emails with due date reminders and fine warnings instead will be sent each time the book is auto-renewed, or if the book has been requested by another patron.

Items will be marked as "lost" and accounts will be charged a replacement fee one week after the last due date, but the charge will be cleared if the item is returned, Molloy said.

A lockout threshold remains, but it will be bumped up to \$30

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Giuliani, impeachment and the trouble with Trump's minions



REX W. HUPPKE

Two things are clear as President Donald Trump begins his second week under an impeachment inquiry:

- 1) Trump is totally innocent of everything, and anyone who disagrees is either committing treason (VERY BAD!) or attempting to launch a second civil war.
- 2) Trump needs a better defender to go out and parry with FAKE NEWS television lightweights like CNN's Jake Tapper, Fox News host Chris Wallace and CBS' "Face the Nation" host Margaret Brennan.

On point No. 1: Duh. Trump is absolutely nailing his response to the Democrats' unpatriotically fact-based impeachment inquiry, and he spent the weekend rage-tweeting like any normal and innocent president would do.

On Sunday, he tweeted quotes from Pastor Robert Jeffress suggesting impeachment might lead to a new civil war. Jeffress is an evangelical pastor who has said he believes Jewish people are going to hell.

That's the textbook first step in any impeachment defense: Tweet dangerously conspiratorial quotes from an anti-Semite.

Trump also accused House intelligence committee Chairman Adam Schiff of "treason" because in a hearing last week, Schiff over-exaggerated comments Trump made in a call with the president of the Ukraine that is now central to the impeachment inquiry. Schiff said he was parodying the president.

You don't have to be a law-knowing person to recognize that parody is treasonous, ipso facto, Schiff should face the death penalty.

On point No. 2: Trump needs a better loyalist to defend him from the relentless #FakeNews media liarscoundrels who keep derailing his current loyalists with basic questions relating to clearly documented facts.

Trump attorney Rudy Giuliani, Republican Rep. Jim Jordan and Republican Sen. Lindsey Graham all went on Sunday news shows and were made to look like raving lunatics just because they were lying.

Trump even dispatched White House adviser and the-concept-of-racism-in-meat-form Stephen Miller to speak with Wallace of Fox News. Miller flailed weakly like he had gone weeks without feasting on an immigrant baby, and Wallace finally said: "This is an exercise in obfuscation."

A president whose defense is "these things that are obviously very bad are not at all bad because I've called them fake" deserves better representation and clearly needs a professional communicator to deliver his message.

I am that professional communicator. Granted, I have spent years criticizing Trump, beginning long before he became president. I have made fun of him relentlessly and described him as an existential threat to our country.

But that was all part of the plan. I've been hiding in plain sight. And it's time to activate me, the pro-Trump sleeper agent.

Let me demonstrate how I would



CAROLYN KASTER/AP

President Donald Trump arrives to speak at the Hispanic Heritage Month reception in the East Room of the White House on Friday.

handle a Sunday morning Fox News interview with deep-state-loving Chris Wallace:

WALLACE: Mr. Huppke, I thank you for joining us.

ME: That's a lie.

WALLACE: What?

ME: You're lying.

WALLACE: About what?

ME: Everything.

WALLACE: But I ...

ME: I'm on to you.

WALLACE: Uhhhhh. Well let me

get to my first question. The impeachment inquiry ...

ME: Treason.

WALLACE: ... is based in large part

on the whistleblower report ...

ME: Treason. And fake.

WALLACE: ... that has been released.

ME: It's a fake whistleblower report.

None of it is firsthand, and that makes it a treason. And fake.

WALLACE: But major details in

that report have already been corroborated by the administration.

ME: No they haven't.

WALLACE: Sir, I don't mean to

sound rude, but they have. Those are

just the facts.

ME: Fake facts. Why aren't you

asking me anything about how hand-

some President Trump is and how he

has revitalized the coal industry and

brought 850 billion manufacturing

jobs back to America?

WALLACE: But ... respectfully,

none of what you just said is true.

ME: Is so.

WALLACE: No it's not. Frankly,

this is an exercise in obfuscation.

ME: That's not a real word.

WALLACE: What?

ME: Obfuscation. FAKE WORD!

WALLACE: It's not a ... oh, for

goodness' sake ... let me ask you another

question. Do you think it's right

for the president to be sharing

comments about a possible second civil

war over all this?

ME: He did no such thing.

WALLACE: But he shared Pastor

Jeffress' quotes about civil war and ...

ME: You're making that up.

WALLACE: IT'S ON PRESIDENT

TRUMP'S TWITTER FEED!

ME: What's Twitter? Is that a deep

state thing, Chris? Because the deep

state has been out to get this president

via a coup since before he even

ran for president.

WALLACE: None of that is true.

You're making things up.

ME: Am I?

WALLACE: YES!

ME: What about Benghazi?

WALLACE: I beg your ...

ME: And Hillary Clinton's acid-

washed email server that's being held

in one of George Soros' secret lairs in

Ukraine, under a copy of Saul Alinsky's

"Rules for Radicals," right next

to a copy of the Netflix deal the Obama

signed in the basement of a pizza

parlor that's a front for a child sex-

trafficking ring?

WALLACE: What are ...

ME: And what about the fluoride

in the water and the FEMA reeducat-

ion camps and the \$90 trillion Joe

Biden took from China in exchange

for a mind-control device that Eliza-

beth Warren is using to make every-

one believe she's part Cherokee?

WALLACE: That's utter nonsense.

ME: No it isn't. And I got to say it

on your show. So now people will

think about it.

WALLACE: I'm ending this inter-

view now.

ME: So I win.

WALLACE: Thank you, Mr. Hupp-

ke. We won't be talking again.

ME: That's Fake News. You'll have

me back next week.

WALLACE: **exasperated sigh**

You're probably right.

ME: I win.

I'm available to help out immedi-

ately, Mr. President. You know how

to reach me, I'm sure.

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Bike, read, boat

A bicyclist, a sunbathing couple and boaters take advantage of Monday's summerlike weather in and near Burnham Park, near Oakwood Boulevard and Lake Shore Drive in Chicago.

Navy sailor from Chicago dies after fall on carrier

By JAVONTE ANDERSON

A Navy sailor from Chicago has died after falling from an aircraft carrier elevator, according to the U.S. Navy.

Juan Jose Garcia-Herrera, 21, died Saturday after he accidentally fell from an aircraft elevator on the USS Nimitz, according to the U.S. Navy Air Forces' Twitter feed.



Garcia-Herrera

The accident occurred Friday night when the vessel was in port at Naval Air Station North Island in San Diego County.

Commissioned in 1975, the USS Nimitz is the oldest American aircraft carrier in active service, according to the ship's website.

A Nimitz spokesperson could not immediately be reached for comment.

The accident is under investigation, according to the Navy.

Ex-observatory worker pleads guilty to child porn charges

By JASON MEISNER

A convicted sex offender who was fired from his job at the former John Hancock Center's observatory after the Chicago Tribune revealed he was under federal investigation pleaded guilty Monday to federal child pornography charges.

Christopher Colon, 39, entered his guilty plea to one count of receiving images of child pornography at a hearing before U.S. District Judge Elaine Bucklo.

Colon, who previously served time for a child pornography conviction in state court, faces up to about 4½ years in federal prison when he is sentenced in January.

Colon was working as a tour manager at the observatory when the Tribune revealed in a front-page article in July 2018 that he was under federal investigation for disturbing new allegations involving child-sex fantasies.

Forced out of the job after the publicity and with charges looming in Chicago, Colon moved to Oregon and applied in October 2018 for a front-desk position with the Portland branch of the Ronald McDonald House, a charitable organization that



Colon

provides housing for families of pediatric medical patients, prosecutors said last year in court filings. He'd even been sent a letter offering him a job, though he hadn't actually started work, prosecutors said.

While in Portland, Colon had also registered as a babysitter on an online site called SitterCity.com, which connects parents with local sitters offering "in-home care," according to prosecutors.

The job hunting came to an end when deputy U.S. marshals arrested Colon on the new child pornography charges filed under seal in Chicago.

Dressed in an orange jail jumpsuit, Colon kept his hands clasped behind his back in court Monday as prosecutors detailed the allegations.

According to his 17-page plea agreement, Colon and an acquaintance shared files on an online messaging service depicting young boys and girls in various lewd poses.

In September 2017, Colon met the

acquaintance, identified only as Individual A, at a Walmart parking lot in Skokie, and the two watched child pornography together, according to the plea agreement.

In July 2018, the Tribune reported that an FBI search warrant affidavit unsealed in U.S. District Court revealed Colon, while organizing tours at the Hancock observatory, had been trying to connect online with other men who were into child pornography and "perv play."

According to the affidavit, Colon had placed an ad on a popular travel website offering a free, private tour of the observatory at 875 North Michigan Avenue — as the Magnificent Mile skyscraper is now known — tailored especially for fathers and sons.

When a federal agent posing as a father of a 10-year-old boy reached out in December 2017, Colon said a private bathroom and office would be available during the Hancock tour "if you would like some special private time," the affidavit said.

At the time, Colon was a registered sex offender because of his 2015 felony conviction in Cook County for possessing child pornography, records show.

A Tribune reporter who visited the

observatory at the time found Colon still working as a manager while dozens of children waited in line to take the elevator ride to the 94th floor.

The observatory's owner, 360 Chicago, immediately fired Colon after the Tribune asked questions about his employment.

Meanwhile, Jessica Jarratt Miller, chief executive officer of Ronald McDonald House Charities in Oregon, said last year she was mortified when she learned that Colon had been sent an initial job offer for a front-desk position.

As human resources managers scrambled to fast-track a background check, Miller Googled Colon's name on her phone and the Tribune's story popped up.

"I actually cried when I saw it," Miller said. "This was extraordinarily scary for us, that someone like this would target us to try to work around children."

Miller was confident, though, that Colon never would have been cleared to start work because a background check was pending that she said would have pulled up his status as a registered sex offender.

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Judge sentences man to 22 years in prison in sex trafficking case

BY ELVIA MALAGÓN

The three-hour sentencing for Bryan Osborne was so emotional for one of his teenage victims that she walked out of the courtroom crying at least two times Monday as she held her stomach.

She was one of more than a dozen women — many of whom were underage at the time — who were so desperate for money that they had agreed to meet a stranger who duped them into believing he'd pay them hundreds of dollars for sex. Osborne often sought for them to bring him even younger victims, prosecutors said.

When it came time for the one teen to address the court, she mustered all her courage and locked eyes with Osborne as she spoke in a firm voice.

"You had a choice. You chose to rape us. ...Why did you ask us for 10-year-olds? Why?" she demanded, her voice growing louder as she repeated the question.

Later, U.S. District Judge Sara L. Ellis sentenced Osborne, 30, to 22 years in prison, and in an apparent bid to try to ensure he wouldn't return to his predator ways after his release from prison, she also ordered that he then remain on supervised release for 12 years.

Ellis told the several teen

victims in attendance that no sentence would change what happened to them, but she encouraged them to find a way to regain power over their lives and their bodies.

"That to me will be the best justice, that you are able to heal from this and make a life for yourself," Ellis said.

Osborne, of Chicago, pleaded guilty nearly two years ago to a federal charge of sex trafficking of a minor by force, fraud or coercion, admitting that he posed as female strippers from at least May 2014 through January 2017 on several Facebook accounts to recruit girls into having sex by falsely promising them cash if they performed in pornographic videos. He then pretended to be a manager who first needed to have sex with the girls to determine if they'd be good enough for the films.

Federal prosecutors sought a life sentence, calling him "a serial rapist," while Osborne's lawyer argued for 15 years in prison.

Osborne admitted to recruiting at least 14 girls to perform sex acts in places that ranged from vacant buildings to outdoors during the winter.

Prosecutors said there were likely far more victims, noting that the government won court-ordered search warrants on eight Facebook accounts linked to Os-

borne but that the evidence suggested he used dozens of additional accounts to satisfy his sexual desires.

The girls ranged in age from preteen to teens, and many lived in foster homes, group homes, or were runaways or in dire financial straits, Assistant U.S. Attorney Michelle Petersen said.

The girl who spoke in court Monday was only 15 when she was victimized by Osborne in December 2015 and wanted the money for her sisters, according to court records.

"You tortured me. You spit on me," she said in court. "... You're a grown man. We were vulnerable. What little kids would be willing to have sex? I just wanted a better life for my sisters."

The teen never got paid and begged Osborne for the promised money, explaining that her sisters didn't have food or coats, according to court records. He sent her messages trying to lure her into having sex again, the records show.

She still cries every day, cannot maintain a relationship and so distrusts men that she won't allow male doctors to touch her.

Another teen who spoke Monday was 14 when Osborne promised her \$400 for sex, prosecutors said. The girl needed the money because her mother had abandoned her and she was on her

own.

Osborne lured the girl to an abandoned house in August 2015 and had unprotected sex with her, prosecutors said. He never paid the teen despite her messages that she hadn't eaten in three days.

She told the court that she got a sexually transmitted disease from the encounter and at one pointed wanted to kill herself.

"I go day by day," the teen said in a soft-spoken voice. "It's not fair."

Osborne, wearing an oversized orange prison jumpsuit, cried through much of the hearing.

When it came his turn to speak, he called himself a coward.

"I apologize for the pain that I put these young women and their families through," he said.

His attorney, Douglas Whitney, told the judge that Osborne was exposed to sex acts at a young age and sexually assaulted by a relative for years.

"It doesn't excuse it, but it explains how we got here," Whitney said.

Judge Ellis urged Osborne to use his time in prison seeking mental health treatment.

"This cycle of abuse has to end with you," she told him.

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Ousted alderman lands job with city

After losing election, Arena's new adviser role will pay nearly \$124K

BY JOHN BYRNE

Months after losing a bitter election fight in the Northwest Side 45th Ward, former Ald. John Arena has landed a new city job that comes with a pay raise.

Arena started Monday as a senior adviser in the Department of Planning and Development, where he will make \$123,996 a year.

He got the post despite the city government hiring freeze Mayor Lori Lightfoot imposed in August as she grapples with an \$838 million 2020 city budget deficit.

The hiring freeze didn't apply to Arena because the city had been in conversations with him since before the freeze was announced, according to a department spokesman.

Arena's responsibilities will include working with development partners on the South and West sides, helping outside delegate agencies coordinate with city development projects and helping facilitate development goals set by neighborhood groups, according to the department.

He joins many other former aldermen, during previous administrations, who got six-figure city jobs shortly after losing their reelection bids.

For example, former 10th Ward Ald. John Pope landed a gig as a deputy commissioner in the water department under former Mayor Rahm Emanuel following his 2015 loss to Susan Sadlowski Garza in the Southeast Side ward.

And Mary O'Connor got hired as a deputy commissioner in Planning and Development after losing in 2015 to Anthony Napolitano in the far Northwest Side 41st Ward.

Arena could not be reached for comment on his new job.

He endorsed Lightfoot in her runoff race against Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle last spring. The new mayor took office on a campaign pledge to end politics as usual in Chicago, and the position for Arena could be seen as her rewarding a political ally.

But former Ald. Ameya Pawar said Arena's well-suited for the post because of his commitment to expanding affordable housing in Chicago neighborhoods. Arena's housing stance pitted him against many residents in his bungalow belt ward when he fought for a development that would include set-asides for people with Chicago Housing Authority vouchers.

The Illinois Housing Development Authority finally approved tax credits for the project in May, after Arena already had lost a bid for a third term to Chicago firefighter and emergency medical technician Jim Gardiner.

"Having (Arena's) voice in planning as the city pursues affordable housing based on social equity is valuable," Pawar said. "He has a deep understanding of these issues, he's a fierce advocate for social justice and a decent human being."

Lightfoot spokeswoman Anel Ruiz touted Arena's planning credentials as the reason he got the job. "John Arena has spent the better part of the last decade advocating for smart city planning that drives investment and creates new opportunities for the residents of this city," Ruiz said in a statement. "The administration is confident that his experience with complex, local community development issues will make him an asset to DPD and incoming Commissioner (Maurice) Cox."

Napolitano, who clashed with Arena last year over an affordable housing project Arena supported in Napolitano's ward, took a dimmer view of Arena's new job.

"Your only recourse if you oppose an elected official is to work your butt off and try to beat him, and that's what people did in that ward," Napolitano said. "And now this looks like rewarding someone for failure, rewarding someone who's a known bully."

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Suit accuses Sandoval of nepotism

State senator allegedly use chairmanship to get son a job at Pace

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Longtime Democratic state Sen. Martin Sandoval, whose offices and home were raided last week by federal agents, was accused in a lawsuit last month of using his clout as chairman of the powerful Senate Transportation Committee to get his son a job at Pace in 2016.

Lawrence Gress, of Downers Grove, alleges in the lawsuit that he was subjected to a "sham interview" and passed over for a job at the suburban bus service in favor of Sandoval's son, Martin Sandoval II, who the lawsuit says is some 40 years younger and vastly less experienced.

There is no known connection between the lawsuit and last

week's federal raids on Sandoval's government offices in Springfield and Cicero, and his home in the Gage Park neighborhood on Chicago's Southwest Side.

The Chicago Tribune has reported that, according to a source with knowledge of the case, investigators are looking into whether the senator used his official position to steer business to at least one company in exchange for kickbacks.

Sandoval, who has been in office for 17 years, has not been charged with any wrongdoing.

Gress, who was 66 when he interviewed for a job as a community relations representative at Pace, initially filed his lawsuit in 2017, alleging the bus service and the Regional Transportation Authority discriminated against him because of his age and because he is not Hispanic.

Gress added the Sandovals as defendants last month and introduced new allegations that he was the victim of a racketeering conspiracy that "secretly and corruptly determined that Sandoval II would be awarded an employment position, to the exclusion of many other equally or better qualified candidates."

In addition to Pace, the RTA and the Sandovals, Gress' lawsuit names Rocky Donahue, who is now the bus service's executive director, and four other employees as defendants.

Pace spokeswoman Maggie Daly Skogsbakken said the agency does not comment on pending lawsuits. She did say that "Pace is an equal opportunity employer."

"We have a very rigorous interview process and hire the



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Federal workers carry evidence from the Gage Park home of state Sen. Martin Sandoval on Sept. 24.

best qualified candidates," Skogsbakken said.

Skogsbakken declined to make Sandoval II available for an interview, citing the ongoing lawsuit. He is still employed with Pace as a community relations representative, with an annual salary of about \$63,000.

When he was hired, Sandoval II was about four years out of college and working as a community relations network specialist at St. Anthony Hospital in the Lawndale neighborhood on the West Side, according to his resume, which is included as an exhibit in the lawsuit.

Gress had been a human resources manager for the RTA from 1993 to 2005, and his most recent job was with Cubic Transportation Systems, marketing the Ventra fare system's transit benefit program to corporate executives in the Chicago area, according to his resume, also filed in the case.

The lawsuit alleges that Pace had already sent Sandoval II a written job offer two days before Gress was interviewed on June 15, 2016.

Donahue and the other defendants used Gress and other candidates interviewed for the position as "unwitting pawns in order to stage a scene to hide their own misconduct," the lawsuit alleges.

Pace officials decided to interview Gress after RTA Chairman Kirk Dillard, a former Republican state senator and candidate for governor, "called Donahue to inquire about Gress' application and to recommend that Gress be

given serious consideration," according to the lawsuit.

Gress was given an interview "to mollify Dillard and hide any appearance of corruption or favoritism in the hiring process," the lawsuit alleges.

RTA spokesman Tim Nazanin declined to comment.

Gress' attorney, Kent Maynard, defended Dillard's involvement.

"Dillard wasn't telling anyone what to do. ... He knew that Gress could hit the ground running," Maynard said in an interview. "It's not improper for someone who has experience with a candidate for a job to say, 'Hey, I know this guy, and he's pretty good.'"

In a hearing at the Dirksen U.S. Courthouse on Aug. 15, Maynard asked the federal judge overseeing the case for permission to amend the complaint to add the racketeering conspiracy counts against Sandoval.

Maynard said he'd taken sworn testimony a day earlier from Donahue, who for the first time acknowledged under oath that everyone was aware that Martin Sandoval II was the son of the state senator.

"Now it's clear I need to add Senator Sandoval as a defendant because he was part of this group of people who arranged to have his son chosen over 80 other applicants," Maynard told U.S. District Judge Sharon Johnson Coleman, according to a transcript of the hearing posted on the court docket.

"This is going in a whole different direction than where we were in the first place, is that not correct?" asked the judge,

who granted the request.

Maynard said in an interview that Pace officials who have sat for videotaped depositions, which are under seal by court order, have been unable to provide an explanation for why Sandoval II was chosen for the job out of the entire pool of applicants.

"It wasn't just my client," Maynard said. "There were other people who were vastly more qualified than Marty was, at least on paper."

But an attorney for Sen. Sandoval said evidence gathered in the case, including the recorded depositions and other records, haven't turned up any documentation showing the senator exerted any influence on the hiring process.

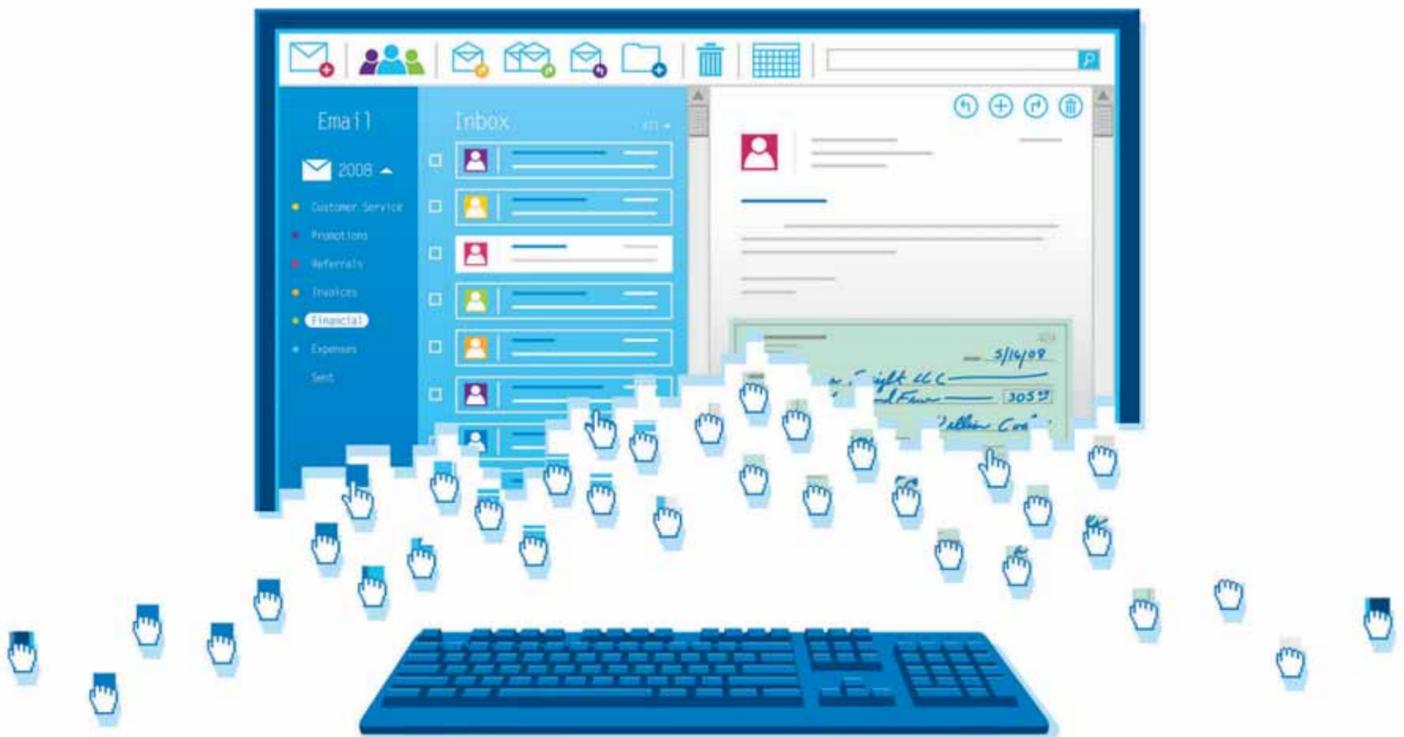
"Subpoenas have been issued, witnesses have been put under oath, and they've all denied it," Sandoval attorney Craig Tobin said.

In response to a request from the Tribune under the Illinois Freedom of Information Act, Pace said it had no records of any emails, letters or other written communications from Sandoval or anyone in his office from Aug. 1, 2015, through Aug. 1, 2017.

Tobin said he doesn't believe the conspiracy allegations will hold up in court.

"At best, this is an effort to take a routine employment case and turn it into a racketeering case, which the U.S. Supreme Court has frowned upon," he said.

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Stay a Step Ahead: Cybersecurity in Motion

Why updating cybersecurity is a necessity for small businesses

part two of three

Staying up-to-date in a changing landscape

Small businesses can count on one thing when it comes to cybersecurity: hackers, scammers and cybercriminals who target small businesses are never standing still. They are constantly developing new attacks, chipping away at existing security, and sharing what they learn among themselves.

1.9
million new
mobile malware threats
were detected in Q4 2018
(McAfee, 2019)

For small businesses to operate, it's important not to take a "set it and forget it" approach. "Bigger companies are more likely on a fixed refresh cycle," says Rohit Rao, a Senior Technology Advisor with Dell Small Business Solutions. "Small businesses tend to be less consistent. But it's really important that they upgrade software, hardware and policies."

Coming Soon to Small Businesses: Windows 7 and Windows Server 2008 End of Service
Small businesses should take note of the upcoming end of support for two common operating systems: Microsoft's Windows 7 computer OS and Windows Server 2008 server OS.

Despite being over a decade old, many small businesses still use these systems. **After January 14, 2020, Microsoft will no longer release security updates or patches for the operating systems**, which means any exploits hackers find will never be closed.

16,555
vulnerabilities identified
in 2018, including 1,370
for Windows Server 2008 and
1,229 for Windows 7
(CVE Details, 2019)

"These major end-of-service events involving the biggest software companies don't happen often," said Rao. "You want to pay attention."

Even without end of service events, small businesses should be regularly installing security patches, upgrades and new versions of software they own.

Hardware upgrades improve security and productivity

Needing a new operating system is an opportunity to upgrade hardware. In recent years, new features have been added to devices that reduce the risk of breaches, including:

- **Biometric logins:** These include fingerprint scanners and infrared-capable cameras for facial and retina recognition, which significantly reduce a cybercriminal's ability to hack a stolen device.
- **Fingerprint-sensing mouse peripherals:** These new innovations bring touch-login security to desktops.
- **TPM 2.0 (Trusted Platform Module) built into processors:** These enable trusted machines to communicate securely and block outside attackers.

These security upgrades usually can't be added to old hardware. Added security is just one justification for upgrading. The other is productivity – newer computers are faster and can eliminate the time wasted working around incompatibilities in older machines.

When you add new hardware and software, you should train your employees. They must be taught to use enhanced security features and should be regularly informed of new ways cybercriminals are targeting small businesses.

Making security investments work for small businesses

"For most small business customers, the biggest constraint on security investments is budget," says Jane Johnson, a financial coach with Dell Financial Services. "A lot of them are just starting up and feel security is a luxury, rather than the necessity it is."

Fortunately, there are creative ways to help small businesses invest in their cybersecurity while minimizing cash flow impact. Purchases of any size can be financed, spreading out costs, and often offering a competitive rate with low monthly payments.** Many software solutions, such as McAfee Small Business Security, are now available as subscriptions, so users get the latest

things to remember

1. **No business is too small.**
"I've had clients who leased a single laptop," said Dell's Jane Johnson.**
2. **It's not just for machines.**
Businesses can finance software, consulting services, and tech support in addition to the hardware needed to improve security.**
3. **Customizable financing options are available.****
Acquiring technology and security expenses through specialized financing gives small businesses flexibility.
4. **Owners can use personal credit to apply for business purchases.****
This is especially helpful for new businesses without a strong credit history.

version automatically. There may even be a leasing option available, which ensures regular upgrades.

Another advantage of financing is it lets small businesses upgrade their entire system at once. "It keeps it all together – hardware, software, services and support," said Johnson. "They can get on-site tech support, and then don't need to hire an IT resource."

only 17%
of small businesses
have someone in charge
of information security

(Better Business Bureau, 2017)

This approach helps small businesses focus on their core business, roll all technology expenses into a single convenient payment, and ensure all the pieces work well together, eliminating the security gaps common in piecemeal systems.

"It's a common misconception that financing and leasing is only for larger customers, but we really work with credit analysts to get smaller customers approved," says Johnson. **"No business is too small for good security."**

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ball in the aftermath of the Series.

"Sometimes," Schley said, "it just feels sad. It feels sad, but you just keep trying. You feel it in your heart."

One hundred years after the Sox lost to the Cincinnati Reds in the Series — a result quickly shrouded by allegations that several members of American League champion Sox had "thrown" the Series, intentionally playing poorly because they had been promised money from gamblers if they lost — Ebert and Schley remain committed to clearing the name of their relative.

Weaver himself repeatedly appealed to the baseball commissioner for reinstatement, writing letters every year, his family said, for the rest of his post-baseball life. After his death in Chicago in 1956 (he is buried at Mount Hope Cemetery in Chicago), his family took up the mantle. With the help of advocate David C. Fletcher, a baseball fan from downstate Illinois who is founder of the Chicago Baseball Museum, the family staged a protest at the 2003 All-Star Game at Sox Park and again penned letters to the commissioner asking that baseball consider clearing Weaver's name.

"We've done what we've done, but MLB was not interested in acting and they refused to meet with his family," Fletcher said. "He never had due process."

While many of the specifics of the scandal are murky and steeped in debunked myths popularized by books and movies like "Eight Men Out" and "Field of Dreams," it is generally believed that Weaver attended at least one meeting about fixing the Series but never took money from gamblers or intentionally played poorly in the field that autumn.

To his family, the punishment has never fit the crime.

"The things that people get away with now, this is like nothing," Ebert said. "If someone would just listen to us..."

With the Sox set to play the New York Yankees next August in Dyersville, Iowa, at the farm that was used to film the famous ballfield-in-the-cornfield scenes in "Field of Dreams," the Weaver descendants sense a new opportunity on the horizon.

"We may have to dust off the 2003 plan," Fletcher said.

Sholess Joe's legacy lives on

The Black Sox's most famous player, Jackson, whose lifetime batting average is third-highest of all time, will be front and center next year at the "Field of Dreams" game.

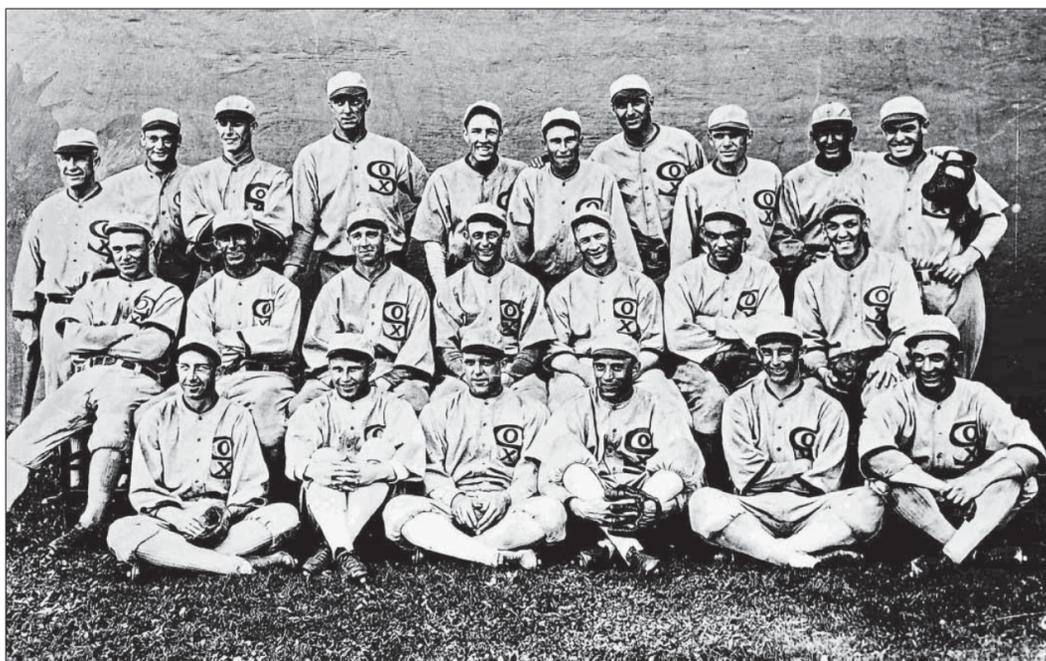
Mike Nola, the historian



Grave of Buck Weaver at Mount Hope Cemetery in Chicago on Sept. 6.



Richard Smiley listens Friday to Jacob Pomrenke, not shown, lead a walking tour of Loop-area baseball sites.



Before the fall: the ill-fated 1919 White Sox strike relaxed poses for a team picture.

and board member at the Shoeless Joe Jackson Museum in the ballplayer's hometown of Greenville, South Carolina, said there are no immediate plans for a new advocacy campaign. But Nola said the board recently heard that Major League Baseball, or the commissioner's office, may not be the best direction for the long-shot remedy. Nola said that since all of the Black Sox players are dead, MLB may believe it does not have any jurisdiction over "lifetime bans," and that petitions or advocacy may be better directed toward the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

"It's not like if they reinstate Joe he'll come out of a cornfield and play ball, it just doesn't work that way," Nola said.

The more strategic move, Nola surmises, is to push the Hall of Fame to make Jackson eligible for placement on ballots, giving him a chance to earn a place in Cooperstown.

Nola became interested in Jackson in the 1980s because he remembers his father talking about how he saw the ballplayer after his ban play non-MLB games in Georgia in the 1920s. Nola was one of the people who helped write petitions and gather signatures from fans to clear Jackson's name.

"It never went anywhere," Nola said. "It never got any traction. We haven't

done that in years."

At the museum, located in the house that Jackson built with his wife, Katie, and lived in from 1941 until his death in 1951, fans can view collectibles and artifacts from Jackson's boyhood, through baseball and in the years afterward.

The museum will soon be temporarily closed while it is relocated down the street to make way for a new condominium development.

Jackson, according to historians, accepted \$5,000 in the scandal but appears to have played to win (famously hitting .375, with the Series' only homer). Though he was also found not guilty at the Cook County criminal trial, he was banned for life like his seven teammates.

While Nola said Jackson clearly belongs in the Hall of Fame — his .356 lifetime batting average is the address of the museum — the fact that he is not has made him a recognizable baseball celebrity, a status that holds 100 years after the betting scandal.

"Quite frankly, he's a lot more famous outside the Hall of Fame than he would be if he was in it," Nola said. "I mean, people know who he is and want to know more about him. You're calling me to talk about him. That wouldn't be the case if he was Ty Cobb."

Historians, fans still fixated

The 1919 World Series began Oct. 1 in Cincinnati, 100 years ago Tuesday. To mark the centennial, the baseball society and the group's director of editorial content, Jacob Pomrenke, (whose Twitter handle is @buckweaver), and others organized the symposium at the history museum and a pair of walking tours for fans highlighting prominent Chicago baseball landmarks.

"It's wonderful," Pomrenke said at the end of the symposium, "to see so many people who are still interested in this."

Despite an array of research papers, books, documentaries and decades of examination of the Black Sox affair, many aspects of the scandal remain clouded, and certain aspects likely will never be known.

"Why did the Black Sox do what they did?" Pomrenke said during one of the forums. "There's eight players and nine answers. ... Probably there will always be a missing link, figuring out exactly why they did it."

"The story is not just a baseball story, it's an American story," Pomrenke said later. "There are so many things that reflect on American life."

Susan Dellinger, the granddaughter of Edd Roush, a Hall of Fame out-

fielder for the Reds who played in the 1919 Series, also presented at the conference. She discussed the book she wrote about her grandfather and recalled stories he told about the Series.

"Granddad always said, 'As long as I live, I think we would have beaten them anyway,'" Dellinger said.

Roush, who grew up in southern Indiana and returned there after his playing career was over, often hosted his former teammates, who became lifelong friends, at his farmhouse. Dellinger remembers listening to the men swap stories of the Series and baseball. Roush, Dellinger said, thought the Black Sox players in on the fix intentionally lost Game 1 but then played to win the rest of the Series after the gamblers didn't pay them.

"That is what my grandfather believed all of his life," Dellinger said.

Richard Smiley, a member of the baseball society and a Sox fan from Chicago's Northwest Side, was one of the hearty fans who endured a drenching rain Friday to take Pomrenke's Chicago baseball history tour.

The appeal for Smiley is bigger than the Sox or baseball.

"It's a story of a different time, almost biblical, of losing your way, of going down this way, and then all of a

sudden, they are out," Smiley said, walking from the Billy Goat Tavern toward the old Cook County criminal courthouse at 54 W. Hubbard St. in River North, where the criminal conspiracy trial for the Black Sox players was held. In the driving rain, Pomrenke detailed the facts and myths of the case. (True: A copy of a key grand jury transcript of Jackson's testimony disappeared but made it into the record at the trial anyway; false: The phrase "Say it ain't so, Joe" was never uttered by a boy outside the courthouse and appears to be invented by a newspaper reporter covering the case at the time.)

All of the defendants were acquitted of the charges in the 1921 trial, but the day after the verdicts, baseball Commissioner Kenesaw "Mountain" Landis issued his banishment edict.

'What could have been'

With the Sox (and the Cubs) absent from the baseball playoffs this year, the 100-year anniversary will come and go without much fanfare in Chicago. The Sox, unsurprisingly, barely noted the centennial, though on Friday they did make note of the anniversary of Jackson's final major league at-bat in a note on the center-field scoreboard.

The next high-profile opportunity to revisit the reinstatement or Hall of Fame push will be next summer in Iowa.

"For the family, this was about restoring his honor," Fletcher said. Weaver lost more than his reputation in the fallout from the Black Sox scandal, he said, suffering "tremendous financial loss" from lost wages. Ebert said he spent the rest of his life bouncing from job to job, working as a painter, at a drugstore and at a horse track. As the symposium wrapped up, baseball fans in 1919-era caps, Reds gear and hats from an assortment of teams across the nation lined up to have their Black Sox books signed by the authors and presenters. The gathering was bittersweet for Ebert and Schley, but they understand the appeal.

"You want so much to discover that piece of the puzzle that solves the whole mystery," Schley said.

Ebert was only 2 when Weaver died and Schley was not yet born. But the two press forward, both for their mother, Patricia Anderson, who was raised by Weaver, and for their great-uncle. Anderson, who died earlier this year, never gave up hope that Weaver's name might one day be cleared. Weaver, they said, loved baseball so much he would have played it for free, and the scandal cast a pall over the rest of his life.

"What could have been," Ebert said. "What could have been."

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Libraries

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from \$10. If a person fails to return a book valued at \$15, for example, he or she still can check out other materials.

And say a person can buy the same book elsewhere for \$8, the patron has the option of returning any "good condition" copy of the book he or she was fined for and the replacement fee will be reversed, Molloy said.

"I thought it was a great announcement on their part, and we're fully supportive of the decision," said Mary Ghikas, executive director of Chicago-based American Library Association. "We look at the negative impact of fines on the fundamental library responsibility to provide equitable access to all. There's no evidence in the data that fines get you better behavior. It just gets you fewer users, actually."

Molloy said the Chicago Public Library collected \$897,000 in late fines in 2018.

The city twice before has tried temporary amnesty programs, in 2012 and 2016, wiping out hundreds of thousands of dollars in late fees with the goal of recuperating missing materials. In 2012, the city wrote off



Mayor Lori Lightfoot pauses Monday at a news conference at the Woodson Regional Library after announcing Chicago public libraries will stop fining people for overdue books.

\$600,000 in fines, Molloy said, and those who'd been locked out of the system brought back about \$2 million worth of missing books.

"Once people get fines that they can't pay, they choose not to come back at all, so the materials also don't come back," Molloy said. "Fines truthfully haven't been a revenue stream and weren't designed to be a revenue stream. It was supposed to

be an incentive to get the materials back, and the research shows that's just not the case."

According to library data, 20% of suspended library cards belong to children younger than 14, which is not a group cities can afford to discourage from reading, said Rogers from the Urban Libraries Council. He said studies have shown libraries are consistently rated as the most trusted public institutions.

But fining people, especially children and economically disadvantaged groups, can undermine that trust.

"There is a common question we get, about if we believe that overdue fines serve a purpose of teaching responsibility, especially for children, and helping them develop responsible habits about borrowing and returning belongings," Rogers said. "Fines don't teach responsibility. They just rein-

force the difference between people who are able to pay for a common mistake and those who aren't."

One in 3 patrons in the library's South District — below 59th Street — currently are unable to check out items because they owe \$10 or more in fines and fees.

In the North District, from North Avenue to Howard Street, this number drops to 1 in 6.

Molloy said data shows residents on the North Side more often use digital materials than other areas, which includes books that can be downloaded to Kindle devices or other e-readers, which take an initial investment from residents that not everyone can afford. Digital copies don't incur fines but rather are deleted from a device when they become overdue — often meaning those with potentially the greatest ability to pay the fines aren't faced with them in the first place.

"It's not that anyone from any one background is more likely to be late returning a book. People, no matter what their socioeconomic background is, make the same mistakes, but it's the people who are living in upper-middle-class areas that are paying fines outright and not being blocked from additional services," Molloy said. "Yet

the groups most at need for library services are the ones most often locked out of the system."

