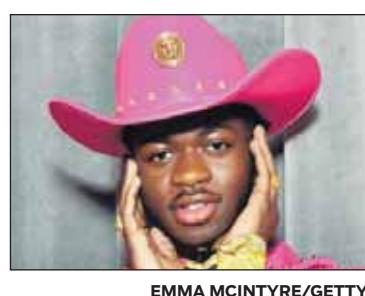




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LAKERS LEGEND DIES

NBA champion, his daughter, 13, and 7 others killed in helicopter crash outside Los Angeles

BY STEFANIE DAZIO

Associated Press

NBA legend Kobe Bryant, his 13-year-old daughter and seven others were killed in a helicopter crash on a steep hillside in dense morning fog in Southern California on Sunday, his sudden death at age 41 touching off an outpouring of grief for a star whose celebrity transcended basketball.

The chopper went down in Calabasas, about 30 miles northwest of downtown Los Angeles. Authorities said that nine people were aboard the helicopter and presumed dead. Bryant, an all-time basketball great who spent his entire 20-year career with the Los Angeles Lakers, was among the victims, a person familiar with the situation told The Associated Press.

Bryant's 13-year-old daughter,

Gianna, also was killed, a different person familiar with the case said.

Also killed were John Altobelli, head coach of Southern California's Orange Coast College baseball team, his wife, Keri, and daughter, Alyssa, who played on the same team as Bryant's daughter, said his brother, Tony, who is the sports information director at the school.

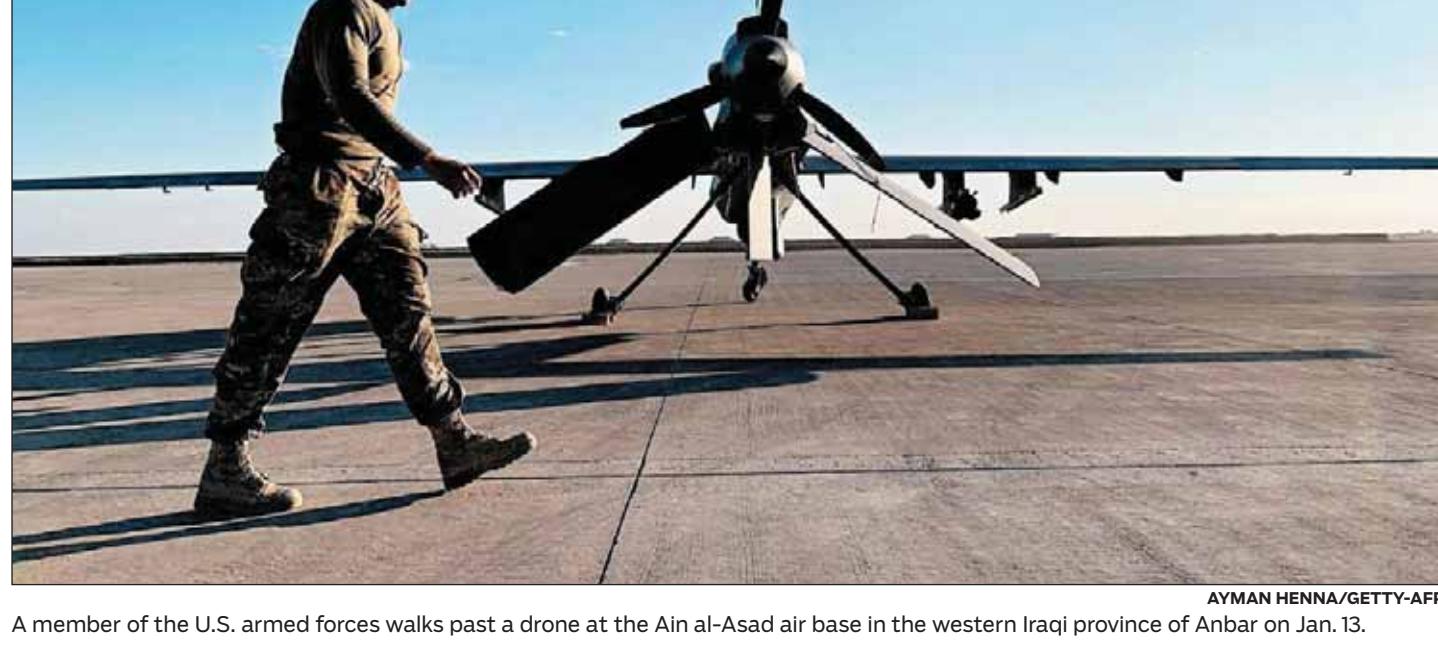
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Retired Los Angeles Lakers guard Kobe Bryant, who became one of the greatest basketball players of his generation, died in a crash Sunday.

War and peace in Iowa



A member of the U.S. armed forces walks past a drone at the Ain al-Asad air base in the western Iraqi province of Anbar on Jan. 13.

BY BILL RUTHHART

CEDAR FALLS, Iowa — From his front-row seat at a recent campaign rally, retired Army officer Glen P. Keith applauded as Pete Buttigieg railed against President Donald Trump's "cheap nationalism" and called for caution when deploying U.S. troops overseas.

"I'm talking about honoring the flag by honoring the values of the republic for which it

How heightened tensions with Iran are shaping Democrats' first 2020 presidential contest

stands and honoring our troops by honoring their lives and ensuring that they will never be sent into harm's way in a conflict that could have been avoided," Buttigieg, the former mayor of South Bend, said over loud applause at the University

of Northern Iowa's student union. "That's national security."

For Keith, a 22-year Army veteran who served four tours of duty in Bosnia, Kosovo and Afghanistan, that's exactly the message he wanted to hear

from a presidential candidate amid heightening tensions with Iran that has left an additional 3,500 U.S. troops stationed in the Middle East. It's a key reason he has decided to back Buttigieg, a former Navy intelligence officer who served in Afghanistan, in Iowa's Feb. 3 first-in-the-nation caucuses.

"I would never want us to be in the present circumstances

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Trump defense set to resume

Dershowitz, Starr and Bondi next up as trial enters pivotal week

BY ZEKE MILLER

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump's impeachment trial enters a pivotal week as his defense team resumes its case and senators face a crucial vote on whether to hear witnesses or proceed directly to a vote that is widely expected to end in his acquittal. The articles of impeachment charge Trump with abuse of power and obstruction of Congress.

The Capitol Hill maneuvering will be complemented by high-stakes efforts on both sides of the aisle to claim political advantage from the proceedings as the presidential nominating season kicks off in Iowa on Feb. 3.

Rep. Adam Schiff, the House's lead impeachment manager, accused Trump of trying to threaten him on Twitter and urged Republican senators to find the "moral courage to stand up" to a "wrathful and vindictive president."

Trump, writing on Twitter Sunday morning, attacked Schiff as "a CORRUPT POLITICIAN, and probably a very sick man," warning, "He has not paid the price, yet, for what he has done to our Country!"

It was an extraordinary back-and-forth between a member of Congress and a sitting president, coming at a turning point in the third presidential impeachment trial in American history.

"Look at the president's tweets about me today saying that I should pay a price," Schiff said on the NBC program "Meet the Press."

"Do you take that as a threat?" asked Chuck Todd, the show's host.

"I think it's intended to be," the congressman replied.

Schiff has been under fire from Republicans for mentioning a news report during the trial that alleges that the White House had threatened to put their heads "on a pike" if they voted to convict, and he doubled down on that claim Sunday, saying that he merely meant it would require fearlessness on the part of the senators.

After presenting a two-hour opening argument Saturday, Trump's defense team will lay out



Pedestrians weave between cars blocking the crosswalks Tuesday at the intersection of Randolph Street and Michigan Avenue.

Chicago fails to enforce blocked box prevention

Other cities use public education efforts to keep intersections clear



MARY WISNIEWSKI

Getting Around

It's one of the most annoying rush-hour problems — the blocked box.

Cars and buses enter an intersection with the green light, but are unable to move past it before the light changes because of backed-up traffic on the other side.

So vehicles get stuck in the intersection, in the way of cars moving in the other direction and pedestrians in the crosswalk. The

scenario is most often seen on busy downtown streets, but it can also ruin your day at three-way lights near big city and suburban shopping centers.

"At least once a day, I see where traffic is tied up because of vehicles blocking the intersection," said Judith Aiello, a pedestrian and longtime Streeterville resident.

Other cities, including Baltimore, San Francisco, Seattle, New York City and Austin, Texas, have increased enforcement and public education efforts to keep cars from blocking intersections. But in Chicago, enforcement of the municipal code that prohibits blocking an intersection is light. The city has not yet offered new solutions, though the department of transportation said it is working on it.

"This is a subject that's very frustrating for me," said Ald.

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President Donald Trump's personal attorney, Jay Sekulow, center, stands with his son, Jordan Sekulow, left, and White House counsel Pat Cipollone at the Capitol in Washington on Saturday during the impeachment trial of President Trump.

Trump's lawyers seem poised to defend him by cheating off Dems' homework



DAHLEEN GLANTON

Democrats did a thorough job laying out their case in the Senate for Donald Trump's impeachment. Perhaps, they did it too well.

It is likely that quite a number of Republican senators left the room after Democrats finished Friday night convinced that Trump had, in fact, tried to get a foreign country to intervene in the 2020 election. Some, no doubt, were certain that his steps to block witnesses from testifying and his refusal to turn over pertinent documents during the House impeachment hearings amounted to obstruction of Congress.

But that ran counter to Majority Leader Mitch McConnell's and other Senate Republicans' sole mission of getting Trump off the hook.

Over three days, Rep. Adam Schiff and the other Democratic House managers concisely put the pieces of the complex puzzle together so that even senators who hadn't bothered to follow the impeachment hearings in Congress late last year could see it clearly.

There was now a solid argument on the table for allowing witnesses at the Senate trial and even for removing the president from office. Republicans no longer could casually dismiss the impeachment as a hoax without sounding like uninformed conspiracy theorists.

Truth was out in the open and senators, as well as the public, would have to decide whether to accept it or continue to blindly support a president whose entire tenure has been checkered with lies.

As the question of allowing witnesses hovered, the nation's eyes were fixed on the Republicans' weak-

est links — Mitt Romney, Susan Collins, Lisa Murkowski and Lamar Alexander — moderates who have tricked the public into believing they might be brave enough to vote in America's best interest over Trump's. That has yet to be proven.

What Republicans didn't realize at the time was that Democrats had given them a road map to an easy way out. All Trump's lawyers needed to do was follow it.

Trump's team wasted no time Saturday showing that's exactly what they intend to do as they present their case this week. They would seek to prove Trump's innocence by offering alternative facts to the truth the House managers presented last week.

Rather than mount a fresh defense of their own, they would piggyback off the Democrats' hard work. They would cheat off the Democrats' well-researched homework.

Too bad the Democrats had to go first. Trump's lawyers will get to mimic everything they did last week, right down to the choreographed presentation, laced with PowerPoint presentations from the Democrats' own impeachment hearing.

Trump's team doesn't have to filter through more than 30 hours of videotaped congressional testimony. They can make it easy on themselves by countering two or three of the Democrats' video clips with edited clips that seem to show the Democrats' own witnesses contradicting themselves.

In being thorough and concise, Democrats gave Trump's lawyers a foolproof way to present their case without having to prove the president hadn't tried to get the Ukrainians to dig up dirt on former Vice President Joe Biden, who at the time seemed to be his likely Democratic challenger in 2020.

With all this information from the Democrats at their disposal, Trump's team made it clear Saturday to any wavering Republican senators that there's no need for witnesses or addi-

tional information.

The suggestion that a few Republicans would side with Democrats on the issue of witnesses, especially Trump's former national security adviser, John Bolton, has been ridiculous from the start.

It is obvious that Bolton could only strengthen the Democrats' case and make it tougher for Republicans to explain why Trump should remain in office, not just for the next 11 months but possibly four more years. If Bolton had anything supportive to say about Trump, Republicans would haul him in without any prodding by the Democrats.

The threshold for Trump's defense team is low. Every Republican senator, whether he or she admits it or not, wants to rescue the president from this mess he has gotten himself into. The primary job of Trump's lawyers during the next few days is to give them the slightest reason to justify it.

All Trump's team needs to do is provide a sound bite for his defenders to use when they are trying to explain why it's OK to let a crook off the hook, when they know he's guilty. It doesn't hurt, either, to throw a bone to the public, which is divided almost 50-50 on whether Trump should be removed.

"They're here to perpetrate the most massive interference in an election in American history," White House counsel Pat Cipollone told senators during Saturday's opening arguments. "And we can't allow that to happen."

"They're asking you to tear up all the ballots across this country on your own initiative, take that decision away from the American people," he said.

That's exactly what the Democrats proved Trump was doing when he tried to get Ukraine to interfere in our election.

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A lesson for Holocaust Remembrance Day: Anti-Semitism never died, it just lay dormant



RON GROSSMAN

On Jan. 27, 1945, Soviet troops liberated the Auschwitz extermination camp. They found only a handful of emaciated prisoners; others were on a forced march to Germany in the dead of winter. Such was the commitment of their guards to Hitler's determination to destroy the Jewish people.

But the sheer scale of Auschwitz revealed the enormity of the Nazis' crime, leading the United Nations to proclaim Jan. 27 as International Holocaust Remembrance Day. It inevitably prompts me to measure the current intensity of anti-Semitism. Not with statistics, but by my gut reaction.

Today, I take no comfort in the platitude: "It can't happen here."

Not after Jews were murdered in a Pittsburgh synagogue in 2018, and then, in the following year, at a California synagogue, during a rabbi's Hanukkah gathering in New York and in a kosher grocery store in New Jersey.

In 2017, white supremacists held a Nazi-style torchlight parade through the University of Virginia's campus, chanting: "Jews will not replace us." Counterdemonstrators opposed them, but Donald Trump said: "There is blame on both sides."

After an American president has said such a thing, how can I be confident that what happened in Germany couldn't happen in the United States?

I was similarly skeptical



The remains of barracks for prisoners are seen at the Nazi death camp Auschwitz, which is now a museum and memorial.

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in the years right after World War II. Anti-Semitism was a daily fact of life. I was pummeled by boys who cursed me for being a "Christ killer." It was a waste of time to apply to Northwestern University, as it had a quota on Jewish students. So did Ivy League colleges. A rabbi later told me that his congregation had to buy land for its synagogue through another denomination that acted as its frontman. That was in Evanston, which subsequently became known as a progressive community.

Over the decades, various manifestations of anti-Semitism disappeared. Northwestern, Harvard, Princeton, Yale

and Columbia universities have had Jewish presidents. Joe Lieberman, an Orthodox Jew, was nominated for vice president by the Democratic Party, and when Rahm Emanuel ran for mayor of Chicago, scarcely a word was said about his being Jewish.

So on Holocaust Remembrance Day in the early years of the 21st century, it did seem like it couldn't happen here. But now anti-Semitism has resurfaced in America and abroad.

In 2019, a German synagogue was attacked on Yom Kippur by a gunman who killed a man and woman nearby. He'd written a manifesto decrying the "Jewish world con-

sspiracy" and filmed his murders. So, too, did the New York teenagers who brutally beat a Jew wearing the distinctive black clothing of the ultra-Orthodox.

One of the few Jews left in a once largely Jewish suburb of Paris now puts a baseball cap over his yarmulke, lest his faith's distinctive head covering bring him bodily harm.

Anti-Semitism didn't die. It was lying dormant, like a plant awaiting spring's signal to send up new shoots. Why has anti-Semitism blossomed again now?

Because it is the perfect prejudice for an age of conspiracy theories.

Consider this: Suppose

you invoke one of the alleged crimes Hillary Clinton has been accused of, like responsibility for the murder of our ambassador in Libya. If you asked a Hillary Clinton critic if he knew that, he wouldn't likely reply: "Well, she is a Methodist." What would that prove?

Make the same thought experiment with George Soros, a favorite boogeyman of conservatives. The hedge fund billionaire has been accused of paying NFL players to take a knee during the national anthem, of buying gun manufacturers to shut them down and of funding the international drug trade.

None of that is true, but

say so and conspiracy

theorists will counter by noting that he is Jewish. In practice, many lead with that: "Soros the Jew has paid off football players, closed gun factories, bankrolled drug dealers."

Such is the terrible beauty of anti-Semitism. It is self-verifying. It rests on the assumption that no evil is beyond a people who wanted the Son of God killed.

Anti-Semitism provides certainty in a time of uncertainty by a linguistic slight of hand. It takes the alleged crimes of some Jews and attributes them to The Jews — a synonym for all Jews. It's an incitement to violence and a justification for those who commit it.

Yet the theory that all Jews are evil is easily refuted. It should be self-evident to anyone who reads the Bible. Jesus was Jewish, as were his mother and father. They would have been confused by someone saying they were Christians.

The disciples weren't moneybags who oppressed the poor. They were workaday fishermen and peasants. They kept the Sabbath and celebrated Passover. Before becoming a rabbi, as the biblical narrative says, Jesus was a carpenter. He wasn't a ruthless real estate mogul in a natty suit cooking sketchy deals over three-martini lunches.

Want to put an end to anti-Semitism? A first step might be for all good people to join me in shouting the truth from every rooftop: Jesus was a Jew. Picture him akin to today's hardhats, carrying a lunchbox and thermos to a construction site.

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Glencoe Wright cottage to be moved to park

BLAIR KAMIN
Cityscapes

Here's good news for everybody who loves architecture: Instead of being smashed to bits to make way for yet another megahouse, a Frank Lloyd Wright-designed cottage in Glencoe will be moved to a park in the North Shore suburb.

Why should you care? Because Wright was a genius who expanded architectural possibilities with his pioneering use of materials and exquisite manipulation of interior space. The United Nations confirmed his luminary status last year when its cultural arm, UNESCO, put eight of Wright's buildings on its list of the world's most significant natural and cultural sites.

Losing anything Wright designed — even the modest cottage, a flat-roofed, one-story frame house built in 1913 for prominent lawyer and real estate developer Sherman Booth — would harm our ability to fully tell his story.

So kudos to the Glencoe Park District's board for approving a land lease agreement Tuesday that will let the Glencoe Historical Society move the three-bedroom, 2½-bath cottage from its current location just west of Sheridan Road to a small park about a quarter-mile to the west. Faced with the prospect of losing a piece of what makes the suburb special, the park board wisely chose to offer the cottage a safe haven.

"This decision required

the board to take a broader view of what contributes to residents' quality of life," Board President Lisa Brooks said at Tuesday's meeting. "Preserving this asset within Glencoe ... is important to residents appreciative of the character of our village, historical preservation, architecture and culture."

The board's action came eight months after the cottage drew national attention in May when its new owners, including Jean Jingnan Yang, of Riverwoods, sought a demolition permit for the cottage. Village officials later said the owners wanted to replace the cottage with a five-bedroom home of about 4,200 square feet. But a mandatory 180-day waiting period staved off wrecking crews.

When that period expired at the end of November, village officials did not issue a demolition permit, saying they could only do so if they also approved new plans for the site. But the officials didn't sign off on the plans, citing "outstanding items," a course the owners didn't contest.

"The owners have been extremely cooperative and patient with us as we worked through the process," Ed Goodale, the historical society's president, told me Wednesday.

Booth lived in the cottage as he built Ravine Bluffs, which has been called Wright's first subdivision and is thought to be the largest concentration of Wright-designed homes outside of Oak Park and River Forest.

In addition to Booth's own large, Wright-designed house, Ravine Bluffs has five smaller homes by the architect — hand-

some affairs faced in stucco with such classic Wright touches as horizontal bands of windows and overhanging roofs. Booth planned more but changing tastes and the onset of World War I put an end to that.

The cottage was moved to its current location, just outside of Ravine Bluffs at 239 Franklin Road, in late 1916 or 1917, according to Barbara Gordon, executive director of the Chicago-based Frank Lloyd Wright Building Conservancy. The park to which it will be relocated is east of Green Bay Road, near the intersection of Maple Hill and Meadow roads. It's also near one of the entrances to Ravine Bluffs.

Ravine Bluffs is intriguing not because it's a smaller version of Oak Park, but because it has a different topography and character. The land is punctuated by spectacular ravines, not flat. The streets are curving, not straight. Wright designed a delightful little bridge over one of those ravines. A reconstructed version of the span is still there, complete with seating that invites visitors to overlook a stream below. Beautifully sculpted urns and light towers, also by Wright,

herald the entrances to Ravine Bluffs.

These features offer one of the clearest built examples of the architect's vision for an ideal suburban environment. So Goodale and his colleagues at the historical society deserve credit for the countless hours they put in to save the cottage.

The historical society, which will lease the cottage for a \$1 a year, intends to use the structure as a research center and museum that will tell the story of Wright in Glencoe. There will be space for small programs and the cottage could be a take-off point for occasional tours of Ravine Bluffs.

Donors within Glencoe and throughout Illinois helped the society amass the six-figure sum it will take to move the cottage and restore its exterior, Goodale said. A move could happen within a month, he added.

Funds for restoring the interior still must be raised. Hours of operation still have to be worked out to mollify some neighbors who voiced concerns about parking shortages and fears that the house would block their views of the park.

The restoration, which



The Booth Cottage, a one-story house by Frank Lloyd Wright at 239 Franklin St. in Glencoe.

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2 CPD officers injured in crash

Authorities: Squad car hit by apparent drunk driver

BY KATHERINE ROSENBERG-DOUGLAS

Two Chicago police officers were injured when their squad car was struck by the vehicle of a woman who was reportedly driving under the influence of alcohol, authorities said.

About 2:40 a.m. Sunday, the officers were on the West Side in a marked squad car with lights and sirens activated, as the officers headed to a call of a fire. As their vehicle entered the intersection of North Pulaski Road and West Erie Street in West Garfield Park, heading south on Pulaski and about to make a left turn onto Erie, the pair's unit was struck, officials said.

A black 2012 Volkswagen sedan driven by a woman, 60, hit the Chicago police car, police said. The male officers, whose ages were not released, suffered injuries not considered to be life-threatening, according to authorities. They were treated at an area hospital and both were in good condition Sunday.

The woman was arrested, police said, noting the crash was alcohol-related. Her name was not released Sunday.

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Death of Kobe shows how swiftly a life can end



REX W. HUPPKIE

Kobe Bryant's death shook us.

It's what happens when people larger than life — complete with their flaws and their failings — die suddenly.

Too young. Too unexpected. Too much.

The news of a helicopter crash in California Sunday on Twitter, and everyone saw a name:

Kobe. Kobe killed.

And it couldn't be right. Had to be a hoax. He was 41. An international star, familiar enough to be known by just one name, like Diana, Marilyn, Bowie. When they died, we heard, "My God, Bowie's dead" and "Oh, Diana, such a loss" and "No, not Marlyn."

So it was Sunday.

"Kobe can't be dead."

"No, no, say this Kobe news isn't real."

But it was. And it got worse, the tragedy evolving in real time on social media as we learned his 13-year-old daughter, Gianna, was on board, along with seven others. No

survivors.

It shook us, whether we were fans of Kobe or not, because it showed how quickly a life can end. Doesn't matter if you're rich, loved, hated. Doesn't matter if you're good or bad or anywhere in between.

It's like a circuit breaker trips and the lights go out and that's the end. It happens around us every day — tragic accidents, sudden deaths — but they come and go quietly, so much we might not notice. Or maybe we just hear about it in a short news story or a Facebook post. Maybe we nod our heads and say, "What a shame" and move on.

Regular people die. It happens.

But athletes, rock stars, Hollywood legends — we hoist them high, their narratives become enmeshed in our own. And when a star's narrative is cut short, it leaves us a loose thread. A part of us unravels.

We're reminded no one is immune to death — not them, and certainly not us. Giants can die. That's a gut punch. What hope does that leave for the rest of us?

Kobe was, without question, one of the best basketball players in NBA history, up there, or possibly above, other one-name greats like Michael,

Magic and LeBron.

After retiring, the former Los Angeles Lakers five-time champion seemed to have a full life ahead with film, spo-22 rts and family. He became an advocate for women's sports. In 2018, he won an Oscar for an animated short based on a poem he wrote.

A Colorado sexual assault case in 2003 drove many away from Kobe. A 19-year-old woman accused him of rape, and he was arrested. He admitted having sex with the woman, and she later asked prosecutors to drop the case. He settled a civil suit with the woman but never

admitted guilt.

Many of us never paid enough attention to wade into the "Kobe as hero" vs. "Kobe as alleged rapist" debate. We just knew his place in popular culture, the good and the bad, and that was enough to make us feel Sunday's loss. To ache for this figure's family and the void left by a person etched into our history.

It shook us. It forced us to confront our own timelines. And it made us acknowledge, painfully and emotionally, how quickly and shockingly they can come to an end.

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Los Angeles County Sheriff Alex Villanueva would not confirm the identities of the victims Sunday afternoon pending official word from the coroner.

"God bless their souls," Villanueva said at a news conference.

News of the charismatic superstar's death rocketed around the sports and entertainment worlds, with many taking to Twitter to register their shock, disbelief and anguish.

"Words can't describe the pain I am feeling. I loved Kobe — he was like a little brother to me," retired NBA great Michael Jordan said. "We used to talk often, and I will miss those conversations very much. He was a fierce competitor, one of the greats of the game and a creative force."

NBA players were in tears during pregame warmups as crowds chanted "Kobe! Kobe!" Tiger Woods was unaware of the news during his final round at Torrey Pines in San Diego when he started hearing the gallery yell "Do it for Mamba," referring to Bryant by his nickname.

People were glued to their phones and TV screens all around the world as news of the crash spread and networks broke into programming with live coverage. A visibly shaken LeBron James wiped his eyes with tissues and walked away alone from the Lakers plane that had just landed in Southern California.

Thousands of people gathered to mourn Bryant outside the Staples Center in downtown Los Angeles, where there is a statue of the retired Lakers legend. Mourners in No. 24 jerseys mixed with those in fancy dress arriving at the downtown arena for Sunday evening's Grammy Awards.

People carried flowers and chanted "Kobe!" and "MVP!" under giant video screens showing Bryant's smiling face.

"This is where we needed to be," said Naveen Cheeरath, 31.

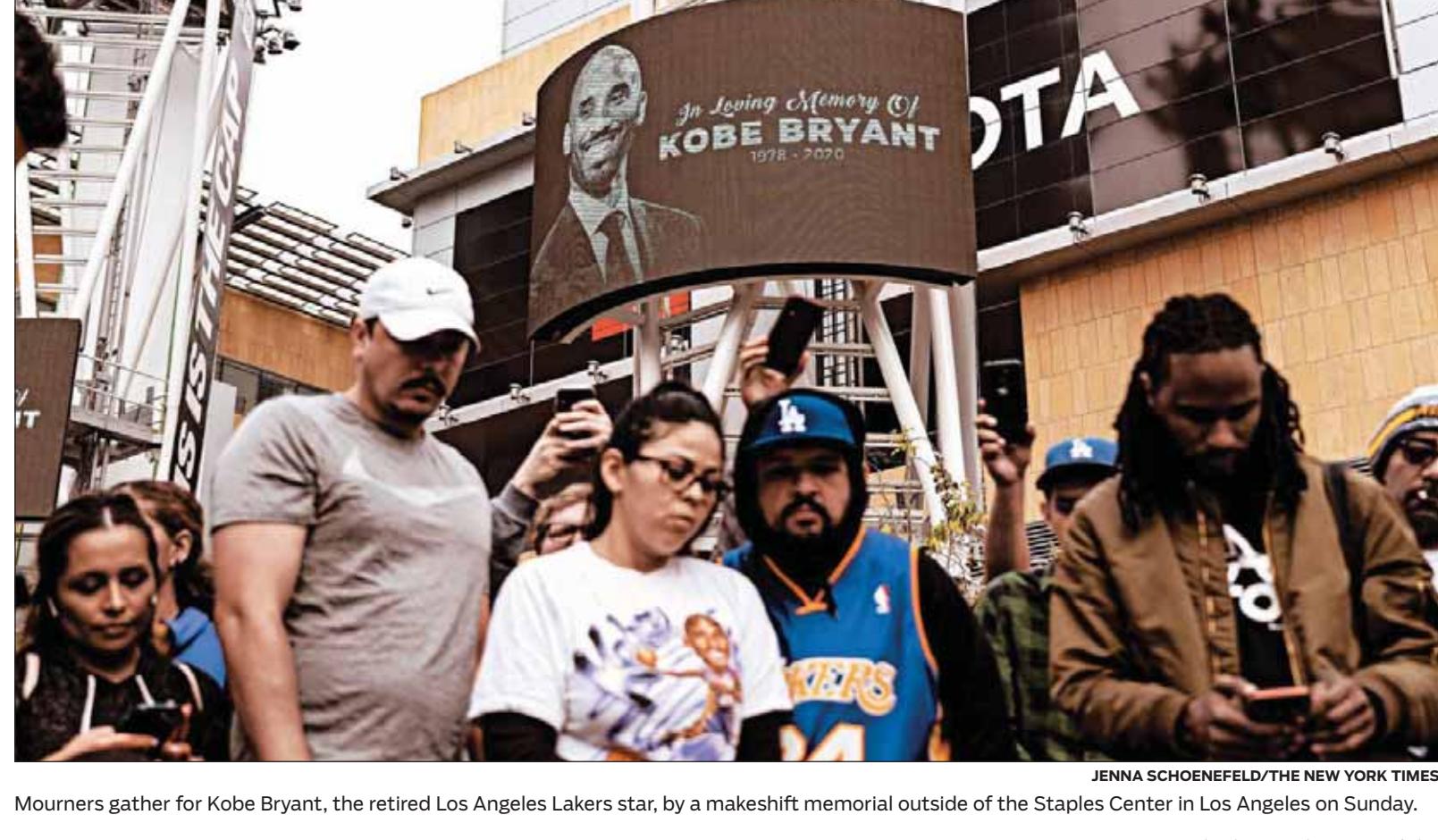
Bryant retired in 2016 as the third-leading scorer in NBA history, finishing two decades with the Lakers as a prolific shot-maker with a sublime all-around game and a relentless competitive ethic. He held that spot in the league scoring ranks until Saturday night, when the Lakers' James passed him for third place during a game in Philadelphia, Bryant's hometown.

"Continuing to move the game forward (at) King-James," Bryant wrote in his last tweet. "Much respect my brother."

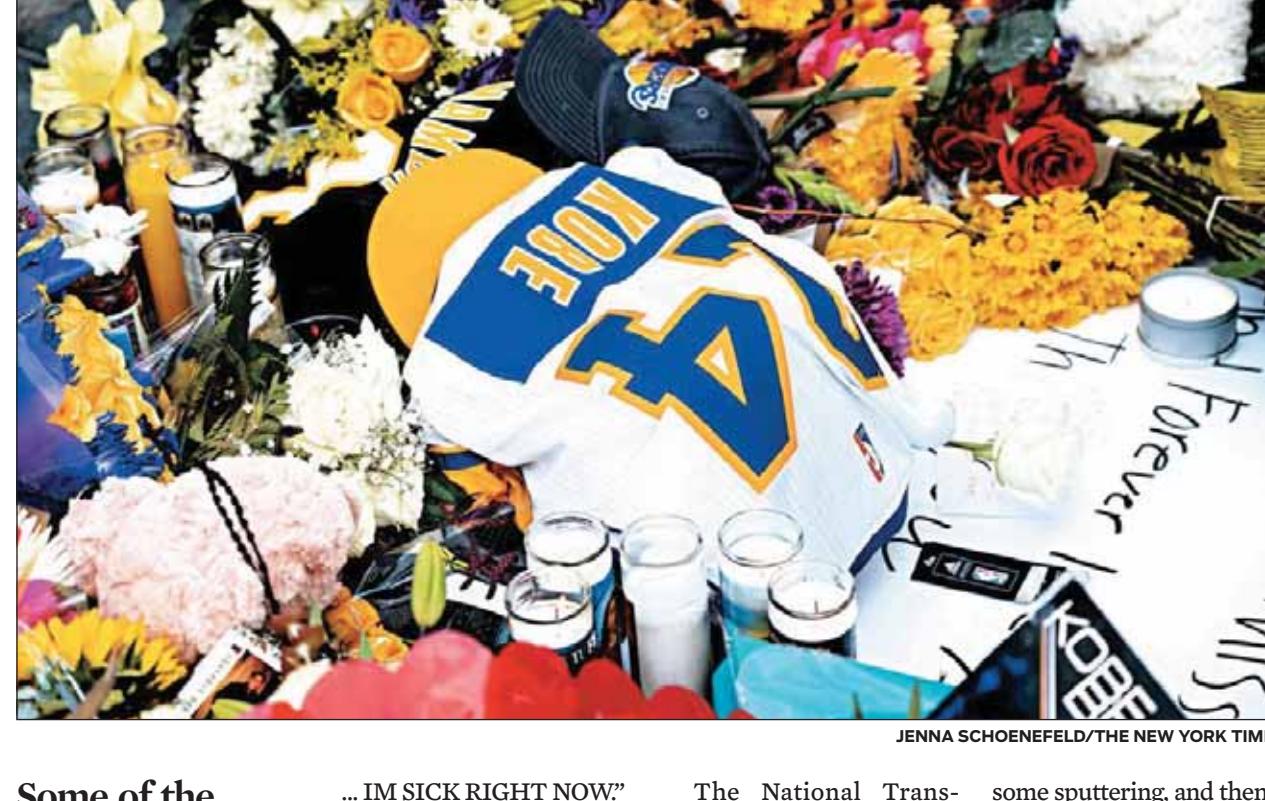
Bryant had one of the greatest careers in recent NBA history and became one of the game's most popular players as the face of the 16-time NBA champion Lakers franchise. He was the league MVP in 2008 and a two-time NBA scoring champion, and he earned 12 selections to the NBA's All-Defensive teams.

He teamed with Shaquille O'Neal in a combustible partnership to lead the Lakers to consecutive NBA titles in 2000, 2001 and 2002. He later teamed with Pau Gasol to win two more titles in 2009 and 2010.

"There's no words to express the pain I'm going through," O'Neal tweeted Sunday. "(at)kobebryant I love u and u will be missed."



Mourners gather for Kobe Bryant, the retired Los Angeles Lakers star, by a makeshift memorial outside of the Staples Center in Los Angeles on Sunday.



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Some of the many highlights of Kobe Bryant's career

- 5-time NBA champion (2000-2002, 2009, 2010)
- 2-time NBA Finals Most Valuable Player (2009-2010)
- NBA MVP (2008)
- Academy Award winner for animated short film (2018)
- 18-time NBA All-Star (1998, 2000-2016)
- 4-time NBA All-Star Game MVP (2002, 2007, 2009, 2011)
- 11-time All-NBA First Team (2002-2004, 2006-2013)
- 2-time All-NBA Second Team (2000-2001)
- 2-time All-NBA Third Team (1999, 2005)
- 9-time NBA All-Defensive First Team (2000, 2003-2004, 2006-2011)
- 3-time NBA All-Defensive Second Team (2001-2002, 2012)
- 2-time NBA scoring champion (2006-2007)
- 2-time Olympic gold medalist (2008, 2012)
- NBA Slam Dunk Contest champion (1997)
- NBA All-Rookie Second Team (1997)
- Los Angeles Lakers all-time leading scorer (33,643 points)
- Naismith Prep Player of the Year (1996)

... IM SICK RIGHT NOW"

Bryant retired in 2016 after scoring 60 points in his final NBA game.

Bryant's death was felt particularly painfully in Los Angeles, where he was unquestionably the most popular athlete and one of the city's most beloved public figures. Hundreds of fans — many in Bryant jerseys and Lakers gear — spontaneously gathered at Staples Center and in the surrounding LA Live entertainment complex on Sunday, weeping and staring at video boards with Bryant's image.

"Kobe Bryant was a giant who inspired, amazed, and thrilled people everywhere with his incomparable skill on the court — and awed us with his intellect and humility as a father, husband, creative genius, and ambassador for the game he loved. He will live forever in the heart of Los Angeles, and will be remembered through the ages as one of our greatest heroes," Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti said.

President Donald Trump tweeted condolences to Bryant's family, saying that "despite being one of the truly great basketball players of all time, (Bryant) was just getting started in life."

The cause of the crash was unknown. Authorities earlier said five people were killed before raising the death toll to nine.

The National Transportation Safety Board was sending a team of investigators to the site. The NTSB typically issues a preliminary report within about 10 days that will give a rough summary of what investigators have learned. A ruling on the cause can take a year or more.

Colin Storm was in his living room in Calabasas when he heard what sounded to him like a low-flying airplane or helicopter.

"It was very foggy so we couldn't see anything," he said. "But then we heard

some sputtering, and then a boom."

The fog cleared a bit, and Storm could see smoke rising from the hillside in front of his home.

Juan Bonilla of Calabasas said he was working on his roof Sunday morning when he heard a helicopter flying low nearby. He said he thought it was a sheriff's helicopter on a training mission. He heard nothing amiss with the engine or rotors and said he did not see any mechanical issue with the chopper. It was foggy Sunday morning, but he said visibility didn't seem



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In this 2016 file photo, Kobe Bryant hugs his daughter Gianna on the court before the NBA All-Star Game in Toronto.

to be low at the time of the crash.

Firefighters hiked in with medical equipment and hoses, and medical personnel rappelled to the site from a helicopter, but found no survivors, Los Angeles County Fire Chief Daryl Osby said.

Firefighters worked to douse flames that spread through about a quarter acre of dry brush, Osby said.

Federal Aviation Administration spokesman Allen Kenitzer said the downed chopper was a Sikorsky S-76.

Among other things, investigators will look at the pilot's history, the chopper's maintenance history and the records of its owner and operator, NTSB board member Jennifer Homendy said at a news conference.

"The S-76 is a pretty expensive, sophisticated helicopter. ... It's certainly a quality helicopter," said Justin Green, an aviation attorney in New York who flew helicopters in the Marine Corps.

Green believes weather may have contributed to the crash. Pilots can become disoriented in bad weather, losing track of which direction is up.

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In 2003, Bryant was charged with attacking a 19-year-old employee at a Colorado resort. He said the two had consensual sex, and prosecutors later dropped the felony sexual assault charge against Bryant at the request of the accuser. The woman later filed a civil suit against Bryant that was settled out of court.

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Alternative to the knife for your knee pain? Non-Surgical treatment success rate soars after using new digital technology

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How does the treatment help relieve your joint pain...

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This fluid also acts as a cushion and shock absorber inside your knee. It's called synovial fluid, and it works much like the oil in a car's engine to keep all the parts moving freely, without friction.

However, as you age, this fluid dries out, leaving your bones to painfully rub and grind against each other with every step. And unfortunately, there's no way for the joint to make more.

After years of trusted service in moving you everywhere you need to go, you start to feel a subtle ache in your knees with certain activities like kneeling down, or getting out of the car. With time, it becomes a constant

Medicare and insurance guidelines followed.

ache. If left untreated, it can keep you awake at night, and hurt with every step.

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Here is what you need to do if you or a loved one is suffering with knee pain...

