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Hermenegildo Rufino Martinez, center left, is greeted by family members at Our Lady of the Mount Catholic Church in Cicero on Friday.

A military mien for election officials

Security experts are teaching bureaucrats lessons from war to guard vote integrity

By **CHRISTINA A. CASSIDY**
Associated Press

SPRINGFIELD, Va. — Inside a hotel ballroom near the nation's capital, an Army officer with battlefield experience told 120 state and local election officials that they may have more in common with military strategists than they might think.

These government officials are on the front lines of a different kind of battle, one in which they are helping to defend American democracy by ensuring free and fair elections.

"Everyone in this room is part of a bigger effort, and it's only together are we going to get through this," the officer said.

That officer and other past and present national security leaders had a message to convey to officials from 24 states gathered for a recent training held by a Harvard-affiliated democracy project: They are the linchpins in efforts to defend U.S. elections from an attack by Russia, China or other foreign threats, and developing a military mindset will help them protect the integrity of the vote.

The need for such training reflects how security worries have heightened in the aftermath of the 2016 election, when Russian military agents targeted voting systems across the country as part of a multipronged effort to influence the presidential election. Until then, the job of local election officials could have been described as akin to a wedding

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Tears of Christmas joy as families reunite in Chicago

Program helps aging parents in Mexico obtain tourist visas to travel to relatives living in US illegally

By **LAURA RODRÍGUEZ**

It doesn't matter if it had been one, 15 or 20 years since Santiago Gomez spent the holidays with his father because "the sentiment of guilt and sadness is the same from the moment we are forced to leave our family in Mexico," he said.

Gomez left his parents and eight siblings in 2000 to cross the southern border illegally and move to the Chicago area.

His mother died waiting for him in his native Michoacan, Mexico, about three years ago, Gomez said. It was then that he thought he would never see his father again either.

On Christmas Day, however, the two hugged for the first time in almost two decades. "It's an indescribable feeling," Gomez said, sobbing as he looked at his 95-year-old father sitting on the couch next to



Jesus Garcia Duran, left, meets his daughter Cecilia Garcia Ruiz at Our Lady of the Mount Catholic Church after Duran arrived Friday on a flight from Michoacan, Mexico.

him in his small apartment in East Chicago, Indiana.

As he caressed his father's wrinkled face, Gomez cried.

"When I left, he looked so different. He was still strong and went out to work his land every day," Gomez said with a sense of regret. "But I thank God for having him by my side again."

His father, also named Santiago Gomez, knew that his son's immigration status and struggling financial situation made it impossible for him to return to Michoacan. If he tried, he wouldn't be able to return to his wife and daughter in East Chicago or keep working to help support the family.

That's the reason "Don Santiago," as they call him, decided to travel outside his rural

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Prominent attorney hit, killed by car

Karen Daniel, the former co-director of Northwestern University Law School's Center on Wrongful Convictions, was struck while walking her dog in Oak Park. Daniel represented more than 20 people in legal proceedings that led to their exoneration or release from prison. **Chicagoland**, Page 3

Lurie medical records accessed

Lurie Children's Hospital is notifying some patients that their medical records were viewed by an employee who didn't have a business reason to view the files. **Business**, Page 9



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"I like the idea of giving it away more."

— Ada Spanier on the hats that she knits



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Ada Spanier, 99, tries a hat on for size as she knits children's hats at her apartment on Dec. 12.

Hats off to 99-year-old who knits just for children in need

By **JAVONTE ANDERSON**

With a wicker basket of hand-made hats by her side, Ada Spanier eased into her living room wingback chair and began knitting another one.

At age 99, her hands were still nimble as she wove the yarn with her needles.

"It's very easy," she said.

Spanier doesn't knit for leisure; she does it to give back and help those in need.

"I like the idea of making it," she said, referring to the hats. "But I like the idea of giving it away more. Someone else is going to have it."

She won't even knit for her great-grandchildren.

"They don't need hats,"

Spanier said about her great-grandchildren. "I only give hats to the children who have no other source for Christmas and pleasure."

This year, Spanier knitted dozens of hats for children living with their mother or father at a shelter by the WINGS Pro-

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Family can spot abuse signs over holidays

Advocates suggest members offer victim support, not judgment

By **CINDY DAMPIER**

The winter holiday season has plenty of traditions: decorations, music, gifts, family outings. But for advocates who work with victims of domestic violence, the predictable rhythms of the season take on a heavier meaning.

"The media and Hallmark send the message that all families are happy families, and this is a joyous occasion for everyone," says Stephanie Love-Patterson, executive director of Connections for Abused Women and their Children, which provides services to domestic abuse survivors in Chicago. "Oftentimes, survivors are just trying to make things work for the holidays, regardless of the cost."

In spite of the threat of intimidation and violence from an abusive partner, Love-Patterson and other advocates watch each year as domestic violence shelters empty out and women and children return home as the holidays get closer. "No one wants to spend their Christmas in a shelter," Love-Patterson says.

Though popular perception has long held that domestic violence increases during holiday times, statistics don't confirm that notion. And domestic violence experts often push back against a link between the

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THE BEARS BY THE DECADES

The Tribune sports department has compiled a comprehensive, decade-by-decade portrait of the Bears featuring essays, box scores, articles, photographs, a one-of-a-kind first person account by George Halas and team memorabilia from the Tribune's historical archives. Available at chicagotribune.com/bears100book.

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Mega Millions jackpot: \$50M		Daily 4 midday	5284 / 4
Pick 3 midday	816 / 4	Daily 3 evening	not available
Pick 4 midday	9140 / 4	Daily 4 evening	not available
Lucky Day Lotto midday	05 23 37 40 43	Cash 5	not available
Pick 3 evening	not available	MICHIGAN	
Pick 4 evening	not available	Dec. 27	
Lucky Day Lotto evening	not available	Daily 3 midday	955
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town in Mexico and get on a plane for the first time in his life despite his old age. The desire to see his youngest son was greater than the fear, the old man said with difficulty, because he no longer has teeth. He walks slowly but doesn't need glasses, said his daughter Estela Gomez, who accompanied her father on the trip to Chicago to take care of him. Estela, 66, is the oldest daughter.

Like Don Santiago, she had not seen her younger brother Gomez, now 45, in nearly 20 years. The two finally met his 2-year-old daughter, Milagros.

"She's very pretty," Don Santiago said, admiring his granddaughter as she played in the living room with her Christmas gifts.

After "a lifetime" without seeing each other, Don Santiago and Estela reunited with Gomez through Palomas Mensajeras, which better translates into Pigeons Sending a Message. Since 2017, the program — curated and regulated by Michoacan's Department of Migration — has helped aging parents obtain tourist visas to travel to the Chicago area and reunite with relatives living in the United States illegally.

"For many, it is the only and last time they will be able to see their parents again," said Jose Luis Gutierrez, the secretary of migrant affairs of Michoacan.

Gutierrez was one of the officials who spearheaded the creation of the program. He was one of the founders of the Federation of Michoacan Clubs in Illinois, which seeks to serve and provide resources to immigrants and transnational families from Michoacan in the Midwest. Gutierrez also served in the Governor's Office of New Americans under former Govs. Rod Blagojevich and Pat Quinn.

"Our residents, in the Chicago area and Michoacan, were suffering, and all they wanted was to be reunited with their families," Gutierrez said. "We looked for a way to do that because, even if they are undocumented, they have the basic human right to see their loved ones. We wanted to return or elevate that dignity that many make them believe they don't have."

Don Santiago was one of the 21 seniors who traveled to Chicago from Acuitzio del Canje, Michoacan, on Dec. 15 to spend the holidays with their families for the first time in years. For some, it had been three or four decades.

Each group of seniors is closely supervised by representatives appointed by the Michoacan government. They travel together and stay in the Chicago area with loved ones for three to



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A mariachi band performs Friday for a crowd as they wait at Our Lady of the Mount Catholic Church in Cicero for the arrival of more than 60 senior citizen relatives from Mexico.



On Christmas, Santiago Gomez, left, spends time at home in East Chicago, Indiana, with his father, Santiago Gomez.

four weeks, then return to their hometowns together again.

Since the inception of the program, more than 9,000 seniors have obtained tourist visas. That's roughly the number of Michoacan families that have been reunited through the program, Gutierrez said. Though it began in the Chicago area, Palomas Mensajeras has expanded to other U.S. states.

The program has also since been replicated by 16 other Mexican states that reunite families in many other U.S. states. On Christmas Eve, more than 30 seniors from the Mexican state of Morelos arrived to reunite with families through Corazon de Plata. There's also Abrazando Corazones de Guerrero and Mineros de Plata from Guanajuato. Each program is regulated by the Mexican state's government and its corresponding federation in the U.S. state that the elders visit.

Palomas Mensajeras has managed this year to arrange visas to bring five groups of aging parents. The groups typically range from 20 to 40 seniors. Their largest group ever arrived Dec. 20 with more than 60 elders desperate to see their children again, and some meeting their grandchildren and great-grandchildren for the first time.

Though the seniors obtain a 10-year tourist visa, many are never able to make a second trip due to their age and health issues and their family's economic hardships, said Artemio Arreola, political director at

the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights (ICIRR) and one of the curators of the program in Chicago.

The main role of the program is to help families navigate the system to obtain the visa. They also guide the seniors, who often don't know how to read or write, through the process of obtaining passports and attending the visa interview at the U.S. Embassy in Mexico City.

"Most times, these families cannot apply for the visa themselves because they lack the money or knowledge to do it, because they are very humble families from rural Michoacan, Mexico," Arreola said.

The U.S. Embassy in Mexico City has designed special interview days for elderly applicants, Arreola said, and because the seniors apply through the program, economic status, often considered when granting a visa, is not a factor for the seniors applying.

"They do not need to have a bank account or own a business," Arreola said.

The State Department confirmed that it has special monthly interview days for groups of elderly applicants, but emphasized it does not endorse any particular club or organization that assists those seeking to visit the U.S.

It was economic hardship that almost made it impossible for Gomez to see his father. Although his father and older sister met all eligibility requirements to be a part of the program —

older than 60 and had never been in the United States illegally — Gomez was afraid he did not have the money to pay for the administrative work and their flights to Chicago.

"But I was determined to make that sacrifice," he said. "I needed to see my father again."

Gomez said he had to work overtime to make ends meet. In recent years, he began working at a pizza place near his home where he makes pizzas, sometimes washes dishes and other times delivers pizzas, making minimum wage.

He spent more than \$2,000, including flights for his father and his sister.

"It was all worth it," Gomez said.

The group in which Don Santiago and his daughter Estela arrived will leave Jan. 8. But Gomez isn't thinking about that yet.

They will celebrate the new year, and on Jan. 1, Gomez plans on celebrating his father's 96th birthday.

"My heart feels joyful and fulfilled," said Don Santiago, who instead of wearing his sombrero had a hat to protect him from the cold. Aside from mild knee pain, he is healthy, Don Santiago said, and does not need to take any sort of medicine.

"It's pretty here, but I like to walk around in my town," said the older man. Everyone laughed.

Gomez said he is hopeful this won't be the last time he sees his father, and that it pains him to know how many other immigrants go through the suffering he and his family live every day, every year and every holiday.

"Take care of your parents. If you can go see them, do it. If you can bring them to you, do it, because it's hard to endure the pain of being away from each other for so long," Gomez said.

Some of the visiting elders die upon their return to their native towns, Gutierrez said.

"For many of them, it is a really strong emotion, and they oftentimes just want to see their children to then die in peace," he said.

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planner who keeps track of who will be showing up on Election Day and ensures all the equipment and supplies

are in place.

Now, these officials are on the front lines. The federal government will be on high alert, gathering intelligence and scanning systems for suspicious cyber activity as they look to defend the nation's elections. Meanwhile, it will be the state and county officials who will be charged with identifying and dealing with any hostile acts.

"It's another level of war," said Jesse Salinas, the chief elections official in Yolo County, California, who attended the training. "You only attack things that you feel are a threat to you, and our democracy is a threat to a lot of these nation-states that are getting involved trying to undermine it. We have to fight back, and we have to prepare."

Salinas brought four of his employees with him to the training, which was part of the Defending Digital Democracy Project based at the Belfer Center for Science and International Affairs at the Harvard Kennedy School. The group has been working actively with former and current military, national security, political and communications experts — many of whom dedicate their time after work and on weekends — to develop training and manuals for state and local election officials. Those involved with leading the training asked for anonymity be-

cause of their sensitive positions.

The project's latest play-book focuses on bringing military best practices to running Election Day operations, encouraging state and local election officials to adopt a "battle staff" command structure with clear responsibilities and standard operating procedures for dealing with minor issues. The project is also providing officials with a free state-of-the-art incident tracking system.

Eric Rosenbach, co-director of the Belfer Center and an ex-U.S. Army intelligence officer who served as chief of staff to Defense Secretary Ash Carter in the Obama administration, told the group gathered for the training that it "shouldn't be lost on you that this is a very militarylike model."

"Let's be honest about it," Rosenbach said. "If democracy is under attack and you guys are the ones at the pointy end of the spear, why shouldn't we train that way?"

Instructors stressed the need for election officials to be on the lookout for efforts to disrupt the vote and ensure that communications are flowing up from counties to the state, down from states to the counties, as well as up and down to the federal government and across states.

Piecing together seemingly disparate actions hap-

pening in real-time across geographical locations will allow the nation to defend itself, said Robby Mook, who was Democratic presidential nominee Hillary Clinton's campaign manager in 2016.

Mook founded the Defending Digital Democracy Project with Rosenbach and Matt Rhoades, Republican nominee Mitt Romney's 2012 campaign manager.

"Find a way to input data in a consistent, efficient and reliable way to ensure you know what is going on and prevent things from falling through the cracks," Mook told the election officials. "You got to rise above just putting out fires."

At the training were officials from California, Colorado, Georgia, North Carolina, Oregon, Tennessee, West Virginia and other states. In one exercise, election officials were paired up as either a state or county under an Election Day scenario, charged with logging incidents and trying to piece together what turned out to be four different coordinated campaigns to disrupt voting.

"Events like today are helping us zero in on how to structure ourselves better, how to really think in a different mindset so that we can carry out all the different tasks that have to be done with elections," said Karen Brinson Bell, executive director of the North Carolina Board of Elections.

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KAREN DANIEL

Led NU wrongful convictions unit

Prominent attorney struck by car in Oak Park while walking dog

BY PAIGE FRY AND PATRICK M. O'CONNELL

Karen Daniel was a petite woman with a soft voice. But when she spoke, her passion, knowledge and confidence demanded the attention of everyone in a courtroom. She knew how to dissect the prosecution's case using the most polite daggers.

Daniel died Thursday morning in Oak Park after she was struck by a vehicle while walking with her dog near the intersection of Pleasant Street and Scoville Avenue, according to Oak Park police. She died at the scene, police said. She was 62.

The driver, a 63-year-old man, was cited for failure to reduce speed to avoid an accident and failure to yield to a pedestrian, police said. He passed a field sobriety test. The driver, who was turning left across a crosswalk at the intersection, may not have seen Daniel because of the sun, according to an account relayed to Daniel's family.

Friends say Daniel was walking her dog, which she adored and adopted this summer. The family recovered the dog later in the evening.

Daniel was happy she was about to begin work in January at the Exoneration Project at the University of Chicago, partly because she could bring the dog, said Lauren Myerscough-Mueller, an attorney at Exoneration Project. She was also planning to work soon with the Northwestern Prison Education Program to teach legal research and writing to inmates at Stateville Correctional Center.

"It just makes you feel so fragile. Doesn't it?" said Lawrence Marshall, who hired Daniel 20 years ago and is now a Stanford Law School professor. "In one half a second, it all changes."

Daniel touched the lives of many in Chicago and beyond through her work at Northwestern University Law School's Center on Wrongful Convictions, where she started as an attorney on a half-time appointment and eventually became a co-director. She retired earlier this year but kept an office as an emerita — still coming in often and continuing to work on cases. She couldn't stay away from work for long, friends said.

Daniel's death was noted by Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx, who posted her thoughts in a Friday post on Twitter.

"Karen was as brilliant as she was caring," Foxx wrote. "She was a teacher, a mentor, an advocate, and an exceptional attorney. Karen was a true believer in justice and brought a unique spirit to this work that will be deeply missed."

Northwestern Pritzker School of Law Dean Kim Yuracko said in



CHICAGO TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO

Attorney Karen Daniel died Thursday morning in Oak Park after she was struck by a vehicle. She was 62.

a statement: "Karen was a fierce, tenacious and brilliant lawyer-advocate whose life's work was fighting for justice. She was universally beloved by her students, clients and colleagues, and her passing is felt near and far."

During her work at the center, Daniel represented more than 20 people in legal proceedings that led to their exoneration or release from prison, according to her biography at the center. She also taught hundreds of students, many who now help the wrongly convicted because of her, friends said.

As word spread of her passing, many remarked of having just spoken to her. She sent people "Merry Christmas" texts to catch up. She was known for keeping in touch with former colleagues and clients, even after they got off her case list.

They thought about how it was a strange coincidence that Daniel's death came the day after the five-year anniversary of the passing of Jane Raley, who was one of Daniel's closest friends and colleagues. She wrote a tribute to Raley on her Facebook page Wednesday morning with a photo of the two in 2002 with Raley's first exoneree. "How I miss that brilliant smile!" Daniel wrote.

The two were a force to be reckoned with, and their losses are notable in Chicago's criminal justice community and the innocence community beyond.

"It's a wound. It's a gaping hole in the efforts to continue to exposing wrongful convictions," said Jeff Urdangen, a defense attorney who knew Daniel for about 20 years and was director of the Northwestern's Center for Criminal Defense. "It's hard to describe the magnitude of that loss."

Kristine Bunch met Daniel and Raley in November 2006 when they came to visit her in a women's

prison in Indiana. At the time, Bunch was serving time after she was convicted of arson and murder charges in 1996 in connection with the death of her 3-year-old son, convictions that were later overturned by the Indiana Court of Appeals. Bunch spent 16 years behind bars. A volunteer who came into the prison reached out to the Center on Wrongful Convictions about Bunch's case.

When the two attorneys arrived, Bunch wasn't expecting more than a 15-minute conversation, but they stayed and talked for two hours. The time flew by because they both were so personable and easy to talk to, showing genuine interest in Bunch.

Raley and Daniel worked together like fire and ice, Bunch said. Raley's passion oozed out of her in her voice and expressions. Daniel was "crystal clear and concise" when it came to the law. She could make a point in the same tone she made her introduction, Bunch said. Bunch immediately felt like she was able to trust them with her case.

Through their work, they found an altered report that showed the fire was accidental, and they argued Bunch's case. Bunch was exonerated in 2012, which was incredible in the moment, Bunch said — until the fear of readjusting to life outside set in.

She called Daniel when she didn't know what to do with her resume: How do you explain on one piece of paper that you have a long employment gap because you were in prison for a murder case? But Daniel put her in touch with someone at human resources at Northwestern, which eventually led to a job at the university. Daniel even helped Bunch, now 46, with her move from Indiana to Evanston.

Daniel was always working, but one day in 2016, Bunch said she just wanted to kick back and relax,

and Daniel said she felt the same. The two went to see the movie "Sisters" together. Daniel showed up just as put together as she is at work, and then they got their nails done. Bunch got a sparkly black polish, which Daniel said was probably too much for her, opting for a darker solid color, which Bunch joked was plain. The two finished the day by getting a latte.

"She was a little woman with a huge spirit. There's no way to calculate how many lives are affected by her loss," Bunch said. "I would tell her that I'm forever grateful because she made my life better, and she made me see the world could be better."

Daniel grew up in Los Angeles, her family said, and graduated from the University of California at Davis, later earning her law degree at Harvard Law School. She moved to the Chicago area in 1981.

Marshall, who co-founded the Center on Wrongful Convictions, recruited Daniel to work for the center in 2000 after hearing about her reputation as an extraordinarily brilliant attorney and as "someone with a heart as wide as a grand canyon," through her work at the state appellate defender's office, the agency that represents indigent inmates in appeals.

One of the first cases given to Daniel at the center involved Michael Evans and Paul Terry, who had been in prison for years after they were convicted of the 1976 kidnapping, rape and murder of a 9-year-old girl. The lawyers needed to find information and court records on DNA testing. When Daniel was assigned to the case, she went down to the evidence warehouse and wouldn't leave until they found the evidence. That effort led to DNA testing that excluded them as the perpetrators, eventually exonerating the men of the crimes.

Marshall said he was a little

"Karen was a fierce, tenacious and brilliant lawyer-advocate whose life's work was fighting for justice."

— Northwestern Pritzker School of Law Dean Kim Yuracko

embarrassed because he wasn't able to do what Daniel did for their clients, adding that her perseverance and care for clients were unmatched. She always tried to put herself in their shoes and felt urgency to help them.

Outside of work, Daniel truly cared for her friends and listened to them with great interest, said Urdangen, who considered Daniel one of his best friends. They bonded over law and having sons around the same age who are both musicians. They played together at Daniel's retirement party in May.

"We were on the same wavelength," he said. "We had a very strong sense of what's wrong with the legal system and wished to correct injustice."

Urdangen and Daniel worked together on Alan Beaman's case. He had been wrongfully convicted for the murder of his ex-girlfriend.

Daniel seemed sweet and caring, Beaman said, but when she was in the courtroom, she was the one to look out for. When she objected, she didn't scream, "I object!"

"She would be like, 'Well your honor, I'm going to object to that,'" said Beaman, now 47. "Her arguments spoke for themselves. She didn't have to act. She didn't have to do anything extra."

Beaman walked out of prison in 2008. Years later, Daniel pushed for a certificate of innocence and a governor's clemency for him. He received both. He still has some struggles left with his legal proceedings, but when he saw Daniel recently at an event at Northwestern — where she was given an award — she reminded him that he's the only person in the state to have those two forms of innocence. She was always a silver-lining person.

"Long after we lay her to rest, her impact is going to be felt," he said. "I don't know if there's a tribute I can give that does her justice. The world is losing somebody great."

Daniel is survived by husband Alan Goldberg, son Scott Goldberg Daniel, stepdaughters Julia Alamillo, Laura Goldberg and Diana Goldberg, mother Mary K. Daniel, sister Kelly Selva and one granddaughter. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday at Oak Park Temple B'nai Abraham Zion, 1235 N. Harlem Ave. in Oak Park.

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Joliet bishop taking leave to address health issue

Staff report

The Diocese of Joliet announced Friday that Bishop Daniel Conlon is taking a medical leave of absence effective Friday.

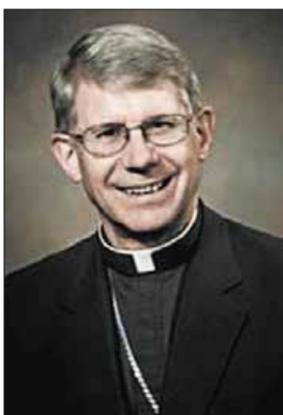
In a statement, the diocese said that during Conlon's leave, Bishop Richard Pates, bishop emeritus of Des Moines, will serve as apostolic administrator of the diocese.

Conlon, 71, was installed as bishop of the Joliet diocese in July 2011.

In the statement from the diocese, Pates said that he applauds Conlon "for undertaking a program to address his health concerns. He is a good bishop and will benefit from his time away."

An official said the diocese had no further comment on Conlon's leave.

Born in Cincinnati and ordained in 1977, he was installed as bishop of the diocese of Steubenville, Ohio, in August 2002, where he served before coming to the Joliet diocese,



DIOCESE OF JOLIET

Bishop Daniel Conlon is taking a medical leave of absence as bishop of the Diocese of Joliet.

according to a biography from the Joliet diocese.

From 2011 until 2014, Conlon served as chair for the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee for the Protection of Children and Young People.

Pates served as bishop in the Des Moines diocese from April 2008 until his retirement in August. Pates, 76, was formerly chairman of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops' Committee on International Justice and Peace, according to the Des Moines diocese.

The Joliet diocese includes 118 parishes in a seven-county area, according to its website.

Groups want US Steel to pay bigger fine for chemical spill

Letter claims amount does not match impact in Northwest Indiana

BY TIM ZORN

Eighteen environmental and civic organizations are asking a federal judge to make U.S. Steel pay a stiffer fine than the government has proposed for a 2017 hazardous chemical spill.

The proposed \$601,242 civil penalty for the April 10-12, 2017, release of 902 pounds of cancer-causing hexavalent chromium from U.S. Steel's Portage plant into Burns Waterway "does not reflect the seriousness, duration or magnitude of egregious NPDES permit violations at this facility," the Dec. 18 letter says.

"Therefore," the letter continues, "it is of grave concern that this revised Consent Decree will not deter another spill into Lake Michigan or bring U.S. Steel into compliance with their NPDES permit."

NPDES stands for National Pollution Discharge Elimination System.

The letter is signed by leaders of Save the Dunes, Alliance for the Great Lakes, Hoosier

Environmental Council, the Izaak Walton League's Indiana and Illinois divisions and Great Lakes Committee, Indiana's North Coast Charter Association, the Indiana Sportsmen's Roundtable, the Indiana Wildlife Federation, seven League of Women Voters organizations in Indiana, the Northwest Indiana Paddlers Association, and the Sierra Club's Hoosier Chapter.

The letter to U.S. District Court Judge Theresa Springmann also asks the court to identify a process for U.S. Steel to let the public know, through the press or other media, whenever there's another toxic chemical release; to require the company tell people, through public forums, what it's doing to prevent more spills; and to require the company to monitor all the heavy metals that have been released in recent spills.

In addition to the 2017 hexavalent chromium spill, which prompted temporary beach and water intake closures in nearby Lake Michigan, the letter cites six additional, smaller spills this year.

Lake Michigan and all the Great Lakes are a treasured resource and deserve the highest level of protection, Alliance for the Great

Lakes president Joel Brammeier said in discussing the letter.

Noting significant spills into Lake Michigan tributaries this year by the Arcelor Mittal plant as well as the U.S. Steel plant in Porter County, Brammeier said, "the way these places are being run right now is not cutting it."

The fine against U.S. Steel should be large enough, Brammeier said, "to deter this facility from the same violation in the future and also to send a signal to other facilities."

The proposed consent decree, filed Nov. 20 by the U.S. Department of Justice and the State of Indiana, calls for splitting the proposed \$601,242 fine evenly between the federal and state governments.

It also would require U.S. Steel to make reimbursements for the April 2017 spill: \$350,653 to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's response costs, \$240,504 to the National Park Service for damages from beach closures and \$12,564 for its response costs, and \$27,512 to the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for damage assessment costs.

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Hats

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gram for people who have been victims of domestic violence.

It was all smiles on a recent afternoon when the large basket of Spanier's handmade knitted hats were delivered to a WINGS safe house where domestic violence survivors live with their children.

Two twin girls, age 2, rummaged through the basket searching for the right hat. With so many colors to choose from, they were indecisive.

Ultimately, they selected almost identical lavender hats that matched the shirts they were wearing.

"Most of the families that come to WINGS, come here with nothing," said Rebecca Darr, CEO of WINGS. "And in the winter, we're always scrambling for hats, gloves and scarves."

One of the young girls who received a hat recorded a thank-you video for Spanier, who wasn't able to make the trip to the safe house.



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A large basket of children's hats knitted by Ada Spanier, above, was delivered to a WINGS safe house before Christmas.

Spanier was born in the New York borough of Brooklyn and lived in several states over the years, with her last job working in a museum in Berkeley,

California, until she was 91. She and her husband came to Chicago to be closer to their son, who lives in the Chicago area. They moved into a Hyde Park

nursing home six years ago, and her husband died not long after.

Spanier started knitting in her early 20s but didn't start knitting for others

until eight or nine years ago. While living in California, she decided to send 42 pairs of mittens to an orphanage, she said. Nowadays, Spanier en-

joys knitting while watching television, or attending a lecture or one of her nursing home's programs. But no matter where she goes, she always keeps her wool and knitting needles handy.

"I go to many places, and I always keep my knitting with me," she said. And if the program she is attending is boring, she pulls out her tools.

"They never complain to me because I'm a nice old lady," she said.

This year, it took Spanier about 10 months to knit the hats she donated to WINGS.

The basket taken to the shelter contained hats of all colors, many of them striped: red and white; yellow, lime green and salmon; purple and white; maroon and white; purple, yellow and white.

"You want some life in it," Spanier said about the colored hats she knitted.

It's seeing people use the hats that really makes her happy, she said.

"But everything looks cute because there's a head in here," she said. "The heads make everything beautiful."

Abuse

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holidays and abuse, because of a misconception that increased alcohol consumption at holiday time is a cause of abuse. In fact, habitual abusers often use alcohol as an excuse for their intentional, coercive and violent behavior, which helps to perpetuate the cycle.

Yet the holiday season can hold particular perils for victims of domestic abuse — and offer family and friends potential opportunities to intervene in abusive situations.

While national domestic abuse hotlines show a decrease in calls over the holidays, there is typically a slight increase in early January, meaning that holiday time may be a time when victims are already thinking about seeking help. "After

the holidays," says Love-Patterson, "people will often tell us, 'I wanted to come sooner, but I wanted my kids to have a good Christmas.'"

"The decrease in calls during the holidays makes sense," says Cindy Southworth, executive vice president at the National Network to End Domestic Violence, "because if you've got a house full of people, it might be difficult to find a moment to make a call to a national hotline."