Overdue fines for books in Chicago have been set at 25 cents per day.

Fines for DVDs were \$1 per day, and for Wi-Fi hot spot equipment they were \$2 per day.

Interlibrary loan items and the high-demand museum passport cards that allow free admission to Chicago museums will remain subject to overdue fines, because cities outside Chicago may still charge their own late fees and the city will need to recoup that money, Molloy said.

Lightfoot, whose wife, Amy Eshleman, is a former Chicago Public Library assistant commissioner, also reiterated her goal of adding Sunday hours at libraries over the next year.

"We are hoping to be making that announcement relatively soon," she said. "Given the reality, which is we need to hire additional staff to be able to fulfill that mission, we're going to roll it out on a rolling basis. But we will announce something relatively soon, and then we'll keep adding to those Sunday hours."

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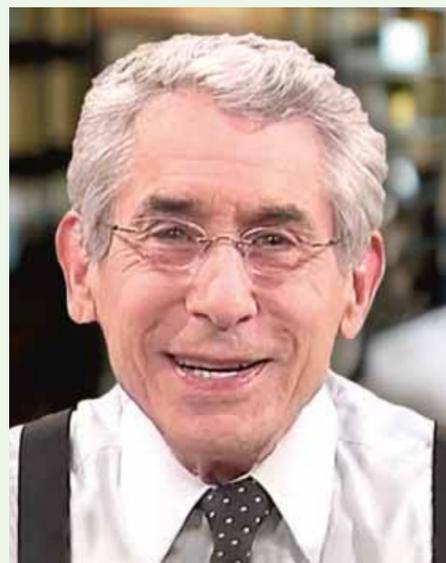
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City courts public as CPS strike looms

Mayor boosts public relations effort in contract dispute with teachers union

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Mayor Lori Lightfoot stepped up the public relations battle in her standoff with the Chicago Teachers Union on Monday by launching a website that lays out the city's contract offer and the sequence of events in the ongoing negotiations.

With a teachers strike possibly imminent, the contract fight is taking on the added dimension of a struggle for the hearts and minds of Chicagoans, with both sides trying to demonstrate they have broad support to strengthen their position in the event teachers walk out.

The site, CPS.edu/ourof, is meant to publicize the school district's position that its offer is a good one, Lightfoot said Monday.

"So that anyone — and hopefully teachers, paraprofessionals, parents — will be able to go to the website and look at what the sequence of events has been in the negotiations, but more to the point, the substance of the offer," the mayor said.

The site went live last Monday, featuring bar charts showing how salaries and staffing numbers would rise according to district plans, along with a letter to the community entitled, "An Offer that Honors Our Teachers' Hard Work and Dedication."

Lightfoot again argued Monday that her administration has a sound offer to the CTU on the table.

"There's no reason why we shouldn't get a deal done," she said. "We should have seven-days-a-week bargaining sessions, triple and quadruple tracking on every open issue. I have offered that. I've offered to

be at the table myself to clear the decks. We need to get a deal done."

But CTU leadership responded by accusing Lightfoot of "effectively bargaining in public" and said the website is an attempt to put a positive spin on the city's stance. The union suggested that livestreaming negotiation sessions would give the public "a seat at the table."

"This new website does not replace open bargaining, which we'd still like to see," CTU President Jesse Sharkey said in a statement Monday. "Those who are most impacted ... deserve a seat at the table, and livestreaming bargaining would be a step towards that."

In recent weeks, Lightfoot's team has stepped up its attempts to pressure the union. The mayor's top negotiator sent the CTU a letter on Sept. 13 complaining that the union hadn't responded to an offer of a 16% raise over five years and other proposals, including deals on teacher evaluations, special education, teacher preparation, substitute teachers and grading practices that the administration submitted "in an effort to respond to CTU concerns."

Lightfoot officials last week said the union still hasn't responded to key proposals, a point Lightfoot referenced at a news conference Friday.

The union, however, has countered that city and Chicago Public Schools officials waited until after the CTU authorized a strike last week to bring forward some of their proposals. More than 90% of teachers voted in favor of authorizing a strike, according to the union, meaning teachers could walk off the job as early as Oct. 7.



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Days after the Chicago Teachers Union voted to authorize a strike, both sides continue to accuse the other of delays.

Since its contract expired in June, the union has been active in promoting its goals and demands through its website and social media, and by attracting media attention through support from national figures. A rally CTU held during the three-day strike vote last week was headlined, for example, by Democratic presidential candidate Bernie Sanders, and actor John Cusack also made an appearance. At least three other presidential candidates have made public statements of support for CTU. And in August, the union launched a new podcast, called "CTU Speaks!", with its inaugural episode titled, "Are We Striking?"

"We want our members to feel more empowered, better able to advocate, well informed and more organized, especially in their schools," Andrea Parker, co-host and member of the CTU's public relations committee, said in a statement at the time the podcast was launched. "We want to build a sense of community by bringing key decision makers like CTU officers, fellow members and local politicians on the show to share information and answer some hard questions about the state of public education in our city."

On the union's website, a section titled "contract

fight" already takes up several pages and includes members' demands, their submissions to the independent fact-finder, a bargaining timeline and updates, resources for organizing and suggestions for taking action.

Union leaders and members have also collected support with hashtags and used GIFs to engage with Twitter users.

In a letter to the union on Monday, top Lightfoot negotiator James Franczek again urged Sharkey to reach a deal "this week."

"A strike or even the threat of a strike is devastating and destabilizing to the entire school community," Franczek wrote. "We are encouraged by your statement that you desire to reach an agreement without a strike. But, if a strike is to be avoided, now is the time for the union to give us a serious proposal."

The letter notes that CPS delivered a 42-page proposal to the union on Friday "which included the richest compensation and benefit package in CPS/CTU history."

"Despite the failure of CTU to give any reasonable responses to our many proposals over the last few weeks and months, we also included, as part of the package, our previous proposals as well as significant

proposals on class size and privatization, among other areas," Franczek wrote.

If the union is serious about attempting to avoid a strike, Franczek wrote, it should give the board a "comprehensive response" that points out what issues are "absolutely essential to reaching an agreement."

"Continuing to have discussions on individual issues, rather than the package as a whole, is not conducive to reaching a complete agreement," Franczek wrote. "We must point out again that we have received no comprehensive proposal from CTU since its original proposal dated January 15, 2019. In fact, we have received no written proposals from CTU since its very limited proposal on September 5."

State law also limits the reasons for a teachers strike, and Sharkey has said the union won't strike over items it's not allowed to strike over. But Franczek's letter criticized the union for "the scores of instances where you and other union officials have stated that class size, staffing and other non-mandatory subjects of bargaining are 'strike' issues."

But CTU Vice President Stacy Davis Gates accused CPS negotiators on Friday of using the strike's legal parameters to avoid dealing with a number of sticking points.

"Their lead negotiator basically said, 'Yeah, I'm not gonna put anything in the contract that would enforce class size, that would enforce staffing, because you can't go on strike over those things,'" Davis Gates said. "It's basically illegal for you to strike over class size and staffing, so why would we put anything in writing?"

A Lightfoot administration timeline obtained by the Tribune also details nine separate offers from CPS to the union since June

20.

Of those, the administration timeline said, CTU officials have not responded to seven. The union did agree to an offer from Aug. 14 to help support staff members who want to become teachers do so. The union also accepted a Sanctuary Employer and Sanctuary Schools deal to protect immigrant and refugee staff, students and families, according to the timeline.

But several other offers, including a proposed agreement to ban privatization of clinician and librarian positions, and responses to the CTU's proposal on special education teachers and services, have not yet been countered by the union, according to the city timeline.

The union took further issue with CPS' most recent proposals, including staffing, class sizes, prep time and minimum salaries for teaching assistants, and expressed dissatisfaction with a CPS offer to end privatized nursing services.

Sharkey also questioned why board of education members haven't been in bargaining talks, like they were for the previous two contracts.

Asked about the union's suggestion that bargaining sessions be livestreamed, CPS spokeswoman Emily Bolton released a statement: "By releasing information about what our offer entails, we are ensuring accurate information is available to the many Chicagoans who have an interest and stake in these negotiations. We remain focused and committed to doing everything in our power to reach a favorable agreement with the union as soon as possible."

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Annual emissions would have been limited to 85 pounds, down from 4,600 pounds the company legally released during 2017.

Residents and their elected representatives argued the permit wasn't stringent enough. They have been gathering support for bipartisan legislation that would outlaw the use of ethylene oxide by commercial sterilization companies statewide after December 2020.

It is unclear if the decision to shutter Sterigenics will relieve pressure to enact the new bill, which also targets Medline Industries in north suburban Waukegan. But the decision to shutter the Willowbrook facility is a stunning victory for residents who organized in August 2018 and remained steadfast in their belief that Sterigenics had to go.

Sri Rao, a member of the Stop Sterigenics community group, said he remained confident the facility would

eventually close. "I wish it would have happened sooner," Rao said during a news conference with Willowbrook Mayor Frank Trilla and local lawmakers.

Gov. J.B. Pritzker hailed the collective effort against the company. "We sent a clear, unified message that we will take all possible steps to protect residents' health," said Pritzker, whose administration shut down the Willowbrook facility in February after air quality monitoring found elevated levels of the toxic gas in neighborhoods downwind from Sterigenics.

The Willowbrook facility came to public attention six months earlier when the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency listed surrounding neighborhoods among just a few dozen nationwide facing cancer risks from toxic air pollution that exceed agency guidelines.

Nearly all of the risk is from exposure to ethylene oxide, a volatile, easily absorbed chemical added to the federal list of carcinogens in 1985. More recent research shows the chemi-



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Stop Sterigenics activists cheer during a news conference at Willowbrook Village Hall to celebrate Sterigenics' announcement of its plans to close operations in the village.

cal is far more dangerous than previously thought, and in 2016 the EPA concluded that exposure to even small concentrations can cause breast cancer, leukemia and lymphomas.

Emissions from the Willowbrook facility generally declined during the past 25 years, company records show. But Sterigenics and its corporate predecessors legally released more than 254,000 pounds of ethylene oxide into surrounding neighborhoods between 1993 and 2017, according to state records.

Neighbors said any additional ethylene oxide released into their communities would add to their

cumulative risk of developing cancer. At public meetings during the past year, speakers repeatedly cited federal records showing a former owner of the Sterigenics facility released nearly 170,000 pounds of ethylene oxide in 1987 alone.

In May, federal officials revealed that emissions from Sterigenics continued to endanger neighbors after former Gov. Bruce Rauner's administration approved the company's June 2018 plans for additional pollution-control equipment. Rauner, who initially downplayed the health risks, co-founded a private equity firm that bought Sterigenics

in 2011 and still retains a stake in the company.

Even after Sterigenics improved its pollution controls, an EPA study found, ethylene oxide from the Willowbrook facility increased the risk of developing cancer for residents as far as 25 miles away.

Across the country, several other companies operate facilities that emit the gas. More than a half-million other Americans exposed to toxic air pollution face cancer risks exceeding agency guidelines, according to EPA data the Chicago Tribune published in an interactive map; ethylene oxide is the chief chemical of concern in most of the

other communities.

Yet industrial facilities emitting the toxic gas continue to legally operate under federal regulations that haven't been updated to reflect the risk it poses.

Andrew Wheeler, the EPA administrator, told a congressional committee last week the agency plans to introduce new regulations for commercial sterilizers next month. Under questioning from U.S. Rep. Dan Lipinski, D-Chicago, Wheeler said limits on ethylene oxide from the facilities would be based on the EPA's latest scientific evaluation, though others in the Trump administration are pushing for a weaker standard.

The Tribune reported in December that chemical companies and government health agencies have known since at least the late 1970s that ethylene oxide mutates genes and causes cancer. Sterigenics, which uses ethylene oxide at eight other U.S. locations, has played a key role in the chemical industry's defense over the years.

"Ethylene oxide is dangerous. It needs to be phased out in this country," said Lauren Kaeseberg, a member of the Stop Sterigenics group. "We are on the right side of history."

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Ill. bill would let college athletes be paid

BY JAMIE MUNKS

Saying he wants Illinois to be "on par" with California, state Rep. Emanuel "Chris" Welch on Monday introduced a bill that would allow college athletes to make money from endorsement deals. The Hillside Democrat put forth his legislation on the same day California Gov. Gavin Newsom signed a law that allows college athletes to hire agents and make money from endorsement deals with sponsors, despite objections from the NCAA. The move, which would take effect in 2023, makes California the first state to

pass a law allowing college athletes to profit off their own likenesses.

Proponents of measures like the new California law and the Illinois bill have long considered it unfair that universities pull in millions of dollars from their sports programs and don't give student athletes the opportunity to profit.

Welch's bill prohibits colleges and universities from removing a student athlete's eligibility if he or she earns compensation from an endorsement deal. It would apply to four-year public and private institutions.

The bill bars student athletes from making money

off a contract that conflicts with the athlete's team contract and requires athletes to disclose endorsement deals to the school.

If the Illinois bill is passed and signed into law as written, it also would take effect in 2023. The Illinois General Assembly is scheduled to reconvene for fall veto session in late October.

Welch, a former Northwestern University student athlete, called it a "competitive advantage" for California and said the move is "long overdue." He referenced Loyola University's 2018 NCAA basketball tournament run and well-

known booster, Sister Jean.

"Two years ago, when Loyola was in the Final Four, we saw those kids' likenesses everywhere," Welch said. "And Sister Jean is a whole other story. But my point is that universities have made millions off of student athletes for years, and I just think it's a fair thing to do, and as long as it's something that is done in a transparent manner and reported to the universities, students should be able to make money off their own likenesses and names."

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Syrian families return to a hostile city

People coming back from Islamic State camp stigmatized

BY SARAH EL DEEB
Associated Press

RAQQA, Syria — After two years on the run with the Islamic State group, Um Mahmoud just wanted to return home. When she finally made it to Raqqa with her daughters and grandchildren, she found her home partially burned but livable.

She also found a hostile city reluctant to take her back.

The 53-year-old seamstress had returned from al-Hol camp, where 73,000 people, most of them families of IS militants, have been kept since the territorial defeat of the group in March.

But there is little trust in the returnees in Raqqa, which IS ruled with a brutal hand for years and which suffered massive devastation in the fight to drive it out. Um Mahmoud's neighbors and relatives in Raqqa have shunned her.

"No one asks about us," said the mother of six. "Relatives are afraid of us."

Her return, in June, is part of an experiment by the U.S.-backed Kurdish-led administration that runs northeastern Syria — an attempt to bring reconciliation to Raqqa after the upheaval that tore apart its social fabric.

City administrators have allowed the return of nearly 700 families from al-Hol. The camp includes some 30,000 Syrians, mostly women and children, along with tens of thousands of Iraqis and

hundreds of foreigners. Most of those foreigners' home countries have refused to take them back.

The administration here argues it's better to bring the families back into the fold rather than leave them stewing in radicalism. The return is coordinated with Arab tribal sheikhs, who vouch for the returnees, acting as guarantors they will not cause trouble. Thousands more Syrians in the camp have applied to return.

The results of the experiment are still uncertain, Um Mahmoud's case makes clear. She and her family spoke on condition they not be identified by their full names because of the stigma they face. Um Mahmoud means mother of Mahmoud in Arabic, a common way of addressing women in the Arab and Muslim world that uses the name of their firstborn son.

She and her family fled Raqqa in the summer of 2017 when IS ordered their neighborhood evacuated in the face of advances by the U.S.-backed forces and coalition airstrikes. They moved with the retreating militants from town to town over the following months, until the group's final showdown in the eastern village of Baghouz. Two of her sons and a son-in-law were killed while fighting or working for IS.

She emerged from Baghouz and was sent to al-Hol along with her three daughters and three grandchildren. Her husband, father, her surviving 14-year-old son and a son-in-law are in detention with the Kurdish-led forces. The son-in-law was sentenced to a year in prison for membership in IS, though it was deter-



MAYA ALLERUZZO/AP

A waiter refills a water pipe near damaged buildings in al-Naim Square in Raqqa, Syria.

mined he didn't fight.

Without her male relatives, Um Mahmoud returned to a Raqqa that is trying to move on.

Streets that were once unidentifiable under piles of debris have been cleared, and municipality workers are keeping them clean.

Many tall buildings in the skyline are still bombed-out skeletons, but residents have moved in, rebuilding apartments or opening shops. New restaurants have sprung up, some along the banks of the river running across the city. Billboards rise over busy streets. One advertised a new wedding planning business that commissions singers, banned under IS. Vegetables from nearby farms color street stands. Children and their families enjoy public parks.

Officials say more than 800,000 people have returned to the city and its suburbs, nearly eight times

the number who were still left in the city when IS was finally expelled in October 2017.

Local officials said they restored 18 of 24 water pumping stations damaged by fighting. More than 300 schools, out of 800, now operate with tens of thousands of students. The U.S.-led coalition has trained more than 7,500 men and women for Raqqa's internal security forces and refurbished 20 bridges destroyed in the fighting.

IS retreated to desert areas and melted in among the population. It's now waging a counterinsurgency, targeting local officials and security checkpoints. At least six attacks were recorded in Raqqa alone in August, compared to none the month before, according to the Rojava Information Center.

The violence only stokes Raqqa residents' suspicions. Osama, who runs a shop

selling phone credit in Raqqa, said Kurdish-led authorities are too lenient on IS supporters in court and shouldn't allow them back.

"Who can guarantee they don't return to their old ways?" he said.

He refused to share his last name out of fear for his security. During their rule, IS militants threatened to cut his tongue for his vocal criticism. His shop is on al-Naim Square, which became notorious for beheadings, shootings and other public punishments the group carried out there. Now it has been renamed Freedom Square.

"If France and Germany refuse to take their own nationals, it must be for a good reason. Why should we take ours?" he said.

Um Mahmoud's sponsor, Sheikh Hweidi al-Shalsh, said that view is shortsighted.

Women and children in al-Hol camp are steeped in

radical ideology, he said, feeding more radicalism unless they are removed.

"If there is no security, the return of the people of Raqqa will ensure it is restored," al-Shalsh said.

He extolled the benefits of tribal restorative justice. If someone is killed, tribal sheikhs get together to find a resolution. "We are a tribal Muslim society first and foremost. Our nature is to forgive. We are a family."

Um Mahmoud scrapes out a living selling second-hand clothes in the market. She sold her gold bracelets to start up the business.

Unlike most in the city, she and her daughters still follow the women's dress imposed by IS, covering not only their faces with a veil but also their eyes and hands. "The State is gone, but we are still implementing God's laws," she said, defending the choice.

She is stunned by how her neighbors have ostracized her.

"Look at this! They have electricity and we don't. This one and that one," she said pointing at her neighbors' houses. "They don't feel for us. We are women sitting in the dark alone and they have 24 hours a day electricity. Is this what you call freedom?"

Since electricity has not been fully restored, residents rely on generators for power and traditionally share among themselves. Um Mahmoud's neighbors refused to share with her.

Um Mahmoud admitted her sons and sons-in-law fought for or were members of IS, but she said her family never hurt the neighbors.

She accused them of trying to curry favor with new authorities.

Prince takes 'responsibility' but denies ordering journalist's death

BY KAREEM FAHIM
The Washington Post

ISTANBUL — Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman of Saudi Arabia told "60 Minutes" that he takes "full responsibility" for the killing of journalist Jamal Khashoggi because it was committed by Saudi government employees.

But he denied ordering the slaying, despite a CIA assessment that found that Mohammed probably authorized it.

"If there is any such information that charges me, I hope it is brought forward publicly," he told interviewer Norah O'Donnell, according to a transcript of the episode.

The comments by Mohammed, Saudi Arabia's day-to-day ruler, came days before the anniversary of Khashoggi's death and as the Saudi leadership is struggling to turn the page on a grisly episode that cast an unforgiving light on Mohammed's human rights policies and Saudi Arabia's complicated relationship with the United States.

The crown prince made similar statements about accepting responsibility to PBS' "Frontline," which released a lengthy documentary about Mohammed online on Saturday. In the interview with Martin Smith, he denied any prior knowledge of the killing.

Khashoggi, who wrote columns criticizing the crown prince's policies in The Washington Post, was killed in the Saudi consulate in Istanbul on Oct. 2, 2018, by agents dispatched from the kingdom. Saudi prosecutors later said two of the crown prince's most trusted aides had been involved in the planning of what was portrayed as a botched attempt to bring Khashoggi back alive.

One of the aides, Ahmed al-Assiri, the former deputy chief of Saudi Arabia's intelligence agency, is standing trial in the killing in



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Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman's interviews came days before the anniversary of Jamal Khashoggi's death.

Khashoggi's whereabouts a mystery

ANKARA, Turkey — Days ahead of the anniversary of the grisly slaying of Saudi journalist Jamal Khashoggi, Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said Monday that his country will press ahead with efforts to shed light on the killing.

In a Washington Post op-ed, Erdogan described the journalist's killing by a Saudi hit squad as "arguably the most influential and controversial incident of the 21st century" and blamed the murder on a "shadow state within the kingdom's government — not the Saudi state or people."

The Turkish leader wrote: "We will keep asking the same questions Where are Khashoggi's remains? Who signed the Saudi journalist's death warrant? Who dispatched the 15 killers, including a forensic expert, aboard the two planes to Istanbul?"

Khashoggi entered the Saudi consulate in Istanbul on Oct. 2, 2018, to collect a document that he needed to marry his Turkish fiancée. Agents of the Saudi government killed Khashoggi inside the consulate and apparently dismembered his body, which has never been found.

— Associated Press

Saudi Arabia. The other, Saud al-Qahani, a former media adviser to the prince, has not been charged with any crime, according to diplomats and others familiar with the case.

The "Frontline" documentary quoted a high-level adviser to Mohammed as saying that "prosecuting someone so close to the crown prince would be politically disruptive."

In the "60 Minutes" interview, Mohammed appeared to deny that any of his confidants were involved in the plot to kill Khashoggi.

"There isn't clear information or evidence that someone close to me did something to that effect," he said in comments that appeared to contradict the assertions made by Saudi prosecutors.

The crown prince also played down the kingdom's notoriously harsh suppression of free speech.

"There is no threat from any journalist," the crown prince said, speaking of Khashoggi. "The threat to Saudi Arabia is from such actions against a Saudi journalist."

Prime Minister Boris Johnson accused of groping a journalist

BY WILLIAM BOOTH
AND KARLA ADAM
The Washington Post

LONDON — Prime Minister Boris Johnson might have hoped to be well on his way out of the European Union by now — or at least launching an election campaign with a "Get Brexit Done" message. Instead, he's fending off accusations about how he treats women.

The latest is a claim by a Sunday Times columnist that Johnson groped her thigh — "high up" — at a magazine lunch in 1999.

"Untrue," says 10 Downing Street.

He's also accused of abusing his position as mayor of London to grant favorable treatment to a friend, American businesswoman Jennifer Arcuri.

Johnson claims to have "no interest to declare" in Arcuri's firm. He has additionally prompted outrage among female lawmakers for seeming to dismiss their suggestion that his rhetoric — accusing them of being "traitors" — encourages threats against them.

Over the weekend, the Sunday Times announced, "on the second anniversary of #MeToo, our new columnist recalls a scandalous encounter with the prime minister."

The new columnist is Charlotte Edwardes and her first column told of how Johnson groped her and another woman at a magazine lunch.

Edwardes described the atmosphere at the Spectator in the late 1990s, when Johnson was editor and she a contributor.

It was, she wrote, "essentially a magazine for old Tories, but also a place famous for hiring pneumatic twentysomething interns with posh degrees. No one minds calling these clean-skinned, shiny-eyed girls 'totty,' even to their clean-skinned, shiny-eyed faces. They are not Bambis



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Prime Minister Boris Johnson says the new allegations are untrue. An investigation is under consideration.

in the forest exactly. They are smoking, drinking, knowing."

And then, "I'm seated on Johnson's right; on his left is a young woman I know. I can't remember any Bambis that day. Maybe we were the Bambis. More wine is poured; more wine is drunk. Under the table, I feel Johnson's hand on my thigh. He gives it a squeeze. His hand is high up my leg and he has enough inner flesh beneath his fingers to make me sit suddenly upright."

After Johnson's flackcatchers denied the allegations, Edwardes replied on Twitter, "If the prime minister doesn't recollect the incident then clearly I have a better memory than he does."

The allegations about Johnson's relationship with Arcuri, the American businesswoman, relate to a different period of his life.

Arcuri moved to London in 2011 for a one-year MBA degree. Shortly after she met Johnson — she was 27, he was 47 and mayor of London. Arcuri set up a company called Innotech, which held discussions or "summits" with tech entrepreneurs, politicians and policymakers. The group's first keynote speaker was reportedly Johnson.

According to the Sunday Times, Arcuri's technology company received thou-

sands of pounds of public money from the mayor's promotional agency.

Arcuri was also invited to join Johnson on three foreign trade missions, to Singapore and Malaysia, New York and Tel Aviv, despite not being eligible to take part in them, the paper said. On two of the trips, the mayor's office intervened to ensure she could come, the paper said.

The paper also said she told friends she was having a sexual affair with Johnson, raising questions about a conflict of interest.

On Friday, the scandal was referred to a police watchdog, considering whether the prime minister should be investigated for misconduct in public office.

Speaking on the Andrew Marr Show on Sunday, Johnson insisted that "everything was done with full propriety."

Senior ministers in Johnson's newly assembled cabinet have been called upon to defend the prime minister.

Chancellor Sajid Javid endorsed Johnson's denials about the Spectator dinner.

"I talked to the prime minister about that, and, first of all, he couldn't be clearer, absolutely clear, that they are completely untrue and I totally trust him on that," Javid told the BBC.

Barr asked foreign officials to aid inquiry

Where, how Russian meddling probe began in question

BY DEVLIN BARRETT, SHANE HARRIS AND MATT ZAPOTOSKY
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Attorney General William Barr has held private meetings overseas with foreign intelligence officials seeking their help in a Justice Department inquiry that President Donald Trump hopes will discredit U.S. intelligence agencies' examination of Russian interference in the 2016 election, according to people familiar with the matter.

Barr's personal involvement may stoke further criticism from Democrats pursuing impeachment saying he is helping the Trump administration use executive branch powers to augment investigations aimed primarily at the president's adversaries.

But the high-level Justice Department focus on intelligence operatives' conduct will likely cheer Trump and other conservatives for whom "investigate the investigators" has become a

rallying cry.

The direct involvement of the nation's top law enforcement official shows the priority Barr places on the investigation being conducted by John Durham, the U.S. attorney in Connecticut, who has been assigned the sensitive task of reviewing U.S. intelligence work surrounding the 2016 election and its aftermath.

The attorney general's active role also underscores the degree to which the 2016 election still consumes significant resources and attention inside the federal government. Current and former intelligence and law enforcement officials expressed frustration and alarm Monday that the head of the Justice Department was taking such a direct role in re-examining what they view as conspiracy theories and baseless allegations of misconduct.

Barr has already made overtures to British intelligence officials, and last week the attorney general traveled to Italy, where he and Durham met senior Italian government officials and Barr asked the Italians to assist Durham, according to one person familiar with the matter. It was not Barr's

first trip to Italy to meet intelligence officials, the person said.

The Trump administration has made similar requests of Australia, these people said.

Trump asked the Australian prime minister and other foreign leaders to help Barr with an investigation into the origins of the Russia probe.

A Justice Department official says Trump initiated the calls at Barr's request. The official wasn't authorized to discuss the matter publicly and insisted on anonymity.

The official says the recent call with Australia was one of a "number of times" the president has made similar introductory phone calls for the attorney general as part of Durham's investigation into the origins of the special counsel's Russia probe.

The official says Trump told Prime Minister Scott Morrison that the attorney general would be contacting his Australian counterpart.

A Justice Department spokeswoman declined to comment.

The president still complains frequently that those



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President Trump asked foreign leaders to help Barr, left, with his inquiry of the Russia probe.

involved in the investigation of his campaign should be charged with crimes, saying the FBI search for possible election season collusion between Russia and Trump campaign officials was a witch hunt, spurred by agents and bureaucrats opposed to Trump becoming president.

That investigation ended earlier this year when special counsel Robert Mueller determined that there was insufficient evidence to charge any Americans with conspiring with Russia, and declined to reach a decision

about whether the president had sought to obstruct justice.

David Laufman, a former Justice Department official who was involved in the early stages of the Russia probe, said it was "fairly unorthodox for the attorney general personally to be flying around the world as a point person to further evidence-gathering for a specific Justice Department investigation," and especially so in Barr's case.

"Even if one questions, as a threshold matter, the propriety of conducting a re-

investigation of the Justice Department's own prior investigation of Russia's interference, the appointment of John Durham — a seasoned, nonpartisan prosecutor — provided some reason to believe that it would be handled in a professional, nonpartisan manner," Laufman said.

"But if the attorney general is essentially running this investigation, that entire premise is out the window."

Associated Press contributed.

Trump warns of civil war; GOP congressman outraged

BY LAURIE KELLMAN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump is warning that the Democrat-driven impeachment proceedings and any move to oust him from office amount to "treason" and would spark a civil war, prompting outrage from a Republican congressman.

Trump tweeted a conservative pastor's comment that removing him would provoke a "civil war-like fracture" in America.

Rep. Adam Kinzinger, a former Air Force pilot who represents an Illinois district Trump won in 2016, tweeted on Sunday, "I have visited nations ravaged by civil war. I have never imagined such a quote to be repeated by a President. This is beyond repugnant."

Trump on Monday was thundering through a new round of counter-punches against his opponents by hammering home the suggestion that they should be arrested and charged with treason and could launch a

civil war — or a combination of those. His top foes were the whistleblower whose complaint launched the House's impeachment investigation and the congressman leading it, Intelligence Committee Chairman Adam Schiff.

"Arrest for Treason?" Trump tweeted of Schiff on Monday in one of many presidential suggestions that his opponents should be investigated for operating under their constitutional duties and within the law.

Fact check: Treason is narrowly defined, both in the nation's founding document and in federal law.

The Constitution states: "Treason against the United States, shall consist only in levying War against them, or in adhering to their Enemies, giving them Aid and Comfort."

Note the word "only." Treason occurs when a U.S. citizen, or a non-citizen on U.S. territory, wages war against the country or provides material support, not just sympathy, to a declared

enemy of the United States.

That came after Trump tweeted a comment from the Rev. Robert Jeffress, pastor of the Southern Baptist megachurch First Baptist Dallas.

"If the Democrats are successful in removing the president from office, it will cause a civil war-like fracture in this nation from which our country will never heal," Jeffress said on Sunday on Fox News Channel's "Fox & Friends Weekend," which Trump posted a few hours later.



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Rep. Adam Kinzinger represents an Illinois district Donald Trump won in 2016.

Bolton rebukes Trump, says Kim intends to keep weapons

BY DAVID NAKAMURA
The Washington Post

Former White House National Security Adviser John Bolton on Monday offered a pointed rebuke to President Donald Trump's diplomatic outreach to North Korea, warning that leader Kim Jong Un has no intention of relinquishing his nuclear weapons and arguing U.S. sanctions are not being effectively enforced.

In his first extended public remarks since being ousted by Trump last month over policy disagreements, Bolton offered a starkly pessimistic and ominous view of Pyongyang's intentions after Kim's three meetings with Trump over the past 15 months.

North Korea "has not made a strategic decision to give up their nuclear weapons. I think the contrary is true," Bolton said during remarks at the Center for Strategic and International Studies. "The strategic decision Kim Jong Un has made is to do whatever he can to keep nuclear weapons capability and development."

Trump has touted the North's two-year moratorium on the testing of nuclear weapons and intercontinental ballistic missiles as a sign of the Kim regime's good-faith negotiations.

But Bolton made clear that he believes Pyongyang's multiple tests of short-range missiles over the summer constitute a violation against long-standing U.N. Security Council resolutions.

He added the moratorium on nuclear testing "tells us nothing about North Korea's intentions or strategy."

The North will "never give up enough voluntarily for me," Bolton said, noting that it would require Kim to agree to an "inspection system so robust and thorough they may well think it



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"North Korea today, as we speak, is violating resolutions," says former National Security Adviser John Bolton.

threatens the viability of their regime."

Trump cut ties with Bolton after the two clashed over the latter's hard line, confrontational stance on North Korea and Iran, which was at odds with the president's interest in negotiating over the nuclear weapons programs of both countries. After Bolton resigned, Trump criticized him publicly and said he did not blame North Korea for "wanting nothing to do" with him.

Though Bolton had accompanied Trump to two summit meetings with Kim, including the second in Hanoi in February that collapsed without a deal, he was absent from Trump's handshake with Kim in the Korean Demilitarized Zone in June. That meeting was aimed at restarting nuclear talks, but no lower-level negotiations have taken place since then despite Pyongyang stating it was open to restarting dialogue this month.

Bolton did not mention Trump by name but his critical views of the president's strategy were clear.

Of Trump's public stance that the North's short-range missile tests do not violate an agreement Kim made with him during their first summit in Singapore last year, Bolton excoriated the president for not calling

the tests a violation of U.N. resolutions.

"North Korea today, as we speak, is violating resolutions," Bolton said. "When the United States is the one having led the fight to get those resolutions, and you say you really don't care, other countries can draw the conclusion that they really don't care about the sanctions contained in those resolutions. When you ask for consistent behavior from others, you have to demonstrate it yourself."

Bolton was skeptical of North Korea's intentions throughout his 17 months at Trump's side, having authored an op-ed just before joining the administration that made the legal case for a potential military first-strike on the North. His public declaration just before the Singapore summit that the North must follow the "Libya model" and relinquish its entire nuclear arsenal before the U.S. lifted any sanctions led to outrage in Pyongyang and recriminations within the Trump White House.

Trump stuck to that position, however, during the second summit in Hanoi, which collapsed after the administration rejected Kim's offer to dismantle a prominent nuclear enrichment facility for broad sanctions relief.

Trump

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man Eliot Engel, D-N.Y., and House Committee on Oversight and Reform Chairman Elijah Cummings, D-Md., cited "a growing public record" of information in accusing him of appearing "to have pressed the Ukrainian government to pursue two politically-motivated investigations

"The first is a prosecution of Ukrainians who provided evidence against Mr. Trump's convicted campaign chairman, Paul Manafort. The second relates to former vice president Joseph R. Biden, Jr., who is challenging President Trump for the presidency in 2020," the letter noted, demanding Giuliani turn over materials to their investigation by Oct. 15.

The chairmen also said they are investigating "credible allegations" that Giuliani "acted as an agent of the president in a scheme to advance his personal political interests by abusing the power of the office of the president."

Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., said Monday that if Trump is impeached by the House, Senate rules would force him to start a trial.

"I would have no choice but to take it up," McConnell said during an appearance on CNBC, before quickly adding: "How long you're on it is a whole different matter."

In his latest tweets Monday, Trump also took fresh aim at the Bidens and the media, calling both "corrupt."

Trump targeted Schiff for remarks at a hearing last week in which Schiff embellished what was said in the call between Trump and Zelenskyy. Schiff later said it was intended as a parody and should have been obvious to Trump.

"Rep. Adam B. Schiff illegally made up a FAKE & terrible statement, pretended it to be mine as the most important part of my call to the Ukrainian Presi-



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President Trump tweet says, "Whistleblower knew almost nothing, its 2ND HAND description of the call is a fraud."

dent, and read it aloud to Congress and the American people," Trump tweeted. "It bore NO relationship to what I said on the call. Arrest for Treason?"

Trump's most recent tweets aimed at the whistleblower came two days after Andrew Bakaj, a lawyer representing the whistleblower, sent a letter to acting director of national intelligence Joseph Maguire expressing fears for his client's safety.

In the letter, Bakaj cited Trump's remarks Wednesday in which he said whoever gave the whistleblower the information about the call was "close to a spy" and alluding to the death penalty.

"Unfortunately, we expect this situation to worsen, and to become even more dangerous for our client and any other whistleblowers, as Congress seeks to investigate this matter," Bakaj wrote.

Bakaj also said that "certain individuals" have issued a \$50,000 "bounty" for "any information" relating to his client's identity.

In tweets Sunday night, Trump said he wants to meet his "accuser" and warned of "Big Consequences."

"In addition, I want to meet not only my accuser, who presented SECOND & THIRD HAND INFORMATION, but also the person who illegally gave this information, which was largely incorrect, to the 'Whistleblower,'" Trump

tweeted. "Was this person SPYING on the U.S. President? Big Consequences!"

Despite legal protections guaranteed to whistleblowers, the search is on inside the White House for the intelligence community official who raised concerns about Trump's conversation with Ukraine's leader, Trump said Monday.

"We're trying to find out" the individual's identity, the president said.

Even though he acknowledged again Monday he does not know who the person is, he has accused the person of having a political "bias" and being part of a "political hack job."

The president made that remark when he took a question in the Oval Office after Vice President Mike Pence swore in new Labor Secretary Eugene Scalia.

Trump's attacks on the whistleblower brought a rebuke Monday from Sen. Mark Warner, D-Va., the vice chairman of the Senate Intelligence Committee.

"We are going to get to the bottom of the whistleblower's allegations, but we cannot lose sight of how truly dangerous the President's response to these allegations has been," Warner wrote on Twitter. "This President's comments about 'spies and treason' and 'what we used to do in the old days' are totally unacceptable and will do serious damage far beyond this news cycle."

CQ-Roll Call contributed.

NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

US targets yacht and planes of Russian for election meddling

WASHINGTON — The U.S. sought to punish Russia on Monday for interfering with the November 2018 midterm elections by placing the yacht and private planes of a Russian financier on an international sanctions list along with employees of the Internet Research Agency that he has funded to spread false information on social media.

Sanctions placed on the planes and yacht of financier Yevgeny Prigozhin

mean that U.S. and many foreign ports would face penalties for transactions involving the vessel or aircraft, according to a U.S. Treasury Department notice announcing the measures.

Prigozhin, who was already on the sanctions list for his alleged involvement in influencing the 2016 U.S. elections, uses a series of front companies to manage the yacht and planes that he and his family use, Treasury said.

US citizen accused of spying on behalf of Chinese government

SAN FRANCISCO — A California man who operates tours for Chinese students and visitors was charged with being an illegal foreign agent and delivering classified U.S. national security information to officials in China, U.S. government officials announced Monday.

U.S. Attorney David Anderson accused Xuehua Edward Peng, 56, of a "combination of age-old spycraft and modern tech-

nology."

"The charges announced today provide a rare glimpse into the secret efforts of the People's Republic of China to obtain classified national security information from the United States," Anderson said.

John Bennett, the FBI agent in charge of San Francisco, said international politics had nothing to do with the arrest and charges against Peng.

Thornberry of Texas is latest House Republican to retire

WASHINGTON — A Texas congressman is the latest House Republican to announce he won't run for reelection.

Rep. Mac Thornberry, a former chairman of the Armed Services Committee, said he would not seek reelection in 2020.

Thornberry has been a member of Congress since 1994. His district in the Texas Panhandle has been safely Republican and isn't considered competitive.

He is the 19th House Republican leaving Congress.

There are 23 House Republicans from Texas, and six have said they're not coming back. At least three of the retiring Texas Republicans are vacating seats that Democrats could win, largely in suburban districts where an aversion to President Donald Trump among educated women is weakening the GOP.



A protester attacks a police line during a demonstration Monday in Jakarta. Riot police fired tear gas at stone-throwing student protesters as new demonstrations erupted across Indonesia, sparked by a raft of divisive legal reforms.

New protests hit Haiti amid demands that president resign

PORT-AU-PRINCE, Haiti — Thousands of demonstrators set fires Monday and chanted calls for Haiti's president to resign as the opposition to Jovenel Moise tried to increase pressure for him to leave office. Protesters said several people were hit by gunfire, including a local journalist.

Opposition leaders and supporters say they are angry about public corruption, spiraling inflation and a dwindling supply of gasoline that has forced many gas stations in the capital to close. Suppliers have demanded that the cash-

strapped government pay them more than \$100 million owed.

Protesters are demanding an investigation into allegations that top officials in the previous government misused billions of dollars from a Venezuela-subsidized oil plan meant to fund urgent social programs.

Blood spattered the concrete near the Bernard Mevs Hospital as the protest grew violent.

Under heavy rain, a group of men rushed into the emergency room carrying a friend they said was shot in the left leg by police.

Jean-Pierre Finfin, 34, said he was standing next to his friend when the bullet hit. He was still shaken as he recounted being part of a crowd marching toward Petionville when he said police fired.

Local radio journalist Joseph Edmond was shot in his right hand while covering the protest. He was taken to a hospital for treatment, said his colleague, Eddy Baptiste, who was next to him when it happened.

He said 22-year-old Edmond was injured when police in an unmarked car began firing.

Nigerian cops rescue 19 women forced to have babies

LAGOS, Nigeria — Police in Lagos say they have rescued 19 pregnant girls and young women who had been kidnapped, impregnated and forced to give birth to babies which were then sold.

Lagos police spokesman Bala Elkana said the victims and four babies were rescued from four locations in the Ikotun area of Lagos. The victims, who are mainly from eastern Nigeria, said they were tricked into coming to Lagos with the promise of getting job as domestic staff.

Elkana said two suspects have been arrested, and a manhunt launched for the lead suspect.

Nigeria has a high incidence of syndicates that keep young women to produce babies for sale, which have locally been termed "baby factories." The police spokesman said the price of a baby can range from \$830 to \$1,400.

In El Salvador: Authorities say they have broken up a criminal network involving police officers — including some elite forces — that allegedly carried out more than two dozen contract killings.