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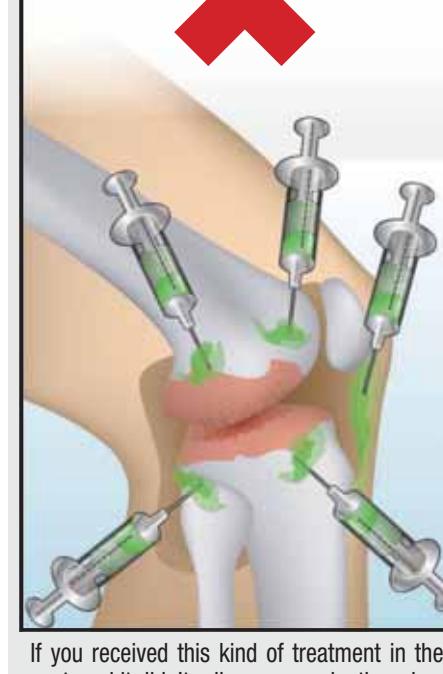
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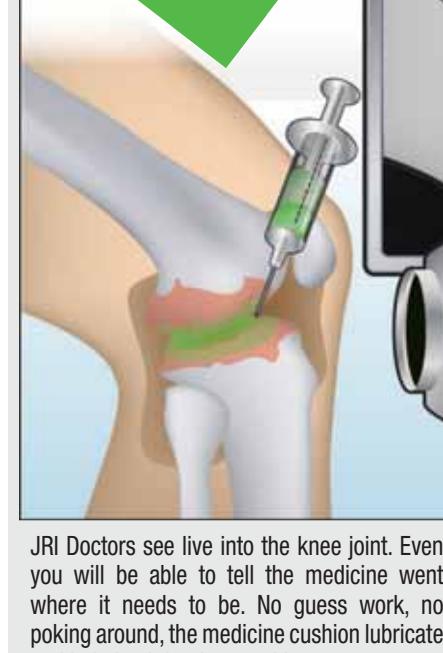
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Brendan Reilly, 42nd, whose ward includes downtown.

He said the problem has gotten worse in recent years, due to the sharp rise in the number of ride-hailing vehicles. "Every budget session in the last 12 years, I've been asking the city to enforce 'Don't Block the Box,'" he said.

The city is working on the intersection-blocking problem as part of its larger focus on mitigating traffic congestion in busy parts of the city, according to Chicago Department of Transportation spokesman Michael Claffey.

The city plans to launch a study to examine traffic conditions and look at new ways to reduce congestion, Claffey said.

"CDOT is leading the administration's efforts to develop a comprehensive congestion mitigation plan," Claffey said. He said the plan will build on ongoing strategies, such as the new increased fees on solo ride-share trips, and the creation of "priority zones" for CTA buses.

Reilly has suggested using photo enforcement to ticket vehicles that block intersections, though he admits that isn't "terribly popular" with everyone. He plans to discuss the intersection issue with Mayor Lori Lightfoot at a meeting this week.

Photo enforcement, which also could be used to ticket vehicles that drive or park in bus lanes, would require a change in state law, said Kyle Whitehead, spokesman for the Active Transportation Alliance, an advocacy group for bicyclists, pedestrians and transit users.

Whitehead said the alliance has some concerns about any proposal to issue more tickets, since it has a disproportionate impact on low-income people. Another option might be more traffic aides who could guide vehicles through intersections, preventing



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Pedestrians and a bicyclist weave between cars blocking the crosswalks at the intersection of LaSalle and Randolph streets. The taxi blocked the street and crosswalks for a whole traffic light cycle, from green to red and back to green.

blockages before they happen, Whitehead said.

Currently, traffic aides, who can't issue tickets, are deployed primarily for special events. Costs are often reimbursed by the event sponsor, said Melissa Stratton, spokeswoman for the Office of Emergency Management and Communications.

The office has asked to fill an additional 125 hourly positions this year, on top of its 58 full-time and 381 part-time employees. The annual budget for traffic aides is \$4.7 million.

Other cities have been more aggressive about unclogging intersections.

New York City, for example, announced a series of anti-congestion initiatives in the fall of 2017 to fight the problem. Focusing on 50 intersections citywide, the New York City Department of Transportation installed "Don't Block the Box" markings and signs, while New York Police hired an additional 50 officers to enforce the rules.

Some residents have

complained, however, that enforcement makes traffic worse, because police pull cars over on clogged streets.

The Baltimore City Council passed legislation in 2017 to allow Department of Transportation personnel, as well as police, to issue tickets to motorists blocking intersections, said German Vigil, a department spokesman. The program started with 600 warnings to drivers in the first month, and 200 citations in the second month, he said.

Baltimore is hiring more enforcement officers, Vigil said.

Austin started enforcing "Don't Block the Box" in 2015, both with an educational video and stepped-up police presence at problem intersections, said Jen Duthie, manager for the traffic signals division of the Austin Department of Transportation. Officers talk to drivers, write warnings and issue tickets "at their discretion," Duthie said.

Duthie agreed that

Transportation song quiz

■ Our last song was about a transit mishap that can cause you to scuff your sneakers, bust your bag and almost break your neck running. The song was "I Missed the Bus" by Kris Kross. Tom Kotarac, of Lincoln Park, got it first.

■ This song may be about efficiently parking your limo. Or not. It's considered one of the top disco/dance club songs of all time. What's the song, and who did it? The first person with the right answer gets a Tribune pen, and glory.

pulling drivers over can temporarily make traffic worse, but can also lead to better behavior. She noted that even having a police car in the area can be a deterrent.

"Nobody wants to get a ticket," she said. "We definitely see a change for the better."

Chicago Police were not able to provide numbers on how often they issue tickets for blocked intersections or crosswalks. A 2019 CBS report found that 274 drivers were cited over four years.

Dedicated traffic units in the 1st and 18th police districts, which cover the Loop and Near North Side, mostly handle crashes, said

spokesman Howard Ludwig. Police do pull drivers over for traffic violations, like running red lights, but use their discretion because it could cause a bigger backup, he said.

"You have to weigh it to see if it's worth the enforcement effort. In case it makes the problem worse," Ludwig said.

Reilly said he "respectfully disagrees."

"We have laws on the books for a reason. We need them to be enforced," Reilly said. "I'm not suggesting this be prioritized over more serious calls for service, but I do think a targeted mission over the next several months could accomplish our goal of

driving compliance."

Reilly said he'd like to see sworn officers managing 30 of the most problematic intersections, and then move to other intersections as needed.

"If you issue enough citations in the course of the next few months, I think most people would change their behavior," Reilly said. The fine is \$200, and also may require community service.

CTA buses also can be seen blocking intersections during rush hour. CTA spokesman Brian Steele said drivers are instructed not to enter the intersection unless there is enough space on the other side to clear it.

However, he noted that sometimes buses are impeded by ride-share vehicles pulling up to the curb to make a pickup or drop-off, which can prevent buses from moving through an intersection.

A Tribune analysis of city data found that almost half of Chicago's millions of monthly ride-share trips are taking place in just a few crowded areas, including the Loop and the Near North Side. Concerns about congestion inspired new taxes of as much as \$3 for a solo ride-share trip downtown during peak hours.

"Ride-hailing drop-offs and pickups at the curb are a real challenge, especially for buses," said Audrey Wennink, transportation director for the Metropolitan Planning Council, which tracks regional transit and infrastructure matters.

My two cents: Until any improvements in enforcement are made, drivers, bicyclists and pedestrians should do what they can to be good traffic citizens. If it's not your light, let others through.

And if you're driving and have the green but know you can't clear the intersection, stay out of it. Don't worry about the knuckleheads behind you, blowing their horns. They're wrong and you're right.

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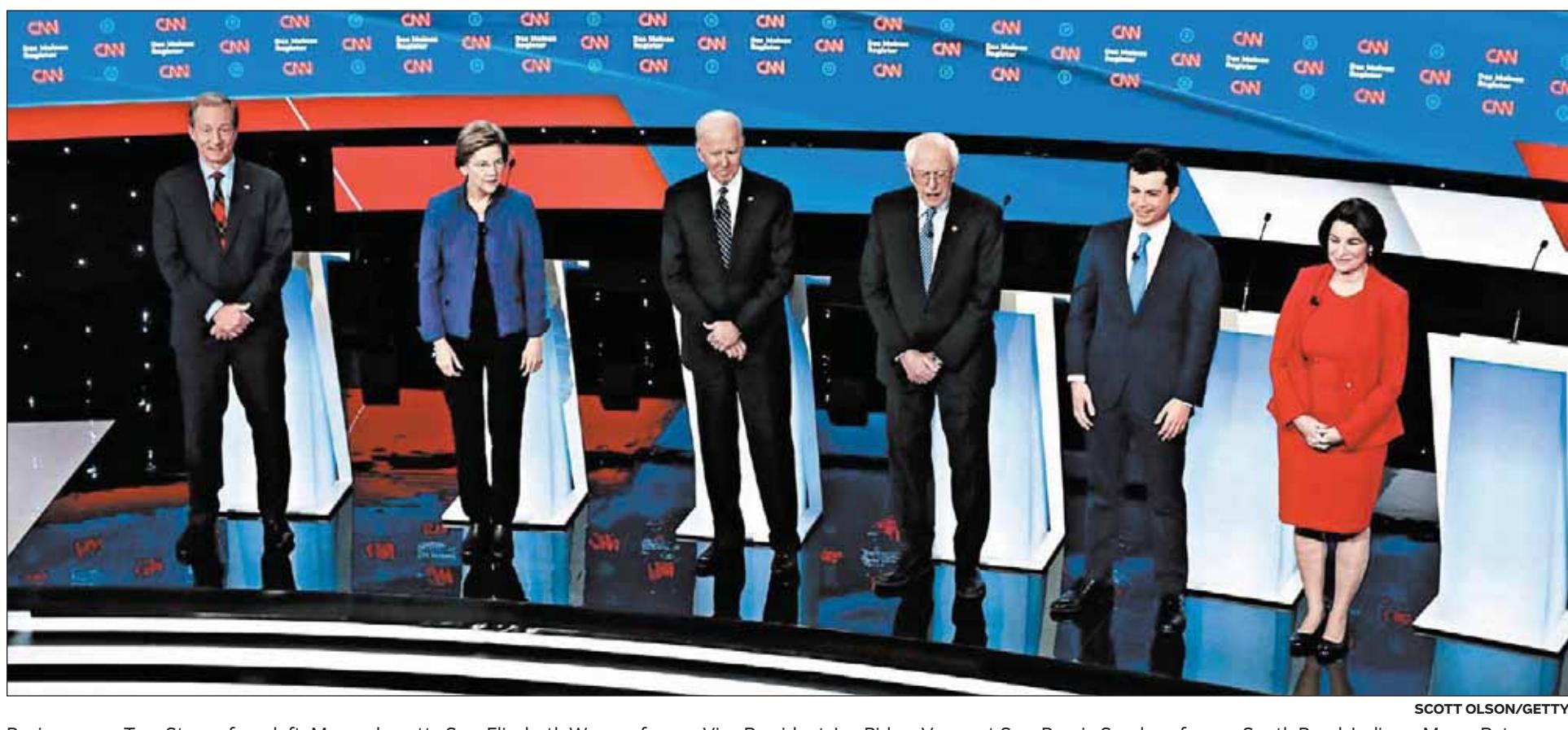
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Businessman Tom Steyer, from left, Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren, former Vice President Joe Biden, Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders, former South Bend, Indiana, Mayor Pete Buttigieg and Minnesota Sen. Amy Klobuchar take the stage before the Democratic presidential primary debate begins at Drake University on Jan. 14 in Des Moines, Iowa.

Iran

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we are with Iran — the withdrawal from the nuclear accord, our partnership with our allies falling apart, the assassination of a general who was probably the second most powerful man in Iran. Now we're at the tipping point of war," said Keith, 45, who retired as a lieutenant colonel and wore a black-and-gold Army hat atop his head. "Pete knows what it's like to be there, and he knows the cost when our government sends us over there. I trust him."

For much of the last year, the 2020 Democratic presidential race mostly has been dominated by domestic issues such as health care, student loan debt, immigration and America's growing wealth gap. When talk of international issues came up, it often surfaced in the context of how to lead the global fight against climate change, not matters of war and peace.

But after the U.S. killing of top Iranian general Qassem Soleimani earlier this month and subsequent Iranian missile strikes at Iraqi military bases housing U.S. troops, the foreign policy chops and commander-in-chief credentials of the Democrats running for president have emerged as a growing consideration for voters like Keith.

In the most recent Iowa Poll, conducted by The Des Moines Register and CNN, foreign policy tied with health care as the most important issue likely caucusgoers said they are considering when deciding whom to back in the race. The survey, which was conducted from Jan. 2-8 as the Iran conflict unfolded, also asked supporters backing the four Democratic front-runners whether their ability to command the military was a strength or weakness.

Buttigieg led the group with 87% of his supporters saying his command of the military would be a strength, followed by former Vice President Joe Biden at 86%, Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders at 61% and Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren at 58%. Just 1% of Biden supporters viewed him as weak on military leadership, compared with 7% for Buttigieg, 23% for Sanders and 29% for Warren.

While the U.S. drone strike that killed Soleimani was deemed a success by the president and no American casualties were suffered in the subsequent Iranian missile strikes, Trump's actions have led Democrats to accuse him of acting recklessly and risking war. Trump and his Republican allies contend it was a measured and appropriate move to take out the terrorist mastermind behind attacks that killed hundreds of U.S. troops over the years.

The polarizing issues of Iran and international relations not only dominated the first 30 minutes of the Democrats' final televised debate before the caucuses, but also has led the top candidates to release new campaign ads and revise stump speeches emphasizing their fluency in foreign affairs amid increased voter interest.

Since the killing of Soleimani, Minnesota Sen. Amy Klobuchar said she has

fielded more questions at campaign rallies on international issues and the military. In her responses, Klobuchar, 59, has emphasized that in her 13 years in the Senate, she's "lived through" issues such as terrorism, cybersecurity and the Iranian nuclear agreement brokered by former President Barack Obama.

"There is always a question at almost every event about foreign affairs. People don't want Trump to get us into a war — and it's not just our Democratic base — a lot of people are worried what Trump could do," Klobuchar said in an interview after a recent rally in Davenport, an eastern Iowa city of more than 100,000 people located on the Mississippi River.

"One of the things that really scares people about Trump now is it really feels like he is surrounded by sycophants," Klobuchar said. "I think we need a commander in chief who's going to listen to the military experts, but also surround themselves with people who have different views and different backgrounds to make the right decisions."

Candidate credentials

Trump's drone strike against Iran has drawn widespread condemnation from the Democratic presidential candidates. They have criticized him for not consulting with Congress and key allies before killing Soleimani, an action they argue has further frayed international relationships, led allies to make a moral equivalence between the U.S. and Iran, and put American lives at risk.

With recent polls showing the Iowa race locked in a four-way battle between Biden, Sanders, Warren and Buttigieg, each has sought to distinguish themselves on foreign policy in wake of the affair.

Biden, in particular, has been eager to highlight his deep experience on the international stage — eight years as vice president under Obama and 36 years in the U.S. Senate, including 34 years as a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee and 12 years as its chair or ranking Democrat. The 77-year-old statesman often cites his work on global terrorism, 1990s U.S. intervention in the Balkans and nuclear nonproliferation to burnish his foreign policy bona fides.

Amid the Iran fallout, Biden also sought to fill what he described as a leadership vacuum by delivering a televised, presidential-like address in New York in front of five neatly arranged American flags. He described Trump's actions as "dangerously incompetent" and criticized the president for offering "tweets, threats and tantrums" instead of proof there had been an imminent threat to the U.S. from Iran — the reason the White House has given for Soleimani's killing.

On the heels of the speech, a Biden-aligned super PAC began airing a new Iowa TV ad, showing images of launching missiles, explosions and protesters burning American flags inside large block letters that spell I-R-A-N. After condemning Trump as dangerous

ous to national security and U.S. troops, Biden declares in the ad, "We need someone in the Oval Office who understands the gravity and consequences of their decisions" as images of him saluting soldiers, standing on an aircraft carrier and sitting in the White House situation room flash in rapid succession.

Biden's campaign also has aired an ad with similar images of Iran and the former vice president with a narrator declaring, "This is a moment that requires strong, steady, stable leadership. We need someone tested and trusted around the world. Joe Biden is a president with the experience to lead on Day One."

In the middle of the Iran aftermath, Biden also dispatched former U.S. Secretary of State John Kerry on a bus tour through Iowa, where the 2004 Democratic nominee for president highlighted Biden's strength on foreign affairs. Kerry also emphasized to Iowa voters the importance of the Obama-era nuclear agreement he negotiated with Iran, one that Biden helped pass and contended was working until Trump withdrew the U.S. from the pact over the objections of European allies.

"There are so many different places where Joe has affected America's safety and made a difference," Kerry said in an interview after speaking to about 30 people at a cramped Biden campaign office in Davenport. "All these other people are just talking about it. Joe has the track record, and has actually done it. That's a big difference."

Biden's lengthy record, however, has provided an opening for criticism, particularly on his 2002 vote that gave then-President George W. Bush the authority to go to war in Iraq. Biden repeatedly has called the vote a mistake.

That has not stopped Sanders, in particular, from seizing on the decision in contrast to his own decadeslong opposition to wars, ranging from Vietnam to Iraq.

"Joe and I listened to what Dick Cheney and George Bush and (Donald) Rumsfeld had to say. I thought they were lying. I didn't believe them for a moment," Sanders, 78, said during the recent televised debate in Des Moines. "I did everything I could do to prevent that war. Joe saw it differently."

That message long has resonated with his supporters, including Susan Weir, who brought a "Bernie not bombs" sign to a recent Sanders rally.

"People don't want to see us go into another senseless war and repeat Iraq. Bernie knows that," said Weir, a 57-year-old retired teacher who lives in Davenport.

"We don't want to see a bombing as a distraction from the president's impeachment. This isn't a reality TV show that he's trying to get ratings for, and I don't think he understands that."

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more personal terms, frequently noting that her three brothers are veterans and that she understands "how much our military families sacrifice." Asked during the debate whether some troops should be left in the Middle East to combat ISIS and other terrorist cells, Warren was unequivocal.

"No," she said. "I think we need to get our combat troops out."

Pressed on why the recent Iowa Poll found nearly one-third of her supporters believed she was weak on the military, Warren responded with her resume, noting she sits on the Senate Armed Services Committee, has worked with military leaders and had "visited our troops around the world."

When questions come up about whether Buttigieg has enough experience to occupy the most powerful position in the world, the 38-year-old often deflects those doubts by emphasizing his seven-month deployment in Afghanistan more so than his eight-year tenure as South Bend's mayor. On the trail, Buttigieg often discusses putting an "end to endless wars" and mentions how serving as a Navy intelligence officer gives him a unique perspective on the importance of the United States' role in the world and its partnerships with allies.

"When I was deployed, I felt that the flag on my shoulder was keeping me safe, because it stood for a country that was known to our allies and to our adversaries to be one that keeps its word," Buttigieg said during a recent rally in Winterset, a small central Iowa town of about 5,000 people. "And when I'm your commander in chief, no ally will ever have reason to question whether it's a good idea to bet your life on the credibility of the United States of America."

Asked by the Tribune

what, besides his military service, separates him from his fellow front-runners on Iran and foreign affairs, Buttigieg contended he has a different perspective as both a former Naval intelligence officer and as someone coming from a younger generation. Those attributes, he said, make him more attune than other candidates to future challenges, such as proxy wars, cybersecurity threats and election meddling in addition to more traditional geopolitical issues.

"Certainly, my military experience is relevant and international experience is relevant, and I have an outlook that's geared toward the threats we're going to face in the 21st century," Buttigieg said. "The next president is going to inherit a security picture that is unlike what we've seen in the past. So what I bring is just a different outlook that comes from a new place and is ready to take the steps we need to secure the country in the future."

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military and deal with such international issues would factor into their decision on whom they'll back on Feb. 3.

Jay Leach said he didn't like the message the Iran incident sent around the world, including the Iraq parliament's subsequent vote in favor of expelling U.S. troops from the country.

"My thing about Soleimani is I don't think anybody is upset that the individual was killed, but the biggest concern for me is where's the plan? If you're going to potentially start a war with a major Islamic country, have a freaking plan," said Leach, 48, who works as a manager at a manufacturing company and lives in Pella, a city of 10,000 people in east central Iowa. "You just started a conflict with Iran, without talking to anyone, and now Iraq's leaders want us out of there. Did you not see that coming?"

Leach, who attended a recent rally for Biden at Simpson College in Indianola, said he's backing the former vice president because of his experience and judgment.

"Yeah, Pete has military experience, but with him and all of the other ones, I don't feel like I can trust them in a similar situation to Iran as much as I could with Joe," Leach said. "Foreign policy might not be the biggest thing, and it might not affect the price of gas at the Casey's, but the United States used to be the gold standard, the beacon for other countries in the world, and it doesn't feel like we are right now. It matters to me that the United States is respected. It matters to me that we lead."

Larry Rice said he was undecided among voting for Biden, Buttigieg and Klobuchar, but certain that Trump made the wrong call on Iran.

"We've been over there in the Middle East too long already, and I think what the president did was stupid. Granted, the guy needed to go, but he hardly talked to anybody, didn't contact Congress," said Rice, 67, a Navy veteran who worked as a helicopter mechanic while serving in Vietnam and lives in Lake Mills, a northern Iowa town of 2,000 people.

"Trump is the guy who ran against stupid wars, and then he goes and throws a punch and almost gets us into another stupid war."

After seeing Buttigieg speak in Mason City, Rice said he was impressed with his intellect, military experience and health care plan, but wanted to hear more from Biden before making up his mind.

Asked if Biden's vote for the Iraq War was a negative factor for him, Rice replied, "I'm not very upset with him on that. Him, Hillary (Clinton) and a lot of people were taken in by some false information and weapons of mass destruction that didn't exist."

Sue Gwin said she sees similarities between what she described as the shifting information and lies told in the run-up to the Iraq War and the justification Trump gave for Soleimani's killing.

Gwin noted how the White House suggested the attack was necessary because of an imminent threat against the U.S. and that Trump said there was an Iranian plot to attack four U.S. embassies,

but no evidence has been given to back up either assertion.

"You'd like to hope Trump had a good reason for doing it, but it feels a lot like the weapons of mass destruction all over again," said Gwin, 72, who lives in Sioux City, a western Iowa city of 82,000 people on the banks of the Missouri River. "Unfortunately, he has such a reputation for telling stories and lying, you don't know what to believe."

Gwin said she was still undecided and had been most impressed by Buttigieg and Klobuchar, but would consider Biden too. She said she's more drawn to a moderate who is willing to use diplomacy and show military strength when necessary.

"I don't want wars, but if you don't have the military in your game plan — you're absolutely, positively against that and everyone knows it — then that makes it harder," Gwin said, noting she has a grandson who has served two tours of duty in Afghanistan. "I don't want conflicts, but I don't think a president should close off any options."

Temple Hiatt, however, said she was supporting Warren precisely because she's shown an unwillingness to use military force. The 49-year-old administrator for a financial firm came away persuaded after watching Warren in the debates and seeing her at a recent rally in North Liberty, a central Iowa city of about 13,000 people.

"I agree with Sen. Warren, that we should not be asking our military to solve problems that cannot be solved militarily. The world is severely complicated, and to just go out there in some cowboy-esque fashion with the belief we can solve the world's problems all by ourselves — that's just foolish," said Hiatt, a Gulf War veteran who served in the Army military police and lives in Iowa City.

"We have to work with our allies to come up with plans that are going to be effective, using the military as the absolute last strategy. And if we do have to go that route, we do it with our allies."

Keith, the 45-year-old retired Army officer who is backing Buttigieg, likes the candidate's common refrain about bringing an "end to endless wars."

But Keith also said he has confidence that Buttigieg's intelligence, military experience and moderate viewpoint would lead him to make the right call should a crisis come up.

Plus, he said, it's time for someone younger to take the chair of commander in chief.

"I've really liked Biden in the past presidential races, and what he's done to serve our country over the years has been incredible, but I think he's lost his edge," said Keith, a teacher and junior ROTC instructor at Waterloo East High School.

"We need to let these next generations start leading the country, because we're the ones who are going to have to deal with climate change, we're the ones who are going to have to deal with the deficit and we're the ones who are going to have to deal with these difficult issues all over the world," he said. "Pete represents that next generation."

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Electability is issue for Democrats in Iowa

Impeachment trial takes some off of the campaign trail

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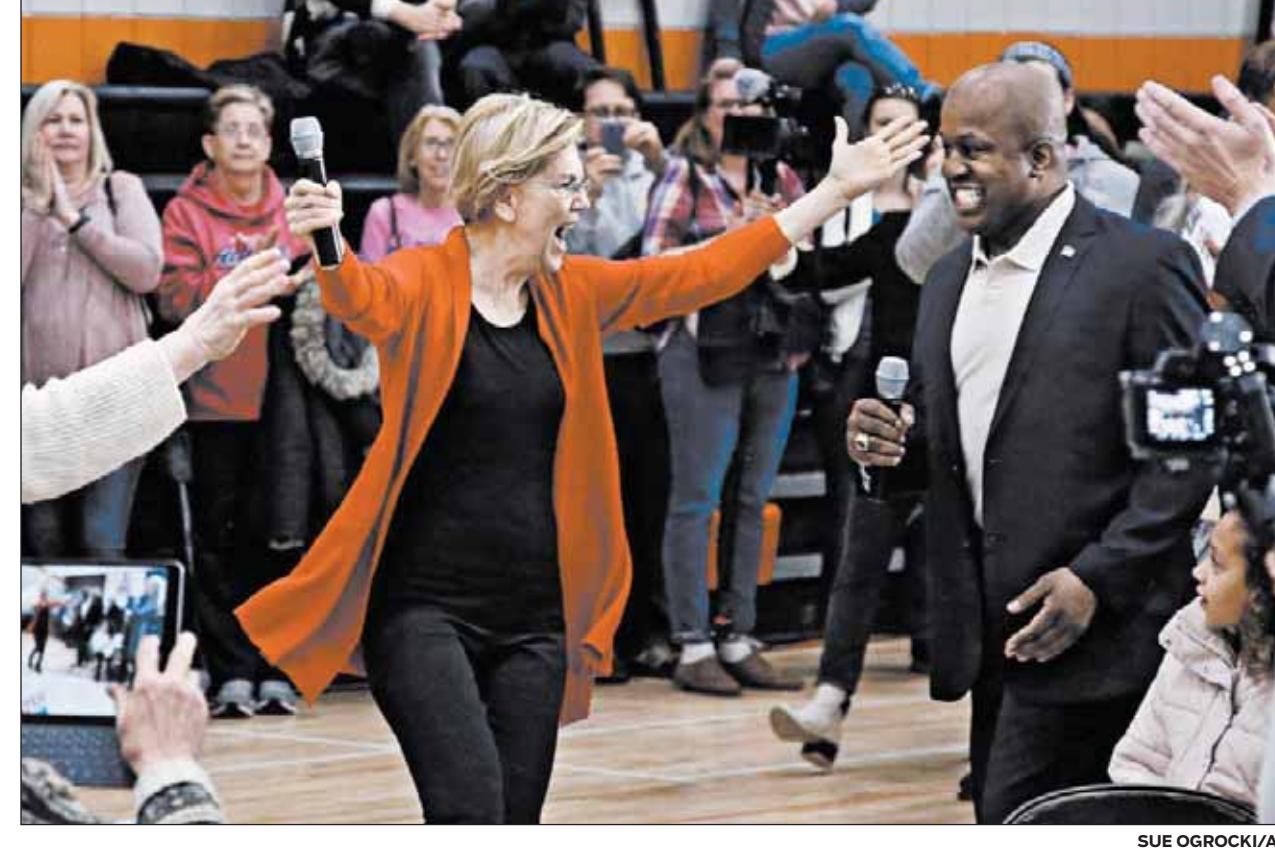
DES MOINES, Iowa — The urgent fight for the Democratic presidential nomination raged across Iowa on Sunday as the party's leading candidates scrambled to deliver closing arguments centered on the defining question of the 2020 primary: Who can beat President Donald Trump?

Former Vice President Joe Biden demonstrated the breadth of his appeal by appearing at separate events with Catholics, union members and African Americans. He told black voters with a smile that "I've gone to more black churches than you have, probably, because I'm older."

At the same time, the fight for the heart of the progressive movement pitted Sen. Elizabeth Warren against Sen. Bernie Sanders with dueling rallies 200 miles apart as they raced to reach voters before being forced back to Washington when Trump's impeachment trial resumes Monday. With Iowa's first-in-the-nation caucuses on Feb. 3, it was unclear when the senators would be able to return to the state.

"We gotta win," Warren told several hundred people in Davenport. "And also, can we just address it right there? Women win. The world changed when Donald Trump got elected."

She added: "I know how



Democratic presidential candidate Sen. Elizabeth Warren arrives for a town hall meeting on Sunday in Davenport, Iowa.

to fight and I know how to win."

Sanders and a collection of high-profile surrogates made an equally aggressive case in the rural community of Perry, having spent much of the weekend highlighting his ability to energize what Sanders has often called "a multigenerational, multiracial, working-class coalition."

"The reason we are going to win here in Iowa is we have the strongest grassroots movement of any campaign," Sanders said.

The candidates were running out of time to

change the direction of the high-stakes nomination fight ahead of Iowa's caucuses, the first of four primary contests in February in which momentum is critical. Establishment-minded Democrats were increasingly concerned about Sanders' strength, fearing that the 78-year-old self-described democratic socialist might be too radical to beat Trump this fall should he win the nomination.

Stoking those fears, Trump's campaign teased a general election attack against Sanders. The Ver-

mont senator had spent much of the day before campaigning alongside New York Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez, and the president's team sent out an email with the title "Socialist invasion."

The day before, a new Biden backer, Rep. Cindy Axne, D-Iowa, shared what many elected Democrats say in private when asked whether party leaders are growing nervous about Sanders' rise: "Oh, my goodness, I should really hope so."

The youngest candidate in the race, 38-year-old Pete

Buttigieg, also played up warnings about Sanders — at least in his fundraising emails. For a second consecutive day, Buttigieg's campaign sent a message to supporters warning that the Vermont senator might become the nominee.

Buttigieg, the former mayor of South Bend, Indiana, insisted that "it is time for something new" as he courted more than 1,000 people at an elementary school gymnasium in Davenport.

"We took back the House and we took back statehouses around the nation because of women candidates and the women who get out there and do the hard work," she said.

Meanwhile, Warren tried to maintain some momentum after picking up a coveted endorsement from The Des Moines Register. The newspaper called her "the best leader for these times" and said she "is not the radical some perceive her to be" even if "some of her ideas for big, structural change go too far."

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Biden scored the endorsement of the Sioux City Journal, which called him "the candidate best positioned to give Americans a competitive head-to-head matchup with President Trump" and said he would be best at attracting support from "independents and disgruntled Republicans."



Rescue workers on Sunday search for victims and survivors amid the rubble of a building two days after a powerful earthquake struck Elazig, Turkey.

Teams seek quake survivors in Turkey; at least 38 killed

BY ANDREW WILKS
Associated Press

ANKARA, Turkey — Working against the clock in freezing temperatures, Turkish rescue teams pulled more survivors from collapsed buildings Sunday, days after a powerful earthquake hit the country's east. Rescued survivors wept with gratitude for their efforts.

Turkish authorities said the death toll rose to at least 38 people from the magnitude 6.8 tremor that struck Friday night.

Turkish television showed Ayse Yildiz, 35, and her 2-year-old daughter, Yusra, being dragged out of the rubble of a collapsed apartment building in the city of Elazig. They had been trapped for 28 hours.

The quake also injured over 1,600 people but at least 45 survivors have been pulled alive from the rubble so far, Turkish President Recep Tayyip Erdogan said Sunday in Istanbul.

More than 780 aftershocks rocked the region as over 3,500 rescue experts scrambled through wrecked buildings to reach survivors, working around the clock. Rescue teams concentrated their efforts

in the city's Mustafa Pasa neighborhood and the nearby town of Sivrice.

One rescued couple was reunited with a Syrian student who had helped to dig them out of their collapsed home with his hands.

"He is our hero and angel," a weeping Dudane Aydin said of Mahmud al Osman in an interview on Turkey's state-run Anadolu news agency.

As overnight temperatures dropped to 23 degrees, emergency teams set up more than 9,500 tents for displaced residents and distributed 17,000 hot meals.

The agency said 76 buildings were destroyed and more than 1,000 were damaged by the quake. Unmanned aerial drones were being used to survey damaged neighborhoods and coordinate rescue efforts.

The Turkish Disaster and Emergency Management Presidency said 20 of the aftershocks measured magnitude 4.0 or above, including a magnitude 4.3 quake that hit the neighboring province of Malatya on Sunday morning.

At least 104 people were receiving hospital treatment after the quake, 13 of them in intensive care, Health Minister Fahrettin

Koca said.

Interior Minister Suleyman Soylu promised financial help for the victims of the quake. He then attended the funeral of five members of the same family — a married couple, their daughter and two grandchildren — with other ministers and officials. The 12-year-old boy was buried in the same coffin as his baby sister.

"You arrived two months ago. I wish you had stayed a little longer," the children's father, Serhat Aslan, said of his daughter.

Earthquakes are frequent in Turkey, which sits atop two major fault lines.

There was an outpouring of support across Turkey for the quake victims. Some soccer clubs announced they would donate the receipts of their weekend matches while fans of the Fenerbahce soccer club threw scarves and hats on to the field during a game in Istanbul, chanting "Cold Elazig, Fenerbahce is with you!"

Quake victims were taking refuge in tents, mosques, schools, sports halls and student dormitories. Authorities warned people not to return to homes that could be unsafe.

Cases in Arizona, California push new virus' US tally to 5

BY KEN MORITSUGU
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BEIJING — As a new viral illness that originated in China was being watched with a wary eye around the globe, the U.S. Consulate in Wuhan, the city at the epicenter, announced Sunday it will evacuate its personnel and some private citizens aboard a charter flight.

In China, the latest figures reported Monday morning cover the previous 24 hours and mark an increase in deaths to 80,

with a rise in the number of confirmed cases to 2,744.

In the U.S., five cases have been confirmed of the new virus, all among people who traveled to Wuhan, health officials said.

Two new cases were reported Sunday — one in Los Angeles County in California and the other in Maricopa County, Arizona. The latter case was someone with ties to Arizona State University who did not live in school housing, state health officials said.

Officials with the Arizona Department of Health Service didn't immediately release the gender or age of the Maricopa County patient, but said the person wasn't severely ill and was in isolation to keep the illness from spreading.

The three previously reported cases were a patient in Orange County, California; a man in his 30s in Washington state; and a woman in her 60s from Chicago.

The Chinese government also reported five cases in Hong Kong and two in Macao. Taiwan, Singapore and South Korea each reported one new case Sunday, while Thailand reported three new cases.

Besides the U.S., small numbers of cases have been found in Japan, Vietnam, Singapore, Malaysia, Nepal, France and Australia.

A notice from the U.S. Embassy in Beijing said there would be limited capacity to transport U.S. citizens on a Tuesday flight from Wuhan that will pro-



A woman wears a protective mask on Sunday in Beijing. China stepped up measures to contain the coronavirus.

ceed directly to San Francisco. It said that in the event there are not enough seats, priority will be given to individuals "at greater risk from coronavirus."

The French Consulate also was considering an evacuation of its nationals from the city. It said it's working on arranging a bus service to help French citizens leave Wuhan.

French automaker PSA Group said it will evacuate its employees from Wuhan, quarantining them and then bringing them to France.

Japan was also making preparations to fly its nationals out of Wuhan.

Chinese authorities also announced a temporary ban on the trade and transportation of wild animals Sunday in order to prevent the spread of the new coronavirus and block potential sources of infection and transmission.

Authorities vowed to "strengthen inspections and severely investigate and punish those who are found in violation of the provisions of this announcement," read the the ban issued by three government agencies, which noted it will continue until "the epidemic situation is lifted nationwide."

China's health minister said the country was entering a "crucial stage" as "it seems like the ability of the

guidance from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention advises that people who have had casual contact with the patients are at "minimal risk" for developing infection.



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President Trump, left, and then national security adviser John Bolton attend a 2018 briefing.

Bolton: Trump wanted to keep Ukraine funds frozen

Book reportedly says block was tied to probes of rivals

BY ZEKE MILLER AND ERIC TUCKER

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump told his national security adviser he wanted to maintain a freeze on military assistance to Ukraine until it launched political investigations into his Democratic rivals, according to John Bolton's description of their exchange in drafts of his forthcoming book, *The New York Times* reported Sunday.

The newspaper said John Bolton's description of his exchange with Trump appears in drafts of his forthcoming book. The revelation challenges the defense offered up by Trump and his attorneys in his Senate impeachment trial and raises the stakes as the chamber decided this week whether to seek sworn testimony from Bolton and other witnesses.

Bolton, who acrimoniously left the White House a day before Trump ultimately released the Ukraine aid on Sept. 11, has already told lawmakers that he is willing to testify,

despite the president's order barring aides from cooperating in the probe.

The White House did not respond to a request for comment. Trump's personal attorney Rudy Giuliani replied to a request for comment with a text: "I used to like and respect John and tell people they were wrong about how irresponsible he was. I was wrong."

Democrats need at least four Republicans to vote with them to seek witness testimony.

Those prospects looked unlikely in recent days and it's unclear if the new revelations about Bolton's book will sway any GOP senators.

Democrats quickly sought to ramp up the pressure on their Republican counterparts.

"John Bolton has the evidence," tweeted Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer. "It's up to four Senate Republicans to ensure that John Bolton, Mick Mulvaney, and the others with direct knowledge of President Trump's actions testify in the Senate trial."

The Associated Press has not confirmed the content of Bolton's draft book. A person familiar with the matter told the AP the book had been submitted to the

White House for prepublication review, which is standard for the work of former officials with security clearances. The person insisted on anonymity to discuss the sensitive subject.

The book's publisher, Simon & Schuster, declined to comment.

Sarah Tinsley, an adviser to Bolton, said: "The ambassador's manuscript was transmitted to the White House in hard copy several weeks ago for prepublication review by the NSC. The ambassador has not passed the draft manuscript to anyone else. Period."

Bolton attorney Charles Cooper said in a statement that the prepublication review process had been "corrupted and that information has been disclosed by persons other than those properly involved in reviewing the manuscript."

Democrats accuse Trump of abuse of power in withholding the military assistance to Ukraine to push that country to mount investigations into Democrats, including former Vice President Joe Biden and his son Hunter, who served on the board of a Ukraine gas company while his father was in office.

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its case in depth beginning Monday at 1 pm. EST. White House counsel Pat Cipollone said Trump's lawyers don't expect to take the full 24 hours allotted to them, but there will be arguments from some familiar faces.

Harvard law professor emeritus Alan Dershowitz, former independent counsel Ken Starr and former Florida Attorney General Pam Bondi will speak on specific topics.

Dershowitz said Sunday he would argue that the charges against Trump are too minor to warrant the president's removal from office under the Constitution. "Even if true, they did not allege impeachable offenses," Dershowitz told "Fox News Sunday."

The Trump team has also teased the notion that it would draw attention to Joe Biden and his son Hunter, who served on the board of Ukraine gas company Burisma, while the elder Biden was vice president. An extended focus on Joe Biden, one of the leading Democratic presidential contenders, could mean blowback from even some of the GOP members of the Senate.

Once Trump's team concludes, senators will have 16 hours to ask questions of both the House impeachment prosecutors and the president's legal team. Their questions must be in writing.

Chief Justice John Roberts will read the questions aloud. He is expected to alternate between both sides of the aisle. Many senators have been talking copious notes throughout the trial in preparation for the question-and-answer time.

Sen. John Barrasso, R-Wyo., told reporters Saturday that Republicans expected to get together on Monday to start formulating a list of questions. "We will meet as a conference and decide what questions we want to pose, what the order may be of those of



RICHARD DREW/AP

Alan Dershowitz is on Trump's legal team.



STEVE CANNON/AP 2011

Pam Bondi is the former Florida attorney general.

immunity" from being called to testify before the Senate. Bolton has said he would appear if issued a subpoena by the Senate.

While Republicans have hoped for a speedy trial, Trump has called for the testimony of the Bidens and the intelligence community whistleblower whose summer complaint about Trump's July telephone call with Ukraine's leader instigated the impeachment inquiry.

Some Republicans, including Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., have expressed resistance.

If the vote fails, the Senate could move swiftly to its vote on whether to remove or acquit Trump, giving the president the result he has been looking for as soon as the end of the week.