Those ever-present family members, Southworth says, might represent protection from immediate abuse. ("Some people who are controlling will hold it together while there's an audience," Southworth says.) But they also might be the best chance a victim — or even an abuser — has at breaking the cycle of control and violence.

Family gatherings around the holidays may

provide the opportunity to spot the signs of an abusive relationship. "When extended family gets together is exactly when somebody might observe a control dynamic, something that feels off," says Southworth.

"There might be subtle signs," says Love-Patterson, "like a mom and children who seem depressed, or fearful and anxious, or are so quiet when they weren't always so quiet in the past."

If you do spot something troubling, advocates suggest that you approach the victim by finding a moment to catch her alone, out of earshot of the abuser — and by offering support, not judgment, even if she has returned to an abusive relationship during the holidays. "There is no right or wrong way," says Southworth. "Leaving is a process. Survivors leave many times. It's very common that a survivor will leave more than once and each

time they do a little more planning. Each time they are a little stronger."

Returning home for the holidays might provide a survivor the chance to quietly gather documents or some favorite toys for a child. It can also provide others a chance to reach out. "Sometimes family members will say, 'We've noticed things for a while, but we don't know what to do,'" says Love-Patterson. "Be careful, but try to get her alone and say, 'I'm kinda concerned, you seem so quiet. Are you OK?' Even if she doesn't respond immediately, sometimes all it takes is for someone to plant that seed that will eventually enable her to leave."

Continue to plant that seed, even after the holidays have passed, says Southworth; reinforcement of the victim's own sense that a relationship is unhealthy is important. "Strengthen

your connection to the survivor in authentic ways," she says. "Find time to get coffee. Compliment them on something they are really amazing at, because oftentimes an abusive partner is tearing down their self worth." Increased self-worth can provide needed strength for the journey to a better place.

Southworth also stresses that it's important to find ways to thoughtfully and safely call out an abuser. "If you say nothing, you are complicit," she says. "It's not OK to keep condoning the behavior, but you don't want to do it in a way that might cause more harm for the survivor."

She frames these conversations as "not calling someone out, but calling them in. You're not trying to alienate your loved one, you're trying to help him change his behavior. That's where you have to think strategically. Who does the

abusive partner respect? Who can go up to him and say, 'This is not who you want to be. How can we help you change your behavior?'" Recruit that person to take on the conversation, in the hope of starting a dialogue that leads to recovery and change — even if the current relationship can't be saved.

And, believe it or not, the holiday dinner table might be a fine place to start advocating for that change, Southworth says. "Don't be afraid to call somebody out in a gentle way," she says. "It doesn't have to be a huge deal. If you hear your brother talking down to his wife at the holiday dinner, just say, 'Why are you talking to her like that? I think she's great. Look at how she managed this amazing dinner! Now, please pass the potatoes.'"

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Holiday lights on Naperville road a mystery to many

Woman who 'enjoys making people happy' wishes to remain anonymous

BY ERIN HEGARTY

A beacon of light appears on a dark stretch of Naperville road every fall in advance of the Christmas holidays.

Most don't know who's responsible for the tiny lights wrapped around the tree on Book Road, between 75th and 87th streets near Springbrook Prairie Forest Preserve. Many say they can't remember when they first noticed the illuminated tree standing in what otherwise would be a desolate place at night.

This year, a Naperville Facebook group started speculating on who was behind the lights, and why they might be doing it. Theories ranged from it being a memorial for a crash site to the work of Santa.

One suggestion that it was being done by forest preserve district employees proved false. In fact, after it was brought to the attention of the district, the light strands disappeared from their usual spot.

But they reappeared on another tree on the other side of the road.

The person behind the tradition wants to remain anonymous, Naperville City Councilwoman Judy Brodhead said. She's been doing it for about eight years, a simple gesture she hopes makes people happy, she said.

When the lights spurred an online discussion this year and ended up disappearing, the woman initially thought it was the work of a vandal, Brodhead said.

"Her first thought was someone was removing them or taking them," she said.

The councilwoman started making calls to see if she could find out, and learned from Mary Lou Wehrli, a commissioner representing the Naperville

area on the DuPage County Forest Preserve Board, it was the district that had removed them.

The district has "certain standards" for how it takes care of its preserves, Wehrli said, and "putting lights on trees I don't think is part of that."

Animals can get entangled in things like light strings, as staff at the district's Willowbrook Wildlife Center has found, she said. Beyond that, Springbrook has the added status of not just being a county forest preserve, but a state-designated nature preserve, she said.

District officials were sympathetic, Brodhead said. "I think they were somewhat reluctant in removing them because they knew it was something people enjoyed seeing, but it was against their policies," she said.

Wehrli suggested Brodhead call the Naperville Park District, which owns the Springbrook Golf Course adjacent to the forest preserve property

"(District Executive Director Ray McGury) had heard about this through the grapevine and said yes before I even finished asking," Brodhead said.

Brodhead helped the woman place them on a new tree. Brodhead didn't say dusk and when the sun rises, just that a timer turns them on a later in the day and off when it's light out.

The only change is the illuminated tree is now on the west side of Book Road instead of the east.

"I think (the woman) enjoys making people happy" with the lights, Brodhead said. "She was disappointed (they were) taken down, but happy she got some fellow conspirators."

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U-46 officials discuss PE course expansion

BY RAFAEL GUERRERO

School District U-46 officials want to grow its updated high school physical education curriculum with eight new courses next year, expanding upon the active-lifestyle approach of eight PE courses introduced this school year.

Toward the end of 2018, school board members agreed with U-46 PE educators and approved a nearly \$200,000 measure that shifted high school PE from team sports to activities to encourage more participation both inside and outside the high school gyms, fields and weight rooms. These courses included functional fitness, strength and performance, walking for wellness, and team sports officiating and coaching.

The \$58,932 proposal presented at the Dec. 16 school board meeting is a continuation of the PE courses introduced this school year, said U-46 student wellness coordinator Tracey Jakaitis. The proposed expansion would allow the freshman, sophomores and juniors who took one of the new courses this year to advance into the next corresponding course.

"That was a really big moment for us when proposing these different activities," Jakaitis told board members. "We need kids to engage in physical activity, and if they don't like their choices, they won't engage."

The "C" and "D" courses are in functional fitness, strength and performance, walking for wellness, and team sports officiating and coaching, similar to the "A" and "B" courses that PE students began taking this fall. The proposed courses would be one semester long and available at any of the six U-46 high schools, including the DREAM

Academy beginning in the 2020-21 school year.

South Elgin High School PE teacher Nicole Maciorowski said these courses continue the shift away from the team-sports model commonly associated with school PE. Courses in walking or strength/performance training give teens a path toward a more physically active adulthood.

Maciorowski asked her students for feedback on the new courses. She said students told her they liked having an opportunity to walk on a daily basis, reported feeling less anxious and liked that some of these courses did not require them to use the locker rooms, among other comments.

Hallie Furtak, the school board's student adviser, said her brother is taking the walking for wellness course. She said he likes it better than past PE classes because a sensory processing disorder limited his participation in team sports activities and lessons. The course is keeping him active, Furtak added.

"As a student, it is so much better," said Furtak, a student at Streamwood High School. "I can tell in class that people are participating a lot more."

"If someone could give me 30 minutes a day where I have to walk — can I sign up for that now as an adult?" asked U-46 board member Kate Thommes.

Board members will vote on the PE curriculum proposal in 2020. Jakaitis said curriculum implementation would begin in the months leading up to the start of the 2020-21 school year. Officials are also working on how to reward students with an honors credit if they complete lifeguard certification, she said.

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Volo crash victim identified

BY JIM NEWTON

A Lake Zurich man who was killed in Volo this week in a three-vehicle crash after his vehicle crossed into oncoming traffic has been identified by the Lake County Coroner's office.

In addition, a man charged for allegedly striking a squad car and seriously injuring an auxiliary sheriff's deputy at the crash scene despite flares and traffic cones set up around the wreckage is scheduled to appear in bond court Monday for a status of attorney hearing on charges including aggravated DUI.

On Thursday evening, Lake County Coroner Dr. Howard Cooper identified the driver killed in the initial crash as 82-year-old Leroy Radtke, of Lake Zurich. Cooper said preliminary results of an autopsy Thursday determined that Radtke died of multiple injuries due to blunt force trauma from a car crash.

Routine toxicology reports are pending, Cooper said.

On Friday, Lake County Sheriff's Office spokesman Sgt. Christopher Covelli said that an auxiliary deputy, whose legs were badly injured when a squad car allegedly hit by a drunken



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First responders explore the scene of a crash on Route 12 in Volo on Monday.

driver slammed into him at the crash scene, has been released from the hospital.

Covelli added the auxiliary deputy is recovering, but "has a long road ahead of him" in terms of rehabilitation.

According to the sheriff's office, a preliminary investigation determined that a 1995 Mazda convertible driven by Radtke was traveling southbound on Route 12 approaching Volo Village Road, when, for an unknown reason, it crossed into the northbound lanes of traffic.

The Mazda struck a northbound 2005 Toyota sedan, driven by a 20-year-old man from Lake in the Hills. That collision caused the Toyota "to rotate into the path" of a southbound

Subaru SUV driven by a 27-year-old man of McHenry, according to the sheriff's office, and the Subaru struck the Toyota.

Radtke was pronounced dead at the scene, authorities said, while the driver of the Toyota was transported to Advocate Condell Medical Center in Libertyville with serious injuries. The driver of the Subaru was uninjured, according to the sheriff's office.

Officials were called to the crash just before 6 p.m. on Monday.

As the crash was being investigated around 7 p.m., Chris L. Miller, 65, of unincorporated Mundelein, driving a 2016 Ford Pickup truck southbound on Route 12, allegedly

disregarded flares and traffic cones at the crash scene and plowed into a sheriff's squad car, according to the sheriff's office.

The collision caused the squad car to strike the auxiliary deputy, who was standing outside of the squad.

The deputy sustained serious leg injuries and was transported to a local hospital via ambulance, Covelli said.

Miller allegedly fled in his vehicle southbound from the scene, according to the sheriff's office, until his truck became disabled, "likely due to its heavy damage," in the area of Route 12 and North Fox Lake Road in Lakemoor.

Authorities said Miller was located, found to be driving under the influence of alcohol and taken into custody by sheriff's deputies.

The Lake County State's Attorney's Office approved charges for Miller including felony aggravated DUI involving an accident with injuries; leaving the scene of an accident with injuries; operation of a vehicle on approach of an emergency vehicle causing injuries; DUI; operating an uninsured vehicle; failure to report an accident; and failure to give aid following an accident.

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Kazakh plane crash kills at least 12

Plane carrying 98 goes down after takeoff, hits wall

By **VLADIMIR TRETYAKOV** AND **DARIA LITVINOVA**
Associated Press

ALMATY, Kazakhstan — A jetliner with 98 people aboard struggled to get airborne and crashed shortly after takeoff Friday in Kazakhstan, killing at least 12 people, authorities said.

The Bek Air jet, identified as a 23-year-old Fokker 100, hit a concrete wall and a two-story building soon after departing from Almaty, Kazakhstan's largest city and former capital, airport officials said.

The aircraft's tail also struck the runway twice during takeoff, indicating that it struggled to get off the ground, Deputy Prime Minister Roman Sklyar said.

Fifty-four people were reported hospitalized with injuries, and at least 10 of them were in critical condition, officials said.

The cause of the predawn crash was unclear. Authorities quickly suspended all Bek Air and Fokker 100 flights in Kazakhstan while the investigation got underway.

One survivor said the plane started shaking less than two minutes after takeoff.

"At first, the left wing jolted really hard, then the right. The plane continued to gain altitude, shaking quite severely, and then went down," Aslan Nazaraliyev told The Associated Press by phone.



Police and rescuers work on the side of a crashed Fokker 100 on Friday near Almaty International Airport, Kazakhstan. AP

Government officials said the jet underwent de-icing before the flight, but Nazaraliyev recalled that its wings were covered in ice, and passengers who used emergency exits over the wings slipped and fell. The weather in Almaty was clear, with temperatures just below freezing. The plane was flying to Nur-

Sultan, the capital formerly known as Astana.

Video footage showed the front of the broken-up fuselage rammed against a building and the rear of the plane lying in a field next to the airport.

Passengers who survived may have been saved by the fact that the plane crashed at a lower speed and from a

lower altitude because it was taking off, and it came down in terrain that may have eased the impact.

"The lower the speed, the lower the energy, and the fact that it lands on things that might not tear it up so much" all play a role, said Adrian Young, senior aviation consultant at the To70 consultancy in the Nether-

lands.

Cold weather may have helped prevent fire, Young said.

Built in 1996, the plane included safety features that have increased passenger survival chances since the mid-1980s. Those features include stronger cabins less likely to crush or break apart and interior

materials less apt to catch fire or emit toxic smoke.

"The more modern the aircraft you are sitting in, the better chance you have of escaping the accident," Young said.

Local authorities initially put the death toll at 15, but the interior ministry revised the figure downward.

Officials in the Almaty branch of the health ministry could not explain why the figure was revised. They attributed the confusion to "agitation" at the site of the crash.

In a statement on its Facebook page, the airport said there was no fire, and a rescue operation began immediately.

Around 1,000 people were working at the snow-covered crash site. Dozens more in Almaty lined up at a local blood bank to donate for the injured.

The Fokker 100 is a mid-sized, twin-engine jet. The company that manufactured it went bankrupt in 1996.

Kazakhstan President Kassym-Jomart Tokayev ordered an inspection of all airlines and aviation infrastructure in the country. Eighteen passenger airlines and four cargo carriers are currently registered in Kazakhstan, a former Soviet republic.

Kazakhstan's air-safety record is far from spotless. In 2009, all Kazakh airlines — with the exception of the flag carrier Air Astana — were banned from operating in the European Union because they did not meet international safety standards. The ban was lifted in 2016.

All are not prepared to forgive

Backlash ensued after ex-Ky. governor pardoned hundreds

By **MARK BERMAN**, **KAYLA EPSTEIN**, **JUSTIN JOUVENAL** AND **TIM CRAIG**
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Hours before Matt Bevin left office as Kentucky's governor this month, he reached out to David Barron, a public defender in Frankfort, with surprising news.

Bevin was letting one of Barron's clients, a confessed killer who participated in a triple murder in 1983, off death row. The inmate's two death sentences would be commuted to life in prison, and he could be paroled as soon as next year.

"He believed that Leif Halvorsen saved people's lives and will continue to save lives," Barron said, noting that, while behind bars, Halvorsen had raised money for poor children and participated in a program for troubled youth.

But easing the sentence of a murderer who counted a 19-year-old woman among his victims was one of several pardons and sentence commutations that prompted fierce national backlash against Bevin, who also gave reprieves to a man convicted of raping a 9-year-old; a technician convicted of stuffing his co-worker's decapitated body into a barrel; and a man convicted of sexually assaulting a 15-year-old boy.

Some who consulted with the former governor say his decisions were the result of a deep interest in the problems of the criminal justice system. Bevin said he was guided by his Christian value of forgiveness and said his decision process was thorough.

But the controversial pardons and commutations also were the result of Kentucky's unilateral clem-



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Former Kentucky Gov. Matt Bevin: "This is a nation that was founded on the concept of redemption and second chances."

ency process, which provides the governor an unusually large degree of unchecked autonomy in selecting which inmates get leniency.

The state allows people to apply directly to the governor's office to have their sentences reduced or rights restored. Unlike in most states, Kentucky doesn't require those requests to be reviewed by a board. In many of Bevin's cases, families of the victims were not notified.

"It's unusual, and it's risky," said Margaret Love, an attorney who specializes in clemency, of Kentucky's process. "It's risky for the governor. It's risky for the people that are applying."

Kentucky is one of 19 states where boards can recommend whether clemency should be granted, but the governor is not obligated to comply, said Love, executive director of the Washington nonprofit Col-

lateral Consequences Resource Center. More than half those states require at least one other check on the governor's decisions, such as a board review, public hearings or notification of prosecutors or victims, according to the Restoration of Rights Project, a part of Love's resource center. Kentucky does not.

Halvorsen, 65, was among those who appealed directly to Bevin.

"I know Bevin has the power to pardon and commute, but something like this? No," said Barbara Barber, the aunt of one of Halvorsen's victims, Joey Durrum. "My other nieces and nephews are living the murder all over again."

During his final days in office, Bevin granted clemency to more than 600 people. Most cases involved low-level drug offenses and some others had already served their sentences. The uproar has centered on a

handful of particularly violent cases or ones that victimized children, in which Bevin's action ended or significantly shortened the inmates' time behind bars. In one case, Bevin has been pilloried for pardoning a man whose family held a fundraiser for him, with state lawmakers calling for an investigation.

Bevin has said that he chose cases in which there was convincing evidence of innocence or in which the convict had shown remorse and signs of rehabilitation behind bars.

In a voice message left for The Post earlier this month, Bevin said, "I'm a big believer in second chances. I think this is a nation that was founded on the concept of redemption and second chances and new pages in life."

But some of his explanations have only intensified the outrage.

In an interview with a

another side of the unpopular governor.

During Bevin's term, they connected on criminal justice issues, agreeing that there were "far too many low-level, nonviolent offenders in jail or prison serving time," said Tilley, who was a Democratic state lawmaker before Bevin tapped him to oversee the corrections department and state police.

Bevin had long discussed mass commutation, Tilley said, so it was no surprise when the governor called him on Nov. 25, saying he wanted to move forward with the idea.

They held a call with other officials the next day, including state Public Advocate Damon Preston, who oversees public defenders and the Kentucky Innocence Project.

The clemency applications that Bevin granted appeared to come through three routes. The Justice and Public Safety Cabinet developed a list of almost 400 cases to recommend, including 336 people sentenced for possessing a controlled substance and 58 others convicted of low-level, nonviolent crimes, Tilley said.

Preston's office, the public advocate, sent Bevin 41 cases described as wrongful conviction or unduly harsh sentences.

"But we also didn't know of several that he was reviewing," Tilley said, "because those applications go directly to his office."

Criminal justice experts and former governors have defended clemency power since the Kentucky outcry began, saying it is a needed check.

"We need more governors to use their clemency power to correct injustices in the system," said Rachel Barkow, a clemency expert and law professor at New York University. "In many places there are no other options. ... It's a really important part of our system."

Louisville talk-radio host, Bevin defended his pardon of a man convicted of raping a 9-year-old girl, saying he found "zero evidence" and that the girl's hymen was intact.

Scientists have rejected using the hymen alone as evidence of sexual activity.

"Now he's saying that my daughter's a liar," the victim's mother said in an interview with Cincinnati news station WCPO-TV. The station did not release her name to protect the victim.

Bevin swept into office as a hero of the conservative tea party movement in 2015. By the time he conceded his reelection to Democratic opponent Andy Beshear last month, he had racked up a long list of political nemesis, including public school teachers and his own lieutenant governor.

But John Tilley, Bevin's head of the Justice and Public Safety Cabinet, saw

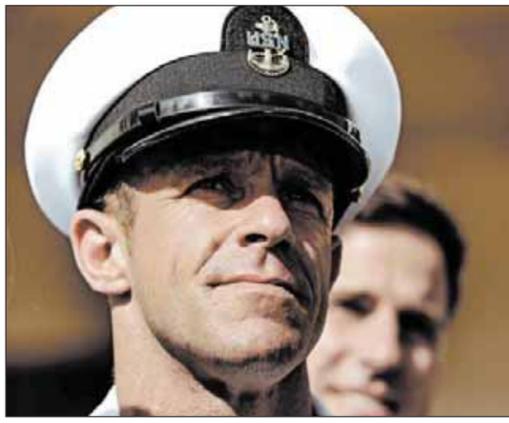
SEALs call ex-platoon leader 'evil,' 'toxic' in leaked videos

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — Navy SEALs described their platoon leader, retired Special Operations Chief Edward Gallagher, as “evil,” “toxic” and “perfectly OK with killing anybody that was moving,” in video footage of interviews obtained by The New York Times.

Gallagher's war crimes case earlier this year gained national attention after President Donald Trump intervened on his behalf despite strong objections from Pentagon leaders who said the president's move could damage the integrity of the military judicial system. The case also led to the Navy secretary's firing.

The footage published Friday was part of a trove of confidential Navy investigative materials that the Times obtained about the prosecution of Gallagher, who was accused of battlefield misconduct in Iraq. It



GREGORY BULL/AP

Retired Navy Special Operations Chief Ed Gallagher was acquitted of all charges but one in his war crimes case.

shows members of Gallagher's SEAL Team 7 Alpha Platoon speaking to agents from the Naval Criminal Investigative Service about his conduct in sometimes emotional interviews.

They described how their chief seemed to love

killing, how he targeted women and children and boasted that “burqas were flying.”

The footage provides revealing insights of the men who worked with Gallagher and turned him in. They have never spoken

publicly about the case, which has divided the elite fighting force known for its secrecy.

“The guy is freaking evil,” Special Operator 1st Class Craig Miller says about Gallagher in one interview.

“The guy was toxic,” Special Operator 1st Class Joshua Virens, a sniper, says in another.

Special Operator 1st Class Corey Scott, a medic in the platoon, says, “You could tell he was perfectly OK with killing anybody that was moving.”

The material also includes thousands of text messages that the SEALs sent to one another about Gallagher's case and video from a SEAL's helmet camera that shows Gallagher approach a barely conscious captive — a teenage Islamic State fighter — in May 2017. The camera then shuts off.

In video interviews,

three SEALs said they saw Gallagher go on to stab the sedated captive for no reason and hold an impromptu ceremony over the body as if it were a trophy.

Miller called it “the most disgraceful thing I've ever seen in my life.”

Gallagher was charged with murder in the death of the wounded captive in Iraq, posing with the body in photos and shooting civilians. A jury of combat veterans acquitted him of all charges except one count for posing with a human casualty.

In the interviews, the platoon members told investigators that they tried repeatedly to report what they saw but no action was taken. In April 2018, they went outside the SEALs to the Naval Criminal Investigative Service, and Gallagher was arrested a few months later.

Gallagher has insisted that the charges against him

were concocted by six disgruntled SEALs in his platoon who could not meet his high standards.

Reacting to the videos, Gallagher called the accusations “blatant lies” in a statement issued through his lawyer, the Times reported.

After his court-martial, Gallagher was demoted from chief petty officer to a 1st class petty officer.

Trump restored Gallagher's rank and has repeatedly tweeted support for him, saying his case had been “handled very badly from the beginning.”

Gallagher, who was seeking to retire, was notified last month that a board of peers would determine if he should remain a SEAL.

Trump ordered the Navy to allow Gallagher to retire as a SEAL with his full rank intact. That led to the firing of Navy Secretary Richard Spencer over his handling of the matter.

NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

Wreckage found of Hawaii tour helicopter; survivors possible

HONOLULU — The wreckage of a helicopter carrying seven people to one of the most rugged and remote coastlines in Hawaii was found Friday in a mountainous area on the island of Kauai, authorities said.

Officials said in a news release that they're sending additional resources and searching for possible survivors of the crash.

Searchers began looking for the helicopter carrying a pilot and six pas-

sengers after it was reported overdue from a tour of Kauai's Na Pali Coast on Thursday evening. Two passengers are believed to be minors, the Coast Guard said.

Steep terrain, low visibility, choppy seas and rain had complicated the search, the agency said.

The helicopter was found in a mountainous region inland from the Na Pali Coast, which is one of the most sought-after destinations in Hawaii.

China launches Long March rocket as space race heats up

China on Friday launched a Long March 5 rocket from the island province of Hainan, a key step in its ambitions to reach Mars and cement its place as a major power in space exploration.

The country's largest carrier rocket, with a diameter of 16 feet, blasted off from Wenchang Satellite Launch Center, according to a live broadcast from CCTV. The unmanned rocket was carry-

ing a communications satellite named Shijian 20 that is expected to be deployed into orbit.

China's President Xi Jinping has ambitious plans for space exploration, and the country has outdone both the U.S. and Russia in terms of its number of orbital launches. There were two failures this year. In January, China became the first country to land a probe on the far side of the moon.

Federal judge blocks North Carolina voter ID mandate

RALEIGH, N.C. — Republican attempts to require photo identification to vote in North Carolina are being thwarted again by judges hearing arguments that the mandate is tainted by bias that would deter black and Latino residents.

A federal court announced that next week U.S. District Judge Loretta Biggs will formally block the injunction scheduled to begin in 2020.

The state law identified several types of qualifying photo IDs and allowed people lacking one to get a free ID card or to fill out a form while voting explaining their “reasonable impediment” to obtaining one.

GOP legislative leaders have been trying for most of the decade to advance voter ID, saying more than 30 states require it and that it builds confidence in elections.



HIROKI YAMAUCHI/AP

Protesters hold placards reading “Do not send Japan's Self-Defense Forces to Middle East” outside the prime minister's official residence Friday in Tokyo. Japan approved sending its naval troops to the Middle East to protect oil imports from the region.

NYC ups policing in Jewish areas after spate of attacks

NEW YORK — New York City is increasing its police presence in some Brooklyn neighborhoods with large Jewish populations after a string of possibly anti-Semitic attacks during the Hanukkah holiday. Mayor Bill de Blasio said after the latest episode happened Friday.

Besides making officers more visible in Borough Park, Crown Heights and Williamsburg, police will boost visits to houses of worship and some other places, the mayor tweeted.

“I feel pained that in this society, a place that is supposed to be of respect for

everybody, a season when we're supposed to be respecting everybody, we see hate rearing its very ugly head. We will not accept it,” the Democrat said during a visit later Friday to Crown Heights, where he met with some representatives of the local Jewish community.

Around the city, police have gotten at least six reports this week — and eight since Dec. 13 — of attacks possibly propelled by anti-Jewish bias.

“It's something that's very alarming, and we treat it very seriously,” police Chief of Detectives Rodney

Harrison said at a news conference Friday.

The attacks have happened in Jewish communities in the New York City metro area were already on edge after a deadly Dec. 10 shooting rampage at a northern New Jersey kosher market. New Jersey Attorney General Gurbir Grewal said the attack was driven by hatred of Jews and law enforcement.

The latest incident happened around 12:40 a.m. Friday, when a woman slapped three other women in the head after encountering them on a Crown Heights corner, police said.

Plane rerouted after child's emergency and death

A Delta Air Lines flight to Seattle returned to Los Angeles after a young girl, believed to have been 10 years old, suffered a medical emergency and died on board, authorities announced Thursday.

Flight #2423 took off from Los Angeles International Airport around 5:15

p.m., local time. The Airbus returned to the gate less than an hour later after the child suffered a medical emergency, according to FAA spokesman Ian Gregor, CNN reported.

Los Angeles Fire Department paramedics responded and worked aggressively to try to save the young girl.

“Sadly, all efforts were futile, and the child was beyond medical help,” the department said.

The child, who has not been publicly identified, died of apparent cardiac arrest.

Delta worked to accommodate other passengers on the diverted flight.

Court backs creation of monument in Atlantic Ocean

PORTLAND, Maine — A federal appeals court on Friday upheld former President Barack Obama's designation of a federally protected conservation area in the Atlantic Ocean.

Fishing groups sued over the creation of Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument, a 5,000-square-mile area that contains fragile deep sea corals and vulnerable species of marine life. The monument was established in 2016.

A federal judge dismissed the lawsuit last year, and the Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit upheld the decision Friday.

The Natural Resources Defense Council and the Conservation Law Foundation applauded the legal decision.

The area is the only marine monument in the Atlantic and is one of five U.S. marine monuments.

In Kansas: More than a dozen people were injured Friday when a nitrogen line ruptured at the Beechcraft aircraft manufacturing facility in Wichita, Kansas, causing part of the building to collapse, authorities said.

Daniel Wegner, deputy fire chief for Sedgwick County, said the explosion happened around 8 a.m. at the facility, which is in the eastern part of the city. John Gallagher, the county's EMS director, said 11 people were taken to hospitals and four were treated at the scene. No one was killed, but one person has potentially serious injuries, he said.

Gas continued to vent although it posed no risk to nearby residents, officials said.

The cause of the blast is under investigation.



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Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

Another high-level executive leaving beleaguered Boeing

Associated Press

A close adviser to Boeing's ousted CEO will also leave the company. Michael Luttig was Boeing's general counsel from 2006 until this spring.

Shortly after the crash of a second Boeing 737 Max, the Chicago-based company's premiere aircraft, he was assigned to head the company's legal strategy and to advise the board.



Luttig

Luttig, who will retire next week, is the latest executive to leave the beleaguered company. In addition to CEO Dennis Muilenburg who was pushed out this week, Kevin McAllister, the head of Boeing Commercial Airplanes, was forced out in October. Anne Toulouse, senior vice president of communications, will leave at the end of the year.

Luttig served 15 years on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit before joining Boeing.

"We are deeply indebted to Judge Luttig for his extraordinary service to Boeing over these nearly 14 years, especially through this past, challenging year

for our company," said interim CEO Greg Smith in a prepared statement.

In October 2018, a brand-new 737 Max operated by Indonesia's Lion Air crashed into the sea near Jakarta. Five months later, in March, an Ethiopian Airlines Max went down shortly after take-off from Addis Ababa. All 346 people aboard the two planes were killed. The jet has been grounded worldwide.

A faulty sensor caused the planes' anti-stall system, known by its acronym, MCAS, to activate before the two disasters, pushing down the nose of both planes. Boeing had not told pilots about MCAS until after the Lion Air crash, and regulators at the FAA didn't know much about it either.