Justice Minister Rogelio Rivas says 11 people were arrested in connection with the group, which is said to have operated in the eastern departments of Usulután and San Miguel.

Thirty-nine warrants were issued. The alleged crimes include 20 individual murders plus multiple killings of up to five people as well as three kidnappings, all committed in 2016-2017.

Chief Prosecutor Raul Melara said Monday the suspects are accused of aggravated homicide and illicit association.

Man burned in fall into Yellowstone hot spring

BILLINGS, Mont. — A Yellowstone National Park visitor has been hospitalized with severe burns after falling into thermal water at Old Faithful Geyser.

Park spokeswoman Morgan Warthin said Cade Edmond Siemers told rangers he was walking near the famous geyser late Sunday

night without a flashlight when he tripped into a hot spring.

Siemers was taken by ambulance to West Yellowstone and airlifted to a burn center in Idaho Falls. He could not be reached for comment.

A hospital representative said Monday that

Siemers was in the intensive care unit, but declined to release further details.

It is illegal to leave the boardwalks around Old Faithful, punishable by up to six months in prison and a \$5,000 fine.

In 2016, an Oregon man died after falling into a Yellowstone hot spring.

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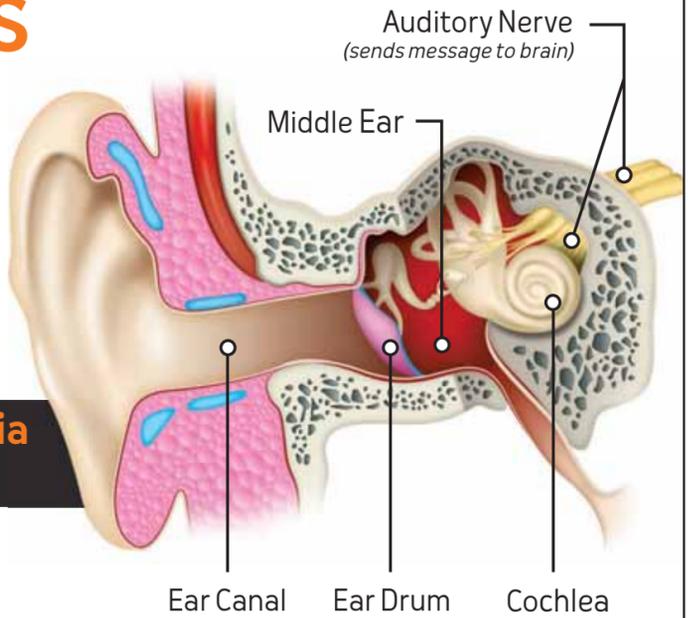
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EDITORIALS

A school cancels Halloween. Can it find a (Milky) Way forward?

When Lincoln Elementary School in Evanston decided to cancel Halloween activities, the news didn't sit well with parents who consider the holiday a cultural rite of passage for children.

No costume parade? No candy corn or sticky popcorn balls?

No showing of "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown," the classic Halloween cartoon where Linus waits for a flying pumpkin to deliver gifts to boys and girls, and Charlie Brown goes to his first Halloween party, and Snoopy dresses up as a World War I flying ace, and Pig-Pen wears a dusty ghost costume ... and, well some people get sooooo carried away with Halloween.

Principal Michelle Cooney in a statement said Lincoln Elementary decided not to recognize Halloween as a school activity because it "is not a holiday that is celebrated by all members of our school community and for various reasons."

She said "there are also inequities" in how the holiday is observed, which contrasts with the school's goal of creating an inclusive and welcoming environment for all students.

That's understandable. But so are objections from parents concerned the school is overreaching.



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A scene from the classic animated Halloween-themed "Peanuts" special, "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown," created by late cartoonist Charles M. Schulz.

"They're trying so hard to make everything inclusive that they're excluding a lot of students," parent Nejra Bajric, told the Tribune's Christen Johnson. "They're excluding those kids from having a Halloween, or low-income kids whose families work crazy hours."

Bajric, who came to Chicago from Bosnia in 1995, said Halloween was a way for her to assimilate to American culture, not an exercise in exclusion.

Her parents worked long hours; Halloween parties at school often were her only chance to experience the holiday.

Parent Mark Gruber said the school's decision doesn't deliver a real world lesson. "I don't think that's a good reason, that's not a way society works," he said. "If one kid is offended, we want to try to include that kid and come with solutions, but to say we need to change our behavior in a significant way over a Halloween celebration, it's hard to take."

The school announced that it instead would host a fall celebration on Nov. 1. Except that's also All Saints' Day, an internationally observed Christian holiday. A school-sponsored fall festival on that date might offend observant Roman Catholics, Methodists, Lutherans, some other Protestants and — you get the idea. At what point does overwrought political correctness lead to paralysis? When does the fear of offending one group come at the expense of reasonable judgment?

Like Lincoln Elementary, many schools across the country have debated Halloween policies. Some schools eliminated celebrations altogether. Others limit parties to the lower grades,

no peanut candy please! Many schools also regulate costume choices. Kindergartners don't need to be exposed to Freddy Krueger's switchblade glove in the school hallway.

We learned of one Chicago school that celebrates "book character day" instead of Halloween. Nia Smart, a senior at Trinity High School in River Forest who visited the Tribune Editorial Board with her journalism class Monday, said she was "always obsessed, waiting to dress up as that character." One year, she was Camilla Cream of "A Bad Case of Stripes" by David Shannon.

Now that's a compromise. Costumes, maybe, but no big expense (or overwrought debates about devil worship) involved. Could Lincoln Elementary come up with its own version of Halloween? Keep the spirit of dressing up and sweet treats while focusing on a more eclectic, educational celebration?

Here's one vote for finding middle ground at Lincoln Elementary — and a weighted vote for "It's the Great Pumpkin, Charlie Brown." When adults prioritize the simple interests of kids, not the hand-wringing of political correctness, they usually land in the right place.

Clear the books: Chicago Public Library can fulfill its mission without fines

Chicago is about to become the largest city in the United States to abolish most types of library fines, ending a practice that opponents say drove away low-income people who most need their local library and who can least afford to pay financial penalties. More than 340,000 Chicagoans have been banned from checking out materials because of unpaid fines. One in 5 suspended cards, or 68,000, belong to children younger than 14, who need research materials for school, pursue an ever-changing list of interests and, ideally, learn to love reading along the way. Kids don't control their own schedules and finances. Denying them books to take home is a harsh penalty.

As of Tuesday, all fines will be eliminated on library items already in circulation, and fees won't rack up as quickly anymore. Many loans will automatically renew up to 15 times unless someone is waiting for the item, and there's a higher debt limit before a user's library privileges are suspended: \$30, up from \$10.

Even in the most practical accounting, the city has little reason to discourage people from using the library. Providing the community with access to a safe place to pursue knowledge improves literacy, civic engagement, health and job pre-



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Jamillah Williams-Bay checks out a patron at Woodson Regional Library in Chicago on Monday where Mayor Lori Lightfoot stated Chicago public libraries will stop overdue fines.

paredness. Revenue from fines comprises a minuscule part of the library budget. And these seemingly small penalties aren't equally affordable for everyone. In the

library's South District, 1 in 3 library cards are suspended; in the North District, it's 1 in 6.

Other cities are taking similar ap-

proaches, concluding that fines do little to encourage timely returns and that using penalties to impose lessons of personal responsibility is beyond the scope of library policy.

Under Chicago's plan, borrowers will still be held accountable for their use of library materials, and those who truly abuse the system will find themselves on the outs soon enough. They face similar consequences as before — replacement charges and lost borrowing privileges — when items are not turned in after the more forgiving loan period. That debt can now be erased without payment if the item is returned later.

Society benefits from a literate, well-informed citizenry. The Tribune Editorial Board crusaded for a free library both before and immediately after the Great Chicago Fire of 1871; the Chicago Public Library was founded in 1873. A campaign for public libraries at the time argued that democracy depends upon equal access to knowledge, according to this Chicago Flashback column by Ron Grossman. A "library shall be free as air," the Tribune said. The system needs to impose rules to protect and manage its collection and budget. But making cash penalties rare is a step toward that ideal.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

Few Democrats likely think that the Republican-controlled Senate will vote to remove President Donald Trump from office if he is impeached. But they also have likely underestimated how a Republican-controlled Senate trial could be used to put Democrats on defense and exonerate the president. ...

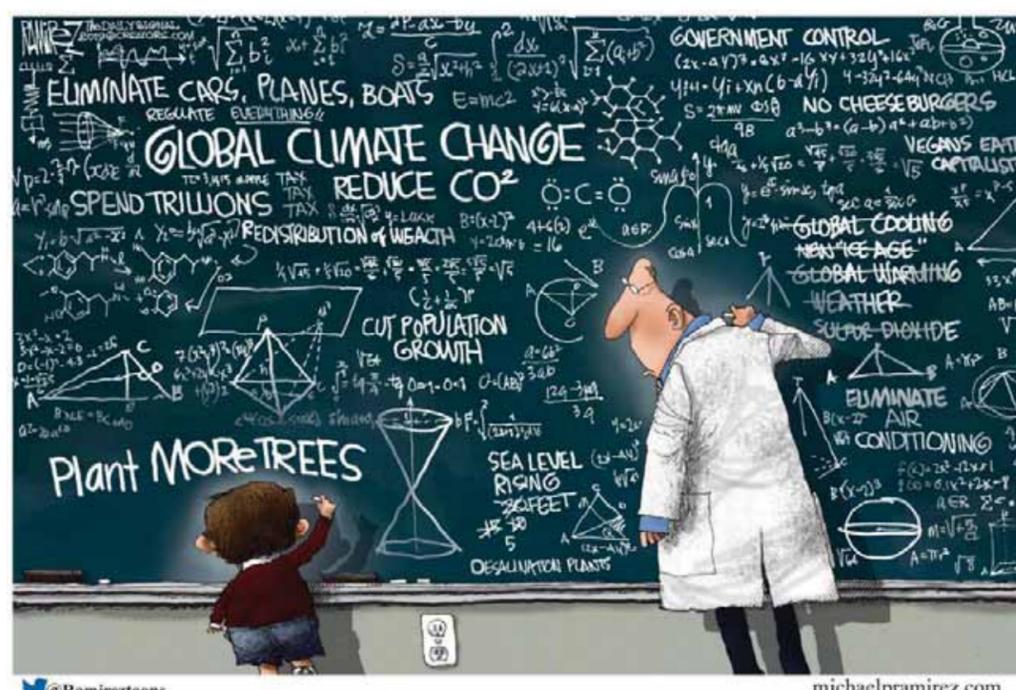
Suppose the president's attorneys want to call Joe and Hunter Biden to testify about their activities in Ukraine. They would contend such testimony and investigation is necessary to exonerate the president as, under this theory, any acts he took to pressure the Ukrainian government to look into their activities would be a legitimate act to protect U.S. interests. ...

Imagine that attorneys call a series of presidential appointees such as Secretary of State Mike Pompeo to the stand. The president's counsel could ask them: "Did the president ever tell you that the aid to Ukraine would be withheld to force that country to investigate Joe Biden?" ... An aggressive Mitch McConnell, backed by a Senate majority, could vote to hear that evidence, opening the door to a parade of administration officials who would deny that the president ever told them to do anything illegal — all while Republicans refuse to call the president himself to the stand.

Nor will the whistleblower's identity likely be protected if the Senate tries the case. ... Senate Standing Rule XX provides that the Senate doors could be closed and testimony taken in secret if a majority so chooses, but why would Republicans agree to do that?

Henry Olsen, The Washington Post

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MOTORTION

Many victims want the opportunity to enter a confidential settlement because they are unwilling to have what happened to them made known to their family members, their co-workers, their future employers or the general public.

Not every #MeToo assault victim wants to speak out publicly

BY GLORIA ALLRED

The #MeToo movement has elevated the voices of sexual assault victims, making it more likely that victims will come forward. But movement supporters are wrong to attack confidential settlement agreements that can help vulnerable victims get a measure of justice.

This issue has arisen in the new book "She Said," by the reporters who broke the Harvey Weinstein sex abuse scandal. They have said that they talked to victims, some of whom chose to violate their confidential settlement agreements. The reporters have criticized victims' rights lawyers (like me) for assisting clients to settle their legal claims against sexual predators by entering into such agreements.

The reporters have argued that victims would help other women by speaking out. They have praised victims who told their stories even when doing so violated settlement agreements that the victims entered into voluntarily. Breaching a settlement agreement exposes the victim to a lawsuit by the accused and the resultant costs, financial and emotional, of defending that lawsuit.

Some people may be shocked that lawyers, especially a feminist lawyer like me, would ever assist a client to enter a confidential settlement.

The alternative, however, would be

to insist that victims be denied the choice to settle their case, and be forced to file lawsuits, appear for depositions, answer interrogatories, testify publicly under oath and take the risk that a jury will not believe them. Even if a jury finds in the victim's favor, the defendant could appeal and the victim may never collect anything at all if the defendant is successful.

My law firm is the leading women's rights law firm in the United States. In the 43 years that we have been practicing law, we have represented thousands of victims of rape, child sexual abuse, sexual assault and sexual harassment. We have settled thousands of cases confidentially for our clients who wish to exercise that option and we have litigated lawsuits for many others.

We make no apologies for supporting victims who are brave enough to seek accountability from sexual predators and justice for the injustice that has been inflicted on them.

Women do not choose to be sexually assaulted or raped. When that occurs, their choice to be free of sexual violence is taken away from them by the sexual predator. We believe that victims should at the very least have choices when it comes to asserting their legal rights against the person or company that victimized them. We provide victims with legal choices, which include filing a lawsuit or the

possibility of entering into a settlement that avoids their having to file a lawsuit and litigating their case publicly for years.

Lawsuits often only increase the suffering of victims. Many victims choose to protect their privacy and want to enter into a confidential settlement to avoid having to file a public lawsuit.

At the same time, defendants often refuse to enter into any settlement unless it is confidential.

I always present my clients with all the benefits and risks of each of their legal options so that they can make an informed decision as to what they believe is in their best interest. We do not tell our clients what to do. They decide.

A new California law prohibits confidentiality agreements in settlements of lawsuits involving sexual assault, sexual harassment and gender discrimination claims after a lawsuit or administrative charge has been publicly filed by the victim. I fully support victims who choose to go public with their claims, and I equally support victims who want to maintain their privacy and confidentially settle their claims. As a private victim's rights attorney, my duty is to support my client in the choice she makes.

Many victims want the opportunity to enter a confidential settlement because they are unwilling to have

what happened to them made known to their family members, their co-workers, their future employers or the general public. That is their right and they have no obligation to anyone to sacrifice their privacy.

Advocates who call confidential settlements "hush money" are ignorant of the law. There are significant exceptions to confidential agreements.

For example, even if a victim has signed a confidential settlement agreement, she may still testify in a criminal case against the predator. She is never prohibited from sharing what happened to her with law enforcement, and she may testify in a public criminal case against the predator if she is called as a victim or witness. A victim can also testify in a deposition or trial in a civil case if she is subpoenaed to do so.

We believe victims should have the right to choose whether or not to enter into a voluntary confidential settlement and no one, including the press and politicians, should take that right and choice away from victims.

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President Donald Trump participates in a welcome ceremony for Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Army Gen. Mark Milley on Monday.

Impeachment might be best for the country, but it won't be easy

BY MEGAN MCARDLE

Many people who would rejoice to see the last of President Donald Trump nonetheless fear that impeaching him is a bad idea. The country, after all, is headed into an election year, and voters will soon have the opportunity to sort this matter out for themselves. If Trump survives impeachment, then the 2020 election will be focused on Trump's flexible-to-the-point-of-dislocation moral standards rather than on policy, where the president is especially weak. And any attempt to impeach him is all too likely to damage former Vice President Joe Biden, his most viable opponent. Trying to remove Trump may perversely make him *more* likely to be reelected.

For centrist conservatives who might be impeachment-friendly, it poses another, special danger: that conservative voters will rally to his side, cementing the man's control of the rubble-strewn territory where they'd hoped to rebuild their beloved movement. The fear is reinforced by the sense among many of them that impeachment cannot work, that this will end with Republican senators professing even more slavish loyalty to His Mighty Orangeness.

But even among conservative politicians, most of Trump's support comes from people who are afraid of him but not enamored.

Which means that if public opinion turns in favor of impeachment, the Republican senators currently muttering, "Nothing to see here, move along" may easily find their "questions" about his "troubling" behavior easily ripening into a firm belief that the president needs to go.

Trump will have no party loyalty or longstanding relationships to fall back on; if voters are on board, Republicans will defenestrate Trump with great speed and greater joy.

For that to happen, though, a clear majority of the public must back impeachment. Not a mere plurality, or even a slim majority, but somewhere north of 60% of Americans saying they want the president removed. That would spare GOP senators the difficult choice between conscience and political expedience: A pro-impeachment majority that large would mean losing not only the presidency but also the seats of many senators who voted to keep Trump in office.

The polls are already moving in that direction, though not by anywhere near enough to budge Senate Republicans. Mostly it's still Democrats who always wanted to impeach Trump — though only if their party could get away with it. But a growing number of independents and even some Republicans are leaning that way.

Now that a previously stable consensus is changing, it may change fast. We like to think that we form our beliefs based purely on facts and reason, but in truth they are shaped by what is acceptable for "people like me" to believe. If a few bellwether "people like me" change their minds, the unthinkable can quickly become the inevitable.

That outcome isn't necessarily the most likely one. Even if pro-impeachment public opinion rises enough, legitimate questions would remain about whether it's best for the country to let an election year be dominated by an impeachment, especially when Democrats' determina-

tion to impeach the president was clear long before the pretext for doing so arrived.

Those questions will be especially difficult for Republicans because, as writer Jonathan V. Last has pointed out, Trump won't slink off like President Richard Nixon if the party says it's time to go. Trump couldn't care less about the GOP, except as a vehicle for his own aggrandizement. Moreover, the high point of his presidency, which won him genuine plaudits even from conservatives who openly revile him, was his decision to stick with Brett Kavanaugh when everyone else was saying it was obvious his Supreme Court nomination would have to be withdrawn. You can be sure that Trump took a lesson from that: Don't listen to the political strategists, and definitely don't surrender, no matter how bad it looks.

For Trump to be removed, then, it won't be enough for his party's leaders to decide that they'd be better off without him. A large majority of the public will have to decide that they can't stand another minute of him — and then GOP leaders will have to go to war with their own president, who will hunker down in the Oval Office with his shrinking band of supporters.

Contra Contrary to the naysayers, I think it's possible this will happen. I think it might be better for the country, and even the Republican Party, if it did. But I do agree with them on one point: It sure won't be easy.

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Mayor Lori Lightfoot delivers her State of the City address on Aug. 29.

Is Chicago really going broke?

We hear constantly about how the city is going broke. Yet in the Sept. 27 Tribune comes news — "Lightfoot looking to reboot fund for city neighborhoods" — that \$100 million earmarked to spur investments in 2016 was never spent. How was this much money overlooked in bookkeeping for three years?

Additionally, outgoing city Treasurer Kurt Summers was caught moving \$75 million of this money into a bank account at Northern Trust, which Mayor Lori Lightfoot deemed improper and promptly pulled these funds back. This is just one instance of financial shenanigans. How many more are there?

This instance, along with the mystery surrounding tax increment financing funds and the lack of government oversight, leaves a lifelong resident like me quite skeptical about our city's finances.

Are we really going broke, or is this just a charade to shake down taxpayers for more money?

— Mike Rice, Chicago

Participation in the census is key to representation

Once every 10 years, we have a crucial opportunity to participate in our democracy: the census. With a more accurate count, citizens are better represented in government and communities are provided with the resources they need.

Reporting for the census is especially important in our home state of Illinois, which ranks near the bottom among all states for young voters' participation in local elections, and low voter registration rates continue to be a serious concern. Participating in the census is a great way for members of the younger demographic to take a vital step in becoming engaged in our democracy.

Illinois is also at risk of losing two congressional seats as a result of declining population, which would have a detrimental effect on citizens' voice in government.

Data from the 2020 census will determine how congressional and state legislative district lines will be redrawn, affecting the representation of communities throughout Illinois. Census data will also control the allocation of about \$800 billion in federal funding. Social services, including programs like SNAP and Medicare, and even fire departments and public universities, all depend on this funding to effectively serve the communities that rely on them.

Reporting for the census is a quick and easy way to take an active role in our government. Starting March 12, you will be able to report online, by mail or over the phone, using the code that will be sent to your household. Everyone living in the U.S., regardless of citizenship status, is encouraged to report, and all information is kept confidential, by law, by the U.S. Census Bureau.

This opportunity won't come again until 2030, so let's all complete our civic duty to help ensure that Illinois is properly funded and that everyone is represented by our government.

— Ramona Bleasdale, Chicago

Joe Maddon isn't the problem

Paul Sullivan has it right ("Goodbye — and good luck," Sept. 26): After another Cubs meltdown, someone must pay. But I wish it wasn't manager Joe Maddon. With any franchise, the top never goes since decisions are made there.

But why never the bottom? As Sullivan points out, Maddon won with "brash, young kids." But success seems to have gone to their heads. Last year's collapse transitioned into this year's disastrous start. And any momentum waned quickly until the final Titanic-like disaster.

Rather than reshuffle the deck chairs, let's get rid of some of the brash, still-mostly-young kids. Look at what the Brewers are doing without their marquee player and with a less expensive 25-man payroll. Maybe Joe waxed philosophical that the players should have a beer together because what he really wanted to say is that they don't hold each other accountable since they are too much into their own (tarnished) personas.

While the bosses chanted that "every game matters" the players said "it's a long season" and then "we're right where we want to be" and then "it's September and we know what we need to do." What now? Maybe next year.

Go, Cubs, go (and I'll also be watching you, Joe).

— Leo Hennessy, Chicago

Ken Burns' 'Country Music' displays progress, not cultural appropriation

BY JAMES HUFFMAN

For lovers of country music, there is much to like about Ken Burns' latest documentary of the American past. "Country Music" — all eight episodes are streaming at pbs.org — is filled with moving human stories, drawing on scratchy recordings and seldom-seen videos and photographs, as well as interviews with people in and around country music today.

I'm recommending it to all of my colleagues in academia. Not because I think professors (and the students they teach and influence) need to know anything about the history of country music. Each to his or her own in music. Rather I'm urging them to watch it because they will seldom encounter a more convincing refutation of the culturally divisive notion of cultural appropriation that now pervades academia.

"Cultural appropriation," according to Maisha Johnson, writing in the online magazine *Everyday Feminism*, "is when somebody adopts aspects of a culture that's not their own." By that definition, Burns tells a story of rampant cultural appropriation. "Country Music" makes clear that Celtic, African, Mexican, German, Polish, Native American, Caribbean and many other ethnic traditions have contributed to country music. Those who borrowed from the music of other cultures did not ask for permission. They just copied and adapted what they heard because they liked it.

But cultural appropriation is about more than that, says Johnson. "A deeper understanding of cultural appropriation also refers to a particular *power dynamic* in which members of a dominant culture



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The Carter Family: Maybelle, left, A.P. and Sara. A.P. relied on African American musician Leslie Riddle to build the group's repertoire.

take elements from a culture of people who have been systematically oppressed by that dominant group." Well that describes the foundations of country music. No theme is clearer in the very first episode of Burns' documentary than the influence of the music of slavery on the origins of country music. Through decades of segregation and pervasive discrimination against blacks, country music absorbed black music like a sponge.

Does that mean we should banish country music from the airwaves? Burn down the Grand Ole Opry as a monument to white oppression? Expunge Jimmie Rodgers and the Carter Family from our memories?

Of course not. We should celebrate country music, as Burns' documentary does. Even if we hate the music, we should celebrate it as a grand success in

human collaboration and mutual respect. To be sure, some of those behind the radio stations that brought country music to every corner of the nation were racists, but the public embrace of country music with all of its influences bridged differences and helped lay the foundations of community.

The idea of cultural appropriation has the opposite effect and purpose. It segregates. It says what's ours is ours. It commands that people who are different stay different. The best ideas of the systematically oppressed must be denied to others, as if their acceptance by members of the dominant culture is a form of colonialism.

But as "Country Music" demonstrates, it is the opposite of colonialism. On the merits and appeal of their music, African American and other discriminated-against groups infiltrated the dominant culture and changed it for the better.

Country music is quintessentially American because, like America, it is an amalgam of different peoples from different parts of the world with different cultural traditions. The idea of cultural appropriation is un-American. It is of a piece with the identity politics that has immobilized our public councils and fractured our communities.

In his moving and entertaining film, Burns demonstrates that country music became what it is and will become something different by bringing together diverse musical traditions and people of different cultural backgrounds. That's progress, not cultural appropriation.

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Employers can no longer ask about pay history

Supporters of new Illinois law say measure will help close wage gap

BY ABDEL JIMENEZ

Illinois companies can no longer ask job applicants or their previous employers about their pay history under a law that took effect Sunday. Supporters say the measure will help close the pay gap between women and men.

Sarah Labadie, associate director of policy for Women Employed, a nonprofit advocating for equal pay for women in the workforce, said the main goal of the law is to restructure how companies pay their workers so that pay discrepancies aren't per-

petuated.

Rep. Anna Moeller, D-Elgin, who co-sponsored the legislation signed by Gov. J.B. Pritzker, said she hopes the new law will even the playing field.

"Women tend to make less than their male counterparts. If (a company is) basing it off past wages, it causes them to continue to get paid less. Employers will no longer be able to make wage offers by using previous wage history," Moeller said.

Here's what to know about the measure:

What does the new law do?

Employers can't ask job applicants how much they earned at their current or previous jobs. The law also prohibits previous

employers and staffing agencies from disclosing any pay information. Companies can't prevent workers discussing their pay and benefits with colleagues.

Does the law apply only to salaried workers?

Both salaried and hourly workers are covered by the law, which advocates refer to as the No Salary History law.

What kind of pay history is barred?

Companies cannot ask for any compensation history, including benefits offered by a current or former employer and bonuses received.

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Gov. J.B. Pritzker, shown in April, signed the legislation, which was co-sponsored by state Rep. Anna Moeller, D-Elgin. It took effect Sunday.

State issues licenses for pot

7 facilities can start growing marijuana for recreational sales

BY ALLY MAROTTI

Illinois has issued licenses allowing seven marijuana cultivation facilities to start growing weed for recreational sales.

The approval process went down to the wire: The state is three months away from the first recreational sales, and it often takes three to four months to grow a crop of cannabis.

Cresco Labs, PharmaCann, Ascend Illinois and Columbia Care operate the facilities awarded licenses in the state's first round of approvals. There are currently 17 medical marijuana cultivators in Illinois that operate 21 facilities.

The state law allows existing cultivators to be the first to grow recreational pot, and it was largely expected most would opt to do so. But the companies need state approval and those licenses, as they are issued, will help determine which products customers see on store shelves when recreational sales start next year.

Around the state, marijuana growers are expanding their facilities to try to meet expected recreational demand. Growers also are supplying a medical cannabis patient population that has roughly doubled in size since this time last year.

"Now we can really put the pedal down in terms of producing supply in anticipation of the Jan. 1 kickoff," said Jeremy Unruh, director of public and regulatory affairs for PharmaCann.

PharmaCann, which was awarded recreational grow licenses for its facilities in Dwight and Hillcrest, is working to more than double production volume at the Dwight facility. It embarked on the expansion earlier this year, when recreational sales started to appear more certain, Unruh said.

Cresco already expanded its Joliet operation and expansions are underway at the facilities in Kankakee and Lincoln. All three facilities were licensed to grow recreational cannabis.

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Workers prepare orders at the Aloha Poke stand in Chicago's Revival Food Hall on Sept. 10.

Aloha Poke plans an ambitious expansion

A year after making enemies over its trademark, restaurant plans for growth

BY ALEXIA ELEJALDE-RUIZ

Chris Birkinshaw had barely settled in as CEO at Aloha Poke last year when the budding young chain became engulfed in a branding crisis.

Chicago's largest purveyor of poke, in an effort to protect its trademark, had infuriated some Hawaiians by sending cease-and-desist letters to poke restaurants with "aloha" in their names. Activists urged boycotts. Pickets protested in front of stores. Legislation in Hawaii to protect against cultural appropriation named the company for "in essence claiming ownership" of "aloha."

But the controversy didn't quell Aloha Poke's ambitions. The chain, which has 11 locations in the Chicago area and seven more in a handful of other states, is about

to embark on an expansion it hopes will quintuple its presence across the country within the next three years.

"I think poke, and particularly our poke, is the food of the future," Birkinshaw, 38, said.

Poke, a dish of cubed raw fish that is commonplace in Hawaii (and pronounced poh-kay), exploded onto Chicago's dining scene in 2016 after gaining popularity on the coasts. Aloha Poke, founded by a Chicagoan, caught an early wave of the local trend with a shop in the French Market that drew large lunch crowds hungry for bowls that paired marinated salmon or ahi tuna with greens, rice and an array of sauces and toppings.

The shuttering of several poke restaurants since, including the abrupt closure of FireFin's five

Chicago locations in 2017, led to some speculation that the mainland appetite for poke had peaked or the market was oversaturated.

But some trend watchers say poke still has a lot of runway left to grow.

The dish's presence on U.S. restaurant menus has nearly tripled since 2015, and it is expected to keep growing and be found on 64% of menus by 2023, according to Chicago-based market research firm Datassential.

Unlike the fleeting booms of cupcakes and frozen yogurt, which proliferated fast then faded when the novelty wore off, poke is more likely to have staying power, said Mark Brandau, managing editor with Datassential.

"It fits nicely with health trends that I don't think are going anywhere," Brandau said. "People are interested in having more seafood."

Poke's rising popularity isn't all good news for poke-specific

chains like Aloha Poke, which may face competition from other fast casual restaurants that can add the dish to their menus at a lower price because they can absorb the high cost of the fish in other higher-margin items, Brandau said. Most of the poke growth is projected to occur at sit-down restaurants, where diners expect to pay more, he said.

"It seems like a more natural fit than being asked to pay \$13 for a bowl at lunch," he said. "It's a bit of a lift to build repeat customers at that price point."

Aloha Poke has set a goal of having 100 restaurants open by the end of 2022 by partnering with large franchise operators who control more than one unit, said Birkinshaw, who previously led franchising at Potbelly Sandwich Works. The markets it is targeting include St. Louis; Detroit; Cleveland; Columbus, Ohio;

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Fast fashion chain Forever 21 files for Chapter 11

Retailer plans to close up to 178 stores in US

BY ANNE D'INNOCENZIO
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Forever 21, a once-hot destination for teen shoppers that fell victim to its own rapid expansion and changing consumer tastes, has filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy protection.

The privately held company based in Los Angeles said Sunday it will close up to 178 stores in the U.S. As of the bankruptcy filing, the company operated about 800 stores globally, including more than 500 stores in the U.S. The retailer has 15 stores in the Chicago

area and three outlet stores.

The company said it would focus on maximizing the value of its U.S. stores and shutter certain international locations. Forever 21 plans to close most of its locations in Asia and Europe but will continue operating in Mexico and Latin America.

"The decisions as to which domestic stores will be closing are ongoing, pending the outcome of continued conversations with landlords," it said in the statement. "We do, however, expect a significant number of these stores will remain open and operate as usual, and we do not expect to exit any major markets in the U.S."

Forever 21 joins Barneys New York and Diesel USA on a growing



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A Forever 21 store in Herald Square in Manhattan on Sept. 12.

list of retailers seeking bankruptcy protection as they battle online competitors. Others, like Payless

ShoeSource and Charlotte Russe, have shut down completely.

The numbers show the crisis

facing traditional retailers. So far this year, publicly traded U.S. retailers have announced they will close 8,558 stores and open 3,446, according to the global research firm Coresight Research. That compares with 5,844 closures and 3,258 openings in 2018. Coresight estimates the closures could number 12,000 by the end of 2019.

Forever 21 was founded in 1984 and, along with other so-called fast fashion chains like H&M and Zara, rode a wave of popularity among young customers that took off in the mid-1990s. Their popularity grew during the Great Recession, when shoppers sought fashion bargains.

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McPier leader Lori Healey hired by Clayco



RYAN ORI
On Real Estate

Clayco, the development and construction firm attached to expansions of O'Hare International Airport and Willis Tower, has hired Lori Healey, who is set to step down as head of the agency that oversees McCormick Place and Navy Pier.

It is the firm's second hiring of a politically connected executive in a little over a month.

Chicago-based Clayco on Monday announced it hired Healey as president of its newly formed Chicago regional business unit. She will oversee the creation of new business throughout the Chicago metro area.

Healey's hiring comes just over a month after Clayco hired another former aide to recently departed Mayor Rahm Emanuel, planning commissioner David Reifman, as partner and senior vice president for strategic development at Clayco's development and real estate investment arm, CRG.

Healey, 59, whose upcoming departure from the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority was

reported over the weekend, has led the public agency known as McPier since 2015.

"Lori is one of Chicago's most accomplished business and civic leaders who has demonstrated executive leadership in both the public and private sectors," Clayco CEO Bob Clark said in a news release announcing the hiring. "Lori is the perfect person to lead our Chicago business unit as Clayco continues to grow the business and have the type of impact on the community we are seeking."

Healey's last day at McPier will be Oct. 18. Chief Financial Officer Larita Clark was named acting CEO while the city of Chicago, McPier's board of directors and the Illinois governor's office conduct a search to replace Healey, the agency said Monday. In an interview, Healey described the decision to leave early in the tenures of new Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot and Illinois Gov. J.B. Pritzker as "very clearly my decision." She said she informed McPier's board of her decision last week. "I've known Bob ever since he moved to Chicago, and I have a great admiration for his company," Healey said.

While at McPier, Healey oversaw the creation of McCormick Square, a series of developments near the massive convention center that included Wintrust Arena, which is home to DePaul University basketball games, as well as new hotels and other amenities.

Before that, Healey held other top roles under Emanuel and Mayor Richard M. Daley, as well as working for the group that attempted to bring the 2016 Summer Olympics to Chicago.

Healey also has experience generating new busi-



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Lori Healey, left, chief executive officer of the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority, and state Sen. Mattie Hunter, D-Chicago, testify in front of the Senate Executive Committee during a spring session of the Illinois General Assembly in Springfield May 29.

ness in the private sector, including positions at real estate development firm John Buck Co. and architecture firm Perkins+Will.

Clayco has hired more than 400 employees in Chicago since 2013, when its headquarters moved to the city from St. Louis.

The company develops, designs and builds real estate in Chicago and throughout the country, with a variety of property types including office, resi-

dential and industrial buildings. Last year Clayco acquired Lamar Johnson Collaborative, an architecture, interior and urban design firm.

Clayco said its 2018 revenue was \$2.6 billion.

Its ongoing construction projects include the \$500 million expansion to the base of the city's tallest building, the 110-story Willis Tower, as well as the conversion of the upper half of Macy's State Street flag-

ship building to offices. Clayco is part of the team building a 2.2 million-square-foot expansion of O'Hare designed by architect Jeanne Gang.

One proposed project with which Healey and Reifman have strong familiarity is the Burnham Lakefront, a proposed megadevelopment of the former Michael Reese Hospital site led by Farpoint Development and Draper and Kramer. The proposed multibillion-dollar, mixed-use development could include other nearby land owned by McPier, with the McCormick Place marshaling yards moving nearby.

Clayco executives including Clark are involved in Decennial Group, an investor in properties in opportunity zones, which plans to back the Burnham Lakefront project.

Healey emphasized that the potential use of McPier land in the Burnham Lakefront project is "very preliminary," and said she "would not be involved in anything associated with that project."

The Michael Reese site previously was proposed as the Olympic Village site for the 2016 Summer Games, for which Chicago was one of four cities considered. Those Olympics wound up going to Rio de Janeiro.

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WeWork says it will withdraw its initial public offering filing

BY MARIE C. BACA
The Washington Post

Coworking company WeWork said Monday it will ask to withdraw its initial public offering filing with the Securities and Exchange Commission, postponing its attempts to go public indefinitely.

The announcement is the latest in a string of bad news for the embattled We Co., following its CEO Adam Neumann stepping down last week after a Wall Street Journal report on his problematic behavior. WeWork earlier this year was valued as high as \$47 billion, but in recent weeks the company considered an offering that would slash its value as low as \$10 billion, according to Reuters.

The company had already delayed its IPO.

WeWork's core "space-as-a-service" business involves turning leased buildings into coworking spaces that offer perks like yoga classes. Under the We Co. umbrella, the company has recently expanded into apartment rentals, data analytics and education.

Neumann was replaced by two co-CEOs: Artie Minson, formerly the company's co-president and chief financial officer; and Sebastian Gunningham, who was vice chairman.

In a statement, the CEOs said that the offering was being postponed so that the company could focus on its core business, which they insisted remain strong.

"We have every intention to operate WeWork as a public company and look forward to revisiting the public equity markets in the future," they wrote.

The company did not immediately respond to a request for additional comment.

WeWork's stumble adds to a rough summer for what was supposed to be a potential record-setting year in tech IPOs. After disappointing debuts earlier this year, both ridesharing giants Uber and Lyft shares' have plummeted in value. Messaging company Slack initially traded higher before falling to about half its opening price.

And fitness bike purveyor Peloton also came out of the



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gate last week with a disappointing start.

The wave of problems has triggered criticism among analysts and investors, some of whom say that valuations among tech companies — and those that presented themselves as tech companies — were becoming bloated and possibly contributing to a bubble.

A recent Goldman Sachs report said that only 26% of companies that completed an IPO in 2018 had positive net income in their first annual report, the lowest share since the first tech bubble burst around the

turn of the millennium.

We Co.'s used the word "technology" more than 100 times in its IPO filing, and chief product officer Shiva Rajaraman told TechCrunch in February that the company is "moving toward a Google Analytics for space."

Monday's statement by Minson and Gunningham indicates that WeWork will again be returning to its real estate roots.

The filing also stated that the Neumann's departure "could have a material adverse effect on (the) business."

Cannabis

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"We are happy to receive the first round of state approvals as we ramp up our operations to continue to provide residents of Illinois our trusted suite ... of tested, consistently-dosed cannabis products," Cresco spokesman Jason Erkes said in a statement.

Last week, the River North-based company entered into an agreement to sell its Joliet and Kankakee facilities for about \$46.3 million, a deal that will free up capital for the company as it expands. Cresco will lease the properties back from Innovative Industrial Properties, a cannabis-focused real estate investment trust.

The law does not allow any more large cultivators to supply the Illinois market until 2021 at the earliest, and then only if demand warrants them.

To be approved to grow recreational cannabis, existing cultivators had to pay a \$100,000 application fee and commit to participating in the state's social equity program, which seeks to ensure people affected by canna-

bis arrests can get into the industry, said agriculture department spokeswoman Krista Lisser. The money goes into a newly created cannabis business development fund, meant to help small entrepreneurs get into the industry.

Ascend Illinois' facility in downstate Barry also was awarded a license, as was Columbia Care's facility in Aurora. That facility has been involved in a years-long legal battle that started in 2015 after a competitor filed suit alleging that the Aurora site should not have been awarded a license. The company is growing marijuana but is not selling it to dispensaries.

The state's existing 55 medical dispensaries can also apply to sell recreational cannabis from their same storefronts next year. So far, the state has issued only five licenses to existing dispensaries — all owned by Chicago-based Green Thumb Industries, or GTI.

One of those dispensaries, however, is in Naperville, which voted to ban recreational weed sales.

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CVS halts sales of heartburn drug

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CVS has halted sales of popular heartburn treatment Zantac and its generic store brand after warnings by U.S. health regulators.

It's the latest precautionary move by retailers and manufacturers after the U.S. Food and Drug Administration recently warned consumers about a potentially dangerous contaminant in prescription and over-the-counter versions of Zantac.

In its announcement this weekend, CVS said customers who bought Zantac products can return them for a refund. The retailer will continue to sell other heartburn medications.

What's the issue with Zantac?

In September, the FDA said it detected low levels of a probable cancer-causing chemical known as NDMA in Zantac and related generic drugs to treat ulcers and reflux disease. The same chemical has been linked to dozens of recalls of prescription blood pressure drugs in the past year.

The agency said the amount found in Zantac products barely exceeds



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The U.S. Food and Drug Administration recently warned consumers about a potentially dangerous contaminant in prescription and over-the-counter versions of Zantac.

levels found in common foods such as meats, dairy products and chemicals. Even so, the warning has led some pharmacies and manufacturers to stop selling drugs containing Zantac's active ingredient, ranitidine.

How have drugstores and pharma companies reacted?

CVS Health said Saturday it has pulled Zantac and its generic store brand, saying the move "is being taken out of an abundance of caution." On Monday, Rite Aid said it's removing Zantac and related drugs

sold under its name from its shelves. Walgreens earlier said it's removing Zantac products from shelves while the FDA continues its investigation.

Last week, two generic drugmakers voluntarily recalled their products: Apotex and Sandoz, the generic unit of drug giant Novartis. Both companies said they haven't received any reports of patient harm. Some other manufacturers have stopped shipping their product to pharmacies.

The recalled Apotex products are sold at and labeled by Walgreens, Walmart and Rite-Aid, accord-

ing to the FDA.

Sanofi, which makes brand name Zantac, said Monday it's working with the FDA and doing its own investigation. But it has not stopped selling Zantac in the U.S.

The FDA has asked makers of ranitidine medications to test levels of NDMA in their products and to send samples to the agency.

What should patients do?

Currently, the FDA isn't advising patients to stop taking Zantac and related drugs. The agency said not all ranitidine medicines sold in the U.S. are being recalled. Concerned patients should contact their doctor.