Meanwhile, Rep. Jerry Nadler, one of the House managers for the Senate trial, said he will miss Monday's proceedings. In a statement, the New York Democrat said he would be in New York that day to discuss with doctors his wife's pancreatic cancer treatment. As chairman of the House Judiciary Committee, Nadler has been a key member of the Democratic team investigating and prosecuting the case against the president.

If that happens, expect a bitter fight over which witnesses might be called and which documents might be subpoenaed. Democrats have called for testimony from Trump's former national security adviser, John Bolton, and his acting chief of staff, Mick Mulvaney. An attempt to call either probably would lead to a showdown with the White House, which claims both men have "absolute

those questions," he said.

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Dutch premier issues historic apology at Holocaust memorial

AMSTERDAM — Dutch Prime Minister Mark Rutte apologized Sunday for the failure of officials in the Nazi-occupied country during World War II to do more to prevent the deportation and murder of more than 100,000 Jews.

Rutte made the historic apology at the country's annual Holocaust commemoration that came on the eve of the 75th anniversary of the liberation of the Auschwitz Nazi death

camp.

While he praised resistance fighters, citizens who helped Jews to hide from the Nazi occupiers and workers who went on strike in support of Jews, Rutte said it was collectively not enough.

"Too little protection. Too little help. Too little recognition," the premier said.

Of the 140,000 Jews living in the Netherlands at the outbreak of the war, only 38,000 survived.

Georgia inmate who came close to being executed in 2017 dies

ATLANTA — A Georgia death row inmate whose planned execution was halted in September 2017 by the U.S. Supreme Court after his lawyers argued his death sentence was tainted by a juror's racial bias has died, according to state officials.

Keith "Bo" Tharpe, 61, died of natural causes Friday, Georgia Department of Corrections spokeswoman Joan Heath confirmed in an email Sunday.

In 1991, a jury convicted Tharpe of murder in the September 1990 slaying of his sister-in-law, Jacqueline Freeman, and sentenced him to death.

In interviews with Tharpe's lawyers years later, juror Barney Gattie, who has since died, freely used a racial slur in referring to Tharpe. Gattie also said his study of the Bible led him to question "if black people even have souls."

20 Mali soldiers killed in attack by gunmen at army camp

BAMAKO, Mali — Gunmen attacked an army camp in Mali near the border with Mauritania, killing 20 soldiers Sunday, the government and armed forces said.

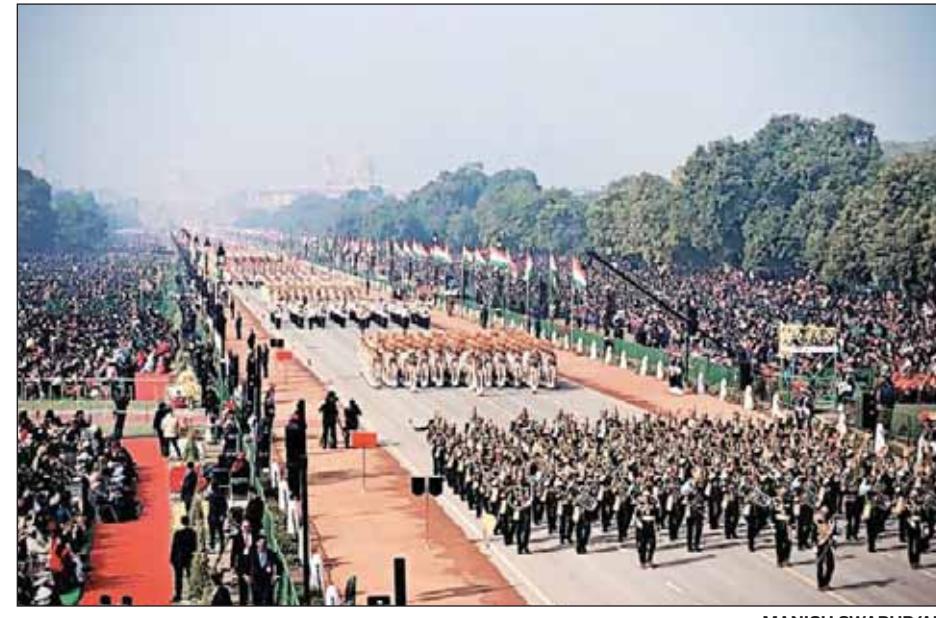
The camp in Sokolo in the Segou region remains under the control of Mali's military, the armed forces said in a statement on Twitter.

Mali's government said there was significant material damage in the at-

tack, and that reinforcements have been dispatched. Aerial reconnaissance is underway to track down the gunmen, it said in a statement.

Souleymane Maiga, a resident of Sokolo, said the attackers temporarily had taken control of the camp.

The attack wasn't claimed but bears the hallmarks of jihadi groups linked to al-Qaida that are based about 30 miles from the attacked village.



Columns of participants march before thousands of people crowded along Rajpath, the ceremonial boulevard in New Delhi, India, on Sunday during the Republic Day parade marking the anniversary of the nation's democratic constitution taking force in 1950.

MANISH SWARUP/AP

Defying top cleric, protesters in Iraq resume demonstrations

BAGHDAD — One protester was killed by security forces after hundreds of anti-government protesters flooded the streets of Iraq's capital and southern provinces on Sunday, defying a powerful Iraqi religious leader who recently withdrew his support from the popular movement.

Separately, five Katyusha rockets crashed into a riverbank near the U.S. Embassy in Baghdad's heavily fortified Green Zone without causing any injuries or serious damage, a statement from U.S. Joint Operations Command said. One

rocket landed inside the embassy walls, an Iraqi security official said.

Security forces fired tear gas and live rounds to disperse the crowds from the capital's Khilani Square, medical and security officials said. The officials spoke on condition of anonymity in line with regulations. One protester was killed and six wounded after security forces fired live rounds in nearby Wathba Square.

At least 28 demonstrators were reported wounded by Iraqi security forces in the first hours of Sunday's street rallies.

Shiite cleric and political leader, Muqtada al-Sadr dropped his support for the anti-government movement on Friday, a move that analysts said was meant to buttress his political reputation during a time of national turmoil.

But by Sunday morning, it had the opposite effect as protesters pushed back.

Hundreds of protesters, mostly students, marched through key squares in the capital and southern Iraq to show their continued support for the anti-government movement, despite al-Sadr's reversal of position.

Syrian troops reach key city in rebels' last stronghold

DAMASCUS, Syria — Syrian government forces reached the outskirts of a key rebel-held town on Sunday, part of a weeks-long offensive into the country's last rebel stronghold, state media and opposition activists said.

Over the past two days, Syrian troops captured at least six villages near the strategic town of Maaret al-Numan in the northwestern province of Idlib. That brought them closer to retaking a critical north-south highway that passes through the town. It has been held by the rebels since 2012.

Syrian President Bashar Assad's government has retaken control of most of the country from rebel fighters, largely because of blanket air support from Russia, which helped turn the tide in the nearly nine-year civil war.

Idlib province is dominated by al-Qaida-linked militants.

In Libya: Officials from Libya's two rival governments said fighting erupted Sunday as the country's east-based forces advanced toward the strategic western city of Misrata, further eroding a crumbling cease-fire agreement brokered earlier this month.

The clashes came just hours after the United Nations decried "continued blatant violations" of an arms embargo on Libya by several unspecified countries. The violations fly in the face of recent pledges to respect the embargo made by world powers at an international conference in Berlin last week.

Libya is divided between rival governments in its east and west, each supported by various militias and foreign backers.

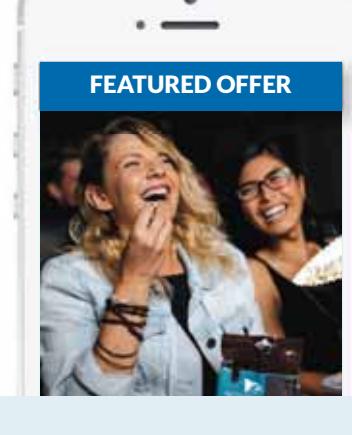
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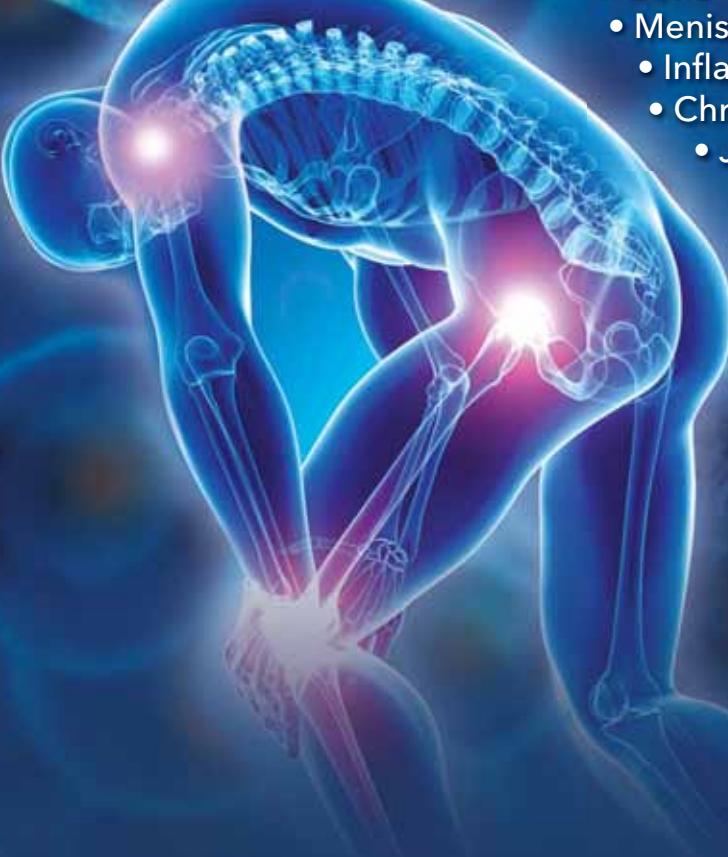


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EDITORIALS

Ethics reform in Illinois? Go after party leaders or go home

Almost a decade has passed since questions over lobbying influence erupted into fistcuffs on the floor of the Illinois Senate.

In 2011, a senator who questioned a conflict of interest between a lobbyist and a lawmaker — a father-son duo — got punched in the chest and admonished. How dare the senator question the grease that eased the bill's passage, out loud. Publicly. On the Senate floor.

The chest thump dominated headlines, but not the undue influence that sparked the outburst. Conflicts of interest were routine throughout Illinois government, including among party leaders. A punch wasn't going to change culture. More about that punch below.

Light the blowtorch of change

Fast-forward to now: Even as federal investigations swirl through city and state governments, the playbook is the same: A scandal stokes embarrassment among politicians, leading to a task force, leading to a weak piece of legislation, leading to an inconsequential tweak of state law, leading to elected officials finding a way around their mess. We're on Step 3 currently as lawmakers and ethics boards around the state examine laws regulating lobbyist and lawmaker relationships.

Why? Because the latest corruption scandals involving cozy relationships are making politicians jumpy. The spectacle has touched Chicago's once-most-powerful alderman, Ed Burke, 14th, who faces an indictment; former state Rep. Luis Arroyo, also facing an indictment; former state Sen. Martin Sandoval, whose home and offices were raided; Sen. Tom Cullerton, D-Villa Park, indicted; and a host of other elected officials and political figures who have been subpoenaed or had their homes searched.

Laws and statutes do need to be tightened. Elected officials should not be moonlighting as lobbyists. If they consult or practice law, they should have to reveal their clients. Disclosure should include family relationships and outside sources of income, with specificity.

But beyond reform that can be scratched on paper, changing the culture of business as usual in Springfield and at City Hall requires a revolt. It requires voters to prioritize ethics reform at the ballot box, and it requires political leadership willing to light a blowtorch. If that revolt doesn't start with party leaders, don't even dream of change. It's got to



Newly sworn-in Senate President Don Harmon, D-Oak Park, speaks at the Illinois State Capitol on Jan. 19.

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FROM A FEB. 15, 2009, CHICAGO TRIBUNE EDITORIAL

State of corruption: The Illinois culture of political sleaze

One governor imprisoned at the gray-bar hotel, another heaved out of office — and in each case, the corruption of our body politic exposed.

Headlines speak of bold crimes, self-serving schemes and raw unfairness that suffuse our statehouse, our county buildings, our city halls.

Which begs a simple question: Does each of us care enough to demand better?

Because until now — scandal after infuriating scandal, election after lackadaisical election — our customary answer has been: No, not really, this is how it is here.

We, the 12 million-plus people of Illinois, haven't behaved as if we know we're both co-conspirators and victims. We haven't asked enough integrity from our public offi-

cials, from our laws and from the people paid to enforce them. But we also haven't asked enough integrity from ourselves...

For every pol who allegedly tries to sell a U.S. Senate seat, hundreds of others are exploiting us for personal or political gain. Changing that culture of sleaze will mean appreciating that we've all been cheated as much by favors as by fraud. The proven cost of conning and clout in this state ranges from whose children get the choice jobs to whose children get incinerated in the van wreck...

We'll also need to reconsider, yes, our perverse pride in "how it is here" — our sly boasts about corrupt officials as if they were latter-day Al Capones. We should quell that temptation by remembering

how, in the 1990s, crashes caused by truckers who had paid bribes for Illinois driver's licenses killed nine innocents.

Illinois lawmakers used the impeachment and trial of a sitting governor to tell the rest of us about their devotion to cleaner and more open government. They sang an Illinois Lullaby of words both obtuse and soothing: transparency, ethics, accountability. They warbled that they're "open to change" and "willing to discuss."

Not good enough. Time to silence the Illinois Lullaby and get on with dramatic changes to how Illinois government treats the people of this state...

We've surrendered too much of government in Illinois — too much of our responsibility — to crooks and opportunists.

come from the top and from the inside.

The murky reality of outside employment

The new president of the Illinois Senate, Don Harmon, D-Oak

Park, who replaced the retiring John Cullerton, D-Chicago, announced recently he would step down as a partner at his law firm, Burke Burns & Pinelli. Harmon didn't emphasize conflicts of interest as a reason for his decision. He said he wanted to devote

more time to his new role as president. But separating from his law firm is a start. Are you listening over there in the House?

Party leaders in the General Assembly need to hold themselves — and be held — to a high standard on disclosing outside

employment, income and conflicts. That includes the Senate's minority leader, Republican Bill Brady of Bloomington, who the public learned last year had become a key player in a lucrative video gambling company. The members of his caucus who preen about ethics reform should start with their own leadership. How is it that a high-ranking elected official in Springfield can also be an investor in a state-regulated, multimillion-dollar gambling company?

In the House, Speaker Michael Madigan has never been required to reveal the extent of his law practice, its clients or its income, despite representing high-profile companies seeking property tax reductions. Madigan's law firm, Madigan & Getzendanner, is among the city's most clout-heavy firms in winning property tax reductions for its clients. Those reductions mean the county's overall tax burden gets spread to other property owners. Where are the demands for Madigan to separate from his law practice? Where are the calls for more disclosure? House Democrats who huff and puff about the need for ethics reform in government should start with their own leadership.

The same goes for Republican House leader Jim Durkin, also a lawyer, who doesn't have to disclose the clients his firm serves. Where are the demands for more transparency?

Zero tolerance of political sleaze is an option, really

In 2011, the senator who dared to raise the conflict of interest question about the father-son duo was Kyle McCarter, a Republican from Lebanon, who no longer serves in the Senate. He was angry that his Democratic colleague, Mike Jacobs, sponsored a bill raising electricity rates for ComEd and shepherded it through the committee he chaired, while his father was getting paid as a ComEd lobbyist. That stinky arrangement had barely raised an eyebrow. McCarter, in fact, got admonished by then-Senate President John Cullerton for violating the "decorum" of the Senate chamber by bringing it up. Yes, really.

Stopping business as usual can't be done exclusively on paper. Ethics reform won't be accomplished through a task force or a commission or a tweak to state law. It has to come from the inside, from party leaders. Until the pressure falls squarely on them, expect more of the same.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

One average Iranian salary pays for a small apartment outside the city center, utilities, enough calories to keep body and soul together, and bus fare, which is subsidized. Throw in cellphone service, clothing, fruits and vegetables, and one or two meat meals a month, and an Iranian couple will require two average salaries...

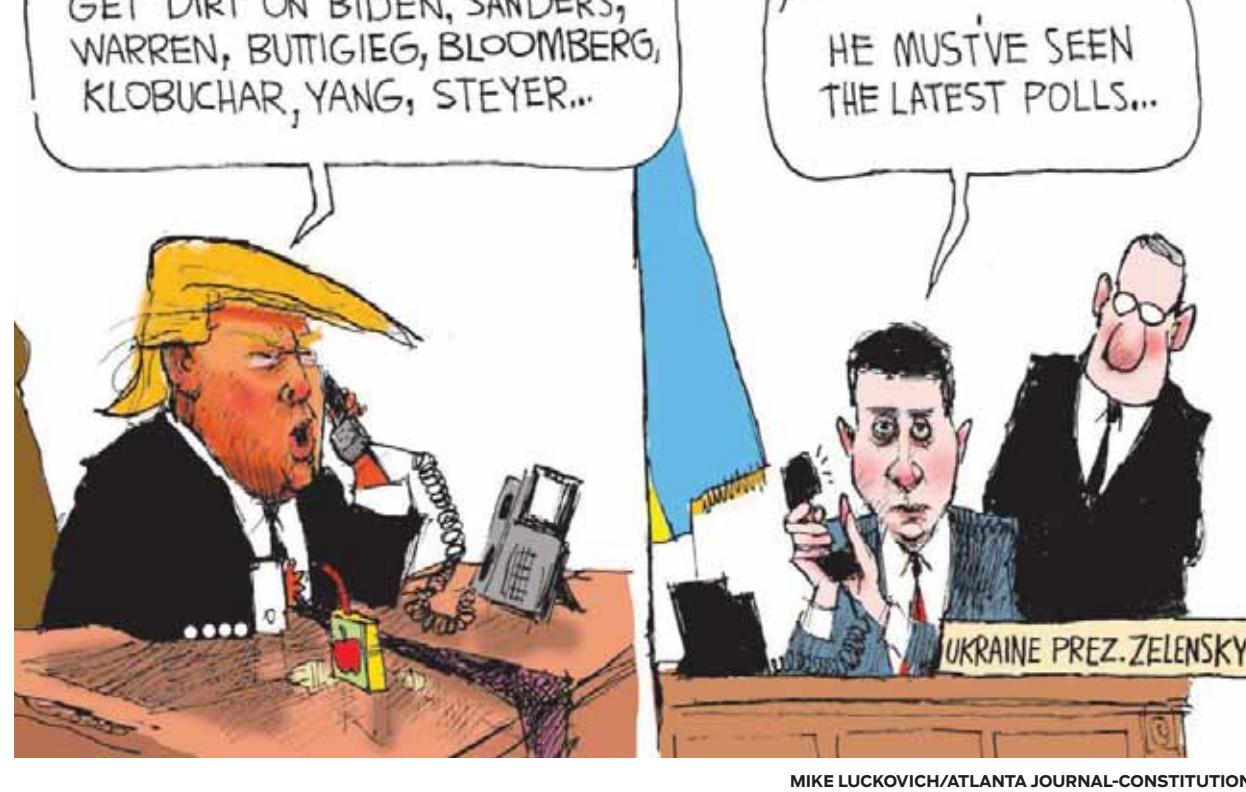
Iranians face desperate conditions, if not actual hunger, due to the effect of economic sanctions. Add to this the long-term effects of mismanagement of the country's scarce water resources. Afshin Shahi wrote recently in the Journal of Asian Affairs: "Approximately 97% of the country is experiencing drought conditions. Due to gross water mismanagement and its damaging impact on the country, Iran faces the worst situation in the water resources of any industrialized nation. Tens of thousands of villages have been deserted and most of the major urban centers have passed their limits to absorb new rural migrants. Some officials predict that in less than 25 years, 50 million Iranians would be displaced from their current homes because of the pressing ecological conditions."

Few countries have endured this level of deprivation outside of full war mobilization, and few have seen such a drastic decline in the number of births. The only modern comparison is Venezuela.

Governments with a monopoly of economic resources and the willingness to kill significant numbers of their own citizens can stay in power for quite some time, but there seems no question that Iran's regime is fragile and prone to destabilization.

David P. Goldman, Asia Times

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In America, politics isn't a big part of most people's lives. Associating a body of ideas with the institutions — that is, the political parties — that are directly charged with putting ideas into action is a pragmatic way to cut to the chase.

What is a conservative these days, anyway? Here are some battle lines.

BY JONAH GOLDBERG
Tribune Content Agency

For most Americans, conservatism basically means the stuff Republicans are for, and liberalism means whatever Democrats are for. I don't mean this as a criticism, just a statement of fact.

One of the great things about America is that politics — never mind political philosophy — isn't a big part of most people's lives. Associating a body of ideas with the institutions — that is, the political parties — that are directly charged with putting ideas into action is a pragmatic way to cut to the chase. Paying attention to what the eggheads and theorists of the left and right want the parties to do is only worthwhile if you're especially interested in politics.

The challenge for conservatives these days is that the Republican Party really doesn't know what it's for, beyond defending President Donald Trump and opposing Democrats and socialism. While the fight over impeachment sucks up all of the oxygen in public, there's a robust battle behind the scenes about what it means to be a conservative.

Some of it has spilled out into public view, usually centering on nationalism — what it means, what it requires in terms of policy, how it differs from traditional conservatism or whether it

differs at all. Sens. Josh Hawley and Marco Rubio, for example, have offered thoughtful versions of "economic nationalism," pitting it against libertarianism (both real and imagined).

There are many different schools of thought here, but a common theme is the idea that government should be more interventionist in the economy. Policymakers should be more willing to overrule the marketplace on everything from big tech to child care to trade.

Republicans were outraged by the way the Obama administration "picked winners and losers" in the economy. Some were appalled when Obama bailed out automakers with a massive handout. Trump has now given more aid to farmers than Obama ever gave Detroit, and if an elected Republican has complained about it, I missed it. In fairness, the farmer bailouts were necessitated by the president's trade wars. But that just demonstrates Republicans' willingness to substitute their judgment for the market's.

There's a cultural version of the nationalist project as well. Some conservative intellectuals — mostly, but not exclusively, Catholic — believe the state has a role in imposing its judgment in the marketplace of ideas.

I have strong views about all of this,

but I thought it might be helpful to offer a few humble suggestions about how to think about such things as these debates heat up.

First, the root of conservatism is conservation. The great conservative philosopher Roger Scruton, who died earlier this month, said, "Conservatism starts from a sentiment that all mature people can readily share: the sentiment that good things are easily destroyed, but not easily created." This sentiment is at the heart of traditional conservatism, but it's not constrained by ideology or partisanship. Many liberals (and even some socialists) have displayed this temperament.

Second, with the great divide in conservative theory, there are those who are anti-left and those who are anti-state. For a crude illustration, some people are opposed to public schools because they don't think education is a proper task for the state. (Milton Friedman called them "government schools.") Others on the right think public schools are fine; they just object to how progressives operate them, filling kids' heads with objectionable ideas.

Obviously, most libertarians are in the anti-state camp, but for most conservatives it's a balancing act. A consistent conservative can be libertarian on nearly all policy questions

and still favor heavily regulating or even banning pornography.

Another fault line revolves around the question, "Which state are we talking about?"

If I may show my cards a bit, outside of foreign policy, I'm very libertarian at the national level, mostly libertarian at the state level and pretty communitarian at the local level. Letting people live the way they want to live where they actually live, so long as basic civil rights are respected, has always struck me as the best way to maximize happiness and democratic accountability.

This raises a final question: Can the state actually do what you want it to do?

At the core of the conservative critique of the left has always been a basic skepticism that top-down planning from Washington can work. It used to be that the champions of such planning were mostly on the left. That's not true any longer. And it remains to be seen whether top-down planning from the right works any better than it does from the left.

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Don't wait to hit rock bottom with alcohol problems

BY GAIL BASCH

Former pop star Jessica Simpson's new memoir tells us why she stopped certain habits — ones we never knew she started — because she "hit rock bottom."

She was lucky. Her rock bottom didn't kill her. That same hard place is taking others' lives.

In 2017, alcohol proved more deadly than illicit drugs, including opioids, according to a study from the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism. Alcohol-related deaths had doubled between 1999 and 2017. Little wonder: Alcohol-related problems have increased dramatically in the last two decades across most U.S. population subgroups, including women, middle-aged and older adults, racial and ethnic minorities, and the socioeconomically disadvantaged.

Eighty-eight thousand Americans die from alcohol-related causes annually, making alcohol the third leading preventable cause of death in the United States, behind tobacco and poor diet/physical inactivity.

The number of deaths from



Singer Jessica Simpson, shown in New York in 2016, discusses her struggles with alcohol in a new memoir.

alcohol is rising despite our improving understanding and acceptance of addiction. We know more about alcohol screening and treatment than ever before, but only 20% of those in need receive any form of treatment, and fewer than 10% get prescribed medications.

I think the reason for this is that they are waiting for a rock bottom. It provides another reason for people to delay treatment if they feel they haven't hit that low. So many at-risk drinkers could use help and won't get it because they haven't yet crashed. It would be hard to imagine a scenario in

which insulin is withheld until a diabetic's vision loss is imminent, or anti-hypertensives denied until several strokes occurred.

As a clinician, my message to patients, families, friends and fellow clinicians is a simple one: Waiting kills. Alcohol is the most common problem encountered by primary care providers, yet the one they are least able to manage before their patients hit a crisis point.

The rock bottom myth convinces drinkers that they must become a form of irredeemable to get help. Suggesting that the only way to get better is to get worse doesn't make sense in many ways. Moreover, a message tinged with that hopelessness has a lasting effect on our collective psyches.

The bottom made of rock doesn't exist, at least not in an objective sense. "Rock bottom" is subjective to the individual. For some, the consequence may be financial — such as losing a job or recklessly spending. For others it's an injury, perhaps after an accident caused by impaired driving. Jessica Simpson identified her rock bottom moment as

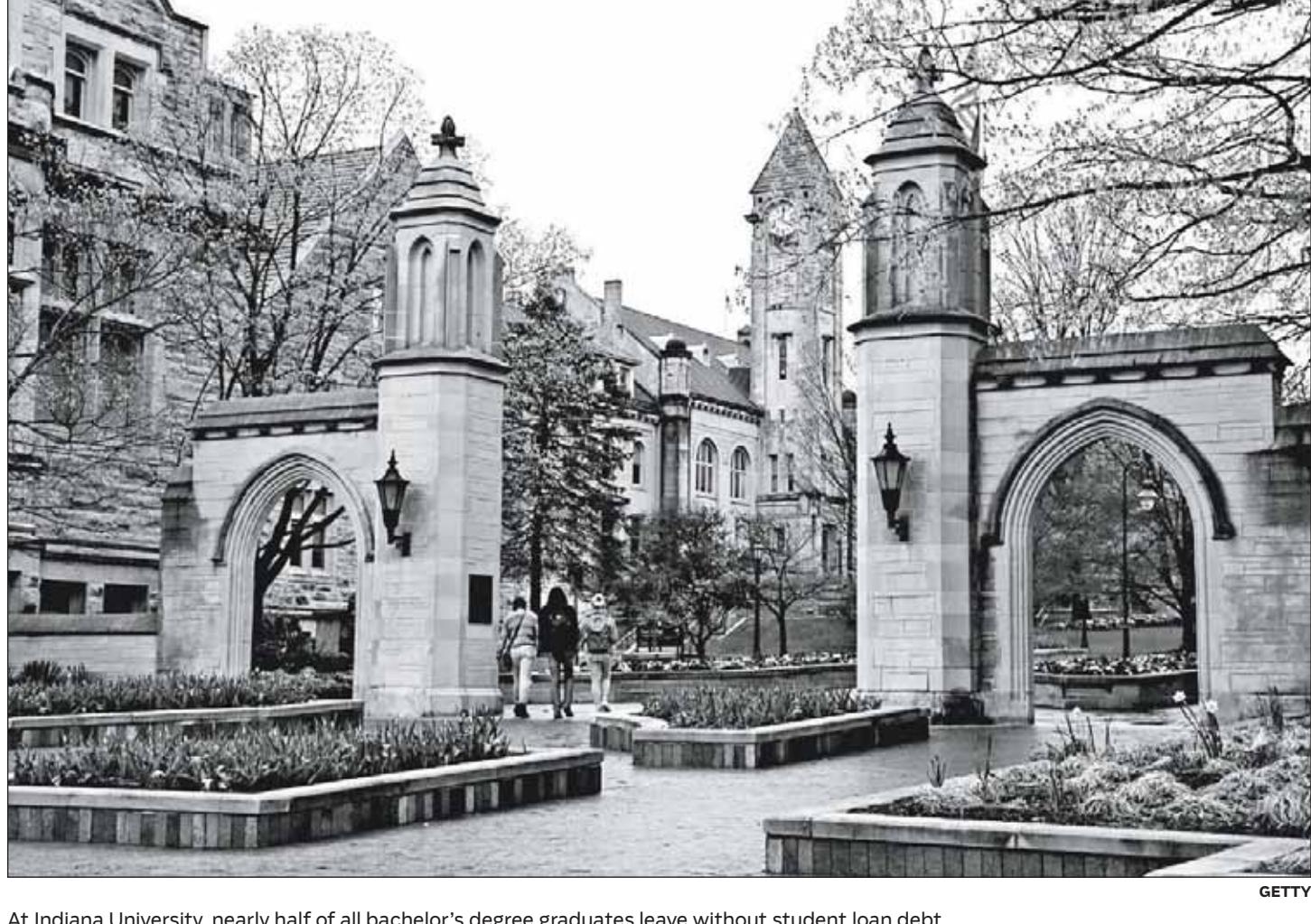
being unable to dress her children on Halloween.

Let's forget the bottom and take it from the top. Some may be surprised to discover that the prognosis for those who struggle with drinking is encouraging. No single treatment fits everyone, but research shows no matter how severe the problem, most people with an alcohol use disorder can benefit from some form of treatment. Non-habit-forming medications, therapies and mutual-help groups help offset changes in the brain caused by alcohol.

One-third of those treated for alcohol problems have no further symptoms one year later. Others substantially reduce drinking and alcohol-related problems. Treatment works without an all-but-unrecoverable crisis. As with many conditions in medicine and in life, events can best motivate us to change. And that change can happen at any time.

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• PERSPECTIVE •



At Indiana University, nearly half of all bachelor's degree graduates leave without student loan debt.

VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Book review, photos illuminate suffering

Sitting comfortably on a chilly Sunday afternoon in my suburban Chicago living room in 2020, I find it hard to describe the emotions I felt and the thoughts I had as I read the page — and studied the photos — in the Tribune's Sunday A&E section, that was devoted to "Reframing civil rights" (Jan. 19), a review of the book "Troublemakers," by Erik S. Gellman. I feel Bill Shapiro's review is a remarkable piece of writing and a splendid selection of strikingly impressive photographs.

Back in 1960, my wife and I, newly married and but 25 years old, moved from out of state to northwest suburban Chicago. So we were here when many of the photographs featured on the page were taken. But we were so comfortable in our little house in our all-white suburb, busy raising children, nicely insulated and for the most part emotionally removed from what was happening in Chicago proper in the '60s, even though I was a Chicago Tribune subscriber.

Then, some 60 years later, here comes this piece. At the time in the '60s I had no real appreciation for the depth of prejudice and hardship that prevailed in parts of Chicagoland and that is so movingly illustrated and commented on in Shapiro's review, and undoubtedly in the book itself. I was really touched by the photos and the explanations of them. It's hard for me to realize that so much privation and hatred were a way of life, so to speak, and that at the time it didn't sink in to me as it does now.

Shapiro compiled an impressive review of Gellman's book about Art Shay, who I now know was a remarkably talented photographer and chronicler of a turning-point era (I hope and trust) in Chicago. I can only hope that thousands of other Tribune readers spent some time with this page, rather than simply giving it a casual glance.

To me, this piece is part of what separates print journalism from TV news — the depth of reportage and the more enduring impressions it can engender. Hats off to Gellman for what must be a remarkable book, to Shapiro for compiling a great review of it, and to the Tribune for publishing it. But Shay, without whose genius there wouldn't have been a book, or a page, is clearly the true genius behind it all.

— Ron C. Brown, Rolling Meadows

Free speech, free will endangered

We live in an age of outspoken people and causes, with a plethora of avenues for them to communicate their message, and a multitude of methods through which the general public can receive them. By and large, this is a positive sign of progress.

However, there is a sinister side to this information overload. We must beware of the masquerades. The same people who operate the anti-fascist movement wish to control speech and opinions, of the larger population, using classic, fascist methods. University administrations and professors, once the bastion and arbiters of free speech, present antiquated arguments against our great American way of life. Conservatives fought communism during the Cold War and now turn around to make deals with the Chinese and appease the Russians under the guise of increasing America's tactical leverage at the negotiating table.

The age of individual advocacy, represented best by the #MeToo movement and justice for women, has the power to fabricate charges and undermine our constitutionally protected presumption of innocence. In the face of uncertainty regarding the facts, we must fight for our beliefs, and use strategies consistent with our ultimate purpose. Protect and promote women's empowerment with careful consideration of the details of each individual case. Preserve democratic republicanism and stand up to autocracy, call out political hypocrisy, learn about our nation's founding principles and possess a willingness to sacrifice against the forces of tyranny. Promote education by listening to the viewpoints of those who disagree. Fight against fascism by promoting the antithesis to this evil philosophy: free speech and free will.

My friends, an abundance of information does not necessitate a bulk of wisdom. Masquerades put on a nice show, but they are not the key to a better world or the truth.

— Henry J.H. Wilson, Barrington

While candidates posture, Midwestern universities take action on student debt

BY MICHAEL McROBBIE

As the 2020 election ramps up, student loan debt has emerged as a hot-button issue on the campaign trail, with several presidential hopefuls releasing plans to solve what they are calling a "crisis."

The size of student debt — which has roughly tripled in the last dozen years and now exceeds \$1.5 trillion — is undeniably sobering, and it is an especially serious matter for students from low- and middle-income families. Our candidates are right to be talking about it.

But as with other major national issues that have become topics of partisan debate, political rancor and packaged soundbites threaten to upstage the immense amount of energy going into reducing this problem. It obscures how Midwestern common-sense initiatives are showing real results.

At Indiana University, which awarded more than 21,000 degrees last year, nearly half of all bachelor's degree graduates leave the institution with zero student loan debt, and 82% have less than \$30,000. Over a recent seven-year period, annual student loan borrowing dropped by more than \$138 million, or over 21%, and for Indiana resident undergraduates, it fell more than \$117 million, or nearly 36%.

This real progress is happening at a time when reports of Americans owing more than \$100,000 in student loans continue to

dominate much of the national media narrative, which can often lead to simplistic and incomplete assertions faulting colleges and universities for how they manage their endowments, enrollments, tuition costs, financial aid and textbook prices.

Missing from this simplistic narrative is how many public Midwestern institutions are hard at work implementing a variety of aggressive but sensible policy measures that are proving successful. These include minimizing tuition increases; reducing operating costs; increasing student financial assistance; promoting on-time graduation; expanding online education; greatly reducing the costs of digital textbooks for students; and introducing comprehensive financial literacy and wellness programs.

Regarding the latter, we are just one of a number of Midwestern institutions, including Ohio State University, the University of Oklahoma and the University of Wisconsin-Madison, that have recently launched innovative financial advising, money management and peer-coaching practices to help students make wise borrowing decisions.

Furthermore, bipartisan legislation in Congress would require colleges and universities that accept federal aid to send an annual "debt letter" to every student — a practice that we pioneered in 2012 — estimating their total loan debt and future monthly payments. Issuing that letter to each loan recipient is now the law in Indiana.

ana and required of all colleges.

On the policy front, a number of Midwestern and other institutions are deeply engaged at the national level in serious and thoughtful conversations among key stakeholders regarding the future of federal student financial aid. These institutions are talking about ensuring greater accessibility to the high-quality education they provide, increasing the transparency of financial aid information and designing effective strategies to improve student success and help build the knowledgeable and well-trained workforce that our nation needs.

Obviously, there is still a lot of work to be done to prevent the specter of major debt from looming over our best and brightest graduates. But important efforts are taking place. I would urge serious parties to read a recent report from the "Higher Education Committee of 50," which provided federal lawmakers with recommendations on student aid, access and accountability as they work on reauthorizing the Higher Education Act.

The committee's recommendations will stand or fall on their own merits. For now, though, they reflect what we need to address the student debt issue — less posturing and more practical solutions.

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What if it were Obama on trial in the Senate?

BY NICHOLAS KRISTOF

The New York Times

What if it were President Barack Obama who was the subject of the Senate impeachment trial? How would we feel then?

Cass Sunstein, a professor at Harvard Law School, suggests a question along those lines in his book "Impeachment: A Citizen's Guide." It's one of several thought experiments that I suggest in order to step back from the hurly-burly in the Senate and interrogate our own principles and motivations.

The first approach, as Sunstein puts it, is this:

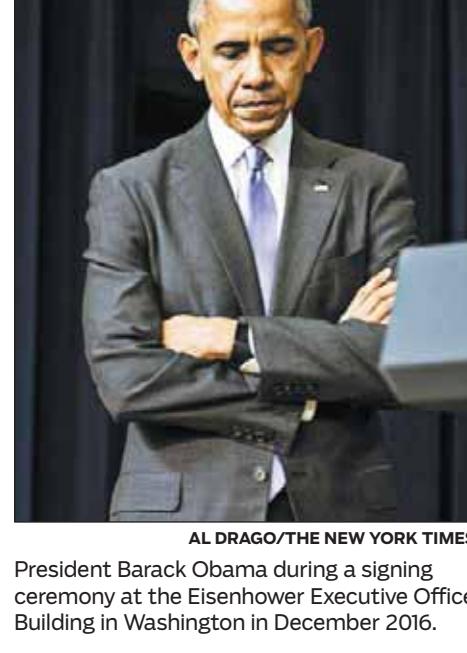
"Suppose that a president engages in certain actions that seem to you very, very bad. Suppose that you are tempted to think that he should be impeached. You should immediately ask yourself: *Would I think the same thing if I loved the president's policies, and thought that he was otherwise doing a splendid job?*"

Alternatively, if you oppose impeachment and removal, Sunstein suggests you ask yourself: *"Would I think the same thing if I abhorred the president's policies, and thought that he was otherwise doing a horrific job?"*

In practical terms, this amounts to: What if it were Obama who had been caught in this Ukraine scandal?

My guess is that if it were Obama, Republicans would be demanding witnesses (as they did in the 1999 trial of Bill Clinton). Given how aggressively Republican members of Congress pursued the Benghazi events — multiple investigations, eventually finding no evidence of wrongdoing by either Obama or then-Secretary of State Hillary Clinton — I'm confident that the GOP would be insisting that Obama be removed, with frequent chants of "lock him up."

Yet I suspect that many Democrats would also switch sides, finding it easier to excuse misconduct by someone they admired — and seeing it as more important in that situation to preserve executive privilege and leave it to voters to decide the matter in the fall. That's why we owe it to ourselves, as a matter of intellectual hon-



President Barack Obama during a signing ceremony at the Eisenhower Executive Office Building in Washington in December 2016.

esty, to think through how we would react if it were the other guy on trial.

(Progressives may be scoffing that this exercise is unrealistic: Obama was meticulous in avoiding scandal and ethical conflicts. He checked with the Justice Department before accepting the Nobel Peace Prize, and for him a "scandal" was something like wearing a tan suit. The Ukraine mess would have been out of character for Obama, while it is entirely in character for Trump. But Republicans will see this differently.)

