#### **IMPEACHMENT OF PRESIDENT TRUMP**



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President Trump says he will speak Thursday about "our Country's VICTORY on the Impeachment Hoax."

# SENATE JURY ACQUITS TRUMP

#### Romney cites 'oath before God' in bucking GOP on 1 of 2 charges

By LISA MASCARO AND MARY CLARE JALONICK Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump won impeachment acquittal Wednesday in the U.S. Senate, bringing to a close only the third presidential trial in U.S. history with votes that split the country, tested civic norms

and fed the tumultuous 2020 race for the White House.

With Chief Justice John Roberts presiding, senators sworn to do "impartial justice" stood at their desks to state their votes for the roll call — "guilty" or "not guilty" — in a swift tally almost exclusively along party lines. Visitors, including the president's allies, watched from the crowded

gallery

Roberts read the declaration that Trump "be, and is hereby, acquitted of the charges."

The outcome followed months of impeachment proceedings, from Speaker Nancy Pelosi's House to Mitch McConnell's Senate, reflecting the nation's unrelenting partisan divide three years into the Trump presidency.

What started as Trump's request for Ukraine to "do us a favor" spun into a far-reaching, 28,000-page report compiled by House investigators accusing the president of engaging in shadow diplomacy that threatened U.S. foreign relations for personal, political gain as he pressured the

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## Should Chicago open safe sites for drug users?

There's already a makeshift network — and it's saving lives

#### By Elaine Chen

In the year he lived in an abandoned building in Humboldt Park, David Cole says he came to the aid of at least six people overdosing from drugs. And maybe saved their lives.

One time, a woman took cocaine and heroin and "just kind of laid back," said Cole, 57, a user himself. "I thought she was chilling, so I was reading a book. And I look over and I said, 'Whoa, her lips are blue.'

"I calmly took the stuff out and gave her a shot," he said, referring to naloxone, a medication that can rapidly reverse an opioid overdose. "She came through."

Cole left the building about a

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David Cole, 57, living at a homeless encampment at Belmont and Kedzie avenues, helps one of his neighbors insulate his winter camp early last December. He said he has been using heroin for years and has saved other users by administering naloxone.

# A green light for red-light cam ban

House committee advances bill after Sandoval guilty plea

#### By Dan Petrella

An Illinois House committee voted unanimously Wednesday to advance a measure that would ban controversial red-light traffic cameras in many towns across the Chicago area and outside St. Louis.

The full House in 2015 approved a similar measure, also sponsored by Republican state Rep. David McSweeney of Barrington Hills. But it was blocked in the Senate by then-Sen. Martin Sandoval, who pleaded guilty in federal court last week to accepting at least \$70,000 in bribes to act as a "protector" for red-light camera company SafeSpeed.

The House Transportation Committee voted 11-0 to advance McSweeney's bill, which would ban the cameras in non-home rule communities in Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry, Will, Madison and St. Clair counties, to the full House for a vote. Non-home rule communities — generally those with 25,000 or fewer residents — have more limited powers under state law.

McSweeney said he favors banning all red-light cameras and has introduced legislation that would do so, but he said this proposal is a first step.

"This was the bill I was given
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## Despite low risk, coronavirus

As anxiety swirls in US and Chicago, get dose of perspective

fears viral

#### By Kate Thayer

As the novel coronavirus spreads — even if mostly on the other side of the world — some in the U.S. are panicking, especially people with underlying anxiety issues triggered by health or germs.

Myths swirling on social media about the virus can also add to the panic, prompting experts to advise the public to consider the source of the information

information.

It's also important to keep things in perspective, listen to public health officials' declaration that the risk remains low in the United States, and focus on reasonable preventative measures that are always beneficial during cold and flu season, said Vaile Wright, a psychologist based in Chicago and Washington, D.C., and director of clinical research at the American Psychological Asso-

ciation.

"The anxiety around the coronavirus is driven by the uncertainty around it," she said. "A lot remains unknown. When you have that level of

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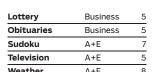
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Adam Schiff, D-Calif., leaves the Senate chamber Wednesday.

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## **JOHN KASS** Trump impeachment backfires on Democrats

The partisan impeachment of President Donald Trump finally passed, mercifully, like a kidney stone, with Democrats grimacing helplessly during acquittal in the Senate on Wednesday.

It's over.

The cable news networks loved it because they love a show but there was no real drama. Americans knew for months how this would turn out. They knew Democrats didn't have the votes in the Senate. It was all about targeting select Republican senators in the next elections.

The people turned off this farce of Democratic Impeachment Theater long ago.

Americans aren't as dumb as some politicians think they are. They paid attention for a while. They read the transcript of his phone call to Ukraine — which needed military assistance - asking for an investigation into the Bidens.

But they figured this thing out. They saw the flaws in the arguments. Independent voters didn't think the call — which didn't ultimately prevent Ukraine from getting military aid and didn't lead to a Ukraine investigation into the Bidens — was grounds to remove a president.

Many Republicans don't think Trump's call was "perfect," as he insists, but they didn't want to remove him from office for it. And they knew that a presidential election was less than a year away. So, they decided to move on.

"Right now, this is a political loser for them," Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell said, referring to the Democrats. "They initiated it. At least for the short term it has been a colossal political mistake.'

Now there are three questions: When do the House Democrats bring another impeachment?

Can Trump, who can handle adversity, handle success? Or will he self-destruct?

And what about House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, who cemented herself in the American mind as a petulant child, angrily ripping up her copy of Trump's State of the Union speech?

The impeachment did backfire.

When it began, on the heels of the Mueller report's failure to prove Trump was a secret Russian agent, the president's approval ratings began to rise.

His poll numbers have skyrocketed, climbing to the highest they've ever been. A new Gallup poll shows him with 49% support, his highest level since taking office. And he has an astounding 63% approval rating for his handling of the booming economy, according to the poll.

During his State of the Union speech the other night, Trump didn't mention the impeachment once.

With Pelosi sitting behind him, muttering to herself like some angry bag lady alone on a night train, he didn't have to mention it.

He focused instead on his accomplishments and the economy, which infuriates his enemies. When he was done, Pelosi grabbed Trump's speech, and in a fit of petulance, theatrically ripped it to shreds.

That partisan rage will last in the American mind and be featured in Trump political commercials, just as CNN anchor Don Lemon's laughter mocking Trump voters as illiterate rubes will last until November.

To some of her most ardent, childlike fans, Pelosi's temper tantrum made her seem like something of an

epic heroine. Oddly, many adults don't see Pelosi as a heroine. They don't see her as the Childlike Empress of "The NeverEnding Story." And they probably don't even see Pelosi as Boudica, the fierce warrior queen of the Celts.

They might see her for what she is, a politician who grew up in politics in the family of a Democratic political boss and who likes to hold the levers of power.

Her tantrum could have been calculated. It could have been her understanding that she's inexorably losing control of House Democrats, and that this may have been her last State of the Union speech.

Or it may have been frustration. Pelosi reads the polls; she can see her impeachment gambit caused Trump to rise. She heard him masterfully weave emotion into his

showmanlike speech:

He reunited the soldier with his family; he accepted the thanks of that 100-year-old Tuskegee airman who proudly stood to salute his president. He awarded the Medal of Freedom to conservative radio icon Rush Limbaugh.

Most worrisome for the Democrats, he cast himself on the side of African Americans struggling with the criminal justice system. He took the side of a mother whose daughter was sentenced to substandard urban public schools. He called these "government schools."

Perhaps Pelosi, after this long ordeal, could no longer suppress her rage and she just cracked.

Pelosi once wisely said she wanted no part of a purely partisan impeachment, that it would be wrong for the country and her party. But power is like sugar, once the body is hooked on blueberry pie, it always wants

So, Pelosi capitulated to the urgings of her wild-eyed Inspector Javert, Adam Schiff and pushed impeachment.

Schiff blew it. He hid the identity of the so-called whistleblower rather than allow him to testify and explain the political motivation behind his complaints about the Ukraine call.

Was the whistleblower a plant of Obama administration intelligence officers? Had the whistleblower talked to other witnesses, or Schiff's staff, or Schiff himself, and helped set the whole thing up?

Americans don't believe in political fairy tales. And this was the glar ing fault of the House Democratic impeachment.

House Democrats didn't take the time to go to court and compel White House witnesses to testify, but then whined about the lack of witnesses in the Senate trial. They brought vague charges that were not

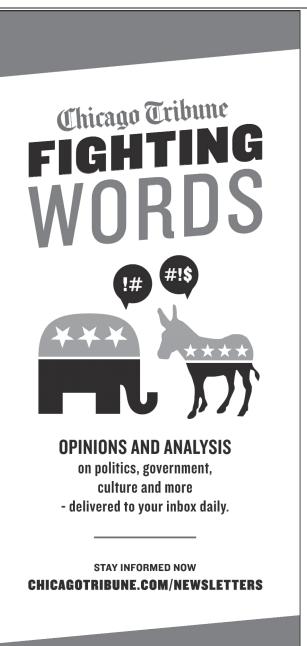
It was partisan. It backfired and it ended in pain, like a kidney stone.

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### Nancy Pelosi tearing up Trump's speech was 'Jerry Maguire' and 'Thelma and Louise' and all our favorite rule-breakers brought to life



Balancing Act

As a political strategy, I'm not sure Nancy Pelosi tearing up her copy of President Donald Trump's State of the Union speech worked all that well.

As political theater? It was

And maybe that's what she believed this particular moment in history called for.

Will it be used against her? Of course. It already is. She's being accused, from both sides, of failing to exercise decorum, behaving unpatriotically, throwing a tantrum, tossing civility out the window, stooping to Trump's level, distracting from the Democrats' message, handing Republicans an easy, flashy talking point.

But she also struck a nerve. She also inspired a #NancyPelosiROCKS hashtag and 1,000 memes and a gif for the

There was something so satisfying, so delicious, so validating in watching her every measured movement. The rising from her seat. The straightening of the papers. The tearing. More straightening. More tearing. More tearing. More straightening. More

It was Jerry Maguire's mission statement, copied and bound for all of his co-workers.

It was "Thelma and Louise's" Thelma telling off Darryl from a phone booth on the dusty trail to freedom.

It was Andy throwing her cell phone into a fountain in Paris in "The Devil Wears Prada."

It was Elizabeth Warren, nevertheless persisting.

It was Michelle Obama saying "that s—- doesn't work all the time" about Sheryl Sandberg's

lean in edict. It was a moment when our protagonist knows the rules, has played by those rules, has propped up those rules and has, in the heat of the moment, decided those

rules are a bunch of malarkey. It was our protagonist deciding those rules are not taking us where we need to go. Those rules



House Speaker Nancy Pelosi tears her copy of President Donald Trump's State of the Union address Tuesday after he delivered it to a joint session of Congress on Capitol Hill in Washington.

are, in fact, holding us - me, you, humanity - back. It would be a violation of all that's good and holy to continue living under those rules.

A lot of us have dreamed of being that protagonist.

Does it all work out in the end? Depends on your definition of "work out." Depends what you count as a victory.

Jerry Maguire got fired (but found true love and his own soul), and Thelma drove off a cliff (but blissfully away from Darryl, accompanied by her best friend in the world, and having slept with J.D., played by Brad Pitt). Their freedom was, in part, their downfall. But it was still freedom.

Real life is trickier, as Warren and Obama will attest. Who knows whether Pelosi's speechshredding will hurt or help the Democrats in November. Who's to say that question even entered her There was something so satisfying, so delicious, so validating in watching her every measured movement. The rising from her seat. The straightening of the papers. The tearing. More straightening. More tearing. More tearing. More straightening. More tearing.

mind. She may not have been thinking about her party. She may have been thinking about her platform. And she may have decided that, in that moment, she was going to use that platform to make her particular feelings about this particular president and that particular speech loud and clear.