Are there alternatives?

Several drugs also treat heartburn and other stomach conditions. They include Pepcid, Nexium, Prilosec, Prevacid and Protonix. Some are available only with a prescription, while others also have less-potent nonprescription versions. For people taking over-the-counter Zantac and related medications, the FDA recommends they consider another heartburn medicine.

Pay

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Is it illegal for an employer to ask about pay on a job application?

Companies cannot seek pay history through any means during the hiring process, including on job applications and during oral interviews.

What companies are barred from asking about pay?

All companies are required to follow the No Salary History law.

Are any organizations exempt?

Employers who have workers moving up within the company are not subject to the salary history ban. Government agencies are also exempt.

What if I disclose my salary to an employer?

Job applicants can tell an employer how much they were paid before, but employers can't use that information to determine future pay under the new law.

What happens if an employer violates the law?

If an employer violates the law, a person can seek up to \$10,000 in damages. If an applicant suspects he or she is being discriminated against, they should document the conversation. Job applicants should write down which interviewer asked the question about salary history, but they should not record an interview because it is illegal, Labadie said.

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Closing

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But over the last year or so, fast fashion has fallen out of style. Young customers are losing interest in throw-away clothes and are more interested in buying eco-friendly products. They're also gravitating toward rental and online secondhand sites like

Thredup, where they see clothes worn again instead of ending up in a landfill.

These trends are happening while discounters like Target have spruced up their fashion assortments, stealing away customers.

Forever 21 has also been more vulnerable than some other chains because of its large footprints in major malls, which are attracting fewer shoppers.

Consumer case in Germany targets VW

Associated Press

BERLIN — A German court opened proceedings Monday in a landmark case in which some 470,000 consumers aim to establish a right to compensation from automaker Volkswagen for cars affected by the company's diesel emissions scandal.

The case, brought by the Federation of German Consumer Organizations on behalf of hundreds of thousands of diesel owners, uses rules enacted last year that

allow a form of class-action suit.

The new system was prompted in part by the scandal over Volkswagen's use of software to turn emissions controls off when vehicles weren't being tested, which was discovered in 2015.

The Braunschweig state court declared the suit admissible as proceedings opened, news agency dpa reported but suggested that the plaintiffs have plenty of work to do to prove their case.

Presiding Judge Michael Neef suggested that the two sides could consider a settlement, saying that "a settlement is very difficult, but possible." Volkswagen has said it is hard to imagine in this case.

Neef said his court would have to consider whether vehicle owners suffered any damage from the emissions-cheating software or from bans subsequently imposed on driving older diesel cars in some areas.

The cars continued in

most cases to be used, he said.

The proceedings in Braunschweig, which encompass cars made by the Volkswagen, Audi, Seat and Skoda brands fitted with EA 189 diesel engines that were bought after Nov. 1, 2008, and later affected by a recall, are meant to establish only whether the company acted illegally.

If the court decides that was the case, customers would then have to seek compensation in separate proceedings.



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Folders of documents focusing on the VW scandal are shown on the first day of the case proceedings in Germany.

Growth

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Kansas City, Missouri; Orlando; Atlanta; Nashville; and the Carolinas.

The company — which in addition to Chicago has restaurants in Minneapolis, Milwaukee, Washington, D.C., and Boca Raton, Florida — is focused on expanding into contiguous markets in the central and eastern time zones to take advantage of its existing supply chain and other operations, as well as remain within a two-hour plane ride from the corporate headquarters in Chicago's Fulton River District, Birkinshaw said. Last year he closed two restaurants that had briefly opened in San Diego and Los Angeles because the distance was logistically challenging and the southern California poke scene was already so crowded.

"It's aggressive, but I think we've got everything it takes," Birkinshaw said of the planned expansion. "We have the leadership, smart advisory, the right infrastructure and supporting processes to make this a reality."

Aloha Poke, which owns all of its Chicago restaurants and is part of a joint venture that owns its locations in Wisconsin and Minnesota, has seen the promise of franchising, thanks to its relationship with its licensee in DC. and Boca Raton,

Birkinshaw said. That licensee, who also owns Jimmy John's franchises, opened three Aloha Poke restaurants within a year, including two he converted from existing Jimmy John's.

The company is owned by a group of investors, including the Levy family that built the country's largest concessions company for sports and entertainment venues and is the largest franchisee of Blaze Pizza. Ari Levy, son of Larry Levy and co-owner of Chicago's Wiener Circle, is on the board. So is SpotHero CEO Mark Lawrence, who brings digital and on-demand expertise, Birkinshaw said.

The expansion, if successful, would make Aloha Poke one of the larger poke chains in the country, alongside California-based Poke Bar, which has 68 locations, and New York-based Pokeworks, which has 37. Both are also expanding.

Though many poke concepts are similar, Aloha Poke has some operational differences that Birkinshaw believes gives it a leg up.

Rather than going down a Chipotle-style line, Aloha customers order and pay first at the counter, which allows for efficiencies in the kitchen that can speed up service, Birkinshaw said. The restaurant also can fit into a variety of spaces, such as its 200-square-foot counter spot in the Loop's Revival Food Hall, because ingredients don't have to be



TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Customers wait as their orders are prepared at the Aloha Poke stand inside the Loop's Revival Food Hall last month.

lined up behind a sneeze guard, he said.

Birkinshaw declined to disclose the company's revenues, but said average annual sales at each of its 18 restaurants is \$800,000. The company has about 100 employees.

Kevin Schimpf, manager of industry research at Technomic, said poke chains face "intense competitive pressure" from restaurants that have added the dish to their menus. "While poke restaurants in desirable, high-traffic locations may still find success, the overall poke boom has likely reached its apex," Schimpf said.

But Birkinshaw is bullish on the brand's prospects, in part from his experience as a customer long before he joined the company. While working at Potbelly's corporate offices across the street from French Market, Birkinshaw would queue up in the

long lines at Aloha Poke's tiny stall two to five times a week to get his regular order — a volcano bowl (seaweed, edamame, jalapeño, ginger and tobiko with a chili and ponzu mayo sauce) topped with crunchy onions and avocado.

Birkinshaw joined Aloha Poke in late April 2018 after 10 years at Potbelly, taking over the CEO role from founder Zach Friedlander, who retains a small ownership stake in the company but is otherwise not involved. It isn't where he would have imagined ending up when he graduated from Northwestern University with a degree in philosophy and plans to get his doctorate in the subject. But graduate school competition was stiff as the dot-com bubble burst, and Birkinshaw instead worked for eight years as a Starbucks store manager before moving to Potbelly and

climbing the ranks.

The decision to take the reins at Aloha Poke was a "no-brainer," he said. At the time Whole Foods Market and Mariano's were starting to sell poke, signaling the market was broadening. Aloha, which had seven restaurants at the time, had a concept "poised to be replicated," he said.

The honeymoon was short-lived. In July 2018, news went viral of the letters the company's lawyers had sent months earlier, some to poke restaurants on the island or owned elsewhere by Native Hawaiians, demanding they stop using "aloha" or "aloha poke" in their branding to avoid confusion in the marketplace.

The news did not sit well in Hawaii, where poke was invented and "aloha" represents not just a greeting, but an approach to living with love and mutual respect.

A Hawaii state representative, at the time running for Congress, called for a boycott of the chain, and #noalohapoke hashtags spread on social media. A Change.org petition urging Aloha Poke to change its name gathered nearly 170,000 signatures. Hawaii's state legislature passed a resolution to form a task force to create policies that protect the island's traditional cultural expressions and cultural intellectual property.

Aloha Poke in 2016 had registered two federal trade-

marks on its name and logo and felt it was reasonable to not want to be confused with other businesses as it prepared to expand, Birkinshaw said. It is among more than 1,200 registered trademarks listed on the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Web site that include the word "aloha."

The company apologized, and after "a lot of listening and a long time of reflection" it has adjusted its approach to its trademark, Birkinshaw said. It now evaluates the likelihood of confusion on a case-by-case basis when made aware of potential infringement, such as if another business has the same name in the same market, he said.

"I think that obviously the approach prior to me coming on board could have been handled more delicately," Birkinshaw said. "We're taking more of a nuanced and situational approach to protecting the trademark."

Poke's mainland adventure has taken it far from its original Hawaiian version, which paired fish with only fresh seaweed, sea salt and kukui nuts.

Birkinshaw is excited for what's to come. The company is testing cauliflower rice and working on introducing spiralized zucchini as bases for its bowls, continuing to cater to the health-minded set.

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MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 26,998.86 Low: 26,852.33 Previous: 26,820.25



Nasdaq
+59.71 (+.75%)

S&P 500
+14.95 (+.50%)

Russell 2000
+2.89 (+.19%)

Close: 7,999.34
High: 8,012.17
Low: 7,949.63
Previous: 7,939.63

Close: 2,976.74
High: 2,983.85
Low: 2,967.07
Previous: 2,961.79

Close: 1,523.37
High: 1,530.66
Low: 1,518.34
Previous: 1,520.48

10-yr T-note
... to 1.67%

Gold futures
-33.40 to \$1,465.70

Yen
+26 to 108.07/\$1

Euro
+.0033 to .9173/\$1

Crude Oil
-1.84 to \$54.07

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 |
| -12 | -1.39 | -50 | +1.95 | +4.6 | +1.72 | +1.00 | -47 | +1.78 |

| FUTURES | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| COMMODITY | AMOUNT-PRICE | MO. | OPEN | HIGH | LOW | SETTLE | CHG. | |
| WHEAT (CBOT) | 5,000 bu minimum- | cents per bushel | Dec 19 | 488 | 501 | 483.25 | 495.75 | +8.50 |
| | | | Mar 20 | 495 | 507 | 490.25 | 502.50 | +8.75 |
| CORN (CBOT) | 5,000 bu minimum- | cents per bushel | Dec 19 | 372 | 388.25 | 371.50 | 388 | +16.50 |
| | | | Mar 20 | 384.25 | 399.75 | 384 | 399.50 | +15.75 |
| SOYBEANS (CBOT) | 5,000 bu minimum- | cents per bushel | Nov 19 | 884.75 | 906.75 | 883.75 | 906 | +23 |
| | | | Jan 20 | 898.75 | 920.50 | 898.50 | 919.50 | +22 |
| SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT) | 60,000 lbs- | cents per lb | Oct 19 | 28.70 | 29.10 | 28.68 | 28.99 | +37 |
| | | | Dec 19 | 28.84 | 29.31 | 28.80 | 29.08 | +24 |
| SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT) | 100 tons- | dollars per ton | Oct 19 | 290.00 | 297.20 | 289.80 | 295.90 | +6.00 |
| | | | Dec 19 | 295.00 | 302.50 | 295.00 | 301.00 | +5.90 |
| LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX) | 1,000 bbl- | dollars per bbl. | Nov 19 | 56.54 | 56.57 | 53.98 | 54.07 | -1.84 |
| | | | Dec 19 | 56.39 | 56.40 | 53.89 | 53.98 | -1.81 |
| NATURAL GAS (NYMX) | 10,000 mm btu's, | \$ per mm btu | Nov 19 | 2.380 | 2.392 | 2.324 | 2.330 | -0.74 |
| | | | Dec 19 | 2.543 | 2.555 | 2.498 | 2.504 | -0.61 |
| NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX) | 42,000 gallons- | dollars per gallon | Oct 19 | 1.6561 | 1.6561 | 1.5964 | 1.6027 | -0.087 |
| | | | Nov 19 | 1.6164 | 1.6188 | 1.5635 | 1.5665 | -0.400 |

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 | 83.67 | +1.83 | Equity Commonwealth | N | 34.25 | +0.3 | McDonalds Corp | N | 214.71 | +1.55 |
| AbbVie Inc | N | 75.72 | +0.87 | Equity LifeStyle Prop | N | 133.60 | +1.8 | Middleby Corp | O | 116.90 | +5.0 |
| Allstate Corp | N | 108.68 | +0.85 | Equity Residential | N | 86.26 | +0.1 | Mondelez Intl | O | 55.32 | -0.7 |
| Aptargroup Inc | N | 118.45 | -0.22 | Exelon Corp | O | 48.31 | -0.27 | Morningstar Inc | O | 146.14 | -0.7 |
| Arch Dan Mid | N | 41.07 | +1.3 | First Indl RT | N | 39.56 | -0.3 | Motorola Solutions | N | 170.41 | +2.2 |
| Baxter Intl | N | 87.47 | +1.54 | Fortune Brds Hm&Sec | N | 54.70 | +0.22 | NISource Inc | N | 29.92 | -1.1 |
| Boeing Co | N | 380.47 | -2.39 | Gallagher AJ | N | 89.57 | +0.76 | Nthn Trust Cp | O | 93.32 | +1.9 |
| Brunswick Corp | N | 52.12 | +0.38 | Grainger WW | N | 297.15 | +2.16 | Old Republic | N | 23.57 | +1.6 |
| CBIOE Global Markets | N | 114.91 | -0.53 | GrubHub Inc | N | 56.21 | +0.35 | Packaging Corp Am | N | 106.10 | +5.0 |
| CDK Global Inc | O | 48.09 | +1.03 | Hill-Rom Hldgs | N | 105.23 | +1.11 | Packcity Hldg | O | 97.58 | +2.45 |
| CDW Corp | O | 123.24 | +1.45 | IAA Inc | N | 41.73 | -1.27 | RLI Corp | N | 92.91 | +1.6 |
| CF Industries | N | 49.20 | +0.55 | IDEX Corp | N | 163.88 | -0.66 | Stericycle Inc | O | 50.93 | +1.81 |
| CME Group | O | 211.34 | -2.55 | ITW | N | 156.49 | +1.55 | TransUnion | N | 81.11 | +1.73 |
| CNA Financial | N | 49.25 | +3.33 | Ingredion Inc | N | 81.74 | +1.88 | US Foods Holding | N | 41.10 | +6.8 |
| Cabot Microelect | O | 141.21 | +2.87 | John Bean Technol | N | 99.43 | -1.36 | Ultra Salon Cosmetics | O | 250.65 | +6.25 |
| Caterpillar Inc | N | 126.31 | -0.28 | Jones Lang LaSalle | N | 139.06 | -0.25 | United Airlines Hldg | O | 88.41 | +2.7 |
| ConAgra Brands Inc | N | 30.68 | +0.40 | Kemper Corp | N | 77.95 | -0.11 | Ventas Inc | N | 73.03 | +1.7 |
| Deere Co | N | 168.68 | +2.42 | Kraft Heinz Co | O | 27.94 | +1.0 | Walgreen Boots Alli | O | 55.31 | +9.0 |
| Discover Fin Svcs | N | 81.09 | -0.42 | LKQ Corporation | O | 31.45 | +1.2 | Wintrust Financial | O | 64.63 | +0.7 |
| Dover Corp | N | 99.56 | -0.57 | Litellfuse Inc | O | 177.31 | -0.16 | Zebra Tech | O | 206.37 | +4.19 |

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

| NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE | | |
|-------------------------|--------|-------|
| STOCK | CLOSE | CHG. |
| Bank of America | 29.17 | -1.8 |
| Chesapeake Energy | 1.41 | +0.1 |
| Gen Electric | 8.94 | -1.0 |
| Wells Fargo & Co | 50.44 | -2.7 |
| AT&T Inc | 37.84 | +4.1 |
| HP Inc | 18.92 | +3.9 |
| EnCana Corp | 4.60 | -0.1 |
| Ford Motor | 9.16 | +0.8 |
| Sthwstn Energy | 1.93 | -1.1 |
| Verit Inc | 15.80 | -2.2 |
| Annaly Capital Mgmt | 8.80 | +0.6 |
| Kinross Gold | 4.60 | -2.0 |
| Aurora Cannabis Inc | 4.39 | -2.3 |
| Transocean Ltd | 4.47 | -0.6 |
| Oracle Corp | 55.03 | +9.4 |
| Visa Inc | 172.01 | -1.99 |
| Sprint Corp | 6.17 | +1.2 |
| Pfizer Inc | 35.93 | -2.9 |
| Nokia Corp | 5.06 | +0.2 |
| Brist Myr Sqb | 50.71 | +4.9 |
| VEREIT Inc | 9.78 | +1.3 |
| Barrick Gold | 17.33 | -4.0 |
| Alibaba Group Hldg | 167.23 | +1.25 |
| Yamana Gold Inc | 3.18 | -1.0 |

LARGEST COMPANIES

| Based on market capitalization | | |
|--------------------------------|---------|--------|
| STOCK | CLOSE | CHG. |
| AT&T Inc | 37.84 | +4.1 |
| Alibaba Group Hldg | 167.23 | +1.25 |
| Alphabet Inc C | 1219.00 | -6.09 |
| Alphabet Inc A | 1221.14 | -4.81 |
| Amazon.com Inc | 1735.91 | +10.46 |
| Apple Inc | 223.97 | +5.15 |
| Bank of America | 29.17 | -1.8 |
| Berkshire Hath B | 208.02 | +5.7 |
| Exxon Mobil Corp | 70.61 | -8.7 |
| Facebook Inc | 178.08 | +9.8 |
| HSBC Holdings prA | 26.31 | -0.5 |
| Home Depot | 232.02 | +2.16 |
| JPMorgan Chase | 117.69 | -0.3 |
| Johnson & Johnson | 129.38 | +7.8 |
| MasterCard Inc | 271.57 | +2.44 |
| Microsoft Corp | 139.03 | +1.30 |
| Procter & Gamble | 124.38 | -1.9 |
| Visa Inc | 172.01 | -1.99 |
| WalMart Strs | 118.68 | +2.3 |

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

| Based on total assets | | | | |
|----------------------------|--------|------|-------|------|
| FUND | NAV | CHG | 1-YR | %RTN |
| American Funds AMCPA m | 31.54 | +1.7 | -2.7 | |
| American Funds AMBA m | 27.63 | +1.0 | +5.1 | |
| American Funds CptWldGrncA | m48.33 | +2.0 | +1.3 | |
| American Funds FdmtInvSA m | 61.18 | +1.3 | +5.1 | |
| American Funds GrfAmrcA m | 59.05 | +2.6 | +6 | |
| American Funds InvAmrcA m | 22.74 | +0.3 | +5.3 | |
| American Funds NwPrsptvA m | 37.97 | +1.7 | -5.4 | |
| American Funds WAMtInvSA m | 44.52 | +1.8 | +2.6 | |
| American Funds WAMtInvSA m | 46.38 | +1.4 | +5.8 | |
| Dodge & Cox Inc | 14.08 | ... | ... | |
| Dodge & Cox IntStk | 40.91 | ... | -3.9 | |
| Dodge & Cox Stk | 186.65 | +4.3 | -2.0 | |
| DoubleLine TlRetBdl x | 10.78 | ... | +8.0 | |
| Fidelity 500dxInvsPrm | 103.92 | +5.2 | +4.2 | |
| Fidelity Contrafund | 12.86 | +0.6 | -1.3 | |
| Fidelity TlMktDxInvsPrm | 84.37 | +4.2 | +2.8 | |
| Fidelity USBDdxInvsPrm | 11.98 | +0.1 | +10.3 | |
| Franklin Templeton IncA1 m | 2.30 | ... | +4.5 | |
| Metropolitan West TlRetBdl | 11.07 | ... | +10.6 | |
| PIMCO IncI2 | 11.94 | ... | | |

OBITUARIES

JOSÉ RÓMULO SOSA ORTIZ 1948-2019

Legendary Mexican crooner known for melancholic ballads

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Associated Press

MEXICO CITY — Mexican crooner José José, the elegant dresser who moved audiences to tears with melancholic love ballads and was known as the “Prince of Song,” has died at the age of 71.

Mexican artists’ association ANDI confirmed the death in a Twitter post on Saturday. Multiple media outlets said the singer had died of pancreatic cancer at a hospital in South Florida.

José José, whose real name is José Rómulo Sosa Ortiz, climbed to the top of the Latin charts in the 1970s with slow songs such as “El Triste” or “The Sad Man,” and “Amar y querer” or “Love and Want.” The power of his voice and ability to sing technically difficult tunes in a wide register made him a treasured cultural icon in Latin America.

José José’s music also became popular in countries including Japan and Russia.

The artist’s voice, a combination of baritone and lyric tenor, captivated audiences while his dress style of suits accented with bow ties, pocket handkerchiefs and silk scarves was copied at nightclubs across Latin America.

“He squeezed our hearts with his unmistakable voice and left an indelible mark on the world of music,” Latin music star Gloria Estefan said on Twitter.

José José was born to a family of musicians on Feb. 17, 1948, in Mexico City. His mother, Margarita Ortiz Pensado, was a concert pianist and his father was a tenor in the National Opera

of Mexico. The singer added a second José to his artist’s name in honor of his father, who died when José José was 17. The father had abandoned the family when José José was young.

“I wanted to honor the memory of my father, who was a great opera singer and died very young, without knowledge of my success,” José José told The Associated Press in a 2005 interview. “Since I inherited his voice, this is recognition of that inheritance.”

José José got started in music singing in cafes before founding a rock group called the Heart Breakers that launched an unsuccessful album in the mid-1960s. His solo career took off with a single called “La Nave del Olvido” or “The Ship of the Forgotten” and peaked in the 1980s with albums like “Secrets,” his best-selling collaboration with Spanish love song composer and producer Manuel Alejandro.

He struggled with Lyme disease, facial paralysis, substance abuse and depression. His problems with alcohol and drugs led to the 1993 dissolution of his 18-year marriage with model Anel Noreña, with whom he had two children: José Joel and Marisol. He hit bottom after the separation and began sleeping in a taxi on the outskirts of the Mexican capital. Friends intervened and took him to an addiction treatment center in the U.S.

The artist married again in 1995, a Cuban American named Sarita Salazar whom he met in rehab. The couple had a daughter, Sara, the following year. José José was nomi-

nated on multiple occasions for a Grammy but never obtained the prize. The Latin Recording Academy recognized the singer with a Musical Excellence Prize at the 2004 Latin Grammy awards. That same year, he received a star on the Hollywood Walk of Fame.

His voice troubles made it very difficult for him to sing in his later years. For a 2008 concert with Greek composer and pianist Yanni, it took the by-then scratchy-voiced Mexican singer seven days to prepare “just to attempt to sing,” recounted Yanni in a video posted to Twitter. “That was an act of bravery on his part,” he added. “He fought really hard for every word, for every sound.”

The icon had confirmed via a video message to fans in March 2017 that he was battling pancreatic cancer. “I’m ready to face this new adventure in my life hand-in-hand with God and hand-in-hand with you all,” he told followers.

The death of José José hit hard in Mexico, which endured the 2016 death of another cherished crooner from the same era: Juan Gabriel.

Mexican President Andrés Manuel López Obrador said he was sad to hear of José José’s death. “He was an extraordinary singer from an era that, with his songs and his romanticism, made a lot of people from my generation cry and be happy,” he told reporters.

José José counted on the unrelenting adoration of fans who turned out to see him as recently as 2017 for concerts in Puerto Rico and the U.S., despite his failing vocals.

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Chapas, Richard J.
Richard J. Chapas, age 70, of Plainfield, IL, passed away on Friday, September 27, 2019. Visitation Wednesday, October 2, 2019, 2 p.m. to 8 p.m. at **Beidelman-Kunsch Funeral Homes & Crematory**, 24021 Royal Worlington Drive, Naperville. Additional visitation, Thursday, 9 a.m., at the funeral home, processing to a Mass of Christian Burial 10:30 a.m. at St. Mary Immaculate, 15629 IL-59, Plainfield, IL. Interment Risen Lord Cemetery, Oswego. Info: 630-922-9630 or www.beidelmankunsch.com

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Giannetto, Mary Lou
Mary Lou Giannetto nee Bubb, 84, of Northbrook formerly of Lake Bluff, passed away September 29, 2019. She was the beloved wife for 56 years of Paul Giannetto; loving mother of Denisa (Brian) Incrocci and Paula (Mark) Kolar; cherished grandmother of Ryan, Ashley, Paul, Marielle, Brandon, Alyssa and Allyson. She was preceded in death by her parents, Joseph and Mary Bubb and her sister, Patricia Henriksen. Mary Lou started as a Rainbow Girl and then continued on with over 50 years with The Eastern Star. She also had many talents. She tutored with District 28, was active with Girl Scouts, volunteered with school and church and worked along side her husband at Plum Grove Drugs. She was the kind of friend that never said no. She will be greatly missed. Mary loved color so please feel free to dress in your favorite color. Visitation will be held Friday, October 4, 2019 from 4 to 8 pm and Saturday October 5 from 9:30 am until time of the service at 10:30 am at **N.H. Scott & Hanekamp Funeral Home**, 1240 Waukegan Road, Glenview. Interment will be private at North Shore Garden of Memories. In lieu of flowers, memorials made to Eastern Star, C/O the Palatine Masonic Temple, 455 W. Dundee Road, Palatine, IL 60074, American Heart Association, 300 S. Riverside Plaza, Ste 1200, Chicago, IL 60606 or American Diabetes Association, 55 E. Monroe, # 3420, Chicago, IL 60603. Funeral information 847-998-1020.

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Gleason, John R. 'Jack'
John (Jack) R. Gleason, a/k/a "BF", age 76, husband to Rosemary, nee Rynne, for over 51 years, Dad of Tamara (Michael) Miller, Moira (Mitch) Staggs, Erin (Desi) Leyba, and Sheilah (Kevin) Wasielewski, Grandpa to Kevin, Jacob, Leo, Emmett, Erica, Alayna, Keenan, Sienna, Kendra, Brooks, Blake, Aubrey, and the late Noah, and brother of Maureen (Lee) Fischer, and the late Marie (William) VonderHeide and Virginia (Gus) Zakes, passed away peacefully in his sleep on September 29, 2019, after a day surrounded by his family. Jack was a lot like Tigger in that he had a lot of bounce and playfulness. He never missed a chance to dance or swim with Rosemary, who was the love of his life. Jack’s enthusiasm for his four daughters was boundless. He was their champion, confidant, coach, teacher, and friend. Jack loved playing cards, hearing the scoop, captaining his boat, being Up North, coaching softball, watching the White Sox, and spending time with his family and many longtime friends. Jack built his own successful business, NuToys, and he found joy in peddling playgrounds for a living. In the late 1960s, he was a community organizer who helped found Sweat Associates, which created jobs for unemployed folks. Jack was a terrific man who will be forever missed. In lieu of flowers, donations can be sent to: Pillars Community Health, 23 Calendar Ave, La Grange, IL 60525. Visitation 3:00 to 9:00 PM Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 1025 W. 55th St., Countryside. Chapel prayers 9:00 AM Thursday, October 3, 2019 from the funeral home to 10:00 AM Mass at St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church, LaGrange. Interment private. For further info: 708-352-6500 or hjfurnerals.com

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Greenwald, Robert J.
Robert J. Greenwald, 74, beloved husband of Judy for 37 wonderful years; loving father of Alex (Stephanie) Greenwald and Samantha Greenwald (David Goldstein, fiancé); cherished grandpa of Harper; devoted son of the late Maxine and Joseph Greenwald; dear brother of Stephen (Lenore) Greenwald and Barbara (Ira) Post; treasured brother-in-law, uncle, cousin and friend of many. Bob adored and will be missed by his furry buddy Riley. Chapel service Thursday 12:15 at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment **Randhill Park Cemetery**. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Salvation Army (www.salvationarmyusa.org). For information and condolences, (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com

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Grzeskiewicz, Dorothy
Dorothy "Dottie" Grzeskiewicz, nee Kloc, age 90, passed away peacefully on September 27, 2019. Beloved wife of the late Marion "Murph" (retired C.P.D., 008). Dear aunt of Arlene (Allan) Caplan, Linda (Greg) Butler, Patricia (Daniel) Sivak and David (Carol) Melicharek, great aunt and great-great aunt to many. Fond sister of the late Jean (the late William) Olejnicki and the late Ann (the late Rudolph) Melicharek. A cherished sister-in-law to the late Chester (Gerri) Grzeskiewicz, the late Bruno (the late Helen) Grzeskiewicz and the late Jean (the late John) Kolton. She touched many lives with her great love, sense of humor, sparkling personality, and loyalty to family and friends. We will always remember her zest for life! Visitation on Wednesday, October 2, from 4:30 – 8:30pm at the Damar-Kaminski Funeral Home & Crematorium, 7861 S. 88th Ave, Justice, IL. Funeral mass on Thursday, October 3, at 11:00am, at St. Mary Catholic Church, 19515 115th Ave, Mokena, IL. Interment at Resurrection Catholic Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer’s Association.

Horsley, Clara 'Kae'
Clara "Kae" Horsley nee Nicely; Beloved wife of the late John S.; Loving mother of Andrea K., John P. (Kathy) and Karen L. (James) Fidler; Devoted grandmother of Kristen F. Fidler; Dear sister of the late Irene (the late Tony) Russo, Alberta (the late William) Lewis and the Paul (the late Helen) Nicely; Fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Memorial Visitation Thursday, Oct. 3rd, 4:00 - 8:00 pm, with Memorial Service, 7:00 pm at **The Oaks Funeral Home** 1201 E. Irving Park Road (at Prospect), Itasca. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, donations to Valley of the Kings, Sharon, WI would be appreciated. For funeral information: 630-250-8588 or www.theoaksfh.com
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Iacovelli, Nicholas 'Nick'
Nicholas "Nick" Iacovelli, Jr. of Westchester, age 59. Beloved son of the late Nicholas and the late Carmella, nee Tortoriello; beloved twin of Theresa Iacovelli and older brother of Daniel Iacovelli; dear cousin and friend of many. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.) on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 from 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. Funeral Thursday 9:30 a.m. until time of Chapel Service 10:00 a.m. Interment Mt. Carmel Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to PAWS Chicago (www.pawschicago.org) appreciated. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.
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Jansen, Laurel Jean
Laurel Jean Jansen, nee Tobias, of Romeoville, age 88. Beloved wife of the late Thomas M.; loving mother of Carol (Michael) Mueller, Debbie (Randy) Kotalik and Nancy (Greg) Clanton; proud grandmother of Gregory (Amy) Strohmeyer and Tiffany (Ronnie) Orzech; great-grandmother of R.J. and Hazel; dear sister of Jack (Wilma) Tobias. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.) on Saturday, October 5, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. until time of Chapel Service 12:00 noon. Interment private. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.
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Kostal, Lois Marie
Lois Marie Kostal nee Amato. Beloved wife of Jerry Kostal. Loving mother of Linda (Mike) Forde, Jerome (Cathy) Kostal & Jeffery Kostal. Cherished grandmother of Michael, Jerome III, Brendan, Alex, Jacquelyn & Kalan. Proud great grandmother of five. Funeral Thursday 8:45 am from **Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home**, 5570 W. 95th St., Oak Lawn to St. Gerald Church for Mass at 9:30 am. Interment private. Visitation Wednesday from 3:00 pm until 8:00 pm. thompsonkuensterfuneralhome.com 708-425-0500
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Linehan, Elaine
Elaine Linehan of Wilmette. Beloved mother of Richard (Wendy) Linehan, proud grandmother of Anna, John, Connor Linehan of Yorktown, Virginia; dear sister of John (Sylvia) Kurko, of Colorado Springs, Colorado; fond aunt to many nieces and nephews she loved and adored. Elaine was born and raised in Chicago. She attended Northwestern University. She went on to become the owner of Adina Flowers in Skokie. She also owned and managed multiple residential and commercial properties. After retiring from the flower business, she became an assistant 4th grade teacher at Harper Elementary School in Wilmette. Visitation Thursday October 3, 2019 9:00 a.m. until time of Funeral Mass 10:00 a.m. at Saints Josephs and Francis Xavier Parish, 425 Ninth Street Wilmette, IL 60091. Interment St. Nicholas Ukrainian Catholic Cemetery, Chicago. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to www.fisherhouse.org. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.

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Lipshutz, Maurice 'Morrie'
Maurice "Morrie" Lipshutz, age 93, of Lincolnwood. Owner of Tenenbaum Hardware in Chicago since 1955. Iwo Jima survivor. Beloved husband for 60 years of the late Sondra Lipshutz, nee Tenenbaum; loving father of Hal (Ellen), Steven (Stacy) and Pam Lipshutz; adored grandfather of Melissa (Michael) Feinberg and Jordan Lipshutz; proud great grandfather of Bradley and Taylor Feinberg; cherished brother of the late Henrietta Lipshutz; devoted son of the late Julius and Bessie Lipshutz; treasured uncle, cousin, and friend to many. Service Wednesday, 10 am, at The Chapel, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Rd., Buffalo Grove, IL 60089. Entombment Shalom Memorial Park Mausoleum. In lieu of flowers, contributions to Young Marines National Foundation www.youngmarinesfoundation.org or American Diabetes Association www.diabetes.org Info: **The Golden Funeral Group**. www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.

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ON OCTOBER 1...

In 1800, Spain ceded Louisiana to France in a secret treaty.

In 1885, special-delivery mail service began in the United States.

In 1892, the University of Chicago opened its doors.

In 1896, the U.S. Post Office established Rural Free Delivery.

In 1903, the Pittsburgh Pirates defeated the home team Boston Pilgrims 7-3 in the first World Series game. (The Pilgrims won the best-of-nine-games series, five games to three.)

In 1908, Henry Ford introduced the Model T automobile to the market.

In 1932, Babe Ruth, as legend has it, called his home run against the Cubs' Charlie Root in the fifth inning of Game 3 of the World Series, won by the New York Yankees 7-5 at Wrigley Field. Ruth and Lou Gehrig each hit two homers for the Yankees.

In 1936, Gen. Francisco Franco was proclaimed the head of an insurgent Spanish state.

In 1943, Allied forces captured Naples in World War II.

In 1962, Johnny Carson succeeded Jack Paar as the

regular host of NBC's "Tonight" show. (He would remain host until May 1992.)

In 1964, the Free Speech Movement was launched at the University of California at Berkeley.

In 1968, the cult horror movie "Night of the Living Dead" had its world premiere in Pittsburgh.

In 1971, Disney World opened in Orlando, Florida.

In 1979, Pope John Paul II arrived in Boston for the start of a tour of the United States.

In 1986, former President Jimmy Carter's presidential library and museum were dedicated in Atlanta.

In 1991, the U.S. Senate voted 93-6 to approve the Strategic Arms Reduction Treaty.

In 1993, in a case that drew national attention, 12-year-old Polly Klaas was abducted from her Petaluma, California, home by an intruder.

In 1995, Sheik Omar Abdel-Rahman and nine other defendants were convicted in New York of conspiring to attack the United States through bombings, assassinations and kidnappings.

In 1996, a federal grand jury in California indicted Unabomber suspect Theodore Kaczynski in the 1994 mail

bomb slaying of an advertising executive. **Also in 1996** Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu freed Hamas spiritual leader Sheik Ahmed Yassin in a deal to free two Mossad agents arrested in Jordan. (An Israeli missile strike in the Gaza Strip killed Yassin on March 22, 2004.)

In 2000, Pope John Paul II declared sainthood for 120 Chinese and foreign missionaries killed in the church's five-century struggle in China; John Paul named three other new saints as well, including former American socialist Katharine Drexel.

In 2001, the Supreme Court suspended former President Bill Clinton from practicing before the high court.

In 2003, conservative radio commentator Rush Limbaugh resigned from his ESPN sports job after stirring controversy by suggesting that the Philadelphia Eagles' Donovan McNabb was overrated because the media wanted to see an African American quarterback succeed.

In 2007, Russian President Vladimir Putin, in a surprise announcement, opened the door to becoming the country's prime minister.

In 2013, millions of Americans clogged the debut of online insurance exchanges as part of the Affordable Care Act, known as Obamacare. President Barack Obama hailed the health care launch as a "historic day" in expanding access for those without insurance.

In 2015, a gunman killed eight students and an instructor at Umpqua Community College in Roseburg, Oregon, before being shot dead in a firefight with police.

In 2017, a 64-year-old retiree with no real criminal history rained bullets down into a crowd at a country music festival, killing at least 59 people and injuring 527 in the deadliest mass shooting in modern American history.

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| ILLINOIS | |
| Sept. 30 | |
| Lotto | 01 09 24 30 49 52 |
| Lotto jackpot: | \$6.25M |
| Pick 3 midday | 750 / 3 |
| Pick 4 midday | 9110 / 6 |
| Lucky Day Lotto midday | 05 16 22 31 40 |
| Pick 3 evening | 776 / 2 |
| Pick 4 evening | 0003 / 7 |
| Lucky Day Lotto evening | 03 06 13 23 37 |
| Oct. 1 Mega Millions: | \$45M |
| Oct. 2 Powerball: | \$60M |
| WISCONSIN | |
| Sept. 30 | |
| Pick 3 | 315 |
| Pick 4 | 5972 |
| Badger 5 | 04 07 14 18 25 |
| SuperCash | 03 27 35 37 38 39 |

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| INDIANA | |
| Sept. 30 | |
| Daily 3 midday | 946 / 7 |
| Daily 4 midday | 3547 / 7 |
| Daily 3 evening | 678 / 6 |
| Daily 4 evening | 1519 / 6 |
| Cash 5 | 25 26 41 43 45 |
| MICHIGAN | |
| Sept. 30 | |
| Daily 3 midday | 005 |
| Daily 4 midday | 0260 |
| Daily 3 evening | 318 |
| Daily 4 evening | 3252 |
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Masco, Mary Kay

Mary Kay Masco (nee Raymond), age 69, a resident of Plainfield, IL, formerly of Chicago and River Grove, IL, passed away on Monday, September 30, 2019 at St. Patrick's Residence in Naperville. She was born November 26, 1949 in Chicago and attended Our Lady of Angels School.

Arrangements by Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Naperville, IL.

For service times and a complete obituary, please visit www.friedrich-jones.com or call (630) 355-0213.



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Mercurio, Esther M. 'Es'

Esther M. "Es" Mercurio (nee Sumerdon), age 88, a resident of Naperville, IL since 2015, formerly of Norridge, IL 1953-2015, passed away on Sunday, September 29, 2019 at her home in Naperville. She was born April 18, 1931 in Chicago, IL.

Arrangements by Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Naperville, IL.

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Newell, John A.

John A. Newell, age 53, beloved husband of Bridie, nee Dolan; loving father of Kevin (fiancee Sydney Blackmore), John (Megan Tyler), Kelsey, Ryan and Meghan Newell; proud grandpa Dado of Sadie Mae Newell; beloved son of Mary, nee Doorley and the late Michael Newell; dear brother of Maura (Eddie) Mannix, Sheila (Matt) Buckley, Una (Martin) Durkan and Kevin (Annmarie) Newell and the late Michael; fond uncle and godfather of many; member Plumbers Union Local 130. Friends and family will meet for Visitation, Thursday, October 3, 2019, from 10:00 a.m. until time of Mass of Christian Burial 11:30 a.m. at Saint Juliana Catholic Church, 7201 N. Oketo, Chicago. Interment Queen of Heaven Catholic Cemetery, Hillside. Please omit flowers. Memorial contributions may be made to the Newell Children's Education Fund, PO Box 229, Park Ridge, IL 60068. Arrangements handled by **Gibbons Funeral Home**, Elmhurst. 630-832-0018 or www.gibbonsfuneralhome.com

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Paez, Raquel Rosario

Raquel Rosario Paez, nee Perez, age 89, was born to heaven on September 29, 2019.

Beloved wife of the late Dr. Jorge E. Paez, devoted mother of 6, grandmother of 13 and great-grandmother of 7. She began her life humbly in Central Macareño, Cuba on a sugar cane plantation. She studied at the Colegio Teresiana and Institute de Camaguey before marrying Jorge and beginning her family. In 1962, they fled Cuba and moved to Chicago. Leaving her "lost paradise" of Cuba meant leaving her home and many friends and family, including her father. She overcame many challenges and created a beautiful life for her growing family. She loved her adopted home and was an enthusiastic fan of all things Chicago.

Raquel celebrated a life devoted to others, especially her family. She loved talking to anyone and everyone and had a special gift of making each person feel truly special. She was a talented seamstress who created all of her own clothing including couture quality dresses. She also made gorgeous wedding dresses and First Communion dresses, fabulous Halloween costumes, and lovely outfits for her family. She loved art and music and found beauty in all things great and small.

Raquel is survived by her children: Jorge (Patrice) Paez, Raquel (Charles) Flood, Carlos Paez, Jacqueline (James) Goldman, Edward (Dusty) Paez, Catherine (Winfried) Saenger; her many grandchildren and great-grandchildren and her siblings, Gladys Montoya, Tomas (Maria Elena) Perez.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Chicago Symphony Orchestra CSOA Annual Fund (<https://cso.org/support/Make-a-Gift/>) in her memory to celebrate her passion for classical music and the CSO.

Visitation Wednesday, October 2nd, 10:00 a.m. until time of Funeral Mass, 11:00 a.m. at St. John of the Cross Church, 5005 S. Wolf Rd., Western Springs, IL 60558. Interment, Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Arrangements by **Sullivan Funeral Home**. 630-323-0275 or www.sullivanfamilyfuneralhomes.com.



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Pinkus, Lois F.

Lois F. Pinkus nee Ferdinand, age 93. Beloved wife of Dr. Walter H. Pinkus for over 70 years. Loving mother of Kayla (David) Shonberg, Ken (Jacqueline Briskin) Pinkus and the late Richard H. Pinkus. Proud grandmother of Michael, Lindsey and Olivia.

Service Wednesday 2PM at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Road (One block north of Lake Cook Road) Buffalo Grove. Interment Shalom.