The second thought experiment comes from another distinguished lawyer, Neal Katyal, in his new book "Impeach: The Case Against Donald Trump."

"Imagine if it had worked," Katyal suggests. "Imagine if our president had leveraged his role as commander in chief to convince a foreign power to open an investigation into his political opponent. Imagine if the president's rival lost the primary because news broke that he was under investigation. Imagine if that meant the

president faced a weaker candidate in November 2020 — and won reelection as a result."

The foreign country could then blackmail our president by threatening to expose the corruption, gaining leverage over our foreign policy. Meanwhile, the president might abuse presidential power in other ways in the belief that impunity was complete. If all this eventually became public, and truth does have a way of trickling out, this would have devastating consequences for the legitimacy of American elections.

This thought experiment perhaps isn't so far-fetched. We know now that Trump's pressure on Ukraine caused alarm in the White House and the intelligence community, with National Security Adviser John Bolton likening it to a "drug deal." Yet for all that uproar, it almost didn't become public. It was only because of a whistleblower that the information began to emerge, and the military aid to Ukraine was released only after the White House became aware of the whistleblower and was being pressured by Congress.

In short, Trump's plan almost succeeded — and in any case, he will get away with it in the sense that he is sure to be acquitted by the Senate. When Republicans suggest that Trump did nothing wrong, what message does that impunity send to Trump and to future presidents?

The third thought experiment is simple: What if Trump weren't president, but was like almost any other person in America?

What if he were a high school vice principal who ensured that a police detective's son would be accepted in advanced placement classes — and then added, "I'd like you to do us a favor, though." The favor would be an investigation of the vice principal's ex-wife before their upcoming child custody hearing, in hopes of tilting the outcome in his favor.

In that situation, the vice principal would be fired. We all recognize that no school official or other person in a government bureaucracy should use public power for private benefit.

So a last query: Shouldn't we have as high a standard for the president of the United States as for a school vice principal?

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Your Monday guide to managing money, work and the business of life



JILL SCHLESINGER
Jill on Money

Why are so many living paycheck to paycheck?

The labor market finished 2019 with a solid showing. The economy added 145,000 jobs, making December the 11th straight month of job gains, the longest stretch in 80 years of data.

For the full year, employers averaged 175,000 jobs per month, a downshift from the 2018 pace of 223,000, though these numbers will likely change after the Bureau of Labor Statistics releases its annual adjustment to the numbers in February.

Adding to the positive news, the unemployment rate came in at 3.5%, matching the lowest reading since 1969.

Average hourly earnings increased by 2.9% from a year ago, which may not seem all that great, but given that the overall inflation rate remains under 2%, the bump is sufficient to stay ahead of rising prices.

Perhaps the best news on wages is that lower-earning and entry-level workers have been making steady progress over the past couple of years. That's due in large part to municipal and state minimum wage initiatives, which have pushed the effective average minimum wage to nearly \$12 per hour.

Despite the labor market's progress, it has been interesting to see a new Twitter hashtag "With my next paycheck I will..." The posts are alternatively funny ("Help a recently exiled Nigerian prince reclaim his throne") and depressing ("Still be broke"). The trend coincides with reports that an astounding 74% of Americans say that they are living paycheck to paycheck, according to a survey conducted by the American Payroll Association.

Given the upbeat economic news, the big question is: Why are so many workers feeling under pressure? The answer is complicated. While there have been wage gains, they are not spread out across every worker — just ask your friendly millennial or career-switching Boomer about it.

Additionally, averages are just that: average. A recent Bankrate.com report found that half of American workers said they did not get a raise last year, and over a longer term, middle-income workers have been left in the dust.

Government data show that over the past 20 years, median household income has barely budged, after accounting for inflation. Today the median stands at \$63,179, a mere 3% increase from 1999's level of \$61,526. Add to those figures the weight of \$1.6 trillion in student loan debt as well as rising costs for housing in some areas, and you can see how monthly bills take a huge bite out of many workers' take-home pay.

But what accounts for those higher-income people who also say that they are living paycheck to paycheck? I hear from a lot of these folks who consistently struggle to make ends meet.

Not to discount how these people feel, but after a few probing questions, I have found that many of these folks are counting cash-flow items like home equity lines of credit that were used to renovate the kitchen, vacation funds and kids' activities/tutoring as part of their non-discretionary spending.

Regardless of whether you are really scraping by or feeling like you are, the advice is the same: Comb your cash flow to find areas to cut and then automatically redirect those funds to savings.

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CULTURE CHECK

Company with no female partners set out to change things

BY MELANIE CURTIN | Inc.

When Matt Krentz became an entry-level consultant at Boston Consulting Group, he had a number of women colleagues. As he rose in the ranks, however, he found there were fewer and fewer women.

By the time he was promoted to lead the Chicago office, he was dismayed to find that there wasn't a single female partner there.

So he started to take stock. He took a hard look at the way men and women interacted at the firm, their habits and their environments. And he began breaking down the company culture, specifically the aspects of it that were alienating women. One of his most important observations was this: "We are a very critical culture."

He shared this with Joanne Lipman for her book "That's What She Said: What Men Need to Know (and Women Need to Tell Them) About Working Together."

Elaborating on the nature of the culture, Krentz said that at BCG, "We often tell people what they need to get better at."

While this kind of feedback can be effective for men, it is often true that, for women, it can be devastating. Research repeatedly shows that women react far more strongly to negative feedback than men do. When given both positive and negative feedback (such as in a performance review), men tend to focus on the positive, while women often put a heavier emphasis on the negative. Over time, that emphasis can be crushing.

In other words, what was happening at BCG is likely what happens at most large consulting firms, not to mention the rest of corporate America. In Lipman's words, that is this: "Women took the critical feedback to heart so strongly that it undermined their confidence."

This has major consequences in the workplace. At BCG at the time, it meant women were quitting at higher rates. Teams were losing high-performing women at every level. This is important not only because it impacts the culture but also the bottom line. Having more women at the top is repeatedly linked to a company having higher profit margins.

Rather than simply wringing his

hands, Krentz was determined to do something about the situation. Along with several like-minded colleagues, he looked at his own contribution to the issue and considered how to adjust.

One of the conclusions he and other executives came to was that rather than asking women to change, to harden up, to learn to take criticism, leaders needed to shift the culture.

There's a "need to change the environment in which we work," said Krentz, "how we give feedback, and more proactively engage on how we are mentoring, sponsoring, guiding" women.

So they did.

One thing Krentz spearheaded was pairing women with successful partners in a program that emphasized more than just mentorship.

"A mentor isn't good enough," said Krentz. "You need someone who will stick their neck out and say, 'Yes, I will vouch for this person.'"

You need a champion.

Women with champions, it turned out, wanted to stay at the firm a lot more than before. As the culture shifted, results followed. By the time Krentz moved on from the Chicago office, almost 20% of the partners in the Chicago office were women. Still not nearly enough, but certainly much better than none.

The firm also changed how it did performance evaluations. BCG began focusing on strengths, not just weaknesses, and called out the areas of strength as places to develop (rather

than ignore because those areas were fine).

Managers were trained to scan their own feedback to ensure they didn't "fall back on male-dominated tropes," Krentz said. Tropes such as, "You need to be more confrontational in meetings; you need to speak out more." According to Krentz, "telling someone to do that and then watching to see if they can do it is poor development, but we default to that because most men will respond."

Again, the result was dramatic. Within just four years, the number of women consultants grew 70%.

Most men I know want to see gender equality. They want to see more women business owners, more women executives, more women political leaders, more women in power everywhere.

But they often feel helpless in terms of how to do so.

It's also important to call out the fact that Matt Krentz wasn't alone in his efforts. He was an ally to his women colleagues, but he also had allies, both male and female. For example, when he enrolled other like-minded male executives in his plan, they jumped on board.

When he and others trained male managers about the critical feedback, its effects and how to shift it to make the environment a more welcoming place for women, many of those male managers responded.

They all worked together, and their focus was not on how women could change, but how they themselves could change their culture. Their own words. Their own team meetings. Their own emails.

It got personal.

They were willing to learn how to adjust their own ways of speaking and acting with women colleagues, and that conscientious action made a difference.

"Male leaders need to be engaged on this," Krentz said simply. If we want to move the needle, "we have to behave differently."

Melanie Curtin is a writer and sex researcher.

There are ways to fight high prescription costs

Request cheaper alternatives, check assistance programs

BY RYAN ERMEY
Kiplinger

Over the past several months, my eyes have been very dry. So you can imagine the tears of joy I cried (or not) when the ophthalmologist wrote me a prescription for drops that treat chronic dry eye.

He told me the drug wasn't available as a generic, so it might be pricey, but handed me a coupon. "Pay as little as \$5* a month," it said on the front. Sold!

I should have paid more attention to the asterisk. Because when I handed my prescription, along with my coupon, to the pharmacist, she told me I owed her \$270 for

my first month's worth of eye drops. My coupon only entitled me to a \$250 discount on a drug that cost an eye-watering \$520 per month.

I should note that I'm enrolled in my company's high-deductible health plan, and my deductible is \$1,500. But premiums are lower than they are for a preferred provider plan with a lower deductible.

High-deductible plans are growing. Nearly half of private-sector employees in the United States were enrolled in a high-deductible plan in 2018, up from 30% in 2013, according to the State Health Access Data Assistance Center.

At the same time, "the cost of health care, especially for specialty drugs, has escalated dramatically," says Marcus Sredzinski, executive vice president of pharmacy at prescription savings program ScriptSave.

To lower the cost of a pricey drug, let your doctor know you're in a high-deductible plan and ask if there are cheaper alternatives to the prescribed drug.

If there aren't cheaper alternatives, compare prices across pharmacies and find out whether coupons for certain prescriptions are available on sites such as WellRx.com and GoodRx.com. Talk to your pharmacist or prescribing physician to find out if the drug manufacturer offers a co-payment assistance program, like the \$250 discount I got. Make sure you read the fine print, however. The discount may only apply to a certain number of refills, and you may only be able to apply the discounted rate toward your deductible, says Sredzinski.

Depending on the medication and your income, you may qualify for a patient assistance program offered by either the

manufacturer or a private foundation. Search for your treatment at NeedyMed.org to find out if a program supports the drug you were prescribed and where to apply. I was eligible to apply for the program from the manufacturer of my eye drops.

I had to fax in an application, which included my insurance information and a copy of my W-2, and browbeat my doctor's office into completing an application form as well. Because my total cost for the drug exceeded a certain portion of my income, I qualified to receive the drug free.

Now maybe I'll cry actual tears of joy.

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TERRY SAVAGE
The Savage Truth

Think carefully before taking on personal loan debt

Personal loans are the fastest-growing debt category in the country. The outstanding amount has nearly tripled, growing from \$55.3 billion to nearly \$160 billion in the last decade. Just as in every other industry, technology has made all the difference, with Fintech companies creating algorithms that can make instant credit decisions.

The result is personal loans that may carry much lower interest rates than credit cards. In fact, a new survey by Lending Tree shows that two-thirds of all personal loans taken out in the past year were for either loan consolidation or credit card refinancing.

A borrower with a good credit score can get a loan up to \$50,000, but the average loan is far smaller. Lending Tree says members of Generation X take out the biggest loans, with an average amount of \$9,722. About 19 million people have a personal loan, while 176 million people have a credit card.

The report shows the average annual percentage rate paid on personal loans by borrowers with good credit (760 or above) was 10.19%. However, those with scores between 640 and 680 paid as much as 25% in interest, and rates on sub-prime loans can be even higher.

Many companies offer loans online because they can almost instantly assess your likelihood of repayment.

It pays to shop around, because you could see as much as a 10-point interest rate differential in quotes from different lenders, given the same credit and loan information. To make that search easier, several companies aggregate loan offers. LendingTree.com, CreditKarma.com and Credible.com are three of the most widely used sites.

You fill out an online form at these sites to get the process started. It's not a loan application; the information is used to assess which lenders might be interested in making a loan offer. Although you provide your address and birthdate and Social Security number, this is not listed as a credit inquiry on your credit report. The industry calls it a soft pull. You'll also be asked the purpose of the loan.

Then, within seconds, the company can provide a list of pre-qualified offers from various personal loan lenders. The rates and terms will vary. If you're interested in one or two, you can click to be taken directly to the lender's website, where you will be asked to fill out a loan application online. The lender will respond quickly, and if you are approved, you can expect to receive the money transferred to your bank account in as little as 48 hours.

The lender will ask for an ability to automatically draft a monthly repayment from your bank account. That will lower your rate significantly. And if you fail to repay on time? This is an unsecured loan, so a lender can send your account to collection — just as would happen with a credit card balance. And the lender can always garnish your wages if it gets a court judgment against you.

And even if you do qualify for an affordable loan, remember the old adage: If you want to get out of a deep hole, stop digging. Taking on more debt — even less expensive debt — is not the road to prosperity. And that's The Savage Truth.

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2020 market maneuvers

Actions to consider amid likely volatility



ELLIOT RAPHAELSON
The Savings Game

You can expect that markets will be volatile in 2020 because of the threats of war, the presidential election and the impeachment trial. It is also likely that the excellent stock returns of 2019 will not be repeated. Here are some actions to consider this year to protect yourself.

■ Review your stock to bond allocation. As you approach retirement, you may want to reduce the percentage of equities in your portfolio. A major pitfall in retirement is not having enough assets to maintain your standard of living. If your portfolio takes a major fall at the beginning of retirement because of a significant drop in stock market prices, it could jeopardize your retirement. Accordingly, as you approach retirement, consider changing your allocation to reduce the percentage of stocks in your portfolio.

Although you should continue a significant holding in stocks throughout retirement (at least 30%), you should consider a more conservative allocation when you enter retirement.

■ Rebalance your portfolio. It is very important to do this at least once a year, if not more often. Most stock market indexes increased more than 20% in 2019. It is not likely that there will be similar results in 2020.

If you have a significant stock market holding in your portfolio and did not re-balance at the end of 2019, it is likely that your portfolio is overweight in stocks, and you should consider rebalancing. For example, if your financial plan calls for maintaining a 60-40 ratio of stocks to bonds, and stocks now represent 65% of the value of your portfolio, you should take some profits and restore the 60-40 allocation.

■ Maintain a diversified stock portfolio. It is impossible to predict which market sectors will perform best from one year to the next. It makes sense to invest in several index funds or exchange-traded funds that encompass both domestic and international funds, large cap, mid-cap, and small cap, growth and value equities. In this way, regardless of which market segments perform well, your portfolio should do well in the long run.

Naturally, you should select funds that have performed well historically and that have the lowest annual fees. It is much safer for you to hold a diversified portfolio maintained by a reputable financial organization than it is to personally select individual stocks for your portfolio.

■ Fund your retirement plans to the greatest extent possible. Make sure you take advantage of matching contributions from your employer in your

401(k) plan. Contribute at least the minimum amount to obtain your employer's match. After age 50, you can increase your annual contributions for many types of retirement plans. Take advantage of the increased contribution levels if you can afford to.

■ Be aware of the recent changes introduced under the SECURE Act. You don't have to take required minimum distributions until age 72. If you have reached 70 1/2, you can still make contributions to your traditional IRA if you have earned income.

If you established a trust in your estate plan for your IRA, you should review with your attorney whether you must modify your estate plan; many trusts will no longer work. If you named non-spouse beneficiaries for your IRA, you should consider other options, such as life insurance for these beneficiaries. Your non-spouse beneficiaries will be restricted to a 10-year stretch to withdraw the funds.

Consider converting a traditional IRA to a Roth over time to minimize the income tax impact for your non-spouse beneficiaries. Determine your new eligibility for a retirement plan as a part-time employee. Determine whether your retirement plan now offers you an annuity option. Consider withdrawing up to \$10,000 tax-free from your 529 plan for repayment of student loans.

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Going electric

Think about cost, location before buying

BY MIRIAM CROSS

Kiplinger

Electric vehicles aren't just for environmentally conscious celebrities and high-tech entrepreneurs anymore.

More than 1.3 million EVs, including plug-in hybrids, were on the road in the United States as of September, according to the Edison Electric Institute. That same month, the EV share of new-car sales hit 2.6%, a high for 2019. Ford recently made a splash with its upcoming Mustang Mach-E all-electric SUV, the fifth pure EV SUV on the market.

To fans, all-electric vehicles such as the Tesla models, Chevrolet Bolt and Nissan Leaf provide smooth and noiseless driving, low maintenance, quick acceleration and a premium feel. But there are hurdles to going electric.

These cars are more expensive to buy or lease than many of their gas-powered counterparts. The cost for many new EVs is in the \$30,000-\$45,000 range, but in a year, drivers nationwide save an average of \$800 on gas. That's a lot of money over the lifetime of the car.

Electric vehicles and plug-in hybrids (which have a gas engine as well as a battery) purchased in 2010 or later may be eligible for a federal income tax credit of up to \$7,500, but this credit starts phasing out once a manufacturer has sold 200,000 EVs, which is the case for Cadillac, Chevrolet and Tesla.

Some states offer their own incentives, which you can find by searching online. Ask your local utility company about any rebates or other perks it offers. Or consider buying a used car, if you live in a state such as California where off-lease EVs are plentiful in the used car market.

"You won't get the latest tech or longest ranges, but you can pick up certain models for less than \$10,000," says Dan Edmunds, director of vehicle evaluation at car-information site Edmunds.com.

Even if the price is right, EVs are most practical for drivers who can recharge their cars in their home garage rather than rely on public charging stations. Edmunds, whose family is on their third EV, says owning an electric vehicle is easier than many people



TAINA SOHLMAN

think.

"People plug in their smartphones more often during the day than they'd have to plug in their car," he says.

If you need to use public charging stations, keep in mind your location. Stations are plentiful in California, for instance, but some states have fewer than 400.

Electric-only cars also work best for owners who drive reasonably short distances around town or have another car for long distances. A number of EVs offer more than 200 miles of driving range, with pricier models inching toward 400 miles.

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Avoid thinking of the worst possible outcome

Waiting patiently to hear about your vacation request or a raise or whether your proposal will fly is a challenge. No news is time and space for us to make up a story. Filling in the blanks makes us feel good, even if the story we're creating isn't a good one.



But because creating stories is entirely within our control, we could just as easily decide to make up one that has a happy ending as a horrible one.

Here's what to do when you start to spiral in the face of incomplete information:



1. Separate facts from interpretation.
Recognize the difference between what you know for a fact, what you don't know and what assumptions you're making to bridge the gap.

2. Call yourself out on storytelling.
Say to yourself, "I am making up a story right now."

3. Consider other possible stories.
Ask yourself, "What other possibilities could be just as likely?"



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OBITUARIES

CAROL STREAM 1943-2020

Woman's father developed DuPage County town that bears her name

BY BOB GOLDSBOROUGH

Carol Stream was the namesake of the DuPage County village developed by her father, Jay.

A Wheaton native who spent all of her adult life in Arizona, she returned periodically to Carol Stream, which today has a population of 40,000.

"When I go back, I'm so proud that people have taken such good care of the town," Stream told the Tribune in 1991. "It's like they're taking good care of me."

Stream, 77, died of respiratory failure Jan. 18 at HonorHealth Scottsdale Thompson Peak Medical Center in Scottsdale, Arizona, said her cousin, Debra Campbell. A longtime resident of nearby Paradise Valley, Stream had suffered from chronic obstructive pulmonary disorder and pneumonia.

Carol Jayne Stream grew up on the north side of Wheaton, along Geneva Road. Her father, Jay, was a developer in DuPage County during the 1950s, building homes in Wheaton and Naperville through his company, Durable Construction.

At one point, Jay Stream was frustrated by the red tape and required infrastructure improvements related to a 350- to 400-home subdivision he had been proposing in Naperville. According to the 1984 history of Carol Stream, "Build Your Own Town, the Carol Stream Story," written by historian Jean Moore, an employee at Naperville's City Hall reportedly told Stream, "Why don't you go build your own town?"

Stream started to buy large plots of unincorporated farmland north of Wheaton and proceed to do just that, complete with large, industrial employers in areas served by rail spurs extending south from the Illinois Central Railroad and north from what then was the Chicago Great Western Railway.

Stream's marriage to his wife, Dorothy, came undone in 1957, prompting Dorothy Stream to move with her two children, Carol and Jim, to Arizona. They returned to spend the summer at the family's vacation home in Twin Lakes, Wisconsin.

In August 1957, Carol Stream was traveling in a 1949 Studebaker with other teenagers on U.S. Highway 45, about 15 miles west of Kenosha, Wisconsin. The car's brakes failed, and it



JEFF KIDA/FOR THE CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Carol Stream in her Paradise Valley home in Arizona in 1991.

collided with another car. A 15-year-old boy in Stream's car was killed, while all other passengers were injured, including Stream, who was critically hurt.

"The other car hit us in the right rear fender," Stream told the Tribune in 1991. "The boy in the back was crushed to death instantly. The other two in the front seat had minor injuries, and I was thrown out through the windshield and would have been fine except I ended up hitting the telephone pole. The whole area, and I had to hit the telephone pole."

Stream eventually emerged from a coma, and initially she communicated by blinking her eyes. The accident required more than a dozen corrective operations, and years later, Stream remained weak on her right side. As an adult, she could walk short distances, such as inside her home, but she required a wheelchair for traveling any distance.

Stream lived with her mother, who died in 2010, and later with her brother, who died in 2018. Jay Stream died in California in 2006.

Carol Stream — the village — was incorporated in January 1959, but Stream's father first had used the name in 1958 for a subdivision that formed the nucleus of the village.

"It seemed very odd and silly, especially on those advertising signs that said, 'Have you seen Carol Stream?' Of course I had. Dad just liked good copy," she told the Tribune in 1991.

Stream's final visit to the suburb was in 2010.

"In 2008, my family had a chance to visit her and her mother and brother at their house in Paradise Valley, and she was warm, funny and clever, and she was very

interested in what happened in Carol Stream," said Carol Stream village trustee Rick Gieser. "She was very, very proud of the fact that the town was named after her. She was disappointed that Glenbard North High School (in Carol Stream) was not named for her, and I reminded her that an elementary school also is named after her and she said, 'I want both.'"

Retired Carol Stream Park District Director Barb O'Rahilly, who is on the board of the Carol Stream Historical Society, met Stream several times, including during the village's 25th anniversary celebration in 1984 and also in 2010.

"She was just a lovely lady," O'Rahilly said. "She had an endearing smile and considering that she had health issues and a hard time getting around, it just never seemed to deter her. She was interested in how nice the school and parks were and how her town was doing. She was very proud of being Carol Stream in Carol Stream."

Sherry Kuhn attended junior high school in Wheaton with Stream and kept in touch with her over the years. Kuhn, who lives in California, visited Stream in Arizona four or five times a year.

"Carol was the most positive person I've ever seen," Kuhn said. "When you think about living like she lived, ever since her accident, I never heard her say, 'Poor me!' She made light of everything and could laugh at everything, including at herself. She was just a special human being."

Stream had no immediate survivors.

No services are planned.

Goldsborough is a freelance reporter.

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON JANUARY 27 ...

In 1880 Thomas Edison received a patent for his electric incandescent lamp.

In 1888 the National Geographic Society was incorporated in Washington, D.C.

In 1943 about 50 bombers struck Wilhelmshaven in the first all-American air raid against Germany in World War II.

In 1944 the Soviet Union announced the end of the deadly German siege of Leningrad, which had lasted for more than two years.

In 1945 Soviet troops liberated the Nazi concentration

camps Auschwitz and Birkenau in Poland.

In 1951 an era of atomic testing in the Nevada desert began as an Air Force plane dropped a 1-kiloton bomb on Frenchman Flats.

In 1967 astronauts Virgil "Gus" Grissom, Edward White and Roger Chaffee died in a flash fire during a test aboard their Apollo 1 spacecraft at Cape Kennedy, Fla.

In 1967 more than 60 nations signed a treaty banning the orbiting of nuclear weapons.

In 1973 the Vietnam peace accords were signed in Paris.

In 1977 the Vatican reaffirmed the Roman Catholic Church's ban on female priests.

In 1984 singer Michael Jackson suffered serious burns to his scalp when pyrotechnics set his hair on fire during the filming of a Pepsi-Cola TV commercial at the Shrine Auditorium in Los Angeles.

In 2000 President Bill Clinton proposed a \$350 billion tax cut, big spending increases for schools and health care and photo ID licenses for handgun purchases in his final State of the Union address.

In 2004 John Kerry won the New Hampshire Democratic presidential primary.

In 2010 J.D. Salinger, one of contemporary literature's most famous recluses, who created a lasting symbol of adolescent discontent in his 1951 novel "The Catcher in the Rye," died; he was 91.

In 2017 President Donald Trump signed an executive order suspending refugee arrivals and banning travel to the U.S. from seven Muslim-majority countries, spawning chaos and protests across the globe, trapping unwitting airline passengers in terminals and foreign lands and igniting legal challenges that put the bans on hold.

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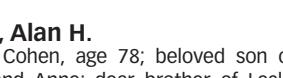
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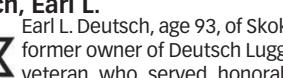
Mary E. Calkins, nee McEnerney, 97, of Elmhurst, passed peacefully surrounded by her family on January 24, 2020. Beloved wife of the late Robert Emmett for 43 years. Loving mother of Mary Lou (Sam) Maggiore, Margaret (Gerald) Sullivan, the late Francis, Kevin (Maryann) Trojan, Rita (Bill) Tierney, Cecilia (the late Scott) Hawkins-Wight, Loretta (John) Tierney, and Robert (Marcy DeBiasi). Dear sister of the late Dolores (the late Peter) Mallon, the late Marge (the late Donald) Duffy, the late James (the late Ceil) McEnerney. Fond Calkins sister-in-law of 10. Caring grandmother of 25, adoring great-grandmother of 55. Visitation Monday, January 27th, from 3:00 - 9:00 PM at Olson Burke/Sullivan Funeral & Cremation Center, 6467-77 N. Northwest Hwy (one block north of Devon) Chicago IL 60631. Family and friends are asked to meet directly at church for the Funeral Mass Tuesday, January 28th, at 9:30 AM, Immaculate Conception Church, 134 Arthur Street, Elmhurst, IL 60126. Procession to All Saints Cemetery to follow. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, American Diabetes Association, or HCU Homocystinuria HealthWell Foundation, would be appreciated. Info 733-774-3333.



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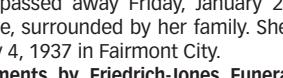
Alan H. Cohen, age 78; beloved son of the late Walter and Anne; dear brother of Leslie (Steven) Swibel and Carol Cohen; fond uncle of two, great uncle of five. Service Tuesday 9:30am in the chapel of Westlawn Cemetery and Mausoleum, 7801 W. Montrose Avenue, Norridge, where interment will follow. Contributions may be made to your favorite charity. Arrangements entrusted to Lakeshore Jewish Funerals, 773-625-8621



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Deutsch, Earl L.

Earl L. Deutsch, age 93, of Skokie, Illinois, former owner of Deutsch Luggage; WWII veteran who served honorably in the U.S. Navy; beloved husband and best friend for 70 years of RoseLee, nee Ross; loving father of Dr. Stephen (Diane), Howard (fiancée Lisa Dunn), Larry (Deb), and Barry (Rhonda) Deutsch; adored grandfather of Joya (Austin) Balk, Dr. Andrew (Hilary) Deutsch, Kate (Daniel) Aliaga, Steve (Maggie) Deutsch, Alyse and Justin Deutsch, Joe (fiancée Lauren Zabrin), Corine and Julia Deutsch, and Meredith, Garrett and Blair Deutsch; proud great grandfather of Mae, Jake, Olive, Scarlett and Luke; dear brother of the late Sydell (late Norman) Nelson; and treasured uncle and friend to many. Service Tuesday, 12 Noon at The Chapel, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Rd., Buffalo Grove (1 Block North of Lake Cook Rd.). Interment Westlawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Jewish United Fund, www.juf.org or the charity of your choice. Info: The Goldman Funeral Group, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com, (847) 478-1600.



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Duraski, Evelyn S.

Evelyn S. Duraski (nee Aleman), age 82, a resident of Naperville, IL since 1980, formerly of Fairmont City, IL, passed away Friday, January 24, 2020 at her home, surrounded by her family. She was born February 4, 1937 in Fairmont City.

Arrangements by Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services, 44 S. Mill Street, Naperville, IL.

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



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COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND
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PROTECTION DIVISION**

IN THE INTEREST OF

Angelyla Rios Aviles AKA Angelayla
Aviles AKA Angelayla Aviles

**MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Carmen Aviles
(Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA00800

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Alexander Montes De Oca (Father), AKA Alejandro Montes De Oca, Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on July 26, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Kimberly Lewis in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, on 02/12/2020, at 10:00 AM in CALENDAR 8 COURTROOM H, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT
January 6, 2020

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IN THE INTEREST OF

Donvonta Scott-Daniels AKA Donvonta
Daniels

**MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Crystal Scott
(Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: 20JA00001

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CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD
PROTECTION DIVISION**

IN THE INTEREST OF

Marion Harris

**MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Michelle Harris
(Mother)**

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA01271

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**IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK
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CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD
PROTECTION DIVISION**

IN THE INTEREST OF

Sharita Wilson

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Sharita Wilson

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA01087

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IN THE INTEREST OF

Shari Wilson

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Sharita Wilson

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA01087

LEGAL NOTICES**NOTICE TO BIDDERS**

Sealed separate bids will be received by the
Board of Education, Oak Park Elementary
School District 97 (the "Board") for the
following project:

**OAK PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
97**
D97 SUMMER 2020 RENOVATIONS
BROOKS, HATCH, IRVING, JULIAN,
LONGFELLOW, MANN
OAK PARK, IL 60302

**BID GROUP 1 – DEMOLITION, MASONRY,
GENERAL TRADES, ROOFING, GLAZING,
DRYWALL, FLOORING, PAINTING, CASEWORK,
FIRE SUPPRESSION, PLUMBING, HVAC, and
ELECTRICAL**

Bids will be received until 2:00 p.m. CST on
Tuesday, January 28, 2020 at the Oak Park
Elementary School District 97 Administrative
offices, 260 Madison Street, Oak Park, IL
60302, and will be publicly opened and read
at 2:30 p.m. CST on that date. Bids shall be
submitted in an opaque sealed envelope
clearly marked:

**OAK PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DISTRICT
97**
260 Madison Street, Oak Park, IL 60302
Attention: Bulley & Andrews
Project: D97 SUMMER 2020 RENOVATIONS
- BID PACKAGE 1

Scope of work for Bid Package 1 generally
includes, but is not limited to: demolition,
masonry, general trades, roofing, glazing,
drywall, flooring, painting, casework,
fire suppression, plumbing, HVAC, and
electrical.

All bids must be submitted in accordance
with the bidding instructions contained
in the Bidding Documents for the project.
Bid security in the form of a bid bond in an
amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the
base bid amount shall be submitted with the
bid. Should a bid bond be submitted, the
bond shall be payable to the Board of
Education, Oak Park Elementary School
District 97, 260 Madison Street, Oak Park,
IL 60302. All documents and information
required by the bidding instructions
contained in the Bidding Documents for
the project shall be submitted with the bid.
Incomplete, late or non-conforming bids
may not be accepted.

No bids shall be withdrawn, cancelled or
modified after the time for opening of bids
without the Board's consent for a period of
ninety (90) days after the scheduled time of
bid opening.

The Bidding Documents for the project
(which include the bidding instructions for
the project and other related documents)
will be available Monday January 13, 2020
and are available for viewing/download
online without cost or purchase on the
Bulley & Andrews, LLC One Drive, located
at the following link. No username or
password is required.

The Board reserves the right to reject any
or all bids or parts thereof, or waive any
irregularities or informalities, and to make
an award that in the Board's sole opinion is
in the best interest of the District.

The site will be available for visits by
appointment to be coordinated with Bulley &
Andrews, LLC. Interested parties may
inspect the existing conditions. Schedule
an appointment with John Kraft of Bulley &
Andrews in advance if you wish to visit the
sites.

All bidders must comply with applicable
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prevailing wages by all Contractors working
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of work, the prevailing wage rates change,
the contractor shall be responsible for
additional costs without any change to the
contract amount. All bidders must comply
with the Illinois Statutory requirements
regarding labor, including Equal Employment
Opportunity Laws.

For additional information on the project,
contact John Kraft of Bulley & Andrews, LLC
at jkraft@bulleyandrews.com or 312-914-0351.

FUTURE BID PACKAGE 2 – GENERAL TRADES 2,
is expected to be available on or around
February 10, 2020; with a bid opening date
March 3, 2020;

Dated: 01/15/2020
John Kraft
Bulley & Andrews, LLC
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PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC COMMENT NOTICE

Draft Substantial Amendments to the 2015 and
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The Cook County Department of Planning and
Development within the Bureau of Economic
Development currently receives Community
Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding on an annual entitlement
basis from the U.S. Department of Housing and
Urban Development (HUD). The County is
accepting public comments regarding its
Draft Substantial Amendments to its 2015 and
2016 Annual Action Plans, which propose new
CDBG-funded activities to better meet community development needs
in suburban Cook County.

Applicable Public Comment Period: 30 Days

- January 27, 2020 - February 26, 2020

Public Comment Opportunities

An important part of the process of
developing a Substantial Amendment is
to promote citizen participation and
solicit input. The Draft may be reviewed at
the Cook County Bureau of Economic
Development offices at 69 West Washington
Street, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL 60602, or
online at the County website during the
applicable public comment period specified
above at this link: <https://www.cookcountylife.gov/service/public-notices-planning-and-development-0>

All interested parties are encouraged to
provide written comments. Written
comments for the Draft Substantial
Amendments are being accepted during
the applicable public comment period
specified above and must be received by 4 p.m.
on the last day of the aforementioned
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Specialist, Cook County Department of
Planning and Development, 69 West
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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT
COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
January 7, 2020 6585594

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Geanopoulos in the Cook County Juvenile
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Chicago, Illinois, on 02/18/2020, at 10:00
AM in CALENDAR 17 COURTROOM K, or as
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the petition to have the minor declared to
be a ward of the court and for other relief
under the Act

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KOBE BRYANT 1978-2020

Final fadeaway

From high school phenom to NBA legend:
 The basketball legacy of Kobe Bryant

BY DEANTAE PRINCE

Kobe Bryant, 41, died in a helicopter crash outside Los Angeles on Sunday morning, sending shockwaves through the basketball community and beyond. Eight others, including his 13-year-old daughter, Gianna, were also killed.

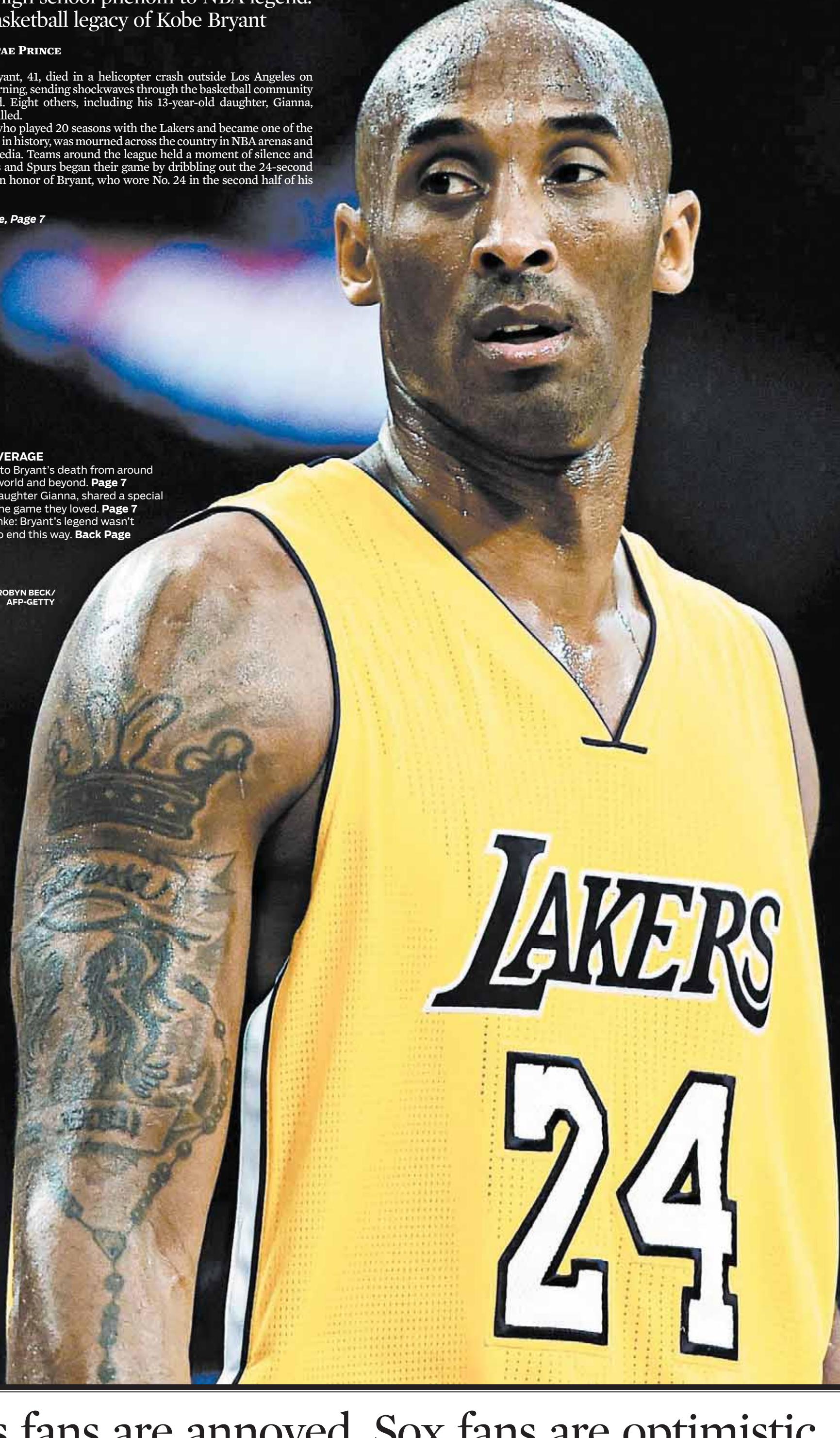
Bryant, who played 20 seasons with the Lakers and became one of the best players in history, was mourned across the country in NBA arenas and on social media. Teams around the league held a moment of silence and the Raptors and Spurs began their game by dribbling out the 24-second shot clock in honor of Bryant, who wore No. 24 in the second half of his career.

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MORE COVERAGE

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- Bryant, daughter Gianna, shared a special bond over the game they loved. **Page 7**
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Cubs fans are annoyed, Sox fans are optimistic

This may be the year the Sox can take over Chicago baseball

Fan conventions basically are infomercials to help market teams, so it's difficult to draw any hard conclusions from back-to-back weekends of the Cubs Convention and SoxFest.

Both teams succeeded in creating interest for the 2020 season and selling their product, whether it's pushing ticket sales or a brand-new TV network.

Managers Rick Renteria and David Ross voiced optimism about their respective



PAUL SULLIVAN
 On baseball

team's chances of playing October baseball, and most of the players on hand agreed good times were around the corner.

"And once the playoffs start, that's when the magic ball kind of disappears because you never know what's going to happen," new White Sox starter Dallas Keuchel said. "But to get to the playoffs, this team has the capability of making a wild-card berth. I think the

(American League) Central is really up for grabs."

Still, the narratives surrounding the two events suggest these are two organizations headed in opposite directions, like two "T" cars passing in the Loop.

It was obvious after the Cubs Convention the once-in-a-lifetime championship hasn't satiated the appetite of Cubs fans, many of whom are angry at ownership for a glaring lack of offseason movement and uncertainty surrounding the cost and availability of the Marquee Sports Network.