Joe Wilson, the South Carolina Republican who yelled "You lie!"

at President Barack Obama during a 2009 joint session of Congress, made a similar decision. Let's not pretend those vaunted halls haven't played host to incivility before. That very evening, in fact, President Trump refused to shake the hand Pelosi extended him.

Pelosi shredding that speech spoke to something both timeless and timely — our need to draw a

line and refuse to normalize the chaos around us, even when we feel powerless to contain it. Some of us feel that in our families. Some of us feel it in our politics. Some of us feel it in our workplaces. Some of us want to rise to our feet and straighten the documents we've been handed and then tear them to shreds in front of the stunned audience gathered in our office conference room.

On Tuesday night, Pelosi was our protagonist. And she was also a lot of us. I don't know what happens next, but that moment was something beautiful.

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## Chicago Tribune CHICAGOLAND

## Durkin challenges Arroyo replacement's legitimacy

Ex-rep accused of bribery had hand in successor choice

By Dan Petrella

Illinois House Republican leader Jim Durkin filed a petition Tuesday challenging the legitimacy of new state Rep. Eva-Dina Delgado, a Chicago Democrat chosen by local party leaders to replace former state Rep. Luis Arroyo.

The challenge came the same day Arroyo pleaded not guilty to a bribery charge in a federal courtroom in Chicago. Arroyo is charged with bribing a state senator to support sweepstakes gambling legislation that would have benefited one of the former legislator's City Hall lobbying cli-

Durkin's petition said allowing Arroyo to have a role in selecting his replacement "calls into question the in-tegrity of the process and the House itself."

When Arroyo resigned his seat Nov. 1 after being charged, House Speaker Michael Madigan warned Democratic Party leaders in the 3rd House District that any replacement selected with votes from the 36th Ward, where Arroyo remains the committeeman, "would call the legitimacy of the appointment into question, and the qualifications of their candidate would be challenged by the full Illinois House of Representatives."

A group of committeemen on the Northwest Side defied Madigan and went ahead on Nov. 15 to name Delgado, then chief of staff at Peoples Gas, to the seat with votes from the 36th Ward. While Arroyo did not participate in the vote directly, he gave his share of the weighted vote to 30th Ward Ald. Ariel Rebovras, who then had enough of the vote to control the process. Reboyras has said he didn't consult Arroyo about the selection.

"A clean break from the arrested legislator is required to reestablish the General Assembly's trust with its constituents," Durkin wrote in the petition, filed Tuesday with the



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Rep. Eva-Dina Delgado, a Chicago Democrat, was chosen by local party leaders to replace former state Rep. Luis Arroyo, who has pleaded not guilty to a bribery charge.



House Republican leader Jim Durkin said "a clean break from the arrested legislator" was needed to restore confidence.

House clerk. "Had the votes of Mr. Arroyo not been part of the selection process, this appointment would not be called into question."

Despite his public statement before the selection, Madigan had been silent on the subject since. Spokesman Steve Brown said in an email Tuesday that Madigan will review Durkin's petition "and take the appropriate action required by

House rules." Delgado, an attorney and former Chicago Police Board member, pushed back against the idea that she was Arroyo's choice for the position, noting that he circulated nominating petitions for another candidate.

"I wouldn't have participated in the process if Arroyo had been involved in any way," she said. "Part of the reason I even stepped up to do this is I didn't want the district to go a whole year without being repre-

Delgado said she met

briefly with Madigan last week but did not discuss the possible qualifications challenge. "As far as my qualifications go, I think they stand for themselves," she

Democratic Rep. Anne Stava-Murray of Naperville also filed a qualifications challenge against Delgado on Tuesday.

Now that the petitions have been filed, House rules call for the formation of a special committee to review the appointment. Democrats would have the majority on the committee, but the exact number of members would be determined by Madigan.

The committee would investigate the allegations raised in the challenge petitions and make a recommendation to the full House. Ultimately, it would require a three-fifths majority vote to remove Delgado.

She would have the right to be represented by an attorney, present a defense, and confront any witnesses or evidence presented against her.

Reboyras has vowed to take legal action if the House votes to remove Delgado. He and other committeemen who participated in the selection process said naming a replacement without input from Arroyo's ward would disenfranchise thousands of voters in the majority Hispanic district.

Some of the district's committeemen, however, including Ald. Carlos Ramirez-Rosa, 35th, and state Sen. Robert Martwick, boycotted the vote.

Delgado was appointed to serve out the remainder of Arroyo's term, which runs through January 2021. She's currently running against Chicago teacher Nidia Carranza in the March 17 Democratic primary. No Republicans have filed to run in the district, so the primary winner is likely to be unopposed in the November general election.

While Arroyo pleaded not guilty Tuesday, he has waived indictment and has been charged instead in a one-count criminal information, a sign he is likely to plead guilty at a later date. His next court hearing is set for March 17 — the same day as the primary.

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Mayor Lori Lightfoot was a guest of U.S. Rep. Robin Kelly, right, at Tuesday's State of the Union address at

the U.S. House of Representatives in Washington.

## Lightfoot labels Trump's address as 'offensive'

Mayor says she was ready 'to walk out' if president took aim at Chicago

across the

country to

By Lisa Donovan

Mayor Lori Lightfoot said she was prepared to make a very public exit from the U.S. House chamber if President Donald Trump took aim at Chicago, as he's been known to do, during his State of the Union address.

"I was ready. I literally grabbed my coat and I thought, 'If he says Chicago, I'm going to stand up in a way that people can see me and I'm going to walk out," Lightfoot told the Tribune in a telephone interview from Washing-

Instead, the president focused some of his criticism on his hometown "It's imporof New York, tant for holding up its

sanctuary city status as part of **mayors** the reason a "criminal alien" killed a 92-yearold woman there.

stand up." "Tragically, there are many cities in Ameri-Lightfoot ca where radical

politicians have chosen to provide sanctuary for these criminal illegal aliens. In sanctuary cities, local officials order police to release dangerous criminal aliens to prey upon the public, instead of handing them over to (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) to be safely removed," Trump said Tuesday night.

Lightfoot joined many Democrats in Washington and across the country in complaining that Trump's speech was one of many "offensive," false and divisive comments directed at Democrats but intended for the benefit of the president's Republican allies in Congress and GOP voters watching.

Chicago is among the nation's sanctuary cities, which generally prohibit local authorities from cooperating with federal immigration police, often by refusing to hold people arrested on local charges past their release date at the request of federal immigration officers.

Last year, the Transactional Records Access Clearinghouse at Syracuse University released an analysis showing that immigrants in sanctuary cities are 20% less likely to be arrested out in the community than in cities without such policies.

"Sanctuary cities are not about releasing 'criminal aliens' to rape and pillage in our streets," Lightfoot told the Tribune. "That's an outrageous and offensive thing

to say." The White House did not immediately respond to a request for comment on Lightfoot's criticism. Trump's address to the

nation came during a po-

litically polarizing election year in which he's trying to secure a second term — and one day before the Republican-controlled U.S. Senate ended the president's impeachment trial by acquitting him of abuse of power and obstruction of Congress

Lightfoot said the president should have attempted to unite the country regardless of party affiliation. Instead, she said, she viewed the address as a pep rally of sorts for Republicans.

"The president missed an important opportunity to really set a vision and to

try to set the process bringing the country gether" and that was evident "in terms of the content of the speech and his body language," Lightfoot told the Tribune. "He literally spent 90-plus percent of his

time only speaking to the Republican side of the chamber. He rarely looked over to the Democratic side. So he missed a

real opportunity." Asked whether she liked anything she heard from the president, including him saying that his Opportunity Zone program – designed to provide subsidies for development in poor neighborhoods — had helped 9,000 communities, the mayor said simply that she didn't

trust the president's data. She acknowledged that Chicago had benefited from the program — and is happy to work across the aisle to help communities in need, an issue she campaigned on and says it remains a priority.

Lightfoot last month boycotted the president's address to the U.S. Conference of Mayors meeting, also in D.C. But she said she nonetheless accepted an invitation from U.S. Rep. Robin Kelly, a southwest suburban Democrat, to be her guest at the president's address Tues-

"It's important for mayors across the country to stand up and to be counted and to make sure cities are on the map of national politicians, of national elected officials," Lightfoot said.

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### Naperville City Council votes to ban sale of commercially bred dogs, cats at pet stores

By Erin Hegarty

In a 5-4 vote, the Naperville City Council approved an ordinance Tuesday prohibiting the sale of commercially bred dogs and cats in Naperville pet stores beginning in 2021.

The decision, years in the making, came after dozens of people publicly urged the council to enact a measure that proponents say will prevent dogs from puppy mills and disreputable sellers from being available for purchase in Naperville

Many of those supporting the ban donned yellow "Go humane" shirts at Tuesday night's meeting, and some shared stories of sick dogs bought from pet stores and cited the high-interest rates charged by the stores to finance dog purchases. More than 40 people, the majority from Naperville, publicly spoke in favor of the ban right before the council vote.

The ordinance takes effect Jan. 1 and allows pet stores to sell only dogs and cats sourced from humane and rescue groups.

Council members Theresa Sullivan, Patty Gustin, Judy Brodhead, Paul Hinterlong and Patrick Kelly voted in favor of prohibiting the sale of dogs from commercial breeders. Council members Benny White,

Kevin Coyne, John Krummen and Mayor Steve Chirico voted "no."

Gustin said she believed the decision centered on Naperville's values.

Who are we as a community? We are community that cares for animals and the people of our community," Gustin said.

Sullivan said she had "no reservations, none whatsoever" about supporting the prohibition.

But Chirico questioned whether the ordinance will have any real effect in stopping irresponsible breeders.

"I'm not seeing the connection here," he said.

The council considered other alternatives before the vote, including adopting stricter standards for pet stores that sell animals obtained from commercial breeders. Chirico, White, Krummen and Coyne voted in favor of that option.

The owner of Petland Naperville and others opposed to the ban said it will lead to the closure of Petland and Happiness is Pets in Naperville and would limit consumer choice when it comes to buying dogs. They argued that efforts to stop bad practices should directed at breeders, not stores.

"Legislation must target the source - bad breeders and not the pet stores," said Carl Swanson, owner of Petland Naperville.

Naperville resident Dianne Arp said the issue of "puppy mill dogs" often presents a "knowledge gap."

"A ban will not close pet stores selling puppy mill dogs," Arp said. There are pet stores in Naperville that do not make money off the sales of commercially bred dogs yet still do fine finan-

cially, she said. The issue of whether Naperville should adopt more stringent rules has been under discussion since 2014. The council initially tightened the rules governing how animals are sold in stores but until Tuesday stopped short of an outright ban on the sale of commercially bred dogs.

Votes have previously been delayed while the council waited to see how courts ruled on similar ordinances approved by other governments or if state or national laws would be

This year, the issue of interest rates charged to people who finance the purchase of a dog through pet stores was brought into the argument. Proponents of the ban said the high interest rates charged by stores, sometimes reaching or exceeding 100%, were outra-

"It's not just the breeders and it's not just the pet stores. Those are two com-

ponents," Kelly said. "It's the breeders, the brokers, the transport, the pet stores, the financing for the consumers both our residents and other neighboring towns' residents who come to shop in our city. There's problems at every step of that process that I think are quite clear."

According to Petland Naperville's website, about 80% of its customers finance the purchase of their

"While it might seem strange to finance your pet we make this option available to our customers so they don't have to worry about a large expense right up front and can focus more on spoiling their dog! We find that about 80% of our customers finance their purchase of their pet so even if you don't NEED to, you might want to consider this option; especially with some of our same-as-cash options," the website reads.

Kelly said it may not always be easy to draw a direct line from breeders to specific pets in specific stores, but "the preponderance of the evidence is fairly overwhelming that there are serious problems." Passing a humane ordinance won't be a "magic bullet" to solve the problem, but it will better protect consumers, he said.

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## Iowa caucus debacle shows Democrats have one shot to beat Trump: Unite or all is lost



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OK, I need the following people to come here: liberals, Democrats, progressives, liberal-leaning centrists, alleged independents, guy at the coffee shop who doesn't believe in "political labels," and anyone else who hasn't taken membership in the Cult of Trump.