In lieu of flowers, memorials contributions may be made to the charity of your choice. Arrangements by: **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

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Powers, Ann 'Nancy'

Ann "Nancy" Powers (nee Stadler), age 89, passed away September 19, 2019. Loving wife of the late Edward J. Powers. Cherished Mom of Michael (Ellen), John, Barbara (Frank Worrell), Thomas (Jane), James (Noreen) and Mary Beth Martin (Roy). Dear mother-in-law of Donna Powers. Adored Grandma of 11 and Great Grandma of 4. Services on Wednesday, October 2, 2019 at Mater Christi Church, 2401 S. 10th Avenue, No. Riverside, IL. Visitation 10:30 a.m. until Funeral Mass at Noon. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Memorials to Misericordia, 6300 North Ridge Road, Chicago, IL 60660 appreciated.

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Pross, William Joseph

William Joseph Pross passed away September 19th of complications from a life well lived. Born Jan 8th, 1936 in Philadelphia to Earl and Lillian. He signed up with the 101st Airborne in the late '50s and often bragged that he went in as a Corporal but left as a Private on account of many demerits so happily earned. Graduated from Penn State in 1961 with a degree in electrical engineering. Married Happy Tomson in 1963. Joined IBM in 1964, winning multiple Golden Circle awards for outstanding salesmanship. Later in his career, Bill committed himself to a variety of tech start-ups, always looking to make a difference. In addition to family, friends, and conversation, Bill loved his dogs, family vacations, globe-trotting with his wife, driving convertibles, and military history.



Bill is survived by his loving wife of 56 years (Happy), devoted sons (Will and Clint), adoring daughter-in-law (Amy), grateful grandchildren (Parker and Josephine), his dog Weezie, and many exceptional friends. He is missed by all who were lucky enough to know him. A private memorial will be held in late October. In lieu of condolences, send joy. If donations are to be made in his name, please send them to the Horse Protective Association of Florida at 20690 NW 130th Ave Micanopy FL or TriCity Family Services at 1120 Randall Ct Geneva IL.

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Rosenstein, Beverly Miller

Beverly Miller Rosenstein, age 86, of Highland Park. Beloved wife and best friend for 47 years of David D. Rosenstein; loving mother of Lee (Gene Gregory) Rosenstein-Gregory and Joel (Faith) Rosenstein; adored grandmother of Jacob and Myles; cherished sister of Janice Bernstein; devoted daughter of the late William and Rose Miller; dear sister-in-law of Roberta (Howard) Siegel; treasured aunt, cousin, and friend to many. Graveside service Wednesday, 2 pm, at Mt. Isaiah Israel Cemetery, 6600 West Addison Street, Chicago, IL (Between Narragansett Ave. and Oak Park Ave.). In lieu of flowers, Tri-Con Child Care Center www.triconchildcare.com, Info: **The Goldman Funeral Group**. www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.



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Wohlleber, Eleanor M.

Eleanor M. Wohlleber, nee Bakszys, 89, a 62 year resident of Libertyville, passed away Sept. 28, 2019. Mrs. Wohlleber was a member of St. Joseph Church Libertyville, a member of the church choir, and was an avid gardener.

Eleanor was the devoted wife of 44 years to the late Gerard; the loving mother to her children Richard (JoEllen), Kathryn (Richard) Eber and Gregory (Diane); the proud grandmother of Alex, Margaret, Richard and Alyson; and the dear sister of Deloris Jerome, Lorretta Smith and the late Mary Bymel.

Funeral Mass will be 10:30 AM Wed. Oct. 2 at St. Joseph Catholic Church, 121 E. Maple, Libertyville, where there will be visitation from 9:30 AM until time of Mass. Interment will follow at Ascension Cemetery. If desired, memorial donations made to MARYTOWN, 1600 W. Park Ave, Libertyville, IL 60048 would be greatly appreciated. Arrangements by **McMurrrough Chapel**, Libertyville (847) 362 2626 sign guestbook at libertyvillefuneralhome.com

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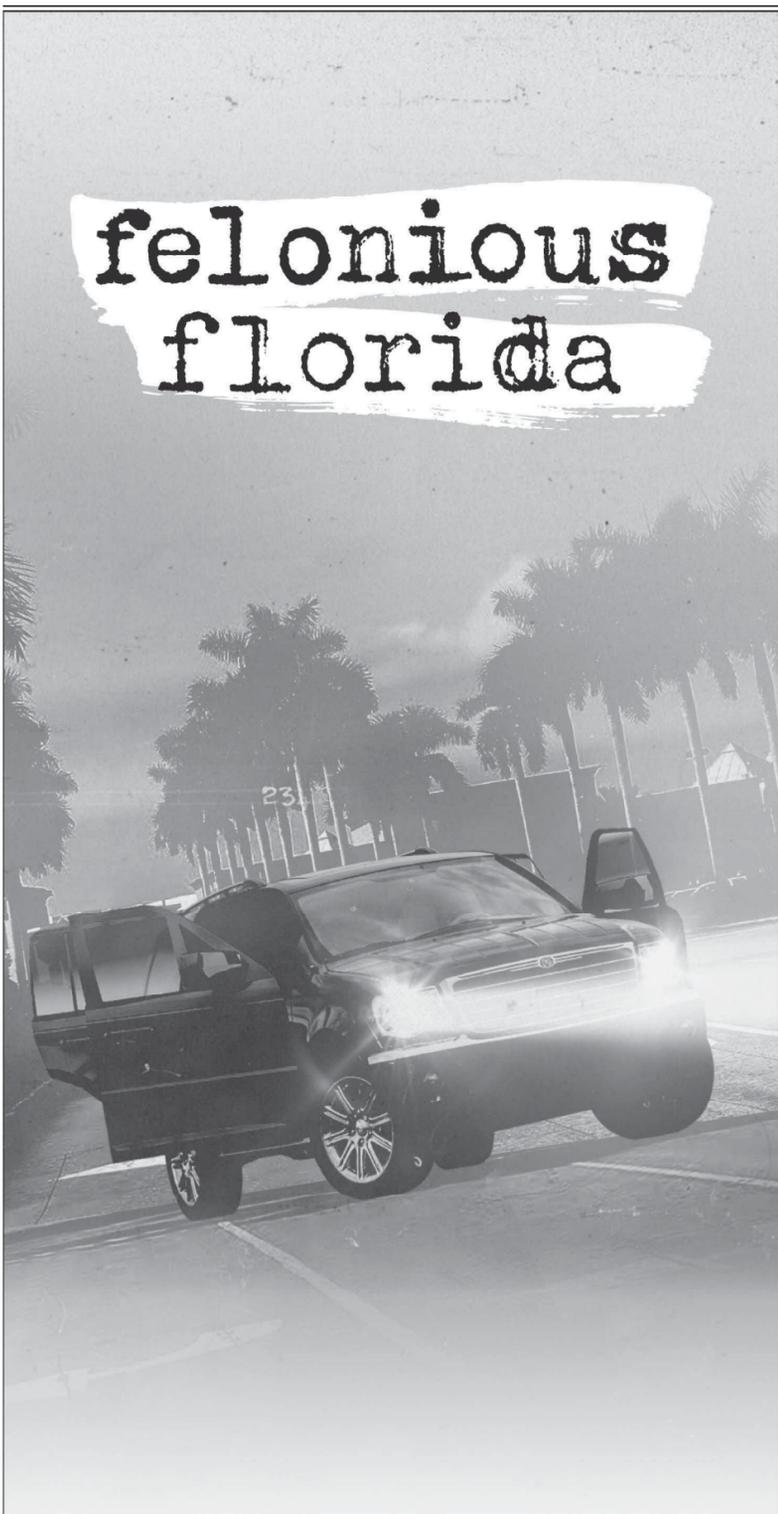
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LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

COUNTY OF COOK OFFICE OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER FOR THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR LEGAL ADVICE DESK FOR EVICTION COURT DEFENDANTS AND THE GUARDIANSHIP ASSISTANCE HELP DESK FOR MINORS NO. 1944-17845
RFP Document: The RFP document is available for download at: <https://legacy.cookcountyll.gov/purchasing/bids/listAllBids.php>

Contact Person: If you are not able to download the RFP or if you have other questions, please contact Michael Schieve, Contract Negotiator, at (312) 603-6707 or Michael.Schieve@cookcountyll.gov

Non-Mandatory Pre-Proposal Conference Date, Time, and Location: **T u e s d a y**, October 8, 2019 at 10:00 AM (CST) Office of the Chief Procurement Officer Cook County Building 118 N. Clark Street, Room 1018 Chicago, Illinois 60602

Questions: Questions can be submitted in writing to the contact person above until 3:00 PM (CST) October 15, 2019. Proposal Due Date, Time, and Location: **Wednesday, October 30, 2019 at 3:00 PM (CST)** Office of the Chief Procurement Officer Cook County Building 118 N. Clark Street, Room 1018 Chicago, Illinois 60602

Toni Preckwinkle President, Cook County Board of Commissioners

Raffi Sarrafian Chief Procurement Officer
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See: <https://cps.edu/procurement/Pages/currentcontracts.aspx>
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LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Jermiyah Fejerang

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Justine Fejerang (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00553

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Justine Fejerang (Mother), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on May 29, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Shannon O'Malley in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 10/22/2019 at 10:00 AM in CALENDAR 6 COURTROOM F, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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

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

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

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS August 29, 2019

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CHICAGO PUBLIC SCHOOLS RFP FOR DATA NETWORK UPGRADES DUE: October 31, 2019 AT 2:00 p.m. See: <http://cps.edu/procurement/pages/contractorsopportunities.aspx>

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Sergio Mendoza

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Keshia Tucker (Mother) AKA Keisha Tucker

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00671

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Keshia Tucker (Mother), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on June 26, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Patrick Murphy in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 10/22/2019 at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 1 COURTROOM A, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS September 3, 2019

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Vamir Ewing

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Kijana Ewing (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 17JA01279

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Anthony Howard (Father), Eddie L. Blue (Father) and Aaron Lee Hill (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on August 12, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Patrick Murphy in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 10/22/2019 at 8:55 AM in CALENDAR 1 COURTROOM A, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

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

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS September 3, 2019

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE TO DISADVANTAGED BUSINESSES

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS IN THE ESTATE OF AZIZ SHALLWANI, DECEASED.

ALL persons having claims against the Estate of Aziz Shallwani, late of the City of Toronto, Province of Ontario, Canada, who died on or about September 25, 2018, and was domiciled in Chicago, Illinois, are hereby notified to send particulars of same to the undersigned on or before November 15, 2019, after which date, the Estate will be distributed, having regard only to the claims of which the undersigned shall then have notice. DATED at Toronto this 1st of October, 2019. Sadaf Shallwani, Trustee for the Estate of Aziz Shallwani, 95 Prince Arthur Ave, Suite 215, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M5R 3P6 10/1, 10/8, 10/15/2019 6455415

LEGAL NOTICES

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Project Manager (Original & Promotional)

Application Filing Period: September 6, 2019 through October 11, 2019. **Examination Date:** October 26, 2019 at Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHAS), 3857 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL. **Scope of Examination:** Knowledge of project management practices. **Nature of Position and Duties:** Under direction, plans and serves as project lead for information technology projects related to major business systems and functions. Supervises and guides the work of project teams. Serves as liaison between business and technical aspects of projects. Plans project stages and assesses business implications for each stage. Monitors progress to assure deadlines, standards, and cost targets are met. **Pay:** \$87,792.38 per year

Senior Administrative Specialist (Promotional)

Application Filing Period: September 20, 2019 through October 18, 2019. **Examination Date:** November 2, 2019 at Chicago High School for Agricultural Sciences (CHAS), 3857 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL. **Scope of Examination:** Knowledge of senior administrative specialist practices. **Nature of Position and Duties:** Under supervision, performs sub-professional administrative work such as document and records management, data collection and reporting and coordination of internal processes specific to the assigned department or functional area. **Pay:** \$67,032.16 per year

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FORECLOSURES

F19040148 SLS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION FV-I, Inc. in trust for Morgan Stanley Mortgage Capital Holdings LLC Plaintiff, vs. Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Estanislao Carreon; Myrtha S. Garcia; Unknown Owners and Non-Record Claimants Defendants. CASE NO. 19 CH 9814 2221 North Springfield Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60647. Calendar 59 NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Unknown Heirs and Legatees of Estanislao Carreon, and UNKNOWN OWNERS and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants in the above entitled cause, that suit has been commenced against you and other defendants in the Circuit Court for the Judicial Circuit by said plaintiff praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to wit: L8 28 IN CHARLES S. NEEROS' REBID DIVISION OF BLOCK 3 OF GRANT AND KEENEY'S ADDITION TO PENNOCK BEING A SUBDIVISION OF THE EAST 1/2 OF THE WEST 1/2 OF THE NORTHWEST 1/4 OF SECTION 35, TOWNSHIP 04 NORTH, RANGE 13 EAST OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS, P.L.N. 13-35-109-013. Said property is commonly known as 2221 North Springfield Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60647, and which said mortgage(s) was/were made by Estanislao Carreon and recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds as Document Number 0907647074 and other relief, that Summons was duly issued over the above Court against you as provided by law and that said suit is now pending. NOW THEREFORE, unless you, the said above named defendants, file your answer to the complaint in the said suit or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the Office of the Clerk of the Court at Cook County on or before October 17, 2019, a default may be taken against you at any time after that date and a Judgment entered in accordance with the prayer of said complaint. E-filing is now mandatory for documents in civil cases with limited exemptions. To e-file, you must first create an account with an e-filing service provider. Visit <http://efile.illinoiscourts.gov/service-providers.htm> to learn more and to select a service provider. If you need additional help or have trouble e-filing, visit www.illinoiscourts.gov/FAQ/gethelp.asp. This communication is an attempt to collect a debt and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. Steven C. Lindberg, ANSELMO LINDBERG & ASSOCIATES LLC, 171 W. Diehl Rd., Ste 120 Naperville, IL 60563-4947 630-453-6960 | 866-402-8661 | 630-428-4620 (fax) Attorney No. Cook 58852, DuPage 293191, Kane 031-26104, Peoria 1794, Winnebago 3802, IL 03126232. Epleading@anselmolindberg.com THIS LAW FIRM IS DEEMED TO BE A DEBT COLLECTOR. Pub: 9/17, 24, 10/1/2019 6443640

TAKE NOTICES

TO: Lynn C. Fitzgerald as Trustee of the Lynn C. Fitzgerald Self Declaration of Trust dated December 19, 2018 Ambrosia Dawn Borowski Emily Anne Damian Bridget Elisabeth Kearns Tristan J. Meredith Turner James Binkley Jacob D. Casella Lynn C. Fitzgerald Mohammad Yahya Wazwaz Karen A. Yarbrough County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois. Unknown Occupants, spouses, heirs at law, devisees, if any, of the above mentioned persons, described as Unknown Owners; claimants, decree creditors, judgment creditors, if any, of the above, described as Unknown Owners; Unknown Owners or parties interested in said land or lots. NOTICE TO OWNERS AND OCCUPANTS IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS TAX DEED NO. 2019COTD002681 FILED: August 29, 2019 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold July 24, 2017 Certificate No. 175-009719 sold for General Taxes of (year) 2005-2015 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number Not Applicable Warrant No. None Installment No. None THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 3332 N. Hamilton Ave., Chicago, Illinois 193-320-033-0000, Volume 482 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on January 24, 2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before January 24, 2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 W. Washington St., Room 1704, Chicago, Illinois 60602 on February 24, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before January 24, 2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 4334, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 VALOR REAL ESTATE SOLUTIONS Purchaser or Assignee Dated August 29, 2019 9/30, 10/1, 2/2019 6457404

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Hope + change

Still waiting for Epstein to explain exactly why Maddon had to leave

Cubs President Theo Epstein frequently uttered the word "accountability" Monday at the annual Cubs postmortem at Wrigley Field.

"When we fail to accomplish any of our goals, that is my responsibility as the leader of the baseball operation," he said. "As a leader, it's really important to be accountable, and really important to take a really honest look at things that we can do better, that I can do better."

The first thing Epstein needs to be accountable for and be better at is explaining why he borrowed a page from Ariana Grande and basically said "thank u, next" to Joe Maddon.

Epstein has done nothing but praise Maddon the last two days,



PAUL SULLIVAN
On the Cubs

calling him a Hall of Fame manager and a great friend. He said Maddon "doesn't get enough credit for changing the whole identity of the team in 2015, creating a mindset that allowed these young players to operate without anxiety and with a lot of bravado."

But he still hasn't said exactly what Maddon did, or did not do, that made it impossible for the most successful Cubs manager of the last century to stick around a couple of more years with the players who came of age under his guidance.

It was not about money, Epstein said Monday: "The amount of money we'll be paying for a manager has

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From players to coaches, boss is ready to shake everything up

By **MARK GONZALES**

The Cubs fell into the "winner's trap" of trusting components of a franchise that has gradually regressed since winning the 2016 World Series, team President Theo Epstein said Monday.

And that will result in changes throughout the organization as the Cubs try to return to perennial playoff status.

"You are likely to see change," Epstein said during a 1-hour, 21-minute news conference, a day after he severed ties with manager Joe Maddon.

Changes in the coaching staff could come as soon as Tuesday. Epstein will hire a director of hitting and director of pitching in hopes of developing contact hitters and addressing a long-

standing void of producing home-grown pitchers.

Although Epstein said the Cubs are "extremely energized and optimistic about their future," they might have to consider trading one of the pillars of their success, such as third baseman Kris Bryant or shortstop Javier Baez.

"I don't believe in untouchables," Epstein said. "I never have. ... We're open to change. We're open-minded about this roster."

"I expect to have a lot of trade discussions this winter. I think a lot of the players on this year's team will be part of the next Cubs championship team. So we want to be mindful of that. It's also hard to accomplish improvement and change in certain areas unless extremely open-minded."

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Cubs President Theo Epstein, speaking at his season-ending news conference Monday, says fans should expect change throughout the organization.

BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

MORE COVERAGE

- Players blame themselves, not Maddon, for downfall against division foes.
- Cubs looking forward, not back, in their search for a new manager. **Page 3**



BLACKHAWKS

Roster finalized ahead of European opener

Dahlstrom waived; Gilbert, Wedin to Rockford

By **JIMMY GREENFIELD**

PRAGUE — Carl Dahlstrom is a chill dude.

The big Swedish defenseman brings a soft voice and gentle smile wherever he goes — except perhaps on the ice, where only a select few are privy to witnessing his demeanor up close.

Having a calm nature comes in handy off the ice, particularly when Dahlstrom contemplated what many Blackhawks fans were trying to figure out this week: whether he would make the opening roster.

This question had occurred to Dahlstrom as well, not that he had any answers.

"I've been trying to think about it but at the same time not think about it," Dahlstrom said before



SEASON OPENER
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in Prague
1 p.m. Friday
NBCSCH, NHL Network

Sunday's preseason game in Berlin. "It's tough to answer. You don't know what the coaches think. We'll just have to wait and see."

He doesn't have to wait any longer. The Hawks placed Dahlstrom, 24, on waivers Monday and can assign him to the Rockford IceHogs of the AHL if another NHL team doesn't claim him.

That means Dahlstrom, who played 63 games for the Hawks

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JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Bears quarterback Mitch Trubisky wears a sling after being injured during Sunday's 16-6 win over the Vikings at Soldier Field.



UP NEXT
Bears vs. Raiders
in London

Noon Sunday, FOX-32

BEARS

Shoulder may not keep Trubisky out

Nagy won't confirm injury report or QB's status to play Sunday

By **COLLEEN KANE**

Bears quarterback Mitch Trubisky suffered a dislocated left shoulder and slightly torn labrum against the Vikings, ESPN reported Monday, citing an anonymous source. Trubisky reportedly is unlikely to play against the Raiders but does not need surgery.

Bears coach Matt Nagy would not confirm any of that at his news conference Monday. But he said Sunday night he didn't believe the injury was season-ending.

"The biggest thing is just making sure he feels good, and

then doctor-wise and all that stuff (that) he's OK," Nagy said. "We'll keep an eye on it."

Asked if Trubisky might play Sunday, Nagy said, "We're working through it."

"These are the meetings later on in the day, we talk through it, 'OK, where's he at? Does it look like he could? Could he not?'" Nagy said. "Regardless of all the stuff that gets out there, the reports and everything, that's where we're at. We'll make a decision on it, and it's going to be the best for our team. Whatever that is, we'll roll."

The Bears are off the week after the Raiders game, so Trubisky potentially could have three weeks to recover before

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TOP OF THE SECOND

Bears Week 4 winners and losers

BY PHIL ROSENTHAL, TIM BANNON

Tony Romo made it after all. On Thursday, it looked as if Romo, CBS' top NFL analyst, might miss the Bears-Vikings game. Playing in the PGA Tour's Safeway Open on a sponsor's exemption, Romo opened with a 2-under-par 70, which made him a legitimate contender to make the cut for Saturday and Sunday.

Understudy Boomer Esiason was on call to work alongside Nantz on Sunday. But Romo followed up with a 6-over round Friday, freeing him up to fly to Chicago by private jet to join the rest of the CBS crew doing prep work Saturday.

"It was great playing for a day and then (to) come back to earth on the next day," Romo told Nantz during Sunday's game. "You know it was because I wanted to be here. I had to throw off a few putts. I didn't want to miss Minnesota-Chicago."

Sure, Tony. Whatever you say. Sometimes you can lose and still win.

Obviously, there were other winners and losers in Sunday's 16-6 Bears victory.

Winner: Chase Daniel

Romo and Nantz sounded a lot more concerned when Mitch Trubisky went down on the first drive of the game than Bears fans who've been fretting about Trubisky the first three games this season. "Terrible news for the Chicago Bears," studio analyst Boomer Esiason said at halftime. But was it?

Loser: Officials

There were a lot of dubious calls. But the one that galls came in the second quarter when Vikings receiver Stefon Diggs fumbled after a catch and Bears safety Ha Ha Clinton-Dix recovered. The problem was the officials whistled the play dead as an incomplete pass. Replay reversed the call, giving the Bears a takeaway, but Clinton-Dix might have returned it for big yardage, perhaps even a touchdown, had the whistle — and the original call — not been blown.

Winner: CBS' "Eye on the Line"

They didn't identify it on air, but CBS experimented Sunday with new robotic 360-degree sideline cameras it has developed. They're sort of like mobile pylon cams that can be planted wherever they're likely to be most useful. They yielded a couple of interesting shots during the game, including a close-up replay from the



JONATHAN FERREY/GETTY

Golf nearly kept Tony Romo from being in the CBS booth for Sunday's Bears-Vikings game.

first-down line of Vikings receiver Olabisi Johnson getting pushed out of bounds by Kyle Fuller at the Bears 27 just shy of the marker on the Vikings' fourth-quarter touchdown drive. So many of these innovations are all branding and no use. CBS should be applauded for skipping the hype.

Winner: Quarterback controversy

It started as soon as Daniel played well, was immediately the debate on NBC Sports Chicago's "Football Aftershow" it was all over sports talk radio. It's going to be a good week for quarterback "experts."

Winner: Khalil Mack

It didn't seem to matter who was unavailable to play for the Bears defense. Mack and the guys who did play made things impossible for the Vikings. "It's not fair," Romo said of Mack with a laugh. "He's too good!"

Loser: Bears 1936 throwback uniforms

Frightened with meaning because of the segregated NFL era from which they originated, the Bears' throwback uniforms spurred a conversation about social justice and a team video to address the issue. But setting all of that aside, they're not attractive. The Michigan Wolverines-style helmets aren't as obnoxious as the mix of

stripes and more stripes. The Bears have great, classic home and away uniforms. Why abandon them for NFL-esque orange alternates and gaudy throwbacks?

Winner: Ben Zobrist fans

A Bears timeout just before the end of first half gave masochistic viewers a chance to check out the Cubs-Cardinals game and see Ben Zobrist, pitching for the first time in his career, strike out Yadier Molina.

Loser: Ben Bradley

The esteemed WGN-9 anchor apparently left plenty early for Sunday's game, but he nevertheless was ensnared in one of the pregame traffic jams that routinely trap Bears ticket holders near Soldier Field. Roughly three hours before kickoff, Bradley tweeted it had taken an hour to get four blocks. Talk about hard yardage to pick up.

Winner: Akiem Hicks

Hicks missed his first game since he joined the Bears in 2016 with a right knee injury. But he sure looked good celebrating on the sideline. At least he did from the waist up.

Winner: Corona

There was a nice paid ad for the beer in the second half of the Bears game. And then a free ad after the Cubs game. Cheers.

LET'S PLAY 2

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| MLB PLAYOFFS | |
| 7 p.m. Brewers at Nationals | TBS |
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| 2:30 a.m. (Wed.) U.S. vs. France | NBCSN |
| SOCCER | |
| 11:55 a.m. Real Madrid vs. Club Brugge | TNT |
| 2 p.m. Tottenham vs. Bayern Munich | TNT |
| 5 p.m. Men: Penn St. at Michigan St. | BTN |
| 7 p.m. Men: Indiana at Northwestern | BTN |
| TENNIS | |
| 9 p.m. Tokyo, Beijing | Tennis |
| TRACK AND FIELD | |
| 8:30 a.m. World Championships | NBCSN |

Bears' TV ratings up 9% from 2018

BY PHIL ROSENTHAL

With their 16-6 victory over the Vikings, the Bears demonstrated the only thing nearly as formidable as their defense is their hold on Chicago TV viewers.

Sunday's game averaged a 30.3 household rating locally per Nielsen estimates, or roughly 987,000 area homes, which translates to more than 30% of the Chicago market.

Just like last season, the Bears are 3-1 through four games, but their local ratings are up 9% year-to-year from 28.3 to 30.9.

Through Week 4 in both seasons, they played a pair of prime-time games but had played only one NFC North rival in 2018 compared with two so far this season.



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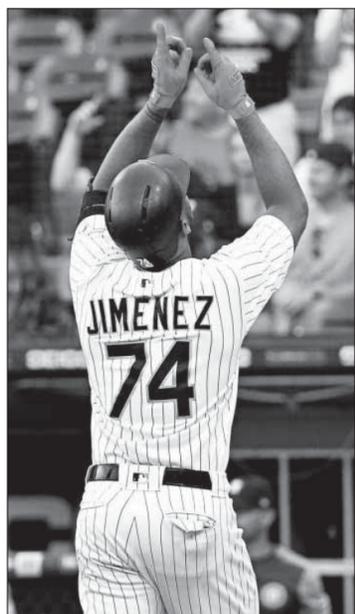


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WHITE SOX



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Eloy Jimenez points skyward after hitting a home run in the seventh inning Aug. 14 against the Astros, part of a 13-9 White Sox victory.

Jimenez's big year by the numbers

Outfielder earns AL honor, Renteria dishes praise for 'fantastic rookie season'

BY LAMOND POPE

White Sox left fielder Eloy Jimenez capped a big first season Monday by earning American League Rookie of the Month honors for September.

He had a .340/.383/.710 slash line with eight doubles, nine home runs, 25 RBIs and 19 runs in 24 September games.

Overall, Jimenez led all AL rookies with 31 home runs and 79 RBIs. He also finished first among AL rookies in slugging percentage (.513) and OPS (.828). He hit .267 in 122 games.

Only injuries slowed him down. Jimenez suffered a high right ankle sprain April 26 and returned May 20. He was on the injured list July 17-27 with a bruised ulnar nerve in his right arm.

"Fantastic rookie season," Sox manager Rick Renteria said Sunday. "There are a lot of rookies across the major leagues right now that are exploding onto the scene and doing great things. He's one of them. The two stints on the IL took some games away from him, but he continued to learn, grow, improve (and) take the experiences he was gaining."

"He worked extremely hard on both sides of the ball to try to put himself in a good position. Still more work to be done, but certainly has put him in a position where he can help us win ballgames."

Here's a look at Jimenez's impressive season by the numbers.

31 Jimenez hit his 31st and final home run of the season in the first game of Saturday's doubleheader against the Tigers. He hit an 0-1 changeup from Edwin Jackson to left field in the seventh inning.

Jimenez finished third on the team's rookie home run list. Jose Abreu is first with 36 in 2014. Ron Kittle is second with 35 in 1983.

4 Jimenez had four multi-homer games this season. He joined Abreu (2014) and Zeke Bonura (1934) as the only rookies in Sox history with four multi-homer games in a season.

His second home run of the night on Sept. 3 against the Indians put the Sox ahead, and they held on for a 6-5 victory at Progressive Field in Cleveland.

The first two home runs of his career came April 12 against the Yankees at Yankee Stadium. He also hit two home runs against the Astros on May 22 and again against the Yankees on June 14.

6 Jimenez became just the sixth AL rookie since 1988 to reach the 30-homer mark.

He hit his 30th homer on Sept. 22 against the Tigers at Comerica Park. It was a two-run shot off Matthew Boyd.

25 Jimenez doubled in the sixth inning of Sunday's season finale, driving in Ryan Goins with the go-ahead run in the eventual 5-3 win against the Tigers.

It was his 25th RBI of September, one reason he earned AL Rookie of the Month honors. He and the Rangers' Rougned Odor tied for the most RBIs in the league in September.

Jimenez drove in four runs in back-to-back games Sept. 10-11 against the Royals, becoming the first Sox player to do it since Alexei Ramirez on Aug. 17-18, 2008.

Jimenez had 34 hits in the month, tied for sixth in the AL.

75 (approximate) Jimenez often wrapped up television interviews by saying "Hi, Mom" and waving to the camera.

There isn't an official "Hi, Mom" count, and 75 is probably too low. But it's a good indication of how much fun Jimenez has playing the game.

CUBS

Epstein 'looking forward'

Acknowledges Ross on list as potential manager but cites 'too much emphasis on 2016'

BY MARK GONZALES

David Ross' resume with the Cubs doesn't necessarily give him the inside track to win the manager's job.

Ross' contributions to the 2016 World Series champions "are not necessarily things that are going to be important to us," President Theo Epstein said Monday.

Epstein acknowledged Ross' candidacy only because Ross expressed interest Sunday on ESPN's "Baseball Tonight" several hours after the Cubs parted ways with Joe Maddon.

"I think Rossy is an attractive candidate and will be evaluated on the merits of what he can bring to the table as a major-league manager," Epstein said. "Given his skills, his experiences, his world view, what he knows about winning, just as every other managerial candidate will be evaluated."

"We're looking forward. We're not looking backwards. I think, in some ways, there's almost too much emphasis on 2016 and looking back."

Epstein declined to name other candidates, only mentioning that a member of the current coaching staff — believed to be bench coach Mark Loretta — is on the broad list. Epstein said he has yet to ask teams for permission to talk to candidates.

Astros bench coach Jose Espada, who has served as a coach with the Marlins (2010-13) and Yankees (2015-17), could be a candidate.

Epstein acknowledged that a lack of managerial experience "is always a factor."

"Not a determining factor, but a significant factor," he said. "I have a greater



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Theo Epstein, speaking Monday at Wrigley Field, acknowledges David Ross is a candidate for the manager's job but says, "We're not looking backwards."

comfort for someone handling the role before."

A list of candidates is still being compiled.

"But full speed ahead," Epstein said. "We're not going to drag this out any longer than it needs to be, but we want to be thorough."

Epstein said the next Cubs manager "will be a success if he can get the most out of each player. It's an obvious goal, but we want to make sure the players we have, we're developing them and creating an environment where they can continue to grow and thrive."

"If we have players who can be successful

major-league players, we have to find a way to make it (happen) here."

Epstein said the front office won't overstep with Maddon's successor when it comes to lineup construction and bullpen use.

"The front office tries to collect the talent, chooses the players and sets the roster," Epstein said. "If they're smart, they do so with help from the manager."

"If the manager is smart, he tries to make good use of the brain power in the baseball operations (department). We're not looking to be more hands-on at all, especially with messaging and addressing the team."



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First baseman Anthony Rizzo leaves the field after a 3-2 loss to the Cardinals on Sept. 22 ended the Cubs' final homestand of the season.

Players: Blame us

They point fingers at selves, not Maddon, for failing to make playoffs

BY MARK GONZALES

As they watched manager Joe Maddon take the hit for the Cubs missing the playoffs for the first time in five seasons, many players fessed up last weekend for their roles in the team's failure that likely will result in a mild turnover of the roster.

The shortcomings went deeper than mere statistics, such as a National League-high 64 outs on the basepaths; 117 errors, second-most in the NL; and a .172 average (10-for-58) with runners in scoring position during the nine-game losing streak that eliminated the Cubs from postseason contention.

Cole Hamels, who pitched for playoff teams with the Phillies and Rangers, observed during his 1½ seasons with the Cubs that the bull's-eye remains on the team's back, even though four seasons have passed since Maddon unveiled the "Embrace the Target" slogan heading into the 2016 World Series title season.

"It's knowing this division is tough, and everyone wants to come in and beat the Cubs," said Hamels, who likened it to the mentality when the Yankees were dominating in the late 1990s. "So you have to be better than that, and you have to understand teams are coming (after you)."

That point was glaring in September, when the Brewers zoomed past the Cubs by winning five of seven meetings and the Cardinals virtually eliminated them with a four-game sweep at Wrigley Field after losing the first six meetings in Chicago.

This was the second year in a row the Cubs failed to hold off the Brewers, who



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"We have to (make) more adjustments as a team — not the manager."

— Javier Baez

erased a five-game deficit in September 2018, in part by winning four of six games against the Cubs, and then won a tiebreaker game for the division title.

"There are times when you're treating (those games) more importantly than one game in a season," Hamels said. "It's a bigger moment for them, and we have to counter that. And it might have been the case a couple times throughout series this year, knowing they're coming in more

energized, with more of a chip on their shoulder. And we have to keep that importance and edge."

First baseman Anthony Rizzo, one of the few players who was available to media after games, win or lose, wouldn't comment on whether the Cubs were collectively accountable. But he gave a blunt assessment of what was missing.

"I just think we didn't get it done," Rizzo said. "We didn't do enough to win. It's on us players. It's on me. It's on Kris (Bryant), Javy (Baez), Jay-Hey (Jason Heyward), our pitching staff, bullpen — all of us. We didn't get it done."

"We had high goals and fell very short of them, but those are the goals ... we should be reaching."

Baez alluded to the little things that led to a 19-27 record in one-run games and a 55-60 mark after May 22.

"We have to (make) more adjustments as a team — not the manager," Baez said. "The game is changing a lot. You see a lot of that from other teams, playing the game better every day in small (ways) we haven't."

"We didn't have a month that we were hot as a team — not even two weeks. And we were in the fight until the last two weeks of the season."

Maddon is gone, and Baez understands some players might be next after Cubs President Theo Epstein terminates the contracts of a few coaches following a meeting Tuesday.

"I notice some guys might not be here that were key for us in past years," Baez said. "You've got to understand the business and wish them the best wherever they go."

Baez can become a free agent after the 2021 season. He said his preference is to stay with the Cubs long term, given the opportunity.

"For sure," Baez said. "I grew up here, and hopefully I stay here my whole career."

BASEBALL

NL WILD-CARD GAME

'Mad Max' aims to end bad stretch

Nationals ace Scherzer 0-4 in last 7 playoff appearances, will take mound vs. Brewers

BY HOWARD FENDRICH
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Based on what everyone says about Nationals righty Max Scherzer, he seems like an obvious choice to start the NL wild-card game against the Brewers.

Scherzer is, in the words of Brewers manager Craig Counsell, "probably going to the Hall of Fame."

Brandon Woodruff, Counsell's choice to start for the visitors Tuesday night, couldn't wait to meet Scherzer at the All-Star Game and admires the three-time Cy Young Award winner because he has that "kind of fire inside of him a little bit."

"We're fortunate," Nationals manager Dave Martinez said, "to have a Max Scherzer pitch in the wild-card game."

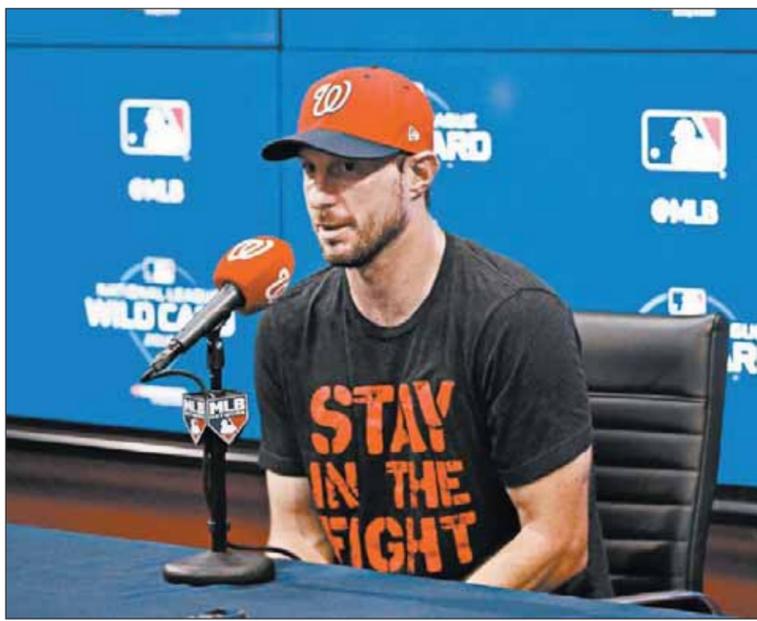
Is it really that clear-cut? Martinez could have, instead, gone with Stephen Strasburg, who, unlike Scherzer (11-7, 2.92 ERA, 27 starts), was healthy all year and put up some of the best numbers of his career. Strasburg and rotation-mate Patrick Corbin will be available in the bullpen.

There's also an elephant in the room: Scherzer's postseason statistics.

It is unfashionable these days to even mention win-loss records when it comes to pitchers, but Scherzer's teams — the Nationals and, before that, the Tigers — haven't enjoyed much success with him on the mound in the playoffs of late.

Since a 2013 AL Division Series victory for the Tigers against the A's, Scherzer has made seven postseason appearances, in a mix of starting and relieving, and his teams are 0-7. Scherzer himself is 0-4 in that stretch, lowering his career record in the postseason from 4-1 to 4-5.

"Season's on the line. I've pitched in these situations before, and it's just crazy baseball. The intensity's out of your mind," said Scherzer, who took the loss in the Nationals' most recent October flop, coming in during the fifth inning of a Game 5 home loss to the Cubs in a 2017 NLDS.



Max Scherzer, above, has struggled in the postseason, but Nationals manager Dave Martinez says "we're fortunate to have (Scherzer) pitch in the wild-card game."

NL WILD-CARD GAME
Brewers at Nationals
7 p.m. Tuesday, TBS

"And you've got to go out there and be your best and just compete as hard as you can."

The Nationals are 0-3 in winner-take-all postseason games, all at home. They've never advanced in four previous trips to the playoffs over the last eight years.

The Brewers, in contrast, made it to a Game 7 of the NLCS just a year ago.

Another disparity at play in a game that will determine who advances to face the NL West champion Dodgers starting Thursday: How they try to get 27 outs.

"We're different. And I think playoff teams should be different," Counsell said. "I think that's cool."

The Nationals rely heavily on their rotation, led by Scherzer, Strasburg and Corbin, who all ranked in the top 10 in the NL in ERA, strikeouts and opponents' batting average. Their bullpen's collective ERA, meanwhile, was the worst in the majors this season.

That is part of the reason Martinez says Strasburg and Corbin are available in relief.

"A game like tomorrow, you put roles aside, you put egos aside, and you go with your best guys," closer Sean Doolittle said, "and those are our best guys."

The Brewers, in contrast, are at the vanguard of the trend around the majors to change pitchers early and often.

"For me," Woodruff said, "I'm looking at it, coming into tomorrow, treating it like any other start, where my goal is to finish the game."

That won't happen, of course. Woodruff (11-3, 3.62 ERA in 22 starts) has pitched in only two games since returning from a strained left oblique that sidelined him for nearly two full months; he went two hitless innings each time. Even if he was healthy, Counsell would be quick to get All-Star Josh Hader and the rest of the bullpen involved.

Both clubs made a big push to get this far, so maybe it won't matter to either side that Monday's planned workouts at Nationals Park were limited because of rain.

The Nationals closed the regular season on their longest winning streak of 2019, eight games, to cap a turnaround that saw them go from 19-31 on May 23 to 93 wins.

The Brewers, meanwhile, were in third place in their division as August ended and just a couple of games above .500, before using a 21-4 run — despite losing 2018 NL MVP Christian Yelich to a broken kneecap — to get back to the playoffs.

So Counsell, who said he's not sure yet whether Lorenzo Cain's injured left ankle will be good enough for him to be out there Tuesday, compared what his team faces at Nationals Park to what the last month has been like.

"I don't think it's any different," Counsell said, "than how we've treated every day since Aug. 30."

NOTES

Angels dismiss Ausmus after just 1 season

Associated Press

Manager Brad Ausmus was fired by the Angels after just one difficult season in charge.

GM Billy Eppler announced the decision to move on swiftly from Ausmus on Monday, a day after they finished 72-90 for the franchise's worst record since 1999.

The dismissal of Ausmus immediately sparked speculation that former Angels bench coach Joe Maddon, who parted ways with the Cubs one day earlier, will return to the franchise where he spent three decades of his career.

A candidate of Maddon's magnitude would be an obvious reason for such an abrupt change of plan by the Angels, who have had four consecutive losing seasons for the first time since 1993-96. Maddon was with the Angels when Arte Moreno bought the ballclub in 2003, and the two have a cordial relationship.

Ausmus, 50, got a three-year contract last October as the Angels' hand-picked replacement for Mike Scioscia, who spent 19 years on the Angels bench and won their only World Series title in 2002.