And it was also apparent after SoxFest that seven straight losing seasons haven't

completely anesthetized Sox fans, most of whom seemed convinced a talented core of young players and the willingness to spend more than \$200 million in free agency will lead to postseason appearances for years to come.

If Cubs fans' discontent and Sox fans' optimism continues into the 2020 season, could Sox Park replace Wrigley Field as the place to be?

"Don't care about it," White Sox vice president of marketing Brooks Boyer said. "The Cubs obviously have had an amazing

Turn to Sullivan, Page 5

TOP OF THE SECOND



PHIL ROSENTHAL

Former Hawk adjusts to TV

Now in his second season as a TV analyst, Patrick Sharp no longer wears a Blackhawks logo on his chest, but the team for which he played 11 of his 15 NHL seasons still has a special place in his heart.

And, Sharp concedes, it's possible viewers might sometimes catch him wearing that heart on his sleeve.

"I don't know. Perhaps," Sharp said. "It is a weird feeling going to the United Center as a broadcaster as opposed to being down in the tunnel with those guys."

"I do find it weird to discuss the play of former teammates and current friends. ... I'm on the other side now, (but) it's sometimes tough to talk about your good friends."

Sharp, 38, was in St. Louis over the weekend covering the NHL's All-Star festivities in his role as a national studio commentator with NBC Sports.

Locally, NBC Sports Chicago has been using him in the same role for 25-30 Blackhawks games a season, helping him hone his new craft.

Sharp possesses a keen eye, but experience can only help in any field.

"I still feel like I've got a long way to go to be a real good broadcaster," said Sharp, a member of three Stanley Cup champion Blackhawks teams with Jonathan Toews, Duncan Keith, Brent Seabrook and current All-Star Patrick Kane.

Even if Sharp avoids saying "we," it's not so easy to see such longtime teammates as "they."

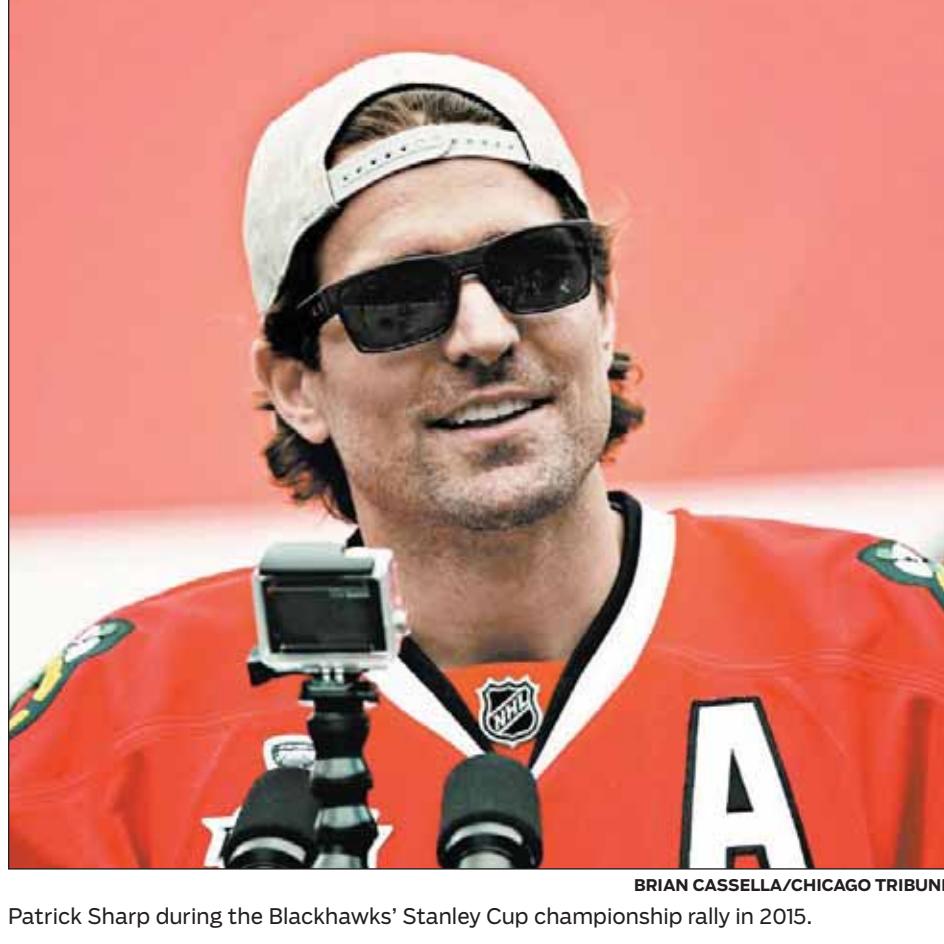
"I played with Duncs and Seabs my entire Blackhawks career," Sharp said. "I've been a part of (many) great moments Kane and Toews have had in their careers. So it is a little challenging, but I enjoy the challenge and it's good practice."

"I'm not going to unload on the guys on any team. My job as a broadcaster is to call it as I see it, and I'm not going to embarrass anybody. That's not the point of the job. It's to talk hockey, break it down and be honest about it."

It should be that simple, but Sharp's name was dragged into the news last month when fellow NBC NHL analyst and former Blackhawk Jeremy Roenick mentioned him in crass, wholly inappropriate podcast remarks about a group sex and colleagues.

Roenick was suspended without pay.

NBC's Kathryn Tappen, another co-worker Roenick discussed, issued a state-



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Patrick Sharp during the Blackhawks' Stanley Cup championship rally in 2015.

ment calling his remarks "unacceptable, especially among workplace colleagues" but noted she and Roenick would "continue to be good friends."

When the subject was raised with Sharp, an NBC Sports spokeswoman cut him off before the ordinarily open former left wing could even say "no comment" for himself.

A long silence followed.

At least one need not guess Sharp's views when it comes to the Blackhawks.

"It's kind of an exciting time to watch the Hawks," Sharp said.

He's unconcerned by the Toews-Keith practice dust-up the other day — "Those things happen at practice" — and looking forward to seeing how the rest of the season plays out.

"Recently, they've been pretty dialed in," Sharp said. "They look like they're getting better and better as they move along."

It's an inconsistent team that could go either way.

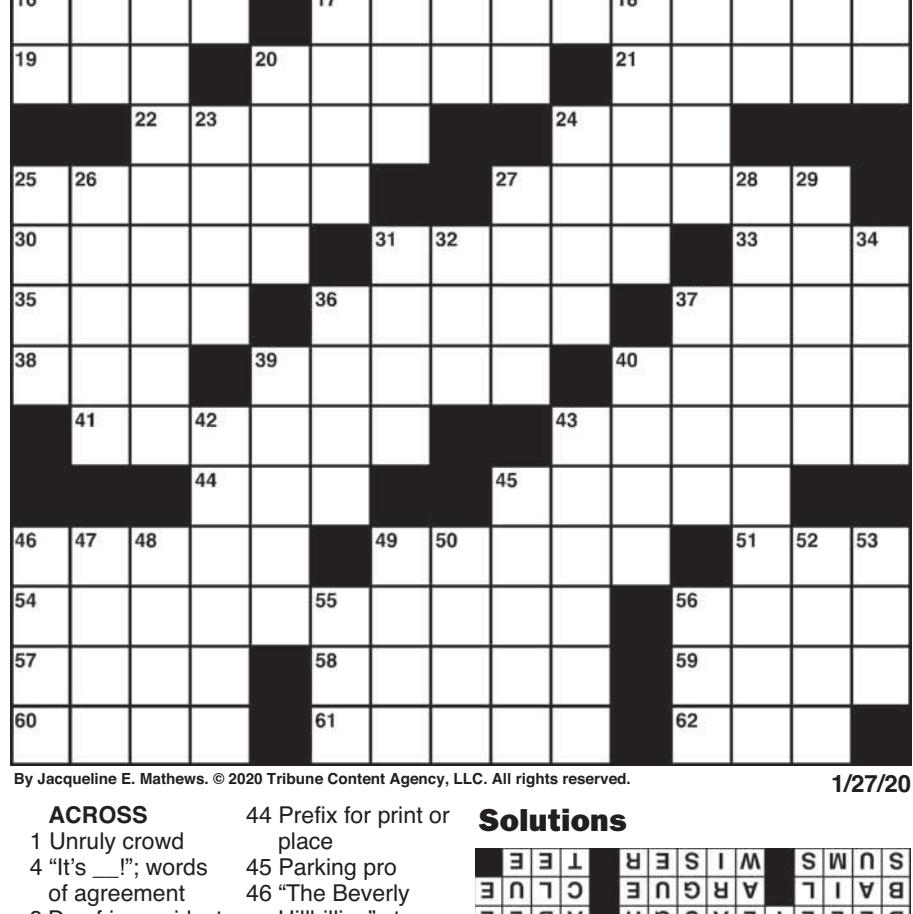
"They're right in the thick of things with four, maybe six other teams fighting for those (last) wild-card spots," Sharp said. "In the Western Conference especially, but all across the league, if a team has a good two- or three-week period and they get hot and ... show signs of developing, all of a sudden they're right back in the thick of things."

The core group of Hawks with which Sharp played has plenty of experience playing late-season hockey that actually matters. Others, not so much.

"A lot of these younger guys are getting their first taste," he said. "As bigger games come in February and March, it will be awesome to see the Blackhawks competing."

Assuming they are competitive, that is.

Crossword



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ACROSS

- 1 Unruly crowd
- 4 "It's ___!"; words of agreement
- 9 Dumfries resident
- 13 Surfboard support
- 14 Paper cup brand
- 15 What ___ you; other things
- 16 Open-___; vigilant
- 17 Too exhausted from labor
- 19 Traditional piercing spot
- 20 Iron
- 21 Docks
- 22 England's dollar
- 24 Vaseline, for one
- 25 Mischief-makers
- 27 Olsen of football & TV fame
- 30 Place of relief
- 31 Andes mammal
- 33 Currently
- 35 Tilt to one side
- 36 ___ up on; studies about
- 37 Mr. Arnaz
- 38 Afternoon hour
- 39 "Home on the ___"
- 40 Builds up a nest egg
- 41 Schoolkid's compositions
- 43 Luxurious; extravagant

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DOWN

- 1 Poet Angelou
- 2 Raised highways
- 3 Flower garden
- 4 Beautifies
- 5 Plunged in headfirst
- 6 Former mates
- 7 Televises
- 8 Actor Ayres
- 9 Like a piercing scream
- 10 Birthday party dessert
- 11 Think ___; ponder
- 12 Koppel & Knight
- 13 "___ Willie Winkie"

18 Musical drama	39 Like umbrella weather
20 Litter members	40 Store event
23 Fail to include	42 Aromas
24 Opals & jades	43 Shaving cream
25 Sing alone	45 Unclear; obscure
26 Actor Michael	46 Diminishes
27 Created	47 Actor Bridges
28 Certain to happen	48 ___ down; diet successfully
29 Beaks	49 Calcutta dress
31 Camera's eye	50 Pulls hard
32 Remain behind	52 U.S. flag color
34 "When You ___ Upon a Star"	53 So-so grade
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MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL	6 p.m. North Carolina at N.C. State	ESPN
	6 p.m. Florida A&M at Norfolk St.	ESPNU
	6 p.m. Lehigh at American	CBSSN
	7:30 p.m. Wisconsin at Iowa	BTN
	8 p.m. Kansas at Oklahoma State	ESPN

WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL	5 p.m. Minnesota at Indiana	BTN
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HOCKEY	7 p.m. Lightning at Stars	NBCSCH
	9 p.m. AHL All-Star Challenge	NHL

TENNIS	6 p.m. Australian Open	Tennis
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	2 a.m. (Tue.) Australian Open	ESPN2

Bears' Twitter account gets hacked on Sunday

The Bears' Twitter account was hacked Sunday morning by a group announcing it wanted to "show people that everything is hackable."

The hack was first revealed when a tweet from @ChicagoBears went out announcing a new owner and tagging @Turki_ alalshikh, a Saudi official, as that everything is hackable.

Minutes later, a group called "Our Mine" posted several tweets with the words "Just Kidding!" and with an email address and a web link to what it said was "security services."

The Bears and Twitter deleted the tweets within an hour. A Bears official said the organization worked with Twitter, and the issue was resolved.

Later that morning, Bears messages from the Pro Bowl events Saturday were the last tweets available. — Coleen Kane

NHL ALL-STAR GAME

Players all for spicing up the festivities

Talks of adding 'international flavor' to NHL All-Star Game

BY STEPHEN WHYNO

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Nathan MacKinnon enjoyed when the NHL All-Star Game featured North America against the World in the late 1990s and early 2000s.

Something similar could be coming back next year, but with a twist.

The league is in talks with players to bring what Commissioner Gary Bettman called a "distinct international flavor" to 2021 All-Star Weekend in South Florida. Not quite North America versus the World but more like a miniature three-on-three tournament with players representing the U.S., Canada and other top hockey countries.

It's not a replacement for the Olympics, but players are largely in favor of spicing up All-Star festivities and playing for more than divisional pride.

"Oh, that would be cool," Canada-born Stars center Tyler Seguin said. "I wonder if that would get it even more competitive. I'm not sure. It would be interesting."

Think about MacKinnon, Connor McDavid and Sidney Crosby playing for Canada against Americans Auston Matthews, Patrick Kane and Jack Eichel, or Sweden's Victor Hedman, Elias Pettersson and Filip Forsberg facing off against Finland's Patrik Laine, Aleksander Barkov and Mikko Rantanen.

"I think any time you get some country rivalries going, there'll be a little more aggressiveness," U.S.-born Hurricanes defenseman Jaccob Slavin said. "It would be cool."

The NHL is five years into holding a three-on-three All-Star tournament by division. The winning team gets to split \$1 million, and the wide-open ice has proved more entertaining than the old format.

"I like the three-on-three the most," said Seguin, who has made six All-Star appearances. "I played in a couple of the

COLLEGES**OHIO STATE 71,
NORTHWESTERN 59****'Every
minute's
precious'**

Coach, longtime Kobe friend, displays range of emotions

By TEDDY GREENSTEIN

However this game turned out, Chris Collins would be numb Sunday night.

The Northwestern coach had known Kobe Bryant since the two were hoops-loving kids in Philadelphia. Their dads, Doug Collins and Joe "Jellybean" Bryant, played together for the 76ers from 1975 to 1979.

"We have a lot of history," Collins said as tears formed. "And I have a daughter who's 13. Really a hard day. ... Every minute's precious, man. Every minute's precious."

Chris Collins reconnected with Kobe Bryant during the 2008 Olympics, with Collins assisting Mike Krzyzewski and Bryant scoring 20 points against Spain to win gold in Beijing. Collins and Bryant also were together for the 2012 Games.

Collins got the shocking news that Bryant had been killed in a helicopter crash outside Los Angeles about four hours before Ohio State's 71-59 victory. He was shaken, of course.

"It was hard to rally to play a game," he said. "But I know the competitor he was, he would have wanted both teams to go out there and fight hard."

Coincidence or not, Collins seemed even more charged up than usual during the game. He got his first technical of the season after official Don Daily called a tight foul on Pete Nance following a missed dunk attempt by Andre Wesson.

Collins later swung his arms and did a 360-degree turn after A.J. Turner failed to hunt down a loose ball.

Collins fist-pumped after Ryan Young banked in a short jumper to cut Ohio State's lead to 59-55 with about five minutes left.

Ultimately, the Wildcats made too many mistakes — missed free throws, an inability to consistently guard the 3-point line — to avoid another close loss. Northwestern fell to 7-12 and 1-8 in Big Ten play.

"I feel like we're getting better in a lot of ways," Collins said. "The results aren't showing, but I really like the development of our young guys and our attitude and spirit."

Ohio State, which lost seven of its previous 10, improved to 13-7 and 3-6. The Buckeyes are far better than their record, with KenPom.com rating them 13th nationally before Sunday's victory.

Miller Kopp scored a game-high 20 points, but 15 came during the first half.

The Wildcats came out with a Mamba Mentality, scoring the game's first seven points — two jumpers by Pat Spencer and a 3 by Kopp.

Boo Buie (10 points on 3-for-12 shooting) still isn't himself since coming back from a stress fracture in his left foot. He tried to channel Bryant during his 25 minutes, saying: "That was my idol growing up. I wore his 8 jersey all the time. I looked at him as immortal. I still can't believe it."

Ohio State made 11 shots from 3-point range and, at times, showed more hustle.

That made a brutal day even more difficult for Collins.



JONATHAN DANIEL/GETTY

Northwestern coach Chris Collins gives instructions to his team on Sunday.

N. IOWA 67, LOYOLA 62 (OT)**Loyola falls in battle for 1st**

Associated Press

CEDAR FALLS, Iowa — Trae Berhow scored the first five points of overtime, finishing with 11 points and a career-high 12 rebounds, and Northern Iowa defeated Loyola 67-62 on Sunday to pull even with the Ramblers atop the Missouri Valley Conference standings.

Loyola's Tate Hall made two free throws with four seconds left in regulation to send the game to overtime tied at 55. Berhow was fouled 20 seconds into the extra period and hit two foul shots to put the Panthers (17-3, 6-2) up two and he added a 3-pointer at the 3:19 mark to stretch the lead to 60-55. Two free throws by AJ Green with 1:38 left pushed the lead to seven and UNI held on from there.

Cameron Krutwig led the Ramblers (14-7, 6-2) with 19 points and a career-best 14 rebounds for his sixth double-double of the season. Lucas Williamson added 18 points, while Hall scored 10.

Green and Austin Phife led Northern Iowa with 14 points apiece. Phife added nine rebounds. Freshman Antwan Kimmons scored 13 off the bench. Berhow's double-double was his second of the season.

BULLS

RON SCHWANE/AP

Bulls guard Zach LaVine (8) shoots over the Cavaliers' Collin Sexton in the second half Saturday in Cleveland.

BULLS TAKEAWAYS**His 4th for 40**

LaVine scores 40 or more for the fourth time this season, finishing two assists shy of a triple-double

By JAMAL COLLIER

CLEVELAND — Even during what has been a breakout scoring season for Bulls guard Zach LaVine, including elevating his game to earn legitimate All-Star consideration, one of the personal goals he has continued to emphasize is his desire to contribute in many ways.

LaVine just missed his first career triple-double in Saturday's 118-106 win over the Cavaliers. But the Bulls will happily take his monster performance: 44 points, 10 rebounds and eight assists.

"I try to address the game the way they're playing me," LaVine said. "But still keep my aggressiveness, scoring the ball because I know that breaks down defenses."

Considering the state of the Bulls' lackluster offense, it's possible they will have to lean on LaVine even more to stay afloat for the next few weeks before some of their most important players get healthy.

Here are three takeaways from Saturday's win against the Cavs.

1. Zach LaVine does it again.

This is the fourth time this season Zach LaVine has scored at least 40 points, and he's doing it at a frequency usually reserved for the league's most prolific scorers.

He's also doing it because the Bulls need it.

The previous night, during a 98-81 loss at the United Center, he was crowded and frustrated by Kings defenders with few other offensive threats to worry about. The Cavaliers proved they couldn't guard LaVine the last time the two teams played in Chicago, when LaVine's 42 points led a double-digit, second-half comeback.

"He's so impressive," Cavs forward Kevin Love said. "He's an All-Star. He's on his way to being a superstar in this league, playing with a lot of confidence."

There is something to be said about a

player with the ability to score even when the entire arena knows the ball is going to be in his hands, and LaVine continues to prove that he is up to task of carrying this Bulls offense. So just how high is his ceiling?

"It helps our team win," Bulls coach Jim Boylen said. "It's something he's talked about and worked on. He gets his lifts in. He trains his body. He takes care of himself and he just wants to be a great, great player. I'll go back to the response from (Friday), that's important. Says a lot about his character."

2. The Bulls blitzed the Cavs in the third quarter.

The Bulls' numerous struggles coming out of halftime have been well-documented, but they have been one of the worst five teams in the NBA in point differential and net rating in the

third quarter.

Coming out of the break Saturday, however, they put together one of their best stretches in a while. They blitzed the Cavs after halftime to outscore them 40-19 in the period, taking command of the game.

Zach LaVine turned it on as a passer, finding Luke Kornet and Thaddeus Young for some easy dunks and creating shots for players like Kris Dunn, who was all over the place on defense. The Bulls shot 76.2% and knocked down three of their five 3-pointers in the period with 10 assists on 16 field goals.

"Just playing the game the way it should be," LaVine said. "Third quarter they switched up their defense. I feel like I had to be a little more of a facilitator. There was a lot of attention and just worked on it like that."

3. Tomas Satoransky provides a solid second scoring option.

Not that Zach LaVine needed much help, but Tomas Satoransky came through with a solid performance to help the Bulls win. He finished with 19 points on 8-for-11 shooting with six rebounds, six assists and three steals in an impressive all-around performance.

Finding a consistent second scorer behind LaVine has been an issue all season, one especially pressing with the forward Lauri Markkanen sidelined with a pelvic injury.

The Bulls are going to have to get creative most nights to fill that void, perhaps even playing faster, as Jim Boylen implored them. But it was simple on Saturday when they got that kind of production from Satoransky. It'll be worth watching in the next few games who, if anyone, can step up and give them the scoring they need.

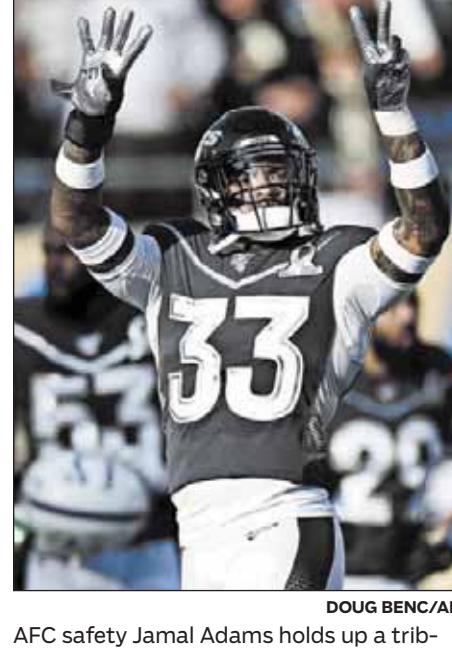
NFL

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PRO BOWL AFC 38, NFC 33

More than a game

The Pro Bowl turned into a Kobe Bryant tribute Sunday in Orlando, Fla. NFC players learned about Bryant's death while they were in the locker room getting ready for the NFL's all-star game Sunday. The Packers' Za'Darius Smith suggested the best way to pay tribute to the late NBA great was to mimic his fadeaway jumper after big plays. So they did — repeatedly. It was one of several ways NFL players remembered Bryant during the celebratory event, which the AFC won 38-33 for its fourth consecutive victory. "It's heart-wrecking," Lions cornerback Darius Slay said with tears in his eyes. Several players removed their helmets during the break. Others took a knee and prayed. Fans broke the silence by chanting "Ko-be! Ko-be!" "I felt hurt," Bears safety Eddie Jackson said. "It's sad. I don't know how it feels to lose a husband and a child, so I don't understand what the family's going through. It's got to be tough." Jackson was joined by Cordarelle Patterson and Kyle Fuller as Bears representatives. The play of the day was Steelers linebacker T.J. Watt's 82-yard fumble return in the fourth quarter. Campbell was named the defensive player of the game. Ravens quarterback Lamar Jackson, who threw two touchdown passes, was the offensive MVP.



AFC safety Jamal Adams holds up a tribute to NBA legend Kobe Bryant after the announcement of Bryant's death in the second quarter Sunday in Orlando, Fla. ABOVE: The Vikings' Eric Kendricks and the Bears' Kyle Fuller wrap up the Titans' Derrick Henry in the first half Sunday.

SUPER BOWL

For 49ers, pass defense must step up

By JOSH DUBOW

Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. — With a fearsome front four capable of pressuring quarterbacks without blitzes, a lockdown cornerback in Richard Sherman and the speed at linebacker and safety to limit big plays, the 49ers had the league's stingiest pass defense in a decade.

Shutting down Patrick Mahomes and the Chiefs' passing game in the Super Bowl will be a far tougher challenge than anything the 49ers have faced this season.

"His mobility is unique. His arm strength is ridiculous. He's very, very accurate," defensive coordinator Robert Saleh said. "But what I don't think people give him enough credit for is that he actually plays quarterback. There's a lot of people, there's a lot of quarterbacks in this league that will say no to number one and then it just becomes street ball. He gets rid of the ball on time. He puts it where it needs to be. He hits a lot of throws in rhythm. And when he needs to take his shot, he knows how to buy time in the pocket and do it. So he's a superstar in every way you can possibly imagine and he's going to be tough to deal with."

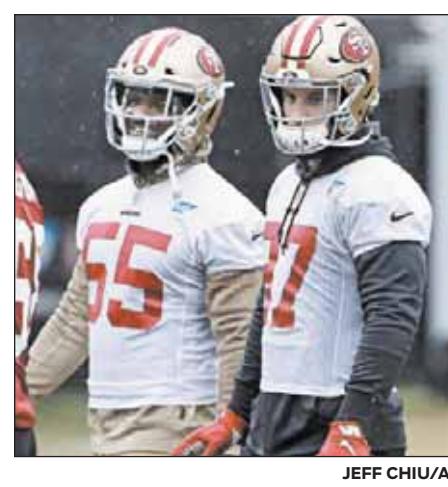
The 49ers had to deal with Mahomes already in his brief but brilliant career. Back in Week 3 of the 2018 season in Mahomes' first year as starter for the Chiefs, he threw for 314 yards and three TDs and led touchdown drives on all five possessions in the first half of a 38-27 win.

That marked the only time in the last 20 seasons that the 49ers allowed five straight TD drives to open a game. They had no answer for Mahomes' play-making ability.

In the rematch Sunday in the Super Bowl in Miami, the 49ers should be better equipped at least to try to slow Mahomes down.

It added a dynamic edge rushing duo in the offseason, acquiring Dee Ford in a trade with the Chiefs and drafting Nick Bosa second overall. That led to the team allowing the fewest yards in a season since the 2009 Jets.

"When you have edge rushers it speeds up the process of the quarterback, and, not that he needs speeding up, he already gets rid of it pretty quick. But it changes the game," Saleh said. "It unlocks the offensive line so it creates a little bit more space and it gives the guys inside more space to operate. So having those guys out there,



JEFF CHIU/AP

The pass rush of Dee Ford, left, and Nick Bosa will be key for the 49ers defense.

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having them at full speed, will do nothing but help."

Bosa and Ford transformed the entire defense as the added pressure helped the 49ers create more turnovers after having a record-low seven takeaways in 2018.

The 49ers have 57 sacks including the playoffs, with Ford, Bosa, Arik Armstead and DeForest Buckner all recording at least 7½, making it difficult for offenses to key on one spot.

"If we're covering and that guy takes two or three hitches most likely he'll be laying on his back," safety Jimmie Ward said. "But Patrick Mahomes is a mover in the pocket. I'm pretty sure he'll make some guys miss and he'll make some plays. We just have to make more plays than he does."

The 49ers got a league-best 40 of those sacks without bringing in extra pass rushers, which will be especially important against Mahomes, who has 22 TD passes, zero interceptions and a 118.3 passer rating in his career when defenses rush five or more players.

But not getting pressure with four creates its own problems, giving Mahomes the extra times he needs to generate big plays downfield to speedsters like Tyreek Hill, Mecole Hardman and Sammy Watkins.

Mahomes leads the NFL with 76 completions the last two seasons on throws at least 20 yards downfield, an aspect the 49ers are designed to stop.

"We believe in each other," Sherman said. "We believe in the scheme. We believe in what we've done all year, and we plan on ... putting a good product on tape and seeing how it goes."

BASEBALL

White Sox prospect Nick Madrigal isn't sure if he'll be on the major league roster on Opening Day, but he is among the candidates to take over as the team's full-time second baseman.

SOXFEST TAKEAWAYS

Second to none

White Sox have an interesting choice to make at 2nd

BY LAMOND POPE

SoxFest wrapped up Saturday. And spring training is up next, with pitchers and catchers set to report on Feb. 12.

Here are three storylines as the White Sox prepare to head to Glendale, Ariz.

1. Which starting positions are up for grabs? Luis Robert's six-year, \$50 million deal puts him in line to be the team's opening-day center fielder.

That would leave second base as the one spot to be determined.

The Sox non-tendered Gold Glove winner Yolmer Sanchez in December, creating the opening. Leury Garcia, Danny Mendick and highly touted prospect Nick Madrigal are among the options.

All three are excited about the opportunity.

"I got an opportunity and I'm always going to try to take advantage of every opportunity I can," Mendick said Thursday. "It's been a different kind of a route for me. There's an opening there and I'm going to do everything I can to take that. I'm excited."

Mendick hit .308 in 16 games as a September call-up. Garcia is the veteran of the group. He hit .279 while spending a majority of

his time as an outfielder.

"Everybody going in one direction, and that's to win," Garcia said Friday. "No matter where (I play), I want to win."

Madrigal isn't sure if he'll begin the season in the big leagues or at Triple-A Charlotte, but on Friday he said: "Whenever they call me, I'll be ready."

2. What's next for Michael Kopech? Kopech missed all 2019 while recovering from Tommy John surgery.

The right-hander, who is the No. 20 prospect in baseball, according to MLB Pipeline, said Wednesday: "Physically, I feel great. Better than I probably have felt my entire baseball career since I was drafted."

General manager Rick Hahn talked about what's next on Thursday.

"We're excited to see Michael back healthy and on the mound," Hahn said. "He obviously has completed his rehabilitation and will report to spring training from a health standpoint like any other pitcher in the system. That said, we have to be mindful of the fact that it's been over 18 months since he's faced any big-league hitters. And even 18 months ago prior to the injury, he was still a bit of a work in progress."

"We still think the world of him and think he's going to play a very large role on very good ballclubs for a long time here, but we also have to understand where he is and what foundation

he's building on after missing the 2019 season. He's going to come to camp. We're going to see him live. We're probably going to smile and we'll come up with the precise plan for managing his workload over the course of his first year back, come Arizona."

3. How will new hitting coach Frank Menechino affect the team?

The Sox made two off-season changes to the coaching staff, naming Frank Menechino hitting coach and Scott Coolbaugh assistant hitting coach.

Menechino spent 2019 as the hitting coach for Triple-A Charlotte. The Knights led the International League in runs with 792, were second in on-base percentage (.352), slugging percentage (.472) and OPS (.824). He also spent some of September with the Sox.

"I don't know if the philosophy will change," Sox manager Rick Renteria said. "I think it's just maybe more that guys gravitate a little bit more to Franky in terms of his communication and ability to articulate something in a different way that might get you hopefully the successes that you want to have."

Franky's impact in many ways is his energy, he's straightforward. He'll go about ways of trying to get things out of guys just like everybody does. And his energy and ability to put together a plan for these guys, I think, is going to be impactful in many ways."

That's what we're trying to get to. We've been around. Sports is cyclical and you go through these. Hopefully our window is opening up, and it's opening up for a long time."

Sullivan

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run, won a World Series. That's what we're trying to get to. We've been around. Sports is cyclical and you go through these. Hopefully our window is opening up, and it's opening up for a long time."

This is a milestone season for the Sox, who will have to carry NBC Sports Chicago this summer with the ratings-dominant Cubs starting their own network. One NBCSCH employee referred to the Cubs as the "enemy" at the Cubs Convention, though the station co-owned by the Sox, Bulls and Blackhawks still plans to cover the Cubs evenhandedly and is searching for a beat writer for its website.

Still, this year could be significant for the Sox in creating inroads in the attention gap with the Cubs, who have owned the town for a few decades and have the built-in advantage of playing in iconic Wrigley Field.

Sox Park will never be a tourist trap like Wrigley, but the difference in the actual game-day experience on the North and South Sides has been shrinking. By adding more night games over the years and entering the video age in 2015, Wrigley has most of the same features as any other park. The ivy-covered walls and hand-operated center-field scoreboard are the only vestiges from the old days.

What the Cubs have that the Sox don't is a neighborhood full of pre- and postgame dining options, which has only increased recently with Wrigleyville being transformed into a clone of River North. That won't soon change, so the Sox will have to be creative to add ordinary baseball fans with no strong allegiance to their diehard fan base.

"The White Sox had long ago tested the loyalty of their rooters, former owner Bill Veeck once wrote. "The weak and faint of heart had fallen by the wayside, and only the strong, the dedicated and the masochistic remained."

Many of those dedicated Sox fans feel media outlets, including the Tribune, have always been pro-Cubs in their baseball coverage, a perception Veeck helped create. Veeck grew up working at Wrigley and famously helped plant the ivy. But during his second Sox ownership stint in the 1970s, he loudly complained about the disparity in coverage, telling then-Sun-Times baseball writer Jerome Holtzman in 1978 the Cubs had twice as much coverage in the Tribune.

"I'm tired of scuffling around," Veeck said. "I'd take the franchise out of here if the chance came along. The Tribune is trying to bury us."

Tribune sports editor George Langford answered back in an article on June 16, 1978, headlined "We like your style, Bill, but these are the facts." Langford measured the stories from March 1 to mid-June and found the Sox had 1,803 column inches of story type to the Cubs' 1,427 inches.

"Chicago is indeed fortunate to have Bill Veeck," Langford wrote. "And if it were true that the Tribune — or any other sector of the media — gave such one-sided treatment to Chicago baseball, I would be just as indignant as Veeck. However, Bill Veeck was misinformed."

Veeck would be out of baseball in three years and the Tribune hired Holtzman. But the debate over media coverage never waned. It heated up in 1981 when Harry Caray bolted the Sox TV booth for the Cubs and spread the

gospel of day baseball on WGN. The "Winning Ugly" Sox had the town's undivided attention in '83 before the '84 Cubs snatched it back.

The last time the Sox outdrew the Cubs was in 1994, the year the players strike led to the cancellation of the end of the season with the Sox in first. Various theories have emerged to explain the Cubs' annual dominance as a drawing card in Chicago, including Sox Chairman Jerry Reinsdorf's role as a "hawk" in the '94-'95 labor dispute, the steep upper deck at new Comiskey Park, the rise of Sammy Sosa on the North Side and the continued gentrification of Wrigleyville.

The myth of Chicago turning into "Sox Town" began in 2011 after Cubs President Crane Kenney and general manager Jim Hendry were booted at the Cubs Convention. A Sun-Times columnist used Cubs fans' discontent as an example of the team's growing irrelevance, and pointed to the Sox's signing of free agents Adam Dunn and Jesse Crain as the final straw, declaring "for the first time in decades, this town belongs to the White Sox."

But the 2011 Sox went bust, finishing 79-83 and leading to the departure of manager Ozzie Guillen, who bickered with general manager Ken Williams during an acrimonious season. The Cubs were awful as well, precipitating the firing of Hendry and the installation of the Theo Epstein regime. One year later, in January 2012, the creator of "Sox Town" conceded he'd jumped the gun with a column headlined: "I was wrong, it really is a Cubs town."

The Sox set an all-time attendance record in 2006, the year after the winning the World Series, drawing 2.957 million. But the Cubs, in the last gasp of the Dusty Baker era, still outdrew them with 3.123 million fans. The Sox fell under 2 million in attendance in 2012 and have yet to return. The divide grew even deeper with the Cubs' 2016 championship and the Sox's decision to rebuild.

Now the rebuild has turned a corner, and since no newspaper idea is worth completely discarding, a one-word headline appeared during the Cubs Convention asking the same old question: "Sox Town?"

Boyer insisted the Sox are only concerned with satisfying their fans, not converting disgruntled Cubs fans. They may one day own the town again, but first they have to start winning and make a trip to the South Side a "must-see" experience.

"The reality is this," Boyer said. "What does every great marketing plan start with? A great product. And now we've got guys that we can put out front. You've started to see it already."

"We hit (an advertising) spot on mentality. We hit a spot on perception. And now we're going to put the guys out front. They're going to connect to the fan base better. We've talked to the guys about this campaign and said: 'Does this feel like us?' Let's go with it."

The battle for the hearts and minds of Chicagoans will be something to watch as the Sox window allegedly opens in 2020 while the Cubs' window is in danger of closing. But new Sox slugger Yasmani Grandal believes there's room for everyone.

"We're not looking for attention," Grandal said. "We're just looking for success. If, at the end of the day, we can have a Chicago Cubs-Chicago White Sox World Series, that's great for us. We're going to be sleeping in our own beds."

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SCOREBOARD

NBA				
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
ATLANTIC	W	L	PCT	GB
Toronto	32	14	.696	—
Boston	30	15	.667	1½
Philadelphia	30	17	.638	2½
Brooklyn	19	26	.422	12½
New York	13	34	.277	19½
SOUTHEAST				
Miami	31	14	.689	—
Orlando	21	26	.447	11
Washington	15	30	.333	16
Charlotte	15	31	.326	16½
Atlanta	12	35	.255	20
CENTRAL				
Milwaukee	40	6	.870	—
Indiana	30	17	.638	10½
Chicago	18	30	.375	23
Detroit	17	30	.362	23½
Cleveland	12	34	.261	28
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
SOUTHWEST				
Dallas	28	17	.622	—
Houston	28	17	.622	—
Memphis	22	24	.478	6½
San Antonio	20	25	.444	8
New Orleans	18	29	.383	11
NORTHWEST				
Utah	32	13	.711	—
Denver	32	14	.696	½
Oklahoma City	28	19	.596	5
Portland	20	27	.426	13
Minnesota	15	31	.326	17½
PACIFIC				
L.A. Lakers	36	10	.783	—
L.A. Clippers	33	14	.702	3½
Phoenix	19	27	.413	17
Sacramento	16	29	.356	19½
Golden State	10	37	.213	26½

SUNDAY'S RESULTS				
Denver	117	Houston	110	
Toronto	110	San Antonio	106	
New Orleans	123	Boston	108	
New York	10	Brooklyn	97	
L.A. Clippers	112	Orlando	97	
Memphis	114	Phoenix	109	
Atlanta	152	Washington	133	
Portland	139	Indiana	129	
MONDAY'S GAMES				
Cleveland at Detroit	6 p.m.			
Orlando at Miami	6:30 p.m.			
Dallas at Oklahoma City	7 p.m.			
Sacramento at Minnesota	7 p.m.			
San Antonio at Chicago	7 p.m.			
Houston at Utah	8 p.m.			

HAWKS 152, WIZARDS 133				
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Atlanta	31	47	41	33 — 152

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Washington	113	11-33	(T.Brown Jr. 3-4, Thomas 2-3, Payton II 2-4, Bertans 2-5, Bryant 1-2, Beal 1-5, McRae 0-4), Atlanta 15-35 (Young 6-11, Hueter 4-7, Hunter 2-4, Carter 1-3, Goodwin 1-3, Reddish 1-3, Collins 0-2).	
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KOBE BRYANT BY THE NUMBERS				
REGULAR SEASON				PLAYOFFS
YEAR	FG	RPG	APG	PPG
1997	.417	1.9	1.3	7.6
1998	.428	3.1	2.5	15.4
1999	.465	5.3	3.8	19.9
2000	.468	6.3	4.9	22.5
2001	.464	5.0	5.0	28.0
2002	.469	5.5	5.5	25.2
2003	.451	6.0	5.0	30.0
2004	.438	5.8	5.1	24.0
2005	.433	5.8	6.0	27.6
2006	.450	5.3	4.5	35.4
2007	.463	5.7	5.4	31.6
2008	.459	5.3	5.4	28.8
2009	.467	5.2	4.9	30.1
2010	.456	5.4	5.0	27.0
2011	.451	5.1	4.7	35.3
2012	.430	5.4	4.6	27.9
2013	.463	5.6	6.0	27.3
2014	.425	4.3	6.3	13.8
2015	.373	5.7	5.6	22.3
2016	.357	3.7	2.8	17.6
TOT.	.447	5.2	4.7	25.0

MOST 50-POINT PERFORMANCES

#	Player	High Game
32	Wilt Chamberlain	100 (3/2/1962)
6	Kobe Bryant	81 (1/23/2006)
5	Michael Jordan	69 (3/28/1990)
4	Elijah Baylor	71 (11/15/1960)
4	James Harden	61 (3/22/2019)
	basketball-reference.com	

NHL

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
ATLANTIC	W	L	OT	Pts
Boston	29	10	12	70
Tampa Bay	29	15	4	62
Florida	28	16	5	61
Toronto	25	17	7	57
Buffalo	22	20	7	51
Montreal	22	21	7	51
Ottawa	17	23	8	42
Detroit	12	24	4	28
METRO.	33	11	7	177 144
Pittsburgh	31	14	5	67
NY. Islanders	29	15	5	63
Columbus	27	16	8	62
Carolina	29	18	3	61
Philadelphia	27	17	6	60
Winnipeg	23	21	4	54
Minnesota	23	21	6	52
New Jersey	17	24	7	41
DETROIT	12	24	4	199

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Colorado	28	15	5	62
Dallas	27	17	4	58
Chicago	24	21	6	54
Winnipeg	25	20	7	57
Minnesota	23	21	4	54
New Jersey	17	24	7	41
LOS ANGELES	18			

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Tributes pour in for Kobe

Sports world, luminaries mourn death of NBA great

BY BRIAN MAHONEY

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Kobe Bryant authored some of his most memorable moments at Madison Square Garden and made himself a centerpiece of the Lakers-Celtics rivalry.