Have a seat and give a listen: Donald Trump is probably going to be reelected in November.

Yeah, I know, you don't want to hear it much less imagine it, and neither do I. But in the wake of what just happened in the Iowa caucuses, with the Democratic Party effectively wetting the bed on its first sleepover of the presidential campaign, it seems some pragmatism is in order.

Trump has an immovable base that stands somewhere between 40% and 50% of voters, depending on which polls you trust. Those people's minds will not be changed. They march in lockstep with Trump, like stormtroopers flanking an incompetent version of Darth Vader. No breaking news, no investigative reports, no revelations of vile indecency or flat-out criminal behavior will impact their hero wor-

Add to that a good (mainly for rich people) economy, a strong flank of evangelical voters who care only about stacking the courts with conservative judges and a right-wing media system that gleefully amplifies the president's incessant lies, and you have a force wholly resistant to outdated concepts like "honesty" and "American decency."

It's hard to swallow



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Caucus participants stand with their presidential candidates' group at the Drake University field house on Monday.

these facts. We've watched Trump degrade the office of the presidency while Republicans circle the wagons tighter and tighter and pretend up is down and bad is good. It leaves those of us who reject Trumpism slack jawed, feeling the world has split into two disparate realities.

So let's consider what just happened in Iowa and why it portends another Trump term and America's continued slide toward authoritarianism.

First things first, the Iowa caucuses were a mess. The Democratic Party has no excuse for utilizing an app that wasn't ready for prime time.

Trump and Republicans ruthlessly mocked Democrats over the delay in caucus results, and the ridicule is deserved. When you've focused so much time on the importance of election security, and on highlighting Trump's enthusiasm for election meddling, you can't make a total cock-up of the nation's first primary.

But wait, you say, what happened in Iowa was a technology error that simply delayed the caucus results. There's no indication the final vote will be wrong or that there was wrongdoing.

Silly you. That's thinking from back when truth and reality mattered. They don't matter anymore, at least not to Trump and Co., so the Iowa confusion was immediately spun into conspiracy theories aimed at getting Americans in general and liberals in particular to doubt election

Republican Sen. Lindsey Graham excused himself from fanning King Trump with palm fronds long enough to tweet up a conspiracy about the voting system failure, suggesting

it's crazy to think the problems had "nothing to do with a Bernie blowout and a Biden crash."

THEY'RE OUT TO GET BERNIE SANDERS! JOE BIDEN FINISHED

POORLY SO THEY DE-LAYED THE RESULTS TO PROTECT HIM!

There's no evidence to suggest any of this is more than a fever dream. But here we are.

And the truth is, the caucuses could have gone swimmingly, and Graham, Trump and others would still have found something they could use to foment distrust and dissent. That's what Democrats seem to be missing: You can't face off against a fully united and happy-to-hurl-garbage front if your side is divided. Truth won't be enough to save the day because they are going to drown truth in lies unimaginable, and they'll do it while holding

hands like one big, repressed family.

Democrats have to match that level of unity. And they aren't doing it not even close.

Democratic candidates and their supporters responded to the Iowa debacle in different ways, some expressing patience, others suggesting dirty tricks, some prematurely declaring victory and trying to move on to New Hampshire.

That's the wrong response, which isn't surprising, because everything Democrats are doing in this primary is wrong.

One thing matters right now: defeating Donald Trump. And the only way that happens — and it's a long shot — is if Democrats bind together every bit as tightly as Trump's legion of gloom.

That means candidates and their supporters knock

off attacks on one another. That means advertising money goes toward shining a light on the myriad things Trump has done wrong, most of which are well known to political junkies but barely known to the millions lucky enough to live outside the bubbles of Twitter and Facebook.

That means a Democratic candidate makes clear her or his policy ideas and allows primary voters to make a decision without hearing candidates tear each other down. None of these policy ideas are going to matter a lick if you don't push out the immovable object merrily tweeting lies from the White House.

If you want to criticize anyone, criticize Trump. (Trust me, it's easy.) And if you have to say something about a Democratic opponent, let it be praise. Or say vou might disagree here and there, but would gladly back that person in the election every step of the

There can be no cracks. There can be no divisions.

The right Democratic response to Iowa would have been: Something went wrong here, it's a bad mistake, but we will wait for the full results to come in, accept those results in good faith and move forward supporting each other, knowing any one of us will be a vast improvement over Donald Trump.

Let the primary system do its job, compete and advocate, but march united. Don't let yourselves split into factions.

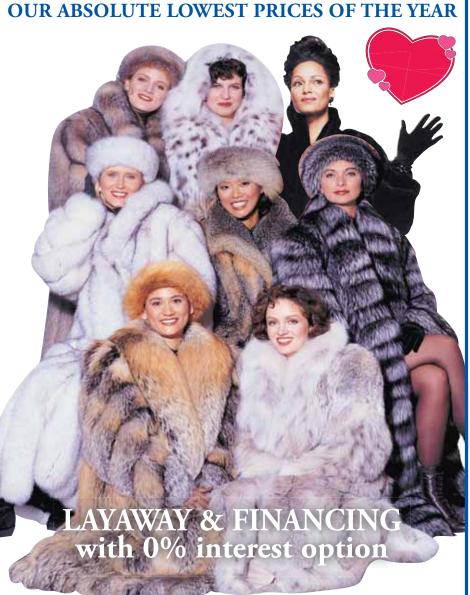
This isn't a normal election year and these aren't normal times.

So I beg you, liberal folks, act like there's only one thing that matters.

Why? Because at this moment in our history, there's only one thing that

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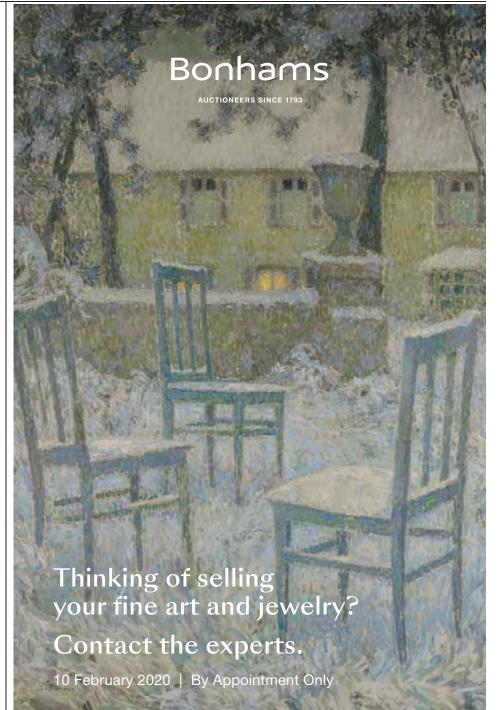
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## New Trier grad pleads guilty to \$10 million fraud

By Jason Meisner

Far from the lights and pizazz of Las Vegas, Robert Gorodetsky stood Wednesday in an austere federal courtroom in Chicago looking nothing like the highrolling, casino-hopping gambler he'd long portrayed himself to be on social

Dressed in a dark suit and black glasses, Gorodetsky, a North Shore native and New Trier High School alum, spoke so softly that the judge asked him to move toward the microphone.

But when U.S. District Judge Elaine Bucklo asked Gorodetsky to state what he did for a living, she still couldn't hear his answer.

"He's very soft-spoken," said his lawyer, Chris Gair. "What he said was, 'Professional gambler.'

Moments later, Gorodetsky, who once touted himself as the next big thing in sports gambling, pleaded

guilty to stunning federal fraud charges alleging he stole nearly \$10 million in a fraud scheme and blew it on outrageous bets and a highend Las Vegas lifestyle.

Gorodetsky, 27, of Northbrook, pleaded guilty to wire fraud and filing a false tax return. Under federal sentencing guidelines, he faces up to six years in prison, according to his plea agreement with prosecutors. He also must repay \$7.2 million in outstanding

Bucklo set sentencing for April 29.

With his custom cap stenciled with the word "GAMBLR," high-end jewelry and luxury cars, Gorodetsky carefully cultivated his image on Instagram, regularly posting photos of himself hobnobbing with beautiful women and professional athletes under the moniker "Big

But prosecutors alleged that while Gordetsky was making a name for himself, he was also orchestrating a massive fraud scheme against a single victim who invested millions of dollars with him in the mistaken belief that the funds were wisely invested and earning handsome dividends.

Instead, Gorodetsky was using the cash to fund his Las Vegas operation, placing reckless bets on sporting events and living a lavish lifestyle that was both celebrated on social media and scorned by some veteran gamblers.

In all, Gorodetsky stole nearly \$10 million from the investor — identified only as Victim A – from 2014 to 2017, the charges alleged.

The son of a radiologist father and a mother who works in real estate, Gorodetsky grew up in the North Shore and graduated from New Trier in 2010, records show.

His interest in gambling started in high school when he would use his father's

Ameritrade account to make trades on his laptop in class, according to news reports.

He later went on to study at the University of Arizona but dropped out before completing his freshman

After a stint as a professional poker player, Gorodetsky's profile as a maverick sports bettor rose dramatically in December 2017 with a lengthy USA Today profile labeling him "one of the most compelling and controversial" figures

The article described how Gorodetsky bet more than \$1 million in one week that fall, dropping \$350,000 on a single NFL Sunday and tens of thousands of dollars more on Major League Baseball games, the NBA, tennis, soccer and even high school sports.

Gorodetsky was known for placing wild, high-risk parlays with little or no research on the teams or

players, according to the profile. He claimed to have won up to 65% of his sports bets – a figure instantly questioned by gambling experts in online blogs.

According to the criminal charges, over a four-month period beginning in Februarv 2014, Gorodetsky fraudulently obtained more than \$953,000 from Victim A "for the purported purpose of investing in the stock market."

Instead, he used the vast majority of it - \$737,000 for himself.

In July 2014, Gorodetsky falsely told the victim that his original investment had increased to \$2 million due to successful trades but that "greater returns would be had in sports wagering," according to the charges.

Over the next three years, Gorodetsky continued to ask Victim A for more money, creating false statements that misstated the balance of the victim's account, the amount and kind

of wagers placed by Gorodetsky, as well as the profits and losses of those bets and Gorodetsky's spending on luxury items, according to the charges.

In that time period, Gorodetsky spent at least \$2.2 million of the victim's money on items unrelated to sports bets, including to pay his living, travel and entertainment expenses, as well as purchase luxury cars and jewelry, the charges

According to the USA Today profile, Gorodetsky arrived at casinos wearing \$6,000 Louis Vuitton hoodies and \$2,500 high-top sneakers.

He also rolled with a "colorful crew" that included a financial manager, an enforcer and a pickup artist, it said.

"It's not just gambling. It's a lifestyle," Gorodetsky was quoted as saying.

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#### Fears

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uncertainty, it really makes some people feel more vulnerable and threatened."

But to most people in the U.S., the virus is not a major threat, Wright added.

The virus, which originated in China late last year, has sickened more than 20,000 people worldwide and killed more than

In the U.S., there are 12 confirmed cases, according to public health officials. And most of those affected had traveled to China or live with someone who did, according to public health officials. This includes the two confirmed cases in Illinois: a Chicago woman who had gone to China to care for a sick relative, along with her husband, both of whom remain in isolation at a Hoffman Estates hospital.

But as the coronavirus, which the World Health Organization has deemed a global health emergency, dominates the news and social media feeds, many continue to worry.

"People need to be thinking about risk assessment and determining what's realistic and what's not,' Wright said. "The reality is (coronavirus in the U.S.) is a super low probability event. You are more likely to get (influenza)."

Because the general public is more familiar with influenza, or flu, which circulates each year, there's less panic, Wright

Wright advises people with anxiety to focus on what they can control, like good preventative health: washing hands and staying home if they're sick.