What a blast: Major league batters finished with 6,776 home runs, shattering the previous record of 6,105 set two years ago.

Dominic Smith hit the final long ball of the season, a three-run drive in the 11th inning Sunday off the Braves' Grant Dayton that lifted the Mets over the NL East champs 7-6.

The A's Steven Piscotty started the barrage March 20 in Tokyo against the Mariners' Marco Gonzales.

This year's total was 11% above the old record and 21% higher than last year's 5,585.

The twins hit three home runs Sunday to establish the big league team record with 307, one more than the Yankees. The previous mark of 267 was set last year. This year's Yankees became the first team with 14 players reaching double-digits in home runs.

Strikeouts set a record for the 12th consecutive season at 42,823, up 4% from 41,207 last year and 33% from 32,189 in 2007.

A year after strikeouts exceeded hits for the time, by 189 (41,018 hits), the gap grew to 783 (42,040 hits).



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Passing a sign that reminds of happier times, Cubs President Theo Epstein departs after his season-ending news conference Monday at Wrigley Field.

Cubs

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Bryant and Baez can become free agents after the 2021 season, and the Cubs will discuss signing each to long-term deals this winter.

But the array of needs — from young, impact starting pitching to more contact hitting — might necessitate moving either All-Star while their trade value is perhaps the highest it ever will be.

"Next year is a priority," Epstein said. "We have to balance it with the future, and probably that's more important now than it was a year ago because we're now two years away from a lot of our best players reaching the end of their period of club control."

Trading an All-Star such as Bryant or Baez could allow the Cubs to avoid a painful long-term rebuild, as they underwent when Epstein took over in the 2011-12 offseason. The Giants are now enduring a similar rebuild after holding on to several key players from their last World Series title team in 2014.

"That's not something we're interested in," Epstein said. "We don't want to put our fans through that long-term process."

Re-signing right fielder Nicholas Castellanos, 27, is a priority, but Epstein is aware of the price for a productive young free agent.

"We love the way he plays the game and we'd love to have him back," Epstein said. "It's a more complicated issue than we'd love to have him back. He knows ... it's not

as simple as that."

Castellanos, acquired from the Tigers at the trade deadline, added a needed spark to a clubhouse that had certain players who weren't available to the media after making a critical mistake that contributed to a loss.

Epstein defended the accountability of the players.

One opposing coach revealed that a player who was dealt to the Cubs told him of their lax stretching policy and likened the atmosphere to a country club.

"We all feel that we can put a little more emphasis on work," Epstein said, "especially working together as a team on pushing limits to be the very best version of themselves, rather than getting away from some of the routines that have proven successful individually. Because there's another level we can all get to."

"I can tell you this: Our players are being directly challenged to be the best they can be, and they know there are consequences for not doing so."

Epstein acknowledged the subpar production at center field and second base and the difficulty of finding a player who could fill the leadoff duties and play either position.

"We have a lot of good players," Epstein said. "We have high standards. We want to win the World Series next year, and we want to keep making the playoffs as often as possible."

"Four out of four years (making the playoffs) felt a lot better than four out of five. Whenever you don't make it, it's horrible around here. That's not something we want to experience again."

Sullivan

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never come up, one time."

It was not about the 2019 collapse, he said Sunday.

So what in the world was the problem? Why couldn't this work?

"Because Joe was the perfect manager at the perfect moment in time for us," he said Monday. "For the group that we had and where they were in their careers, what they were trying to accomplish in the game, the identity that we needed to establish."

"He was the perfect guy. And if I could go back and do it again, I obviously, as would anyone in this room, go back and hire him again. And now we need the perfect guy for this moment in time, for this group, for where they are in their careers, for the way their skills and habits and outlook have evolved. There is a unique challenge at this moment in time."

"If I were in a different situation, I would hire Joe in a second today. But for this group, by definition I feel like change is important. There are just certain things a new voice can accomplish that the same voice, no matter how talented, even a Hall of Fame manager, can't quite accomplish the same, especially with our group."

We don't know what that group will be because Epstein again promised significant changes, even declining to rule out trading Javier Baez. Doubt it. If that happens, fans will be marching on the Cubs offices and demanding Epstein's head. He certainly doesn't want to be headless giving his Hall of Fame induction speech.

Getting back to Maddon, Epstein said he was guilty of looking back and "thinking to yourself, that worked in the past" but may not work any longer.

"We can all benefit from turning the page and looking forward and not backward," he said. "Joe is going to go someplace and dominate."

One benefit the next manager will have, Epstein said, is that he "hasn't been around to push that player to the next level."

So apparently that wasn't one of Maddon's strengths, and the Cubs need a pusher, not a manager who trusts them to act like adults and motivate themselves.

Fair enough. Now who is the designated pusher?

Epstein will start culling candidates from his "broad list" this week. The obvious choice, and the only one he spoke about directly Monday, was David Ross, a special assistant to Epstein and the life of the party on the 2016 Cubs.

As Epstein wrote in the foreword to Ross' book, "Teammate," the former Cubs catcher seemingly has all the traits he's looking for in a manager:

"Unselfishness. Accountability. Connectedness. David was the catalyst for these winning ingredients because he studied them and went out of his way to cultivate them for his teammates. In some ways, he was born for the role."

Ross has spent a lot of time with Epstein



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Joe Maddon and spring training instructor David Ross huddled in February in Arizona.

this season, including in his suite during the final homestand at Wrigley Field. So it was weird to hear the ESPN analyst tell ESPN.com: "I'm sure waiting for that phone call," as if the two have never discussed the possibility of him managing.

Whether it's Ross or a Rossy clone, the next Cubs manager will have to impose more discipline and somehow get this group to understand that every game matters.

Of all the players we interviewed in Pittsburgh and St. Louis last week, the best theory I heard about what happened to the Cubs came from starter Cole Hamels.

In essence, Hamels said Cubs players didn't treat the opposition with the same respect other teams had for the Cubs.

"Everybody wants to come in and beat the Cubs," Hamels said. "That's the team. I know growing up the mentality was everybody wants to beat the Yankees. So you have to be better than that, and you have to understand teams are coming in (to beat you)."

"There are times they're treating it more importantly than just one game in a season. It's a bigger moment for them, and I think we have to counter that. And I think that might have been the case a couple times in series throughout the year, knowing that (teams are) coming in a little more energized, a little more chip on their shoulder. And we have to keep that importance, and that edge."

It was quite an indictment of the attitude of the Cubs, who don't seem to understand how much other teams hate them, just as teams hated the old Yankees dynasty. Being hated means you've made it, so congrats to Maddon for turning the lovable losers into hateable winners.

But if the players didn't understand that everyone wanted to kick their butt, that could be a reflection on Maddon's leadership. And if so, Epstein should've said so instead of leaving it to Hamels to explain.

It no longer matters, I suppose. Maddon is gone and already has been linked to the Angels, a perfect landing spot for the quintessential California dreamer.

Apologies for believing Cubs fans deserve a straightforward answer instead of the ambiguous "change is important" nonsense.

If it's so important, why are there never any changes in the front office?

Everyone should be accountable, not just the manager and the players.

SPORTS



TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS

Bulls forward Lauri Markkanen (24) and guard Zach LaVine are interviewed at Bulls media day Monday at the Advocate Center. John Paxson said both need to "step up" this season.

BULLS WHAT WE LEARNED

‘Mountaintop’?

That's Boylen's goal, but it could be a steep climb this season

BY PHIL THOMPSON

The Bulls, beginning their first full season under coach Jim Boylen, held media day Monday at the Advocate Center. Here are three things we learned.

1. Jim Boylen is aiming for the 'mountaintop.'

It just sort of rolled off the coach's tongue.

After the Bulls went 22-60 last season, "There's no way that we were going to stand up here and say, 'Hey, I hope we can win 10 more games or we hope we can be better,'" Boylen said. "We want to get to the mountaintop."

The phrase has the potential to stick, either as a rallying cry or as a mocking description to be scrawled on the Bulls' 2019-20 epitaph, depending on whether they can back it up on the court.

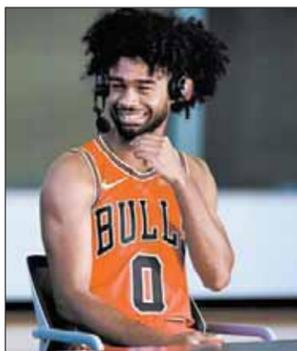
"We have high-character guys that want to work and want to be coached," Boylen said. "That's the first choice. It's a choice to be coached. It's a decision to say, 'Hey, I want to be a teammate and I want to get better.' We have the right guys on the bus that want to do that. That's where the hope comes in."

"We've added talent, we've added veteran leadership. We've added the things that we thought were holes in last year's group, and that's where this feeling comes from. And also the proof of what we did in September as a collective group, the commitment, the communication, guys held each other accountable."

Otto Porter Jr. will play his first full season with the Bulls after February's trade from the Wizards, but he has noticed changes.

"The mentality of this organization changed," Porter said. "With all the talent we have, we've come early to put in that extra work, to get to know everybody, every new piece is here, even in the front office — because we want to do something special here and I think it starts by coming together."

"I think playoffs is definitely an achievement that we want to accomplish and with that you've got to have goals. So that's one of our team goals. We know it's not going to be easy."



Draft pick Coby White will be eased into a regular role if the Bulls stick to their plan.

2. John Paxson singled out Zach LaVine, Lauri Markkanen and Otto Porter Jr. as players who need to 'step up.'

Paxson, the Bulls executive vice president, wasn't afraid to name-check key players Monday.

"We have some guys who are at a time in their careers where they have to step up. That's Zach, that's Lauri, that's Otto," Paxson said. "Wendell (Carter Jr.) can be thrown in that mix too. He's a very mature 20-year-old young man. They need to step up, but I think we have complements that will help this team a lot."

Paxson wants to see each player contribute in the win column.

"It becomes about winning now and making a difference in that part of the game," he said. "Assuming more leadership. The continued growth as a player."

"Honestly, watching Zach all summer long, he's been in the league quite a while, but he's still a young guy. His maturity level has really grown. We've seen it here now in two years. But we need them to be high-level players. That's really the bottom line."

3. Who's starting at point guard? The Bulls aren't saying.

Read into what you will, but Kris Dunn wasn't included among the "core" players and rookies who addressed reporters behind the microphones at the table Monday.

One might expect Dunn, once mentioned as part of the Bulls' core with Zach LaVine and Lauri

Markkanen, to be humbled by the omission. Paxson openly expressed his desire to upgrade at point in the offseason and made moves that included acquiring Tomas Satoransky through a sign-and-trade, extending Ryan Arcidiacono and drafting Coby White. But if Dunn is humbled, he isn't letting on.

"I'm not really worried," Dunn said. "They told me in the exit meetings those things were going to happen. It's part of the business."

Dunn's has made his bones on defense, but this offseason he knew he had to "work my butt off" to answer questions about whether he can improve his shooting and play off the ball.

Also, can he stay healthy? He missed 34 games last season with an MCL sprain, back strain and other ailments.

And there's that one other looming question.

"Do I view myself as a starter?" Dunn said. "I think anybody would view themselves as a starter. Who doesn't want to start?"

Satoransky played down a camp battle.

"I don't expect it to be a rivalry between us," he said. "I don't even know if I'm going to play against him a lot at the point guard position."

The Bulls want to ease in White, but Satoransky is a fourth-year veteran with international experience, and it doesn't hurt that he has built-in support from Otto Porter Jr., who played with him in Washington.

"Tomas Satoransky can play 1, 2 or 3," John Paxson said. "He's 6-7. He knows how to play. He's a good passer, a good shooter, a good decision-maker. He can play off the ball."

However, Paxson also praised Dunn for a "terrific month" during team workouts in September.

"I think all of us up here are really proud of him," Paxson said. "He's obviously playing for something. But he's really committed himself to this group. Sometimes guys get challenged, and we're all proud of how he's responded. I really am. That's been a big thing. And he can help us. Kris Dunn's a very good defender."

Bears

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the Bears play the Saints Oct. 20 at Soldier Field. If Trubisky were to play in that game, he would have to be cleared to practice the preceding Wednesday.

Nagy wouldn't say if having an upcoming open date would affect his decision to play or sit Trubisky on Sunday. He said there's a lot to collaborate on with doctors, training staff, general manager Ryan Pace and other coaches before he will give answers.

"If he's able to go this week then it doesn't matter, (the week off) will help for just getting rest," Nagy said. "If he's not able to go, then it helps as well. It's time is what it is."

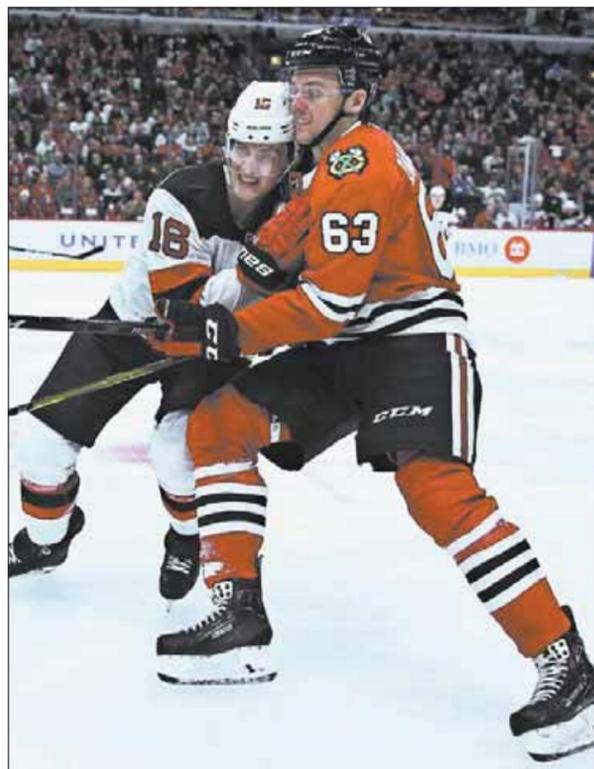
The injury happened on the Bears' sixth play of the game against the Vikings. On third-and-4 at the Bears 43 in the first quarter, Trubisky rolled awkwardly onto his left arm during a sack. He immediately went to

the medical tent and then the locker room before returning to the sideline wearing a sling as quarterback Chase Daniel led the Bears to a 16-6 victory.

Daniel, a career backup of 10 seasons, started two games when Trubisky went down with a right shoulder injury last season. He went 1-1, winning a Thanksgiving Day game against the Lions in Detroit on short preparation and losing in overtime to the Giants on the road.

Nagy said Daniel, who is familiar with Nagy's offense since their days together with the Chiefs, always prepares as if he is starting.

"That's the one luxury that we have is having Chase," Nagy said. "He knows the offense really, really well. He's really like a coach out there. He can fix any mistakes that I have, even if it's just communication, he's able to handle that. He did that a couple of times yesterday. If he's who ends up playing, then we feel very comfortable. ... I know the other teammates feel comfortable with him as well. We're fortunate to be in this position."



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Carl Dahlstrom (63) was waived on Monday after collecting nine assists in 49 games with the Blackhawks over the past two seasons.

Blackhawks

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last season, likely won't play in Friday's season opener in Prague. But it doesn't mean he won't find his way back to the United Center later this season.

The players on the bubble — Dahlstrom, Dennis Gilbert, Slater Koekkoek, Brendan Perlini and Anton Wedin — all have good cases for a roster spot, but it's likely only Koekkoek and Perlini will be available Friday against the Flyers.

In addition to placing Dahlstrom on waivers, the Hawks also assigned Gilbert and Wedin — who didn't need to clear waivers — to the IceHogs.

The moves indicate either Calvin de Haan or Connor Murphy, who have been nursing minor injuries, will be available for the opener. De Haan hasn't played in any preseason games but has been practicing for more than a week. Murphy hasn't practiced since Tuesday.

One person not losing sleep over the final roster choices is coach Jeremy Colliton.

That's not because he's indifferent to the plight of players whose careers are in his hands. Colliton just doesn't let one decision weigh on his mind when he expects all of them to get opportunities at one point or another.

"That's what we tell the players," Colliton said. "You want to be ready for your chance. You want to take advantage of it, perform at your best. But it's important not to put too much pressure on yourself. Any one performance is not going to dictate the rest of your life here."

Colliton seemed to be referring to a bad performance, but the same can be said for good ones. That might be a little disheartening for Gilbert, whose confident, physical performance Sunday against Eisbaeren Berlin let it be known the 22-year-old defenseman deserves to be in the NHL now.

Gilbert quietly became the surprise player during a training camp that didn't really have any surprises. Alex Nylander and Dominik Kubalik claimed roster spots earlier than expected, but other than that the roster make-up is close to what was projected.

The Hawks showed their ap-

preciation for Gilbert's strong season with the IceHogs by calling him up to make his NHL debut in April. Last month they named him captain of the squad they sent to the NHL Prospect Tournament in Traverse City, Mich., where he excelled and built momentum coming into camp.

Despite his steady play, Gilbert seemed to be on his way to the IceHogs before the Hawks left for Europe. But the order to pack his bags for Rockford didn't come until Monday, much later than anyone expected.

Gilbert was one of the most noticeable players on the ice Sunday, playing his brand of dependable defense interspersed with the occasional crushing hit.

"I don't know if I expected (to go to Europe)," Gilbert said. "But I didn't think it was out of the realm of possibility. Just tried to play hard and get better each day, pick the coaches' brains, be a sponge, take everything in that I can."

"All the coaching staff and all the guys have been super welcoming here and super helpful for me, on and off the ice. It's been fun so far, and I'm just looking forward to keep going."

Duncan Keith, a two-time Norris Trophy winner as the NHL's top defenseman, knows the weight he carries with young defensemen. He'll try to throw out compliments when they're deserved to keep a young player's confidence up.

By that measure, Gilbert's confidence should be at an all-time high after what Keith had to say about him Monday.

"One guy that has stood out has been Gilbert," Keith said. "He could've been one of our best players (against Eisbaeren Berlin), so it's a good look for him. He's tough, he brings that element to the team, which is important. Big, strong guy that gives you another element out there."

Gilbert didn't make the initial roster, but it's no reason to pout.

"Just because we make a decision now or in three days or in a week, nothing's final," Colliton said. "It's how we're going to win that day, and I expect it to evolve as the year goes on. We're going to have some young players who I expect are going to develop further and be ready for larger roles. That's what you need also."



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WEEK 4

MONDAY'S RESULT

Pittsburgh 27, Cincinnati 3

WEEK 5

THURSDAY'S GAME

L.A. Rams at Seattle, 7:20 p.m.

SUNDAY'S GAMES

Atlanta at Houston, noon

Minnesota at N.Y. Giants, noon

Baltimore at Pittsburgh, noon

Jacksonville at Carolina, noon

Buffalo at Tennessee, noon

Chicago vs. Oakland

at London, UK, noon

Tampa Bay at New Orleans, noon

New England at Washington, noon

Arizona at Cincinnati, noon

N.Y. Jets at Philadelphia, noon

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

Green Bay at Dallas, 3:25 p.m.

Indianapolis at Kansas City, 7:20 p.m.

Open: Detroit, Miami

MONDAY, OCT. 7

Cleveland at San Francisco, 7:15 p.m.

NBA PRESEASON

MONDAY'S RESULT

Houston 140, Shanghai Sharks 71

FRIDAY'S GAMES

Houston vs. L.A. Clippers

in Honolulu, 12:05 a.m.

Franca/Brazil at Brooklyn, 6:30 p.m.

Indiana at Sacramento, 8:30 p.m.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

SCHEDULE

THURSDAY'S GAMES

Georgia S. at S. Alabama, 6:30 p.m.

Temple at E. Carolina, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY'S GAMES

Dartmouth at Penn, 6 p.m.

#18 UCF at Cincinnati, 7 p.m.

New Mexico at San Jose St., 9 p.m.

SATURDAY'S GAMES

AP Top 25

#3 Georgia at Tennessee, 6 p.m.

#25 Mich. St. at #4 Ohio St., 6:30 p.m.

Utah State at #5 LSU, 11 a.m.

#6 Oklahoma at Kansas, 11 a.m.

#7 Auburn at #10 Florida, 2:30 p.m.

Kent St. at #8 Wisconsin, 11 a.m.

BGSU at #9 Notre Dame, 2:30 p.m.

#11 Texas at West Virginia, 2:30 p.m.

Purdue at #12 Penn State, 11 a.m.

California at #13 Oregon, 7 p.m.

#14 Iowa at #19 Michigan, 11 a.m.

#15 Washington at Stanford, 9:30 p.m.

#16 Boise State at UNLV, 9:30 p.m.

#21 Okla. St. at Texas Tech, 11 a.m.

Tulsa at #24 SMU, 6:30 p.m.

East

Tulane at Army, 11 a.m.

LIU at Duquesne, 11 a.m.

Maryland at Rutgers, 11 a.m.

Rhode Island at Brown, 11:30 a.m.

Lehigh at Colgate, noon

Howard at Harvard, noon

Bryant at Merrimack, noon

Columbia at Princeton, noon

Fordham at Yale, noon

Holy Cross at Bucknell, 1 p.m.

CCSU at Sacred Heart, 1 p.m.

Georgetown at Cornell, 3 p.m.

Ohio at Buffalo, 2:30 p.m.

Air Force at Navy, 2:30 p.m.

Elon at New Hampshire, 2:30 p.m.

Texas at W. Virginia, 2:30 p.m.

James Madison at Stony Brook, 5 p.m.

Monmouth (NJ) at Wagner, 5 p.m.

SC St. at Delaware St., 6 p.m.

S. Florida at UConn, 6 p.m.

South

Butler at Stetson, 11 a.m.

Boston College at Louisville, 11:30 a.m.

Presbyterian at Campbell, noon

Davidson at Morehead St., noon

NC Cent. at Florida A&M, 1 p.m.

N. Alabama at Hampton, 1 p.m.

E. Illinois at Murray St., 1 p.m.

NC A&T at Norfolk St., 1 p.m.

Albany (NY) at Richmond, 1 p.m.

VMI at The Citadel, 1 p.m.

Texas S. at Alabama A&M, 2 p.m.

Alcorn St. at Alabama St., 2 p.m.

UT Martin at E. Kentucky, 2 p.m.

Va. Lynchburg at MVSU, 2 p.m.

Furman at Samford, 2 p.m.

Wofford at ETSU, 2:30 p.m.

Arkansas St. at Georgia St., 2:30 p.m.

Virginia Tech at Miami, 2:30 p.m.

Marshall at Middle Tenn., 2:30 p.m.

Gardner-Webb at W. Carolina, 2:30 p.m.

Villanova at William & Mary, 2:30 p.m.

North Carolina at Bethune-Cookman, 3 p.m.

N. Carolina at Georgia Tech, 3 p.m.

Chattanooga at Cornell, 3 p.m.

Cent. Arkansas at Nicholls, 3 p.m.

SE Louisiana at McNeese St., 4 p.m.

Savannah St. at Charleston So., 5 p.m.

W. Kentucky at Old Dominion, 5 p.m.

UMass at FIU, 6 p.m.

Grambling St. at Jackson St., 6 p.m.

Tennessee St. at Jacksonville St., 6 p.m.

Memphis at Louisiana-Monroe, 6 p.m.

Rice at UAB, 6 p.m.

Vanderbilt at Mississippi, 6:30 p.m.

Pittsburgh at Duke, 7 p.m.

Midwest

Jacksonville at Dayton, 11 a.m.

TCU at Iowa St., 11 a.m.

N. Dakota St. at Illinois St., noon

Valparaiso at Drake, 1 p.m.

UC Davis at N. Dakota, 1 p.m.

E. Michigan at Cent. Michigan, 2 p.m.

S. Illinois at S. Dakota St., 2 p.m.

Indiana St. at S. Dakota, 2 p.m.

Baylor at Kansas St., 2:30 p.m.

Illinois at Minnesota, 2:30 p.m.

Ball St. at N. Illinois, 2:30 p.m.

W. Michigan at Toledo, 2:30 p.m.

Troy at Missouri, 3 p.m.

Northwestern at Nebraska, 3 p.m.

Missouri St. at W. Illinois, 3 p.m.

Youngstown St. at N. Iowa, 4 p.m.

Tennessee Tech at SE Missouri, 6 p.m.

Southwest

Lane at Ark.-Pine Bluff, 3 p.m.

Sam Hou. St. vs. SFA in Houston, 3 p.m.

Incarnate Word at Houston Bapt., 6 p.m.

Ablene Christian at Lamar, 6 p.m.

UTSA at UTEP, 7 p.m.

West

Idaho St. at Montana, 2 p.m.

Arizona at Colorado, 3:30 p.m.

Weber St. at Idaho, 4 p.m.

Marist at San Diego, 4 p.m.

S. Utah at Portland St., 4:05 p.m.

N. Colorado at N. Arizona, 6 p.m.

Montana St. at Cal Poly, 7 p.m.

Liberty at New Mexico St., 7 p.m.

Oregon St. at UCLA, 8 p.m.

E. Wash. at Sacramento St., 8:05 p.m.

San Diego St. at Colorado St., 9 p.m.

ODDS

MLB PLAYOFFS

NL WILD CARD

at Washington-178 Milwaukee +166

AL WILD CARD

at Oakland -137 Tampa Bay +127

NHL

at Toronto -285 Ottawa +255

at St. Louis -134 Washington +124

at Edmonton -127 Vancouver +117

at Vegas -167 San Jose +157

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

SP O/U THURSDAY

Ga. Southern 11½ 47 at S. Alabama

Temple 11½ 47½ at E. Carolina

SP O/U FRIDAY

UCF 4½ 60 at Cincinnati

at San Jose St. 7 66½ New Mexico

SP O/U SATURDAY

South Florida 10½ 52 at UConn

at Louisville 4½ 61 Boston Coll.

N. Carolina 10 58½ at Georgia Tech

Texas 11½ 59 at W. Virginia

at Penn St. 27½ 55½ Purdue

at N Illinois 4 53 Ball St.

Tulane 3½ 45 at Army

at Duke 5 48 Pittsburgh

at Kansas St. 2 51 Baylor

Maryland 13 54 at Rutgers

Oklahoma St. 9½ 63½ at Texas Tech

at Wisconsin 37 57½ Kent St.

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at Miami 13½ 49 Virginia Tech

at Missouri 24½ 65 Troy

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at SMU 12½ 62 Tulsa

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at Minnesota 14 60½ Illinois

at UAB 8½ 43½ Rice

at Nebraska 7½ 50 Northwestern

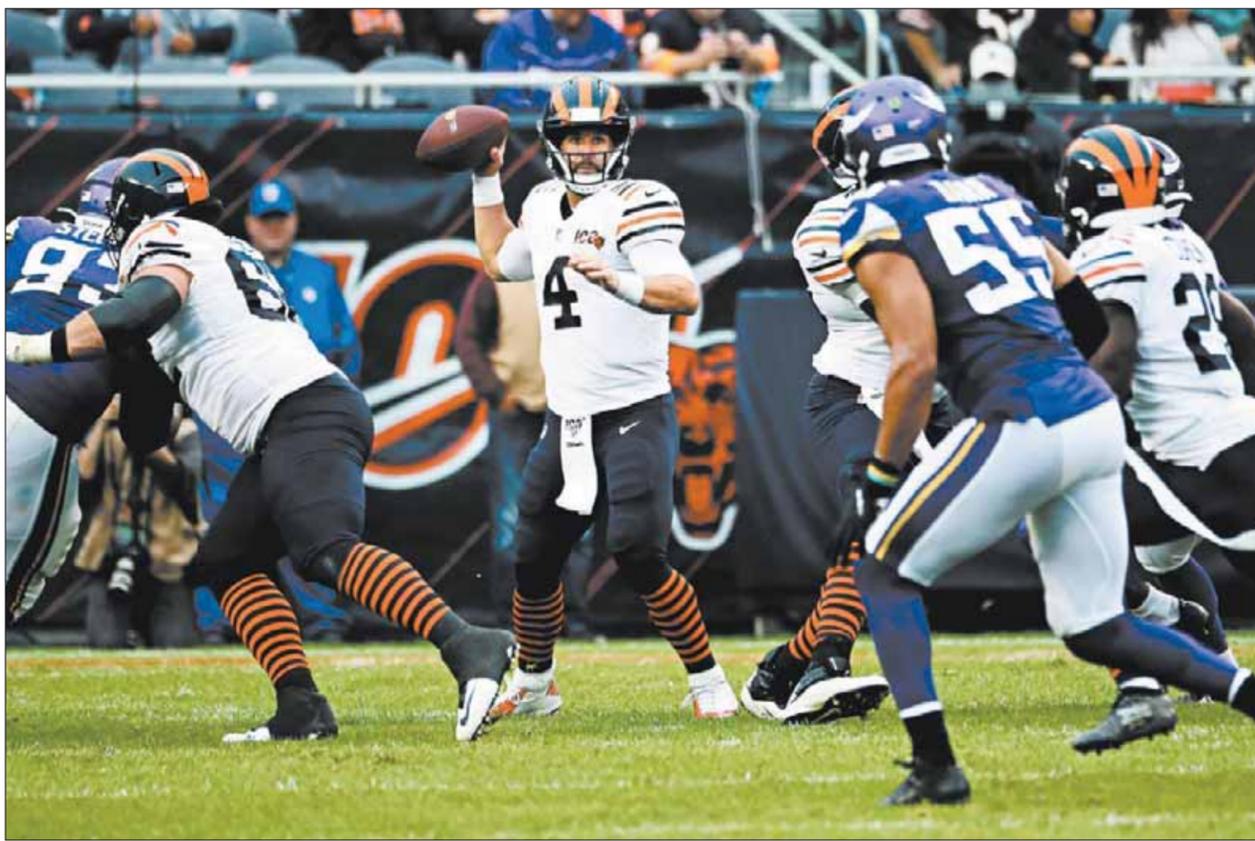
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at Toledo 2½ 68 W. Michigan

Oklahoma 35 67 at Kansas

BEARS



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Called on in place of the injured Mitch Trubisky, Chase Daniel (4) passed for 195 yards and a touchdown in the Bears' win on Sunday.

Worth every penny

When pressed into service, veteran backup Daniel shows why he's well-paid

Chase Daniel has carved out quite a career for himself during 11 seasons in the NFL. Daniel hasn't worn nearly as many jerseys as former Bears backup quarterback Josh McCown — and he probably never will.

But he has made a small fortune toiling as a No. 2 and sometimes No. 3 quarterback on the rosters of four teams with two stints in New Orleans.

When Daniel joined the Bears last season, he had earned a shade more than \$24 million during the first nine seasons of his career while attempting a grand total of 78 passes in regular-season games. That's an astonishing ratio when you consider some starters will crank up 78 attempts or more in the span of two games.

It's a credit to how Daniel makes offensive coaches feel at ease with his comprehension of the offense and ability, if needed, to fill in. It's also representative of the fact that the teams employing him — Chiefs, Eagles and the aforementioned Saints — have had stable and healthy starting quarterbacks while Daniel has been on the roster.

What the Bears got from Daniel on Sunday, when he replaced injured starter Mitch Trubisky on

BRAD BIGGS
On the Bears

the first possession against the Vikings, is what coach Matt Nagy expected and surely what general manager Ryan Pace expected. Daniel provided an efficient effort and protected the football, which played to the

strength of the roster — the defense. Daniel completed that first drive, hitting running back Tarik Cohen on an option route for a 10-yard touchdown. The defense was staked to an early lead with Trubisky in the locker room until halftime before he returned to the sideline in the second half with his left arm in a sling protecting his injured shoulder.

"I've said it before, I've been in the league a long time," Daniel said. "I don't want to show my age too much (he turns 33 Oct. 7), but out there when you get your opportunities, you never really know when they're going to come as a backup quarterback. My mindset is always just be ready, be ready, and it was crazy because it felt like Mitch's injury was happening in slow motion. He was literally right across from me maybe 5 yards. And at first, I thought it was a concussion because he tried to get up, down, tried to get up again, fell down.

"So, I'm like, 'Oh, man, I'm at least going to have to go in, I'm going to have some time to warm up.' I didn't see the defensive holding penalty, so I went over there to start throwing, and they're yelling at me, 'Get in! Get in!' So I tried to just stay calm and cool, and I've been in this situation before. The two starts last year really helped me just with communication, especially with the offensive line. We're doing a bunch of no-huddle stuff. So it felt good."

Daniel knows where to go with the ball. He made a nice pump fake and delivered a strike to Allen Robinson for a 25-yard gain to set up first-and-goal from the 5-yard line on his third attempt. He made a handful of other big throws, hitting Anthony Miller for a 5-yard gain on fourth-and-3 before the two-minute warning in the first half, helping set up an easy 25-yard field goal for Eddy Pineiro that gave the Bears a 10-0 halftime lead.

"Chase has done this for a while now," Robinson said. "He's no spring chicken to playing football in general. He's familiar with the offense. He's like a coach for us when he's not playing. That gives you a lot of confidence. He knows this offense in and out."

Daniel looks more settled as a thrower than Trubisky. His feet are in rhythm. He's not all over the place. He doesn't look panicked. He looks like a veteran backup should look when he

comes into the game.

Those are all positives for the Bears. The problem for the franchise, however, is their No. 1 isn't much of an upgrade over the veteran backup — not at this point anyway and not after the first three games of the season when the offense has scuffled. You expect a drop-off when the No. 2 comes in, and some teams have to change the offense. But the Bears didn't change a thing.

The only thing that might change is Daniel's dollars earned per career pass attempt. He attempted 76 passes last season and 30 in this game (22 of 30 for 195 yards, one touchdown and no turnovers). According to Spotrac, Daniel has earned \$34.3 million, which ranks 61st all time among quarterbacks. Daniel will make \$6 million this season, so he'll move up the list by the end of the year.

It's good that the Bears have a solid investment in a quarterback who has a coaching-level mastery of the offense.

"We just keep rolling," Nagy said. "Zero changed, nothing, and that's the beauty of having a guy like Chase. Look, he was ready. He prepares himself every single day, and it's never different. It's always the same. So we're very, very lucky to have Chase as our backup."

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

Smith's status remains a mystery

Tight-lipped Nagy says LB's late scratch is a 'personal matter'

BY DAN WIEDERER

Details remain hazy as to why second-year Bears linebacker Roquan Smith was a late scratch from Sunday's game against the Vikings. And on Monday at Halas Hall, Matt Nagy made it clear Smith's status with the team remains up in the air.

Nagy was calculated and evasive in his answers to nearly a dozen questions related to Smith, sticking to the Bears' public declaration that whatever is going on with their second-year inside linebacker should be classified as "personal reasons."

Smith was declared inactive 90 minutes before kickoff Sunday, approximately a half-hour after the Bears' media relations team announced on Twitter and in the Soldier Field press box that Smith was suddenly doubtful for the game.

On Sunday the Bears said only that Smith's absence was due to "personal reasons" and coach Nagy was curt after the game when addressing Smith's situation.

"I'm going to leave it as it's completely a personal matter," Nagy said. "And I'm just going to completely leave it at that."

On Monday, during his normal day-after-game news conference, Nagy was pressed on Smith's situation and status going forward.

"Again," Nagy said, "he's completely a personal issue. It's, for us, something that we're going to just leave it at that right now."

The Bears coach was asked directly whether Smith was involved in any legal incidents over the weekend leading up to his first missed game in the NFL.

"Personal issue," Nagy responded.

Pressed on whether that would rule out a possible legal incident, Nagy stood firm.

"I'm just going to say it was a personal issue," he repeated. "I'm not getting into anything else."

Asked whether Smith is facing any disciplinary action from within the team, Nagy again stuck to his talking points.

"It's completely a personal issue," he said. "And I'm not going to answer any more about it. That's where it's at right now."

It remains to be seen whether Smith will practice with the Bears this week as they prepare for Sunday's game against the Raiders in London. There is no guarantee he will even travel with the team Thursday night.

The 22-year-old Smith was scheduled to participate in a community event Monday evening in Park Ridge, a breast cancer awareness affair at Maine East High School. Smith was not in attendance and cornerback Prince Amukamara said many players had no idea what was happening with their teammate.

"I love that Coach Nagy just says, hey, with injuries or any personal situation, just put it on me," Amukamara said. "It kind of takes stress and pressure off us. Because we can use that to answer ... So I'm just going to leave it at that."

Nagy, meanwhile, wouldn't say whether Smith's return to practicing and playing with the team was something that would be decided by the player or the coaching staff in the coming days or weeks.

WHAT WE LEARNED

Hicks, Long nearly played against Vikings

Bears to leave Thursday for London — but won't face Raiders' Burfict

BY COLLEEN KANE

Bears coach Matt Nagy met with the media Monday morning after Sunday's 16-6 victory over the Vikings.

Other than non-updates on quarterback Mitch Trubisky's shoulder injury and linebacker Roquan Smith's absence, here are three things we learned as the Bears prepare for their trip to London to play the Raiders on Sunday.

1. Akiem Hicks was close to playing Sunday.

After missing practice all last week with a right knee injury, defensive lineman Akiem Hicks went through pregame work with a brace on his knee before the Bears ruled him out.

"He went out there and just felt OK, so we felt like at that point in time, let's not do it," Nagy said. "Our guys stepped up. We had some guys that really stepped up yesterday on that defensive line. You go back and turn on that tape and you see some guys flying around. I want to give credit to all of the assistant coaches over there, but Jay Rodgers did a really good job with getting his guys ready, and that's what this is all about."

With Bilal Nichols also out with a broken hand, defensive linemen Nick Williams and Roy Robertson-Harris had big games. Williams had seven tackles and two sacks, and Robertson-Harris



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Bears defensive tackle Akiem Hicks reacts after a sack by teammate Roy Robertson-Harris on Sunday against the Vikings at Soldier Field.

added three tackles and 1½ sacks.

Nagy said it was a similar situation with right guard Kyle Long, who missed the game with a hip injury. Backup Ted Larsen filled in but left the game with a knee injury.

"(Long) was feeling some pain, and we felt like ... we have depth," Nagy said. "So let's see where you're at, and then game time, same as Hicks, he just wasn't feeling it. So we felt we were OK. Next man up."

2. The Bears will leave Thursday night for London and hold their final practice there Friday afternoon.

Nagy went with the Chiefs to London in 2015. They also left on a Thursday night, and while sluggish from sleeping on the plane, they arrived to practice Friday.

The Chiefs beat the Lions 45-10 at Wembley Stadium.

That experience helped Nagy set his schedule to prepare for the Bears' game at Tottenham Hotspur Stadium.

"We needed a pick-me-up," Nagy said of the trip with the Chiefs. "I remember on Friday night, we were underneath the lights. We had music playing. It was like Friday night lights high school football. And our guys, for being tired, they were pretty juiced up and it was fun, and we went out Sunday and we had a pretty good game against the Detroit Lions and we won."

"So getting in and getting out, there is still time to be able to go over there and see some things and enjoy that part of it. But it is a business trip."

Bears players spoke with ex-

citement about the trip after Sunday's game.

"This is my first time out of the country," running back Tarik Cohen said. "I just got my passport like two days ago. That was big for me. I feel like a grown man now. All the small jokes can stop now — I'm a grown man. I got my passport."

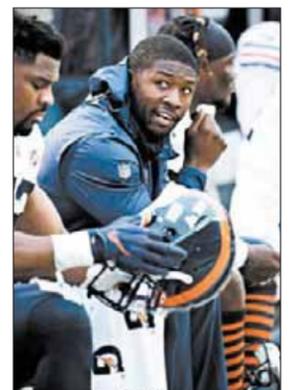
3. The Raiders will be without linebacker and captain Von-Taze Burfict.

The NFL suspended Burfict for the remainder of the season Monday, a day after he was ejected from the Raiders' 31-24 victory over the Colts for a helmet-to-helmet hit against tight end Jack Doyle. According to ESPN, Burfict received 13 suspensions and fines in his seven seasons with the Bengals, including two suspensions for illegal hits.

The NFL released part of a letter Jon Runyan, the league's vice president of football operations, wrote to Burfict.

"There were no mitigating circumstances on this play," he wrote. "Your contact was unnecessary, flagrant and should have been avoided. For your actions, you were penalized and disqualified from the game."

"Following each of your previous rule violations, you were warned by me and each of the jointly appointed appeal officers that future violations would result in escalated accountability measures. However, you have continued to flagrantly abuse rules designated to protect yourself and your opponents from unnecessary risk."



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Bears second-year linebacker Roquan Smith was declared inactive 90 minutes before Sunday's game.

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KATHERINE FREY/WASHINGTON POST

Elena Delle Donne, center, celebrates with Washington Mystics teammate Natasha Cloud in their victory over the Connecticut Sun in Game 1 of the WNBA Finals on Sunday.

For WNBA, big questions yield to smaller successes

BY AVA WALLACE
The Washington Post

The day after the top-seeded Washington Mystics learned they would play the Las Vegas Aces in the WNBA semifinals, Elena Delle Donne took standard questions from reporters, addressing the Mystics' quest for a league title after losing in the finals last year, and about facing Aces center star Liz Cambage. She also talked about charter flights.

WNBA teams generally fly commercial, a cost-saving measure that players say cuts recovery and preparation time and increases fatigue and risk of injury. Several teams have experienced lengthy travel delays, including last year when the Aces decided not to play a scheduled game against the Mystics after a 25-hour odyssey put them in Washington, D.C., just a few hours before tip-off. The league later ruled the game a forfeit that counted as a loss for an Aces team that was chasing a playoff berth. Before this year's semifinals, however, the WNBA's first-year commissioner, Cathy Engelbert, greenlit private flights for both the Aces and Los Angeles Sparks, who were both set to play on the East Coast two days after advancing out of the second round.