Bryant was remembered for that and so much more Sunday after the five-time NBA champion, his teenage daughter and seven others were killed in a helicopter crash.

Tributes poured in from around the basketball, entertainment and political worlds. Players and teams who competed with and against Bryant struggled their way through the games that were scheduled, unable to summon his intense competitive spirit.

"We laughed and joked about the Mamba mentality. We're all going to need it right now," Clippers coach Doc Rivers said through tears before his team played in Orlando.

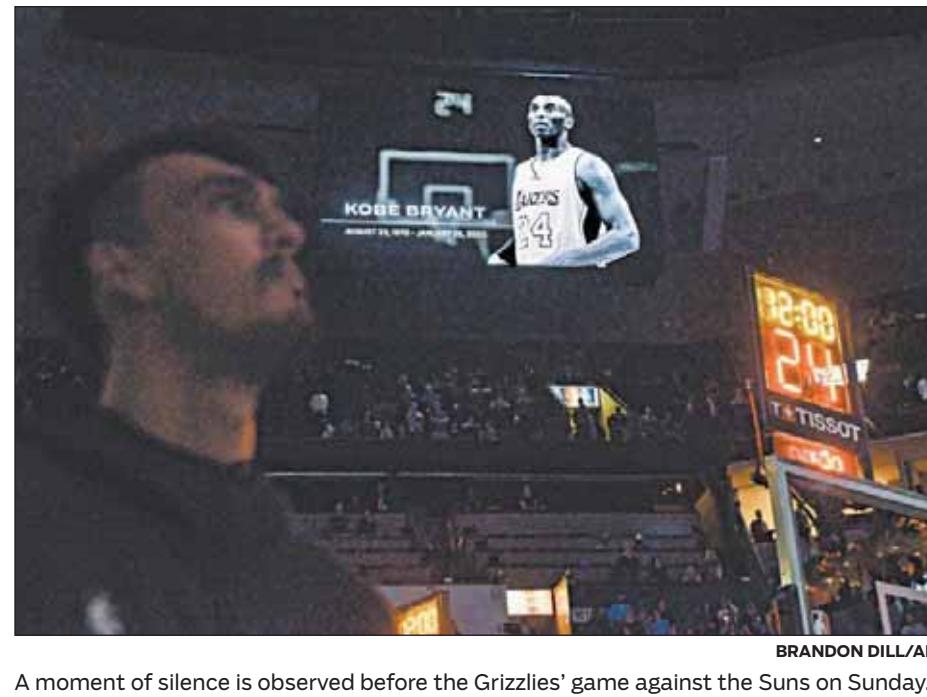
Madison Square Garden was lit up in the Lakers' gold and purple colors for the game between the Knicks and Nets. Nets star Kyrie Irving didn't play, leaving the arena after hearing of Bryant's death.

The 18-time All-Star made his first All-Star appearance at MSG in 1998, a passing of the torch game in which Michael Jordan played for the final time as a member of the Bulls. Bryant later set the scoring record at the current arena when he scored 61 points in 2009, a mark that was later bettered by Carmelo Anthony.

Bryant played twice against Rivers and the Celtics for the title, with the Celtics winning in 2008 and the Lakers taking the 2010 title, when Bryant was the MVP.

"We always liked to reminisce. We would always laugh at our versions of our losses," Rivers said. "You know, when we beat them in 2008, he had his version. And when they beat us in 2010, I had my version, and then we would laugh at how different we looked at the games."

Pau Gasol, a former teammate of



A moment of silence is observed before the Grizzlies' game against the Suns on Sunday.

Bryant's during those series, tweeted, "Beyond devastated... my big brother... I can't, I just can't believe it."

The Lakers and Celtics already had the NBA's most famous rivalry, but it had been dormant since the heydays of Magic Johnson and Larry Bird before Bryant helped lead its resumption.

Johnson, just days after giving an emotional speech during a memorial service for former NBA Commissioner David Stern, was devastated again after Bryant, 41, and 13-year-old daughter Gianna were among those killed in Southern California.

"As I try to write this post, my mind is racing," Johnson wrote on Twitter. "I'm in disbelief and have been crying all morning over this devastating news that Kobe and his young daughter, Gigi have passed away in a helicopter crash. Cookie and I are heartbroken."

Bryant also helped the U.S. win Olympic titles in 2008 and 2012, after the Americans had been shut out of gold medals in major international basketball competitions since 2000.

"He was in constant pursuit of doing something special and there will never be a greater warrior in our sport," said Mike Krzyzewski, who coached Bryant on those teams after trying to recruit him to Duke.

Players around the NBA honored Bryant by holding the ball for 24 seconds — one of his jersey numbers — for a 24-second shot clock violation at the start of games. Hawks All-Star guard Trae Young, who usually wears No. 11, wore Bryant's other number Sunday night, No. 8, in Atlanta's game against the Wizards.

76ers center Joel Embiid said that he started playing basketball after watching Bryant in the 2010 NBA Finals.

"I had never watched ball before that and that finals was the turning point of my life," Embiid wrote on Twitter. "I WANTED TO BE LIKE KOBE. I'm so FREAKING SAD right now!!!!"

Tiger Woods was told of Kobe Bryant's passing by his caddie Joey LaCava coming off the 18th green at Torrey Pines on Sunday at the Farmers Insurance Open.

"Joey just told me coming off 18th green," Woods told CBS. "I didn't understand why the people in the gallery were saying, 'Do it for Mamba.' But now I understand. It's a shocker to everyone. Unbelievably sad and one of the more tragic days."

Former Lakers star Kareem Abdul-Jabbar tweeted that "Most people will remember Kobe as the magnificent athlete who inspired a whole generation of basketball players. But I will always remember him as a man who was much more than an athlete."

Bryant's death reverberated beyond sports. In 2018, he won an Academy Award in the animated short film category.

Gavin Newsom, the governor of California, and First Partner Jennifer Siebel Newsom issued a statement regarding about Bryant that read:

"We mourn the tragic and untimely death of a California icon and basketball legend, Kobe Bryant. In his 20-year career with the Los Angeles Lakers, he made history with raw talent and unparalleled dedication that raised the bar and paved the way for a newer generation of players."

MORE REACTIONS

"Words can't describe the pain I am feeling. I loved Kobe — he was like a little brother to me. We used to talk often, and I will miss those conversations very much. He was a fierce competitor, one of the greats of the game and a creative force. Kobe was also an amazing dad who loved his family deeply — and took great pride in his daughter's love for the game of basketball."

— Hall of Famer Michael Jordan

"It's an unbelievable reality that he's no longer here." — golfer Tiger Woods

"Kobe was not only an icon in the sports arena, he was a man of the world and touched so many lives and communities in the most positive ways. His star was continuing to rise every day and he knew no limits because of his many intellectual and creative talents and desire to give back to others — his passion for the game, for his family and for others was apparent in everything he accomplished."

— Hall of Famer Larry Bird in a statement

"Jeannine & I are absolutely shocked to hear of the loss of one of my favorite people & one of the best basketball minds in the history of the game! Our hearts and prayers to Vanessa & his girls. @kobebryant you were my biggest fan, but I was yours. #RIPMAMBA"

— Hall of Famer Bill Russell via Twitter

"That is terrible news!"

— President Donald Trump via Twitter

"Kobe was a legend on the court and just getting started in what would have been just as meaningful a second act. To lose Gianna is even more heartbreaking to us as parents. Michelle and I send love and prayers to Vanessa and the entire Bryant family on an unthinkable day." — Former President Barack Obama via Twitter

"For 20 seasons, Kobe showed us what is possible when remarkable talent blends with an absolute devotion to winning. He was one of the most extraordinary players in the history of our game with accomplishments that are legendary: five NBA championships, an NBA MVP award, 18 NBA All-Star selections, and two Olympic gold medals. But he will be remembered most for inspiring people around the world to pick up a basketball and compete to the very best of their ability. He was generous with the wisdom he acquired and saw it as his mission to share it with future generations of players, taking special delight in passing down his love of the game to Gianna."

— NBA Commissioner Adam Silver



Gianna Bryant and her father, former NBA player Kobe Bryant, attend the WNBA All-Star Game at the Mandalay Bay Events Center on July 27 in Las Vegas.

Bryant shared special bond with daughter over basketball

BY ARASH MARKAZI

Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — The last time I sat down with Kobe Bryant was at his office in Costa Mesa, Calif., before the regular season opener between the Lakers and Clippers in October. He laughed when I asked him if he would be at the game.

I knew he wouldn't be there. He had a more important game to attend that night.

He was going to be at a high school gym 40 miles away to watch his 16-year-old daughter, Natalia, play volleyball.

He rarely went to Lakers games after retiring in 2016. It wasn't that he didn't love the Lakers. He loved his family more and loved spending time with his wife, Vanessa, and their daughters, Natalia; Gianna, 13; Bianka, 2; and Capri, born last June.

"I have a life and I have my routine at home," Bryant told me in October. "It's not that I don't want to go (to Lakers games), but I'd rather be giving B.B. a shower and sing Barney songs to her. I played 20 years and I missed those moments before."

"For me to make the trip up to Staples Center, that means I'm missing an opportunity to spend another night with my kids when I know how fast it goes. ... I want to make sure the days that I'm away from them are days that I absolutely have to be. I'd rather be with them than doing anything else."

Bryant had a special relationship with Gianna. She was his shadow at the end of his career and in retirement. She routinely traveled to work with him and he loved coaching her and her basketball teammates at the Mamba Sports Academy, a training center he opened in Thousand Oaks. The only magazine cover framed in the lobby of Bryant's office is the SLAM he

appeared on with Gianna and her teammates in their black-and-white Mamba uniforms.

"It's a trip to see her move and some of the expressions she makes," Bryant said of Gianna. "It's a trip how genetics work."

When I saw Bryant and Gianna at the Los Angeles Sparks' season opener in Las Vegas last May, he said he thought it was funny when fans asked him when he would have a son to carry on the basketball legacy. He said the family name was already in good hands.

"This one," Bryant said, pointing to Gianna. "She's something else."

It wasn't a surprise that Bryant was flying to a basketball game with Gianna on Sunday. They were inseparable. He loved taking her to basketball games and talking to her about different plays, tendencies and adjustments.

"What I love about Gigi is her curiosity about the game," Bryant said. "She's very curious. Even in a heated situation in a game where it's going back and forth, she can detach herself and come to me and ask a very specific question, which is not common. She'll come over and say, 'OK, on this particular trap when I'm trying to close the gap but she's getting on the outside, do I need to change my angle?' It's a very specific question. That's pretty damn cool."

Bryant said Gianna was "hell-bent" on going to Connecticut to play for coach Geno Auriemma. He actually took her to some games where she met the Huskies and Auriemma in the locker room. In retirement, Bryant's focus when it came to basketball was on Gianna. He didn't worry how he would be remembered, he just wanted to be there for his daughter and watch her play the game they loved.

Kobe

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The outpouring of love included former Lakers Shaquille O'Neal and Brian Shaw, who discussed the loss of a brother and a teammate.

Bryant leaves behind a long basketball legacy that started when he was only 17.

Outfitted with a buzz cut and a wagging tongue, Bryant emerged on the national scene as a high school phenom out of Lower Merion in Philadelphia. He jumped straight to the NBA as the 13th pick in the 1996 NBA draft. Originally selected by the Hornets, Bryant was traded to the Lakers for Vlade Divac, starting a storybook career that fittingly played out in Hollywood.

Armed with charm and otherworldly talent, Bryant took the league by storm and moved at an unprecedented pace. Bryant became a household name before he could legally enter a bar, partly because of a transcendent performance in the 1997 NBA Slam Dunk Contest, where he put on a show at the rim and on the court, flexing and selling his dunks.

Bryant's rookie season had its share of trials, too, as his confidence got the best of him in a 1997 playoff series against the Jazz, when Bryant shot four critical air balls, three in overtime. Bryant's air balls would serve as a lesson he would later credit for his many successes.

Bryant recovered and picked up every possible accolade along the way, playing in the All-Star Game against Michael Jordan at 19 and winning a title by the tender age of 21.

The list of accomplishments only grew from there as Bryant finished his tenure alongside O'Neal with three titles before his 24th birthday. That Lakers team broke up after their third title with tensions increasing between O'Neal and Bryant.

Bryant also was arrested and charged with felony sexual assault in July 2003. Prosecutors later dropped the charge at the request of the accuser. The woman later filed a civil suit against Bryant that was settled out of court.

When O'Neal was traded to the Heat, Bryant was the lone star in Los Angeles and became a larger-than-life figure for whom nothing ever felt too far-fetched. The stories of Bryant's on-court excellence were never-ending. He endured grueling 4 a.m. workouts, played through major injuries and pushed teammates to higher levels. His competitive streak became the stuff of legend as he went on a scoring streak unlike any other in his career, averaging as much as 35.1 points per game as he struggled to trust his Lakers teammates.

The Lakers later landed Pau Gasol in a 2008 trade with the Grizzlies, changing the trajectory of the franchise and Bryant's career. With an improved roster, Bryant led the Lakers to titles in 2009 and 2010, taking home Finals MVP on both occasions.

Known for his relentless approach, Bryant continued to push for a sixth title in the twilight of his career. Bryant, who had won five titles, harbored hopes of catching



Lakers legend Kobe Bryant died in a helicopter crash Sunday in Calabasas, Calif.

Bulls legend Michael Jordan's career mark of six NBA championships. While Bryant fell short, he continued to create memories on the basketball court.

In the ultimate show of toughness, Bryant, who always felt invincible, suffered a torn Achilles while being fouled in a 2013 game against the Warriors. Bryant took both free throws before walking to the locker room without assistance. His free throws helped the Lakers win 118-116.

Perhaps no moment sticks out more than his final NBA game in 2016. In typical Bryant fashion, the night was an event. He completed his 20-year journey with one of the all-time sendoffs. Bryant scored 60 points on 50 shots in a game that perfectly encapsulated a career that played out on his terms.

The stats in Bryant's final game weren't exactly pristine, but he left his mark on the record book. He retired as the No. 3 scorer in NBA history, though LeBron James passed him on Saturday, prompting Bryant to tweet congratulations.

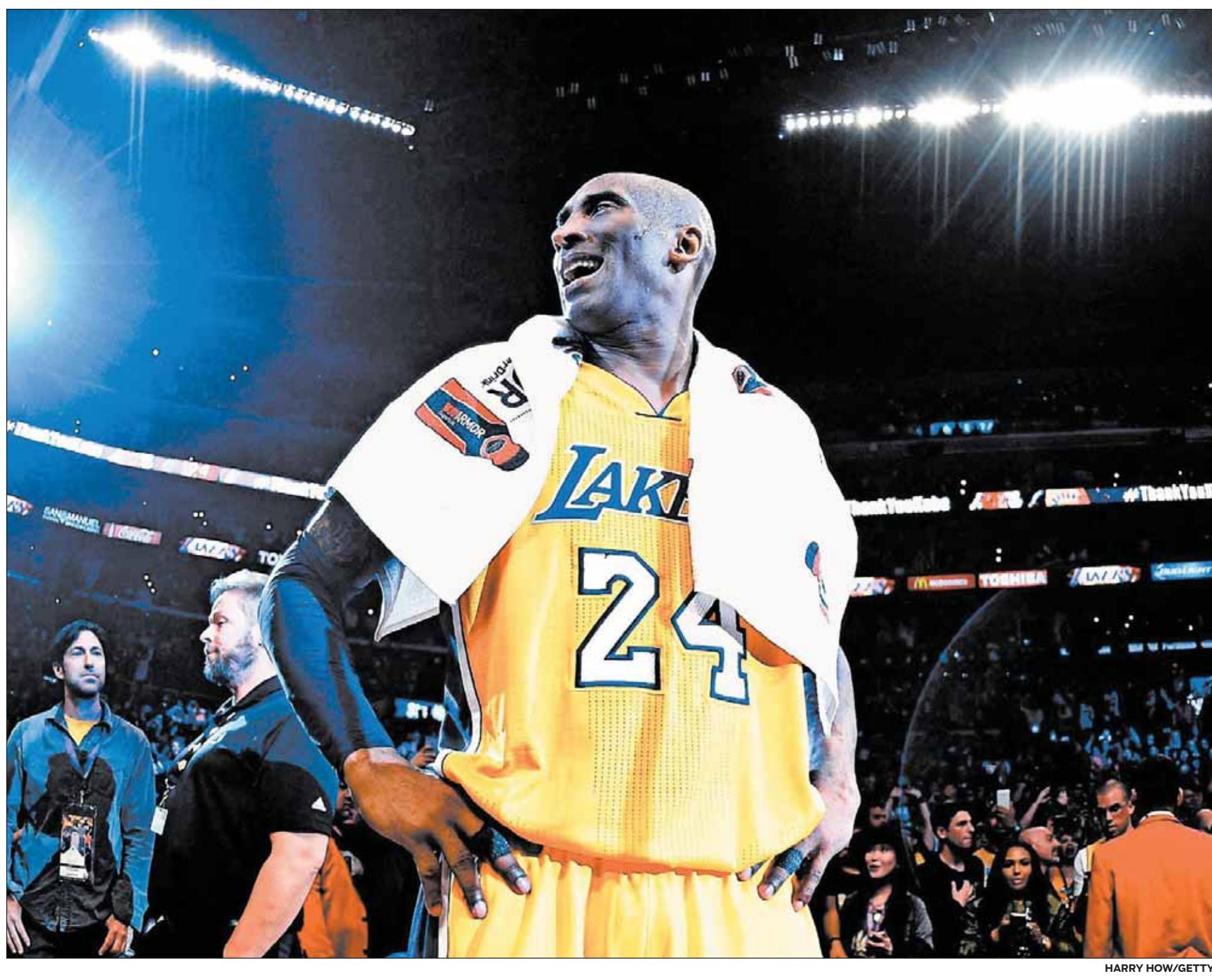
Bryant was selected to the All-NBA Team 15 times, picked for the All-Defensive Team 12 times and played in the All-Star Game on 18 occasions. Bryant scored 81 points against the Raptors in 2006. He scored 60 points six times and had 50 points 26 times.

Bryant didn't disappear from the spotlight in retirement. He settled deeper into family life but picked up new passions, writing children's books, creating a venture capital fund and winning an Oscar for his short film "Dear Basketball."

Bryant also was seen at NBA games and AAU tournaments, often with Gianna at his side. In some ways he was more present in retirement than he was as a player. Videos of Bryant teaching Gianna basketball details from the sideline of a game went viral and NBA stars gushed about their interactions with him.

Bryant, a player who seldom shared pieces of his life or personality, had entered his teaching phase after raising an NBA generation for more than two decades.

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HARRY HOW/GETTY

Lakers legend Kobe Bryant celebrates after scoring 60 points in his final NBA game at Staples Center on April 13, 2016, in Los Angeles, Calif.

COMMENTARY

How can Kobe be gone?

Bryant's legend was not supposed to end like this, it deserved much more

BY BILL PLASCHKE
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — Kobe Bryant is gone. I'm screaming right now, cursing into the sky, crying into my keyboard, and I don't care who knows it.

Kobe Bryant is gone, and those are the hardest words I've ever had to write for this newspaper, and I still don't believe them as I'm writing them. I'm still crying, and go ahead, let it out. Don't be embarrassed, cry with me, weep and wail and shout into the streets, fill a suddenly empty Los Angeles with your pain.

Damn it! Damn it! Damn it!

Los Angeles Lakers legend Bryant, 41, and his 13-year-old daughter Gianna were among nine people who died in a helicopter crash Sunday in Calabasas and how does that happen? Kobe is stronger than any helicopter. He didn't even need a helicopter. For 20 years he flew into greatness while carrying a breathless city with him.

This can't be true.

Kobe does not die. Not now. Kobe lives into his golden years, lives long enough to see his statues erected outside Staples Center and his jerseys inducted into the Basketball Hall of Fame. He lives long enough to sit courtside at Staples when he's stooped and gray, keeping alive the memories of two decades of greatness with a wink, maybe even fooling everyone one last time by retiring in a community next to Shaq.

How can Mamba be dead? Mambas don't die. Why this, why now, why him, why them? Kobe and Gianna leave behind an incredibly strong wife and mother, Vanessa, and daughters Natalia, 17, Bianka, 3, and Capri, who was born last summer. The horror of this is unspeakable. The tragedy of this is immeasurable.

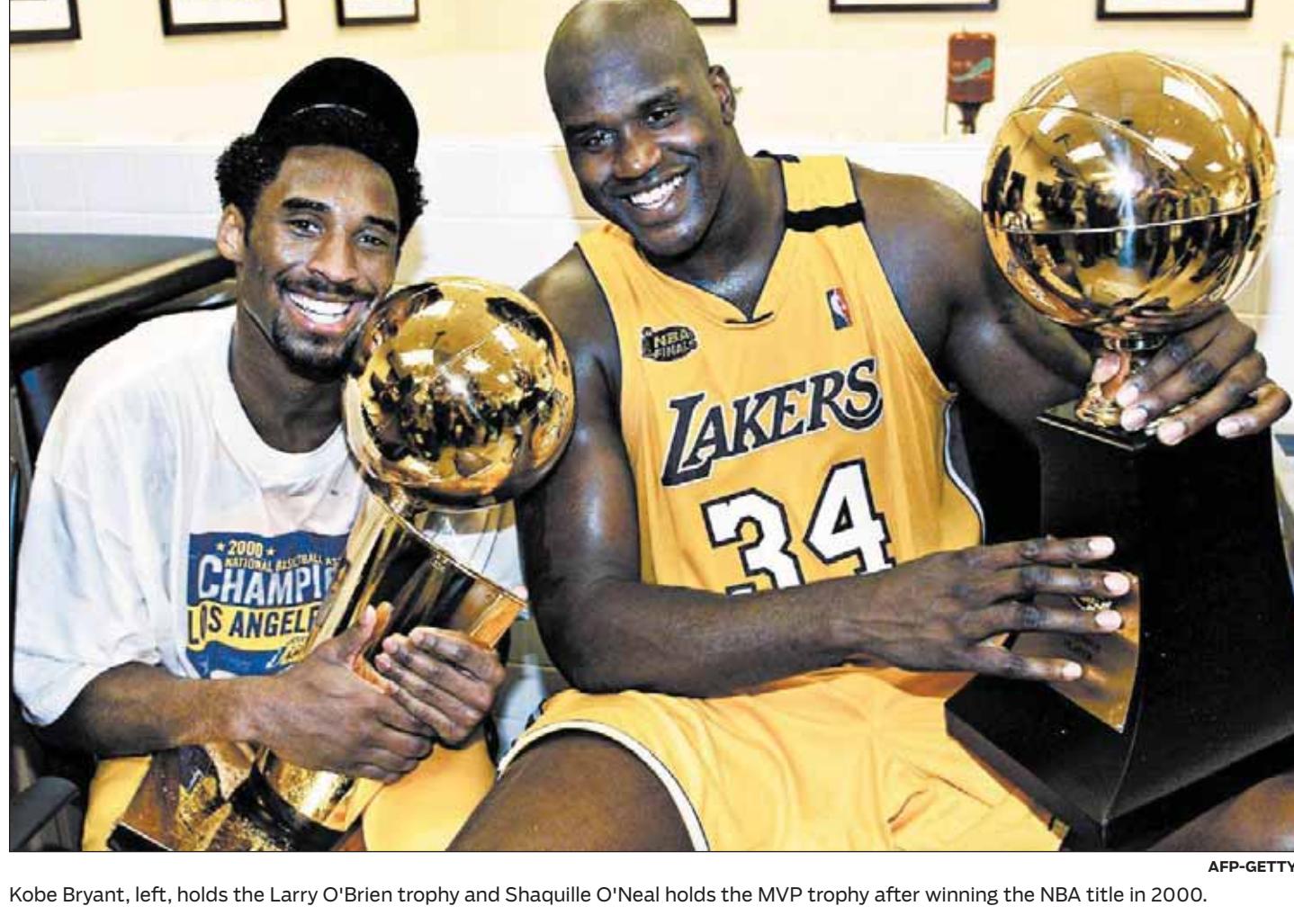
Go ahead and keep crying, you won't be alone. A huge hole has been cut out of Los Angeles' heart, and the wound is breathtaking.

Kobe was your childhood hero. He was your adult icon. For 20 years he was on posters in your bedroom, on the television in your living room, in the lunch talk in your school cafeteria, in the smack talk at your office water cooler, and ultimately riding on a truck down Figueroa Street while you cheered and bragged and bathed in his greatness.

You watched him grow up, and this city's relentless approach to sports grew with him, and soon, even with all of his off-court failings, many people felt they carried a little piece of him.

On your best days, the days you landed a big account or aced a big test or just survived a battle with traffic, you felt like Kobe. You were Kobe. And in the end, as he retired into a life of movies and books and coaching Gianna's basketball team, he was us.

For me, he not only dominated my professional life, he consumed it. He arrived in Los Angeles two months before I began



Kobe Bryant, left, holds the Larry O'Brien trophy and Shaquille O'Neal holds the MVP trophy after winning the NBA title in 2000.



Animated Short winner Kobe Bryant backstage at the 90th Academy Awards in 2018.

writing this column. We used to joke that we started our journeys together. But then he would pat me on the back and shake his head at that notion because, well, he always followed his own path.

He was the one Laker who never had an entourage, and many nights after games we would chat as I walked with him to his car. Except when he would get mad at me for what he considered unfair criticism, and

then we wouldn't talk for weeks, because when he was playing, he was that rare fighter who never dropped his fists.

I covered his first game. I covered his last game. I wrote about everything in between, the titles and the sexual assault charge and the trade demands and the titles again and then finally that 60-point career-ending game against Utah.

I screamed from press row that night,

just as I'm screaming now, still shaking, still not believing.

Kobe Bryant is gone.

We just talked last week.

I emailed Kobe with a request to speak to him about being passed on the all-time scoring list by LeBron James.

He emailed me back immediately. He always did.

He cleared his calendar and made time to chat on the phone because, as he always said, "You've been there for everything with me."

But then, in our 20-minute conversation, he showed a side of Kobe that I had not seen before.

The edge was gone. The arms were open. He urged acceptance of LeBron. He preached calm for Lakers fans. He said greatness wasn't worth anything if you couldn't share it.

After about five minutes the message of this call was clear, the steely-eyed Mamba was purposely moving into a role of a wise, embracing and grateful leader of a community that had shown him so much patience and love.

"It's crazy, watching this city and growing with it," he said before hanging up. "I feel such an appreciation, I can never pay the city back for what it's given me."

And now he's gone. Kobe is gone. Kobe is gone.

I'll say it 81 times and it still won't make any sense.

Kobe Bryant is gone and, so, too, is a little bit of all of us.

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Savoring the bright spotlight

With a 'city on his shoulders' and franchise chasing playoff contention, forward **Jack Eichel** flourishing in pressure-packed role with Sabres

JAMIE SQUIRE/GETTY

BY LANCE LYSOWSKI

The Buffalo News

ST. LOUIS — Bob Eichel is one of his son's confidants. The two speak on the phone daily and the conversations typically center around Jack's career with the Buffalo Sabres.

Few know the pressure placed on Jack Eichel quite like his father. However, a recent comment by Jack Hutton, father of Sabres goalie Carter Hutton, put the situation into perspective for Bob.

"He says to me, 'I feel bad for your son,'" Bob Eichel recalled. "I said, 'Why? He's doing alright.' He said, 'He came to Buffalo and they put the city on his shoulders.' I said, 'Jeez, that's well-put.'

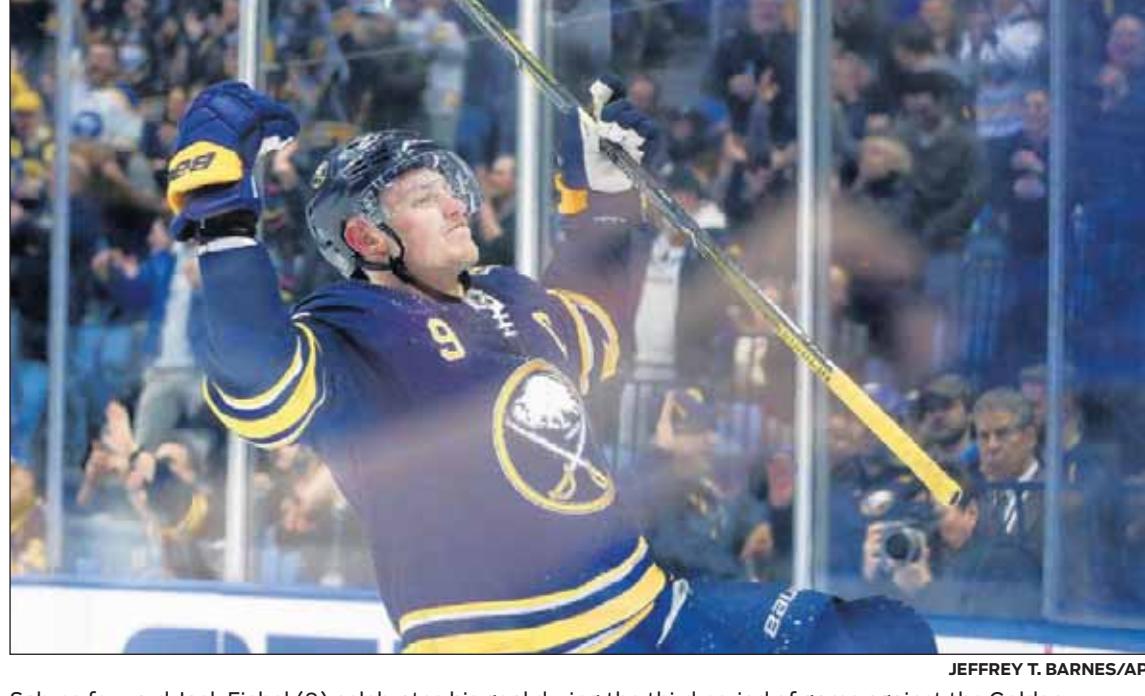
The Sabres tanked in 2014-15 to earn the right to draft Jack Eichel second overall. What was supposed to be a quick rebuild turned into more years of suffering for Sabres fans. Their playoff drought has reached eight seasons and two coaches have been fired since Eichel arrived in Buffalo.

At 21 years old, Eichel became the youngest captain in franchise history, a role that brings obligations on the ice, in the locker room and in the community. The balancing act can take a toll on players of any age, yet Eichel has learned how to navigate the responsibilities, and in doing so, continues to reveal why the fan base expected him to restore the franchise to what it once was.

"You look at the support system and the people who have been there for you, I've started to use more resources and things at my disposal," Eichel, now 23, told The Buffalo News ahead of last weekend's NHL All-Star Game in St. Louis. "There's a lot that comes at you in this profession and my situation. At times, it can be a little overwhelming. Dealing with everything on a day-to-day basis, I think a lot of people are probably a little dumbfounded to the stuff we have to go through on a day-to-day basis."

"It's past being busy. It's stuff you carry home with you, whether that's stress, pressure, anxiety, whatever it might be. I think just trying to find a way to enjoy every moment of this and try to really be yourself. It's important and that's what I'm trying to do."

Eichel has achieved superstar status around the National Hockey League. He is on pace for 47 goals among 104 points, which would be the most by any Sabre since Alexander Mogilny and Pat LaFontaine in 1992-93. Eichel



Sabres forward Jack Eichel (9) celebrates his goal during the third period of game against the Golden Knights on Jan. 14 in Buffalo, N.Y. Eichel has six multi-goal and 17 multi-point games this season.

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already has matched his previous career high of 28 goals with 33 regular-season games remaining.

His 17-game point streak tied Gilbert Perreault for the longest in franchise history and ended Dec. 19 when an upper-body injury forced him out of the lineup in Philadelphia.

Eichel has six multi-goal and 17 multi-point games this season. He joined Rick Martin as the only Sabres players to have 20 goals and 50 points in each of their first five NHL seasons. Yet Eichel was on an MVP-caliber pace last year before missing three games with an injury in January, and he still averaged more than one point per game.

Added strength has equipped Eichel with the ability to outmuscle opponents for loose pucks. He worked this past offseason on improving his shot, as illustrated by his 17.2% shooting percentage through 49 games, and his skating remains among the best in the league.

Sabres coach Ralph Krueger beams when talking about Eichel's evolution as a defensive force on the ice. Eichel attacks loose pucks with the same ferocity in which he drives to the net to score a goal. He continues to round out his game, despite his pressure-packed position within the franchise.

"It's very difficult," St. Louis Blues center Ryan O'Reilly, a friend and former teammate of Eichel's, said. "That's a lot of pressure for a guy that age. He's a

mature guy. The way he's handled it and seeing what he's doing, it's so impressive. I'm not surprised he's playing the way he is because he's a guy who has so much pride in his own game. He wants to win so bad. He's doing whatever he can to do that."

Physical maturation is only one reason behind his dominance. Last season was particularly difficult for Eichel. The Sabres won 10 consecutive games, only to endure a historic collapse in the season's second half. As captain, he often was tasked with providing direction amid chaos.

The responsibility no longer falls squarely on Eichel's shoulders. Krueger's command on in-game adjustments and providing a passionate intermission speech has relieved Eichel of some of those duties. He's now able to pick his spots, speaking up when the moment is right.

"He's an emotional, fiery leader," Sabres defenseman Zach Bogosian said of Eichel. "There's no perfect leader, but I like those kind of people and I like to be around people like that. He's done a really good job of assessing the situation, saying the right thing at the right time and understanding that no matter who you are, whether it's him or anyone else, if you say the same thing over and over the message is going to get lost. He's been spot on every time."

Bogosian, Jake McCabe, Kyle Okposo and Marcus Johansson also take on some leadership

responsibilities. Eichel is always talking on the bench and on the ice during games, providing teammates with direction on how to execute Krueger's in-game adjustments and explaining what an opponent is doing.

When Rasmus Dahlin was benched in the third period of a 4-2 win over Ottawa on Nov. 16, Eichel wrapped his arm around the 19-year-old defenseman's shoulders during a stoppage in play and delivered words of encouragement. Eichel scored two of his four goals that game in the second period to snap Buffalo's six-game losing streak.

Leading by example is also important to Eichel, especially on a team with inexperienced NHL players. If he's having a difficult period, Eichel shifts his focus to his own game.

"For me, it's about work every day, bringing a good attitude to the rink and trying to show guys the right things to do," Eichel said. "It's important that you communicate with Ralph and you're a voice for the room. You really don't need to have one with him because he has such a good feel for the room itself. He's been so good this year. For me, it's about consistency and trying to be myself every day. That's probably the biggest thing. I don't try to change my personality or do anything different. I just try to be myself. If it's time to get serious, it's time to get serious. If it's time to have fun with the guys, it's time to have fun with the guys. I'm just trying to find that fine

line."

The on-ice responsibilities continue to grow for Eichel. He ranks third among NHL forwards in average ice time per game and has been tasked with defending opponents' top players. When the Sabres were without Jeff Skinner and Victor Olofsson before the break, Eichel, along with Sam Reinhart, guided Buffalo to three wins in its final four games.

Conor Sheary, who was a teammate of Sidney Crosby's in Pittsburgh for three seasons, noted that Eichel is typically at his best when facing another superstar. Eichel thrives in pressure situations on the ice. He scored a penalty-shot overtime goal in a 3-2 win over Edmonton earlier this month and his two goals in the third period Dec. 10 lifted the Sabres to a 5-2 win over St. Louis.

Those accomplishments have come with some help. Eichel reaches out to Adam Oates, a Hockey Hall of Famer with whom he trains in the offseason, for advice. In addition to speaking with his father and mother, Anne, Eichel works with a sports psychologist.

"Experience is always a factor as you evolve, if you have the right character and are making the right decisions," Krueger said. "Jack for sure processed his first year of captaincy in a very responsible way through the summer. When I was speaking to him, there was a maturity already in how that responsibility was going to be carried out. Jack is embracing that as the ultimate captain and leader of the group. There's no question the second season for him is going to be different than the first and third will be different than the second."

Eichel became the seventh player in franchise history to represent the Sabres at three NHL All-Star Games, and he entered the event ranked fifth in goals and ninth in points (62). He hasn't been held without a point in three consecutive games since early November.

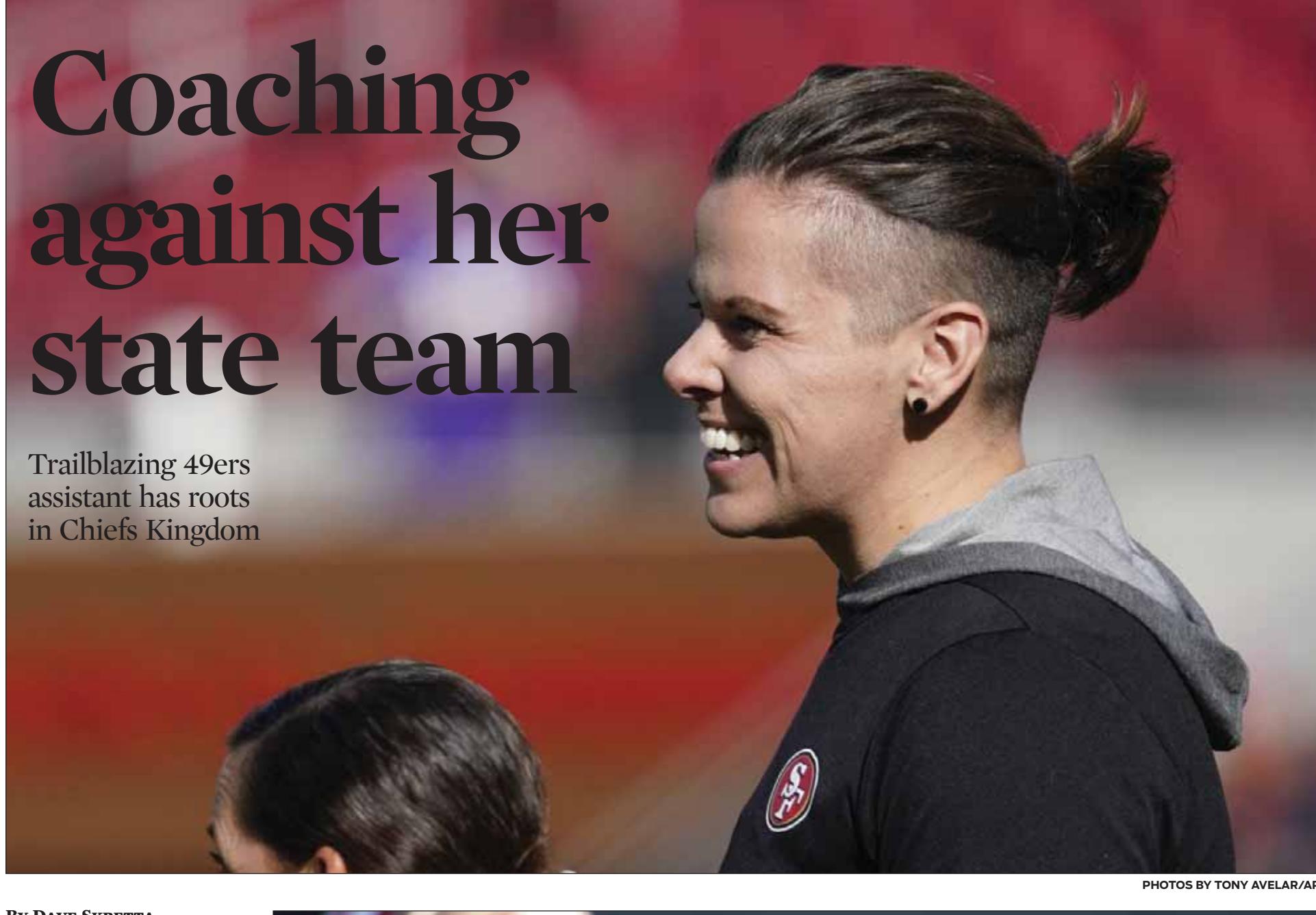
The Sabres (22-20-7) are 10 points out of the playoffs and have a favorable schedule out of the break. Reliable defense is their foundation under Krueger. However, their postseason hopes may sit on Eichel's shoulders.