"This is really about de-



Passengers on a flight from Shanghai arrive in Terminal 5 at O'Hare International Airport on Jan. 24, 2020.

veloping a different way of thinking, instead of going to this place of ... thinking of the worst-case scenario," she said. "It's really more about gathering accurate information and making sure it's from a reliable source and do this assessment of risk. How likely is this that this will happen? Not too likely."

Skokie therapist Lynn Zakeri said those who are typically anxious and afraid of things they can't control are prone to a fear of being sick.

"It's the ultimate body

betrayal," she said. And there's a distinction between just common, everyday worry and being paralyzed by the fear of this

virus, Zakeri said. She said it's good for the anxious to focus on what they can do, and are doing, to maintain good health, rather than thinking of all the possible things that could happen. That includes typical good-health measures and relying on accurate information.

But it's not surprising that misinformation circulates in a time of crisis, said Sanket Shah, clinical assistant professor of biomedical and health information sciences at the University of

Illinois at Chicago. That includes rumors about avoiding certain foods to prevent the virus and wearing face masks in the U.S. when the CDC has advised it's not necessary, among other myths.

"There's a lot of misconceptions out there," Shah said, adding that that's been the case since the dawn of social media. "Naturally the reality is this issue of misinformation and false factoids have been distributed through these platforms. It's true of the coronavirus, and it's going to be true for the next epidemic. You always hear things about exaggerations or embellishments or nontruths. It's hard to contain."

It's partly up to the user to sort fact from fiction, he said, by considering the source. Reputable health organizations are a valid source, while bloggers are not, Shah said.

It's also important to report bad information through social media plat-

forms' mechanisms for doing so, Shah said, adding that it's also up to these platforms to halt the spread of myths.

"You have to be educated and savvy enough to understand what is the source of this information," he said. "There's a bit of common sense that needs to be articulated. You don't believe everything that you read. There needs to be some skepticism."

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### Man shot on Blue Line train near UIC-Halsted stop on city's Near West Side

By Javonte Anderson AND WILLIAM LEE

A man was shot Wednesday morning on a CTA Blue Line train near the UIC-Halsted stop on the Near West Side, according to Chicago police.

The victim was on the third car from the front of the train when he was shot in the back just after 10:30 a.m. in the 400 block of South Halsted Street, according to Chicago police spokeswoman Karie James.

At an afternoon news conference near the Blue Line station, Chicago police said it appeared the victim and the gunman exchanged words before the shooting. As the victim was trying to leave the train, the gunman shot him and took his backpack before fleeing the

"This wasn't just a random act," Chicago police Chief of Patrol Fred Waller said. "It appears to be a robbery-related at this

The victim, described only as an adult male and approximately 30 years old, was taken by ambulance to Stroger Hospital, where he was listed in serious condition, according to the Chicago Fire Department.



ABEL URIBE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE A police officer, left, stands inside a train Wednesday where a man was shot on the CTA Blue Line train in the 400 block of

Chicago police spokesman Anthony Guglielmi tweeted that "detectives (were) actively speaking to witnesses" and investigators had "secured multiple video sources" from the CTA ... We are working in real-time to track direction

of flight of the offender." Though the shooting occurred near the University of Illinois at Chicago campus, university officials released a statement saying the victim wasn't affiliated with the school. The statement described the gunman as an African-American man standing either 6foot-3 or 6-foot-4 tall, about 20 years old, wearing a dark

South Halsted Street in the University Village/Little Italy area of Chicago.

jacket, bright red scarf and carrying a silver revolver. He ran northbound on Peoria Street and then westbound on Van Buren with the victim's backpack and wallet, UIC officials said.

The shooing caused major delays on the Blue Line heading into the lunch hour, with trains in both direc-

tions bypassing the UIC-Halsted stop and running on the same track between LaSalle and Racine.

Police officers used yellow tape to block off a short stretch of the 400 block of South Halsted Street, including the entrance to the UIC-Halsted Blue Line stop. The officers, along with CTA employees, stood in front to redirect people trying to enter the station.

Serious crime aboard CTA trains, on the rise since 2015, have flared in recent months, particularly the Red and Brown lines. The violence, which includes robberies of expensive smartphones or random attacks on unsuspecting riders, have persisted despite the installation of 1,000 high-definition surveillance cameras at CTA stations last

Earlier on Wednesday, prosecutors charged an 18year-old South Holland man with robbing two teenagers on the Red Line last month. On Tuesday, a street musician was stabbed by a woman at the Red Line's Jackson station.

The uptick in violence has led Interim police Superintendent Charlie Beck to increase police patrols.

After Wednesday's shooting, Amalgamated Transit Union 308 President Kenneth Dixon, which represents CTA's transit employees, called for police, CTA, and the mayor to make a "stronger effort" in preventing such incidents.

"These types of incidents are becoming too common," Dixon said.

## Here's what you need to know about primary voting in Ill.

By Sophie Sherry

The 2020 primaries are finally here and while all eyes were on Iowa this week, Illinois' own primary election is just around the corner, as early voting starts this week.

Early voting kicks off in Illinois, at certain locations, on Thursday and those who choose to vote by mail will begin to receive their ballots sometime this month.

The primary elections will determine the major party nominees who will appear on the ballot in November for various offices, including the party nominees for president, U.S. senator and U.S. representative, as well as judicial and statehouse candidates.

The Chicago Board of Election Commissioners is anticipating a high turnout for this year's Democratic primary, according to spokesman Jim Allen.



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A voter inserts his ballot for the 2nd Precinct in the 11th Ward on Feb. 26, 2019, at Providence of God Church in Chicago.

In the next week, Chicago election officials plan to begin emailing city residents about the various options for voting, in hopes of preparing them for Election Day March 17.

Here's what you need to know about primary voting

in Illinois:

## Registration options

You have to register before you can vote.

Options for doing so include at Illinois secretary of

state offices when receiving or renewing a driver's license, same-day registration at polling places and at your precinct polling place on Election Day. State residents can also register online until March 1.

#### An open primary

In Illinois, voters do not need to pick a political party when they register to vote, so primary elections are considered open. But voters must state a party affiliation when they get to the polling place, in order to cast a vote in a party's primary.

#### On the ballot

Voters will select delegates for the major party nominating conventions, candidates for party committee membership and party nominees for U.S. senator and U.S. representative.

On the state and county level, voters will choose party candidates for state senator and state representative, and local offices including Cook County state's attorney and Cook County court clerk, as well as judicial candidates.

The state board of elec-

tions has a rundown of all candidates who have filed.

#### **Important dates**

Early voting starts Thursday but only at the office of each local election authority. City and suburban Cook County residents can cast their ballots at designated early voting and registration locations from March 2 to March 16. Chicago election officials plan to announce the location and schedule for city residents to vote early sometime soon this

Voters can apply for mailin ballots through March 12. Ballots will be sent out later this month and must be postmarked by Election Day on March 17 in order to be counted.

Illinois Election Day is Tuesday, March 17, two weeks after Super Tuesday, when the largest number of states' will have voters cast ballots.

## At least 1 non-US citizen cast ballot after registration error

By Dan Petrella

At least one person who wasn't a U.S citizen voted in the 2018 general election in Champaign County after inadvertently being added to the voter rolls through the state's automatic voter registration program, Illinois officials said Wednesday.

The program has been under scrutiny for a mix-up that resulted in 545 people who indicated they weren't U.S. citizens being registered to vote. Of those, 16 voted in elections in November 2018 and spring 2019, the State Board of Elections said on Wednesday. However, nine of them were legally registered and had voted before automatic voter registration was implemented in July 2018.

Working with the State Board of Elections, Secretary of State Jesse White's office determined that the individual who voted in Champaign County used an immigration document as a form of identification when applying for a driver's license, office spokesman Henry Haupt said.

There were no elections decided by a single vote in Champaign County in the last general election, and that voter's registration has been canceled, officials said.

Election officials have not yet been able to account for six other voters, including two in Chicago, three in suburban Cook County and one in DuPage County.

The latest development came a day before early voting begins for Illinois' March 17 primaries.

Residents who say they

Residents who say they want to register to vote at a secretary of state facility are directed to a touchscreen to complete the process. The first question is whether the person is a citizen. If they answer no, the process is supposed to stop.

White's office has said it has corrected a "program-

ming error" that led to people's information being transmitted to the elections board even though they said they weren't citizens. It remains unclear why some people who apparently are citizens answered "no" to the question.

During a Wednesday morning hearing held by the House Executive Committee, the secretary of state's office revealed that one noncitizen had voted. White and representatives from his office sought to assure lawmakers that the problem has been corrected.

"I always believe that when you take on a job, you should take on the responsibility that goes with it," White, a Democrat in his fifth term, said near the close of the hearing. "I served in the military not once, not twice, but three times, so I know about commitment to duty. So I'm going to be at my duty

station every day, discharging my duties to the best of my abilities to make sure this situation doesn't happen again."

Even Republicans, some of whom had called for suspension of the program, seemed to shy away from criticizing White.

"You've addressed it, I believe, with the utmost seriousness," Republican Rep. Ryan Spain of Peoria said, though he asked the secretary of state's office to provide an update on the situation before the legislature adjourns at the end of May.

Lawmakers and immigration advocates, meanwhile, have raised concerns about the possible consequences faced by any noncitizen who voted after receiving a voter registration card in the mail.

"We know that these are noncitizens who are here legally and they need the protection," Republican state Rep. Tim Butler of Springfield said. "The state let them down."

Mony Ruiz-Velasco, an immigration attorney and president of the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights, testified that one of the first questions immigration officials ask when interviewing noncitizens is whether they have registered to vote or voted in an election.

"It's very likely that person could be placed in deportation proceedings," Ruiz-Velasco said.

While the secretary of state's office sent a letter to all those effected by the error, Ruiz-Velasco asked that the office preserve those records electronically and provide some kind of more official-looking certification.

The secretary of state's office also defended its decision to send information on 4,700 16-year-olds to election officials through

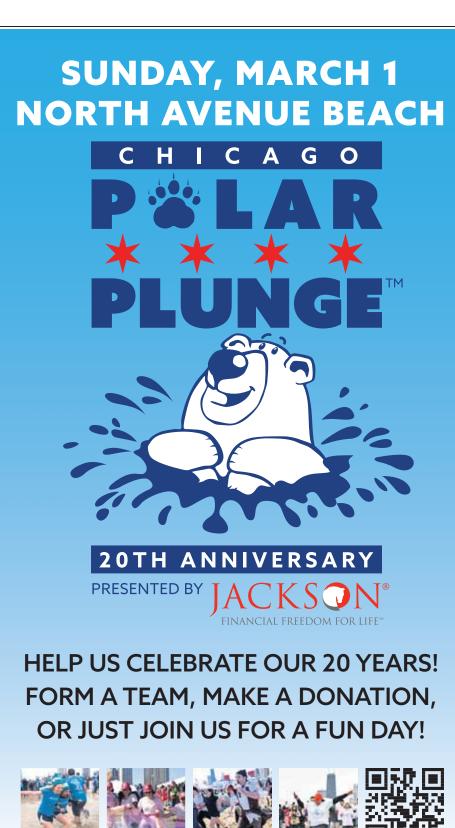
the automatic voter registration process. The issue was brought to light at an elections board meeting last week.

The office has agreed to no longer transmit information on 16-year-olds to election officials but will continue to send information on those 17 and older, Haupt said last week. Under Illinois law, 17-year-olds can vote in primary elections if they will be 18 by the time of the general election.

Officials said Wednesday that there are instances when a 16-year-old will turn 17 before the next primary and 18 before the next election.

Lawmakers encouraged the secretary of state's office to work with the elections board to fix the system so that only individuals in that category will have their information forwarded.

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Former state Sen. Martin Sandoval emerges from the Dirksen U.S. Courthouse after pleading guilty Jan. 28.

#### Camera

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the opportunity to call," McSweeney said.

Despite the controversy surrounding red-light cameras, the House proposal faces opposition from numerous municipalities, in addition to the industry itself.