Earlier this month, the House Transportation Committee disclosed an internal FAA analysis made after the first crash, which estimated that there would be 15 more fatal crashes over 45 years until Boeing fixed MCAS.

Yet the FAA did not ground the plane until the second crash.

Lurie notifying patients that employee illegally accessed medical information

BY ABDEL JIMENEZ

Lurie Children's Hospital is notifying some patients that their medical records were accessed by an employee who didn't have a business reason to view the files, the hospital said Thursday.

The hospital said it discovered the incident Nov. 15 and began an investigation.

The unnamed hospital worker had accessed some patient information without authorization between Sept. 10, 2018 and Sept. 22, 2019, the hospital said. Some of the information that was accessed included patients' names, addresses, dates of birth and medical

information like diagnosis, medications, appointments and procedures.

The hospital declined to say how many patients were affected.

The employee wasn't able to see full Social Security numbers, insurance information or financial account information, and the hospital said in a news release Thursday it has no reason to believe the worker misused or released patients' information.

The hospital said it fired the worker.

Lurie mailed a letter to affected patients Thursday. The hospital is recommending that patients review any statements they



ABEL URIBE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Lurie Children's Hospital is notifying some patients that their medical records were accessed by an unauthorized employee.

Lurie spokeswoman Julie Pesch said the hospital will provide more training in privacy issues, including how to appropriately handle patient medical records.

Pesch said only certain workers, such as doctors, nurses and the billing department, would have a business reason to view patient records.

Lurie set up a call center for individuals to ask questions. The number is 844-967-1238 and is available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Central Time.

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Coke has no plans to enter cannabis market

BY BRANDON KOCHKODIN AND DEENA SHANKER
Bloomberg

Coca-Cola Co. is dousing speculation that it's getting into the cannabis business.

Speculation surged after a video posted to YouTube — since deleted — by a user with the screen name "Gabor the Blind Guy" showed a Coca-Cola can with a

childproof lid. The man in the video says that his father is a head engineer for a company that "produces bottling and capping machines for many major pharmaceutical and food companies."

He then says that Coca-Cola is planning on debuting a new line of its classic drink in Canada that will feature CBD extract, the non-psychoactive ingredient in marijuana that treats pain but doesn't get

you high. "These rumors are untrue," Coca-Cola said in an emailed statement to Bloomberg News. "As we have stated many times, we have no plans to enter the CBD market."

A saved copy of the video was posted on Reddit Inc.'s WallStreetBets forum.

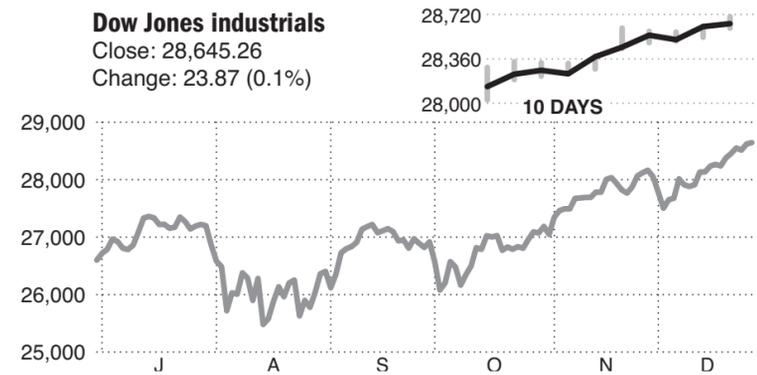
Coca-Cola said in 2018 that it was looking at the cannabis drinks market. The news fueled stock

gains for companies like Aurora Cannabis Inc. The Atlanta-based soft drinks maker was in talks with Canadian marijuana producer Aurora Cannabis to develop the beverages, according to a report at the time from BNN Bloomberg Television.

Aurora did not respond to inquiries from Bloomberg News on Thursday about a possible partnership with Coca-Cola.

MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 28,701.66 Low: 28,608.98 Previous: 28,621.39



Nasdaq	
Change	-15.77 (-.17%)
Close	9,006.62
High	9,052.00
Low	8,987.32
Previous	9,022.39

S&P 500	
Change	+11 (...%)
Close	3,240.02
High	3,247.93
Low	3,234.37
Previous	3,239.91

Russell 2000	
Change	-8.64 (-.51%)
Close	1,669.03
High	1,681.68
Low	1,666.43
Previous	1,677.67

10-yr T-note	Gold futures	Yen	Euro	Crude Oil
Change	+4.50	-0.25	-0.0067	+0.04
to 1.87%	to \$1,513.80	to 109.40/\$1	to .8940/\$1	to \$61.72

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
+67	+91	+58	+2.12	+3.94	+3.15	+24.21	+36.78	+30.34

FUTURES							
COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 20	549.75	561	549.25	556.25	+7.25
		May 20	552	563.25	552	558.50	+6.75
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Mar 20	388	391	388	390	+1.50
		May 20	394.75	397.50	394.50	396.75	+1.50
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Jan 20	937.25	941.50	928.75	929.50	-8.25
		Mar 20	945.75	950.50	938.50	941.50	-5
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Jan 20	34.36	34.89	34.36	34.73	+35
		Mar 20	34.64	35.18	34.64	35.04	+37
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Jan 20	299.50	300.20	295.30	295.40	-4.10
		Mar 20	303.90	304.80	300.10	300.40	-3.60
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl.- dollars per bbl.	Feb 20	61.73	61.97	61.24	61.72	+04
		Mar 20	61.51	61.76	61.06	61.53	+05
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Jan 20	2.272	2.286	2.138	2.210	-084
		Feb 20	2.273	2.275	2.167	2.231	-054
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Jan 20	1.7533	1.7657	1.7377	1.7473	-0064
		Feb 20	1.7536	1.7656	1.7372	1.7447	-0092

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	87.40	+12	Envestnet Inc	N	71.56	+30	McDonalds Corp	N	198.17	+1.11
AbbVie Inc	N	89.20	-63	Equity Commonwlt	N	32.61	+04	Middleby Corp	O	109.73	-99
Allstate Corp	N	111.87	+27	Equity Lifestyle Prop	N	69.51	+27	Mondelez Int'l	O	55.28	+43
Altargroup Inc	N	115.02	+20	Equity Residential	N	80.95	+36	Morningstar Inc	O	152.02	-30
Arch Dan Mid	N	46.30	+10	Exelon Corp	O	45.41	+09	Motorola Solutions	N	161.45	+07
Baxter Intl	N	84.05	-28	First Indl RT	N	41.32	+40	NISource Inc	N	27.29	-06
Boeing Co	N	330.14	+22	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	65.59	+10	Nthn Trust Cp	O	106.99	+42
Brunswick Corp	N	60.78	+08	Gallagher AJ	N	94.75	+20	Old Republic	N	22.21	-06
CBOE Global Markets	N	118.84	-21	Grainger WW	N	337.47	-1.44	Packaging Corp Am	N	111.77	-46
CDK Global Inc	O	54.71	-02	GrubHub Inc	N	49.06	...	Paylocity Hldg	O	121.70	+37
CDW Corp	O	143.96	-67	Ill-Rom Hldgs	N	113.39	+02	RLI Corp	N	89.71	+35
CF Industries	N	47.55	-91	IAA Inc	N	46.38	-41	Stericycle Inc	O	64.04	-35
CME Group	O	202.78	+1.43	IDEX Corp	N	172.62	-11	TransUnion	N	85.39	+16
CNA Financial	N	44.46	+16	ITW	N	181.13	-15	US Foods Holding	N	41.77	+17
Cabot Microelect	O	142.14	-2.21	Ingredion Inc	N	94.15	+65	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	253.17	+1.84
Caterpillar Inc	N	148.28	+06	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	173.25	-05	United Airlines Hldg	O	88.37	-89
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	34.18	+49	Kemper Corp	N	76.68	-25	Ventas Inc	N	57.83	+22
Deere Co	N	175.81	+1.01	Kraft Heinz Co	O	31.62	-01	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	59.02	+12
Discover Fin Svcs	N	84.95	-54	LKQ Corporation	O	35.87	-02	Wintrust Financial	O	70.77	-39
Dover Corp	N	115.47	-33	Littelfuse Inc	O	192.02	+27	Zebra Tech	O	256.00	+1.58

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE		
STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Chesapck Engy	.85	-09
Rite Aid Corp	20.30	+1.11
Gen Electric	11.18	-05
Ford Motor	9.36	-09
Bank of America	35.35	-17
Aurora Cannabis Inc	1.91	-09
McDermott Intl	1.49	+25
Uber Technologies	30.17	-50
Vale SA	13.22	-27
AT&T Inc	39.24	-08
Snap Inc A	16.03	+06
US Steel Corp	11.14	-29
Sthwstn Energy	2.27	-08
Energy Transfer LP	12.99	-15
Annaly Capital Mgmt	9.75	-02
Callon Petrol	4.71	-03
Transocean Ltd	6.57	-03
Freeport McMoran	13.03	-14
Alibaba Group Hldg	215.47	-91
EnCana Corp	4.61	-05
GameStop Corp	5.90	+50
Ambev S.A.	4.71	...
Citigroup	79.67	-16
Teva Pharm	9.96	-18

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization		
STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
AT&T Inc	39.24	+08
Alibaba Group Hldg	215.47	-91
Alphabet Inc C	1351.89	-851
Alphabet Inc A	1354.64	-7.83
Amazon.com Inc	1869.80	+1.03
Apple Inc	289.80	-11
Bank of America	35.35	-17
Berkshire Hath B	226.14	-31
Exxon Mobil Corp	69.89	-24
Facebook Inc	208.10	+31
HSBC Holdings pRA	26.71	+02
JPMorgan Chase	139.14	+10
Johnson & Johnson	145.75	-08
MasterCard Inc	300.74	+1.54
Microsoft Corp	158.96	+29
Procter & Gamble	126.09	+87
Taiwan Semicon	58.46	+21
Visa Inc	189.39	+23
WalMart Strs	119.59	+07

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets			
FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCpA m	33.70	-02	+28.0
American Funds AmrcnBaIA m	28.59	+03	+20.3
American Funds CptWldGrncA m	63.43	+12	+27.1
American Funds FdmtdInvSA m	62.29	+06	+29.8
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	51.43	-01	+29.1
American Funds IncAmrcA m	23.30	+05	+19.7
American Funds InvCamrcA m	39.72	...	+25.4
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	47.52	+12	+32.2
American Funds WAMtInvSA m	48.32	+02	+26.9
Dodge & Cox Inc	14.04	+01	+10.2
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	43.80	+14	+25.1
Dodge & Cox Stk	194.35	-24	+26.1
DoubleLine TtRtdBdl	10.68	+01	+6.4
Fidelity 500DxInsrPrrm	112.32	...	+32.8
Fidelity Contrafund	13.79	...	+31.8
Fidelity InvMGrdsBd	11.59	+01	+10.5
Fidelity TtRtdBdlStkPrrm	90.80	-05	+32.4
Fidelity USDBldxInsrPrrm	11.94	+01	+9.4
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.35	...	+16.3
Metropolitan West TtRtdBdl	10.95	+02	+9.6
PIMCO IncI2	12.04	...	+8.1
PIMCO IncInstl	12.04	...	+8.2
PIMCO TtRtdInsr	10.36	+02	+8.7
Schwab SP500Dx	49.52	...	+32.8
T. Rowe Price BCGR	125.42	+08	+32.1
T. Rowe Price GrStk	73.94	+08	+33.0
Vanguard 500DxAdmrl	298.94	+01	+32.8
Vanguard BalldxAdmrl	39.32	...	+22.9
Vanguard DivGrInv	30.66	+06	+26.3
Vanguard EqInAdmrl	79.67	+06	+32.5
Vanguard GrldxAdmrl	94.23	...	+39.9
Vanguard HCAmrl	88.21	-04	+25.2
Vanguard IntTtEAAdmrl	14.47	+01	+5.9
Vanguard InsldxInsr	291.01	+01	+32.8
Vanguard InsldxInsrPlus	291.02	+01	+32.8
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EDITORIALS

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Students need email skills

In the article "Teenagers don't use email — colleges do" (Dec. 25), Dawn Rhodes speaks with high school seniors who neglected to see important messages from top choice colleges and who missed financial aid announcements and scholarship deadlines. The article expresses sympathy for the ways in which this generation of students is used to texting for communication and suggests that perhaps colleges will have to get with the program.

I can tell a lot about my students by how they handle email. I've complimented students who send highly professional emails. It's rare, and it distinguishes them.

If there's one simple thing parents can do to help their college kid succeed, it's this: Help the student understand the necessity of email for school and work and how to craft appropriate messages. Also, online learning systems allow professors to post information about assignments and grades that generate emails to students. Students need to check their email to stay abreast of updates in their classes.

Parents should suggest their child use only his or her school email for contacting personnel at school. It's hard to take students seriously when they use personal email addresses that are silly.

Email can indeed feel overwhelming. But life is a process of discerning what's urgent, what's important and what can wait. Email is an opportunity to practice this life lesson.

A student should recognize when to send email and when not to. Many questions students email their professors are answered in the syllabus. I tell my students that email is to be used primarily to make appointments and for emergencies. With over 100 students every semester, I cannot be a 24-hour convenience store. If everything moved to texting, there would be no way to be an effective teacher.

When students send emails to professors, it is best to remember an email is a short letter. They should think about subject headings, salutations, grammar, spelling, signing off, etc.

Many emails require actionable items. Students need to be coached on regularly going through their emails, responding to necessary ones in a timely fashion, filing them appropriately for organizational ease and deleting others.

When students email me questions and I respond with what they need to do and I ask a question of them, I expect a reply.

A mature, respectful email from a student shows me the student learned good manners, that she or he has boundaries when the answer has to be no and that he or she closes the loop on any actionable item.

— *Deborah J. Cohan, associate professor of sociology, University of South Carolina Beaufort*

Endorphins are free and healthy

As marijuana becomes legal in Illinois on Jan. 1, I wonder why? I am now in my late 60s. Yes, I smoked it a few months in the service in the early '70s. Just another escape from the world I was in. Over the years, I evolved to getting my "high" off endorphins, a very powerful legal and natural drug. Having accomplished countless running and cycling events over the decades and receiving a wonderful high, I got addicted. Weight loss, happiness, success and actual appreciation for life and nature were side effects.

Still today, off-road trail riding on converted rails-to-trails is euphoric. No cars and plenty of beauty. Also, it's inexpensive and relaxing. Sadly, they are becoming rarely used, and I wonder why? I use the southwest trails in Wisconsin for my therapy to life's stress. The trails are also perfect for a less physical beating of my body when I jog, as it cushions each step more than pavement.

If marijuana becomes expensive or addictive or it creates other negative issues in your life, I may suggest trying endorphins. They're wonderful.

— *Richard Sager, Pecatonica, Illinois*

We need to prevent financial sinkhole

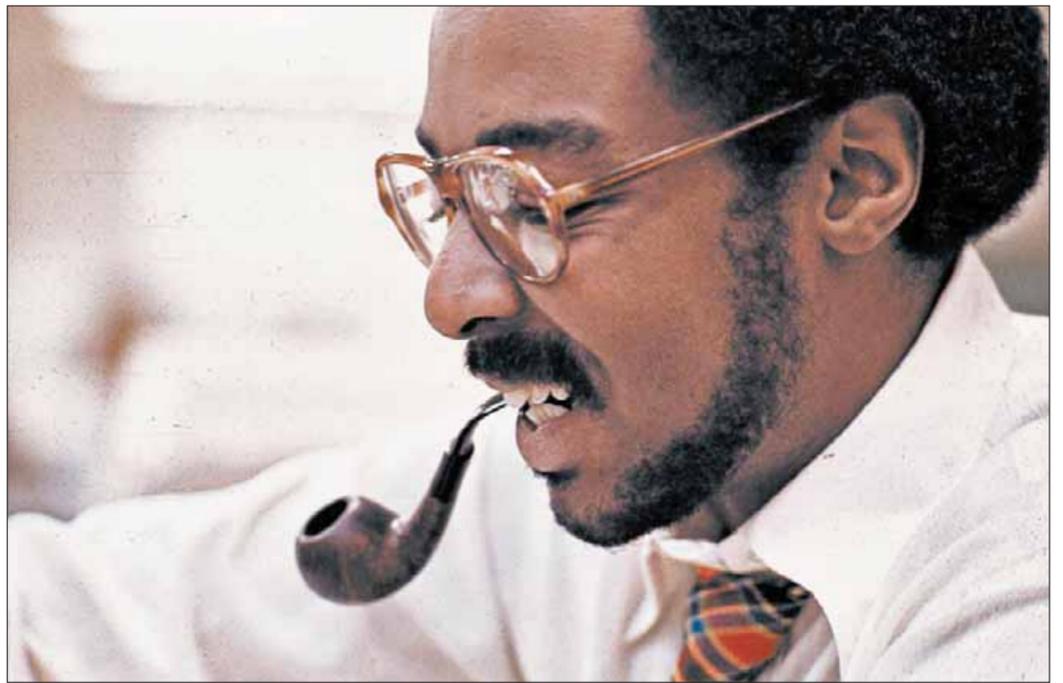
After reading Steve Chapman's column "Trump's tax cut was a mammoth fraud" (Dec. 22), some people will say, "But wait a second, look at the stock market." Chapman, however, is right on with his assessment. It is, as he says, "an extravagant mirage." Like a family living in a beautiful home, with several new cars, but dealing with overwhelming credit card debt, the fall is inevitable.

Did anyone envision that less than two years after this massive tax overhaul, with all its great promises, that President Donald Trump would be pleading with the Federal Reserve to keep cutting interest rates to keep the appearance of a strong economy? And as for the promises of this being a revenue producer, the tax bill has led to predictions of trillion-dollar deficits.

Yes, the stock market has continued to move higher. But there are estimates that 84% of stocks are owned by the wealthiest 10% of people. And like the family living beyond their means with credit card debt, when the sinkhole created by this tax bill grabs the nation, it will be very hard to dig us out.

Let's hope we can change the equation soon. We need to make crucial decisions, and the sooner we start turning things around, the better chance we'll have of avoiding bigger problems.

— *Ralph Yantiz, Park Ridge*



CHICAGO TRIBUNE ARCHIVE

Tribune columnist Clarence Page is seen in the newsroom at Tribune Tower.

50 years of Clarence Page at the Chicago Tribune

As a syndicated columnist for the Chicago Tribune, Clarence Page usually writes about other people. Today the Tribune Editorial Board is flipping the arrangement.

This year marks Page's 50th year at the Tribune, give or take a few years in the 1980s when he left for a television gig at CBS affiliate WBBM-TV. He returned as a columnist and member of the editorial board in 1984 and moved to the Washington, D.C., bureau in 1991. We're grateful he came back and stuck with us.

Few writers across the country approach politics, culture and race with the depth and scholarship that Page brings to each of his columns. Even fewer manage to tilt toward optimism while doing so. That's Page.

"He isn't a doomsday columnist. He is, 'We can do better, people.' It's refreshing," says his editor of more than 30 years, Marcia Lythcott, who retired from the Tribune in 2018. "If you walked into a room with him, you could never leave. He thought everyone deserves a voice, and he was willing to listen."

An Ohio native, Page joined the Tribune in 1969 after graduating from Ohio University. He covered neighborhood news before being promoted to assistant city editor.

"He had the glamorous job of being the weekend editor, and I had the glamorous job of being one of his young reporters," recalls Michael Tackett, former Washington, D.C., bureau chief for the Tribune, now deputy Washington bureau chief for The Associated Press. "I remember being at a crime scene giving him information and having him say, 'Stop right there, Tackett. You're on a two-way radio.'"

Competition was stiff. Page didn't want Tackett's reporting to get poached by eager ears at another

news desk. Page still brings that edge and sensibility to his columns.

"He has an intuitive feel for politics and where the country is," Tackett says. "He could be righteous when the moment required. He could be funny when the moment required. And he could be poignant when the moment required."

Page also became an early journalist-pundit on television before jour-

In 1972, Page was part of a Tribune team that won the Pulitzer Prize for a series on vote fraud. He won the prize again in 1989 for commentary, based on columns that explored presidential politics, black television culture, the legacy of Martin Luther King Jr. and the story of Tawana Brawley, a New York teenager accused of fabricating a crime of rape against her. In the packet sent to the Pulitzer Prize committee, then-Tribune editor Jim Squires described Page this way:

"Clarence Page is young enough to be a baby boomer, old enough to have been drafted, and adventurous enough to have left the newspaper business, temporarily, for a reporting and producing career in television. He likes jazz, big cities, his Midwest roots and the eccentricities of daily life that the news media tend to miss. He is the only Chicago Tribune staff member ever to have covered rock music and religion as a dual beat.

"All of this, plus his strong advocacy of individual liberties and rights, combine to give his twice-weekly syndicated column a fresh, provocative and warmly humorous style."

In an era of polarization, Page continues to write with clarity and calm.

"Even when readers disagree with Clarence, they respect him and enjoy sparring with him," says Bruce Dold, the Tribune's editor and publisher. "If you know him, you know why that's the case. He's one of the most gracious and likable people ever to inhabit a newsroom, and that comes through in his columns. While our national politics have become more hard-edged, Clarence has not."

Thanks for 50 years of it, Clarence. We owe you a cake. But first go write. You've got a deadline to meet.



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Pulitzer Prize-winner Clarence Page celebrates in the newsroom of the Chicago Tribune after it was announced he won the prize for commentary on March 30, 1989.

nalists morphed into pundits. A regular guest on "The McLaughlin Group" and Sunday morning talk shows, Page built a brand of congenial disagreement. His signature round glasses are matched by his smile, which he wears no matter the taut conversation. Page versus conservative commentator Pat Buchanan? Only one of them has mastered the congenial take down.

"He is always looking beyond ideology toward wisdom and a new way of looking at old problems," says Bob Woodson, founder and president of the conservative-leaning Woodson Center in Washington, D.C., and a longtime friend of Page's. "He changed my mind on a few things, and I changed his."



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JERRY HERMAN 1931-2019

Composer of classic musicals 'Mame,' 'Hello, Dolly!'

BY CHRIS JONES

Jerry Herman, the indisputable master of the simple, hummable and relentlessly optimistic show tune and the composer of many of Broadway's greatest scores, died Thursday, The Associated Press reported, after confirming his death in Miami on Friday morning.

According to the news service, Herman, 88, died of pulmonary complications in the home he shared with his partner, Terry Marler.

Herman composed many of Broadway's most distinguished and populist scores, including "Hello, Dolly!," "Mame" and "La Cage aux Folles." All three of those signature titles were in celebration of larger-than-life

characters who dared to throw off the chains of conformity and life live to its fullest.

Herman's most famous songs, including such numbers as "I Am What I Am," "Before the Parade Passes By" and "Tap Your Troubles Away," exuded individual affirmation. But in other songs, such as "I Won't Send Roses" and "If He Walked Into My Life," his music could be almost unbearably tender.

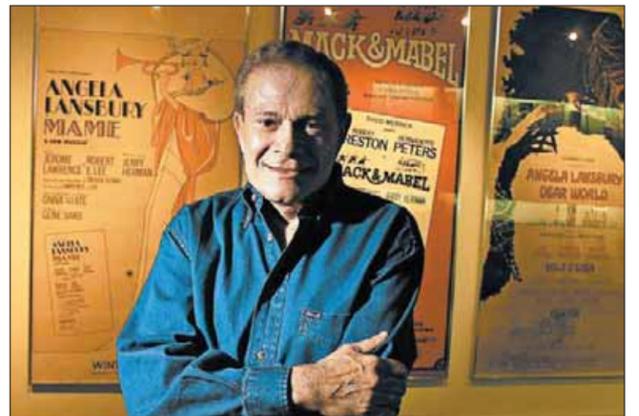
Herman's career, which began in the 1950s after he found his theatrical calling in the entertainment venues of the Catskill Mountains, was long enough for many of his songs to become pop standards. Louis Armstrong had a No. 1 hit with "Hello, Dolly!" and artists from Sammy Davis Jr. to Barbra Streisand recorded his

material. His shows have been in constant production on Broadway and in Chicago, where they remain staples of the city's musical houses. Many of his shows were turned into movies.

Herman sometimes found himself charged with a kind of naive optimism, as combined with the kind of sticky melodies that stick inside the listener's brain. He embraced this role, for the most part, celebrating his ability to offer a couple of hours of escape for audience members and send them out tapping their toes.

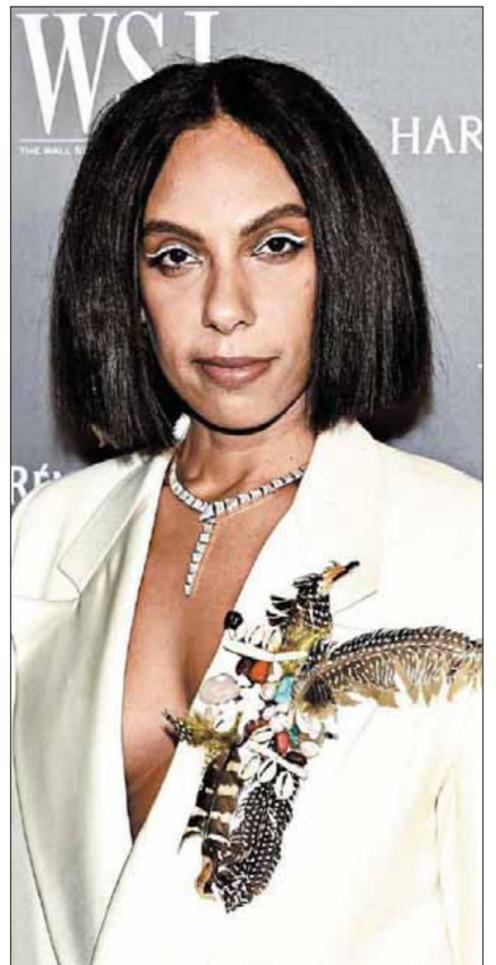
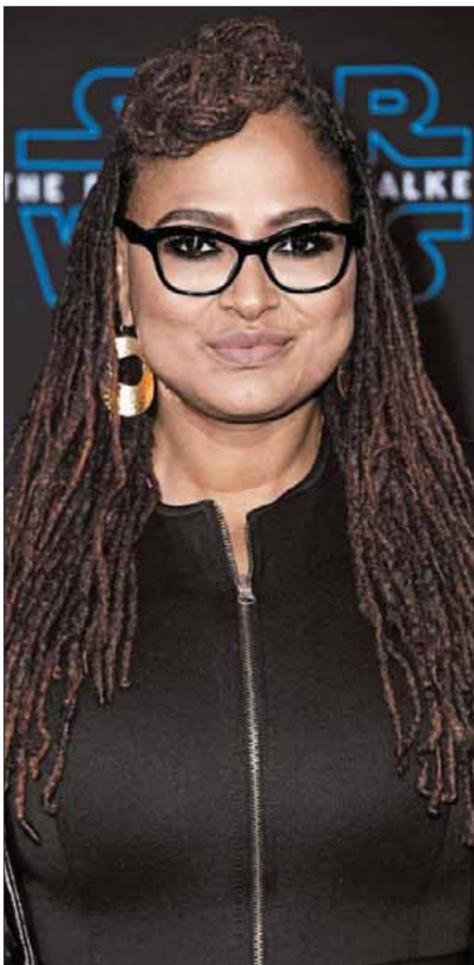
Herman was born in 1931, and often credited Frank Loesser ("Guys and Dolls") with persuading him to go into composing

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Broadway composer Jerry Herman wrote songs for a string of classics such as "Hello, Dolly!," "Mame" and "La Cage aux Folles." "To me," said Broadway composer Tom Kitt, "Jerry's songs are larger than life."



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From left, Ava DuVernay, Patty Jenkins and Melina Matsoukas are women we'd like to see directing a "Star Wars" feature film.

The force, by females

15 women who should direct a 'Star Wars' movie

BY VARIETY STAFF

It's not easy to sustain a beloved series over nine films and 43 years and many directors. But all the principally credited directors of the core "Star Wars" films, plus "Rogue One" and "Solo," have been men.

Enthusiasm for the franchise seems to be waning slightly, and "Rise of Skywalker" became the first of the sequel trilogy not to rate an A CinemaScore from filmgoers. Though it's unclear when we'll see the next "Star Wars" feature film, there's no doubt the saga could use a major shot of creative vision — so why not hire a woman the next time around?

Here are 15 directors — some obvious and some less so — who could put a distinct stamp on the series.