"It's great," said Delle Donne, who later that week won the league's MVP award. "It shows that the league is stepping up, they're caring about player health, player safety. So that's a great step forward."

The WNBA began its 2019 season with an appreciable amount of uncertainty:

- Its players had opted out of the collective bargaining agreement the previous November in hopes of gaining a bigger portion of league revenue, greater financial transparency and better working conditions.
- Engelbert's hiring wasn't announced until shortly before opening day.
- The absence of several top stars because of injuries and personal reasons cast a shadow.

But as the WNBA Finals began Sunday in Washington between the Mystics and the Connecticut Sun, several players and officials expressed optimism that small measures could signal bigger changes.

The health of the league is often discussed in sound bites by outside observers. NBA Commissioner Adam Silver, whose league is the founder and majority owner of the WNBA, told the Associated Press last year in a widely repeated statement that the WNBA has lost an average of \$10 million a year every year since its inception in 1997.

Pay disparity between the WNBA and NBA, a difference of millions of dollars on average per year per player, is cited often without mention that WNBA players aren't asking for NBA money, but rather a more equitable slice of their league's revenue.

Ultimately, the success of the WNBA is measured on a much larger scale than the number of private flights Engelbert allows. Revenue and the long-term fight for better pay for players remain the defining, overarching debate within the league. But narrow the lens, and those in the WNBA were encouraged by steps taken in 2019.

"I think we did a phenomenal job of weathering the storms throughout the season and staying focused on making the season an amazing season ... so that's a testament to us as players, the coaches and the organizations for holding it down while everything else was up in the air," said Mystics guard Natasha Cloud.

Both the league and the players' union are optimistic about reaching a new labor deal. The current CBA expires on Halloween.

"Am I pleased with CBA talks? Yes, I am," said Terri Jackson, the executive director of the Women's National Basketball Players Association. "But I'm a cautiously optimistic person. I remain reserved until I see the done deal."

As for the rest of the shorter-term issues that led to some anxiety at the start of the season — missing players, no top executive — most within the league were pleased with their resolutions.

The feeling of reassurance starts with Engelbert, who previously was the first female chief executive at the accounting and consulting giant Deloitte and was brought on in large part for her experience in revenue generation. She was hired May 15, shortly before the regular season began, and started her tenure in July.

"We were so excited when Cathy was able to join us ... she is



PATRICK SEMANSKY/AP

WNBA Commissioner Cathy Engelbert has a background in revenue generation, which is a primary issue faced by the league.

completely on board," said Carley Knox, vice president of business operations for the four-time WNBA champion Minnesota Lynx. "We will continue to fight for this league and fight for these players to get paid more, and hopefully one day will not have to go overseas at all."

Worries about missing players faded, too, once the season got underway. Breanna Stewart, Diana Taurasi, Maya Moore, Skylar Diggins-Smith and Sue Bird all missed the season (or in Taurasi's case, the majority of the season) because of injury or personal reasons.

In their absence, young players such as rookie of the year Napheesa Collier, Dallas's Arike Ogunbowale, the Sky's Diamond DeShields and Vegas' Dearica Hamby stood out. The Mystics drew headlines with their record-breaking offense, and play overall was competitive.

"It's been a crazy year," ESPN analyst LaChina Robinson said. "Would I believe you if you had told me Chicago was going to be in the playoffs and one leave away from making a semifinal? No. I wouldn't have guessed that Phoenix, with a lot of talent on the roster even without Diana Taurasi,

would struggle the way that they have this year. Or how Minnesota's kept things together with no Maya Moore, no Lindsay Whalen. It's been an interesting season."

Increased viewership, at least for the regular season, can be counted as another secondary victory. Television coverage expanded at the start of this season. ESPN networks bumped its order from 13 regular-season telecasts in 2018, all of which were on ESPN2, to 16. ABC and ESPN aired five games, the most since 2008, and 40 games were broadcast on CBS Sports Network.

According to Sports Media Watch, the regular season averaged 246,000 viewers across the ESPN networks and ABC, a 7 percent increase from 2018. Viewership was up 31 percent at the all-star break but hasn't sustained into the playoffs. Viewership for Game 2 of the Aces-Mystics series, broadcast by ESPN2, was down 37 percent from Game 2 of the Mystics-Dream semifinal series last year. This year's game, however, was up against a Thursday night NFL game on Fox. Last year's playoffs, because of a condensed season, were played almost entirely before the NFL

season kicked off.

Engelbert also said viewership for the league pass subscription service increased by 11 percent and merchandise sales were up this season.

Attendance across the league decreased by an average of 234 fans per game, as teams such as the Mystics moved into smaller arenas for the sake of better game atmosphere, among other things. As a result, Engelbert pointed out, a greater percentage of available seats were filled — 81.7 percent of capacity, compared to 74.2 percent last year.

Said Engelbert: "I'm not worried about showing a down year this year. The women's professional sports league that's been around the longest, over 23 years, attracted 1.3 million spectators to its arena, pretty impressive. ... And I do think the smaller arenas provide an amazing fan experience."

Those within the Mystics organization count the home-court advantage they gained by downsizing from 20,000-seat Capital One Arena to 4,200-seat Entertainment and Sports Arena, which comes complete with a practice facility and training amenities on site, as a sign of progress. The team loved that it no longer has to face the prospect of moving its playoff games off its home court because of scheduling conflicts, as happened at Capital One Arena and still affects several other teams.

"First of all, we have a victory right here in Washington: We had to prove that going to a new arena was beneficial, that it was good for our franchise, and that's the first thing," Mystics coach-general manager Mike Thibault said.

Those small steps — better game atmosphere, greater TV exposure and a commissioner who's willing to charter a flight when it's called for — are all viewed as signs of progress as the league navigates through its larger battles.

"Is the league in a better place than when I came in? That's hard for me to say," said Asjha Jones, a Mystics assistant coach who entered the league as a player in 2002. "But at the same time, it's a big movement now, people are really focused and aware of the play. Players right now have the most leverage they've ever had. So in that way, sure. It's better."

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Monsters of middle relief: Best bets for October 'pens

BY JAKE SEINER
Associated Press

It's been three years since Andrew Miller led the Indians to the brink of a World Series championship by coming out of the bullpen early and often, and bulk work from relievers has been an October staple since. Whether it's Brewers All-Star Josh Hader stretching out for three innings or Astros ace Justin Verlander moonlighting in middle relief, aggressive bullpen management has become standard postseason practice.

As the calendar flips, a look at the best relief options — for the biggest outs, and for a bunch of them — for each of the 10 playoff clubs.

Yankees

For big out: In baseball's deepest bullpen, the difference maker is Aroldis Chapman. The 31-year-old left-hander has lost some steam — he averaged about 98 mph on his fastball this year, down from 101 at his peak in 2016 — but he's made up for it with an improved slider that he's throwing more than ever. Although he famously blew a lead for the Cubs in Game 7 of the 2016 World Series, Chapman has been fantastic in October, posting a 2.30 ERA with seven saves in 27 appearances.

Man in middle: CC Sabathia impressed last week in the first regular-season relief appearance of his career, and he and J.A. Happ will be in the bullpen. The left-handed starters could be used in tandem with right-hander Luis Severino, or after a righty opener like Chad Green.

Twins

For big out: Taylor Rogers built on a breakout 2018 and emerged as one of baseball's steadiest closers this year. The 28-year-old is perhaps the most reliable strike thrower in the American League.

Man in middle: Two years after he went undrafted, rookie right-hander Randy Dobnak has pitched himself into a key postseason role. The 24-year-old certainly didn't expect to be here — he scheduled his wedding for Sept. 28, figuring he'd be free when the minor-league season ended.

Astros

For big out: Roberto Osuna is the closer, but Ryan Pressly is the guy manager AJ Hinch will summon in the most critical spots. The right-hander has dominated since being acquired from Minnesota last season thanks to a curveball with the highest average spin rate in the majors. The 30-year-old had knee surgery in August but returned Sept. 20 and has looked sharp.

Man in middle: With Justin Verlander, Gerrit Cole and Zack Greinke, the Astros shouldn't need much length from their relievers. Wade Miley got accustomed to unusual October usage last year with the Brewers, and he or rookie Jose Urquidy will likely go to the bullpen. Don't count out a relief look from Verlander either.

Rays

For big out: Even with one of baseball's best and most versatile pitching staffs, the Rays went shopping at the deadline to get right-hander Nick Anderson from the Marlins. The 29-year-old rookie has struck out 41 and walked two over 21 $\frac{1}{3}$ innings since the deal.

Man in middle: Ryan Yarbrough has thrived following the Rays' openers the last two seasons, although he's been used effectively as a standard starter down the stretch and might be the Bucs' No. 4 man instead. Yonny Chirinos and Trevor Richards have long-relief experience too. With Charlie Morton, Blake Snell, Tyler Glasnow and Yarbrough healthy, manager Kevin Cash might use his pitchers in more traditional roles.

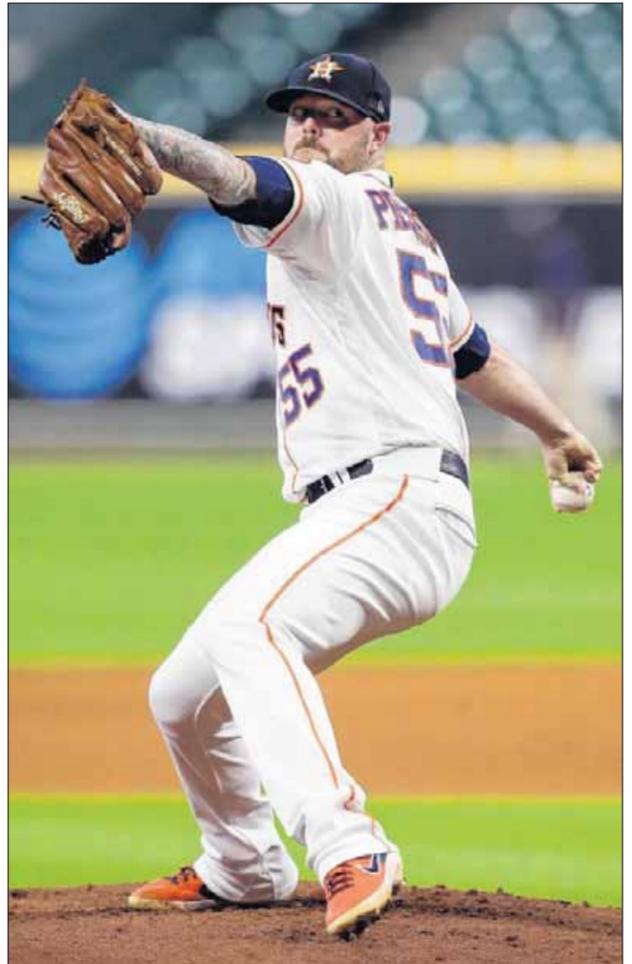
A's

For big out: Australian righty Liam Hendriks completed a remarkable turnaround after being cut last year by locking himself



DUANE BURLESON/AP

Yankees closer Aroldis Chapman has lost a little off his fastball, but nobody wants to face him in the ninth inning with the game on the line.



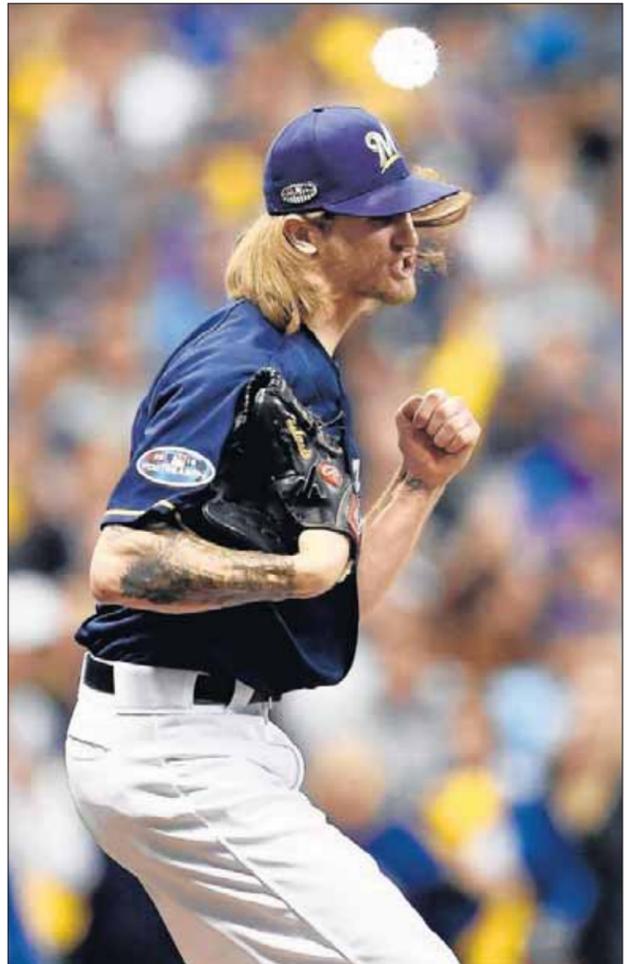
BOB LEVEY/GETTY

Ryan Pressly has been great since the Astros acquired him last season, and he can expect to be called in for any high-leverage situation.



THEARON W. HENDERSON/GETTY

Kenley Jansen is the Dodgers' undisputed closer, but he has been battling a season-long slump and could be vulnerable in the postseason.



STACY REVERE/GETTY

The most feared pitcher in last year's postseason, lefty closer Josh Hader gives the Brewers a weapon no other playoff team can match.

into the A's closer role this season. He credits the comeback to tarot cards and an energy healer named Rubi — “she's phenomenal,” Hendriks said this month — but it also helps that he's throwing his fastball harder than ever.

Man in middle: Just like David Price with the Rays in 2008, rookie left-hander Jesus Luzardo could have an outsized impact for the A's despite limited big-league experience. Ranked among baseball's top starting pitching prospects, Luzardo has a 1.50 ERA in six relief appearances as a September call-up.

Braves

For big out: After a few uneven seasons with the Giants, Mark Melancon has returned to All-Star form. He's improved his control and begun throwing harder since being acquired from the Giants at the trade deadline, supplanting struggling Luke Jackson in the closer's role.

Man in middle: Max Fried made

30 starts during the regular season but likely won't crack the postseason rotation. The left-hander is an enticing piggyback option after right-handed starter Mike Foltynewicz.

Cardinals

For big out: Last year's deal sending slugger Luke Voit to the Yankees looked like a steal for New York, but Giovanny Gallegos has evened things out by becoming a bullpen anchor. The rookie right-hander has been excellent in middle relief, walking hardly anyone and holding opponents to a .168 average. His emergence has also lessened the loss of injured closer Jordan Hicks.

Man in middle: Andrew Miller was once the poster boy for October relief pitching, but the 34-year-old left-hander hasn't been nearly the same pitcher in his first season as a Cardinal. Manager Mike Shildt leans traditional, and extraneous starter Michael Wacha is probably his best bet for multiple innings.

Dodgers

For big out: Kenley Jansen has a 2.08 ERA over the last six postseasons, but a season-long slump has made the 31-year-old a potential weak link for the two-time defending NL champs. Despite winning 106 games, the Dodgers lack a reliable shutdown reliever, and converted starters like Kenta Maeda or Julio Urias could be asked for key outs in short bursts.

Man in middle: The Dodgers have options for length, and they will likely need someone to follow 39-year-old Rich Hill in a potential Game 4. Rookie righties Dustin May and Tony Gonsolin appear to be battling for the final bullpen spot. Either would slot well behind the left-handed Hill.

Nationals

For big out: The Nats hoped to lean on two-time All-Star Sean Doolittle, but he's been responsible for six of the Nats' NL-leading 29 blown saves. The club's best chance in the late innings may be

complete games from Max Scherzer, Stephen Strasburg and Patrick Corbin.

Man in middle: If the starters aren't working deep, the Nationals are probably in trouble. Expect Scherzer to be a bullpen option late in series.

Brewers

For big out: Josh Hader was the most feared pitcher in last year's postseason, with every managerial decision factoring in if and when he might pitch. The left-hander is practically automatic for six to nine outs, although he blew a critical save Saturday at Colorado and allowed a career-high 15 home runs this season.

Man in middle: Only two pitchers topped 130 innings for the Brewers this year — Zach Davies and Chase Anderson — and both may be left off the playoff roster. Nearly everybody is going to be asked to cover multiple innings. Veteran lefty Gio Gonzalez has taken well to recent long relief.

IN PERFORMANCE 'Every Brilliant Thing' ★★★★★

Examining the joys that drive us all

Audience will get the chance to participate in this cozy 1-woman show

By **CHRIS JONES**

Please list your reasons for living.

Your partner, you might say. Or your children. Or your friends. Or your dog. Or maybe just the beauty of walking along Chicago's lakefront on a warm September morning as the sun rises. Or perhaps just to be able to vote in the 2020 presidential election.

If your personal mental list could use some expansion, let me recommend a trip to "Every Brilliant Thing," a really beautiful,

kind and lovable little show that, in the 72 hours since I left the theater, has buoyed me, amused me, warmed me and challenged me and, frankly, has helped me beat back my commonplace existential angst about why I continue to do what I continue to do in the face of all the stuff that makes it difficult to continue to do what I continue to do. (You likely know that feeling.) And, since what we do is often at least a chunk of why we live, that strikes me as a very worthy achievement for an 80-minute, one-woman show staged in a big, comfortable room on the second floor of a building in Chicago's historic Motor Row.

(The drag show "Lips," should you later require extra affirmation

of life in all its spectacular fullness, is helpfully right next door and the sound-proofing is either not great or great depending on your point of view).

"Every Brilliant Thing" has its origins in a solo work written by Duncan Macmillan and co-penned and performed by the British comedian Jonny Donahoe (after premiering at a British fringe festival, the show was staged at the Barrow Street Theater in New York in 2014 and was also filmed by HBO). Therein, Donahoe played a man talking to the audience about growing up with a suicidal mother whose first attempt to take her own life oc-

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MICHAEL BROSILOW PHOTO

Rebecca Spence in "Every Brilliant Thing" at Windy City Playhouse.



ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS

A new steel trellis and one of two new 20-story apartment towers are seen in the Lincoln Common development last week in the Lincoln Park neighborhood of Chicago, an area that teems with character.

Complex could use some refining

Yes, Lincoln Common is city-friendly, but it's not a vital urban hub



BLAIR KAMIN
Cityscapes

Because of its sheer size and height, the nearly complete Lincoln Common development in Chicago's tony Lincoln Park neighborhood could have been an urban design disaster — a massive, inward-turning, architecturally monotonous complex that sucked all the life out of everything around it.

Instead, the 1.1-million-square-foot mixed-use development, which has risen on the former site of Children's Memorial Hospital, is shaping up as a promising case study in how to build big in a fine-grained city neighborhood. But naturally, there's a caveat.

Lincoln Common's public spaces remain unfinished. And so far, its big outdoor plaza, anchored by an eye-popping steel trellis, is dull and windswept — more a glorified circular driveway than the vital urban crossroads promised by the project's developers.

Nevertheless, what's been built to date effectively mixes the tall with the short and the old with the new. There's even some affordable housing. Indeed, this project, which is located a short stroll from the Fullerton "L" station, is both



A statue in the Lincoln Common development memorializes children who died at Children's Memorial Hospital, once at the site in the Lincoln Park neighborhood.

better designed and more inclusive than the vast majority of new Chicago high-rises that cluster near transit stops.

Developed by Chicago's McCaffery Interests and the Chicago office of Hines, Lincoln Common occupies a 6-acre, nearly square site that holds down the high-profile, six-corner intersection of Lincoln and Fullerton avenues with Halsted Street. The area teems with character. Chic shops and funky restaurants line the streets. The buildings, mostly low-rise, range in style from genuine Victorian to faux traditional. DePaul University's bustling campus sits across Halsted.

Children's Memorial added activity to this mix, yet the modernist buildings of

its architectural hodgepodge, especially a brute 800-space parking garage, stood apart from the street or flat-out blighted it. So when the hospital left Lincoln Park for downtown in 2012, the move offered a chance to reconnect a key patch of land to the neighborhood. Yet it also sparked a battle with neighbors who objected to the project's proposed heights and densities. Ald. Michele Smith, 43rd, refereed.

The outcome, now largely in place, consists of two 20-story apartment high-rises designed by the Chicago office of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill. The towers, taller than anything in the immediate vicinity but shorter than originally

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Sturgill Simpson's fourth studio album completely stretches the definition of country music.

RECORDINGS

'Sound & Fury' stakes new sonic boundaries

Sturgill Simpson nails it with his 'sleazy, steamy rock 'n' roll record'

By **GREG KOT**

Over his first three albums, Kentucky maverick Sturgill Simpson stretched the definition of country music in much the same way the '70s outlaws and '80s neotraditionalists once did. On "Sound & Fury" (Elektra), he's blown up even those generously wide parameters. As the album credits declare: "(Expletive) your speakers."

The album was recorded hit-and-run style in a motor inn 35 miles north of Detroit with Simpson's touring band. The goal, as he states, was to make "a sleazy, steamy rock 'n' roll record," in effect providing an outlet for a couple of years of pent-up frustration. The relentless touring after his 2016 release, "A Sailor's Guide to Earth," kept Simpson away from his family to such an extent that he questioned his career choice.

This isn't a self-pitying rant, but a raised middle digit to an industry, a world, that treats people like cogs in a machine, widgets in an assembly line. You don't have to understand a single word Simpson sings — indeed, it's a challenge sometimes to hear Simpson's voice amid the instrumental chaos — to know that he's fed up with pretty much everything.

Distortion-squealing guitars, synthesizers squealing like tea kettles and tribal drums give country tradition a swift kick in the backside. This carnage doesn't belong to a genre, it's more like a feeling: Side 2 of Neil Young and Crazy Horse's "Rust Never Sleeps," ZZ Top demos after three cases of tequila in a

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DAVID BECKER/GETTY

Director Kevin Smith wrote a role for for his erstwhile pal Ben Affleck when he heard Affleck was interested in returning to the "Jay and Silent Bob" franchise.

Smith, Affleck friends again through film

When "Jay and Silent Bob Reboot" hits theaters Oct. 15, it will be the reuniting of onetime friends Ben Affleck and Kevin Smith, who had been reportedly estranged for a number of years.

Affleck's cameo in the comedy — his seventh appearance in a Smith movie — was a high point for Smith, who told Variety that the experience helped him "get his friend back."

"(Ben) coming back was everything," Smith told Variety at West Hollywood's Herbarium, promoting a cannabis collaboration with Caviar Gold. "Not only did I get to add that character, Holden, who he played in 'Chasing Amy' back into the mix, but it's one of the best scenes in the movie."

Smith said he wrote in the role when he found out Affleck was game to return. "We shot it on the last day, and I wrote it like a week before wrap."

In conjunction with "Jay and Silent Bob Reboot," Smith and co-star Jason Mewes were touting their newly created signature cannabis strains — Snoogans, Snoochie Boochies and Berzerker — all references to Jay and Silent Bob slang.

"In (Jay and Silent Bob Reboot), the boys Jay and Silent Bob come up with three different strains of weed," Smith said. "I was like, wouldn't it be great if we could do that in real life. ... It's exciting as hell. The movie will be forgotten. The weed will keep going, I'm pretty sure."

— Variety



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Graphic detail: Ruby Rose underwent emergency surgery several months ago after doing stunts for "Batwoman." According to her Instagram video post, two herniated discs were close to severing her spinal cord, requiring emergency surgery. The post shows the initial incision that resulted in a "Pez dispenser scar" on her neck as well as the surgery in its entirety. "To anyone asking why I let them video it. Did you not watch that 'Greys Anatomy' episode where they left a towel in a patient?? Also I wanted to see what happens when we go under." Rose plays the title character in "Batwoman," which premieres Sunday on The CW.

Cave drama: The story of 12 boys and their soccer coach trapped in a flooded cave in Thailand gripped the world and had barely ended last year when filmmakers began clamoring to get the nail-biting drama onto screens. Director Tom Waller's "The Cave" premieres in South Korea this weekend. Waller filmed at the exterior of the actual Tham Luang cave and in water caves around the world. Waller even had more than a dozen rescue personnel play themselves. "That was really very emotional for some of them because it was absolutely real," he said.

Oct. 1 birthdays: Actress Julie Andrews is 84. Jazz bassist Dave Holland is 73. Actor Randy Quaid is 69. Singer Youssou N'Dour is 60. Actor Esai Morales is 57. Actor Christopher Titus is 55. Actor Zach Galifianakis is 50. Actress Sherri Saum is 45. Comedian Beck Bennett is 35. Actress Brie Larson is 30. Singer Jade Bird is 22. Actress Priah Ferguson is 13.



ASK AMY

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Bride's ingratitude sours friendship

Dear Amy: My friend recently got married. I understand that her life got crazy with everything surrounding the wedding.

Her mother threw her a three-day bachelorette party, held out of town. Afterward, I don't think she even texted anyone a simple thank-you. It would have been nice to know she enjoyed the weekend or appreciated that we all showed up. I gave her a gift and didn't get an acknowledgment for that, either.

The big wedding day was a few weeks later. They ran out of funds for a videographer, so I volunteered. I am a photographer, so this wasn't completely out of my realm, but it was the first go, for me, at making video. After spending months editing the pieces together (which was enormous and time-consuming), I had it finalized with sound and special effects. The results were amazing! A professional videographer would charge no less than \$2,000 for what I turned in!

I don't care about the money (of course), but I'm surprised that all I received was a quick texted thank-you. Her husband emailed me a nicer thanks, but even his email was only three sentences.

I don't know if it's unreasonable to expect a phone call from them.

Honestly, all of the lack of gratitude has sort of piled up, and I don't particularly feel like initiating yet another "offering," even if it's something as small as a phone call, to this friend. I feel really unappreciated and unacknowledged.

— Put Upon

Dear Put Upon: Of every

issue I cover in my column, questions regarding the lack of gratitude seem to dominate. Are we experiencing a gratitude deficit? Do people lack the emotional tools to understand the connection between receiving something (a gift, a kindness, a nice gesture) and expressing thanks?

You feel unappreciated because you ARE unappreciated. A gift as consequential as a wedding video deserves a sincere expression of thanks — spoken or written. And a gift as consequential as your ongoing friendship also warrants an expression of gratitude.

Dear Amy: My husband and I lent my niece and her husband \$3,000 for their son's college bills. The college was getting ready to kick him out because of nonpayment. We had the money at the time, so we did it (with no promissory note). Big mistake!

When it came time to pay us back, my niece and her husband flipped the script! At first, he said he thought it was a gift. He later came back and said that it was indeed a loan. We agreed that they would pay us \$50 a month. They made two payments and then stopped. Then they bad-mouthed my husband and me to other family members. Some family members took his side.

I was so hurt by this. I helped to raise my niece. Now I am ready to take her and her husband to small claims court. Doing this will air out our family business in this small town, but it can't be helped.

What do you think? We deserve our money back, right?

— Broke in Arkansas

Dear Broke: Yes, you deserve your money back. Although your verbal agreement constitutes an oral contract, I hope you also have some form of written communication between both parties acknowledging their agreement to repay you.

You might have to sue these family members in small claims court. Each state sets its own guidelines regarding the maximum amount you can sue for.

According to my research, the upper limit in your state (Arkansas) is \$5,000. (Check Arcourts.gov for more information).

Dear Amy: "Concerned Mother" wrote to you about her 13-year-old daughter, who had fled her father's home repeatedly during visitation because she was afraid of his temper.

Although you gave a very compassionate response, I was concerned about one thing. The girl had told her therapist about this, and the therapist coached her to deal with it. Amy, therapists are mandated reporters and must report abuse to authorities!

— Upset

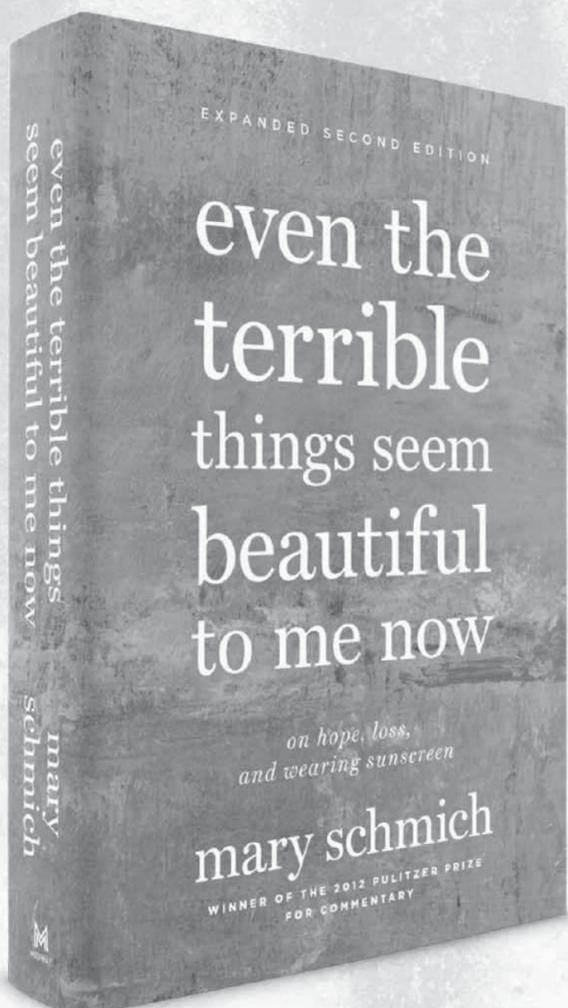
Dear Upset: Yes! I noted in my response that I believed this therapist was not serving the client. Therapists (and teachers, and others who work with youth) are "mandated reporters" and must report abuse.

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Kathleen Turner, 'Office' parody on tap

Broadway in Chicago will also host comedians

BY CHRIS JONES

The Hollywood actress Kathleen Turner will appear this fall in a biographical show at the Broadway Playhouse in Chicago, mixing stories of her rich celebrity career with musical numbers from the American songbook.

"Kathleen Turner: Finding My Voice" will play Nov. 15 and 16 at the Broadway in Chicago venue, located at 175 E. Chestnut Place.

Broadway in Chicago also said Monday that it will present "The Office! A Musical Parody," a hit off-Broadway show that trades on the abiding popularity of the beloved TV series (and reportedly takes full advantage of the generous protections for parodists in copyright law). That show, likely to be a sell-out, will play at the Broadway Playhouse April 28 to May 17, 2020.

Also announced for the Broadway Playhouse Monday were new touring shows from the comedians Robert Dubac ("The Book of Moron"), playing Feb. 25 to March 1, 2020. (Dubac is

also known for "The Male Intellect: An Oxymoron"). Comedy Central star Lisa Lampanelli's body image-themed "Losin' It!" will play June 16-28.

Other shows on this new docket include a number of reprise engagements that do not appear on Broadway in Chicago subscription series.

These include the umpteenth visit of the 25-year-old "Riverdance" (Feb. 4-9, 2020, at the Cadillac Palace Theatre, 151 W. Randolph St.); a reprise of the once-popular "Men Are From Mars, Women Are From Venus" (Feb. 11-23,

2020, at the Broadway Playhouse); and a second stand of "The Choir of Man" (Apr. 14-19, 2020, at the Broadway Playhouse). The touring company of the hit Broadway musical "Waitress" also will return to Chicago; the pies will be baking at the CIBC Theatre, 18 W. Monroe St. (once the Shubert Theatre and the longtime home of "Hamilton") from May 19-24, 2020.

For more details, visit www.BroadwayinChicago.com

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"The Office! A Musical Parody" is coming to the Broadway Playhouse in Chicago next spring.

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planned, have a total of 538 units. Chicago's Antunovich Associates handled the rest of the project, from a seven-story building for seniors along Fullerton to a loft office building along Lincoln to restored buildings like the former White Elephant Resale Shop, a white terra-cotta charmer from 1925. In all, more than 15 buildings have been erected or renovated.

So why does Lincoln Common work? Let's start with something fundamental: Two hands are better than one.

Large complexes designed by a single architect often produce dreary sameness (Bertrand Goldberg's Marina City is a rare exception). But by tapping the modernists at Skidmore, Owings & Merrill and the traditionalists at Antunovich Associates, Lincoln Common's developers took a major step toward creating a district that effectively blends a variety of styles, scales, materials and textures. So even though Lincoln Common is an instant district, it looks like it grew up over time.

Here's another reason for the project's appeal: It doesn't overwhelm its surroundings.

Unlike the forest of towers planned for the controversial Lincoln Yards megadevelopment to the

west, there are just two high rises here, and they're not monsters.

Brian Lee, Skidmore's chief architect on the project, reduced the apparent bulk of the towers by staggering their placement and splitting their glass end-walls into wafer-thin vertical bands. Lee was also smart to clad the towers in white metal panels that subtly echo the exteriors of beloved landmarks like the White Elephant Resale Shop. Unlike slick glass walls, the panels have depth, texture and patterning. From afar, they resemble fluted classical columns. So the towers look at home here, not as if they dropped in from Mars.

Lincoln Common also succeeds because it's filled with buildings that make the streets they line into a whole that's greater than the sum of the individual parts.

Joe Antunovich, head of the firm that bears his name, notes that Lincoln Common presented a rare opportunity, allowing him to reshape both sides of a major retail street — in this case, Lincoln Avenue.

Antunovich, who already has made DePaul's once fortresslike campus more inviting, took advantage of that opportunity by restoring some of the hospital's fine old historic buildings, like the Boiler House, a classical revival gem by Holabird and Roche, and slipcovering the salvaged facades of others. He even lined the ground floor of



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The new trellis in the Lincoln Common area in the Lincoln Park neighborhood grabs the eye and creates a good transition in scale between the towers and the sidewalk.

the old parking garage with one-story, brick-faced buildings that will contain shops and wrapped parts of the bottoms of Skidmore's towers in storefronts.

It's all a welcome change from the old hospital's anti-urban modernism.

I also like Lincoln Common because it's not an enclave solely for the rich.

To get around the city's affordable housing requirements, developers usually write a check to a city fund that aims to boost the fortunes of struggling neighborhoods. That didn't happen here. Fifty-four of the high-rise apartments are affordable, meaning that

they're available to people earning up to 60% of the area median income. All the units have view-capturing floor-to-ceiling glass and clean-lined interior design. (Market-rate rents range from \$2,150 for studios to \$9,500 for penthouses.)

To further encourage a broad range of people to populate Lincoln Common, the architects aligned the project's public spaces with nearby streets, encouraging people to walk through them. (The fancy design term for this sort of thing is "porosity"). A small garden along Fullerton, outfitted with a sculpture of an in-

complete circle of children, memorializes those who died at the hospital. The trellis, a concoction of curving steel designed by Skidmore, grabs the eye and creates a good transition in scale between the towers and the sidewalk.

But it is one thing to talk about porosity and another to create a public space that's a vital urban hub — a destination, not a cut-through. Here, Lincoln Common is falling far short of expectations. The aforementioned plaza doesn't have enough places to sit. It's filled with unimpressive plantings and outfitted in cheap materials. Worse,

it appears to be a wind tunnel, one that's so blowy that the project's managers have turned off fountains so passersby wouldn't get sprayed.

To be sure, the plaza should become more lively if and when shops around it open, but in this Amazon-dominated environment of online buying, it's unclear when, or if, all the shops will lease up. And there is other unfinished business, like a metal screen that's supposed to conceal the ugly parking garage; an active children's play area; and the completion of an under-construction, seven-story condo building that lines the plaza and could cut down on its wind tunnel effect.

For now, then, Lincoln Common stands as a fine, but incomplete, example of urban design that forgoes "look-at-me" architectural originality for the subtler virtues of sensitively integrating the old and the new.

If its final phases go as planned, the project could set a new standard for transit-oriented development in and around Chicago. But the architects and developers still have a long way to go before Lincoln Common fulfills its promise and becomes the vital common ground its name implies.

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Brilliant

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curred when he was just 7 years old.

Thus imbued with the logic of a child, Donahoe's narrator then created a list of all of the reasons for his mother to live:

1. Ice cream.
2. Water fights.
3. Staying up past your bedtime and being able to watch TV.
4. The color yellow.
5. Things with stripes.

In the story, the suicidal tendencies continue and thus the list grows, along with the maturity and wit of the narrator (No. 777,777: "The possibility of dressing up as a Mexican wrestler"). The narrator, whom you quickly come to love, lives life while, in essence, persuading the mother that this stale promontory holds so very many delights to behold (No. 6 is "roller-coasters," No. 7 is "people falling over"). The list becomes a Herculean (or maybe Sisyphian) task. It takes over but the point of the piece, I think, is to say



MICHAEL BROSILOW PHOTO

You may think Rebecca Spence is acting out her own story in "Every Brilliant Thing" at Windy City Playhouse.

that while its literal existence is rare, its metaphorical life is crucial. It is true that some people go on living out of fear of the manifestation — or the reality — of the unknown alternative, from which no traveler has returned. But most of us live with affirmative reasons. Or, at least, we surely should.

Here is what is also remarkable about this show: the rising director Jessica Fisch and the experienced and charming actress Re-

becca Spence have shorn the piece (with permission) of its British-ness (aside from the use of the word "brilliant," a U.K. fave) and its male gender. They have done this while retaining its feeling of personal revelation and organic truth: you'd swear that Spence was acting out her own story, which is a great credit to the work she is doing.

"Every Brilliant Thing" features audience participation — we all join in the telling of the narrator's

When: Open run

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story, playing the minor characters, reading entries on the list off of props handed out at the beginning. I am reluctant to mention this part of the show, lest I deter you; many people prefer to sit in anonymity at the theater and, yes, I hear you and see you. But Spence and Fisch combine to make this a singularly easy and, yes, empowering

form of audience participation: some skin in the game is crucial to the point of the show, and I saw several of my audience members glowing with pride and warmth after their small contribution, which is cheered and celebrated however well it turns out. This really is a piece of uncommon warmth. I have quite often experienced not wanting a show to end; I can't remember feeling sad at not being able to continue my evening without my fellow audience members. I did on Friday. (Hope they all had a nice weekend.)

One last thought. How smart of the Windy City Playhouse to snag the rights to this piece, and how strange that the city's big houses presumably

passed. It is a show that offers so much to an audience: it does not feel like you are being asked to spend your money to hear a playwright saying, look, these are my issues and this is my reality (which is much of what I review), but, instead, it says to the audience, take a look at all the stuff you worry about and instead appreciate the pleasures of being alive. And of your fellow travelers.

(No. 517: "Knowing someone well enough to get them to check your teeth for broccoli.")

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Recordings

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Texas roadhouse, a hurricane.

The opening instrumental, "Ronin," sounds like it's fading out, only to burst out of its tomb back to life. A pattern develops: songs start and cut off in mid-sentence, as if what we're hearing is one long sonic exorcism chopped up into 10 songs. Bruised melodies poke through the din and a few vocals emerge relatively unscathed, glimmers of life from inside the storm.

In "Remember to



'Sound & Fury'

Sturgill Simpson
★★★★½ (out of 4)

Breathe," the narrator is "having a one-way conversation with the darkness in my mind, he does all the talking because I'm the

quiet kind." Even the relatively contemplative arrangement in "All Said and Done" with acoustic guitar and chiming keys provides no relief: "Spent the last year goin' out of my mind," Simpson sings.

The singer gets friskier on "Last Man Standing" with its rockabilly zoom, and the new-wave springiness of "Mercury in Retrograde," but the closing "Fastest Horse in Town" slams the door shut with seven minutes of guitar-synth violence over thudding drums. The dirgelike tempo speeds up and hurtles to a close, a runaway train charging into the black.

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IN PERFORMANCE

Eric Andre's improvisation skills shine

Tour stop featured DJ, broad range of comedic talent

By ZACH FREEMAN

Spanning more than two hours, comedian and actor Eric Andre's stop at the Chicago Theatre Sunday night for his ongoing international "Legalize Everything Tour" was a Molotov cocktail of top-shelf comedy from four very different comedians — a DJ, a rising star, a movie star and Andre himself — working both new and proven material.

Opener DJ Douggpound — a Darien native known for opening for Tim & Eric ("Adult Swim") — started the night off with 12 minutes of jokes, song remixes and jokey song remixes (like a slowed down, creepy version of Roy Orbison's "Pretty Woman," highlighting the cat-calling nature of the song's lyrics), warming up the crowd and plugging his upcoming headlining gig at The Hideout in October.

Next up, decked out in a checkered outfit covered with colorful stars, was Chicago stand-up Sarah Squirm, former host of Cole's Open Mic and the leader of the monthly horror comedy show Helltrap Nightmare, who announced she's about to move to "horrible" Los Angeles. Her set included mocking the New York accent and pushing for Bernie Sanders in 2020. She closed with an extended bit about going to the beach that employed her signature multimedia gross-out style (a piece in many ways reminiscent of her "Playaway" infomercial that was featured on "Adult Swim" last year).

"Oh, you guys think that's gross?" she asked the audience towards the end of her set. "Have you seen 'The Eric Andre Show?'" Making a surprise ap-



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Eric Andre is best known for his offbeat interview/sketch/prank show "The Eric Andre Show" on "Adult Swim."

pearance after Squirm, Chicago's favorite celebrity comedian — and co-host of "The Eric Andre Show," Hannibal Buress, received a standing ovation when he strolled onto the stage in a white long-sleeve shirt and plaid pants, with a number of audience members rushing to the stage to high-five him. "Too many handshakes!" he finally declared after handing out at least a dozen. "It's good to be back home in Chicago," he started, before stopping abruptly and laughing. "Wait — I live here!"