It should be up to local leaders, regardless of whether or not their communities have home rule authority, to decide whether they want to pursue having red-light cameras to make sure roads safer, said Brad Cole, executive director of the Illinois Municipal League.

"We don't think these should be prohibited," Cole said. "The people who were taking bribes or paying bribes or soliciting bribes should go to jail."

Cole said his organization supports another Mc-Sweeney bill that would direct the Illinois Department of Transportation to study red-light cameras.

Although Sandoval mentioned SafeSpeed by name when asked to explain in his own words the crime to which he was pleading guilty, the company has denied knowledge of the

SafeSpeed has acknowledged it's the firm named in the federal plea deal but has said it did not know about, let alone authorize, any bribes paid by the company representative, whom the firm identified as co-owner Omar Maani, a Burr Ridge businessman. The firm said it cut ties over the weekend with Maani over his "alleged criminal activity." Maani is cooperating with the investigation, according to court records.

Sandoval, former chairman of the Senate Transportation Committee, admitted in his 27-page plea agreement that he agreed in 2016 to block legislation adverse to the red-light camera industry in exchange for \$20,000 in annual campaign contributions. McSweeney's previous redlight bill, mentioned in the federal search warrant executed at Sandoval's Capitol office last year, was still pending in the Senate at the

Sandoval received two \$10,000 campaign contributions in September 2016, first from Triad Consulting Services, a separate firm run by SafeSpeed CEO Nikki Zollar, and three weeks later from the company itself, state campaign finance re-

House committee Wednesday is one of several pertaining the red-light cameras currently under consider-

lecting unpaid red-light camera fines.

contributed.

### 18-year-old suburban man charged with **CTA Red Line** robberies of teens

By Sophie Sherry

An 18-year-old south suburban man has been charged with robbing two teenagers on the CTA Red Line train last month.

Thomas Collins, of South Holland, is charged with aggravated robbery with an indicated firearm and armed robbery, according to a news release from Chicago police.

On Jan. 8, Collins robbed a 14-year-old after threatening to shoot him in the 1100 block of North State Street about 3 p.m., according to po-

Two days later, on Jan. 10, Collins flashed a handgun before robbing a 16-year-old in the 100 block of North State Street about 1:40 p.m., police said.

Both robberies took place on the Red Line, according to police.

No injuries were reported in either attack, according to police.

Collins was arrested about 11:45 a.m. Tuesday near the 2700 block of South California Avenue.

Collins was already being held in Cook County Jail on another case, and did not appear in court Wednesday, but was expected to appear in court Thursday, according to



cords show. The bill passed out of the

ation in the General Assembly. State Comptroller Susana Mendoza announced earlier this year that her office would no longer assist municipalities in col-

Chicago Tribune's Joe Mahr

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**CHICAGO POLICE** Thomas Collins, 18, was charged Wednesday with robbing two teenagers on the CTA Red Line. jail records.

Police arrested Collins Jan. 7 in the 100 block of North State Street on CTA property in connection with a theft of labor or services charge, which often is related to someone not paying a CTA fare, according to police and court records. The incident happened about 11:20 a.m. Jan. 7 at a CTA station, according to police records.

Collins was released on his own recognizance in connection with that misdemeanor case, but also faces a criminal case in juvenile court, according to records. The details of the juvenile case weren't available.

## Uber gives \$100,000 to Chicago's 2020 census effort

By Elvia Malagón

After a contentious few months with Chicago leaders over ride-share fees, Uber has pledged \$100,000 toward the city's efforts to ensure high participation in the 2020 census.

The money is a slice of the \$675,000 in grants the city plans to distribute to 31 community-based organizations that will focus their efforts on 12 areas that had the lowest response rates in the 2010 census, according to Mayor Lori Lightfoot's which announced

The outreach is meant to boost the number of people who participate in the decennial count, which is then used to determine how federal funds are distributed and how many seats in Congress Illinois will get.

The city's announcement Tuesday comes after the ride-share company pushed back against Lightfoot's "congestion fee" on rideshare trips.

At one point, Lightfoot accused Uber without evidence of "paying off black ministers by offering them \$54 million" to fight the mayor's office expects to the Uber donation Tuesday. mayor's proposal, which the announce the groups re-

ride-share giant denied.

As of this year, the rideshare tax for a single-passenger trip in the downtown area during peak hours is \$3, up from a flat rate of 72 cents. Singlepassenger trips in outlying neighborhoods also saw an increase to \$1.25 per ride. The bumps are meant to raise \$40 million for the

To conduct census outreach, the city has already been working with Forefront, a nonprofit receiving funding from Chicago. The

ceiving the funding soon. In total, the city is expected to spend \$2.7 million toward census efforts.

In addition, the state allocated \$29 million for census outreach, which includes various organizations doing work in Chicago. As of Tuesday, all the regional intermediary groups working with the state to distribute money to smaller groups had started to get funding from the state, according to the Illinois Department of Human Serv-

computer on the counter of the treasurer's office will be open to any resident starting in mid-March to fill out the 2020 census questionnaire online, according to a news release from Cook County Treasurer Maria Pappas' office.

The U.S. Census Bureau began the push to count the country's entire population in January in remote parts of Alaska. By March 12, households across the country, including those in Chicago, will begin receiving instructions on how to At the county level, offi-fill out the questionnaire by cials this week announced a phone, internet or mail.

Uber will also be opening up its support centers, known as "Greenlight Hubs," to census efforts, though the company and the city did not provide details about that plan.

The company has three 'Greenlight Hubs,' located at 1425 W. Morse Ave. in the Rogers Park neighborhood, at 1401 W. North Ave. in Goose Island and at 853 W. 115th Street in West Pullman, according to the company's website.

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## Snubbing handshakes more common as norms fall away

By Jessica Villagomez

Taking a pass on a handshake, as President Donald Trump did Tuesday night with House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, or even shaking hands awkwardly has become more common in politics and business as longstanding norms have fallen out of fashion, according to an expert on business etiquette.

In business especially, snubs can make or break a relationship, said Randall Iden, a professor of communication studies at Northwestern University.

Shaking hands has long been considered a professional exchange. Recent incidents highlight a growing disconnect from traditional business and political norms, Iden said.

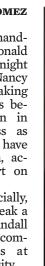
Handshakes are also a mark of polite behavior, and to avoid giving or receiving one is to have an "awkward, uncompleted social moment," Iden said.

"The handshake is ritual communication. It doesn't have a specific communicative purpose, although it can," Iden said. "Not completing it indicates that something is out of the ordinary."

A handshake deal happens in politics after a negotiation for example, Iden said.

Tuesday saw an especially tense interaction between Trump and Pelosi before and after the State of the Union address.

Trump stepped onto the podium and handed navy blue folders containing his speech to Pelosi and Vice President Mike Pence. At that moment, Pelosi extended a hand. Trump did not acknowledge it and



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Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi extends a hand to President Donald Trump ahead of the State of the Union address Tuesday at the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C.

turned around to begin his speech.

Pelosi later came under fire for tearing up her copy of the State of the Union

"Everything about the State of the Union address is a ritual moment," Iden said. "In all of those moments, there's a tense balance between partisanship and national ritual."

Iden pointed to previous presidents who would warmly shake the hands of those in their own party but more formally shake the hands of those in the other

party. Other recent perceived snubs also have had an impact, he said.

At the end of January, a video with more than 1 million views on Twitter showed Prince Charles walking by Pence without shaking his hand at a Holocaust remembrance event in Jerusalem.

The video circulated across social media with many commenting on the prince's perceived snub. Buckingham Palace and White House officials denied any malicious intent.

Trump is no stranger to critiques over his professional style. He has previously described himself as "a germ freak" and referred to handshakes as "barbaric." And throughout his presidency, Trump has been known for both his handshake snubs and uncomfortable gestures.

Back in May 2017, Trump and French President Emmanuel Macron shared an awkward, long handshake during their first meeting. The prolonged and aggressive hand contact was seen as a battle of the handshakes, with both men refusing to lessen their grip.

"President Trump has a history of awkward ritual communication," Iden said. "It's always difficult to read the things he does and read if they are deliberate or personal habits, but there are awkward interactions."

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#### Vigil for fire victims

Abani Moreno, 7, holds a photo of her friend David Castellanos III, 5, during a vigil for David and his grandfather, David Castellanos, on Wednesday outside Liberty Elementary School in Cicero. David Castellanos III, who was a kindergartner at Liberty, died with his grandfather in a fire during the early morning hours of Feb. 4 in their apartment building.

## Soldier from Palatine dies while scuba diving in Japan

Staff Sgt. Matthew Morgan was found near WWII ship

BY ANGIE LEVENTIS **Lourgos** 

A U.S. Army soldier from northwest suburban Palatine died earlier this week while scuba diving recreationally off of Okinawa, Japan, according to his family.

The body of Staff Sgt. Matthew Morgan, 30, was found by the Japanese Coast Guard near the USS Emmons, a sunken World War II ship near Kouri Island, said David Waskin, Morgan's stepfather.

In confirming his death, an Army spokesman said Morgan was assigned to Okinawa as a contract specialist, but had no other details about the case.

"The investigation of this incident is still ongoing, so there isn't any additional information available until the investigation is complete," said Lt. Col. Vinston Porter.

Stars and Stripes reported that Morgan, a diving instructor assigned to Torii Station on Okinawa, went on a recreational dive with three others Sunday; his body was recovered by Japanese authorities Mon-

Waskin said Morgan loved scuba diving and had previously gone "many times" to that spot, a popular dive site.

"Once he discovered life under the sea, his passion for diving took off," Waskin said. "He used his expertise as a technical diver to train others. Matt really enjoyed

teaching and touched many lives in Okinawa and throughout the diving community."

Morgan attended Palatine High School from 2003 to 2007 and had played baseball there, according to Township High School District 211.

"Our thoughts and

hearts go out to the family and friends of Staff Sgt. Morgan during this diffi-cult time, and we wish them peace," the district said in a written statement.

Palatine High School baseball coach Paul Belo said the news of Morgan's death was "devastating."

"He was selfless," said Belo, who had coached Morgan and kept in touch with him for years. "He was mature beyond his years. He had a great work ethic. He was a great team-

A Twitter site for the Palatine High School baseball team posted a tribute to Morgan on Tuesday.

"Thank you for service, your selfless leadership and your willingness to give back," the tweet said. You were so proud of the uniforms you wore. Thank you for leaving a legacy. You will be missed my friend."

Waskin said a military service is scheduled for Morgan in Okinawa on Friday, and that some of the soldier's relatives will be attending.

"I think he was a very giving individual," he said. "He wanted to make a difference and service his country."

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### Naperville man pleads guilty to wire fraud

Raymond Parcon, 67, went to prison on similar embezzlement charge years ago

By Jason Meisner

A quarter century after serving time in federal prison for embezzlement, a Naperville man pleaded guilty Wednesday to a strikingly similar fraud scheme alleging he swindled a woman's estate out of nearly \$90,000.

Raymond Parcon, 67, pleaded guilty to wire fraud during his first court appearance on the new charges before U.S. District Judge Martha Pacold.

Under federal sentencing guidelines, Parcon faces up to two years and three months in prison when he's sentenced on May 13. He also agreed in a plea agreement with prosecutors to pay \$89,500 in restitution to the victims.

According to the charges, Parcon operated a tax-preparation business in Naperville and prepared returns for the victim's estate after she died in 2015. The plea agreement identified the woman as the late Sharon Cerino, of Chicago.

In April 2016, Parcon created a phony document claiming the estate owed about \$66,000 in taxes to the Internal Revenue Service and gave it to the executor of the estate, who was Cerino's nephew.

Parcon told the executor he'd paid the tax bill through his accounting business, even though he hadn't paid a penny because the bill was phony, the charges alleged. The executor then cut a check to Parcon for \$66,000, according to the charges.

Parcon repeated the phony tax claims four more times in 2016, 2017 and 2018, collecting a total of more than \$23,000 in supposed back payments from the estate, the charges alleged.