Jane Campion

The first female Palme d'Or winner, for "The Piano," New Zealand-born Campion has been blazing a trail for women directors since her debut feature "Sweetie" blew away viewers with its raw emotion and surreal touches. As creator and director of mystery-drama series "Top of the Lake," she worked on

a larger canvas, showing she could bring her depth of experience and grasp of human nature to the characters and creatures of "Star Wars." — *Pat Saperstein*

Susanne Bier

Though Bier's Netflix movie "Bird Box" may not have been entirely successful, it nonetheless struck an effective apocalyptic tone. But the seasoned Danish director's tightly propulsive limited series "Night Manager" led some to name Bier as a potential James Bond director. Her family history, as a child of parents who fled anti-Semitism in Denmark during World War II, and themes of refugees and war in films like "In a Better World" and "Brothers" could help infuse seriously topical threads into the galaxy, particularly if she directed a film based on the "Star Wars: Battlefront" video game series. — *PS*

Deborah Chow

With two episodes of "The Mandalorian" as well as turns on Disney Plus' untitled Obi-Wan Kenobi series, Chow already knows the "Star Wars" ropes. Her feature directorial debut, "The High Cost of Living," earned praise for its emotional depth and character revelations, so she should be able to deliver the heart "Star Wars" is known for. — *Erin Nyren*

Ava DuVernay

Last year, DuVernay tweeted that "Star Wars" was "not for me." But she

did help J.J. Abrams with a key scene in "The Force Awakens" as well as recommending Victoria Mahoney as second unit director on "The Rise of Skywalker." DuVernay wrote on Instagram, "Happy to share this historic news. A black woman directing stories in a galaxy far, far away. First unit director J.J. Abrams. Second unit director Victoria Mahoney." DuVernay's "A Wrinkle in Time" wasn't a critical success, though it became the first movie directed by a black woman to make more than \$100 million at the box office. And the intense limited series "When They See Us" garnered 11 Emmy nominations. Never say never! — *PS*

Patty Jenkins

After directing "Wonder Woman," not much justification is required to show why Jenkins could do a great job with a different blockbuster franchise. But it's not just how she shepherded the big-budget superhero movie and the upcoming sequel "Wonder Woman 1984" — her Emmy-nominated pilot for "The Killing," serial killer series "I Am the Night" and her first feature, "Monster," all bring elements of mystery and menace that would be a gripping addition to the "Star Wars" series universe. — *PS*

Nicole Kassell

Kassell directed the visually striking pilot of HBO's hit "Watchmen" along with two other episodes, proving she has the chops to handle valuable IP and a mixture of tones. Her work on

"The Killing" and "The Americans" further proves she could bring a stylish sensibility to "Star Wars." — *EN*

Jennifer Kent

The Australian director turned her award-winning short "Monster" into the spooky "The Babadook," which became an instant horror favorite for its distinctly expressionistic look and psychological slant. She was considered for "Wonder Woman," though the job went to Patty Jenkins. Though the next two projects she's considering revolve around murder, it would be fascinating to see her bring her strong visual horror sensibility to the "Star Wars" saga in the future. — *PS*

Karyn Kusama

It was recently pointed out that despite the number of female "Star Wars" characters (not to mention female "Star Wars" fans), most of the films' dialogue is still spoken by men. But with Kusama at the helm, no more. The "feminist, unapologetically" filmmaker has said she has an interest in ambiguous and difficult characters, which could give the "Star Wars" canon the shot in the arm it needs. — *EN*

Kasi Lemmons

After directing the acclaimed indie film "Eve's Bayou," Lemmons branched out into television, including helping an episode of Marvel's "Luke

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TV REVIEW

‘You’ hasn’t evolved much, so it might be time to break it off

BY HANK STUEVER
The Washington Post

Netflix’s “You” is back for more obsession, deception and bad-boyfriend violence — one-stop shopping for all your triggering needs. Or perhaps it premiered on the day after Christmas to act as an antidote to all that holiday Hallmark-malarkey that viewers have gorged on for the past month or two. It’s a cleanse, only with poison.

The new season is a lukewarm extension of the first — redundant and not as engrossing as it used to be. Penn Badgley returns as Joe, the stalker-murderer bookstore manager with sad eyes and a ceaselessly cynical interior monologue. Is he adorable or creepy? Is he handsome or heinous? Are his impulses merely a reflection of the cruelty of those around him? Is he the man of your dreams or the guy who uses a meat-grinder to get rid of his latest victim?

Can he be all of these? That’s how “You” wants it. Faced with an inconvenient body count in Season 1 that included his unlucky girlfriend Guinevere Beck (Elizabeth Lail), and startled by the sudden reappearance of his shoulda-been-dead ex-girlfriend Candace (Ambyr Childers), Joe has fled New York to hide in the most unsavory place he can think of: Los Angeles.

There, amid the fakers, Instagram influencers and an unsettling Chris D’Elia cameo, Joe’s voice-overs bring us up to date on his new life and identity as Will Bettelheim. In short order, Will accumulates many of the trappings he had as Joe: a bachelor apartment that comes with a smart, meddling teenage girl (Jenna Ortega) who lives downstairs; a job managing the books section of a high-end natural



Penn Badgley, who played Joe in Season 1 of Netflix’s “You,” gives a less inspired performance in Season 2.

food emporium.

And although he has sworn off love (“Love, this is why you’re not for me,” he reminds himself), Will immediately grows infatuated with a co-worker (Victoria Pedretti), whose name, in fact, is Love.

Her name is Love? Yes. It’s part of “You’s” campier nature to be a little too on-the-nose, including its metric ton of obvious references to L.A.’s foodie scene, landmarks and the works of Joan Didion.

Although Joe/Will tries to narrate his growing attraction to Love as a cute coincidence — a second chance at redemptive romance — viewers will already be one step ahead of him. (If not, be warned there are some teensy-weensy spoilers ahead.) The relationship, we are not surprised to discover, has been reverse-engineered by Joe/Will’s sick compulsion. He’s even rented an extra-large storage unit to install another one of his nifty, thick-plexiglass prison cells, just like he had back in New York, to house those who impede his happiness.

As with dopey Guinevere (Lail) makes a few obligatory appearances as her ghost), dopey Love is too self-centered to notice that her sensitive, tousle-haired boyfriend is too good to be true. She has

her own problems: a dead husband, a bevy of judgmental friends (aka potential murder victims) and a codependent relationship with her petulant and emotionally needy twin brother (James Scully). All of which ought to be enough to encourage Joe/Will to find a less complicated woman to stalk.

About three episodes in, the viewers, too, should start asking themselves whether they’re getting as much out of this relationship as they’re putting in. While we do learn a little more about why Joe/Will is the way he is (lots of flashbacks to his unhappy childhood and big-time Mommy-abandonment issues), the tangential scrapes and schemes he experiences as the puppet master (including his dog-good impulse to help catch a sexual predator) start to wear thin, almost comically so.

Badgley, who gave a fine and even complex performance in Season 1, is less inspired on this go-round, and his co-stars seem to have been told they’re starring in a satire of the original show. In fact, that may be the best, twistiest way to end “You” — with everyone laughing at the big prank they’ve cleverly pulled on Joe, or Will, or whatever he’s called.



ASK AMY

BY AMY DICKINSON

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Bereaved woman worries about mom

Dear Amy: I am getting married in a little over a year and will be moving out of my mom’s home. I’m scared to move out, however, because then my mom will be all alone. Dad died of cancer two years ago, and my sister is getting ready to go to college, away from our hometown.

I’m afraid my mom will be lonely or become depressed in our absence. It makes me hesitate to make decisions for my future home or even my wedding because I don’t want to think about how it might affect my mom in the future.

How do I deal with this guilt I’m feeling, and the feeling that I’m leaving my mother all alone? course, I intend to spend as much time with her as I can, even when I’m starting my own life. I just don’t know how to not feel guilty about it.

— *Distraught Daughter*

Dear Distraught: Guilt is a tricky and sticky emotion. People who have experienced grave losses, like you have, often bear grief — as intertwined and intractable feelings.

Young and healthy survivors sometimes feel guilty, simply because they are still here, while their loved one is gone.

I’m suggesting that you find ways to examine your guilt more fully, to try to discern where its roots are (a therapist or grief counselor would help).

You don’t say much about your mother’s response to your father’s death. No doubt she has relied on you and your sister for comfort and company, but most parents accept that a child’s job is

to eventually leave home, while the parent’s job is to let them. Yes, your mother is facing another transition. She might feel sad and lonely. You must trust that she can find ways to manage her feelings, just as you will find ways to tolerate and manage your own. Your duty is to live your own life, freely and fully.

Talk to her. She may have ideas for her own future that she hasn’t yet shared with you. If it appeals to her, co-housing with a friend (or another amiable adult) might be a positive short-term plan. Understand that even if your mother is conflicted (she will surely miss you), your decision to marry is an optimistic and beautiful bid on your future.

Dear Amy: I am a woman working for a corporation. I have a male co-worker at a similar professional level who asks me questions about his/our work on a daily basis. None of my other co-workers ask me as many questions as he does.

Sometimes these questions have a simple answer, like confirming deadlines, and I give him the benefit of the doubt and provide the answer when I know it.

More frequently the questions are, “How do I ...?” I feel like these should be directed to a supervisor, since my job responsibilities do not include training other employees. My response is usually to grudgingly help if I have the time, or an “I don’t know, sorry” if I don’t know or don’t feel like answering.

I’m torn between being a team player and being a tattletale. While I don’t mind helping out when I can, I honestly feel his

questions are directed to me too frequently. Sometimes he finds the answer himself only a few minutes after sending me the question, which makes me feel like I’m his first option and that he doesn’t care if he wastes my time.

Should I pretend I don’t know the answers and hope this discourages him, while keeping the peace, or do I need to be assertive and tell him he should be asking our boss instead?

— *Not Your Google*

Dear Not Your Google: You should speak to your colleague. Tell him, “I’m happy to help you out from time to time, but you should try your hardest to find the answer on your own before asking me. If you feel you need more training, I assume our supervisor would help.”

In terms of your temptation to tattle, “Charles bugs me by asking too many work-related questions” might backfire.

Dear Amy: “Rich Uncle” noted that he has a very small, distant family, and that none of his family members seem interested in having a relationship with him. Thank you for suggesting that he plan for his own future, including spending down some of his wealth during his lifetime to causes and organizations he supports.

— *Fiscally Sound*

Dear Sound: “Rich Uncle” cannot take his wealth with him.

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ANALYSIS

Pop culture debuts of the decade

BY TRAVIS M. ANDREWS
The Washington Post

From the rise of the #MeToo movement to the dominance of streaming services to the power of the Marvel Cinematic Universe, the biggest pop culture stories from the 2010s will probably affect the cultural landscape for many years to come. So rather than look at the most singular moments from the last 10 years, we picked the most impactful debuts of the decade (with a flexible definition of what constitutes a “debut,” and in no particular order).

“Game of Thrones”: For a series — particularly one involving dragons, magic and incest — to capture up to 20 million viewers per episode in today’s media landscape seems nearly impossible. Sure, the finale left many of those viewers disappointed, but they watched, and that’s what counts. We’ll probably never have another “consensus” show, but you can bet your bottom dollar that medieval fantasy-tinged stories will be ever-present during this coming decade as everyone attempts to capture lightning in a bottle a second time.

The “living album”: That’s a cute phrase given to the idea that, with streaming services, an artist can change an album even after it’s available to the public. The concept entered the mainstream when Kanye West premiered “The Life of Pablo” in 2016, only to release a slightly different version a few days later. Kanye’s real-time, public fiddling with his record — later adopted by artists like Drake — showcased one of the many ways streaming has altered traditional ways of doing business. Some artists, such as Future and Migos, now release overlong albums in hopes of

racking up streams, while others such as Pusha T and Nas released shorter ones to promote replays.

Netflix original content: In 2013, Netflix released every episode of “House of Cards,” “Orange Is the New Black” and “Hemlock Grove,” three original productions, all at once. These shows hit the industry like an atomic bomb, permanently changing the way we consume television. Suddenly, waiting for a new episode each week seemed antiquated. TV was now meant to be consumed in eight- or 10-hour blocks, and the way shows were structured was altered to reflect that. Then, with the ashes of traditional TV in its wake, Netflix turned its attentions to disrupting the movie industry. The result? The resurgence of the rom-com with movies such as “Set It Up” and “To All the Boys I’ve Loved Before,” along with a streaming service entering awards conversation for the first time after funding famed directors’ passion projects — such as “Roma” by Alfonso Cuarón and “The Irishman” by Martin Scorsese — that studios wouldn’t take a financial risk on.

The “new” Beyoncé: Beyoncé didn’t need to change a thing — not she of Destiny’s Child and Top 10-charting hits fame (“Halo,” “Irreplaceable,” “Single Ladies,” etc.). The pop star had already won the game by 2013, so she decided to change the rules and create a new one. She surprised released her self-titled album that year, and did the same three years later with “Lemonade,” which included an album-length music video. The marketing of these albums was novel, but the content itself showed a new Beyoncé: angry, sad, loving, happy, horny. In other words, human. She risked losing



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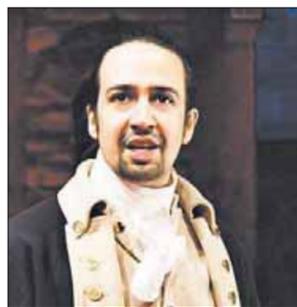
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At the top of her game, Beyoncé changed things up, and it paid off.

the culture entirely; instead, she ended up dominating it.

Accountability in Hollywood: It feels odd to include something so serious on what, in the grand scheme of things, is a list of frivolous things. But behind the curtain, the industry creating these frivolous things was beset by terrifying misogyny, power imbalance and a number of monsters who used their positions to remain secret. The #MeToo and Time’s Up movements, which rose to prominence following the exposure of Harvey Weinstein’s alleged history of sexual abuse and assault, quickly spread from Hollywood to nearly every field, including law, politics and academia — making it one of the largest and most important movements of the young century.

The first “Avengers” movie: The first inking that superhero movies would dominate the box office along with our collective consciousness appeared in 2008,



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Lin-Manuel Miranda became a household name after “Hamilton.”

the year of “Iron Man” and “The Dark Knight.” Both hits, they proved superheroes could be big business. But 2012’s “The Avengers,” which brought several characters together in one movie, arguably altered the industry by taking major cues from television. Marvel made movies episodic and intertwined in a way that never before existed. Each installment in the MCU isn’t merely a sequel or a prequel but part of a larger jigsaw puzzle, the piecing-together of which requires a fan to watch every single movie — and even stick around for the credits.

The debut of the Ryan Coogler blockbuster: The young director burst onto the scene with his gut-wrenching 2013 debut “Fruitvale Station,” which tells the true story of Oscar Grant III, a 22-year-old black man who was fatally shot by police on New Year’s Day 2009. Coogler found a muse in Michael B. Jordan, who portrayed Grant, and astonished everyone by tackling existing

intellectual property in a deeply personal way. He rebooted the “Rocky” franchise with 2015’s “Creed” and tackled the MCU’s “Black Panther” in 2018, imbuing these enormous franchises with personal, deeply felt stories about racial strife and inequality in America.

Mainstream America and K-pop: K-pop is not new. That is beyond important to note. The genre — it’s an abbreviation for Korean pop — dates to at least the early 1990s and has been popular throughout much of the world since the early aughts. But the genre reached new heights this past decade when the United States truly took notice thanks to a group named BTS. The hyper-popular boy band appeared on “Saturday Night Live,” performed at the Billboard Music Awards (where a record-high three K-pop bands were nominated) and worked with American artists such as Nicki Minaj, Halsey and Desiigner.

“Hamilton”: The hip-hop history musical debuted in 2015 and almost immediately made its creator, Lin-Manuel Miranda, a household name. (When’s the last time a Broadway star became a pop culture figure?) The show so enraptured the country that its tickets became the most expensive in theater history. The soundtrack broke records, hitting 150 weeks in the Billboard Top 40 last year and peaking on the rap charts. And the show earned the admiration of then-President Barack Obama, who invited the cast to the White House.

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Buster Moon

"Sing" (5:10 p.m., Disney): A stellar voice cast headed by Matthew McConaughey, Reese Witherspoon, Seth MacFarlane and Scarlett Johansson sparkles in this infectiously entertaining 2016 CGI-animated family film, about an assortment of animals who gather at a koala's theater for a singing competition. Jennifer Hudson and Peter Serafinowicz also lend their vocal talents to the movie.

"Goodyear Cotton Bowl Classic" (11 a.m., ESPN): Although the College Football Playoff semifinals take place later today, the Cotton Bowl Classic kicks off a big day on the college gridiron when Sean Clifford the Penn State Nittany Lions (10-2) face the Memphis Tigers (12-1). The Cotton Bowl remains one of the "New Year's Six" renowned bowl games. Penn State is ranked No. 10 and comes out of the Big Ten, while the Tigers, ranked No. 17, are the American Athletic Conference champions.

"Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl" (3 p.m., 2 a.m., ESPN): The College Football Playoff Semifinals get under way with the Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl in Atlanta when Joe Burrow and the top-ranked LSU Tigers (13-0) take on Jalen Hurts and the Oklahoma Sooners (12-1), ranked No. 4. The No. 3 Clemson Tigers (13-0), champs of the ACC, and No. 2 Ohio State Buckeyes (13-0) from the Big Ten meet later in the Fiesta Bowl in Glendale, Ariz.

"Pokémon Detective Pikachu" (7 p.m., HBO): Ryan Reynolds provides the voice and facial-motion performance as the animated title character in Rob Letterman's mostly delightful 2019 mystery fantasy in which Tim Goodman (Justice Smith), a former Pokémon trainer, teams up with the gifted Detective Pikachu to discern the whereabouts of Tim's missing father, also a veteran detective. There's just one problem: Pikachu is dealing with temporary amnesia.

"Deadly Hollywood Obsession" (7 p.m., 11:01 p.m., Lifetime): After she saves 10-year-old Jack (Brady Bond) from kidnapers, Casey Wright (Sarah Roemer) is hired by the boy's celebrity father, Sam Austin (Jon Prescott), to work as Jack's home-school teacher in this 2019 melodrama. It's not long before Casey finds herself swept up in Sam's glamorous lifestyle, but as things start to heat up between the two grown-ups, Casey is targeted by one of Sam's obsessed stalkers.

"Brightburn" (7 p.m., 3:35 a.m., Starz): When an alien spacecraft crashes on Earth, carrying what appears to be a human infant, Tori Breyer (Elizabeth Banks) and her husband, Kyle (David Denman), think the universe has provided them with a solution to their fertility problems. As he grows, the boy, whom they name Brandon (Jackson A. Dunn), seems bright and precocious. When he hits puberty, however, Tori notices what seems to be a darkness growing within her child.

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SATURDAY EVENING, DEC. 28

	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	NCIS: Los Angeles: "The One That Got Away."	S.W.A.T.: "Lion's Den."	The Faces of Family Separation (N) ©	News (N) ♦			
	NBC 5	Dateline NBC: "Finding Venus."		Saturday Night Live ©	NBC 5 News at 10pm (N)			
	ABC 7	Live in Front of a Studio Audience: All in the Family and Good Times ©		The Conners ©	20/20: "Wonder Boy."	News at 10pm (N) ♦		
	WGN 9	Friends © (Part 1 of 2)	Friends © (Part 2 of 2)	Friends ©	Friends ©	WGN Weekend News at Nine (N) (Live) ©	Larry Potash	
	Antenna 9.2	B. Miller	B. Miller	Soap ©	Soap ©	Johnny Carson ©		
	Court 9.3	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Crimes	Crimes	
	PBS 11	Father Brown: "The Blood of the Anarchists."		Father Brown: "The Skylark Scandal."		Shakespeare and Hathaway -- Private	Victoria-Master ♦	
	CW 26.1	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	Burgers	Burgers	
	The U 26.2	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cheaters ©		Forensic Factor	Cops ©	
	MeTV 26.3	Svengoolie: "The Beast from 20,000 Fathoms."	(N) ©			Star Trek ©	B. Rogers ♦	
	H&I 26.4	The District: "Vigilante."		The District ©		The District ©	Hill Street ♦	
	Bounce 26.5	♦ (5) Love & Basketball		Baggage Claim (PG-13,13)	♦ Paula Patton. ©		Cookout ♦	
	FOX 32	9-1-1: "Rage."		The Resident: "From the Ashes."		Fox 32 News (N)	Bears Unleashed	24 Hours-Hell ♦
	Ion 38	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	Law-SVU ♦	
	TeleM 44	♦ Despicbl 2	The Magnificent Seven (PG-13,16)	♦ Denzel Washington. ©			Noticiero	
	MNT 50	Dateline ©		Dateline ©		Dateline ©	Whacked (N)	
	UniMas 60	♦ (6) The Three Stooges		The Dukes of Hazzard (NR,05)	♦♦ Johnny Knoxville.		Joy ♦♦♦	
	WJYS 62	Paid Prog. Moses		Bishop	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	
	Univ 66	Latin Grammy Awards					Noticias 66	
CABLE	AE	Live PD: Rewind ©		Live PD: "Live PD -- 12.14.18."	♦			
	AMC	Taken (PG-13,08) ♦♦♦ Liam Neeson. © (SAP)		Star Trek (PG-13,09) ♦♦♦ Chris Pine. ♦				
	ANIM	Serengeti: "Invasion."		Serengeti: "Misfortune."		Serengeti: "Exodus."	Serengeti ♦	
	BBCA	Doctor Who ©		(8:05) Doctor Who ©		(9:10) Doctor Who ©	Dr. Who ♦	
	BET	Sleepless (R,17) ♦♦ Jamie Foxx, Michelle Monaghan. ©				New Jack City (91) ♦♦♦		
	BIGTEN	Women's College Basketball (N)				B1G Show	B1G Show	B1G Show
	BRAVO	(7:06) Friday (R,95) ♦♦♦ Ice Cube, Chris Tucker. ©				(9:14) Friday (R,95) ♦♦♦ Ice Cube. ♦		
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	Chic.Best	S.E.E. Chi	News ♦
	CNN	CNN Special Report ©		The Eighties: "Raised on Television."	©			Eighties ♦
	COM	♦ (5:15) The Internship ♦♦		21 Jump Street (R,12) ♦♦♦ Jonah Hill, Channing Tatum. ©				
	DISC	Deadliest Catch ©		Deadliest Catch: "Winter Collision Course."	(N) ©			
	DISN	Big City	Big City	Big City	Big City	Gabby	Gabby	Raven
	E!	♦ (5:30) Knocked Up ♦♦♦		Fifty Shades of Grey (R,15) ♦♦ Dakota Johnson, Jamie Dornan. ©				
	ESPN	PlayStation Fiesta Bowl: Clemson vs Ohio State. (N) (Live) ♦						
	ESPN2	College Football Playoff Bowl Simulcast (N) (Live) ♦						
	FNC	Watters' World (N) ©		Justice With Jeanine (N)		Greg Gutfeld (N)		Watters ♦
	FOOD	Kids Baking		Kids Baking		Kids Baking		Baking (N) ♦
	FREE	♦ Iron Man © (7:45) Captain America: The Winter Soldier (PG-13,14) ♦♦♦ Chris Evans. ©						
	FX	Transformers: The Last Knight (PG-13,17) ♦♦ Mark Wahlberg, Anthony Hopkins. ©						
	HALL	Christmas in Rome (NR,19) Sam Page, Lacey Chabert. ©						Christmas Getaway (17) ♦
	HGTV	Rock the Block (N) ©		Rock the Block (N) ©		Rock the Block (N) ©		Rock (N) ♦
	HIST	Ancient Aliens: Declassified: "Secrets of UFO Phenomena."	(N) ©					
	HLN	Vengeance: Killer Lovers		Vengeance: Killer Lovers		Vengeance: Killer Lovers		Forensic
	IFC	Tommy Boy (PG-13,95) ♦♦ Chris Farley. ©				(9:15) Tommy Boy (PG-13,95) ♦♦		
	LIFE	Deadly Hollywood Obsession (NR,19) ©				(9:03) Killer Contractor (NR,19) ©		
	MSNBC	All in With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show		American Swamp ©		American ♦
	MTV	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.
	NBCSCH	NBA Basketball: Atlanta Hawks at Chicago Bulls. (N) (Live) ©				Postgame		Bulls (N)
	NICK	Ice Age: Continental Drift (PG,12) ♦♦ ©				Musical	Friends ©	Friends ©
	OVATION	♦ XXX: State of the Union		Contact (PG,97) ♦♦♦ Jodie Foster, Matthew McConaughey. ♦				
	OWN	Ready to Love		Ready to Love		Ready to Love		Ready ♦
	OXY	Snapped ©		Snapped ©		Snapped ©		Snapped ♦
PARMT	♦ (6:30) The Italian Job (PG-13,03) ♦♦♦ ©				Bellator MMA Live (N) (Live) ©			
SVFY	♦ Guardians	Doctor Strange (PG-13,16) ♦♦♦ Benedict Cumberbatch. ©					Futurama ♦	
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Full Frontal	
TCM	Claudine (PG,74) ♦♦ Diahann Carroll. ©				The Split (R,68) ♦ Jim Brown. ©			
TLC	90 Day Fiancé: "Colt & Larissa: Our Continuing Journey."	(N)					90 Day ♦	
TLN	Exalted	Pacific Garden Mission	In Grace		Humanitarian		Pure Pas	
TNT	The Hobbit: An Unexpected Journey (PG-13,12) ♦♦ Ian McKellen, Martin Freeman. ©							
TOON	Steven (N)	Steven Univ.	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	Family Guy	Dr. Stone	
TRAV	Destination Fear ©		Destination Fear ©		Destination Fear (N) ©		Feels Evil	
TVL	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	
USA	♦ Harry Potter-Chamber		(7:46) Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban				Mod Fam ♦	
VH1	♦ Love Don't Cost a Thing		Drumline (PG-13,02) ♦♦♦ Nick Cannon, Zoe Saldana. ©					
WE	Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds: "L.D.S.K."		Criminal ♦	
WGN America	♦ (6) Full Metal Jacket (R,87) ♦♦♦ ©		Full Metal Jacket (R,87) ♦♦♦ Matthew Modine. ©					
PREMIUM	HBO	Pokémon Detective Pikachu (19) ♦♦		(8:45) His Dark Materials		(9:45) Cold Pursuit ♦♦♦		
	HBO2	Crazy, Stupid, Love. (PG-13,11) ♦♦♦ Steve Carell.				Bohemian Rhapsody (PG-13,18) ♦♦♦		
	MAX	Enemy of the State (R,98) ♦♦♦ Will Smith. ©				(9:15) Rampage (PG-13,18) ♦♦ ©		
	SHO	Shameless: "Citizen Carl."		Boxing: Gervonta Davis vs. Yuriorkis Gamboa. (N) (Live) ©				
	STARZ	Brightburn (R,19) ♦♦ Elizabeth Banks.		(8:33) Dublin Murders		(9:35) Miss Bala (19) ♦♦		
STZNC	(7:02) Hoosiers (PG,86) ♦♦♦ Gene Hackman.				Spartacus: Vengeance		Sicario ♦	

Women

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Cage." In 2019 she gained attention for "Harriet," a character-driven action story — just what audiences hope for from a satisfying "Star Wars" installment. — PS

Victoria Mahoney

Mahoney is among the best qualified to direct a "Star Wars" movie, considering she was second unit director on "The Rise of Skywalker." She's also shepherded episodes of "You," "I Am the Night" and "American Crime Story," plus many more. — EN

Melina Matsoukas

The woman responsible for the music video

for Beyoncé's "Formation" and the Jay-Z/Queen Bey collab "Run" has proven she can handle big-name talent and many moving parts. Matsoukas has also directed episodes of HBO's "Insecure" and made her feature directorial debut with "Queen & Slim," showing her skill with comedic elements and emotional drama as well. — EN

Floria Sigismondi

The Italian-Canadian director is best known for her work in music video direction, but she also helmed "The Runaways," with Dakota Fanning and Kristen Stewart, and has directed episodes of "American Gods" and "The Handmaid's Tale." Her experience on those gritty series might well lead to a "Joker"-style take on "Star Wars" — though preferably with less controversy. — EN

Kari Skogland

Though primarily a TV director in recent years, Skogland's resume is strong when it comes to genre-related material, from her Emmy-nominated turn on "Handmaid's Tale" to her work on "Vikings" and "The Walking Dead." She's also helming the upcoming "The Falcon and the Winter Soldier" series for Marvel, so she's clearly familiar with the challenges of directing properties built on complex interconnected mythologies. — EN

Lilly Wachowski and Lana Wachowski

The "Matrix" siblings' gift for world-building arguable rivals George Lucas', and their sensibility would shake up the weirdly straight/square galaxy of "Star Wars." — Peter De-bruge

Herman

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Broadway musicals. Early work included "Dear World" (1969), "Mack and Mabel" (1974) and "The Grand Tour" (1979).

All of his work was especially important to gay men: "I Am What I Am," an invitation to fling open one's closet door and be out, proud and happy, was widely seen as one of the most important show tunes ever written for gay rights. "To me," said Broadway composer Tom Kitt, "Jerry's songs are larger than life. His sophisticated melodies instantly feel timeless, and his characters speak to our humanity through their big beautiful emotions, intelligence, wit and charm. He will be greatly missed, but how lucky we are to have his brilliant body of work that will continue to enthrall us, and lead the way for present and future songwriters." "Jerry's music made me

want to dance," said Broadway director and choreographer Jerry Mitchell. "When we got to work together on 'La Cage,' he taught me how to end a number. Watching him play his tunes in rehearsal was like watching someone breathe. His music was his life and it's here forever. He

was the joy and optimism in every word and note." Herman received seven Tony Awards, including, in 2009, a special Tony for lifetime achievement.