"There's a lot of pressure, there's a lot of expectations," Eichel said. "It can get to you at times. You have to remember you can only control so much and you can only do what you can do, so that's kind of the message I try to tell myself every day."

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Coaching against her state team

Trailblazing 49ers assistant has roots in Chiefs Kingdom



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BY DAVE SKRETTA

Associated Press

HESSTON, Kan. — The old downtown strip, like so many in small towns across America, is quiet on a brisk January morning, just a few cars parked at one end in front of The Citizens State Bank and a few more in front of the pharmacy at the other.

Around the corner is an old Texaco station, the pumps long removed and the windows covered up. Nearby, the sign for Weaver's Grocers — "Your local hometown grocers!" — is all that remains from the once-bustling store. Most businesses have moved east toward the main highway, which takes traffic between the cities of Salina and Wichita.

The predominantly Mennonite town of about 3,700 in south-central Kansas is hardly the kind of place one would expect to produce a trailblazing NFL coach, one that has helped the San Francisco 49ers return to the Super Bowl.

Then again, Katie Sowers had been defying expectations all her life.

When the Niners face the Kansas City Chiefs next weekend, she will become the first female assistant and first openly gay coach to take the sideline in the sport's biggest game. Her story has spread like a prairie fire thanks in large part to a Microsoft commercial featuring Sowers that ran repeatedly during last weekend's conference championship games, and she will no doubt be a popular interview subject when reporters descend on Miami early next week.

It's all a little hard to believe for her family and friends, those who grew up playing tackle football with her in the backyard, or coached her in high school basketball, or took classes with her at tiny Hesston College.

"People ask me what we did for fun," recalls her twin sister, Liz, "and I don't honestly have an answer. We drove to Wichita? But we always had each other. We were never really looking for things to do. We always had a best friend. But being in a small conservative town was different, especially being gay. But we were lucky to be in the most open-minded family in town. I love everybody knowing everybody, even with all the small-town gossip."

The sisters' dad, Floyd, was a basketball coach at nearby Bethel College, but the kids always preferred the rough-and-tumble of football, gender norms be damned. Even though they were in the heart of Chiefs country, Katie grew up a Dallas Cowboys fan and Liz a Denver Broncos fan, because those were the uniforms and plastic helmets they got as Christmas gifts one year. One of the neighbor boys who played with them had gotten the Chiefs outfit.

The Sowers kids eventually shelved their football ambitions, though, never thinking at the time that they could continue playing with the boys in high school.



San Francisco 49ers offensive assistant Katie Sowers, right, leads a drill during practice at the team's NFL football training facility in Santa Clara, Calif., Friday. The 49ers will face the Kansas City Chiefs in Super Bowl 54.

Instead, they turned their attention to just about every other sport, whether it was basketball or track and field, helping the Swathers — the nickname coming from a piece of farming machinery common on the Great Plains — win enough championships to fill a trophy case.

"Katie was a competitor, hard worker, and didn't like to lose," says their basketball coach, Brennan Torgerson. "She didn't break into the starting lineup as soon as Liz did. Katie's role off the bench was our super sub. When she came in, the pace changed, along with the energy level of the team. Her energy and toughness were contagious."

"She was definitely known on campus for her athletic ability," adds Rachel McMaster, who overlapped with Katie for a year at Hesston College, and is now the school's director of marketing and communications.

The Sowers kids never could shake the football bug, though.

After starting at Hesston College, where her mother, Bonnie, was the longtime director of nursing, Katie finished her studies at Goshen College in Indiana. She resumed playing football with the West Michigan Mayhem in the Women's Football Alliance and for USA Football's national team, but any thought of ever coaching men was temporarily dashed when Katie was denied a volunteer assistant job at the private liberal arts college.

Injuries eventually took their toll on Katie — a separated shoulder, a torn labrum in her hip. So with degree in hand, she joined

her sister in Kansas City and began working toward her master's degree at Central Missouri.

That is where fate set her on the path toward the NFL sideline.

One of Katie's part-time jobs was coaching a youth basketball team, and one her players happened to be the daughter of former Chiefs general manager Scott Pioli. He soon became a father figure to her, and when Pioli was fired by the Chiefs and hired as the assistant GM in Atlanta, he helped Katie catch on through the Bill Walsh Diversity Coaching Fellowship. There, she made such an impression on then-Falcons offensive coordinator Kyle Shanahan that he asked her to follow him to San Francisco when he was hired to coach the Niners.

At first she helped break down film and work on practice scripts, but over time she was given more responsibility. These days, she works largely with wide receivers alongside offensive coordinators Mike LaFleur and Mike McDaniels, helping an offense that was second only to the Baltimore Ravens in scoring this season.

Her rapid rise in the cut-throat coaching profession doesn't surprise those who knew her growing up.

"Katie was an amazing teammate and was always willing to do the little things that allow a team to come together and win ball games," says Matthew Richardson, who taught and coached the Sowers sisters in middle school and high school. "Katie wasn't ever concerned with recognition, she only wanted to do her

job extremely well so the team could be successful."

It's hard to get much more successful than reaching the Super Bowl.

While Katie's career path led to the NFL, Liz has taken a decidedly different road in the game both love. The women's team on which both sisters once played recently folded, so Liz has been helping establish a new team — the Kansas City Glory — in the Adidas-backed Women's National Football Conference. As Katie breaks ground by proving women can coach football, Liz is breaking ground by providing opportunities for women to actually play it.

"I was asked once if it was a dream of mine to be in the NFL or be in a Super Bowl," Liz says, "and looking back it was like, no, it never crossed my mind. And it's crazy for me to think as much as I loved playing and it was our favorite sport, I never thought that was an option to somehow be in a Super Bowl. And it pushes me to continue doing and playing football."

"When Katie is walking down the sideline," Liz adds with pride, "she'll have parents shouting that their daughter wants to coach in the NFL, or play in the NFL, and that dream is real now for people, for young girls."

Nobody is more proud of the sisters than their parents, Floyd and Bonnie.

The couple moved to Kansas City about two years ago, when Floyd suffered a major stroke during a visit to see the kids and their older sister, Steph. It left him in a wheelchair, unable to walk or speak, and Liz has taken it upon herself to help her mother care for him. One of their biggest challenges is transportation, and Liz's birthday wish was to raise enough money through a GoFundMe account to purchase a van with wheelchair access.

"He was and still is Katie's biggest fan," Liz explains, "but he was always so proud to communicate that to everybody, always wore San Francisco gear in public so people would approach him, and they'd ask about it. So it's been hard for him since he can't communicate. He can't speak. But I feel like this TV commercial she's now on, telling her story, in a way it speaks for my dad. He's so proud to be able to watch that."

After much discussion, Floyd and Bonnie decided to stay in Kansas City — surrounded by Chiefs fans — to watch the Super Bowl next weekend. But there will be plenty of family support in Miami: Liz will be there with her girlfriend, and Steph will be there with her husband, who coincidentally grew up cheering for the Niners.

Meanwhile, back in Hesston, a few thousand people who usually spend their Sundays cheering for the Chiefs will have to decide where their allegiances lie. Do they root for the local franchise, making its first trip to the Super Bowl in 50 years, or do they root for the hometown kid who has proved that women have a place in professional football?

"I'll be cheering for the same team Joe Montana said he's cheering for," Torgerson says with a smile. "The red team."



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Lizzo performed her songs "Truth Hurts" and "Cuz I Love You" at the Grammy Awards Sunday night, saying at the top of the show: "Tonight is for Kobe."

62ND GRAMMY AWARDS

The music, the awards — and those dresses

On an evening marked by the tragic death of Kobe Bryant, his daughter and seven others, the 62nd Grammy Awards still featured the signature over-the-top performances, eye-popping fashion — and even some awards. Details on Page 3. For complete coverage, including Tribune critic Greg Kot's analysis, go to [chicagotribune.com/entertainment](#).



MICHAEL BROSILOW

Kate Fry and Allen Gilmore star in "The Mousetrap," the Agatha Christie classic, at the Court Theatre.

IN PERFORMANCE 'The Mousetrap' ★★

An update for the 'Knives Out' generation at Court Theatre

BY CHRIS JONES

Agatha Christie's "The Mousetrap" has been playing in London's West End for more than 67 years, making it far and away the longest running show in history. When you think how much the culture has changed within that era, it's a stunning feat. Of course, British detective whodunnits as a whole have never been more popular. Even on the way to the Court Theatre in Hyde Park on Saturday night, my car radio was probing the appeal of the genre and listing what to do if you want to stay

alive in a small English village. (Pro tip: Avoid gargoyles, statuary, vicars, gardeners and beekeepers.)

But on this side of the pond, the murderous doings at the Monkswell Manor guesthouse crop up around town about every five years. I've seen this show several times, beginning when I was a kid; I somehow have programmed myself to forget the details of the plot until next time, even if I find I start all my reviews the same way. But I'll say this: "The Mousetrap" is much harder to do than theater people tend to think.

"The Mousetrap," of course, is a masterpiece of misdirection. Thriller writers are like magicians and mind readers; the best of them constantly persuade you to look in the wrong direction, to think about anything but the actual logic of the plot. Of all the stage versions of Christie's books, "The Mousetrap" is by far the best, perhaps because of its genesis as a radio play. Unlike "And Then There Were None," you don't watch a succession of murders and follow an ever-narrowing group of suspects.

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Why I love music memoirs

It's all there, from Elton John's nappies to Morris Day bickering with Prince

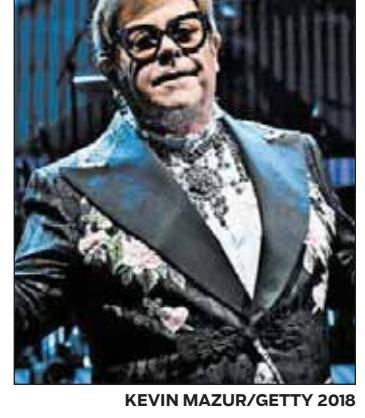


CHRISTOPHER BORRELLI

The best thing I can say for the Grammys — arguably the televised awards show that's least representative of the quality of the art it purports to celebrate — is that watching the Grammys has become an annual reminder of how little music we share. We don't all hear the same songs. We don't all recognize the same musicians. We don't even buy music anymore. Which is why artists tour all the time now, their vacations are splashed across social media accounts and selling-out to corporations no longer carries a stigma.

Their currency is no longer their music but *themselves*, their reputations, their failures, their schedules, their lifestyles, their personal tragedies, their self-doubt — their stories.

It's why, in the past few months alone, I have learned that Elton John wears an adult diaper onstage and during his 2017 Las Vegas residency, while "walking across the stage, basking in the crowd's applause and punching the air, I was also, unbeknown to the audience, copiously urinating." Or that Alicia Keys doesn't get along with her dad and refers to him as "Craig." Or that Liz Phair, harboring a sore throat, once tried to blow off a Chicago holiday show, then settled for faking her way through a Jason Mraz

KEVIN MAZUR/GETTY 2018
 "Me," written by a blunt Elton John, is the best of the latest crop of music memoirs.

duet. Remember the old music video for "Last Christmas" by Wham! Production was a drunken bacchanal, leading to naked steeplechase through the halls of a Swiss hotel.

I know this because, judging simply by the sheer volume of pop star autobiographies recently released or arriving shortly, we live in the golden age of the music memoir.

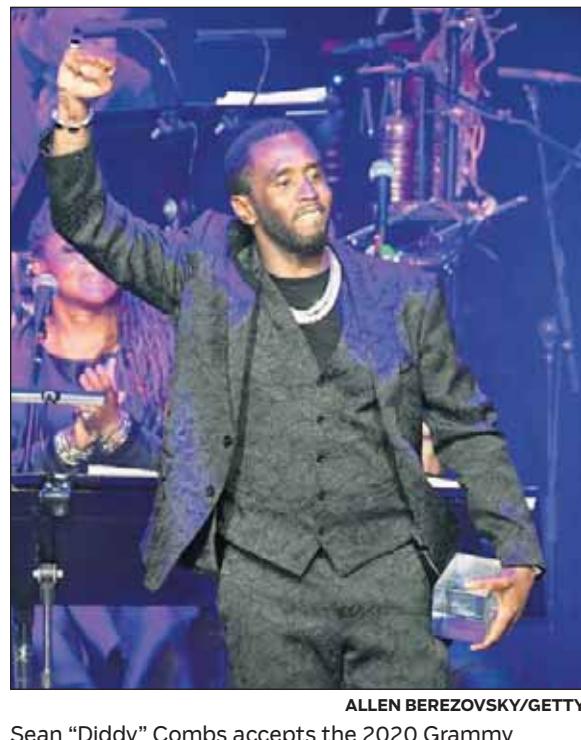
And really, the last thing they often want to write about is music.

"The Rihanna Book" (\$150, Phaidon), nearly two-feet tall and weighing almost 20 pounds, is billed as an autobiography but devotes pages and pages to glossy spreads of her fashion line and VIP existence. It's much closer to an Instagram account — a lot of her life, little of herself. Neil Young's **"To Feel**

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Sean "Diddy" Combs accepts the 2020 Grammy Salute to Industry Icons Award on Saturday night.

Fiery Diddy calls out Grammys in speech

Sean "Diddy" Combs called out the Grammy Awards for dissing rap and R&B stars in its major categories in a blazing speech that earned him a standing ovation from Beyoncé, Jay-Z and several other music industry players.

At the end of his 50-minute speech Saturday night at Clive Davis' pre-Grammys gala, where Combs was honored, the music mogul demanded change and said he was happy to be involved in making a difference.

"So I say this with love to the Grammys, because you really need to know this, every year y'all be killing us man. Man, I'm talking about the pain. I'm speaking for all these artists here, the producers, the executives," he said. "The amount of time it takes to make these records, to pour your heart into it, and you just want an even playing field."

Over the years, the awards show has been criticized when top performing acts like Beyoncé, Kanye West, Eminem, Mariah Carey and others lose in major categories. The rap and R&B stars often fall short of their pop, rock and country counterparts.

"In the great words of Erykah Badu: 'We are artists and we are sensitive about our (expletive). We are passionate. For most of us, this is all we got. This is our only hope,'" Combs said. "Truth be told, hip-hop has never been respected by the Grammys. Black music has never been respected by the Grammys to the point that it should be."

Combs, a three-time Grammy winner, earned the 2020 Grammy Salute to Industry Icons Award on Saturday.

— Associated Press

Box office

1. "Bad Boys for Life," \$34 million
2. "1917," \$15.8 million
3. "Dolittle," \$12.5 million
4. "The Gentlemen," \$11 million
5. "Jumanji: The Next Level," \$7.9 million
6. "The Turning," \$7.3 million
7. "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker," \$5.2 million
8. "Little Women," \$4.7 million
9. "Just Mercy," \$4.1 million
10. "Knives Out," \$3.7 million

SOURCE: Associated Press
Estimated sales,
Friday-Sunday



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Directors pick Mendes:

Director Sam Mendes won the top prize Saturday at the 72nd annual Directors Guild of America Awards for "1917" solidifying the World War I drama as the film to beat at the Academy Awards. "I was fortunate enough to win this award two decades ago," Mendes said in his acceptance speech, referencing his DGA Awards win for 1999's "American Beauty." "And I think if I'm honest with myself, I didn't feel ultimately like I really knew what I was doing. I feel a little bit more like I do now."

Jan. 27 birthdays: Actor James Cromwell is 80. Drummer Nick Mason is 76. Dancer Mikhail Baryshnikov is 72. Country singer Cheryl White is 65. Actress Mimi Rogers is 64. Actress Bridget Fonda is 56. Actor Alan Cumming is 55. Rapper Tricky is 52. Actor Josh Randall is 48. Drummer Andrew Lee is 34.



ASK AMY

BY AMY DICKINSON

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Disclosing pregnancy during job hunt

Dear Amy: I like my workplace, but I'm easily working 60 to 70 hours a week with no overtime compensation. The pace is unsustainable, especially now that I'm three months pregnant. There is no slowing down at my workplace — my profession is very time sensitive and demands me to be on-call all the time, including nights and weekends.

A dream job, in a related but different field, became open recently. I applied and got invited to interview. My question is, at what point in the interview process do I disclose that I'm pregnant? And what should I say when I get asked my reasons for leaving my current job?

I still don't look pregnant, and by my calculations, I would potentially get hired three months before my due date.

— Preggers in need of balance

Dear Preggers: When seeking a job change, you should tell potential employers that you believe you have maximized your opportunities where you are.

In terms of your pregnancy, you are not legally required to disclose it at any time. You could walk in to an interview at eight months pregnant, and the hiring manager should not ask you about it. (At that stage of pregnancy, should a potential hire bring it up in an interview herself? It depends.)

Do not disclose your early-term pregnancy during your first interview. It is not relevant to your professional skills. You should move forward in the process with

confidence that you will make it to the next stage.

If you develop a rapport with the hiring manager and are obviously pregnant during a later-stage interview, you could address it and offer reassurances that you will handle your challenges readily — the way countless working mothers have done.

You might benefit from reading "Here's the Plan: Your Practical, Tactical Guide to Advancing Your Career During Pregnancy and Parenthood," by Allyson Downey (2016, Seal Press).

Dear Amy: I've been friends with "Marian" since grade school. We're now in our 60s and live in the same neighborhood.

We've always been there for each other, but lately I'm feeling a lot of negative judgment from her, even concerning trivial things.

Instead of being supportive or even just sympathetic, she's taken to chastising me in almost a parental tone or by minimizing my discomfort.

Growing up, she made some bad choices (we all do), but I always helped where I could and stood behind her. I'm reaching the point where I have to avoid certain subjects

because I don't want the criticism. The other night she responded to my defensive mood saying she can have an opposing opinion. Sometimes all you want is to vent to a friend. I know there's more to this, it's not just about me, but what do I do?

— BFFS?

Dear BFF: Yes, sometimes all you want is to vent to a friend. But are you venting

too often? Are you listening as much as you are talking?

You should "rerack" this conversation, back up and express: "You seem very frustrated, but I want you to know that there are times when I just hope for a sympathetic ear. Having you really hear me means so much."

You should also pay close attention to your defensive reaction when your friend weighs in. Often, defensiveness means that you are clinging to a position that should be examined — and perhaps abandoned.

Dear Amy: "Buzz Killed in Boston" complained about co-workers' incessant morbid ramblings.

I worked in a nursing home for 43 years. I helped residents with their mail. It seemed to me that all the old people wrote about was their aches, pains and death. Now that I'm 66, I don't bore others with aches and pains. My mom had MS, broke her hip three times and NEVER talked about her health troubles. Talking all day about troubles IS boring.

— Learned From Mom

Dear Learned: My mom also had chronic health problems and NEVER mentioned them because she understood that this reportage IS boring.

However, "Buzz Killed" was referring to colleagues recounting losses (deaths and illnesses) of family members. I put this in a different category.

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IN PERFORMANCE

Good intentions not enough in Danztheatre's 'Stories'

BY LAUREN WARNECKE

There's a version of Chicago that we vehemently defend to our out-of-town friends and relatives. We're more than deep dish pizza, Michigan Avenue and the mob. We're Midwestern and metropolitan, diverse and filled to the gills with top-shelf dining, world-class cultural experiences and gloriously gritty dives.

It's a kind of solidarity that surely other big towns exhibit, but I'd like to think Chicago is special. Many Chicagoans are beginning to be honest with each other about race and equity; we're starting to emerge from our enclaves and explore each others' neighborhoods. And through those experiences and conversations, we discover that the awesomeness of

Chicago and Chicagoans is captured in our differences, as much as our commonalities. The current dance scene is hyper-interested in confronting urgent local issues and tackling the challenges and problems that exist here through art, particularly with issues surrounding identity and race. Some of these were explored in Chicago Danztheatre Ensemble's "Stories of Chicago" at Ebenezer Lutheran Church.

Second in a four-part series titled "Art + Activism," "Stories of Chicago" features three dance works, poetry by Marcos Herrera, and an art gallery themed around race, equity and the experiences of people of color in Chicago. Those are broad strokes to try and paint in one evening; to what extent these works

move the needle is an open question. Personally, I'm moved by the message "Stories of Chicago" conveys, but largely uninspired by these particular performances.

An exception might be RE Dance Group's piece called "The Biggest Wail from the Bottom of My Heart," which premiered just over a year ago at the Hamlin Park Theater. Here, the evening-length work is excerpted and pared down, and the change of setting suits this work. "The Biggest Wail" touches on a mishmash of sociopolitical themes, including white privilege. Ebenezer's lighter palate — the venue is an out-of-commission nave with peachy dance floor butting against the sanctuary stairs — and close-up seating configuration put you toe-to-toe with the

dancers. Not kidding: At one point, performer and co-director Lucy Riner nearly brushed my foot as she executed tumbling floor work inches away from me. But in this case, the close proximity feels warm and inviting even as these dancers oscillate between scenes of idyllic child's play, a hyper-physical phrase inspired by Donald Trump's wall and a cheerleading message about whiteness.

RE Dance's works, often choreographed, as this is, by co-director Michael Estanich, are typically more complex than they first appear. Estanich's pieces marinate well, and "The Biggest Wail's" biggest strength is Estanich's ability to build interesting phrases and knit them together cohesively. It doesn't hurt that this current cast of dancers is among the strongest they've had in the company's 10-year history.

Opening the program, Dance Loop Chicago's "Enuf" was inspired by graffiti and personal stories about violence in Chicago

that choreographer Amber Echols shared with Dance Loop director Paula Frasz. "Enuf" marks a sharp turn for the direction of the modern dance group, whose last big project was a cutesy compilation of Tennessee Williams plays in 2013. With "Enuf," Frasz is now, apparently, drawing from her well of students at Northern Illinois University. The piece, created in 2017 at NIU, offers a few glimmers and a couple of powerful images — particularly when the dancers creatively employ three long benches. Contemporary, hip-hop and some West African-inspired steps swirl about the performance space, morphing into scenes that leave impressions of church, gun violence and a public hanging. But this is not a platform for collegiate work, and "Enuf's" uneven performances, out-of-sync phrase work, mixtape of popular music and elementary use of compositional devices shows.

South Chicago Dance Theatre concludes the evening with an excerpt

from director Kia Smith's "Dancing Beyond the Borderline: An Immersive Performance Experience." In only three seasons, Smith's tireless efforts have resulted in remarkable growth for this company. And there's a lot to admire, with a strong cast of dancers, compositional integrity and a contemporary dance vibe infused with various hip-hop and social dance vernaculars. Big swaths of this piece are devoted to exploring that movement vocabulary, much of which is set to a mostly unintelligible voiceover about identity. Excerpts can be tricky. Had we gotten to see the whole thing, the overarching theme of the piece — purportedly about Smith's family history in the context of the Great Migration — might have been clearer. That sounds fascinating, but in this context, it is neither immersive, nor a performance experience I'm likely to remember.

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Ice Castles set to open Jan. 31

BY LORI RACKL

A few weeks behind schedule, Ice Castles finally has a date for its winter debut in Lake Geneva, Wis.

The highly Instagrammable attraction made up of tens of thousands of icicles and colorful lights is slated to open at 4 p.m. Jan. 31 at Geneva National Resort & Club, about 85 miles northwest of Chicago. Tickets will go on sale Monday on the Ice Castles website.

For the second year in a row, Mother Nature has messed with Ice Castles' construction schedule. The structure — one of six Ice Castles in North America — initially had a target launch

date of early January.

Above-average temperatures earlier in the season thwarted those plans, delaying the opening even

later this year than in 2019,

when the first Ice Castles

was built in Lake Geneva.

(That one suffered the

added insult of having to

temporarily shut down

thanks to the bone-chilling

polar vortex.)

Ice Castles has a new location this year, about 7 miles from its 2019 home in downtown Lake Geneva at Riviera Beach.

Company officials said the current spot at Geneva National, a resort and golf club, allowed for a bigger structure and better building conditions than the

sandy beach.

This year's Ice Castles includes concession areas,

two kids' zones and more

ice slides, as well as frozen

fountains, tunnels and

thrones. Covering roughly

an acre, it's about twice the

size of last year's structure.

The ice is embedded with

color-changing LED lights

that illuminate at night.

Admission is \$11.99 for children (ages 4-11) and \$16.99 for adults during the week, or \$15.99 and \$20.99 on weekends. Like last season, kids age 3 and under get in free.

Weather permitting, Ice Castles will stay open through early March.

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62ND GRAMMY AWARDS

Eilish, brother are night's big winners

BY MESFIN FEKADU

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The edgy, avant-pop album that siblings Billie Eilish and Finneas created in a small bedroom made a big splash at the 2020 Grammy Awards, winning 11 honors for the musical family.

"When We All Fall Asleep, Where Do We Go?" — created in the musicians' Los Angeles home — helped Eilish win the top four honors, including album, song and record of the year, along with best new artist. The 18-year-old is the youngest artist to achieve the feat.

Finneas, who co-wrote, produced and engineered the album, walked away as Sunday's top winner with six. Eilish won five honors.

Together, they also won best pop vocal album, while Finneas' individual honors included producer of the year (non-classical) and best engineered album (non-classical).

"This is my first Grammys. I never thought this would happen in my whole life," Eilish said. "I genuinely wanna say I am so grateful, and I only wanna say that I am so grateful."

Finneas added that they "just make music in a bedroom together and we still do that."

"This is to all the kids who are making music in the bedroom today — you're going to get one of these," Finneas said.

The bedroom where they created magic was brought to life when they hit the stage and performed "When the Party's Over," which featured Finneas on keys and Eilish singing in a soft, pitch-perfect tone.

Los Angeles, where the show was held, had a central theme: Local icons Kobe Bryant and Nipsey Hussle were honored and celebrated at the show.

The Grammys kicked off with a performance in



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Billie Eilish and her brother Finneas accept the song of the year award for "Bad Guy" during the Grammy Awards Sunday.

honor of Bryant, who died hours before the awards began. And later in the show, Hussle's collaborators and friends, including DJ Khaled, John Legend, Meek Mill, Kirk Franklin, Roddy Ricch and YG, gave an all-star tribute to the man who died last year.

Hussle also post-humously won his first pair of Grammys.

Filmmaker Ava DuVernay introduced the performance, which featured band players, background dancers and Legend wearing traditional Ethi-

opian and Eritrean clothing in honor of Hussle's African roots. Mill performed a new song called "Letter to Nipsey" while others joined together for "Higher," which won best rap/sung performance.

"This is for Nipsey Hussle. This is for hip-hop," said DJ Khaled, who collaborated on the song with Legend and Hussle, whose family stood onstage.

"We all love him. We all miss him. It's terrible that we had to lose him so early," Legend said.

During the pre-ceremo-

ny, Hussle's "Racks in the Middle" picked up best rap performance.

The show — which took place at the Staples Center, Bryant's stomping ground — kicked off with a touching, emotional and a capella performance of "It's So Hard to Say Goodbye to Yesterday" by host Alicia Keys and Boyz II Men.

"Here we are together on music's biggest night celebrating the artists that do it best, but to be honest with you, we are all feeling crazy sadness right now," Keys said as she entered the

stage, adding that "Los Angeles, America and the world-wide world lost a hero."

She said the audience was "heartbroken in the house that Kobe Bryant built."

Before the show officially honored Bryant, Lizzo performed the songs "Truth Hurts" and "Cuz I Love You," saying at the top of the show: "Tonight is for Kobe."

Lizzo won three honors Sunday, including best pop solo performance for "Truth Hurts" and two R&B awards.

Lizzo was among the mix of newcomers and well-known acts who reached their goals of winning their first-ever Grammy Awards on Sunday, which also included Tanya Tucker, J. Cole, Billie Eilish, Lil Nas X, Billy Ray Cyrus, Michelle Obama, Sara Bareilles, Rosalia, 21 Savage and Tyler, the Creator.

"To my mother, you did a great job raising this guy," Tyler, who won best rap album, said to his mom, who was onstage and crying by side.

Grammy style goes max glam

BY DAVID SYREK

Chicago Tribune

The Grammys, on a somber night in the wake of NBA legend Kobe Bryant's death, went on with the red carpet. There was couture glam and boundary-pushing looks, plus a few head-scratchers.

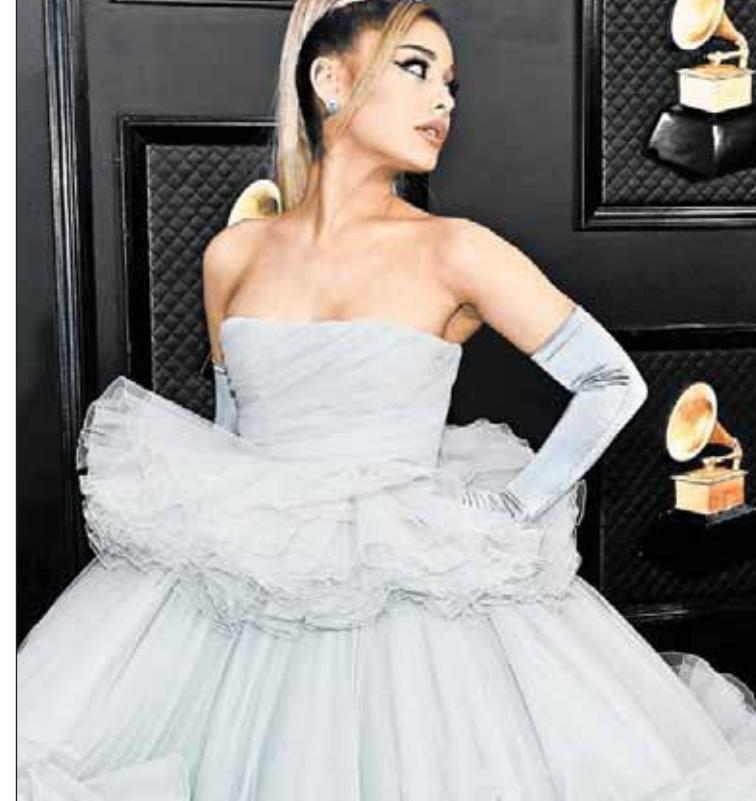
Sunday night's ceremony at Los Angeles' Staples Center featured all of the above. If there was one big trend from the night, it was bold statements.

On the glam side, one of the first stars to hit the red carpet was Lizzo, dripping in diamonds in a stunning, beaded white Atelier Versace gown. Then Ariana Grande shut down the red carpet in a larger-than-life cloud of silvery blue tulle. The guys went for full-on color. Lil Nas X arrived in a head-to-toe neon pink cowboy look, and red carpet favorite Billy Porter wore a fringed and beaded teal blue jumpsuit and jacket. The best part? His matching motorized hat.

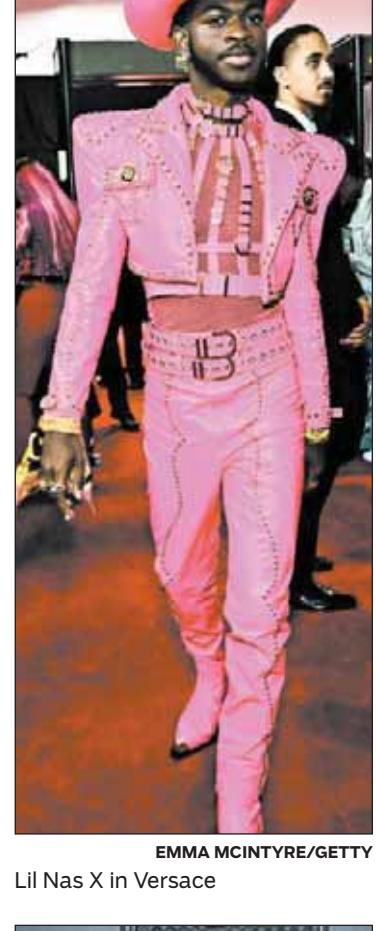
The Grammys definitely know how to shake up a Sunday night.



Lizzo in Atelier Versace



Ariana Grande in Giambattista Valli



Lil Nas X in Versace



Jameela Jamil in Georges Chakra Couture



Billy Porter in Baja East



FKA Twigs in Ed Marler



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Memoir

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the Music: A Songwriter's Mission to Save High Quality Audio (*BenBella*, \$24.95), more about sound than songs, is the literary equivalent to being cornered at a party by a guy who wants to tell you about his stereo. Not that I'm entirely complaining. Phair's **"Horror Stories"** (*Random House*, \$28) barely addresses the origins of her early '90s indie landmark, "Exile in Guyville," famously a song-by-song response to misogyny in the Rolling Stones' "Exile on Main St." But it does recount sexual harassment during an office job at a "prominent Chicago advertising agency" then tells of another summer job, at Ravinia, where the New Trier graduate was pantsed in the kitchen by adult male prep cooks.

The best music memoirs are not so different from superhero origins. You're a witness at the reinvention. But rather than gamma rays, the spark is a Dizzy Gillespie album (*Flea*), The Band's "Music from Big Pink" (*Elton John*) or a Green Day concert (*Tegan and Sara*). You get a sense of what it felt like to cower then roar, to be that shy schoolboy who later summons the self-possession it takes to sing before 20,000 nightly, anywhere on Earth. Literary fame wasn't in the cards; these authors were more likely to fail English and get detention. But now they have the lives that writers of more mundane existences — which is the majority of writers — would kill for. They are living the dream.

I have a weakness for these books.

Some devour mysteries, romance novels, self-help.

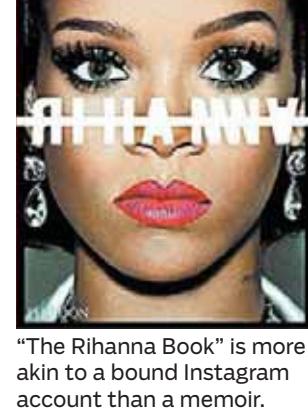
I go for autobiographies of musicians. Way, way too often. I read a lot of them. Even bad ones. Especially bad ones. There are a lot of bad ones. Whenever I tell people this, they look at me as if I were committing myself to sensory deprivation. Which, in a way, you are when you mainline music memoirs. See, I would never use "mainline" unless I was under the influence of autobiographies often full of drugs and "written" by pop stars. My brain operates differently while reading them. Their rhythms become my rhythms. I'm all in for the ascent and relatable parts; by the time success curdles into decadence, I'm hooked. The trouble is the long slog that often mirrors the career, when the book (and the artist) yearns for relevance. It's like the last 30 minutes of disaster movies, when everyone is just crawling out of rubble. In a music memoir that rubble is the last third, when the artist recounts the recording of an album nobody else cares about, then meets their current spouse (and/or charitable cause) and decides to stay at home with their new children (and/or travel to a corner of the planet where people are poor and happy).

So I waste a lot of time wading through muck before I strike gold, yet without my addiction to these books, I wouldn't understand life inside the Rolling Stones' bubble (Keith Richard's smart 2010 book "Life"); how it feels to be the most-disliked member of the Wu-Tang Clan (U-God's touching "Raw" from 2018); the value of keeping your mouth shut as a member of Judas Priest (K.K. Downing's "Heavy Nights"); or being married to Phil Spector (Ronnie Spector's harrowing 1990 memoir "Be My Baby"). "Running With the Devil" from 2017 isn't



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Don't look to Liz Phair's memoir "Horror Stories" to get insight into the making of her iconic album "Exile in Guyville."



"The Rihanna Book" is more akin to a bound Instagram account than a memoir.

quite a musician memoir; it's by Noel E. Monk, former manager of Van Halen, who paints an image of entitlement so ugly, you yearn for levity — such as that time, backstage at the Aragon in 1978, while opening for Journey, Eddie Van Halen hit Steve Perry with so much guacamole the Journey leader began to cry.

Bad behavior is always a plus.

The downside is that, in many of these books, redemption and recovery becomes a drag for a reader, and sometimes the artist. Which is one reason why Elton John's excellent **"Me"** (*Henry Holt*, \$30) — the best of the latest wave of music memoirs — flows so effortlessly: He's deliriously upfront about addiction, and even better on the difficulty of recovering when you've spent decades surrounded by a culture of enablers. He regards his crazy world for what it is. He checks into rehab in 1990 — at Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge of all places — then quickly realizes he hasn't operated a washing machine since the '60s. He flips out and insists he's being treated differently. He writes:

"That afternoon in Chicago, I stormed out of the meeting, went back to my room, packed my bag and left. I got as far as the pavement outside. I sat down on a bench with my suitcase and burst into tears. I could easily make some phone calls and get out of here but where was I going to go? Back to London? To do what? Sit around in a dressing gown covered in puke, doing coke and watching porn all day?"

A handful of pages later, Gianni Versace is imploring him to spend \$100 million on a tablecloth sewed by nuns. It's that kind of book, revealing because he never pretends to settle into ordinary life.

But then, when your life is insane, why wait for someone else to describe it?

We'll never know for sure just how much **"The Beautiful Ones"** (*Spiegel & Grau*, \$30) by Prince might



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Only 30 pages of "The Beautiful Ones" were written by Prince before he died, but it still offers insight into his life.

have revealed about the Minneapolis genius. He died soon after the book was announced and only finished about 30 pages, all of which are included (both handwritten and typed), never quite advancing beyond high school. Of the many archives used to flesh out those pages is a remarkable scrapbook Prince created in the middle of night, just after signing to Warner Bros., that shows the artist both more playful than we're familiar with and more direct — he wrote "bad dad" next a photo of his father.

Ironically, however, his death allowed a degree of candor that gives a clearer picture of Prince the Human Being. Dan Piepenbring, the *Paris Review* editor hired to ghostwrite **"The Beautiful Ones,"** provides a lengthy, fascinating account of what it was like to work with Prince. Favorite anecdote: Prince held up the announcement of the book until the publisher would agree that the artist could pull the book from circulation, at any point in the future, if he decided the Prince portrayed in its pages no longer jibed philosophically with who Prince had grown into. (Prince lost that demand.) Even better is the rollickingly fun **"On Time: A Princely Life in Funk"** (*Da Capo*, \$27) by Morris Day, Prince friend, protege and leader of the Prince-constructed band The Time. Read **"The Beautiful One,"** then quickly turn to **"On Time."**

Day — born in Springfield, Ill., then relocated to Minneapolis as a child — gives his memoir an audacious, oddly effective pre-

lude: It's a conversation between Day and a late Prince. They bicker over the star's punishing, unpredictable behavior, but never who deserves credit. Day owes his career to Prince and says so in the first sentence, but he also doesn't shy from describing a friendship derailed.