The scheme was nearly identical to what Parcon

pulled when he worked for then-accounting giant Arthur Andersen as a tax manager beginning in the 1980s, records show.

In that case, Parcon admitted he falsified paperwork over a five-year period to make it appear that sizable checks had been sent to the IRS and Illinois tax officials to cover the company's withholding obligations.

In reality, Parcon submitted those checks, sometimes for hundreds of thousands of dollars at a time, as payments on his personal tax debt and then claimed huge refunds from the IRS and the Illinois Department of Revenue, court records

Parcon pleaded guilty to stealing nearly \$1 million and was sentenced in November 1995 to eight months in prison followed by eight months of home confinement – a significant break from sentencing guidelines that called for up to about three years behind bars.

U.S. District Judge Robert Gettleman said during the sentencing hearing that he felt the unusual departure was warranted because Parcon's disabled mother and brother had no one else to care for them.

Parcon's embezzlement was an embarrassing episode for Arthur Andersen, which at the time was one of the largest accounting firms in the U.S. and was known for helping set up internal controls for companies to prevent employee theft and fraud.

"It's hard to believe Arthur Andersen ... was not able to catch this earlier," Gettleman said at the hearing. "It's amazing to

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## Street musician stabbed at Loop **CTA** subway

Women in her 30s flees station, but later identified by witness and arrested

#### By Sophie Sherry

A street musician was stabbed in the arm after a woman began arguing with him at a Loop Red Line subway station Tuesday afternoon, according to Chicago police.

The woman, in her 30s, approached the 26-yearold guitar player around 1:35 p.m. at the Jackson station in the 200 block of South State Street and began arguing with him before cutting his arm with a knife, police said.

The woman fled the station but was identified by witnesses and arrested. Police said charges were pending.

The man suffered a cut to the left arm and was taken to Northwestern Memorial Hospital in fair condition, police said.

A woman who identi-

"He's highly known by frequent riders and tourists."

- Musician's sister

fied herself as the musician's sister said he's been playing on the Red Line for years.

"He's highly known by frequent riders and tourists," she said on a Go-FundMe page seeking to raise \$2,000. "His videos are posted all over YouTube and other platforms of social media."

She said the woman tried to push her brother onto the tracks before stabbing him. Her brother's guitar and amplifier were damaged during the attack, she said.



Montrose Avenue will be closed at the Union Pacific tracks along Ravenswood Avenue from Monday through Feb. 21.

## Montrose Avenue to close for 12 days for Metra bridge project

11 bridges along its Union Pacific North Line on the city's North Side will require the closing of a portion of Montrose Avenue.

Montrose will be closed

at the Union Pacific tracks along Ravenswood Avenue from Monday through, Feb. 21, Metra said.

East-west vehicular traffic will be diverted south along either Damen or Ashland avenues to Irving Park Road during the closure, Metra said.

Lisle-based Judlau Contracting will erect a new steel bridge over the roadway as part of a \$17.2 million

project to replace centuryold bridges from Grace Street to Balmoral Avenue on Chicago's North Side, Metra said.

-Mary Wisniewski

## Chicago firefighters protest promotion exam 'debacle'

#### By Peter Nickeas

About 70 Chicago firefighters protested the city's handling of a recent promotional exam that had to be canceled because of technical issues.

The group gathered at 35th and State streets, about a block from the city's public safety headquarters. They carried signs and stopped outside the headquarters to sing union solidarity songs and called for an end to oral exams.

About 1,600 Chicago Fire Department members took the oral exam last week for promotion to the rank of lieutenant. Another 120 or so were due to test for

battalion chief, but that exam was canceled because of the glitches.

Many of those who did take the exam also encountered problems. It was the first one given for the rank of lieutenant since 2009, and the situation irked some members who may only get one chance at promotion during a 20-year

"Men and women studied for two years," Chicago Firefighters Union Local 2 President Jim Tracy said. "We just want them to get a fair shake."

For the lieutenant's test, firefighters were divided into four groups of 400 and given a start time of either 8 a.m. or 2 p.m. on Monday or Tuesday, according to Mark Egan, a business agent in the union and a firefighter who took the exam. Firefighters waited until they were put in a room with computers, where they were to watch a video and record their answers.

But in what firefighters called a "debacle," delays grew longer as the day went on. Some members said they didn't get out until after midnight on the first day and, because they weren't allowed to have a phone, couldn't communicate with their families.

"Lori Lightfoot came to our executive board promising accountability and professionalism, now we have our administrators pointing fingers at some company in California," Egan said.

Firefighters were offered bottled water and a deck of cards while they waited, he

"We equally share the disappointment expressed by our firefighters and paramedics for the technical difficulties that occurred during last week's testing process," said Larry Langford, a Fire Department spokesman, in a written

"We expect nothing less than a seamless administration of its examinations, which is why we require vendors to ensure their equipment is vigorously tested to prevent technological issues and any undue burden caused to firefighters devoting their time to participate, and those who cover their shifts," the Fire Department statement continued. "We understand and appreciate the amount of time and effort that our firefighters spent studying for this exam and we are working diligently with the City and vendor to reschedule the remaining exam component to the extent necessary as quickly as possible."

Langford could not be reached for comment on the demand for an end to

oral exams. The city has for more than 10 years used the same company, CPS HR Consulting, which issued an apology for last week's problems.

In the past, Tracy said, firefighters who knew the chiefs administering the oral exams would fare better than others. Hiring an outside company to administer the exams was a way to guard against that.

Egan said he would prefer a system where a written exam is graded by scanning the test, letting members find out their score soon after they're finished.

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#### **Users**

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year ago and moved to a long-standing homeless camp under the Kennedy Expressway viaduct at Belmont and Kedzie avenues. Since then, at least two people passing by were given naloxone after overdosing, he said.

In abandoned buildings, encampments, vacant lots and other secluded areas throughout the city, drug users have found spaces where they can be watched over while using drugs. This makeshift network — hundreds of places, recovery workers estimate — has grown as groups have distributed naloxone more widely over the last two

But rescues are a matter of chance, of being in the right place at the right time.

decades.

Community groups and some public officials, including Cook County's top prosecutor, believe it's time for Chicago to set up its own safe sites: Places where people can legally use drugs under medical supervision, where staff is on hand to administer naloxone and where medical checkups, referrals to housing and other services are offered.

Called safe injection sites or overdose prevention centers, they have operated for years in Europe and Canada, where studies have found sizable reductions in the number of fatal overdoses.

No sites exist in the United States, despite an opioid epidemic that continues to grow. In Chicago, there have been more than 3,400 opioid-related deaths since 2015. Despite the increasing access to naloxone, the number of fatal overdoses each year in the city has climbed 100% from 2015 to 2018. In Cook County last year, more than twice as many people died from opioid overdoses than from gun violence.

While the American Medical Association has come out in support of safe sites, polls show public support remains low. A 2018 survey by the Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health found only 29% of respondents supported such sites.

Chicago's tolerance may be tested soon. In June, a group including Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx flew to Toronto to visit sites there. Then in July, Foxx and more than 60 other law enforcement officials across the country signed a legal brief in support of a nonprofit in Philadelphia that hopes to open the first site in the United States but is battling the

federal government in court. While Foxx told the Tribune she thinks Chicago urgently needs safe consumption sites, no solid plans have surfaced. "I would love to be able to see a site in a place where the community welcomed it ... like yesterday," she said. But before a site can open, "you need the collective to come together and say that we need this."

Mayor Lori Lightfoot declined to take a position on safe consumption sites during her election campaign and still won't say whether she supports them. In a statement, her press secretary said, "Chicago has been following the national conversation about 'safe use sites' closely. Currently, we prioritize spending on harm reduction approaches including syringe exchange and naloxone distribution, and we will continue to gather information about this emerging practice."

Besides Philadelphia, efforts are underway to open sites in New York City, Boston and San Francisco. Recovery workers say Chicago can't wait any longer.

Greg Scott, a member of the Chicago Recovery Alliance, said users he's encountered have been "adamantly advocating for the establishment of safer consumption sites" for almost two decades. "I've literally had a thousand conversations with a thousand different people about their desire to have a space where they can use their substances and not die."

## 'A very small incremental step'

For eight years, from roughly 2005 to 2013, Steve Kamenicky lived in a shack near railroad tracks by 5th and Cicero avenues. Other



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Health educator Robert Banks demonstrates how to prepare a dose of naloxone on Oct. 21, 2019, from his desk at University of Illinois at Chicago clinic in the Austin neighborhood. Banks, who runs the needle exchange at the clinic, said he has given the emergency treatment many times while waiting for paramedics to arrive after a drug overdose.



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Used syringes in a pile of garbage near a homeless encampment on Chicago Avenue, just east of Kedzie Avenue, on Dec. 12, 2019.

users would often come by to take drugs because they "wouldn't worry about police or neighbors spying on them." he said.

Kamenicky, 62, known as "Ponytail Steve," always had clean needles and naloxone handy. He reversed around 130 overdoses in his eight years there, he said. "I was pretty much running a safe consumption site."

Kamenicky now works for the Chicago Recovery Alliance, a group whose work has helped make such informal safe sites possible.

Around the clock, seven days a week, the Alliance sends out workers in a small fleet of boxy silver vans across the West and South sides. They distribute syringes and naloxone, as well as train people on using the supplies safely. By its count, the Alliance hands out millions of new needles and around a hundred thousand

naloxone vials every year.

Though the Alliance's work has been accused of encouraging drug use, it has gradually become more widely accepted. Last year, Illinois passed a bill clarifying that needle exchanges, where clean needles are traded for used ones, are legal.

Scott, of the Alliance, believes the next logical step for Chicago is to accept safe consumption sites. "People treat it like it's a colossal jump," he said, but a sterile site where consumption can be monitored by medical staff is "a very small incre-

mental step."

"We already have unsupervised injection spaces in Chicago and they're called alleys and vacant lots and abandoned buildings," Scott said. "The only question is do we want drug use to be indoors or outdoors, and do we want it to be supervised or unsupervised?"

Jill has seen the answer to that question many times while living with her husband in a camp under a viaduct near Chicago and Kedzie avenues. In the past 2 ½ years, she said her husband has come to the aid of about 25 people who overdosed while passing by their tent.

eir tent. Jill, 48, a user herself, said the people "fell out right in front of us," all within her husband's line of sight. One time, "someone literally nodded out into our tent."

The one time recently when someone died near them, they didn't see him, said Jill, who did not want her last name used. "We weren't aware that he did it in his tent."

The same happenstance governs rescues near a recovery clinic in Austin, which provides all the medical services a safe consumption site would, except for

the supervision of drug use. People often use drugs near the clinic, run by the University of Illinois at Chicago, because "they know if they inject outside a clinic, (it'll be) more likely that someone will be walking by with Narcan and be able to help them," said Dr. Sarah

Messmer.
One time, staff members brought in a man who had been behind the clinic. "All of a sudden, he went out on us," said Robert Banks, who operates a needle exchange attached to the clinic. "I hit him three times with naloxone and he didn't come back," so the staff called paramedics

paramedics.

"At least they were in the right place, just see if they had been somewhere else with nobody around," Banks said. "You would have never

known.

"See that's the whole thing. We give them the needles, we give them everything they do to keep them safe, but then after they leave, how are we going to keep them safe? It's impos-

#### 'The best hope'

Foxx said in an interview that she initially couldn't get behind safe consumption sites. She felt resources should instead go toward treatment for drug users. "It's also — if we're being honest — very discomforting to think of a place where

people are just using."

Her thinking changed when she visited sites in Toronto. While talking to people at one of the sites, "in the midst of it, the first person went down," she

said. Staff immediately responded and "the person recovered and re-engaged with us during the same meeting."

"My thinking was, that person could have died, but for the fact that someone was there," Foxx said.

A month later, Foxx and 63 other law enforcement officials across the country signed a legal brief supporting the Philadelphia nonprofit trying to open a site. "We're here about the prevention of death," she said. "And I view (safe consumption sites) as a tool to do that."