Buress delivered a 30-minute set that jumped from Kanye West's church services ("Joel Osteen ain't got no hits!") to faux out-

rage over not getting nominated for any Oscars ("I just soldier on, you know") to his celebrity experience ("Medium fame means I constantly talk people out of recognizing me"). He walked offstage to another standing ovation.

And then, in jeans, tennis shoes and a black T-shirt sporting Aaliyah's face, Eric Andre (who identified himself as "Blewish" — both "Black and Jewish") took the stage, declaring "Happy Rosh Hashanah!" before throwing the microphone stand across the stage.

The 36-year-old Andre — who is best known for his unconventional and offbeat interview/sketch/

prank show "The Eric Andre Show" on "Adult Swim" and most recently added his voice to the remake of "The Lion King" — comes off as something of an enlightened juvenile on stage, toying with a kind of comedy nihilism that can find him earnestly bemoaning the war on drugs in one breath and then screaming at the top of his lungs and dropping the mic in the next.

"I'm sweating like Jeff Epstein's final moments up here!" he declared after one especially physical bit, a bit ostensibly sending up the theme song from "Cops," but ultimately delving into police brutality and the unequal appli-

cation of force by police officers, juxtaposed with a lighthearted reggae jam.

Andre — who said he'll be recording a Netflix special in a month — spent a good deal of time talking about various drugs he's taken and experiences on those drugs — including smoking marijuana with his mother — and made good on the title of his tour by declaring, "I want to run for president next year and legalize ... everything!" His presidential aspirations aside, Andre is good at jumping between totally silly (he described a show he wants to sell to Netflix called "Comedians in Ubers Smoking Salvia") and somewhat serious

("We had a good run," he said of the country, "1776 to, like, now").

But though his written material is solid, it is in the improvised moments that Andre's skills as a comedian truly shine. At the end of his set he segued from a middling bit about texting with an ex's new boyfriend to gathering audience members' phones on stage and live-texting their moms using the predictive text provided by the iPhone. It's a nonsensical prank with a high risk of failure, especially if no one responds, but Andre seems more than comfortable with the tension the set-up provides (and it paid off Sunday night).

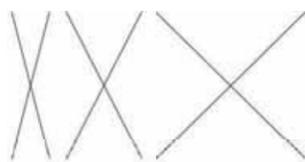
In the finale of his show he used FaceTime to call an audience member's mom, projecting her face onto a giant screen. For her part she seemed completely unphased by seeing Andre and 3,000 audience members looking back at her. "Are you Eric Andre?" she asked calmly. "How's my son doing? Is he having fun?"

Fittingly enough, that seems to be the true core of Andre's comedy, beneath the intentional tension, the punk rock-like explosiveness and the outright wildness: having fun. Even when the audience member's dad joined the FaceTime chat and asked Andre why he cut his hair — "It looks awful!" he declared of Andre's shaved head — Andre laughed happily, throwing playful insults right back, before asking the couple to digitally close out the show for him.

How this mix of stand-up and audience interaction translates to a recorded special remains to be seen, but as a live experience, it's a wild, fun ride.

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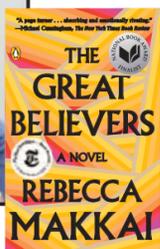


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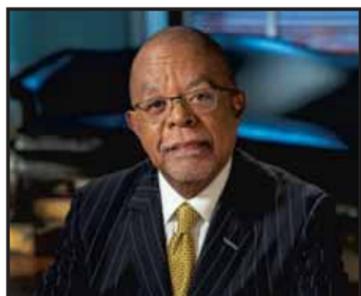
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"Outdaughtered" (7 p.m., 11 p.m., TLC): America's first all-female quintuplets celebrate their fourth birthday in a special two-hour show as this hit reality series returns with new episodes. Among the Busby clan's adventures coming up are a family trip to a dude ranch and celebrating at a luau-style birthday bash. It's not all a bed of roses, however, as Danielle tries to launch her own business venture.

"Diego Maradona" (8 p.m., HBO): Oscar-winning filmmaker Asif Kapadia draws on more than 500 hours of previously unseen footage from the personal archives of Argentine soccer icon Diego Maradona for this feature-length profile that chronicles the trials and triumphs of this legendary athlete. Maradona arrived in Naples in 1984 after receiving a then-record playing fee. On the pitch, he was absolutely brilliant and led his team to its first league title.

"UFO's: Top Secret Alien Files" (8 p.m., 11:03 p.m., History): This new two-hour special explores how military personnel and law enforcement officers are tested as never before when they come face to face with what appear to be potentially dangerous extraterrestrial spacecraft. Re-enactments drawn from case files and witness interviews bring to life the lengths to which these people on the front lines are compelled to go in the name of ensuring public safety.

"Life Below Zero" (8 p.m., 10 p.m., NGeo): Alaskans struggle to survive the severe weather, not to mention predators, as winter arrives with a vengeance in the new episode "Darkness Approaches." As temperatures plummet, locals brace themselves for a worst-case scenario. In Huslia, Ricko DeWilde hunts for moose.

"Most Terrifying Places" (9 p.m., 1 a.m., TRAVEL): Airing as part of Travel Channel's "Ghostober" programming event of Halloween-appropriate series and specials, this new six-part docu-series takes armchair travelers on a tour of locations reputed to be haunted by sinister ghosts of the departed, ranging from once-opulent theaters now occupied by the restless dead wandering through their shadows to cursed ocean vessels said to be inhabited by the ghostly crews who died there. Featured locations in the premiere, "Shadow Factory," include a long-abandoned subterranean factory and an abandoned amusement park.

TALK SHOWS

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Composer Lin-Manuel Miranda; actor Chris Colfer; the cast of "Freestyle Love Supreme" performs.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): TV host Rachel Maddow; musician Thom Yorke.*

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| | DISN | ▶ (6) Descendants 3 ('19) | | Raven | Jessie © | Coop | Sydney-Max | Raven |
| | E! | The Devil Wears Prada (PG-13,'06) *** Meryl Streep. © | | | | Dating | | Dating |
| | ESPN | 2019 WNBA Finals: Sun at Mystics (N) | | | | SportsCenter (N) (Live) © | | SportCtr (N) |
| | ESPN2 | American Game | | World/Poker (Tape) | | World/Poker (Tape) | | UFC (N) ▶ |
| | FNC | Tucker Carlson (N) | | Hannity (N) © | | The Ingraham Angle (N) | | Fox News |
| | FOOD | Chopped Junior © | | Chopped (N) © | | Chopped: "Spooked." © | | Chopped ▶ |
| | FREE | ▶ (5:45) Monsters, Inc. (G) | | (7:50) Hocus Pocus (PG,'93) ** Bette Midler. © | | | | 700 Club ▶ |
| | FX | ▶ (6:30) Deadpool (R,'16) *** Ryan Reynolds. © | | | | Mayans M.C.: "Xquic." (N) © | | |
| | HALL | Love, of Course (NR,'18) Cameron Mathison. © | | | | Love Struck Café (NR,'17) © ▶ | | |
| | HGTV | Fixer Upper © | | Stay or Sell (N) © | | Hunters (N) | Hunt Intl (N) | Hunters |
| | HIST | Ancient Aliens: Alien In | | UFO's: Top Secret Alien Files (N) © | | | | Aliens ▶ |
| | HLN | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic | Forensic |
| | IFC | Knocked Up (R,'07) *** Seth Rogen, Katherine Heigl. © | | | | | | I Love You ▶ |
| | LIFE | When the Bough Breaks (PG-13,'16) * Morris Chestnut. © | | | | | | The Nanny Is Watching ▶ |
| | MSNBC | All In With (N) | | Rachel Maddow Show (N) | | The Last Word (N) | | 11th Hour (N) |
| | MTV | Teen Mom 2 (N) © | | Ghosted: Love Gone | | Teen Mom 2 © | | Ghosted: |
| | NBCSCH | Crossover | | Chicago Blackhawks Classics (N) | | | | Crossover |
| | NICK | Journey 2: The Mysterious Island (NR,'12) ** © | | | | Friends © | Friends © | Friends ▶ |
| | OVATION | ▶ (6) The Outlaw Josey Wales (PG,'76) *** | | | | Song | Pale Rider (R,'85) **** | |
| | OWN | Greenleaf | | Greenleaf | | Greenleaf: "Unwanted." (N) | | Ready (N) ▶ |
| | OXY | Chicago P.D. © | | Chicago P.D. © | | Chicago P.D. © | | Chicago ▶ |
| | PARMT | ▶ (6:30) London Has Fallen (R,'16) ** Gerard Butler. | | | | Ink Master:Grudge (Series Premiere) (N) | | London ▶ |
| | SYFY | ▶ (6) Jeepers Creepers 2 | | Jeepers Creepers 3 (NR,'17) | | Jonathan Breck. © | | Futuraama |
| | TBS | MLB Baseball: Wild Card Game: Teams TBA. (N) (Live) © | | | | | | |
| TCM | The Three Faces of Eve (NR,'57) *** | | (8:45) The Lady Eve (NR,'41) **** © ▶ | | | | | |
| TLC | Outdaughtered: "Fournado Warning." (N) | | | | Kate Plus 8 (N) © | | OutDghtr ▶ | |
| TLN | Way-Master Studio 5 | | Focus on | GEN Voices | Life Today | Insights | Convoc. ▶ | |
| TNT | All Elite Wrestling (N) | | Suicide Squad (PG-13,'16) ** Will Smith, Jared Leto. © | | | | | |
| TOON | Amer. Dad | Amer. Dad | Amer. Dad | Amer. Dad | Burgers | Burgers | Family Guy | |
| TRAV | Most Terrifying Places in America (N) © | | | | Most Terrifying Places (Series Premiere) (N) | | Terrifying ▶ | |
| TVL | Raymond | Everybody Raymond | | Raymond | Two Men | Two Men | King | |
| USA | Law & Order: SVU | | Law & Order: SVU | | Law & Order: SVU | | Mod Fam ▶ | |
| VH1 | Hip Hop Sq. | Hip Hop Sq. | Hip Hop Sq. | Hip Hop Sq. | Hip Hop Sq. | Hip Hop Sq. | Hip Hop Sq. | |
| WE | Criminal Minds © | | Criminal Minds © | | Criminal Minds © | | Criminal ▶ | |
| WGN America | Dog's Most Wanted © | | Dog's Most Wanted © | | Dog's Most Wanted © | | Dog's ▶ | |
| PREMIUM | HBO | ▶ (5:50) Mortal Engines ** | | Diego Maradona (NR,'19) Diego Armando Maradona. | | | | Halloween ▶ |
| | HBO2 | Ballers © | Last Week | Succession: "Dundee." | | (9:05) Widows (R,'18) *** © ▶ | | |
| | MAX | Mean Girls (PG-13,'04) *** © | | (8:40) John Tucker Must Die ('06) * | | | | Intolerabl ▶ |
| | SHO | On Becoming a God | | Inside the NFL (N) © | | Murder in the Bayou © | | Inside NFL ▶ |
| | STARZ | ▶ (6:07) The Kingdom ** | | Power: "Inside Man." © | | Vida © | (9:35) Superfly ('18) *** ▶ | |
| STZENC | ▶ E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial | | The Equalizer 2 (R,'18) ** | | Denzel Washington. | | Sorcerer ▶ | |



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Horoscopes

Today's birthday (Oct. 1): Express and share your vision this year. Add love, beauty and functionality for home improvement. Winter holidays expand family joys before a professional fork in the road appears. Early summer brings a communication shift before a flowering career phase.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. You could struggle with long-term goals. Take the shortest route. Make things easy. Choose work over play and avoid risky business.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Someone may be sending you love messages. Slow down and look around. Avoid provoking another's jealousies or sensitivities. Strengthen a creative partnership. Discuss future options.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 9. Choose your path carefully to avoid accidents or delays. Focus on the job at hand despite abundant distractions. Practice your talents, skills and best moves.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 8. Make plans to develop a passion, ambition or enthusiasm. Avoid self-indulgence or doubts. Share concerns with someone who tells the truth. Keep things simple.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 7. Make long-term domestic dreams and plans. Consider investments to improve systems and beautify your space. Simplicity soothes. What about a tiny home? Realize a vision.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Dig into a juicy assignment. A potentially great idea needs work. The previously impossible is beginning to seem attainable. Keep the faith. Discuss methods.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 9. Stick to your budget to squeeze through an unexpected financial drain. It's a good time to sell. Draw upon hidden resources. Follow a profitable trail.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 9. Something doesn't work. Don't throw shade. Keep your cool and get creative. More work is required. Friends can help. Completion leads to advancement.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 7. Make no assumptions and avoid snap judgment. New facts dispel old fears. Not everything computes, though. Listen to intuition.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Share ideas and information with friends and colleagues. Teamwork gets things done despite temporary confusion or chaos. Teach each other tricks.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Don't broadcast your plans or reveal unfinished work yet. Keep developing. Take a walk and think. Adapt as you go. Crazy dreams seem possible.

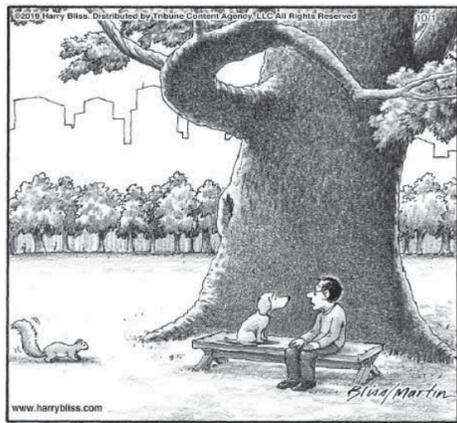
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 9. Educational opportunities present themselves. Let folks know if your plans change. Monitor the conditions, and when the getting is good, get out and go.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss



Bridge

North-South vulnerable, South deals

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

A good rubber bridge player, or an expert in a team game, would consider this a boring deal. They would win the opening heart lead with dummy's queen and lead a low club to their eight. This safety play would guarantee them five club tricks on any lie of the club suit, protect their king of hearts, and assure them of at least 10 tricks. Ho-hum. What about for the rest of us who led a club to the ace at trick two? We could still make the contract with some good judgment and, perhaps, a little x-ray vision. This would be the position:

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

South leads the king of clubs and West has an awkward discard. West must keep all his spades. A diamond discard and South can cash the ace of diamonds and play four rounds of spades. This would end-play West and force a heart lead up to South's king. A heart pitch instead and South could exit with the king of hearts. The defense would not be able to prevail. I leave it to interested readers to follow through on the subsequent play.

— Bob Jones
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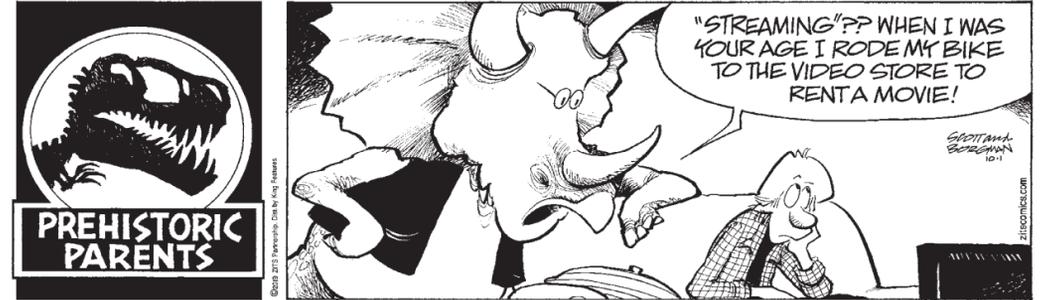
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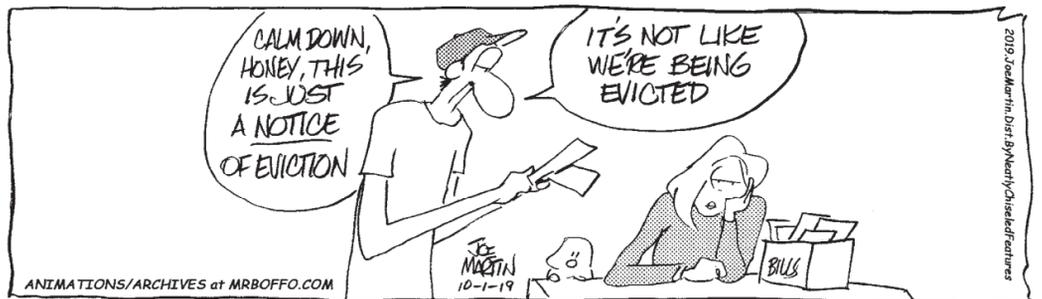
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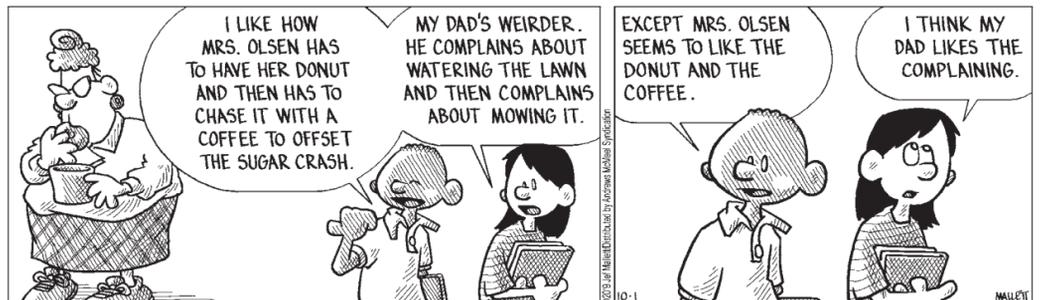
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Mr. Boffo



Frazz



Classic Peanuts



Pickles



Dick Tracy



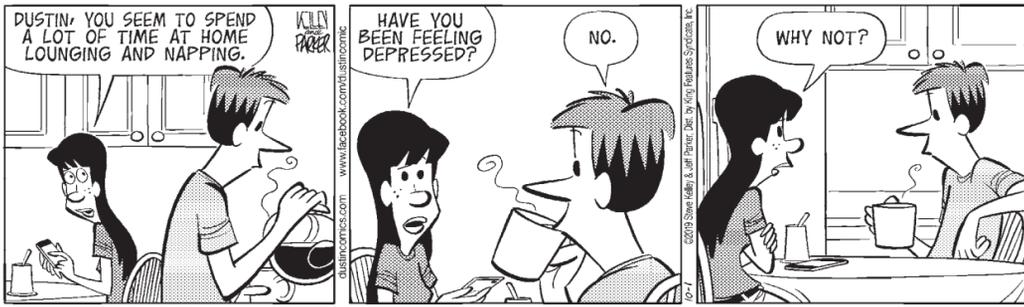
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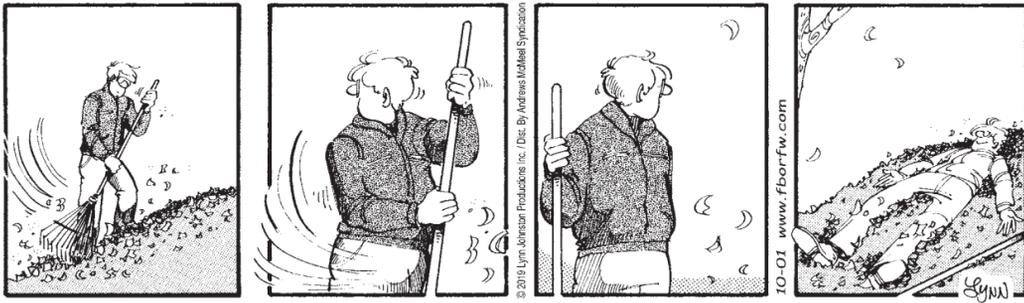
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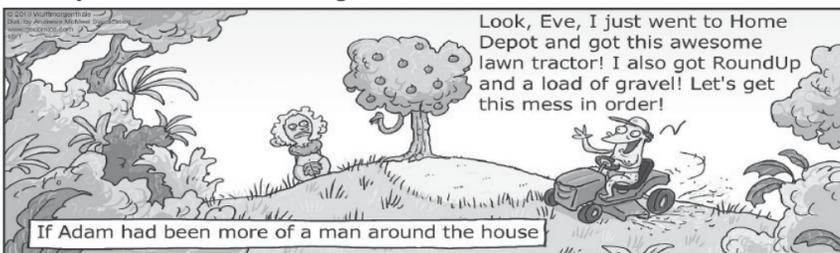
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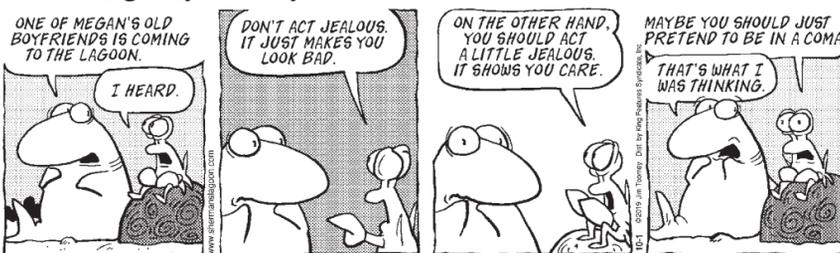
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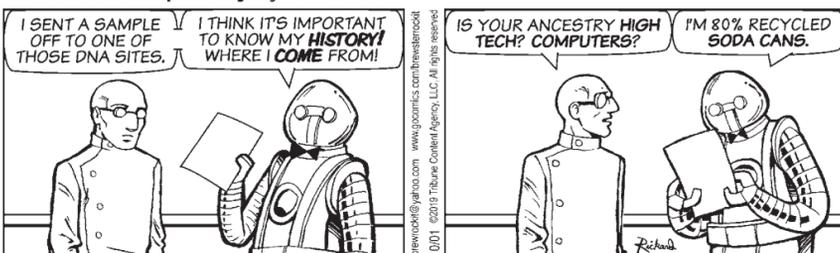
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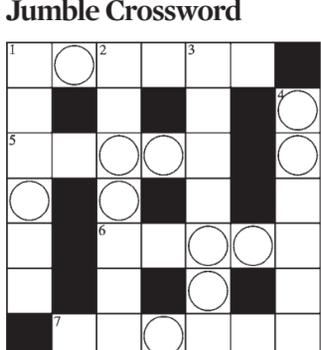
Broom-Hilda By Russell Myers



Trivia Bits

The vast majority of Nobel Prizes in physiology or medicine have been awarded for research in which field?
 A) Genetics
 B) Nutrition
 C) Parasitology
 D) Virology
 Monday's answer: Taylor Lautner starred as Jacob in the "Twilight Saga" film series.

Jumble Crossword



CLUE ACROSS
 1. ___-Free diet
 5. Mistake, transgression
 6. Respond
 7. Stick

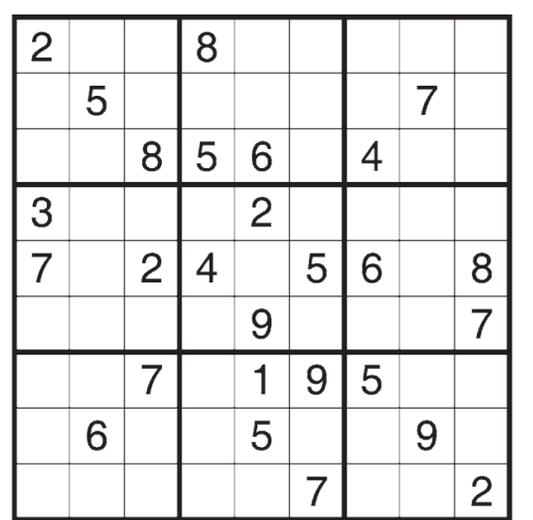
CLUE DOWN
 1. Nicklaus, for example
 2. Called a game
 3. Lift
 4. Mild, mellow

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

BONUS [Grid of 10 empty boxes]

Sudoku 1 2 3 4

10/1



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

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

Monday's solutions

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Jumble

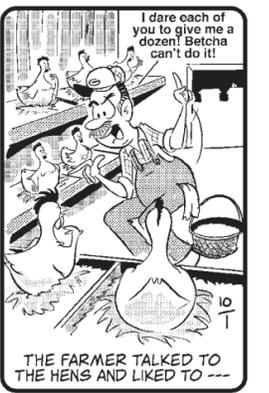
Unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter per square, to form four words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.

ORMGO
 TARGN
 VNLEEE
 HRERCY

Answer here [Grids for letters]

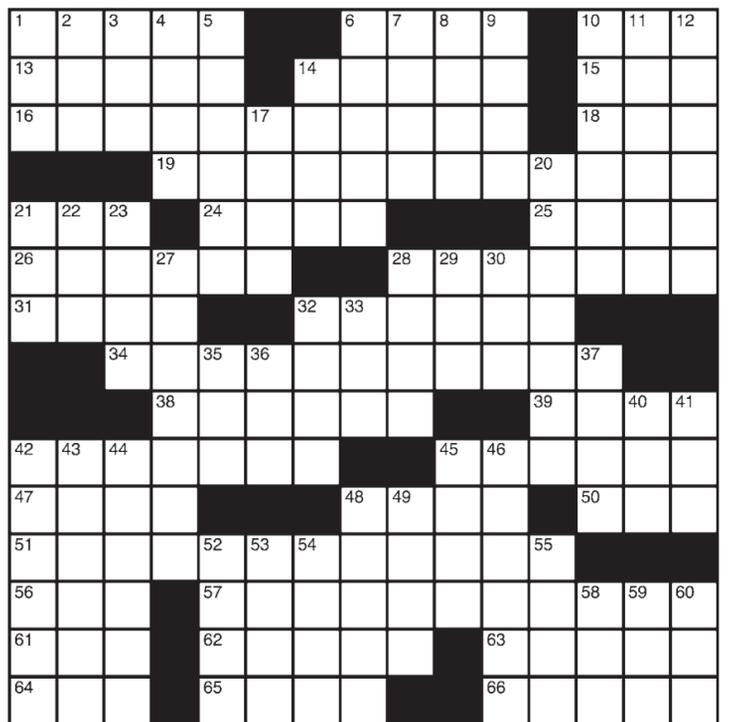
Monday's answers
 Jumbles: DERBY FIZZY FINALE BUTTON
 Answer: The Mercedes driver wound through the Alps, easily negotiating the — "BENZ" IN THE ROAD

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Crossword

10/1



Across
 1 Fisherman's ___ waterfront district in San Francisco
 6 Police HQ alerts
 10 Sushi bar sauce
 13 Swiss mathematician
 14 Soft palate dangler
 15 "t" in "btw"
 16 Golf tournament won by Shane Lowry in 2019
 18 Cavity-fighting org.
 19 "Easy Rider" actor
 21 eharmony profile part
 24 Entry point
 25 With 31-Across, "The Aviator" Oscar nominee
 26 Maxim
 28 Pequod crew
 31 See 25-Across
 32 Tidy (up)
 34 Stocking experts, and what 16-, 19-, 51- and 57-Across literally are

Down
 38 Give as a task
 39 Office notice
 42 Govt. drug bust, perhaps
 45 Post-workout refresher
 47 ___ mater
 48 TriBeCa neighbor
 50 "___ Blinded Me With Science": 1983 hit
 51 Baltimore-based medical school
 56 "Sands of ___ Jima": 1949 film
 57 "Fingers crossed!"
 61 Country star McGraw
 62 Gas brand BP relaunched in 2017
 63 Less prevalent
 64 Had chips, say
 65 Fail to notice
 66 Washington, e.g.

Monday's solution
 STEEP TWADES BAO
 TERNS RESET BAP
 SHOPPE HUNTER ILK
 INN COEUR OHGEE
 RIIS BREADBOARD
 TATTOO RETINA
 SNEAD FATE SLOT
 TAILLIGHT
 ACHES CULL BUFFS
 SHOPPE GOFLAT
 PAPER TIGER FOIE
 IRENE DEVL ARE
 RAN WHITE MATTER
 IDO AMOUR MEESSE
 NEE ROMPS PARTID

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CHICAGO WEATHER CENTER

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TUESDAY, OCT. 1

NORMAL HIGH: 68° NORMAL LOW: 43° RECORD HIGH: 92° (1971) RECORD LOW: 32° (1974)

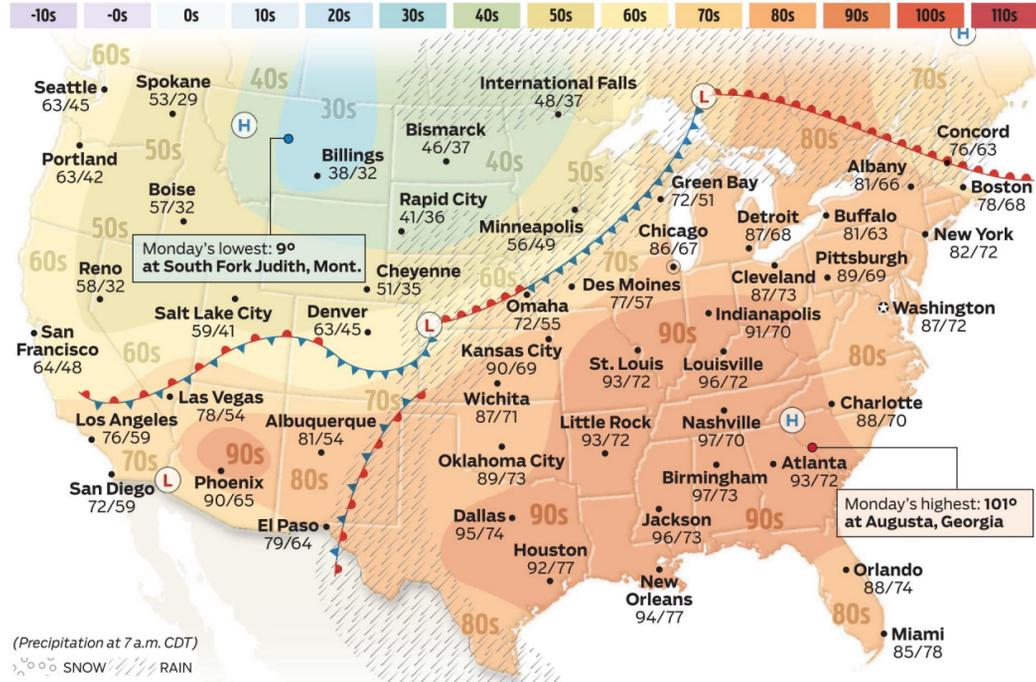
Another summerlike day, then cool air arrives

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 86 **LOW** 67

■ **October opens with summerlike heat and humidity.**
 ■ Hazy, and quite muggy to start the day. Patchy mid-high level clouds filter early morning sun. Temps hover around 70 degrees.
 ■ SW winds at 15-20 mph maintain a fetch of tropical air.
 ■ Ample sun allows temps to reach the mid-upper 80s. Dew points hold around 70.
 ■ Scattered clouds build in afternoon. Isolated chance shower/t-storm late.
 ■ Clouds thicken at night, leading to a better chance of showers/t-storms toward morning.

NATIONAL FORECAST



Temperatures climbed to the mid- and upper 80s across the metro area Monday as southwest winds swept tropical air across the Midwest. Officially, at O'Hare airport, the day posted a temperature surplus of 16 degrees, boosting the month's average to 4.8 degrees above normal, and making this the 15th-warmest September on record. The month also closed with 7.61 inches of rainfall, ranking September 2019 as the sixth-wettest. Tropical air can bring heavy rains, but a large heat dome to our south has suppressed storm development. Another day of July-level warmth is on tap for Tuesday, though highs will likely fall short of the 92-degree record for the date. Muggy, high dew point air will keep nighttime readings warm, putting the record high minimum of 71 for Oct. 1 in jeopardy. Cooling air is to arrive midweek.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 2

HIGH 73 **LOW** 59

Cold front makes its way across the area with clouds/spotty showers. Temps in the 70s, slowly fall in the PM as NE winds build to 15-20 mph. Showers/t-storms become more numerous at night.

THURSDAY, OCT. 3

HIGH 65 **LOW** 50

Chance of lingering sprinkles early, then mostly cloudy, windy and cooler. Temps peak in the mid 60s most areas as NW winds 15-25 mph turn N. Clearing and cool overnight.

FRIDAY, OCT. 4

HIGH 58 **LOW** 51

Sprawling high pressure over the upper Great Lakes brings abundant sunshine, but also our chilliest daytime temps since May 21st. NE-E winds 10-15 mph. Clouds arrive overnight.

SATURDAY, OCT. 5

HIGH 62 **LOW** 49

Clouds thicken as a weather disturbance approaches from the west. Spotty showers likely, especially in the afternoon. Cool, with highs in the low-mid 60s. S-SW winds 10-20 mph.

SUNDAY, OCT. 6

HIGH 64 **LOW** 47

Partly, to mostly sunny, rather breezy and seasonably cool. Temps reach afternoon highs in the low-mid 60s. NW winds 15-20 mph. Fair, but cooler overnight.

MONDAY, OCT. 7

HIGH 60 **LOW** 45

Sunny in the morning, then scattered clouds develop midday. Continued breezy and cool. Daytime temps peak around 60 degrees. NE winds 15-20 mph persist.



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

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
 What is the lowest cloud ceiling height you can have without it being fog?
 David Wechsler, Glenview

Dear David,
 The Glossary of Meteorology defines fog as water droplets or ice crystals suspended in the atmosphere near Earth's surface that affect visibility. By international definition, the visibility must be reduced to at least 1 kilometer (0.62 miles or less). Fog differs from a cloud in that the base of the fog is at the surface. Cloud heights can be measured by instrument, balloon, aircraft or observer estimation rounded to the nearest 100 feet. If the cloud is on or near the ground and the sky is obscured, the base of the fog is usually reported as zero. If there is some horizontal visibility and the base of the cloud deck is discernable, the lowest reported ceiling value would be 100 feet.

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Heavy snow in the northwest—more rain approaching here

WEEKEND SNOWSTORM BURIES NORTHERN ROCKIES

Montana's high country hardest hit—STORM TOTAL SNOWFALL AMOUNTS:

| | |
|-----------------|-------|
| Bynum | 46.0" |
| DuPuyer | 37.0" |
| Heart Butte | 34.0" |
| Glacier Park | 28.0" |
| Augusta | 25.0" |
| Browning | 23.0" |
| 55W Great Falls | 19.3" |
| Havre | 12.5" |
| Cut Bank | 12.0" |

14.0" SPOKANE ST. PARK, WASH.

Heaviest snowfall in region of upslope flow on east slopes of the Rockies

Area of significant snowfall

WEDNESDAY AND WEDNESDAY NIGHT ATMOSPHERIC SET-UP

Potential for heavy rains between now and Thursday daybreak

This week's most significant rainfalls to revolve around series of disturbance like this one

SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

ESTIMATED TOTAL RAINFALL Through Thursday

| |
|-------|
| 0.50" |
| 1.00" |
| 2.00" |
| 3.00" |

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION PROBABILITIES

| | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|
| 20% TUESDAY | 60% TUESDAY NIGHT | 40% WEDNESDAY MORNING | 60% WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON |
| 80% WEDNESDAY NIGHT | 15% THURSDAY | 2% THURSDAY NIGHT | 3% FRIDAY |

MIDWEST CITIES

| TUES./WED. | FC | HI | LO | FC | HI | LO |
|----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Illinois | su | 94 | 69 | su | 94 | 70 |
| Carbondale | pc | 90 | 70 | pc | 86 | 67 |
| Champaign | pc | 90 | 70 | pc | 86 | 67 |
| Decatur | pc | 90 | 70 | pc | 86 | 67 |
| Moline | sh | 88 | 68 | sh | 72 | 57 |
| Peoria | sh | 87 | 71 | sh | 77 | 61 |
| Quincy | pc | 90 | 72 | pc | 82 | 57 |
| Rockford | ts | 81 | 63 | ts | 67 | 59 |
| Springfield | pc | 90 | 72 | pc | 85 | 63 |
| Stirling | ts | 82 | 68 | ts | 71 | 58 |
| Indiana | pc | 91 | 70 | pc | 91 | 69 |
| Bloomington | pc | 95 | 70 | pc | 95 | 70 |
| Evansville | pc | 88 | 70 | pc | 82 | 64 |
| Fort Wayne | pc | 91 | 70 | pc | 90 | 70 |
| Indianapolis | pc | 89 | 71 | pc | 86 | 69 |
| Lafayette | pc | 89 | 71 | pc | 86 | 69 |
| Lafayette | pc | 86 | 70 | pc | 86 | 70 |
| South Bend | pc | 86 | 70 | pc | 86 | 70 |
| Wisconsin | ts | 72 | 51 | ts | 64 | 51 |
| Green Bay | ts | 82 | 60 | ts | 63 | 58 |
| Kenosha | pc | 89 | 70 | pc | 82 | 64 |
| La Crosse | ts | 75 | 55 | ts | 58 | 54 |
| Madison | ts | 78 | 57 | ts | 60 | 55 |
| Milwaukee | ts | 78 | 57 | ts | 60 | 55 |
| Wausau | pc | 87 | 67 | pc | 81 | 53 |
| Michigan | pc | 87 | 68 | pc | 71 | 57 |
| Detroit | pc | 87 | 68 | pc | 71 | 57 |
| Grand Rapids | sh | 76 | 63 | sh | 66 | 53 |
| Marquette | sh | 66 | 47 | sh | 50 | 44 |
| St. Ste. Marie | ts | 70 | 45 | ts | 56 | 43 |
| Traverse City | ts | 74 | 54 | ts | 58 | 50 |
| Iowa | ts | 72 | 56 | ts | 60 | 47 |
| Ames | ts | 77 | 60 | ts | 63 | 50 |
| Cedar Rapids | ts | 77 | 60 | ts | 63 | 50 |
| Des Moines | ts | 77 | 60 | ts | 63 | 50 |
| Dubuque | ts | 76 | 59 | ts | 63 | 54 |

OTHER U.S. CITIES

| TUES./WED. | FC | HI | LO | FC | HI | LO |
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| Albany | pc | 81 | 66 | pc | 78 | 64 |
| Albuquerque | pc | 81 | 54 | pc | 78 | 51 |
| Amarillo | ts | 75 | 64 | ts | 61 | 51 |
| Anchorage | sh | 50 | 41 | sh | 49 | 39 |
| Asheville | sh | 86 | 64 | pc | 89 | 63 |
| Aspen | pc | 93 | 68 | pc | 90 | 63 |
| Atlanta | pc | 93 | 72 | pc | 94 | 73 |
| Atlantic City | pc | 76 | 68 | pc | 88 | 65 |
| Austin | pc | 96 | 75 | pc | 96 | 74 |
| Baltimore | pc | 83 | 74 | pc | 94 | 73 |
| Billings | rs | 38 | 32 | rs | 50 | 31 |
| Birmingham | pc | 97 | 73 | pc | 96 | 73 |
| Bismarck | sh | 46 | 37 | rs | 43 | 35 |
| Boise | pc | 57 | 32 | pc | 61 | 37 |
| Boston | pc | 78 | 68 | pc | 75 | 51 |
| Brownsville | ts | 93 | 77 | ts | 92 | 75 |
| Buffalo | ts | 81 | 63 | ts | 80 | 64 |
| Burlington | ts | 75 | 59 | ts | 62 | 39 |
| Charlotte | pc | 88 | 70 | pc | 94 | 71 |
| Charlottesville | pc | 84 | 69 | pc | 85 | 70 |
| Charlottesville | pc | 93 | 69 | pc | 93 | 67 |
| Chattanooga | su | 97 | 71 | su | 97 | 70 |
| Cheyenne | pc | 51 | 35 | pc | 58 | 32 |
| Cincinnati | pc | 94 | 70 | pc | 93 | 68 |
| Cleveland | pc | 87 | 73 | sh | 80 | 64 |
| Colo. Spgs | pc | 74 | 45 | su | 74 | 43 |
| Columbia MO | pc | 90 | 72 | ts | 86 | 57 |
| Columbia SC | pc | 91 | 69 | pc | 95 | 72 |
| Columbus | pc | 92 | 69 | pc | 90 | 68 |
| Concord | sh | 76 | 63 | sh | 66 | 39 |
| Corps Christi | pc | 90 | 78 | ts | 90 | 77 |
| Cincinnati | pc | 94 | 70 | pc | 93 | 68 |
| Cleveland | pc | 87 | 73 | sh | 80 | 64 |
| Colo. Spgs | pc | 74 | 45 | su | 74 | 43 |
| Columbia MO | pc | 90 | 72 | ts | 86 | 57 |
| Columbia SC | pc | 91 | 69 | pc | 95 | 72 |
| Columbus | pc | 92 | 69 | pc | 90 | 68 |
| Concord | sh | 76 | 63 | sh | 66 | 39 |
| Corps Christi | pc | 90 | 78 | ts | 90 | 77 |
| Cincinnati | pc | 94 | 70 | pc | 93 | 68 |
| Cleveland | pc | 87 | 73 | sh | 80 | 64 |
| Colo. Spgs | pc | 74 | 45 | su | 74 | 43 |
| Columbia MO | pc | 90 | 72 | ts | 86 | 57 |
| Columbia SC | pc | 91 | 69 | pc | 95 | 72 |
| Columbus | pc | 92 | 69 | pc | 90 | 68 |
| Concord | sh | 76 | 63 | sh | 66 | 39 |
| Corps Christi | pc | 90 | 78 | ts | 90 | 77 |
| Cincinnati | pc | 94 | 70 | pc | 93 | 68 |
| Cleveland | pc | 87 | 73 | sh | 80 | 64 |
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