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PG-13 Parents Strongly Cautioned Some material may be inappropriate for children under 13

R-Restricted Persons under 17 not admitted unless accompanied by parent or adult guardian

NC-17 No children under 17 admitted

Horoscopes



Today's birthday (Dec. 28): Plan for the future you want this year. Realize dreams with focus and determination. Win a prize this winter before a collaborative barrier redirects your focus. Quietly review and strengthen your project's integrity next summer, motivating flowering romantic Solstice enthusiasm and partnership.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. Career opportunities multiply with Mercury in Capricorn. Discuss ambitions with family. Speak with influential people over the next three weeks. Communication benefits your career.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Enter a three-week expansion phase with Mercury in Capricorn. Travel, research and education flourish. Broaden your horizons through study and exploration. Write down your findings.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 9. Get down to the practical work. Learn economics, hands-on, over the next three weeks. Financial discussions flow more easily with Mercury in Capricorn.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 8. Discuss shared commitments. Talk about what you love with your partner. Collaborate on solutions with Mercury in Capricorn.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 9. With Mercury in Capricorn, your work and health get energized in conversation. Get coaching from experts to raise the level of your performance.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 7. Creativity flows freely. Discuss passions and dreams. With Mercury in Capricorn, it's easier to find the words to express feelings, emotions and affection.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Express creativity through domestic arts and beautification projects. Talk about your dream home with Mercury in Capricorn.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Write and share your stories. Creative inspiration is ignited with Mercury in Capricorn. Learn voraciously. Communication channels are wide open.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. Communication gets lucrative. Discuss marketing campaigns, sales strategies and finances over the next three weeks with Mercury in Capricorn.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 9. You're especially brilliant. Begin a three-week intellectual phase with Mercury in your sign. Discuss personal growth and development.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 7. Creative contemplation and planning flowers with Mercury in Capricorn. Dreams could seem prophetic. Introspection and meditation reveal brilliant ideas. Enjoy private rituals in order to recharge.

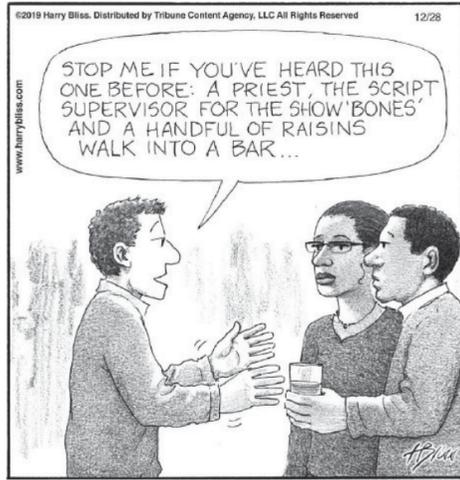
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 9. Work together and get farther, faster. Teamwork blossoms through communication with Mercury in Capricorn. Everything you need can be found within your networks.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss



Bridge

Neither vulnerable, West deals

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

Most players would open the West hand one diamond. Some players, however, like to have a four-card suit when they open one diamond, and they will open one club instead when they have this precise distribution. ACBL laws required, until recently, that such players announce that their opening "may be short." They might have any number of clubs, but they must announce this possibility. A bid of one no trump in the pass-out seat shows 11-14 points and was the correct action by South.

The opening lead made it look like West had, indeed, opened on a two-card suit. That meant that his original distribution was 4-4-3-2. How could declarer take advantage of that knowledge? He won the opening club lead with his jack and led a spade to dummy's king. West was sure to have the ace from the auction. He continued with another spade. West won with his jack and cashed two more spades before exiting with his last club.

South won with his ace and led a club to dummy's king. West, as expected, showed out and discarded a heart. South now cashed the ace and king of diamonds. He led a third round of diamonds, which West was sure to win. The diamonds were known to be splitting 3-2 with West having three. West was forced to lead a heart away from his king. South let it run to his queen and claimed his contract. Very well played!

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Dilbert



Baby Blues



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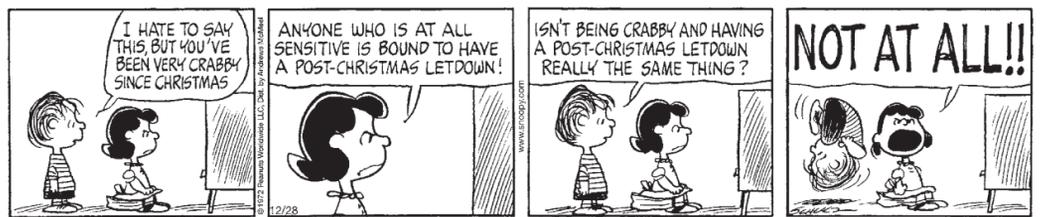
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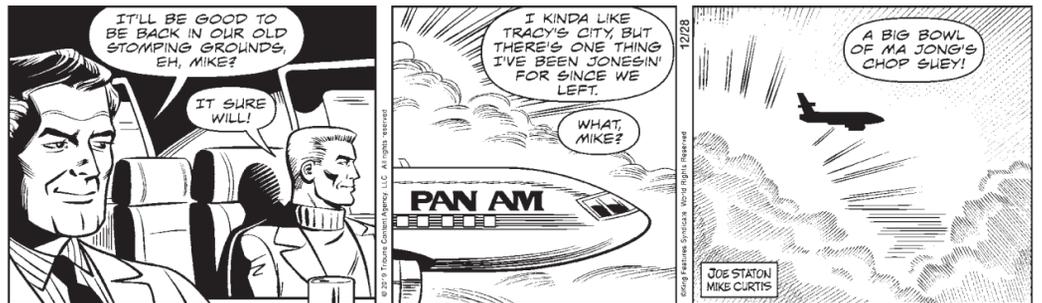
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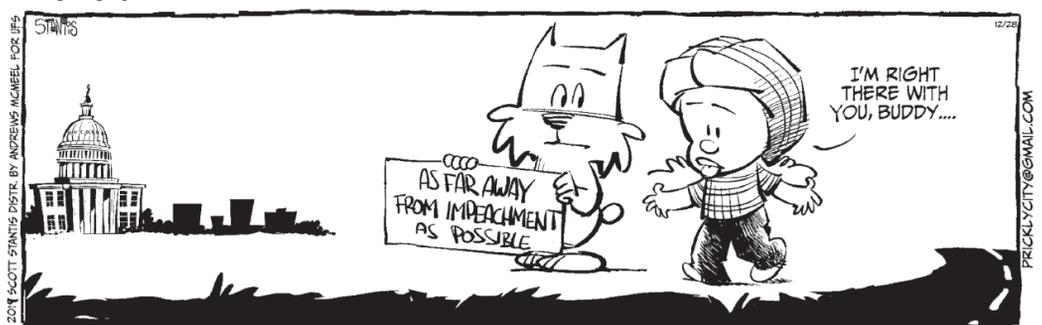
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Animal Crackers



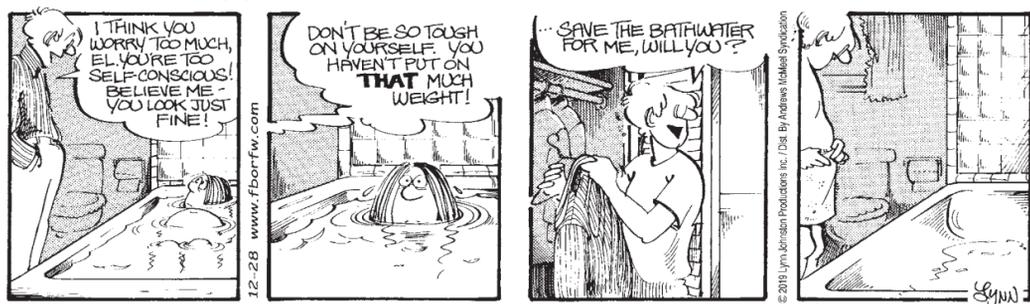
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For Better or for Worse By Lynn Johnston



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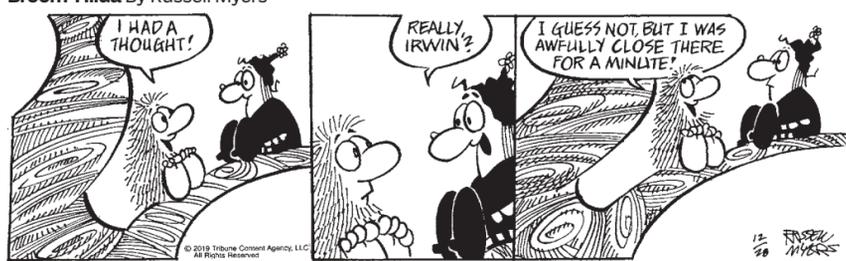
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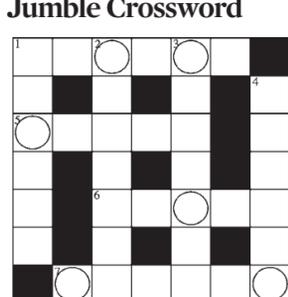
Broom-Hilda By Russell Myers



Trivia Bits

The NCAA Hobey Baker Memorial Award is presented to the year's outstanding male player in which collegiate sport?
 A) Basketball
 B) Ice hockey
 C) Volleyball
 D) Water polo
 Friday's answer: "It was a bright cold day in April, and the clocks were striking thirteen" is the opening line of George Orwell's "Nineteen Eighty-four."
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Jumble Crossword



- CLUE ACROSS**
- Overlooked
 - Blood
 - Consumed, digested
 - Save
- CLUE DOWN**
- ___ Ages
 - Earnest
 - Wayward
 - Madison

ANSWER
 1. OBLIVIOUS
 2. BLOOD
 3. ENDEARED
 4. SAVE
 5. CENTURIES
 6. WILFUL
 7. MADISON

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.

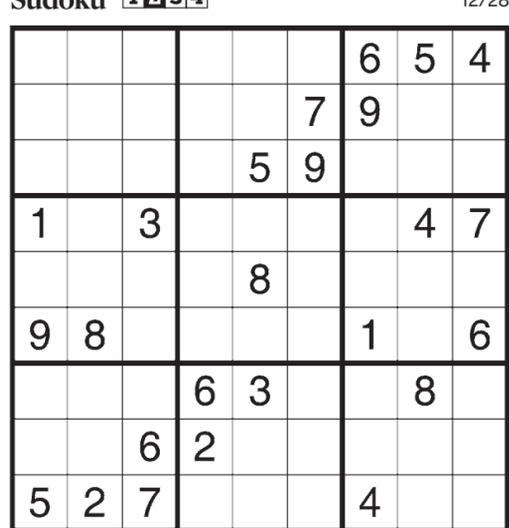
CLUE: Gobi
CLUE: Discourages
CLUE: Slept

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

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Sudoku 1 2 3 4

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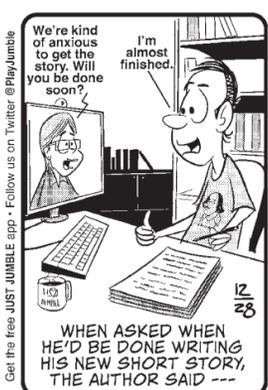
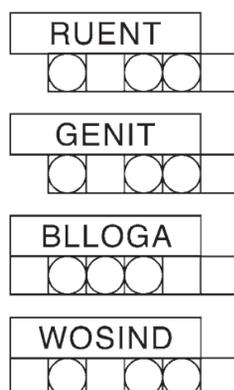
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Friday's solutions

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Jumble

Unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter per square, to form four words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.



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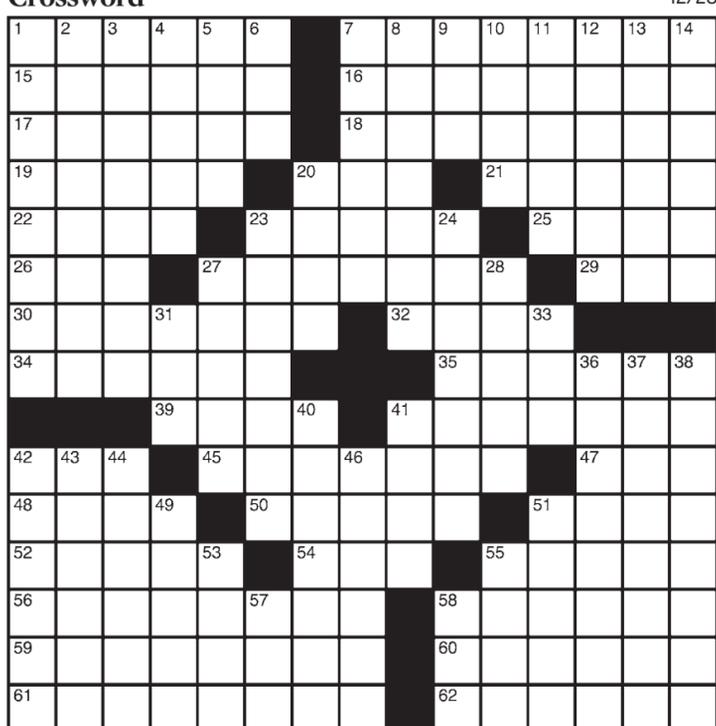
Friday's answers

Jumbles: QUOTA ENACT SCROLL FLABBY
 Answer: They saw the polluted air by the smoking section and decided to — STAY CLEAR

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Crossword

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- Across**
- Bay of __, which includes the Cantabrian Sea
 - Regional birds
 - Cuts off contact with
 - Sense organ
 - Makes a long face
 - Kingston address
 - Site with "Living Healthy" guides
 - Alibis
 - Two-faced god
 - Breeze (through)
 - Family-friendly ratings
 - Smooth operator, one would hope
 - "The Last Jedi" heroine
 - Tight military formation
 - Makeup kit item

- Down**
- Charge
 - Monopoly pieces
 - Expert
 - Florida's first two-term Republican governor
 - Black __
 - "Listen to me ..."
 - Early GE subsidiary
 - Down times
 - Sound from one who's out
 - Bird's-eye view?
 - Minor arguments
 - Black Hills terr.
 - Biathlete's need
 - Apparent displacement due to perspective
 - Some cells
 - Agreeable way of seeing
 - Go too far
 - Oopsy or Funshine, e.g.
 - "Pippin" Tony winner

- 10** Not many
11 Shaving spots
12 Nature Valley offering
13 Breakdown of social norms
14 Barely
20 Chico was the first-born one
23 Buffs
24 "Neener neener!"
27 Big name in investment banking
28 Mythical weeper
31 Bar subject
33 Bar
36 Guaranteed
37 Cadillac SUV
38 Agrees to, in a way
40 Singer/actress who voices Meechee in "Smallfoot"
41 Soda __
42 How much freelance work is done
43 Tropical fruit
44 More scant
46 Charlatan
49 Condition
51 Hog owner
53 Disorderly sort
55 Gad about
57 Author Harper
58 11, at times: Abbr.

Friday's solution

RISE LAWN LOOMS
 IDEA ERIE ALMAN
 DYERNEEDS GENIE
 ELM ARNETT LINE
 MAYANSWEPPER
 ALIEN OTTO
 SETS INAPET TOE
 PHIALMANAGEMENT
 SIN OPTING INCA
 ECRU FETES
 STRAIGHTLION
 TEAM NITILLO ASS
 RENEW CIVILRIOT
 INTOW KNEE IDLE
 PASSE SEND DEEP

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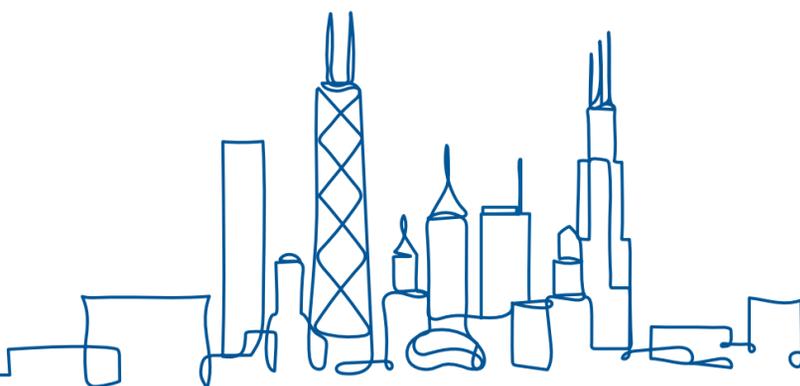
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FIRE

Fire to get 'fresh approach'

As new coach, Wicky to mesh modern ideas, player development

BY JEREMY MIKULA

New Chicago Fire sporting director Georg Heitz said his first priority was hiring a new coach. And one week after taking over, he has chosen Raphael Wicky.

The Fire on Friday announced Wicky as the ninth full-time coach in club history. The Leuggern, Switzerland, native takes over from Veljko Paunovic, who was fired last month after four seasons in charge. Wicky is under contract through 2021 with a club option for 2022.

"I am honored and proud to be named the head coach of Chicago Fire FC," Wicky, 42, said in a

statement. "This is a position that comes with a lot of responsibility and I can promise the fans and everyone at the club that I will work hard and give my all."

"During conversations with (team owner) Joe Mansueto and Georg Heitz, I felt that we all shared a similar vision for the club and how to move it forward. That was important to me. Chicago is a world-class sports city and this

club has a bright future, both on and off the field. I can't wait to get started."

Wicky joins the Fire from the U.S. under-17 national team. Heitz worked with Wicky from 2013 to 2017 with Swiss club FC Basel, where Wicky coached the under-18, -19 and -21 squads before becoming first-team coach in

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CHICAGO FIRE FC

Raphael Wicky, coaching Swiss club FC Basel in 2018, has been named the Fire's new coach.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF

Party time

Four teams are still going strong, but only one will make it out of Bourbon Street alive

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FIESTA BOWL

For 4 years, Big Ten has put the 'O' in 'Playoff'

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — It's such a sad, startling fact that even the man at its core had trouble believing it: The Big Ten has not scored a point in the College Football Playoff since Jan. 12, 2015.

"Jeez," Urban Meyer said, shaking his head.

His Ohio State Buckeyes, bandaged together by third-string quarterback Cardale Jones, smashed Oregon 42-20 in the national championship game to end the 2014 season.

Alabama blanked Michigan State 38-0 in the semifinals the following year. Ohio State totaled

only nine first downs and 127 passing yards in a 31-0 semifinal thumping by Clemson to end the 2016 season. The selection committee's musical chairs left the Big Ten standing around in 2017 and 2018.

So why will this year be any different?

Meyer, admittedly biased while wearing a scarlet-and-gray tie for his Big Ten Network spots, put it like this: "This is the most talented Big Ten team maybe in the last 20 years."

Here are four reasons to believe the Buckeyes will score in Saturday night's Fiesta Bowl

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MICHAEL CONROY/AP

Ohio State players celebrate a touchdown catch by tight end Jeremy Ruckert (88) in the Big Ten championship game.

ILLINOIS FOOTBALL

Illinois veterans draw strength from adversity

BY SHANNON RYAN

SAN FRANCISCO — The text messages have been appearing on Reggie Corbin's phone more frequently now.

"How do you want to be remembered?" read the near-daily texts from his father.

The Illinois running back has been asking himself the same question, more pressing than ever as the fifth-year senior prepares to play his final college game Monday against California in the Redbox Bowl at Levi's Stadium in Santa Clara, Calif.

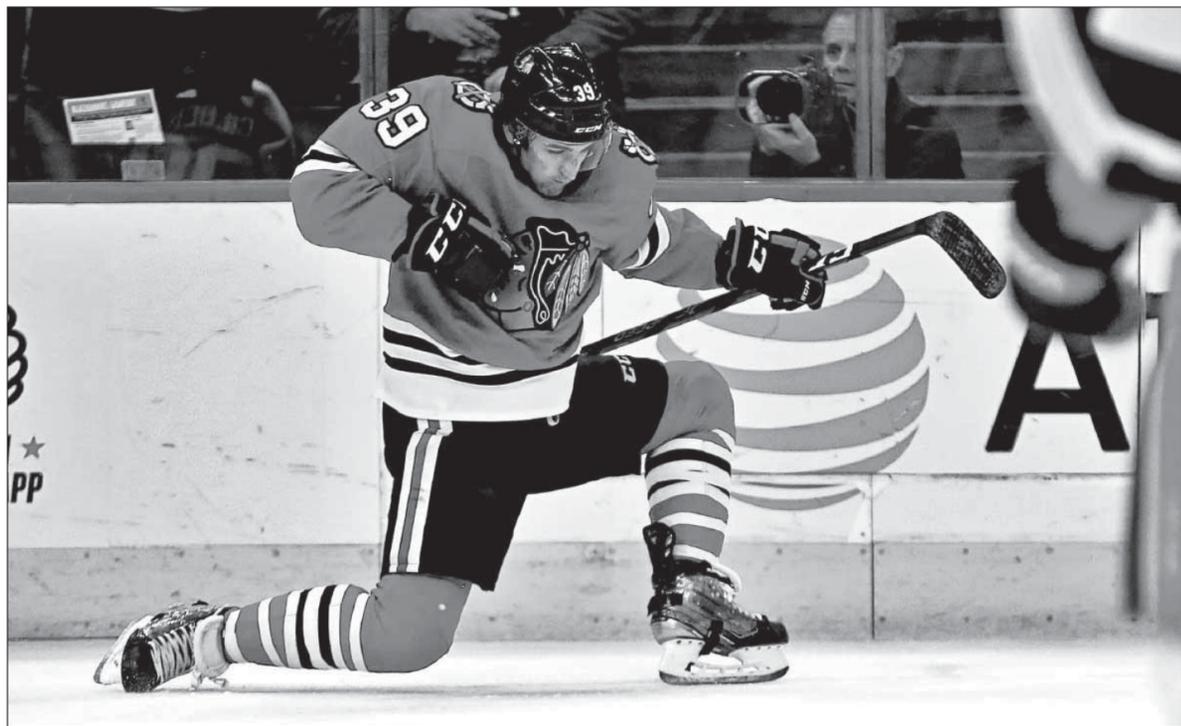
His legacy is wrapped into Illinois' rebuild, which is culminating in the program's first post-

season game since 2014. The Illini (6-6) will be seeking their first bowl victory since 2011.

"Just go out there and give it all you've got," Corbin said Friday at a news conference in San Francisco. "This is the last game that everyone will remember, one more chance with an 'I' on your chest to be special and lay it on the line for your brothers."

The journey for Corbin and members of his class has been unlike that of almost any other college football players. They've played for three head coaches (Tim Beckman, Bill Cubit and Lovie Smith) and four offensive

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JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Defenseman Dennis Gilbert gets excited after scoring the first goal of his career Friday night against the Islanders at the United Center.

ISLANDERS AT BLACKHAWKS

Life after Seabrook

With veteran out for season, Hawks ponder how to adjust

BY JIMMY GREENFIELD

A large group of reporters flooded into the Blackhawks locker room Friday, the first opportunity for reaction from Brent Seabrook's teammates about having to play the rest of this season without the veteran defenseman.

The room was loud and a bit frenzied and bore little resemblance to what life will be like for the Hawks without the presence of Seabrook, who underwent right shoulder surgery Friday and will have surgery on both hips in the next six weeks.

The team already has dealt with not having Seabrook on the ice or bench — to an extent. He missed six games this season as a healthy scratch.

But Seabrook was a factor even when he didn't play, whether chirping at teammates, sharing his years of knowledge with young players or creating a mood that won't easily be replicated while he's away from the team.

"I was just thinking that this morning," captain Jonathan Toews said. "Today is (day one) pretty much that he's not around. You notice it right away. He's one of those vocal guys that sits in here and the lounge and everywhere you go. He's one of the biggest talkers and just social guys in the room that brings a lot of energy every day. You miss his presence for sure."

Seabrook isn't the only player who will be missed. Defenseman Calvin de Haan also underwent right shoulder surgery Friday and is out for the season. The Hawks announced a four- to five-month recovery period.

But as much as de Haan quickly became valuable, his impact on the Hawks dates only months rather than years.

Duncan Keith and Seabrook made their NHL debut in the same game on Oct. 5, 2005, and sat next to each other nearly every day since.

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"It's different not having him on the bus and things like that," Keith, 36, said. "He's definitely missed. But there's nothing we can do about it. He's battled through these injuries for a long time. Anybody else, they probably would have been missing a lot more time than that over the last several seasons. Shows the mentality and the type of person he is."

"Maybe it's a little bit stubborn, and some people might say maybe it's not smart in some ways to battle through that, but that's the type of attitude you need. You win with guys like that who are willing to play through pain."

One counterargument: Seabrook waited too long to address his injuries and ultimately hurt the team by not being at his best while fighting through pain. But that approach allowed Seabrook to play in 1,114 regular-season and 123 playoff games over his 15-year career.

During the Hawks' three Stanley Cup-winning seasons, Seabrook missed a total of five regular-season games and played in all 68 playoff games.

"I just don't think there's much of an ego there," Toews said. "It's always been like that. When we were winning Stanley Cups and having playoff success over the years, he was probably one of the last guys to get credit for what he was bringing to our team every single night, scoring big goals and overtime goals. Obviously people talked about that, but you could argue he still didn't really get the lion's share of the credit."

With Seabrook and de Haan on long-term injured reserve, the Hawks can use their

more than \$11 million in salary-cap space to add players this season. Whether they will is another question. General manager Stan Bowman was at the World Juniors tournament in the Czech Republic and unavailable to discuss the situation.

The Hawks still don't have return dates for Andrew Shaw and Drake Caggiula, who are out with concussions, and don't expect Brandon Saad back from a right ankle injury until mid-January.

Adam Boqvist was not available for Friday's game against the Islanders at the United Center because of a right shoulder injury suffered Monday against the Devils. But he participated in the morning skate and isn't expected to miss much more time.

For Jeremy Colliton, the loss of two starting defensemen will have a big impact, but the coach hasn't given up on the season.

"From a coaches perspective, we just focus on the players we have and find a way to get it done," Colliton said. "But those guys are really big parts of the group both on and off the ice — a lot of leadership and solid, dependable-type players, which of course we're going to miss."

Colliton said he was told Seabrook and de Haan will be ready for training camp next season, but Seabrook's return is far from certain. He will be 35 and coming off three surgeries, and the Hawks might need to make a decision about their blue line next season before knowing if he'll be ready.

Even if healthy, Seabrook might get squeezed out by younger, cheaper players, though it's not clear how the Hawks would shed the four years left on his contract that carries a \$6.875 million cap hit annually.

Boqvist, 19, and Dennis Gilbert, 23, should improve with experience and likely will be pushed by prospects Ian Mitchell and Nicolas Beaudin, among others. Until Seabrook returns, the Hawks need to get by without him.

"We'll miss him so much in the locker room," Patrick Kane said. "Hopefully he gets his injuries fixed and comes back better than ever."

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ASK THE REPORTER

BRAD BIGGS

Last year the Bears defense put consistent and relentless pressure on opposing quarterbacks, but it hasn't been nearly the same this season. Is that tied to a reduction in turnovers? The defense ranks well in most categories, but I still see a drop-off from 2018. Could it be the Bears miss Vic Fangio?

— Mike B., Montello, Wis.

There's no question the pass rush isn't as consistent as it was last season, and that absolutely is related to a reduction in takeaways, particularly interceptions — the Bears have only eight in 15 games. It's not fair to say opposing teams have moved the ball at will when they've needed to, but the Bears have two or three possessions per game in which the opponent moves right through them, especially good opponents. There has been a drop-off on defense, and the departure of Fangio is a factor. But the Bears' bigger issues are on offense.

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against Clemson — and score enough to win:

1. Team chemistry is off the charts: Roll your eyes if you must. Chemistry can't strip-sack Trevor Lawrence. But those within the team point to a deep friendship among players that has manifested itself on the field during Ohio State's 13-0 season.

A recent example: Six Buckeyes had Dec. 24 media obligations: Tuf Borland, J.K. Dobbins, Justin Fields, Jeff Okudah, Binjimen Victor and Chase Young. All six insisted on taking the same van from the team hotel.

After the session ended, three vans arrived to transport the players back to the hotel. With five players in one, Fields approached a second van before a teammate shouted, "No, Justin, get in this one!"

You've heard of 25 players, 25 cabs? This is the opposite.

2. The Buckeyes have a legit passing attack: Less than an hour after his team's startling 31-0 loss to Clemson in the 2016 playoff, Urban Meyer said this: "We will become a good passing team. Next year."

And it happened. The Buckeyes surged from 44th in team passing efficiency rating to fifth in 2017. Dwayne Haskins led the FBS in 2018 with 50 touchdown passes. And now Justin Fields has the nation's most ridiculous touchdown-to-interception split at 40-1.

"As talented and hard-working as he is, the hardest talent to evaluate is his intelligence," offensive coordinator Kevin Wilson said. "He has toughness and high skills you can't put clocks on. He has been raised to value the possession of the ball. Now, he will take a few hits, he will hold on to the ball because he won't force it. We're trying to get him to throw it away."

Indeed, the flip side of throwing only one interception in 308 attempts can be seen in sacks allowed. The Buckeyes give

up 2.4 per game, a bit higher than the national average. Clemson allows one per game.

"Justin is a different type of quarterback in how he extends plays," Ohio State coach Ryan Day said. "If you tell him, 'Hey, you have to get rid of the ball right here,' then you're going to miss the play where he's scrambling and hits Chris Olave down the field late in the Big Ten championship game. You get some sacks. You take the good with the bad. The more he plays, the more he'll get a feel for when it's time to ditch the ball."

3. Justin Fields' left knee is not an issue: Let's be honest, Fields' left knee absolutely might be an issue.

Fields said Tuesday he was at 80% to 85% strength and has declined to answer questions about his knee since. His limited mobility is part of why Wisconsin sacked him five times in the Big Ten title game three weeks ago.

Ryan Day said Friday that Fields is "doing great," but ESPN's Kirk Herbstreit supplied a more realistic assessment: "I watched him against Wisconsin and thought, man, he's not at 100%. He's had three weeks to recover and get treatment, but it's impossible to know if he gets tweaked."