Ronda Goldfein, vice president of the Philadelphia nonprofit Safehouse, emphasized the same point. Safehouse's model, she said, "will offer the best hope to save people's lives."

In the model, users would first be provided with safe injection equipment and strips to test for fentanyl, a synthetic opioid that can be deadly even in small doses. Heroin is often mixed with fentanyl on the street.

"Staff will not touch anybody's drugs," Goldfein said.
"They're not injecting anyone, they're just watching."
If users show signs of overdosing, staff can immediately reverse the overdose through administering naloxone and oxygen.

"Proximity to care" makes the sites effective at saving lives, Goldfein said.

It's a message painfully clear to Cole. For all the people he helped, he wasn't around to save his son's friend, a new mother.

Just one month after Cole administered naloxone to her, she overdosed again. That time, "she was with somebody who didn't have Narcan or didn't care and they just threw her in an alley, took all her money, her purse, and left her dead in an alley," he said. "She was like 28, 29."

Cole himself has come harrowingly close to dying. A Logan Square native, Cole has a history of substance abuse since he was 30 when he began taking painkillers after medical procedures for his back and gallbladder. After using for more than 20 years, he said, he overdosed

for the first time about a year ago.

Cole and his adult son both took heroin from a dealer who was not his usual one. On his way to work, Cole said he collapsed at a bus stop. He woke up hours later at a hospital with "burn marks from the defibrillator. ... They said they shot me up four different times because

I was so full of fentanyl. "It was a total surprise. I

was shocked."

While his son didn't overdose, the prospect of that occurring someday haunts Cole. "I don't see him as often as I like, 'cause he's not here and I don't know why he won't come here," Cole said. "I worry about him all the time."

## 'The dignity of seeing you'

Jennifer, 44, is a patient at the Austin clinic, participating in a substance abuse treatment program. She fears safe consumption sites could keep her on drugs because she would think, "Now I'm going to get a good high every time."

But she noted that was the same argument critics made against much of the clinic's work providing treatment to users and giving them safe supplies. And the clinic's work has helped rather than hurt her efforts to get sober.

Jennifer, who asked not to have her last name used, relapsed after two years of sobriety and "it's the nonjudgement aspect of (the clinic) that allowed me to come back."

"Any other place you're going to hang your head like, 'I can't go back there, they already think I succeeded and became well,' "Jennifer said. But when she returned to the clinic, "they're just, 'Come on in, what do you need?"

Safe consumption sites are designed to provide that same "dignity of seeing you and seeing this situation," said Maya Doe-Simkins, communications director of the Chicago Recovery Alliance.

Instead of staff "just handing you needles and inviting you to go to the bathroom at McDonald's," staff would instruct users to "sit down right here in a space that is clean and designed for you to use your substances," Doe-Simkins said. The users would then be in a better position to ask about other services provided at the site.

At the proposed Philadelphia site, for example, users would have access to medical services such as wound care and infectious disease testing, and referrals to social services such as housing support.

"That's the biggest thing with us — asking for help and the degradation," said Jill, while standing outside her tent near Chicago and Kedzie.

She said she wants to get sober but can't bring herself to seek treatment.

"I know it's possible to get sober because I've been sober for 10 years," she said. In that time, when living in Arlington Heights, "I went to a meeting every day for 10 years. I went to see a counselor once a week for 10 years." Then after taking painkillers for back surgery, she relapsed.

"The shame and the guilt of trying to get sober and facing everything is, it seems, almost impossible," she said. "It's all shame and guilt — not wanting to face people, not wanting to see what I look like now."

## 'Lots of people are talking'

As efforts in other cities show, opening a site is not easy, even when local officials support it.

"Any one of us could make a site happen tomorrow, if it were politically and legally feasible for us to do that," said Scott, of Chicago Recovery Alliance

Recovery Alliance.

In Philadelphia, Goldfein said Safehouse began working on putting up a site after officials, including the mayor and health minister, expressed support. Because the nonprofit is not a licensed medical entity, it didn't need approval from the state's health depart-

In New York City, city officials, rather than a private organization, want to open four sites but are awaiting approval from the

Both cities still face federal opposition, as well as the challenge of persuading communities to accept the sites. In Philadelphia, some residents of the neighborhood where the proposed site would be located have objected to Safehouse's plans. In New York City, officials in Staten Island — a borough with one of the highest rates of overdoses — have opposed the sites.

In Chicago, advocates have been adamantly trying to sell the idea to local officials. The Alliance organized the Toronto trip that included Foxx, as well as state Rep. LaShawn Ford, Ald. Chris Taliaferro, 29th, and city and state public health officials.

Ford and Taliaferro said that, like Foxx, they came back from Toronto in support of safe consumption sites. Earlier this month, Ford introduced a bill that would allow the Illinois Department of Public Health to approve the operation of safe consumption sites and would require the department to develop standards for approval. It's unclear how much support the bill

Before the City Council discusses the opening of a site, Taliaferro wants to see support from more state officials. "There has to be continued dialogue," he said.

Scott said in other countries where sites have opened, there were "many years of talking while many thousands of people were dying."

"It's no different here," he said. "Lots of people are talking. Lots of people are dving."

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## Buttigieg clings to slight Iowa lead

Figures trickling in as Biden says result is a real 'gut punch'

By Steve Peoples Associated Press

NEW YORK - Pete Buttigieg clung to a slight lead over Bernie Sanders in a new batch of vote totals released by the Iowa Democratic Party on Wednesday, two days after the state hosted its first-in-the-nation presidential caucuses.

The race remained too early to call with 86% of precincts reporting. Buttigieg led Sanders by 1.3 percentage points in state delegate equivalents.

Much of the political world has already shifted its attention to New Hampshire, which holds the first primary election in the Democrats' 2020 nomination fight Tuesday.

Iowa officials attributed their delay to technical problems. The chaos surrounding the reporting breakdown has undermined the effect of the Iowa's election, which typically rewards winners with a surge of momentum heading into subsequent primary contests.

The two early leaders — Buttigieg, the former mayor of South Bend, Indiana, and Vermont Sen. Sanders – are separated by 40 years in age and conflicting ideology.

Sanders, a 78-year-old self-described democratic socialist, has been a progressive powerhouse for decades. Buttigieg, a 38-yearold former municipal official, represents the more moderate wing of the Democratic Party. Buttigieg is also the first openly gay candidate to earn presi-



MARY ALTAFFER/AP

Democratic presidential candidate Pete Buttigieg greets attendees during a town hall Wednesday in Concord, N.H.

dential primary delegates.

Wednesday's updated results show Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren, former Vice President Joe Biden and Minnesota Sen. Amy Klobuchar trailing.

The Democrats' primary fight intensified Wednesday in New Hampshire.

Biden conceded he was disappointed by his sagging performance in the leadoff Iowa caucuses, calling it a "gut punch" for his campaign. He sought to reenergize his campaign by drawing sharper contrasts with those who led in Iowa, including casting Sanders as unelectable and a drag on others in the party.

"If Sen. Sanders is the nominee for the party, every Democrat in America up and down the ballot, in blue states, red states, purple

states and easy districts and competitive ones, every Democrat will have to carry the label Sen. Sanders has chose for himself," Biden said.

Biden was equally blunt about his assessment of Buttigieg, saying he didn't think the Democrats' standard-bearer against President Donald Trump should be someone who hasn't been elected to a higher office than mayor of South Bend, Indiana, a city of about 100,000.

"It's a risk, to be just straight up with you," he

Speaking at a candidate forum in New Hampshire, Buttigieg was focused on the issues.

He said a shift in emotion from "guilt and doom" to pride is needed to propel the nation forward on climate change.

The tough talk from Biden comes as his third presidential bid enters a critical stretch. He needs to bounce back from what partial results suggest could be a fourth-place finish in Monday's Iowa caucuses. He was also trailing Warren.

That leaves some establishment Democrats, including some Biden supporters, questioning his contention that he'll reclaim clear front-runner status in the race once the primary fight moves beyond overwhelmingly white Iowa and New Hampshire to more racially diverse electorates.

Most precarious for Biden: Some of the would-be donors he could win over with a strong showing are

giving new looks to Michael Bloomberg, the former New York City mayor whose entire strategy of sitting out the four early nominating states is pegged to the possibility that Biden falters. Bloomberg, one of the world's wealthiest men with a net worth approaching \$60 billion, isn't asking for money. He's simply looking for support that could

That's patronage Biden needs to remain competitive with Buttigieg, as well as Warren and Sanders, who have raised massive sums from small-dollar online contributors who have been far less generous to Biden.

cut off financial lifelines to

Biden, whose campaign re-

ported just \$9 million cash

on hand to start the year.

Biden has a campaign

footprint across the March primary map, with paid staff or volunteer offices in 13 states. But his cash flow raises questions about how much he can bolster his existing operation. His uneasy financial situation is underscored by an affiliated super PAC that spent more on Iowa ads than the campaign itself, but still has struggled to raise money and has little left over after

Meanwhile, in reaction to the tech troubles in Iowa that have slowed the release of results from the caucuses, Nevada Democrats scrapped plans to use similar technology at their caucuses in less than three weeks, as early primary voting states sought to reassure the public that they could pull off smooth elections.

Officials in South Carolina and New Hampshire expressed confidence in their primary election systems, while Democrats in Nevada, the third state to vote, said they were taking steps to prevent the chaos seen in Iowa.

Democrats in Nevada had planned to use more technology than Iowa in their Feb. 22 caucuses. They had announced plans to use two apps: one to tabulate results, as Iowa did, and a second app preloaded onto tablets for voters to use at caucus sites to cast online votes during four days of early voting.

The party has not ruled out using another app to tabulate results, state Democratic officials said, but has no list of other technology vendors right now that they're pursuing or talking to in order to use a different app.

## US adds nuclear weapon to its submarine arsenal

'Low-yield' missile joins other more powerful options

By Robert Burns Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The U.S. military has deployed a new addition to its nuclear arsenal — a long-range missile armed with a nuclear warhead of reduced destructive power. The socalled low-yield missile joins other, more powerful weapons aboard stealthy submarines prowling the

The debut deployment aboard long-range sub-marines, known as marines, boomers, is a landmark in U.S. nuclear weapons policy. It is the first major addition to the strategic nuclear arsenal in recent decades and is a departure from the Obama administration's policy of lessening dependence on nuclear weapons in pursuit of a nuclear-free world.

In confirming the missile deployment, the Pentagon's top policy official asserted that the weapon makes Americans safer by making nuclear war less likely. Critics, including some Democrats in Congress, call it a dangerous excess that increases the risk of war.

John Rood, the undersecretary of defense for policy, said that adding the "low-yield" warhead, known as the W76-2, to submarines which tote Trident II ballistic missiles lowers the risk of nuclear war. He said the United States will continue its stated policy of using nuclear weapons only in "extraor-

dinary circumstances." He also said the warhead will help the United States dissuade Russia from risking launching a limited nuclear conflict.

"This supplemental capability strengthens deterrence and provides the United States a prompt, more survivable low-yield strategic weapon," Rood said, adding that it supports the U.S. commitment to deter attacks against allies, and "demonstrates to potential adversaries that there is no advantage to limited nuclear employment because the United States can credibly and decisively respond to any threat scenario."

Rood declined to provide details about the deployment, including when or where the deployment began; all details, he said, are

classified secret. The deployment was reported last week by the Federation of American Scientists, citing anonymous sources and reporting that it was believed to have begun in the final weeks of 2019 with an Atlantic deployment of the USS Tennessee.

Adding the W76-2 fits President Donald Trump's stated interest in beefing up the nuclear arsenal, although he has not commented on this specific weapon. His administration is committed to a broader, costly modernization of the nuclear force.

The essence of critics' argument against the lowvield weapon is that it makes the world less safe because it offers decisionmakers another option for using a nuclear weapon in a conflict that could then escalate to a full-blown nuclear war. They also contend that lower-yield airlaunched nuclear weapons already in the U.S. arsenal make the W76-2 redundant.