Prince, who became a Jehovah's Witness, insisted that Day join him knocking on doors, evangelizing. In March, Alicia Keys' memoir, **"More Myself"** (*Flatiron*, \$29.99), also recounts a couple of meetings with Prince, whom she recalls as effortlessly intimidating and bluntly critical, sniffily noting that her audience was getting whiter and the sound at her shows sucked.

I've come to think about these books as adult variations on young-adult fiction: nonfiction fantasies best taken in clumps for the full story, binged for a few days at a time.

They read faster this way.

Day's book, for instance, nicely pairs with the much-weaker **"Wham! George Michael & Me"** (*Dutton*, \$28) by Andrew Ridgeley, aka that other guy from Wham! Both Day and Ridgeley became Robins to their respective Batmans, and they don't pretend otherwise. "I waited for George. I always waited for George" — that's Ridgeley's opening. Problem is, by the time Wham! is George Michael, there are still another 170 pages left.

The hope, of course, is a world-famous pop star can offer insight from behind the scenes — surely, that's what the big advances from publishers say — and yet,

Long Island in the late '70s, yet his new memoir, **"Sweat the Technique"** (*Amistad*, \$24.95), gets shoehorned with bland tips for enhancing creativity — "Find your path," "Embrace conscious energy."

You read it wishing the publisher had the faith in Rakim's storytelling that Rick Ross' publisher showed with **"Hurricanes"** (*Hanover Square*, \$27.99), which plays like a snapshot of the same genre 40 years, several police raids and a lot of conspicuous consumption later, long after rap left the neighborhood block parties and backyard cookouts that Rakim writes about. Ross' book succumbs, however, to a different problem, common in music memoirs by stars still on the rise: They sound too busy to reflect. As with Rihanna, one day Ross dreams of stardom, the next he's an empire.

Some music memoirs get around this by remaining for as long as they can in the scrappy lean times, the formative years. Debbie Harry's **"Face It"** (*Deey Street*, \$32.50) is hard to put down while it's recounting the deluge of superstars (Andy Warhol, Joey Ramone, David Byrne) and derangement (she's raped at knife-point, hitchhikes a ride from serial killer Ted Bundy) that defined punk and 1970s New York City.

By 2000, she's writing at length about that time in London she walked into a plate-glass door. The Canadian sister duo Tegan and Sara's often compelling **"High School"** (*MCD*, \$27) wisely stays there, as a tag-team portrait (they alternate chapters) of growing up in Calgary in the 1990s, listening to male-centric alt-rock and realizing they're attracted to girls. Country singer Allison Moorer's **"Blood"** (*Da Capo*, \$27) goes even narrower, to memories of her late parents, who died when her father killed her mother and himself.

Alive, he stood between her and her mother; dead, "he gets between us now, taking up all the space and spreading over my memories like coffee spilled on a white tablecloth."

If there's a common thread in these books — beyond the music, fame and headaches — it's the parents, who are often bad parents. Indeed, Elton John is less forgiving of his hateful mother than Moorer gets towards her father. Tegan and Sara recall feeling less pained about the suicide of their step-grandfather than the suicide of Kurt Cobain. Flea, the bassist for the Red Hot Chili Peppers, recalls in **"Acid for the Children"** (*Grand Central*, \$30) how his father abandoned their family and went back to his native Australia, leaving Flea with a mother who "never did understand or relate to children."

Comparably, **"Year of the Monkey"** (*Knopf*, \$24.95), Smith's second memoir since **"Just Kids,"** also narrows her life to a single beat — in this case, to 2016, a year of loss and mourning — but it's aimless, more like a poetic adaptation of her day calendar.

At least she doesn't offer advice.

Music memoirs by nature are attempts to wrangle coherence from what must feel like a random series of events spread across an unexpected life overstuffed with incident. And so, there's a bad habit in these books of seeing good luck as a parable for self-reliance, veering uneasily close to self-improvement advice, meanwhile conveniently forgetting the armies of assistants and bank accounts that smooth the path. Keys, in her upcoming book, writes that while trying to break away from Columbia Records, she sat at home, "turned down the world's volume and tuned into the whisper of my spirit."

Similarly, Rakim, arguably the smartest writer from the early days of hip-hop, is skilled at explaining his laconic style and evocative with his memories of

the more enigmatic characters, adds a lot of life to that mix.

The work generally deepens in Act 2, as Christie sends you off down her signature garden path, far away from the real truth. She has been much copied, hasn't she?

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Court

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With one exception, the cast of characters in "The Mousetrap" stay alive.

Director Sean Graney's new production at Court, a theater better known for Sophocles than Christie, is broadly played and comic, sometimes to the point of intentional subversion.

How you feel about the show, which features such droll character actors as David Cerdá, Carolyn Ann Hoerdermann and Alex Goodrich, will depend on how old school you like your Christie. If you are a traditionalist and see these works as psychological thrillers, grounded in truth and regular human behavior, you might, like me, resist some of the theatrical flourishes on the grounds

that they threaten belief. The performances are all scaled differently and that means it is hard to see a consistent world of normalcy. This production wants to be a satirical comedy as much as a thriller.

On the other hand, if you were a fan of the movie "Knives Out" and see tweedy old Christie as in need of some shaking up for a new moment, you'll likely have similar fun here,

When: Through Feb. 16

Where: Court Theatre, 5535 S. Ellis Ave.

Running time: 2 hours, 15 minutes

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watching everyone cavort around Arnel Sancianco's amusing set. We didn't

really need some of the pretty terrible English accents.

The three core performances, though, come from Kate Fry, Allen Gilmore and Erik Hellman. This trio has palpable respect for the quality of the material, and they sufficiently anchor the show in actual behavior and insecurity to allow the all-important plot to do its thing. And the actress Tina Muñoz Pandya, playing one

WATCH THIS: MONDAY



Ian Ziering

"Challenge" (12 p.m., 9:01 p.m., 12:01 a.m., Food): The theme of the Season 4 finale is "Monopoly Cakes," linked to the timeless board game about real estate and investments. Host Ian Ziering introduces four virtuoso cake artists who respond to their challenge brilliantly, delivering cakes that reference beloved playing pieces as well as such top-tier properties as Park Place. Matt Adlard, Keegan Gerhard and Claudia Sandoval are the judges.

"All American" (7 p.m., CW): Tyrone (guest star Demetrius Shipp Jr.) is back on the streets, forcing Spencer (Daniel Ezra) to step outside his comfort zone and turn overly protective of Coop and Laura (Bre-Z, Monet Mazur) in the new episode "Protect Ya Neck." Elsewhere, a nervous Olivia (Samantha Logan) looks for support from Asher (Cody Christian) as her SoLA Muse Cotillion event looms, but he seems more focused on football than ever. Coop's jealous streak comes out, threatening her relationship with Patience (guess star Chelsea Tavares).

"9-1-1: Lone Star" (7 p.m., FOX): Judd (Jim Parrack) accuses Owen (Rob Lowe) of giving preferential treatment to TK (Ronan Rubinstein) in a new episode called "Texas Proud," and the circulation of another viral rescue video leaves Marjan (Natacha Karam) feeling ostracized at her new mosque. While the team responds to an accident at a grain silo, Owen tries to help Michelle (Liv Tyler) uncover new information about her sister's disappearance. Sierra McClain also is featured.

"Black Lightning" (8 p.m., CW): Jefferson, Anissa and Jennifer (Cress Williams, Nafessa Williams, China Anne McClain) are dismayed to discover that the entire Pierce family is being pursued by the ASA in the new episode "The Book of Marikovia: Chapter Two." Elsewhere, Lynn (Christine Adams) does something unthinkable. James Remar, Damon Gupton, Marvin Jones III and Jordan Calloway also are featured.

"Prodigal Son" (8:01 p.m., FOX): In the aftermath of a mysterious and nearly catastrophic incident at the precinct, Bright (Tom Payne) finds himself the target of a pointed review by the department's internal affairs division. Meanwhile, even Gil (Lou Diamond Phillips) and the other supportive members of the team find themselves increasingly concerned that Bright's mental health is very fragile indeed. Michael Sheen, Bellamy Young, Aurora Perrineau and Halston Sage also star in the new episode "Internal Affairs."

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Comic/actor Keegan-Michael Key.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): TV host Michael Strahan; actor Matt Bomer; actor Nick Thune.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actor Larry David; comic Pedro Gonzalez.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live!" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

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ABC 7	The Bachelor (N) © HD					The Good Doctor: "Sex and Death." (N) © HD	News at 10pm (N) ♦	
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AMC	Titanic (PG-13, '97) ★★★★	Leonardo DiCaprio. A woman falls for an artist aboard the ill-fated ship. ♦						
ANIM	Alaska: Last Frontier	Alaska: Last Frontier	Alaskan Bush People (N)	Alaskan				
BBCA	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Trek: DS9 ♦			
BET	+ (6) Soul Plane (R, '04) ★★	National Security (PG-13, '03) ★★	Martin Lawrence, Steve Zahn. ©					
BIGTEN	Tip-Off (N)	College Basketball: Wisconsin at Iowa. (N) (Live) ©		Postgame			B1G Show	
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FREE	The Notebook (NR, '04) ★★ Ryan Gosling, Rachel McAdams. ©						700 Club ♦	
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MSNBC	All in With (N)	Rachel Maddow Show (N)	The Last Word (N)				11th Hour (N)	
MTV	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.		
NBCSCH	NBA Basketball: San Antonio Spurs at Chicago Bulls. (N) (Live)						Bulls (N)	
NICK	+ (6:30) Are We There Yet? (PG, '05) ★★ Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©		
Ovation	+ (6) Hatfields & Mccoys: "Episode 1."	Hatfields & Mccoys: "Episode 2." © (Part 2 of 3) ♦						
OWN	Dateline on OWN ©	The Real Story w/Salinas	Deadline: Crime	Dateline ♦				
OXY	NCIS: "Status Update."	NCIS: "Patience." ©	NCIS: "No Good Deed."	NCIS ♦				
PARMT	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops (N) ©	Cops ©	Cops ©		
SFY	+ XXs Return	Star Trek (PG-13, '09) ★★★ Chris Pine, Zachary Quinto. ©						
TBS	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Conan (N)		
TCM	Shoah: Four Sisters © ♦							
TLC	90 Day Fiance: Watch Party: "Choose Me." (N)						90 Day Fiance: "Episode 12." ♦	
TLN	Supernatural IMPACT	Faith Chi	Faithwire	Robison	Billy Graham	Humanit ♦		
TNT	+ (6:30) Guardians of the Galaxy (PG-13, '14) ★★★						Transformers (PG-13, '07) ★★★ ♦	
TOON	Home Movie	Burgers	Burgers	Rick, Morty	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Family Guy	
TRAV	Beyond the Unknown (N) ©						Beyond the Unknown (N) Unknown ♦	
TVL	Raymond	Everybody Raymond	Raymond	King	King	King		
USA	WWE Monday Night RAW	The aftermath of the Royal Rumble. (N) (Live) ©					Miz & Mrs. ♦	
VH1	Love & Hip Hop (N) ©	Love & Hip Hop Miami (N)	Love & Hip Hop ©				Hip Hop ♦	
WE	Criminal Minds ©	(7:56) Criminal Minds	(8:52) Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds			Criminal ♦	
WGN America	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Carter (N) ©	Last Man		
HBO	+ John Wick: Chapter 3	The New Pope (N) ©	The Outsider ©				Pope ♦	
HBO2	The New Pope ©	Going the Distance (R, '10) ★★					Thank You for Smoking ♦	
MAX	Unstoppable (PG-13, '10) ★★★ ©	(8:40) The Adjustment Bureau (PG-13, '11) ★★★						
SHO	Shameless: "Gallavich!"	On Becoming a God	The L Word				The Circus	
STARZ	+ (6:54) Power ©	(7:54) Waterworld (PG-13, '95) ★★ Kevin Costner. ©					Power © ♦	
STZENC	+ (6:24) Slender Man ©	Spy Kids 2: The Island of Lost Dreams					(9:43) Stargate ('94) ★★★	

CHICAGO FORWARD

YOUNG LIVES IN THE BALANCE

Presented by **Chicago Tribune**

Monday, February 24

6:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Doors Open: 5:30 pm
Venue Six10
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Chicago Forward brings together key voices and thought leaders to explore the future of our city. Please join us on Monday, February 24 for the first of our three events focused on Chicago Forward: Young Lives in the Balance.

Chicago Tribune Publisher and Editor-in-Chief Bruce Dold will lead a discussion on empowering Chicago's at-risk youth. The program will be followed by a reception for the speakers and audience. Panelists include:

- > **Lori Lightfoot**, Mayor of Chicago
- > **Sandra Abrevaya**, President and Chief Impact Officer, Thrive Chicago
- > **Alex Kotlowitz**, author, *An American Summer: Love and Death in Chicago*
- > **Tom Gilardi**, Vice President of Youth Programs, Mercy Home for Boys & Girls
- > **Marcelo Sanchez**, Mercy Home for Boys & Girls alum

Horoscopes

Today's birthday (Jan. 27): Friends bring valuable gifts this year. Generate visions and plans to develop, build and grow. A new dream calls to you this winter, before health or work barriers take priority. Community efforts shift direction next summer, leading to renewed physical energy. Together, you're invincible.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 6. Listen to intuition. Everything seems possible. Make long-term plans and dreams. You can see the road to follow. Postpone launching. Wait for developments.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 7. Imagine your team winning. You're gaining confidence with practice and deeper understanding. Disciplined efforts pay off. Don't get intimidated.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 7. A stroke of genius opens new professional possibilities. Rearrange your schedule to accommodate an opportunity. Ignore old worries and do the homework before presenting.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 8. Take practical actions toward realizing an adventure. Consider dream destinations and fantastic potential. Take precautions and pack carefully. Monitor conditions. Travel light.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Financial conditions favor a clear vision. Coordinate for a shared goal. Don't fund a fantasy; get your ducks in a row before making your move.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. A romantic connection could get dreamy. Wait for the perfect moment. Find a private way to share your appreciation for another's partnership.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Practice your physical performance. Infuse it with passion and magic. Focus mind, body and spirit on producing exemplary work. Eat well and rest deeply.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. There's magic in the air. Resist the temptation to throw your money around. Enjoy sweet company and cook up a little romance together.

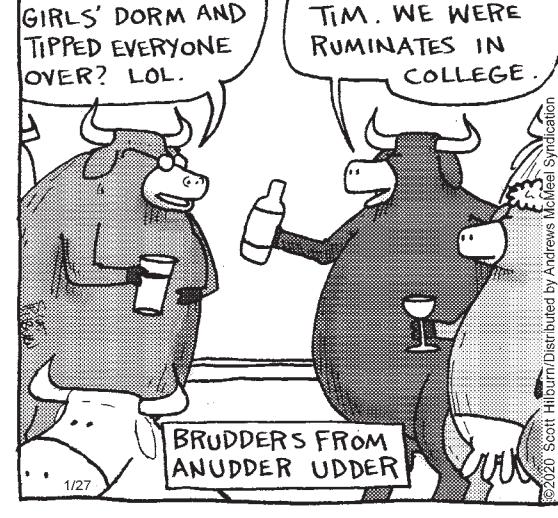
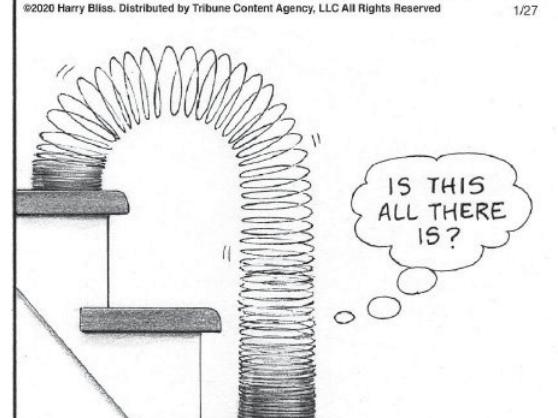
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 7. Fantasy trumps practicality. Discover something marvelous for your home and find a way to showcase it. Use mood lighting to create the perfect ambiance.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Indulge your creativity for dreamy results. Invent works of beauty and intrigue. Add imaginative flourishes. Articulate a bold vision.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Your touch may seem golden. Crank out profits and keep producing. Set high standards and achieve them. Listen to your heart for guidance.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 9. Dress for success. You're especially attractive. Try an eclectic look. Play the role you want to become to see if it fits. Follow a dream.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn**Bliss** By Harry Bliss**Bridge**

Here are the answers to the weekly quiz:

Q.1—Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♦ A K 9 5 ♠ 9 ♦ A J 9 8 ♣ A Q 10 3

Partner opens 1S and right-hand opponent passes. What call would you make?

A.1—A splinter bid is limited to a hand that will happily accept partner's sign-off. This hand is too good. Bid 2NT, if that shows a game-forcing raise, or 2C otherwise.

Q.2—North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♦ K 10 7 ♥ A 8 4 ♦ Q 10 ♣ K J 9 5 4

South West North East

1♣	Pass	1♥	Pass
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What call would you make?

A.2—Bid 2H. We want our doubleton to be headed by at least the king in order to rebid 1NT rather than raising.

Q.3—Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♦ K 9 8 7 2 ♥ J 7 ♦ 10 6 5 ♣ Q 7 4

North East South West

1♣	Pass	1♠	Pass
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2NT	Pass	?	
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What call would you make?

A.3—You have enough to raise to game, but why not look for a 5-3 spade fit before settling for 3NT. Bid 3D and give partner a chance to show three spades, if he has them.

Q.4—North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:

♦ A 10 9 7 5 4 2 ♥ 9 ♦ K 7 ♣ 10 7 4 2

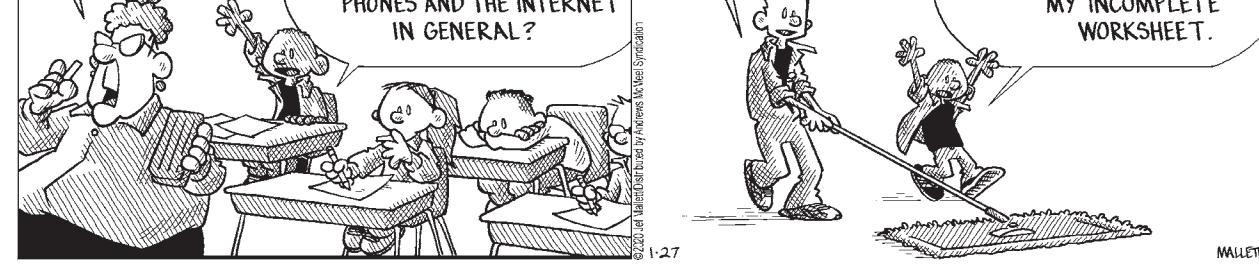
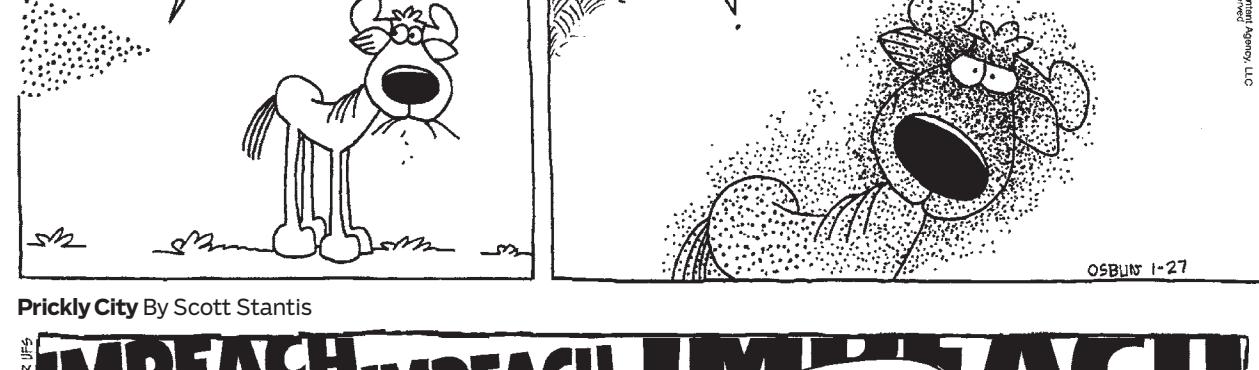
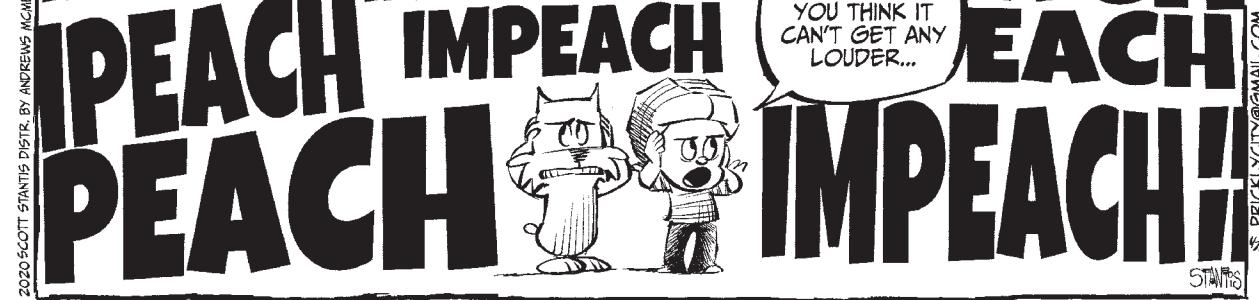
Partner opens 1C and right-hand opponent passes. What call would you make?

A.4—Should you respond to an opening bid with this hand? Of course you should. Bid 1S. Would you be unhappy if partner raises you to game?

— Bob Jones

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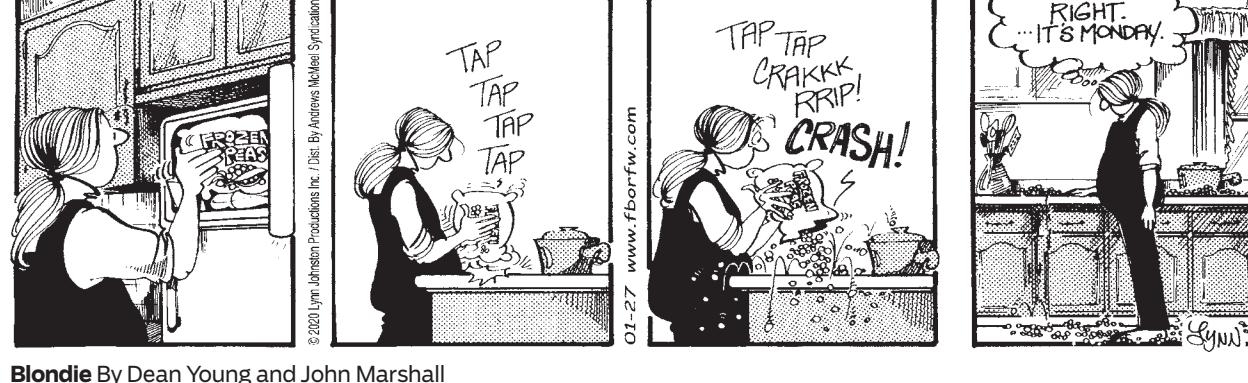
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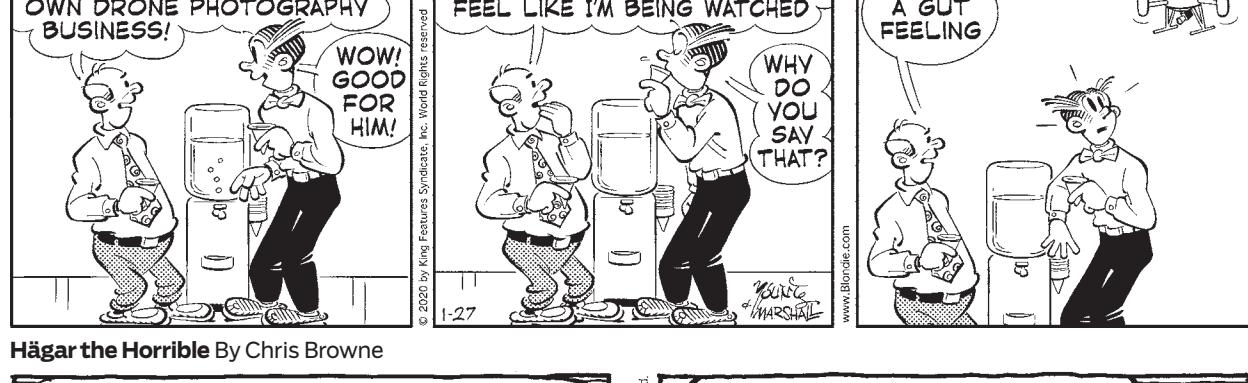
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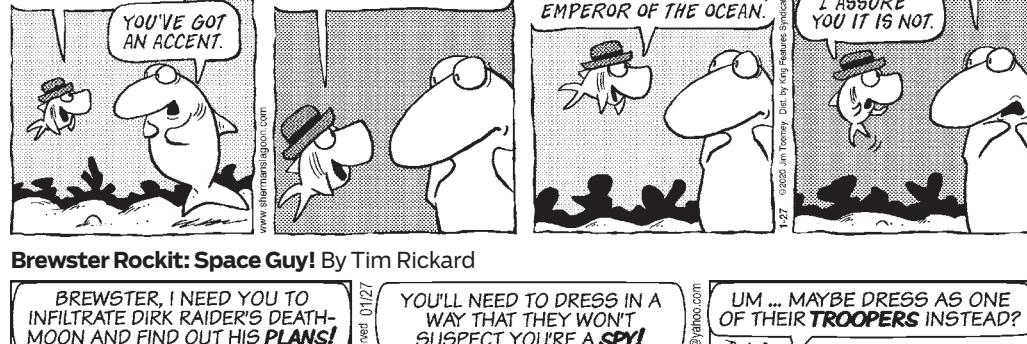
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Trivia Bits

What sea separates Australia and New Zealand?

A) Andaman Sea

B) Coral Sea

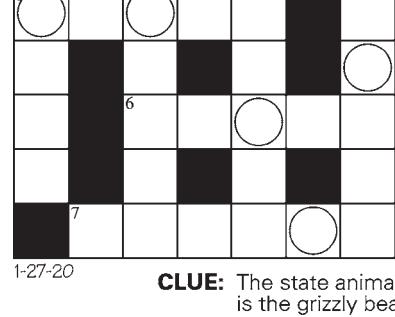
C) Scotia Sea

D) Tasman Sea

Saturday's answer: A statue of Ronald Reagan was donated to the National Statuary Hall by the state of California in 2009.

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Jumble Crossword



ACROSS

1. Grassy plains
5. Wanderer
6. Famous, eminent
7. James _____.
1. Rain ___,
2. Souvenir,
3. Examiner,
4. Manage, tolerate

ANSWER

- PASMPA
DANOM
TODEN
RMONEO
HOOCPN
MTONMEE
UAIDORT
LEANHD
STY ATM LETUPS
DARE SILO HUMAN
SNEAD TIN ORBIT
SPUD GETSARAISE
OUR FIRESIGN
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DOWN

ANSWER

- ENTREATING OMNI
AVIATRUX GOLA
SNEAD TIN ORBIT
SPUD GETSARAISE
OUR FIRESIGN
CRATES CRY RIP
ISLEY SWAT MIRO
AUNT BARRICADES
TIER FREEMASONS
ETTA FINDERSEE

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

BONUS

ANSWERS: 1A-Parmigiano Reggiano 5A-Nordic 6A-Notted 7A-Monroe 1D-Potato 2D-Marmites 3D-Auditor 4D-Hamlet 5D-B-Montana

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Sudoku 1 2 3 4

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5			4		2			3
			9	5				
3				6				
	7					1		
3	6		8	7	5			4
				9			5	
					3		6	
					2	1		
2			7		4			8

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

Saturday's solutions

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2	4	7	6	5	9	3	1	8
6	1	8	2	3	7	5	4	9
5	3	9	1	8	4	7	6	2
9	7	4	3	6	5	2	8	1
3	2	1	7	4	8	9	5	6
8	6	5	9	2	1	4	7	3
1	9	6	4	7	2	8	3	5
4	8	2	5	1	3	6	9	7
7	5	3	8	9	6	1	2	4

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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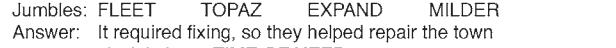
GLIMEN



RFAOLL



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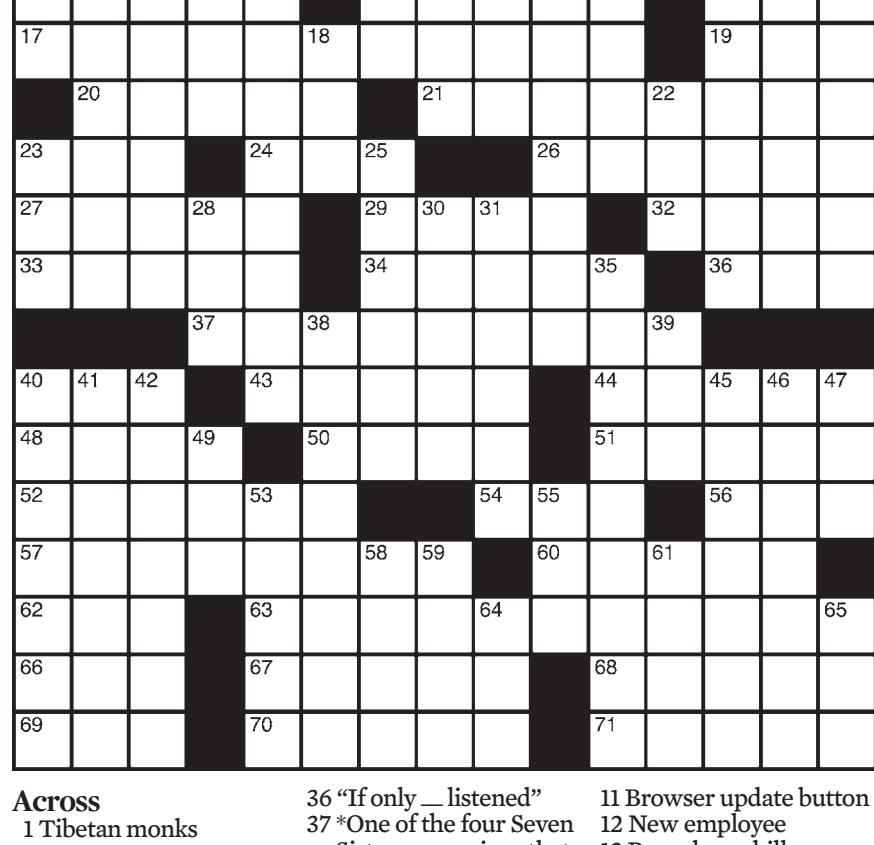
Saturday's answers

Jumbles: FLEET TOPAZ EXPAND MILD
Answer: It required fixing, so they helped repair the town clock in its — TIME OF NEED

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Crossword

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Across

1 Tibetan monks

6 Rise up against authority

11 U.S. interstate, e.g.

14 Grind, as teeth

15 Amazon Echo Dot's voice service

16 West end?

17 *Mystery/soap (1956-'84) that ultimately dropped "The" from its title

19 Pilot-licensing org.

20 "Grrr!" is one

21 Understood by a select few

23 Garden shed tool

24 Smidge

26 Give in

27 Light-circling insects

29 Send out

32 "Got it"

33 Start, as of symptoms

34 John Brown's eulogist Stephen Vincent

36 "If only ___ listened"

37 *One of the four Seven Sisters magazines that are still in print

40 H.S. equivalency test

43 Hopscotch

44 Sonnet line quintet

48 Chrysler Building architect William Van ___

50 Campus official

51 Longest river in France

52 As found

54 Cartoon frame

56 Prefix with gender

57 Christmas saint

60 Quarterfinalists' count

62 Suffix with alp

63 *Television panelist shown from the shoulders up

66 Opposite of oui

67 Under-the-roof

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MONDAY, JAN. 27

NORMAL HIGH: 31°

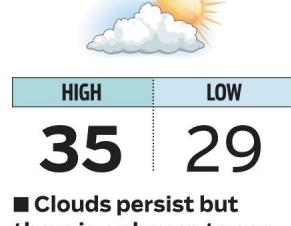
NORMAL LOW: 16°

RECORD HIGH: 62° (1916)

RECORD LOW: -10° (1955)

Cloudy, warm January continues this week

LOCAL FORECAST



■ Clouds persist but there is a chance to see sunlight through brief breaks in the clouds after four consecutive overcast days.

■ Little change in the temperature with a high slightly above normal in the mid 30s.

■ Light northwest winds 4-8 mph.

■ Mostly cloudy skies continue into the overnight hours.

■ Very light nighttime winds from the northwest.

■ Low near 30, almost 15 degrees above normal.

NATIONAL FORECAST



TUESDAY, JAN. 28

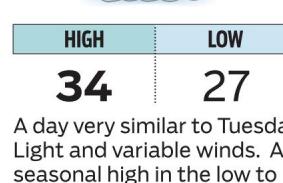


High pressure to the west brings a chance to get a quick peek of sunlight. Mostly cloudy with a high in the mid 30s. Light NNN winds. Mostly cloudy overnight and calm with a low in the upper 20s.



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

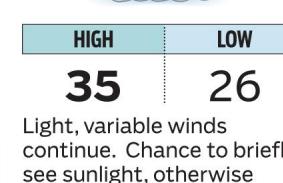
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 29



A day very similar to Tuesday. Light and variable winds. A seasonal high in the low to mid 30s. More breaks in the clouds overnight with calm winds. Low in the upper 20s, more than 10 degrees above normal.



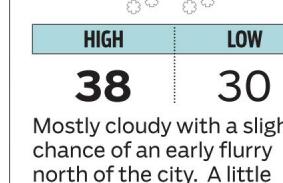
THURSDAY, JAN. 30



Light, variable winds continue. Chance to briefly see sunlight, otherwise mostly cloudy. High in the mid 30s. Mostly cloudy overnight. Nighttime lows remain above normal with a low in the mid 20s.



FRIDAY, JAN. 31



Mostly cloudy with a slight chance of an early flurry north of the city. A little warmer with a high in the upper 30s. Chance of light snow or flurries beginning after sunset. Warmer nighttime low near 30.



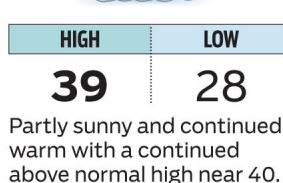
SATURDAY, FEB. 1



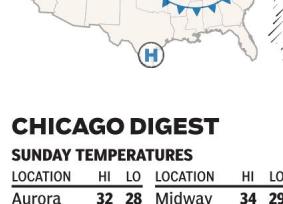
Morning snow showers possibly mixing with rain. Cloudy and unseasonably warm with a high near 40. Winds shift NW and increase to 10-20 mph. Mostly cloudy overnight with a slight chance of light snow.



SUNDAY, FEB. 2



Partly sunny and continued warm with a continued above normal high near 40. NW winds 10-15 mph. Skies begin to clear overnight. SW winds overnight keep nighttime temperatures well above normal.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
Avalanches have occurred in recent weeks in the western states and in Europe. What conditions cause avalanches?

Jeremy Atchllor,
Peoria, Illinois

Dear Jeremy,
Avalanches occur tens of thousands of times annually across the world. A majority of them are unobserved and most occur on terrains sloping from 30 to 45 degrees. They are characterized as "loose snow" or "slab" avalanches.

Slab avalanches are the most frequent and deadly, and sometimes are a mile or more across. Forward speeds can reach 120 mph, and about 85% occur during or after snowstorms during which temperatures rise, snow is falling heavily, or has recently fallen, and it is windy (15 mph or greater). Snow falling off trees or overhanging cliffs, even skiers, can initiate avalanches.

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WGN-TV meteorologists Mark Carroll, Steve Kahn, Richard Koerner, Paul Merzock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.

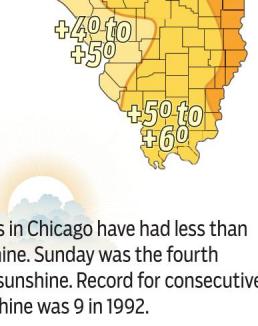
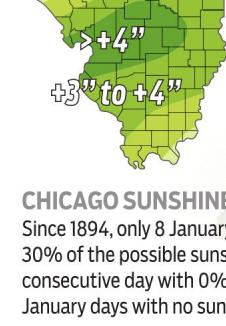
Hear Demetrios Ivory's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.

Warm, wet January with little temp change over the weekend

JANUARY PRECIPITATION & TEMPERATURES RUNNING WELL ABOVE NORMAL

Total precipitation departure from mean (JAN. 1-25, 2020)

Average temp (°F) departure from mean (JAN. 1-25, 2020)



SATURDAY'S TEMPS & PRECIPITATION TOTALS

LOCATION	HIGH	LOW	PRECIP
O'Hare	34°	32°	0.12"
Midway	35°	33°	0.10"
Aurora	33°	32°	0.22"
Rockford	35°	33°	0.31"
Romeoville	33°	31°	0.06"
Waukegan	35°	33°	0.21"
Wheeling	36°	34°	0.20"

Chicago January Climate Summary

Through 4 p.m. Sun (And departure from normal)

AVERAGE TEMP (F) 29.7° (+5.9°)

Precipitation 2.72" (+1.24")

Snowfall 7.2" (-1.8")

Percent of Possible Sun 29% (-13%)

SATURDAY SNOWFALL TOTALS

DeKalb	3.2"	Naperville	1.8"
Bull Valley	3.1"	Elgin	1.7"
Lindenhurst	2.9"	Wheaton	1.6"
Cary	2.5"	Waukegan	1.5"
Lake Villa	2.5"	Plainfield	1.2"
St. Charles	2.3"	Manhattan	1.0"
Highwood	2.2"	New Lenox	0.6"
Riverwoods	2.0"	Palos Park	0.5"
Geneva	1.9"	Park Forest	0.4"
Algonquin	1.8"	Downers Grv.	0.4"
Batavia	1.8"	Merrillville	Trace

SUNDAY'S TEMPERATURES & PRECIPITATION

LOCATION	HIGH	LOW	SUNDAY PRECIPITATION
O'Hare	33°	29°	O'Hare 0.00"
Midway	34°	30°	Midway 0.00"
Aurora	32°	28°	Aurora 0.00"
Rockford	33°	28°	Rockford 0.00"
Romeoville	32°	28°	Romeoville Trace
Waukegan	34°	32°	Waukegan 0.00"
W. Chicago	33°	29°	W. Chicago 0.00"
Wheeling	35°	32°	Wheeling 0.00"

■ Very little temp change Saturday - Sunday with cloud cover.

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CHICAGO DIGEST

SUNDAY TEMPERATURES

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	32	28	O'Hare	34	29
Gary	36	32	Midway	33	28
Kankakee	32	30	Romeoville	32	28
Lakefront	35	30	Valparaiso	33	29
Lansing	33	30	Waukegan	34	31

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

PERIOD	2020 NORMAL
Sun. (through 4 p.m.)	0.00" 0.05"
January to date	2.72" 1.48"
Year to date	2.72" 1.48"

CHICAGO SNOWFALL

PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Sun. (through 4 p.m.)	0.0" 0.0"	
Season to date	17.5" 14.2"	
Normal to date	18.6" 19.7"	

SOURCE: Frank Wachowski

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

MONDAY	10-15 kts.	20-30 kts.
Wind	NW 10-15 kts.	NW 20-30 kts.
Waves	1-3 feet	1 foot

Sun. shore/crib