4. Ryan Day has his finger on the pulse: As one player put it: "He understands our bodies; he understands our minds."

He added some fun elements to practices around Christmas, explaining: "Especially for some of the younger guys, we want to make sure they understand this is their family away from home."

At practice Wednesday, Day used a blocking pad to try to fend off a mock attack from several offensive linemen who eventually raised him on their shoulders in a Rudy-esque moment.

"That's what makes this team great," Day said. "We have a huge game ahead of us, but it's also about enjoying each other."

"Urban Meyer did it in his own way," Kirk Herbstreit said. "He did it with psychology and pressure and intensity. Ryan Day has intensity, but he relates to his players and the players love him."

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coordinators as well as numerous other staff changes.

Corbin is one of six fifth-year seniors who joined the program in 2015, just months before Beckman — the coach who recruited and signed them — was fired a week before the season opener. Fellow running back Dre Brown, defensive tackle Jamal Milan, wide receiver Caleb Reams and tight ends Justice Williams and Bobby Walker also were part of that class.

They suffered 10 straight losses, including all nine Big Ten games, at the end of the 2017 season. They lost five games in 2018 by 29 points or more.

So, sure, this bowl game is validating.

"I'm still trying to wrap my head around it, honestly," Corbin said Friday at a news conference in San Francisco. "The fact we practiced today in California is unreal. I'm glad (about) the stuff we went through. Going through that (adversity), you're not grateful at the time, but once you grow and look back on it, you're very excited and appreciative of the growth."

Progress hasn't exactly been steady. Illinois lost four consecutive games this season before an upset of then-No. 6 Wisconsin sparked a turnaround.

"If you look at 0-4, you can assume there were a lot of really bad things going on at the time," Smith said. "That's not what I saw. We didn't play well enough to win. ... We saw good things throughout that time to know we could be a good football team if we cleaned up some things. Momentum starting going for us to get here. You need to go through adversity to see who you are."

That image is clear for Illinois' upperclassmen. They've been ridiculed and doubted as part of a program many outsiders considered a perpetual lost cause. But belief was instilled in them, they said.

"The growing pains we've been through, it's a blessing," said senior linebacker Dele Harding, a Class of 2016 recruit. "From where we were to how we got here today, (it took) a lot of fight, sweat, hard work, blood and tears."

Illini QB cleared for bowl game

BY SHANNON RYAN

SAN FRANCISCO — Illinois quarterback Brandon Peters said he tried to persuade the team's medical staff to let him play in the regular-season finale against Northwestern, but he was denied. The junior suffered a concussion at the end of a Nov. 23 loss at Iowa.

Peters is ready to lead Illinois in Monday's Redbox Bowl against California — the Illini's first bowl game since 2014.

"It's been frustrating for sure," Peters said Friday about sitting out. "I feel great."

Peters, a graduate transfer from Michigan, completed 54.6% of his passes for 1,611 yards with 17 touchdowns and seven interceptions this season. The Illini were 6-4 in games he started and 0-2 when he sat out.

He missed the Michigan game Oct. 12 with a separate concussion.

Peters also suffered a concussion as a redshirt freshman at Michigan in 2017 and missed the Ohio State game before coming back to play in an Outback Bowl loss to South Carolina. He said he isn't worried about lingering effects of concussions.

"Honestly, I don't have any concerns," he said. "Our medical staff handled it the right way. I went through all the steps that needed to be done. I feel fine."

Corbin ranks 12th on Illinois' all-time rushing list, 165 yards behind Howard Griffith. He has excelled, he said, not because of accolades but because of adversity.

He recalled getting benched two seasons ago when he wasn't producing, and he remembers too well all of Illinois' losses.

But he doesn't regret them. "I'm so glad I went through it. I'm so glad this team did as well," he said. "We're true fighters. Since high school, nobody on our team has had every single (scholarship) offer. We've never been the No. 1 recruit. That's why we're fighters. When our backs are against the wall, that's when we thrive."

COLLEGE FOOTBALL



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CBParnell Motley is not fond of Oklahoma's underdog status: "It's crazy, man, how they're dogging and looking over us like this."

Unlikely outsiders

Oklahoma's long history as elite program doesn't measure up in this field

BY PAUL NEWBERRY
Associated Press

ATLANTA — No team in the College Football Playoff has claimed more national titles than Oklahoma.

History, though, doesn't carry much weight in this year's field.

The Sooners are the clear outsider. No. 1 LSU, No. 2 Ohio State and No. 3 Clemson have established themselves as the nation's best teams over the course of the long season. All three have 13-0 records. All three have sampled the top spot in either the CFP or Associated Press rankings.

Then there's fourth-ranked Oklahoma (12-1), which had to overcome a shocking loss to Kansas State and get a lot of help just to nab the last spot in the four-team field.

The Sooners are a whopping 13¹/₂-point underdog heading into their Peach Bowl semifinal against LSU on Saturday, one of the widest betting lines in CFP history.

And, yes, that stings a bit. "It's crazy, man, how they're dogging and looking over us like this," cornerback Parnell Motley said Thursday. "It is so disrespectful, like we're not a national contender team."

That's certainly not the case. Oklahoma is the school of Wilkinson and Switzer, of Sims and Selmon, of Mayfield and Murray — one of the most storied programs in college football history.

While the Sooners do have the longest national championship drought of the four teams — their last consensus title came after the 2000 season — they have finished No. 1 in the AP poll seven times, a tally topped only by Alabama's 11 and Notre Dame's eight.

In recent years, Oklahoma has maintained its place among the nation's elite programs. This will be the third straight year and fourth time in the playoff's six-year history the Sooners have earned an invitation.

Of course, they have yet to clear the next big hurdle: winning a semifinal.

In 2015, the Sooners were blown out by Clemson 37-17 in the Orange Bowl. Two seasons ago, there was a heartbreaking 54-48 overtime loss to Georgia in the Rose Bowl. A year ago, Alabama built a four-touchdown lead by early in the second quarter on the way to a 45-34 triumph in the Orange Bowl.

Those post-season flops are another reason to dismiss the Sooners as nothing more than interlopers.

"They kind of just forget us," Motley said. "It's going to inspire us. We're going to sit in this corner over here and just work on ourselves and do our job. Y'all



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Heisman Trophy winner Joe Burrow will lead top-seeded LSU into the College Football Playoff semifinals as an overwhelming favorite to knock off Oklahoma.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL PLAYOFF SEMIFINALS

Peach Bowl

At Mercedes-Benz Stadium, Atlanta

No. 1 LSU vs. No. 4 Oklahoma

3 p.m. Saturday, ESPN

Fiesta Bowl

At State Farm Stadium, Glendale, Ariz.

No. 2 Ohio State vs. No. 3 Clemson

7 p.m. Saturday, ESPN

don't need to worry about us. Just know,"

he added, pausing to parse his words,

"well, I don't want to talk too much, but we're coming."

At least the Sooners have some playoff experience.

This is the first time LSU has made the field.

"These college football (playoff) games have a little bit different vibe around them, a lot more hype, a lot more buildup,"

said Oklahoma coach Lincoln Riley, looking for any edge he can get. "It doesn't make the difference by itself, but it's certainly an advantage for us, and we've got to handle it like it is."

Then again, the Tigers have Heisman Trophy winner Joe Burrow and perhaps the most impressive win of any team this season, going into Tuscaloosa to knock off Alabama 46-41 — a game that signaled a shift of power in the mighty Southeastern Conference and helped keep the Crimson Tide out of the playoff for the first time.

After that kind of performance, not to mention victories over No. 5 Georgia, No. 6 Florida and No. 9 Auburn, it's hard to envision LSU being intimidated by anything it will face in the postseason.

LSU coach Ed Orgeron is embracing his team's status as a playoff rookie.

"If you ain't been there before, you're

excited," he said. "Hey, we want to win this darn thing. You've got that newness to you, if you know what I'm saying. Would that be an advantage? Yeah."

But, he quickly added: "When the ball's kicked off, it's fundamentals. All that hype don't mean nothing. It's just like getting into a fight. After they throw that first punch, all that other stuff goes out the window."

Oklahoma's season was on the brink after that 48-41 loss at Kansas State in late October.

The Sooners bounced back to win their last five games, though it was tenuous all the way. They held off a furious comeback to edge Iowa State 42-41. They pulled off the biggest comeback in school history, overcoming a 25-point deficit to stun Baylor 34-31. They barely got by TCU 28-24. They beat Baylor again in the Big 12 championship game, surviving a 30-23 overtime thriller.

Even then, Oklahoma still needed some help to get into the playoff. But everything fell into place when Alabama lost at Auburn on a missed field goal in the closing minutes, Utah fell to Oregon in the Pac-12 championship game and Georgia was blown out by LSU for the SEC title.

Motley, a senior who has already been through two playoff losses, knows this could be his final game. As if that's not enough motivation, he's got a little extra drive to prove the prognosticators wrong.

Motley is still angry at himself for getting ejected in the second quarter of the Kansas State game for kicking an opposing player. His loss proved significant on a miserable afternoon for the defense.

"I completely blame that game on me," he said. "I blatantly hurt my team by doing some selfish stuff in the heat of the moment."

Biggest CFP, New Year's 6 questions

BY C.J. DOON
Baltimore Sun

We've made it. Bowl season is underway, and the College Football Playoff is here. Here are the most intriguing questions for the playoff and New Year's Six bowl games:

Can Oklahoma score enough — and make enough plays on defense — to keep up with LSU?

Throughout LSU's march to the playoff, one game sticks out: LSU 58, Ole Miss 37.

The Rebels never threatened to win that game — LSU went up 28-0 in the second quarter. But Ole Miss quarterback John Rhys Plumlee just kept running. And running. And running.

Plumlee rushed for 212 yards and four touchdowns, averaging 10.1 yards per attempt. Maybe the Tigers defense took the night off or didn't bring the same intensity against an overmatched opponent. But whatever the excuse, the Rebels did whatever they wanted that night, recording 614 total yards, including 402 on the ground.

If these Tigers have one weakness, it's their defense. On Saturday, they face the player perhaps best equipped to exploit it: Oklahoma's Jalen Hurts.

Hurts finished second in the Heisman Trophy voting to LSU's Joe Burrow after accounting for 50 touchdowns (32 passing, 18 rushing). He has one of the nation's best receivers in CeeDee Lamb, who ranks third in the country with 14 touchdown catches.

Ole Miss provided the blueprint for an upset, though the Rebels defense failed to hold up its end of the bargain. The Sooners defense might be able to, having improved from 89th in 2018 in SP+, a tempo- and opponent-adjusted measure of efficiency, to 36th this season.

Has Clemson been the best team in the country all along?

If I told you before the season that the defending national champion would go undefeated, win its conference championship and defeat opponents by more than 35 points per game, you'd expect to see the No. 1 seed. Clemson did just that, and the Tigers are No. 3.

Quarterback Trevor Lawrence did struggle to start the season. But in his last six games, he has thrown 16 touchdown passes, been intercepted zero times and completed 75.5% of his passes. Travis Etienne rushed for 1,500 yards and 17 touchdowns, and Tee Higgins, Justyn Ross and Amari Rodgers are perhaps the best receiving trio in the nation outside of Alabama.

And the defense that lost three first-round picks to the NFL draft? It allowed just 10.6 points per game, best in the country, averaged 2.85 sacks per game and recorded 17 interceptions.

So, yeah, the Tigers are loaded.

But Ohio State had a legitimate claim to the top seed, with a dynamic offense led by Justin Fields and J.K. Dobbins and a fast, athletic defense headlined by top NFL prospect Chase Young. The Buckeyes might be the most complete team in the country, averaging 9.7 points per game more than what the average top-five team would produce, per SP+.

After playing a soft ACC schedule, we'll finally get to see what Clemson looks like against another elite team.

Is Memphis here to stay?

The life of a Group of 5 team is treacherous. After going 12-1 and winning the American Athletic Conference title, Memphis watched coach Mike Norvell leave for Florida State. It was just the latest G5 coach to depart after a record-setting season. P.J. Fleck left Western Michigan for Minnesota. Scott Frost left UCF for Nebraska. The list goes on.

The Tigers acted quickly, hiring interim Ryan Silverfield as the full-time coach at a pivotal point in program history. Memphis has won eight or more games for six straight seasons, but the Cotton Bowl against Penn State will be its first major bowl appearance. If Silverfield can add to what Norvell and Justin Fuente built, it won't be its last.

Who ends his career with a bigger flourish: Oregon QB Justin Herbert or Wisconsin RB Jonathan Taylor?

It's fitting that Taylor gets to end one of the best careers in college football history at the Granddaddy of Them All.

Taylor needs just 91 rushing yards to surpass 2,000 for the second straight season. He's just the fourth player in FBS history with at least 5,000 rushing yards through his junior season, joining Herschel Walker, Ron Dayne and LaMichael James. In the Big Ten title game, he became the seventh player in FBS history to reach 6,000 rushing yards.

Herbert, meanwhile, has thrown 32 touchdown passes compared with just five interceptions and completed 66.7% of his passes.

Will Georgia be ready to play?

The Sugar Bowl looks good on paper, but how motivated will these teams be? Both came within a victory of possibly reaching the playoff.

Georgia quarterback Jake Fromm has struggled to find consistency, but he's done enough to impress some NFL scouts who value his maturity and competitiveness if he forgoes his senior season. LSU and Alabama will lose Joe Burrow and Tua Tagovailoa, respectively. If Fromm returns, the Dawgs might be the favorites to win the SEC — and even the national title.

NFL



JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Bears defensive tackle Akiem Hicks (96), pressuring Packers QB Aaron Rodgers on Dec. 15, has been ruled out of the season finale against the Vikings with an elbow problem.

BEARS

Season finale has little riding on it

BY COLLEEN KANE

Neither the Bears nor Vikings has much to play for Sunday afternoon when they meet at U.S. Bank Stadium in the regular-season finale.

The Bears were eliminated from playoff contention in Week 15, and the Vikings' loss to the Packers on Monday night cemented their place as the NFC's No. 6 seed in the playoffs. That leaves both teams with several options about how they will use their players.

Vikings coach Mike Zimmer could decide to sit quarterback Kirk Cousins in favor of backup Sean Mannion, who would make his second career start in five NFL seasons.

Bears coach Matt Nagy said he won't change his approach based on what the Vikings do but didn't rule out playing some of his backups.

"We're just going to go about it playing our guys," Nagy said. "If there's a position here or there that we feel like we want to take a look at, we might do that, but big picture-wise, we're going there to play."

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Nagy said Friday he closed the Bears' final practice of the season with a message about opportunities.

"You never know when they come and go," Nagy said. "We know that we have one more. You never know when it's going to be the last one."

The Bears on Friday declared wide receiver Taylor Gabriel (concussion), nose tackle Eddie Goldman (concussion) and defensive lineman Akiem Hicks (elbow) out for the game. They listed right tackle Bobby Massie (ankle) and right guard Rashaad Coward (knee) as doubtful and cornerback Prince Amukamara (hamstring) as questionable.

The Vikings ruled out running back Dalvin Cook (shoulder) and linebacker Eric Kendricks (quad) with cornerback Mackensie Alexander (knee), safety Jayron Kearse (foot) and running back Alexander Mattison (ankle) as questionable.

NFL NOTES

WR Brown works out for Saints

News services

Prolific but embattled free-agent receiver Antonio Brown got his chance to show the Saints how he could help them in the playoffs.

Whether Brown winds up catching passes from record-setting quarterback Drew Brees during a potential Super Bowl run remains to be seen.

And the NFL could have a say in the matter — if the Saints decide to sign him.

While Saints coach Sean Payton didn't rule out signing Brown, he said there were no immediate plans to do so after including the four-time All-Pro in a workout with six receivers Friday.

"Not now," Payton said, adding that coaches and the front office are "mainly doing our due diligence on all of those players."

"Obviously there's a little bit more attention drawn to him because of his career. But right now it was more or less us having a chance to get to know these guys and seeing what kind of shape they're all in."

Brown's agent, Drew Rosenhaus, told The Associated Press that Brown's "visit with the Saints went very well and we will continue discussions with them."

Brown has been out of the NFL since the Patriots cut him Sept. 20 amid multiple sexual misconduct allegations which have spawned an ongoing league investigation of the receiver.

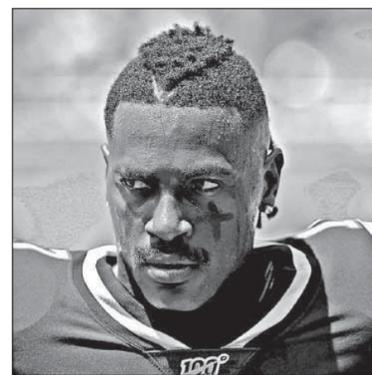
Payton had indicated on multiple occasions earlier this season that the Saints weren't interested in signing Brown.

"I probably wasn't telling you the truth a few months ago," Payton said. "We're looking closely all the time at who are the players available, how can they help us, especially as we get ready here for this postseason?"

NFL spokesman Brian McCarthy said the league had no comment on the Saints' decision to work out Brown.

Payton said after the workout he remained uncertain whether Brown would ultimately be eligible to play in the postseason.

Brown, who caught 837 passes during nine seasons with the Steelers, has been dumped by three teams since the end of last season.



DAVID SANTIAGO/MIAMI HERALD

Wide receiver Antonio Brown worked out for the Saints on Friday. He's been out of the league since September 20.

Conner to miss Steelers' finale: Running back James Conner will miss the Steelers' virtual must-win Week 17 game against the Ravens on Sunday.

Conner, who suffered a quadriceps injury in the second quarter of last week's loss to the Jets, will miss his sixth game of the season. He has played in only four of the Steelers' last nine games as he has dealt with injuries to his shoulder and quad. Conner will finish the regular season with 464 yards and four touchdowns on 116 carries. He also had three touchdown receptions.

The Steelers also will be without center Maurkice Pouncey, who injured his knee in the third quarter last weekend.

No Ertz for Eagles: Pro Bowl tight end Zach Ertz will miss the Eagles' finale against the Giants on Sunday.

The Eagles can clinch the NFC East title and a playoff berth with a victory.

Ertz hasn't practiced this week after suffering a fractured rib and a back injury during the Eagles' win last week over the Cowboys.

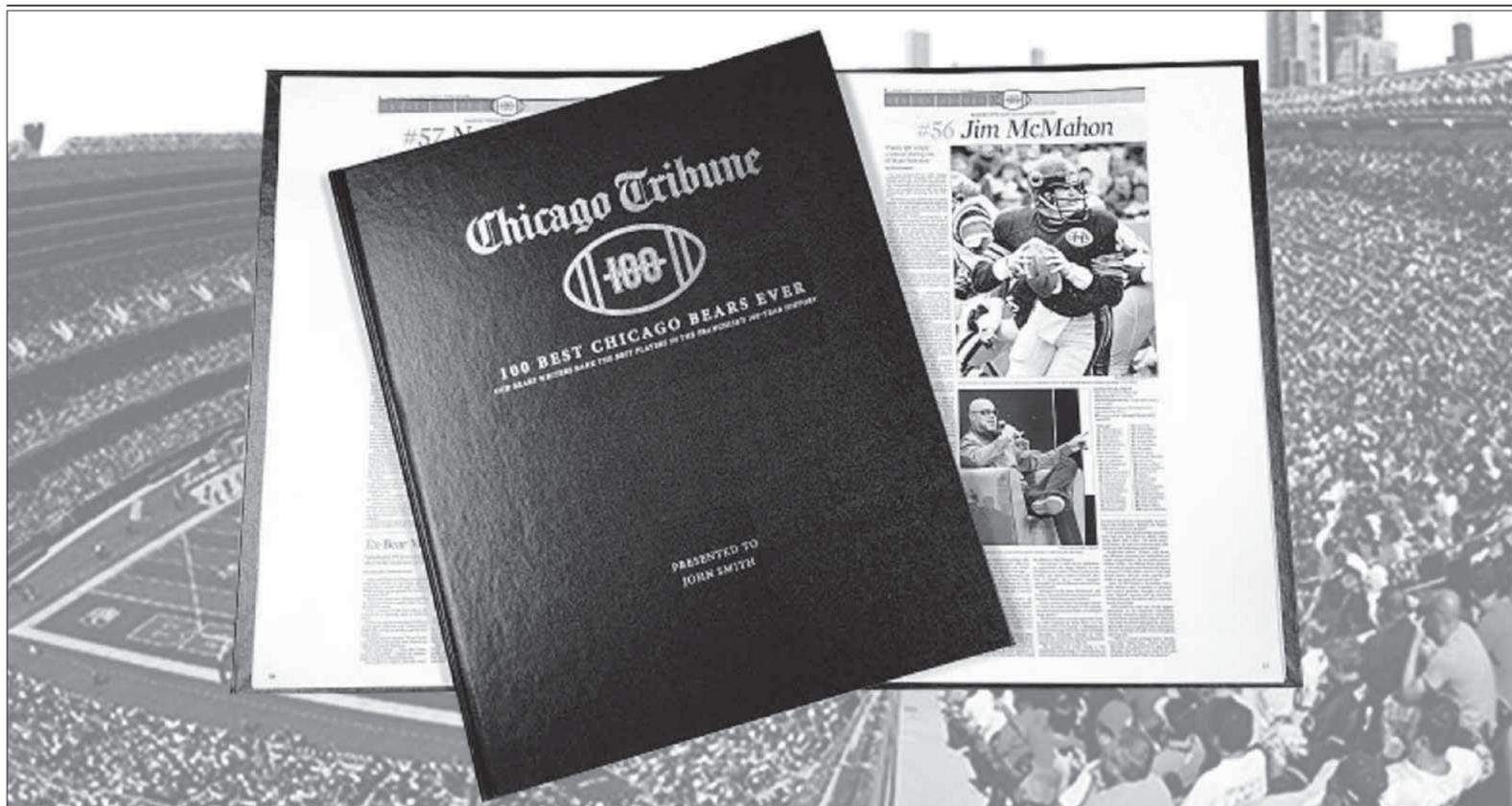
Ertz has 88 catches for 916 yards and six touchdowns this season, one year removed from setting a single-season record for catches among tight ends with 116 receptions.

49ers defense ailing: The 49ers defensive line took another big hit with a serious injury to one of its key reserves.

Defensive lineman Jullian Taylor was on his way back from an elbow injury before suffering a right knee injury in practice Thursday. He was diagnosed with a torn ACL, ending his season.

Taylor will join fellow defensive linemen D.J. Jones (ankle), Ronald Blair III (torn ACL) and Damontre Moore (forearm) on IR.

The 49ers already have clinched a playoff berth and face the Seahawks on Sunday night for the NFC West title.



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EASTERN CONFERENCE				
ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT	GB
Boston	23	7	.759	—
Toronto	22	10	.677	2
Philadelphia	21	11	.676	1½
Brooklyn	16	14	.533	6½
New York	8	24	.250	15½
SOUTHEAST				
Miami	23	8	.742	—
Orlando	14	17	.452	9
Charlotte	13	21	.382	11½
Washington	9	21	.300	13½
Atlanta	6	26	.188	17½
CENTRAL				
Milwaukee	28	5	.848	—
Indiana	21	11	.656	6½
Chicago	12	20	.375	15½
Detroit	12	20	.375	15½
Cleveland	9	22	.290	18
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
SOUTHWEST				
Houston	21	10	.677	—
Dallas	20	10	.667	½
San Antonio	12	18	.400	8½
Memphis	12	20	.375	9½
New Orleans	9	23	.281	12½
NORTHWEST				
Denver	21	9	.700	—
Utah	19	12	.613	2½
Oklahoma City	16	15	.516	5½
Portland	14	18	.438	8
Minnesota	11	19	.367	10
PACIFIC				
L.A. Lakers	24	7	.774	—
L.A. Clippers	23	10	.697	2
Sacramento	12	19	.387	12
Phoenix	11	19	.355	13
Golden State	9	24	.273	16

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Boston 129, Cleveland 117	
Orlando 98, Philadelphia 97	
Milwaukee 112, Atlanta 86	
Oklahoma City 104, Charlotte 102 (OT)	
Miami 113, Indiana 112	
Golden State 105, Phoenix 96	
SATURDAY'S GAMES	
Memphis at Denver, 4 p.m.	
Indiana at New Orleans, 6 p.m.	
Toronto at Boston, 6 p.m.	
Atlanta at Chicago, 7 p.m.	
Brooklyn at Houston, 7 p.m.	
Cleveland at Minnesota, 7 p.m.	
New York at Washington, 7 p.m.	
Philadelphia at Miami, 7 p.m.	
Dallas at Golden State, 7:30 p.m.	
Detroit at San Antonio, 7:30 p.m.	
Orlando at Milwaukee, 8 p.m.	
Phoenix at Sacramento, 8 p.m.	
L.A. Lakers at Portland, 8 p.m.	
Utah at L.A. Clippers, 9:30 p.m.	
SUNDAY'S GAMES	
Oklahoma City at Toronto, 5 p.m.	
Charlotte at Memphis, 7 p.m.	
Houston at New Orleans, 7 p.m.	
Sacramento at Denver, 7 p.m.	
Dallas at L.A. Lakers, 8:30 p.m.	

BUCKS 112, HAWKS 86

MILWAUKEE: Ilyasova 7-8 2-18, Middleton 10-19 0-0 23, B.Lopez 8-14 1-2 19, DiVincenzo 3-8 4-10, Matthews 0-3 0-0 0, Brown 2-7 0-0 5, Conantokoumpo 3-8 0-0 7, Korver 2-4 2-2 8, T.Anantokoumpo 2-3 0-0 4, Wilson 0-2 0-0 0, R.Lopez 5-8 0-3 10, Hill 4-7 0-0 8. Totals 46-91 9-13 11-21.

ATLANTA: Collins 4-14 0-0 9, Hunter 2-8 0-0 5, Fernando 3-7 0-3 6, Huertler 4-9 2-2 12, Young 3-6 4-6 12, Bembyr 4-8 0-0 9, Carter 0-1 0-0 0, Crabbe 7-10 2-3 20, Parsons 0-4 0-0 0, Turner 0-1 0-0 0, Reddish 5-12 0-0 11, Jones 1-5 0-0 2, Goodwin 0-6 0-0 0. Totals 33-91 8-14 86.

Milwaukee	32	31	21	28	—112
Atlanta	19	21	23	23	—86

3-Point Goals—Milwaukee 11-28 (Middleton 3-6, Ilyasova 2-2, B.Lopez 2-4, Korver 2-4, Connaughton 1-3, Brown 1-4, Matthews 0-2), Atlanta 12-41 (Crabbe 4-7, Huertler 2-4, Young 2-4, Bembyr 1-2, Hunter 1-4, Reddish 1-4, Collins 1-6, Fernando 0-2, Parsons 0-2, Goodwin 0-4).

Rebounds—Milwaukee 56 (Ilyasova 17), Atlanta 46 (Collins 16).

Assists—Milwaukee 29 (Middleton 7), Atlanta 20 (Huertler 3). **Total Fouls**—Milwaukee 13, Atlanta 18. **A**—17,358 (18,118).

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE						
ATLANTIC	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	23	7	9	55	133	100
Toronto	21	14	4	46	138	126
Montreal	18	13	6	42	121	117
Florida	18	13	4	41	127	121
Buffalo	17	15	7	41	115	122
Tampa Bay	18	13	4	40	124	111
Ottawa	16	18	4	36	106	123
Detroit	9	26	3	21	82	150

METRO.						
W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Washington	27	7	5	59	139	112
N.Y. Islanders	23	10	4	49	107	96
Pittsburgh	22	11	4	48	125	98
Philadelphia	21	11	4	47	121	106
Carolina	22	14	2	46	127	107
Columbus	17	14	4	41	99	108
N.Y. Rangers	18	15	4	40	119	121
New Jersey	12	19	6	30	95	133

WESTERN CONFERENCE

CENTRAL	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
St. Louis	25	8	6	56	123	103
Colorado	23	12	3	49	138	109
Winnipeg	21	14	3	45	117	112
Dallas	20	14	4	44	100	97
Minnesota	19	15	4	43	124	130
Nashville	18	13	6	42	128	121
Chicago	16	17	6	38	110	127

PACIFIC						
W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Arizona	21	14	4	46	112	99
Vegas	20	15	6	46	125	122
Calgary	20	15	4	45	109	117
Edmonton	20	17	4	44	118	129
Vancouver	19	15	4	42	124	115
Anaheim	16	18	4	36	100	117
Los Angeles	16	20	4	36	102	126
San Jose	16	20	3	35	103	136

2 pts for win, 1 pt for shootout/OT loss

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Boston 3, Buffalo 0	
Washington 2, Columbus 1 (OT)	
N.Y. Rangers 5, Carolina 3	
Toronto 5, New Jersey 4 (OT)	
Minnesota 6, Colorado 4	
Pittsburgh 5, Nashville 2	
St. Louis 5, Winnipeg 4 (OT)	
Chicago 5, N.Y. Islanders 2	
Calgary 5, Edmonton 1	
Anaheim 4, Vegas 3	
Los Angeles 3, San Jose 2 (OT)	
SATURDAY'S GAMES	
Washington at Carolina, 6 p.m.	
Colorado at Dallas, 6 p.m.	
Detroit at Florida, 6 p.m.	
Nashville at Pittsburgh, 6 p.m.	
Montreal at Tampa Bay, 6 p.m.	
N.Y. Rangers at Toronto, 6 p.m.	
Los Angeles at Vancouver, 9 p.m.	
Arizona at Vegas, 9 p.m.	
Philadelphia at San Jose, 9:30 p.m.	
SUNDAY'S GAMES	
Winnipeg at St. Louis, 2 p.m.	
Chicago at Columbus, 4 p.m.	
New Jersey at Ottawa, 4 p.m.	
N.Y. Islanders at Minnesota, 5 p.m.	
Buffalo at Boston, 6 p.m.	
Montreal at Florida, 6 p.m.	
Detroit at Tampa Bay, 6 p.m.	
Dallas at Arizona, 7 p.m.	
Philadelphia at Anaheim, 7:30 p.m.	
Vancouver at Calgary, 8:30 p.m.	

BLACKHAWKS 5, ISLANDERS 2

N.Y. Islanders	W	L	OT	Pts
Chicago	3	0	1	— 5

FIRST: 1, N.Y.I. Johnston 2 (Bailey, Leddy), 5:50. **2**, Chicago, Gilbert 0 (Keith, Strome), 7:34. **3**, Chicago, Kubalik 10 (Kane), 9:46. **4**, Chicago, DeBrincat 8 (Keith, Strome), 11:56. **Penalties:** None.

SECOND: None. **Penalties:** Highmore, Chi (Hick Sticking), 3:32; Leddy, New (Tripping), 9:57; Maatta, Chi (Hooking), 14:51.

THIRD: 5, Chicago, Toews 8:0-5:0. **6**, Chicago, Highmore 0 (Kampf), 3:03. **7**, N.Y.I. Cizikas 5 (Pelech, Kuhnhack), 16:32 (sh). **Penalties:** Barzal, New (Tripping), 8:02; Johnston, New (Cross Checking), 12:57; NYI bench, served by Dal Colle (Roughing), 16:21; Martin, New (Misconduct), 16:21; Koekkoek, Chi (Misconduct), 16:21.

SHOTS ON GOAL: NYI 14-16-10—40. Chicago 13-8-9—30.

POWER PLAYS: NYI 0 of 2; Chicago 0 of 4.

GOALIES: NYI, Varlamov 12-3-3 (19 shots-17 saves), NYI Greiss 11-6-0 (11-8). Chicago, Lehner 9-6-4 (40-38).

A: 21,747 (19,717). T: 2:29.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

AP MEN'S TOP 25 SCHEDULE	
1. Gonzaga (13-1) did not play. Next: vs. Detroit, Monday.	
2. Ohio State (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 25 West Virginia, Sunday.	
3. Louisville (11-1) did not play. Next: at No. 6 Kentucky, Saturday.	
4. Duke (10-1) did not play. Next: vs. Brown, Saturday.	
5. Kansas (9-2) did not play. Next: at Stanford, Sunday.	
6. Oregon (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. Alabama State, Sunday.	
7. Baylor (9-1) did not play. Next: vs. Jackson State, Monday.	
8. Auburn (11-0) did not play. Next: vs. Lipscomb, Sunday.	
9. Memphis (10-1) did not play. Next: vs. New Orleans, Monday.	
10. Villanova (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. Xavier, Monday.	
11. Michigan (9-3) did not play. Next: vs. UMass Lowell, Sunday.	
12. Butler (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Louisiana-Monroe, Saturday.	
13. Maryland (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. Bryant, Sunday.	
14. Michigan State (9-3) did not play. Next: vs. Western Michigan, Sunday.	
15. San Diego State (11-0) did not play. Next: vs. Cal Poly, Saturday.	
16. Virginia (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. Navy, Sunday.	
17. Florida State (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. North Alabama, Saturday.	
18. Dayton (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. North Florida, Monday.	
19. Kentucky (8-3) did not play. Next: vs. No. 3 Louisville, Saturday.	
20. Penn State (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. Cornell, Sunday.	
21. Washington (9-3) did not play. Next: vs. UCLA, Thursday.	
22. West Virginia (10-1) did not play. Next: at No. 5 Ohio State, Sunday.	
23. Texas Tech (8-3) did not play. Next: vs. Cal State Bakersfield, Sunday.	
24. Arizona (10-3) did not play. Next: vs. Arizona State, Saturday, Jan. 4.	
25. Iowa (9-3) did not play. Next: vs. Kennesaw State, Saturday.	

MEN'S SCHEDULE

FRIDAY'S SCORES	
Mt. St. Mary's 79, Coppin St. 55	
Loyola (Md.) 93, Mass.-Lowell 81	
SATURDAY'S GAMES	
EAST	
American U. at Georgetown, 11 a.m.	
Bucknell at La Salle, 1 p.m.	
Coll. of Charleston at Drexel, 1 p.m.	
Marist at Columbia, 1 p.m.	
Northeastern at Towson, 1 p.m.	
Fairfield at Wagner, 3 p.m.	
Longwood at George Washington, 3 p.m.	
Niagara at Syracuse, 6 p.m.	
UNC-Wilmington at Delaware, 6 p.m.	
SOUTH	
Brown at Duke, 10:30 a.m.	
Alice Lloyd at Morehead St., 11 a.m.	
Long Beach St. at Florida, 11 a.m.	
Piedmont at W. Carolina, 11 a.m.	
Milwaukee at Mercer, noon	
Milwaukee at N. Kentucky, noon	
St. Peter's at Hampton, noon	
New Orleans at Memphis, 12:30 p.m.	
Wisconsin at Tennessee, 12:30 p.m.	
N. Alabama at Florida St., 1 p.m.	
Thomas (Ga.) at UAB, 1 p.m.	
Louisville at Kentucky, 2:45 p.m.	
E. Kentucky at E. Carolina, 3 p.m.	
Hofstra at James Madison, 3 p.m.	
Mobile at S. Alabama, 3 p.m.	
Carver at Jacksonville St., 4 p.m.	
William Peace at UNC-Greensboro, 4 p.m.	
Piedmont Intl. at Charleston Southern, 4:30 p.m.	
Belmont at W. Kentucky, 6:30 p.m.	
Cumberland at Murray St., 7 p.m.	
MIDWEST	
Cent. Michigan at Purdue, 11 a.m.	
Youngstown St. at IUPUI, 11 a.m.	
Cent. Arkansas at Marquette, 1 p.m.	
Green Bay at Wright St., 1 p.m.	
Toledo at Bradley, 1 p.m.	
Detroit at Oakland, 2 p.m.	
FIU at Minnesota, 3 p.m.	
Louisiana-Monroe at Butler, 3 p.m.	
Cleveland St. at Ill.-Chicago, 3:12 p.m.	
Midland at Creighton, 5 p.m.	
SOUTHWEST	
Paul Quinn College at Stephen F. Austin, 2 p.m.	
Our Lady of the Lake at UTSA, 3 p.m.	
Freed-Hardeman at Arkansas St., 4 p.m.	
Texas Wesleyan at N. Texas, 5 p.m.	
WEST	
E. Michigan at UNLV, 2 p.m.	
Texas S. at Arizona St., 2 p.m.	
Doane at Colorado St., 3 p.m.	
E. Washington at Weber St., 3 p.m.	
Cal St.-Fullerton at UCLA, 4 p.m.	
Antelope Valley at Utah Valley, 4 p.m.	
N. Colorado at Portland St., 4:05 p.m.	
CS Northridge at Boise St., 5 p.m.	
Nebraska Wesleyan at Wyoming, 5 p.m.	
Sacramento St. at Montana St., 5 p.m.	
Cal Poly at San Diego St., 6 p.m.	
Seattle at Saint Mary's (Cal), 7 p.m.	
Idaho at Idaho St., 8 p.m.	
N. Arizona at Montana, 8 p.m.	
Oral Roberts at BYU, 8 p.m.	
Pepperdine at San Jose St., 8 p.m.	
UC Riverside at Fresno St., 8 p.m.	
Morgan St. at Loyola Marymount, 9 p.m.	
Pacific at UC Irvine, 9 p.m.	

AP WOMEN'S TOP 25 SCHEDULE	
1. UConn (10-0) did not play. Next: vs. Wichita State, Thursday.	
2. Oregon (10-1) did not play. Next: vs. Corban, Saturday.	
3. Oregon State (11-0) did not play. Next: vs. Cal State Bakersfield, Sunday.	
4. South Carolina (12-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 14 Kentucky, Thursday.	
5. Stanford (10-1) did not play. Next: vs. UC Davis, Saturday.	
6. Baylor (9-1) did not play. Next: vs. Morehead State, Monday.	
7. Louisville (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Syracuse, Sunday.	
8. Florida State (12-0) did not play. Next: vs. Virginia Tech, Sunday.	
9. N.C. State (11-0) did not play. Next: at Boston College, Sunday.	
10. UCLA (11-0) did not play. Next: vs. Southern Cal, Sunday.	
11. Texas A&M (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Texas A&M-Corpus Christi, Sunday.	
12. Maryland (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 24 Michigan, Saturday.	
13. Kentucky (10-1) did not play. Next: at No. 5 South Carolina, Thursday.	
14. Indiana (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 19 Michigan State, Saturday.	
15. Mississippi State (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. Little Rock, Sunday.	
16. DePaul (10-2) did not play. Next: vs. Marquette, Sunday.	
17. Gonzaga (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. Portland, Sunday.	
18. Arizona (11-0) did not play. Next: at Arizona State, Sunday.	
19. West Virginia (9-1) did not play. Next: vs. Cornell, Tuesday.	
20. Arkansas (11-1) did not play. Next: vs. UT Martin, Sunday.	
21. Missouri State (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. William Jewell, Tuesday.	
22. Tennessee (9-2) did not play. Next: vs. Howard, Sunday.	
23. Michigan (9-2) did not play. Next: at No. 13 Maryland, Saturday.	
24. Miami (8-3) did not play. Next: vs. Wake Forest, Sunday.	
25. Texas (7-4) did not play. Next: vs. NW State, Sunday.	

AP MALE ATHLETE OF YEAR	
VOTING Athlete	Pts
Kawhi Leonard	42
Lamar Jackson	19
Patrick Mahomes	17
Rafael Nadal	16
Giannis Antetokounmpo	15
Tom Brady	13
Brooks Koepka	12
Zion Williamson	9
Kyle Busch	8
Caleb Dressel	6
Joe Burrow	6
Lionel Messi	5
Pieter-Steph du Toit	3
Stephen Strasburg	2
Mike Trout	2
Novak Djokovic	2
Lewis Hamilton	1
Rory Mollwo	1
Mohamed Salah	1

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL



JAMES CRISP/AP

Evansville placed coach Walter McCarty on administrative leave amid a probe into alleged violations of Title IX.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Evansville coach put on leave

News services

Evansville has placed coach Walter McCarty on administrative leave and is conducting an internal investigation into alleged violations of the school's Title IX policy.

The university released a statement Friday saying it has received reports about McCarty's off-court behavior, including a recent incident that appeared to be a Title IX violation.

A national law firm will conduct the investigation, the statement said, and Evansville will make a "fair and informed decision" on McCarty's status based on its results. The school did not disclose further details about the investigation and said it would not discuss the specifics.

Title IX is a federal civil rights law that prohibits discrimination on the basis of sex.

Evansville added that it takes reports about harassment or discrimination seriously and offers support for students and employees who believe they have been victims of inappropriate behavior.

The school's action comes six weeks after after McCarty guided the unranked Purple Aces' stunning 67-64 upset of then-No. 1 Kentucky, his alma mater, on its home court. McCarty played for the Wildcats' 1996 national championship team. He was the center of a loud, delirious postgame celebration in the visitors' locker room following Evansville's first upset of the top-ranked team in three tries.

"This is at the top, to come back home and play against the No. 1 team in the country and to be able to perform the way that we did," McCarty said at the time. "I don't know if anything matches this, other than winning the national championship from a basketball standpoint. It's awesome to come in here and play on this type of stage (and win). I've got great group of guys, I really do."

The Purple Aces (9-4) lost three of their next four games after beating Kentucky on Nov. 12 but have won six of the last seven entering Tuesday's Missouri Valley opener at Missouri State.

Evansville said assistant Bennie Seltzer will serve as interim coach.

UK ready for rival: If Kentucky players needed a reminder that the game with archrival Louisville comes next, it came repeatedly at a team dinner at a Lexington restaurant Thursday night.

"Everybody who was in there was, like, win Saturday, win Saturday, win Saturday," Nate Sestina said Friday. "Obviously, it's a big deal for everybody here. And it's a big deal for us, too."

But not too big a deal.

That was among the messages UK conveyed in previewing an annual rivalry game that always bursts with sporting importance, all the more so given Louisville is ranked No. 3 in the nation and Kentucky is coming off a losing streak in Las Vegas.

"The good news for us, (as) I keep saying, it's December," Wildcats coach John Calipari said. "It's not make-or-break. I know people want (that) this is it. It isn't. It's December. But it's just the next game for us."

"And I say this every year: You win, then it's a huge game."

After last week's losses to Utah and Ohio State, Kentucky is still in the learning portion of the season. Players say they need to become more familiar with each other. Calipari talks about experimenting with different approaches.

"We're still trying to figure it out," Calipari said.

Kentucky's three losses have been by a combined margin of 12 points.

"I know it's devastating and it's the worst," Calipari said facetiously about the losses to Evansville, Utah and Ohio State. "We're couple buckets (from winning) the games. We could be 11-0."

Sestina downplayed the assumption that coming off two straight losses put added pressure on Kentucky to beat Louisville.

"We're all competitors," he said. "So, it's more of a competitive thing than it is a pressure thing. Guys just want to win. That's why we came here."

for the best finish in club history — with signature wins against Manchester United and Benfica, but he was fired after one season after Basel failed to win a ninth straight Swiss league title.

As U.S. under-17 coach, he guided the team to a second-place finish in the CONCACAF Championship and helped it qualify for the under-17 World Cup. His team struggled at the World Cup, however, going 0-2-1 and being outscored 8-1.

Regardless, Wicky's experience with both senior and youth players fits what Heitz called his preferred profile of modern ideas mixed with player development.

"Coaching is about technical things, but it's also about communication," Heitz told the Tribune last week. "Internal communication but also communication with media, with sponsors, with fans."

"I like coaches who really work with players. It's for always say, 'I need a new player.' I like coaches who develop players."

Wicky, who speaks German, French, English and Spanish, won't have much time to implement his style on a roster that currently sits at 17 players. The Fire begin their preseason regimen Jan. 18 and open the MLS season March 1.

Fire

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2017.

"He is a man of high character who fits the philosophy and vision of this club," Heitz said in a statement. "He has a fresh, modern approach to football. Raphael has a great appreciation and respect for the sport, and because of his time on the pitch, including representing his country at a World Cup, he is able to communicate extremely well with players. ... We're thrilled that he will be our new head coach."

As a player, Wicky rose through the ranks of Swiss club FC Sion before playing for Bundesliga clubs Werder Bremen and Hamburger SV, Spanish La Liga side Atletico Madrid and a brief stint with now-defunct Chivas USA in Major League Soccer.

Wicky made 75 appearances for Switzerland, playing in the 2006 World Cup and the 1996 and 2004 UEFA European Championships.

Wicky's coaching career has come with highs and lows. He guided Basel to the last 16 of the UEFA Champions League — tied

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Christensen, Jack F. 'Whitey'

Jack F. 'Whitey' Christensen, age 88 of Chicago, Korean War Navy Veteran; beloved husband of the late Patricia. Loving father of Connie, Deacon Thomas (Judith), Ann Ph.D (the late Reagan Miller) and Katherine (Rob Hardin) Christensen. Devoted grandfather of Wilson, Sam and Elliot Miller and Ella and Evan Hardin. Dear brother of the late Jean (the late Loyal) Lundorf. Uncle of Joyce, Carol, Linda and Jack. Lying-in-state on Friday, December 27, 2019 at St. Francis of Assisi Chapel, 1260 Franciscan Drive, Lemont, IL 60491, 12:30pm until 2:30pm. Visitation Sunday, December 29, 2019 2pm until 8pm at **RICHARD J MODEL FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES**, 5725 S. Pulaski Road, Chicago. Funeral Monday, 9am Chapel Service to St. Turibius Church, 5646 S. Karlov Avenue, Chicago, Mass 9:30am. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. Former President of St. Turibius H.N.S., Usher's Club and Sports Boosters. Jack was in industrial sales for over 60 years at Packing Materials Corporation, Welch Packaging and Jack Christensen LTD. Jack was the founder of the Pack King's Softball Dynasties from 1971 until his retirement in the early 90's. Jack was a lifetime White Sox fan and touched many lives with his intelligence and sense of humor. It would make Jack and his family very happy if memorials would be made to Jack and his wife Pat's church, St. Turibius. Thank you to the staff at Mother Theresa Home at Franciscan Village in Lemont and Palos Hospice for their care of dad. 773-767-4730 or rj-modelffh.com.

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Cicero, John

John J. Cicero passed away December 24, 2019, at the age of 68. John was born in Chicago on July 31, 1951. He worked as a Union Local 17 Heat and Frost Insulator for 41 years. He retired at 60 in 2011. On July 26, 1975 he married Nancy Barciszewski and had three beautiful children, who were the most important part of his life. John was a devoted father, the ultimate handyman, and a jack of all trades. He enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren, his wife, and his kids. He will be deeply missed by his friends, family, and all who knew him. John is survived by his wife, Nancy Cicero; his children, John (Teresa Cesario) Cicero, Matt (Amy Seidel) Cicero, Maria (Justin Lindberg); and his grandchildren Jack, Violet, Olivia, Winnie, and Braden, his mother Constance, his siblings James (Nancy), Joseph (Linda), Rose (Donita) and many nieces and nephews. Proceeded in death by Steven (Anne), June (Rich) and his father John Cicero. Visitation will be held 12/29/2019 between 2:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. at **Carbonara Funeral Home** located at 1515 N 25th Ave Melrose Park 60610. Mass will be held 12/30/2019 10:00 am at Mary Queen of Heaven Church in Elmhurst, IL. In lieu of flowers please send memorial donations to Crohn's & Colitis foundation or The American Heart Association.

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Edward, Heywood J.

Edward J. Heywood 97, World War II veteran died peacefully on February 20th with his beloved wife Margaret by his side. He was preceded in death by his ex-wife Margaret M. and his son Brian. Dear father of Dennis (Bonnie), James (Susan)

Eugene, Mark (Cynthia), Neil (Anne), Brian (deceased) (Doreen), Mary (Late Manny) Steen, Anne (Mark) LeBaron, Loretto (James) Coogan. Step-father of Steven (Alice), Daniel Cheversia, and Margaret Ann (Randall) Johnson. Loving grandfather of 25, step-grandfather of 7, great grandfather 19, step-great grandfather of 10. Dear brother Mary Lowry and the late Dolores French, fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Edward live in Chicago his entire life where he raised his family in the Beverly neighborhood on the south side. He started his real estate business after his service in the Air Force and became very successful. He translated his success with his generosity to children sports teams, charities, community hospital, community center, and church. He was past president of the South Suburban Real Estate Board, a member of Evergreen Post A.L. 854 and member of Fr. Perez Knight of Columbus #1444 He and his wife traveled the Caribbean Europe, Africa, and the Mediterranean. He also traveled with his entire family. He and his wife enjoyed playing tennis and he played until 3 years ago. They were long time members of the Beverly Tennis Club and Evergreen Racquet and Fitness Club. He also enjoyed golf, opera and reading. He loved his grandchildren and they loved him. He will be missed. Visitation Saturday the December 28, St. Barnabas Catholic Church, 101st Longwood Dr, Chicago, 10:00 am until time of mass at 1:00 pm. In lieu of flowers contribution to St. Barnabas School Fund would be appreciated.

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Gitelman, Alvin R.

Alvin R. Gitelman, 90, beloved husband of the late Betty nee Getner for 66 years; loving father of Michael (Sharon) Gitelman and the late Lynn Gitelman Pradun (Greg Pradun); cherished grandfather of Dr. Mindi (Anthony) D'elia, Hal Gitelman, Melissa (Shane) Chapman and Mark Joseph; adored great grandfather of Leo Chapman; dear brother of the late Floyd, Sheldon and Dr. Betty; fond father-in-law of the late Ricki Gitelman; many loving nieces and nephews. Chapel service, Sunday 12:15 PM at Shalom Memorial Funeral Home, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Entombment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Center For Enriched Living. For information or to leave condolences, (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com.

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Jacobs, Phyllis Leaf

Phyllis Jacobs died on Thanksgiving Day in Palo Alto, California at the age of 92. She was a wife, mother and grandmother, a community leader, a world traveler, a gardener and a mensch.



She was born Phyllis Leaf on May 10, 1927 in Chicago, the daughter of Sol and Bertha Leaf, and the sister of

Marshall Leaf.

A 1948 University of Michigan graduate, she married Alan J. Jacobs in 1949. Other men had proposed, but he was the one who made her laugh.

As he built a career in advertising at Bozell & Jacobs, she raised their four children in Highland Park. She was active in the League of Women Voters, Lakeside Congregation for Reform Judaism, the PTA and other groups.

Alan and Phyllis moved to Newport Beach, California in 1972, where they became leaders of the Pacific Community of Cultural Jews. They also were active in the Philharmonic Society of Orange County. She enjoyed gardening -- especially roses -- and traveled around the world with her husband.

After her husband's death in 2006, she carried on in Newport Beach until moving to Palo Alto in 2013 to be near her daughters.

Her older son, Peter Jacobs, died in 1998. She is survived by her children, Peggy (Rich Richardson), Joanne (John Wakerly) and David (Lisa), and her grandchildren, Allison Hunter, Alan and Lee Richardson and Virginia, Capella and Christopher Jacobs.

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James, Michael Richard

Michael Richard James, 66, of Park Ridge, IL, passed away on December 14th, 2019.

A Celebration of life will be held from 3-7pm January 10th, with a prayer service starting at 5pm, at the South Park Recreation Center at 833 W. Talcott Road Park Ridge, IL.

Loving father to son Brian (Gevenvieve) James, daughter Julie Appelhans, and daughter Mallory (Alex) Mammoser; Dear brother to Robert, Jeff, Bill, Dave, Doug (James) and Mary Ann Crescenti; Devoted son of the late Robert B. James and Mary Rose James; Proud grandfather to Ethan, Maryam, Nicholas, Anthony, Abby, Audrey, Andrew, James and Daniel.

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Lidquist, Arnold T. 'Arnie'

Arnold "Arnie" T. Lidquist, of Schaumburg and formerly of Norwood Park; husband of Janet, nee Jewell; dad of Renee (Bill) Rzeszutko and Susan (Dan) Doyle; grandpa Arnie of Rachel and Riley Brands and Max and Jake Doyle; brother of the late Barbara Lidquist; cousin of Annette, Noreen, Elsie, Joyce, Barbara (Gerard) and Debbie (Steve). Visitation Sunday 2:00 pm - 8:00 pm at the **Countryside Funeral Home and Crematory** 1640 S. Greenmeadows Blvd. (at Barrington Rd.) Streamwood. Funeral Monday 10:00 am at the funeral home. Interment Acacia Park Cemetery. 630-289-8054 or www.countrysidefuneralhomes.com

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McCarthy, Shawn

Age 50 of Round Lake Beach, IL was born October 13, 1969 and passed December 24, 2019. Proceeded in death by his parents Dennis McCarthy and Delores Bartley. He is survived by his beloved daughters Amanda, Christine, Danielle and Marissa. Fond brother of Kathleen (Leone) Barrios, Lynn (Doug) Keating, Tracy Tumlin and Dennis McCarthy. His memory will be cherished by all his aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews and friends.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

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McNulty, Hannah

Hannah McNulty, nee Douaire, 52, of Wilmette passed away peacefully December 22, 2019 in her home surrounded by family. Hannah was the devoted wife of Peter E. McNulty; loving mother of Finian J. and Maeve M. McNulty; dear sister of George F. (Melissa) Douaire and Daniel L. (Janet) Douaire; doting aunt to her many nieces and nephews and a treasured friend to a fortunate group. Visitation, Sunday, December 29, 2019 3:00PM - 8:00PM at **Donnellan Family Funeral Services**, 10045 Skokie Boulevard at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL 60077. Funeral Mass, Monday, December 30, 2019 10:00 a.m. at Saints Joseph & Francis Xavier Church, 524 Ninth Street & Linden Avenue, Wilmette, IL 60091. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Loyola Academy Needy Family Fund Loyola Academy High School, 1100 Laramie Avenue, Wilmette, IL 60091. Funeral Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990

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Meyer, Joan (Blakeslee)

Joan Blakeslee Meyer was born on February 16, 1929 in Cleveland, OH to Harold and Margaret Blakeslee. After earning a Bachelor of Arts degree from Mundelein College, Joan married Raymond Meyer on April 11, 1953. Over the next several years, Joan taught art in 5 different parochial schools to help put Ray through Dental School. They spent most of their married life raising their family in South Bend, IN in a home they built on Harvest Drive, and in retirement they relocated to Naperville, IL to be closer to family.

In addition to raising four sons, Joan pursued her art throughout her 90 years. Her favorite mediums, including wood cuts, oil paint, and water colors, served as vehicles for her creative energies, as did her writing. After moving to Naperville, Joan's essays, poems, and interviews provided monthly content to the Riverplace Meanderings, their condo newsletter. Joan's signature warmth and openness made her the consummate "people person," a fact obvious to her dearly loved grandchildren, friends, and strangers alike. Her keen interest in those around her highlighted her intrepid curiosity and compassion, secured her many friends, and endeared her to every family member. And her geniality came with a spark: every game of Hearts Joan played demonstrated the origin of the fiercely competitive trait shared by the Meyer sons!

Joan departed this earth on December 19, 2019 in her home surrounded by her family. She is survived by her sons Michael, Mark, Joe, and John; daughters-in-law Lori, Jill, Sonja, and Sandy; grandchildren Katrina, Dylan, Sara, Annalise, Annie, and Katie; and life-long friend Sister Pat Murphy. She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Hal, and her beloved husband of 65 years, Ray. The Meyer family would like to thank friend and caregiver, Sarena Khenmedekh, for her love and dedication to Joan over the past 6 years. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations to the Interfaith Committee for Detained Immigrants or The Morton Arboretum.

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Milstein, Samuel Ganser

Samuel Ganser Milstein, 80, beloved husband of 37 years of the late Lynn Milstein, nee Leventhal; loving and devoted father of Marcy Milstein Flynn (the late Doug Matis), Sheryl Milstein, and Melissa (Steve) Hardt; adored grandfather - clock of Danny, Morgan (Joe), Elizabeth, Emily, and Jacob; dear brother of the late Sally Mendlovitz; brother-in-law of Cele (Bill) Rivkin and Harry (Lois) Leventhal; uncle to many nieces and nephews; and dear friend to many of the Wilmette Theater Crew. Sam was a long time Movie Operator at the Wilmette Theater (local 110 IATSE). Sam enjoyed Sailing on Lake Michigan, reading books, Saturday night dinners, being around friends and family and great food. His love for classical music, smell of cigars, bluntness in conversations, and for Mexican food will be missed. Chapel service Sunday, December 29th, at 2:30 PM, **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 West Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the charity of your choice. For Shiva information (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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Moskal, Wanda J.

Loving mother of Pamela (the late Dennis) Komorowski; cherished grandmother of Joyce (Sam) Rannocho, Mary (Dariusz) Wiczorkiewicz, and Lisa (Jonathan) Toler; proud great-grandmother of Joseph Selby, Jason Selby, Jamie Selby, Ryan Wiczorkiewicz, and Benjamin Toler; loving great-great-grandmother of Wyatt Dennis; loving aunt, cousin, and friend of many. Preceded in death by her husband, the late Edward Moskal, and her dog, the late Kookie. Wanda was the proud owner and operator of Moskal Catering for many years. Funeral services will be held on Monday, December 30th, at 9:15am from Malec & Sons Funeral Home, 6000 North Milwaukee Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60646, to St. Tarcissus Catholic Church for a funeral mass at 10:00am. Interment St. Adalbert Catholic Cemetery. For more information, please call (773) 774-4100 or visit www.malecandsonsfh.com

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O'Brien, Thomas F.

Thomas F. O'Brien, 87; beloved husband of 63 years to the late Dorothy nee Cummings; loving father of Kevin (Nancy), Daniel (Dianne), Joanne (Michael) Eberwein, Stephen (Karen), Susan, and the late Thomas; cherished grandpa of Scott, Kristen, Kelly, Patrick, Sarah, Jennifer, Elizabeth, Michael, Aileen, Jessica and Danielle; fond great grandpa of Dylan, Tyler, Dominic, Brandon, Juliet, Norah, Mia and Thomas; dear brother of Anna Jarmuth and the late Rose Stone, John, Martin, Barbara Fiege and Peggy Hauser; dear uncle to many; Proud U.S. Navy Seamen Veteran and member of Local 134. Funeral Monday 9:30 AM from **Gibbons Family Funeral Home**, 5917 W. Irving Park Rd. (1/2 Block East of Austin) to St. Robert Bellarmine Church. Mass 10 AM. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Visitation Sunday 3-8 PM. In lieu of flowers please make donations to St. Mary of Providence. For info 773-777-3944 or www.gffh.com

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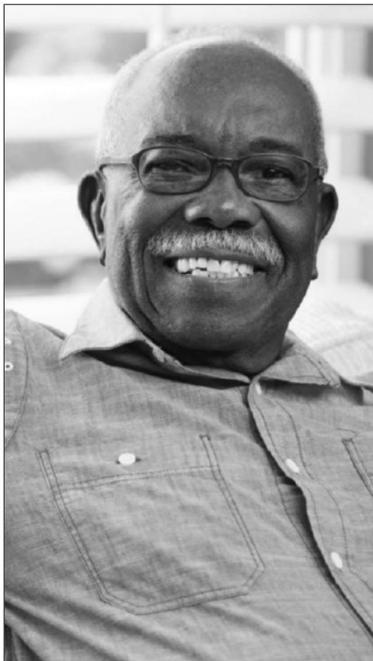


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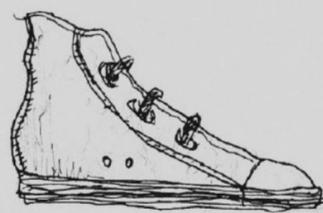
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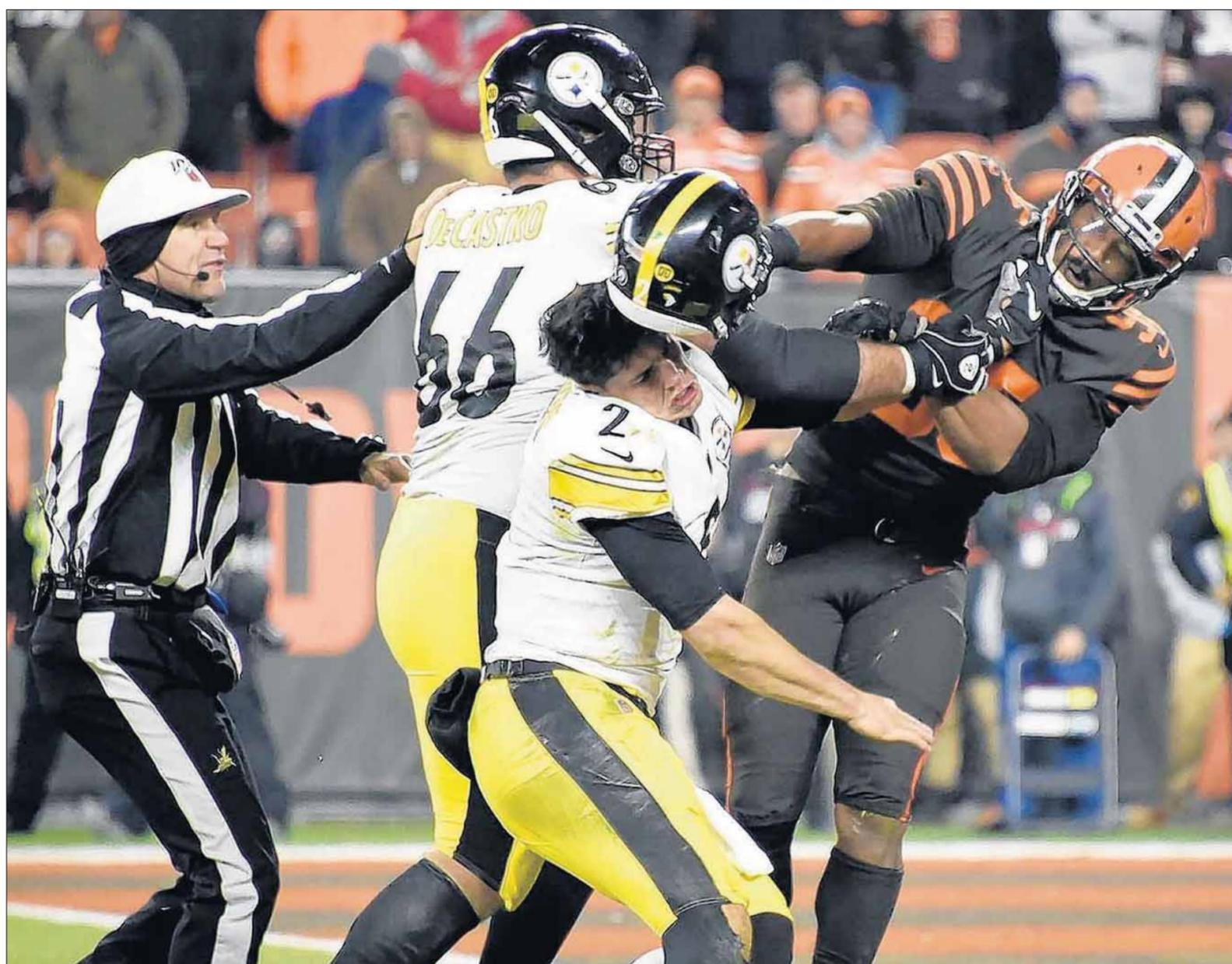
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Browns defensive end Myles Garrett whacks Steelers quarterback Mason Rudolph with his own helmet late in the Browns 21-7 victory on Nov. 14. Garrett was suspended indefinitely after the scuffle.

Offbeat awards for NFL season

The best, the worst and the weirdest of the regular season

BY BARRY WILNER

Associated Press

The Associated Press will hand out its individual NFL awards on the night before the Super Bowl in Miami. Until then, here are some off-the-beaten track honors to consider.

Best game

Week 10, the best Monday night game in years saw the Seahawks beat the 49ers 27-24 in overtime in a key NFC West matchup. This one had everything, from huge defensive plays to special teams highlights (and lowlights) to Russell Wilson working some magic on the winning drive. Watching Pete Carroll's resilient squad hand the Niners their first defeat was worthy of the prime-time spotlight.

Worst game

Seems we often find a Jets game to fill this bill. How about Patriots 33, Jets 0 — in prime time? When will the league learn to ban the Jets from national TV?

Sam Darnold threw four interceptions and lost a fumble. Worse yet, he was caught on the sideline by ESPN and NFL Films cameras saying he's "seeing ghosts." Darnold went 11-for-32 for 86 yards, and the Jets finished with 154 yards.

Best celebration

Nick Bosa's revenge. In the 49ers' 31-3 rout of the Browns, the 49ers defensive end poked fun at Browns quarterback Baker Mayfield after forcing Mayfield into a hurried incompleteness. Bosa, the second overall draft pick, got up and pretended to wave a flag and plant it in the turf as the crowd roared. It was a clear shot at Mayfield, who planted an Oklahoma flag in the turf after leading the Sooners to a win over Bosa and Ohio State in 2017.

"I think everybody knows what that was for," Bosa said. "Just wanted to get payback. He had it coming."

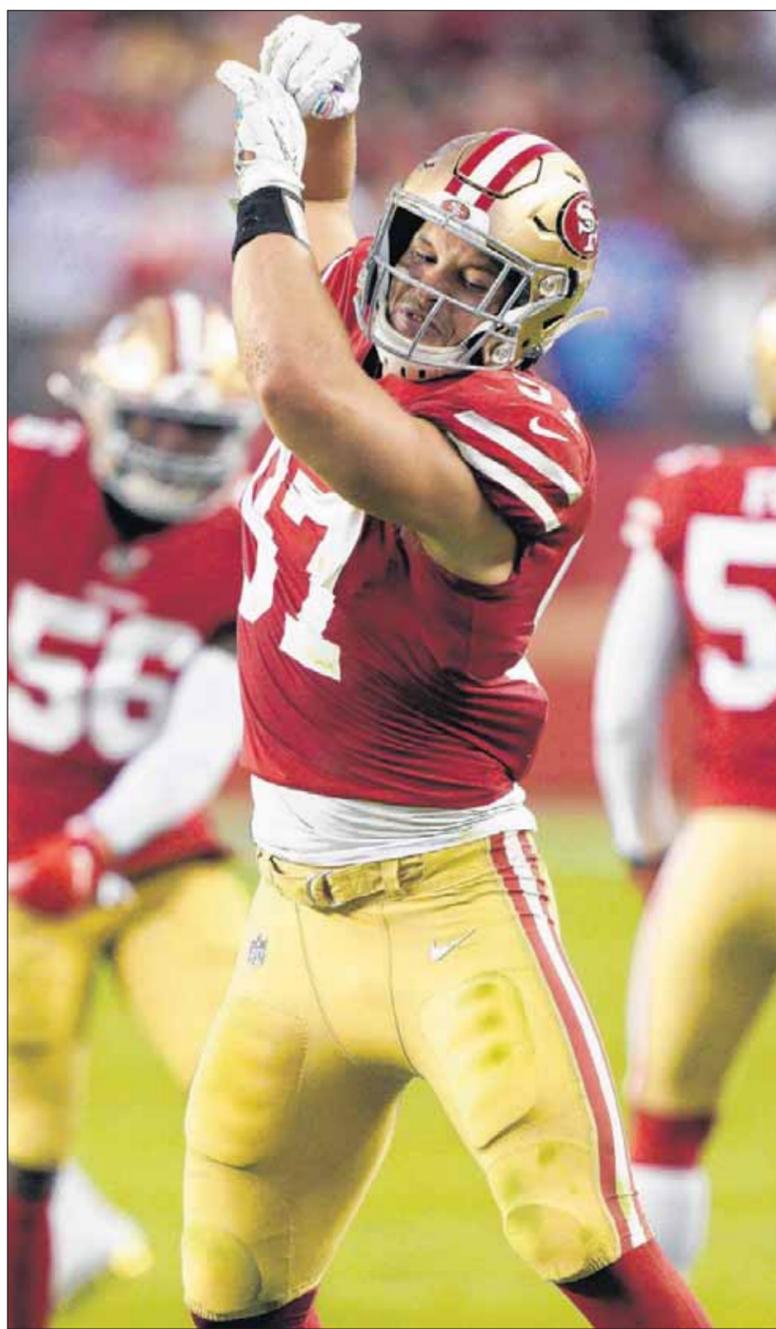
Best play

The 49ers again, this time at New Orleans in a game-saving play that will be George Kittle's legacy — until the tight end pulls it off again.

On fourth-and-2 in the final moments, Jimmy Garoppolo's short pass found Kittle, who galloped up the sideline, making move after move and embracing an opportunity to defiantly jerk his head back and forth as a Saints defender grabbed his face mask.

"Run through people but have a good time doing it," Kittle said of the play, which gained 53 yards after the Saints' penalty and set up a winning field goal.

Runner-up: Dolphins punter Matt Haack's touchdown pass to kicker Jason Sanders on a fake field goal in an upset of the Eagles.



TONY AVELAR/AP

Nick Bosa of the 49ers pretends to plant a flag against the Browns on Oct. 7. Bosa got revenge on Browns QB Baker Mayfield, who pulled a similar stunt in their college matchup.

Worst play

Redskins rookie QB Dwayne Haskins taking a selfie with a fan when he was supposed to be taking a snap for a kneel-down in a win over the Lions.

Runner-up: Baker Mayfield basically giving Patriots defensive lineman Lawrence Guy the ball at the line of scrimmage.

Most improved offensive player

Back to the Niners, where one of their backs, Raheem Mostert, has gone from special-teamer and fourth-string halfback to a key to their run to the playoffs. Mostert has been especially dynamic in the second half of the schedule and has averaged 5.6 yards per carry with six touchdowns.

Most improved defensive player

Shaq Barrett was a nice player for the Broncos, for whom he had 14 sacks in five seasons. He left for the Buccaneers as a free agent — and became a monster with 16½ sacks so far and certainly will get strong consideration for the AP All-Pro Team.

Most disappointing offensive player

OBJ was MIA for much of the season. After his ballyhooed trade from the Giants to the Browns, Odell Beckham Jr. was supposed to be the missing link to the Browns ending the longest non-playoff streak in the NFL. Instead, he barely contributed anything positive.

Most disappointing defensive player

The Redskins gave safety Landon Collins a six-year, \$84 million contract to join them. His impact was minimal on a unit that ranks 25th overall and 29th against the rush, supposedly one of Collins' strengths.

Most surprising team

The 49ers are in position for the top seed in the NFC. Last year they were in position for the second overall draft pick.

Most disappointing team

The Cowboys should have romped in the league's worst division, the NFC East. Instead, if the injury-ravaged Eagles beat the Giants on Sunday, the Cowboys will be home for the playoffs.

Weirdest incident

Budding Browns star defense end Myles Garrett wildly swinging the helmet of Steelers quarterback Mason Rudolph into Rudolph's head near the end of the Browns' victory over the Steelers on Nov. 14. Garrett has been suspended indefinitely.

Best play-by-play announcer

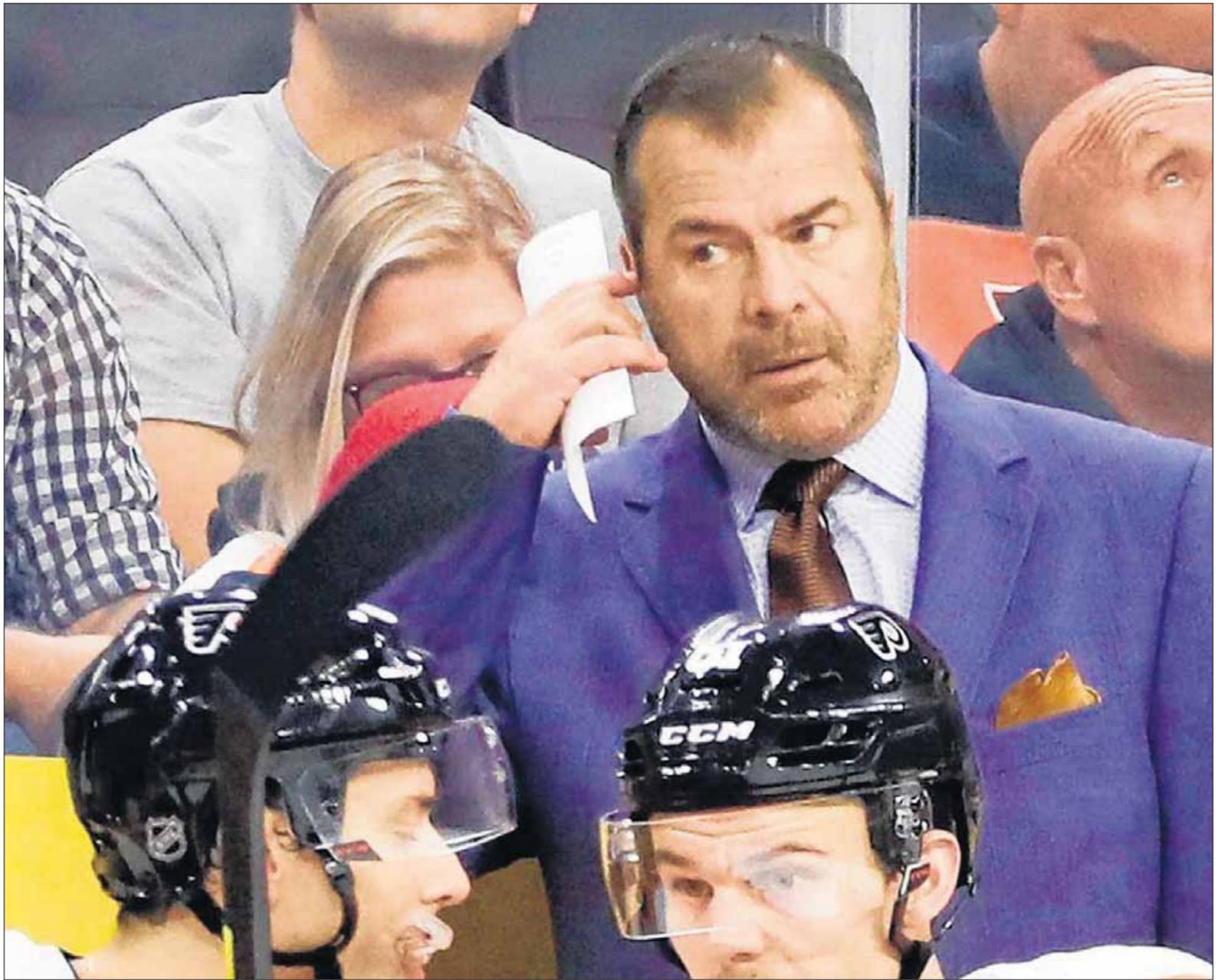
It seems as if Kevin Harlan always is on the air. As long as he keeps doing NFL games on TV for CBS and on radio for Westwood One, we're fine with his busy schedule. Harlan's full descriptions of plays, avoiding clichés at all costs, his passion and his sense of humor make any game he does a treat. Too bad CBS doesn't give him and analyst Rich Gannon more high-profile games. They're the network's best team, though Ian Eagle and Dan Fouts are a close second.

Best analyst

As close as a fourth-and-inches play, we'll give the nod to Fox's Troy Aikman, especially with his working two games (Thursday and Sunday) in some weeks. Aikman used to pull punches, but that was years ago and he's gotten better and better as he's become more candid.

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Flyers coach Alain Vigneault is bilingual, and it often helps him makes points with French players using a particular emphasis in their native language.

The French connection

Flyers coach is able to make his points in French and English, creating more communication with players

BY SAM CARCHIDI
The Philadelphia Inquirer

Coach Alain Vigneault gave standout center Sean Couturier, of all people, a curse-filled thrashing during a recent team meeting, but since the words were spoken in French, only a handful of Flyers understood what he was saying.

When the meeting ended and everyone left the room, the English-speaking players had their curiosity piqued.

"Guys are coming up to me and wondering what that was all about and what exactly he said to me," said Couturier, who speaks French and English fluently. "I just told them I had a bad turnover and got called out for it, and that he told me to try to make the play next time."

Couturier smiled. He kept the coach's salty language, and some of his other criticism, to himself.

"That's not all he said," Couturier added. "At the time, it was kind of embarrassing, but looking back on it, it was a lot of laughs."

Vigneault, known by most around hockey as "AV," said he figured the players eventually would ask Couturier what he had said.

"So I get a double hit on it," he said. "He knows, and then the rest of the team knows. So when everyone needs to understand something, it's a pretty good way to get the point across."

When speaking in front of the entire team, Vigneault usually talks to the players in English. The same goes for the other French-Canadian coaches on his staff, Michel Therrien and Ian Laperriere.

If they are one on one, however, with a fellow French-Canadian — like Couturier, Claude Giroux or Nic Aube-Kubel — they like to speak in French.

"I've found through the years they have a tendency to understand better in their native tongue," Vigneault said. "Obviously French is my first language. I can probably pick and choose my words a little better in French."

Vigneault is the leader of the Flyers' French Connection of coaches. The Flyers have had a few French Connection lines in their history — Andre Lacroix centering Jean-Guy Gendron and Simon Nolet during the team's early seasons, Simon Gagne with Giroux and Laperriere (briefly) in 2009, and Danny Briere with

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— Flyers coach Alain Vigneault on speaking French to Sean Couturier

Couturier and Gagne in 2013 — but never on their coaching staff.

The staff also includes three English-speaking assistants: Mike Yeo; Kim "Dilly" Dillabaugh; and Adam Patterson, who handles video duties.

"You know what? They're starting to pick up some French," said Vigneault, who sometimes ends his news conferences with an upbeat merci beaucoup. "A lot of the words are the same. And the swear words in French are easy to learn."

"I think they know the swear words," Therrien agreed. "Especially Yeo-sy. He's been surrounded with French coaches before. Maybe they're not going to speak them, but I know they understand them."

"We try to be respectful when they're around and we speak English so they are a part of our conversation," he added.

The Flyers have three members of their staff — Vigneault, Therrien, and Yeo — who have been NHL head coaches. That has contributed to their 21-11-5 record at the Christmas break.

"The way they handle the bench and the lines and the team, there's a lot of respect for them there," Couturier said.

Besides speaking French, having good-natured personalities, and trying to help mold the much-improved Flyers into Stanley Cup contenders, Vigneault, Therrien, and Laperriere have something else in common: They're all connected to Montreal.

Laperriere and Therrien were born and raised in Montreal; Therrien and Vigneault have been head coaches there.

"The fact that we're all three from Quebec is really a coincidence," Vigneault said. "Really, it's three hockey guys. You've got Lappy, who is an unbelievable former player to have around, a guy who played the game the right way. He played hard, he played through injury, and he was a team-first guy. I kept him on the staff that was here already. It's a great fit with both Mikes Yeo and

Therrien and Dilly handling the goaltenders. It makes for a great staff."

Laperriere, 45, wasn't familiar with Vigneault or Therrien on a personal level until this year. On the other hand, Vigneault, 58, and Therrien, 56, go back a long way together.

"I never knew them," Laperriere said. "I knew of them and I think they knew of me, but I had no relationship with those guys. Obviously they're older than me. They coached against me when I played junior, and they coached against me when I played pro, but there was no connection."

Laperriere likes all the French conversations he's had with his fellow coaches this season.

"For me, personally, nothing gets lost in translation," he said. "When I do say something in French, it's pretty much the way I'm thinking. But I think the biggest thing with AV is the experience he brings. It doesn't matter if it's English, French, or Chinese, it's just the experience of coaching 1,300 games that he brings into this room, and that's why I think he makes a big difference. I know we're all French guys, but we're hockey people first and French people after that."

When Vigneault decided to get back into coaching, he was living near Therrien in South Florida. Therrien was the first person he called, asking him whether he would join his staff when, or if, he got another head-coaching job.

Therrien has had two head-coaching stints with the Canadiens sandwiched around a stretch with Pittsburgh.

"I've known Mike since before my first year with the Habs," said Vigneault, referring to his time coaching Montreal. He usually refers to Therrien by his English name instead of the French version, Michel.

"When we coached against each other in junior, he had beaten me in the finals and had won the Memorial Cup. And when I got hired by the Habs, I told Reggie Houle, our general manager, 'If

you're looking for a good coach to coach our minor-league farm team, I think Michel will do a good job for you.'"

Therrien coached the Quebec Citadelles, the Canadiens' AHL affiliate, for parts of two seasons. Ironically, he replaced the man who recommended him for the job. When Vigneault was fired early in the 2000-01 season, Therrien was named the Canadiens head coach.

Through the years, they have remained close and are able to confide in one another.

"First and foremost, I love his hockey mind; he's got a great hockey mind, and our friendship has evolved through the years," Vigneault said. "When I was thinking I might get back into coaching, we were having supper one night in Florida and I asked him if he'd be interested."

When Vigneault got the Flyers' job, Therrien was ready to return after sitting out for two seasons.

"I wanted to go with a group I felt comfortable with and a group that had a chance to win a Stanley Cup," said Therrien, who also worked with Yeo, his assistant in Pittsburgh and with the Penguins' AHL team in Wilkes-Barre/Scranton. "For me, it wasn't just going back to the NHL because I've been there. Like AV, I want to win a Stanley Cup. We've been in the game a long time. And the fact I know AV really well and know Flyers GM Chuck Fletcher so well, so I knew I would be very comfortable to work with those two guys, and Philly is a great hockey market. For me, it was a no-brainer to join those guys."

Vigneault, Therrien, and Laperriere have quickly formed a bond, and they mentioned how Yeo, Dillabaugh, and Patterson fit just as seamlessly in the group.

A big reason the Flyers were in a wild-card playoff spot entering the break — they were just 15-17-5 and buried in the standings at a corresponding point last season — is because of Vigneault.

"Obviously, he's an experienced coach who knows the game really well," Couturier said. "I think he

knows what to expect from his players and how to prepare us the way he wants us to play. At the same time, he's not buddy-buddy with guys, but he's honest in a cool way. He makes guys comfortable. But when it comes down to getting serious, he's also capable of switching around and getting down to business."

Vigneault, the 12th-winningest coach in NHL history — he should move into the top 10 before the end of the season — is a jokester with his fellow coaches. And reporters. A fan of fancy clothing, he admired a reporter's striped shirt last week, starting his news briefing with: "Even a French guy would wear that."

"And you know what, Hak was like that, too," said Laperriere, referring to former coach Dave Hakstol, who was mostly stoic with the media and behind the bench but was carefree and a kidder with his coaches. "I know he didn't portray that and didn't do that with you guys the media, but he did that with us and was always loose, and Chief former head coach Craig Berube, too. They're just all different personalities."

"But, again, AV has seen it all. He knows how to deal with people. Everybody," Laperriere added. "When you coach that long in the NHL, there's nothing he hasn't seen yet, and that's why he can be relaxed. But when it's game time, go time, there's a switch that goes on, and personally I love the way he is."

Laperriere hopes to become a head coach some day. If it happens, he will use Vigneault as his role model.

"I'm learning a lot from AV and his demeanor, his swagger. Call it what you want, the way he is around us and the way he is around the players," Laperriere said. "It's something I really appreciate seeing from him. His preparation is unbelievable. You can go back to this summer. Have you seen us on the white board yet explaining a drill? We haven't, because everything is ready before we go out on the ice. The guys know what they're doing and we go, go, go."

"If I ever run my own team, I'm going to take a lot of what he's teaching right now. It's not him telling me what to do; it's more like me watching and learning."

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Quattroporte's cabin is luxurious and spacious, with the signature of Maserati artisans evident down to the smallest detail, such as headrests with embossed or embroidered Maserati Trident logos, hand-stitched details throughout, and premium interior materials.

Luxurious standard or optional amenities for this sixth generation (introduced in 2013) include remote start, soft-close doors, hands-free power trunk with kick sensor, power-adjustable foot pedals and rear sunshades, and four-zone automatic climate control.

Three models are available, with sub-trims: S (\$107,980), S GranLusso and GranSport (\$114,980 each); SQ4 (\$113,680), SQ4 GranLusso and GranSport (\$120,780 each); and GTS GranLusso and GranSport (\$138,980 each). GranLusso and GranSport trims enhance exclusivity with unique colors and trims inside and out.

For 2019, the Quattroporte has a few adjustments and some unique enhancements, including an improved shift lever design, new interior and exterior color options, two new high-gloss interior trims, and two new wheel designs.

Pieno Fiore leather is available in three colors in the GranLusso and GranSport trims. Both feature 20-inch alloy wheels, and GranLusso adds chrome exterior trim. Pieno Fiore (full grain) is the best leather money can buy — soft, and the most durable and natural looking.

S and SQ4 models have a twin-turbo 3.0-liter V-6, producing 424 horsepower and 428 foot-pounds of torque. The S has rear-wheel drive and the SQ4 has all-wheel drive.

The GTS I drove has more power with a twin-turbo 3.8-liter V-8, producing 523 horsepower and 524 foot-pounds of torque, with rear-wheel drive. The new shift lever is more ergonomic, and controls an eight-

speed automatic transmission with manual mode. EPA fuel-economy ratings are 15 mpg city/22 highway/17 combined.

Three drive modes are offered: Normal (default mode, minimal fuel consumption), Sport (seamless shifts at higher revs), and I.C.E. (Increased Control and Efficiency, superior control in all weather conditions, lower fuel consumption).

The Skyhook performance suspension with electronic damping control absorbs and reduces the impact of imperfections in the road, maintaining great performance without sacrificing comfort by constantly processing information through a computer and making calculations to adjust the shocks.

My Quattroporte was the GTS GranSport, in Rosso Filgore (deep burgundy), riding on 21-inch dark forged Atlante wheels (from Italian for Atlas/figure of a man used as a column, \$3,000). Matte red anodized brake calipers (\$2,190) peeked through the stylized spokes — wide split 3-D spokes with narrow recessed “Y” spokes between, quite striking.

The Maserati Stability Program included Acceleration Slip Regulation, Antilock Braking, Electronic Brake Distribution, and Drive Wheels Locking Prevention. An alarm/anti-theft system included perimeter and volumetric sensing, an anti-lift device, and an electronic immobilizer.

The distinctive and dramatic GranSport added unique front and rear fascia — a visual reflection of an athletic lifestyle — 12-way heated/cooled power front sport seats, and Advanced Driver Assistance with adaptive cruise control with stop and go, lane-keep assist and active blind spot.

Gloss red-painted brake calipers with white Maserati script are standard for the GranSport, replaced by the matte red anodized package.

Standard exterior features included a sunroof; auto-dimming, heated, power-adjustable and foldable door

mirrors with integrated LED turn signals; rain sensors; lightweight hands-free power trunk lid with kick sensor; and an air shutter located between the front air vents and the radiator.

Continuous electronically controlled movement of the blades regulates air flow to the engine compartment, controlling engine temperature and reducing aerodynamic drag for reduced fuel consumption and emissions. The soft-close doors were a nice touch.

Two non-metallic colors are available (black, white), as well as seven metallic colors including gorgeous Bianco Alpi (\$2,950, very light gray/white), Blu Nobile (\$2,950, midnight blue), and Grigio Maratea (\$925, deep gray).

Extended keyless entry included the rear doors, allowing easy entry front and rear.

Interior appointments are determined by trim level. GranSport has standard piano-black trim pieces on the dash, doors, and center console — replaced by Carbon Macrotwill (\$1,490) in my Quattroporte. Macrotwill resembles regular carbon fiber, but with larger, more dramatic fibers.

Seating was Black Pieno Fiore Natural Leather (\$1,790), with unique “V”-shaped quilting on the seat and backrest, gray stitching on the bolsters, shoulder rest and headrest, and Maserati Trident embroidered on the headrests in gray (\$190). The faux-suede headliner and pillars were black.

My GranSport added a heated sport steering wheel (\$90) with aluminum column-mounted paddle shifters. The leather gear shifter had Manual Mode activation and a parking button. The air conditioned, illuminated storage bin in the front console had twin power-opening covers, two cupholders and a 12-volt outlet.

Options totaling \$11,240 and destination charges of \$1,995 brought the delivered price of this beautiful and powerful vehicle to \$152,215.

— Emma Jayne Williams, Fort Worth Star-Telegram



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