Rood, however, said the submarine-launched lowyield missile is important because it can more reliably penetrate air defenses than could an airplane armed with nuclear weapons.

The W76-2 is the Trump



LT. REBECCA REBARICH/AP 2008

The Ohio-class ballistic-missile submarine USS Wyoming. The Pentagon's top policy official says the U.S. has deployed the newest addition to its nuclear arsenal.

administration's answer to what it calls a Russian misconception of an exploitable "gap" in U.S. nuclear capabilities. By deploying missiles at sea with a lower nuclear yield, or destructive power, the administration aims to dissuade Moscow from thinking it could "win" a war in Europe, for example, by firing its own low-yield nuclear weapon first, forcing Washington and its NATO allies to either commit to full-scale nuclear war or capitulate.

The yield, or destructive power, of the W76-2 is classified. Experts say it may be about 5 kilotons, or roughly one-third the destructive power of the "Little Boy" nuclear bomb the United States dropped on Hiroshima, Japan, in the final days of World War II, killing tens of thousands.

The W76-2 has been fitted atop an undisclosed number of Trident ballistic missiles carried aboard the Navy's Ohio-class submarines. This submarine fleet, split between bases at Bangor, Washington, and King's Bay, Georgia, represents one leg of the U.S. nuclear "triad," along with the Air Force's long-range B-2 and B-52 bombers and

land-based Minuteman 3 missiles

Bruce Blair, a former Air Force nuclear weapons officer and co-founder of Glob-Zero, an international group that advocates the elimination of nuclear arms, said he sees merit in reducing the destructive power of

nuclear arsenals. "But we must not delude ourselves into thinking lower-yield nukes are more usable in a conflict," he said. "Any use of this sea-based weapon — either first or second — will risk stoking the flames of conflict and escalating to all-out nuclear

SUSAN STOCKER/SUN SENTINEL Fred Guttenberg, whose daughter Jaime was killed at school Feb. 14, 2018. apologized Wednesday.

## Parkland dad apologizes for State of the Union outburst

Associated Press

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. - The father of a student killed in the 2018 Florida high school massacre apologized Wednesday for disrupting President Donald Trump's State of the Union address by shouting as the president said the rights of gun owners are under siege.

Fred Guttenberg was escorted from the gallery by security officers Tuesday night after shouting about

his slain daughter Jaime just after the president said, "So long as I am president, I will always protect your Second Amendment right to keep and bear arms." The audience turned and looked up at the ruckus as he was

"I let my emotions get the best of me," Guttenberg tweeted early Wednesday. "I simply want to be able to deal with the reality of gun violence and not have to listen to lies" about the Second Amendment.

"That said, I should not

yelled out. I am thankful for the overwhelming support I am receiving. However, I do owe my family and friends an apology. I have tried to conduct myself with dignity throughout this process and I will do better as I pursue gun safety," tweeted Guttenberg, who was a guest of House Speaker Nancy Pel-

Jaime Guttenberg, an aspiring dancer and gymnast, was 14 when she died with 16 others in the Feb. 14, 2018, shooting at Marjory Stone-

man Douglas High School

in Parkland, Florida. Her brother fled the shooting physically uninjured.

Fred Guttenberg, a 54year-old real estate agent, has since become an outspoken advocate against gun violence. His group, Orange Ribbons for Jaime," pushes for a law named for her that would require that purchasers pass a universal background check before buying ammu-

Guttenberg also drew attention in Congress in September 2018 when he attempted to shake hands with Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh during a break at the latter's Senate confirmation hearing. Kavanaugh looked at him, turned and walked away.

This was not the first time a presidential address to Congress has been interrupted by shouting. In 2009, Rep. Joe Wilson, a South Carolina Republican, shouted "You lie" after President Barack Obama said his health care plan would not cover illegal im**KIRK DOUGLAS** 1916-2020

## Actor, influential star since Hollywood's 'Golden Age'

By HILLEL ITALIE **Associated Press** 

Kirk Douglas, the intense, muscular actor with the dimpled chin who starred in "Spartacus," "Lust for Life" and dozens of other films, helped fatally weaken the blacklist against suspected Communists and reigned for decades as a Hollywood maverick and patriarch, died Wednesday, his family said. He was 103.

"It is with tremendous sadness that my brothers and I announce that Kirk Douglas left us today at the age of 103," his son Michael said in a statement on his Instagram account. "To the world, he was a legend, an actor from the golden age of movies who lived well into his golden years, a humanitarian whose commitment to justice and the causes he believed in set a standard for all of us to aspire to."

Kirk Douglas' death was first reported by People magazine.

His granite-like strength and underlying vulnerability made the son of illiterate Russian immigrants one of the top stars of the 20th century. He appeared in more than 80 films, in roles ranging from Doc Holliday in "Gunfight at the O.K. Corral" to Vincent van Gogh in "Lust for Life."

He worked with some of Hollywood's greatest directors, from Vincente Minnelli and Billy Wilder to Stanley Kubrick and Elia Kazan. His career began at the peak of the studios' power, more than 70 years ago, and ended in a more diverse, decentralized era that he helped bring about.

Douglas never received an Academy Award for an individual film, despite being nominated three times — for "Champion," "The Bad and the Beautiful" and "Lust for Life."

But in 1996, the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and



Kirk Douglas accepts an honorary Oscar in 1996.

Sciences awarded him an honorary Oscar. His other awards included a Presidential Medal of Freedom and a lifetime achievement award from the American Film Institute.

Reaching stardom after World War II, he was as likely to play cads (the movie producer in "The Bad and the Beautiful," the journalist in "Ace in the Hole") as he was suited to play heroes, as alert to the business as he was at home before the camera. He started his own production company in 1955, when many actors still depended on the studios, and directed

some of his later films.
A born fighter, Douglas was especially proud of his role in the downfall of Hollywood's blacklist, which halted and ruined the careers of writers suspected of pro-Communist activity or sympathies. By the end of the 1950s, the use of banned writers was widely known within the industry, but not to the general public.

Douglas, who years earlier had reluctantly signed a loyalty oath to get the starring role in "Lust for Life," provided a crucial blow when he openly credited the former Communist and Oscar winner Dalton Trumbo for script work on

"Spartacus," the epic about a slave rebellion during ancient Rome that was released in 1960.

He was born Issur Danielovitch on Dec. 9, 1916, to an impoverished Jewish family in Amsterdam, N.Y.. His name evolved over time. He called himself Isidore Demsky until he graduated from St. Lawrence Universitv.

Beginning in 1941, Douglas won a series of small roles on Broadway, served briefly in the Navy and received a key Hollywood break when an old friend from New York, Lauren Bacall, recommended he play opposite Barbara Stanwyck in "The Strange Love of Martha Ivers."

He gained further attention with the classic 1947 film noir "Out of the Past" and the Oscar-winning "A Letter to Three Wives."

His real breakthrough came as an unscrupulous boxer in 1949's "Champion," a low-budget production he was advised to turn

In the 1970s and 1980s, he did several notable television films, including "Victory at Entebbe" and "Amos," which dealt with abuse of the elderly.

In his 70s, he became an author, his books included the memoir "The Ragman's Son," the novels "Dance With the Devil" and "The

He had been married to Diana Dill, but they divorced in 1951. Three years later, he married Anne Buydens, with whom he remained for more than 60

Douglas had two children with each of his wives and all went into show business, against his advice.

Besides Michael, they are Joel and Peter, both producers, and Eric, an actor with several film credits who died of a drug overdose in 2004.

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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:

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- > 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



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Rescuers scramble to get inside the fuselage of the Boeing 737 Wednesday in Istanbul.

## 3 dead, 179 hurt after plane crashes in Istanbul landing

By Suzan Fraser and Mehmet Guzel Associated Press

ISTANBUL — A Turkish airliner skidded off a runway, crashed into a ditch and broke apart while landing in bad weather in Istanbul on Wednesday, killing three people and injuring dozens more. Passengers had to scramble through the split five learn to escape.

the split fuselage to escape.

The aircraft, operated by low-cost carrier Pegasus Airlines, was arriving at Istanbul's Sabiha Gokcen airport from the western Turkish city of Izmir with 183 passengers and crew on board when it had what the Transportation Ministry described as a "rough landing"

Istanbul Gov. Ali Yerlikaya said the plane failed to "hold onto the runway" and skidded about 50-60 yards before it crashed into a ditch from a height of about 33 yards.

"We are deeply saddened (but) we are very happy that we escaped a greater accident," Yerlikaya said, adding that the plane could have burst into

Health Minister Fahrettin Koca reported early Thursday that three people had died and 179 required care at multiple hospitals.

Emergency workers, assisted by an excavator, recovered one body from beneath the wreckage before the rescue mission ended.

The airport was shut down after the incident; flights were diverted to Istanbul's main airport.

Turkey's state-run Anadolu news agency said a chief prosecutor's office had launched an investigation into the accident.

Video showed the wreckage of the plane in a field adjacent to the end of the runway. The video shows heavy rain and strong winds at the time, with smoke coming from one of the engines as passengers climb out of the fuselage onto the wings of the plane and away from the crash site.

Witness Hasan Eraydin, who shot the video, said he had been driving home from work when he heard a rumble.

"We were about 30 meters away. We tried to get to the scene to help, but there was some sort of a canal in between and it was impossible. We thought 'God willing, no one has died.'"

ng, no one has died."

Dozens of rescuers

swarmed around the floodlit fuselage, including the cockpit, which had flipped over. The plane was a Boeing 737 that was 11 years old, according to the flight tracking website Fligh-

tradar24.

"We are aware of the media reports, and we are gathering more information," Peter Pedraza, a Boeing spokesman, said.

NTV television said the injured included the plane's two pilots, who it said were in serious condition. NTV broadcast a recording of the communications between the pilots and air traffic control in which the pilots are told that previous flights had reported strong tail winds.

"The accident occurred after (the plane) could not decelerate and rammed into a field from the end of the runway," state-run Anadolu Agency quoted Transportation and Infrastructure Minister Mehmet Cahit Turan as saying.

Pegasus is based in Istanbul. The accident comes a month after a Pegasus plane with 164 people on board skidded off the runway at the same airport in Istanbul. There were no injuries in that incident Jan. 7.

## Japan quarantines cruise ship as toll of coronavirus grows

By Foster Klug AND MARI YAMAGUCHI Associated Press

TOKYO — Ten more people were sickened with a new virus aboard one of two quarantined cruise ships with some 5,400 passengers and crew aboard, health officials in Japan said Thursday, as China reported 73 more deaths and the World Health Organization appealed for more funds to help countries battle the spread of the disease.

The ships in Japan and Hong Kong are caught up in a global health emergency that seems to worsen by the day.

In the port city of Yokohama, just outside Tokyo, health workers said 10 more people from the Diamond Princess were confirmed ill with the virus, in addition to 10 others who tested positive on Wednesday.

day.

The latest infections included four Japanese, two Americans, two Canadians, one New Zealander and one Taiwanese. Most were in their 60s and 70s.

They were dropped off as the ship docked and transferred to nearby hospitals for further test and treatment.

The 3,700 people on board faced a two-week quarantine in their cabins. The ship had 2,666 passengers and 1,045 crew members. More tests are pending on 171 others who had symptoms or had contact with a man who was diagnosed with the virus after leaving the ship in Hong Kong, the Health Ministry said.

The 3,600 people aboard the Hong Kong ship were also being screened after three passengers on a previous voyage were diagnosed with the virus. The territory's leader, Carrie Lam, announced that two terminals — including one where the cruise ship is currently quarantined —



ANTHONY WALLACE/GETTY-AFF

Already wearing face masks as a preventive measure, Hong Kong residents wait to buy more masks Wednesday.

will be shut down.

The ships are caught up in a global health emergency that seems to worsen by the day. According to the latest figures early Thursday, the number of confirmed cases jumped by 3,694 to 28,018, and the death toll rose to 563.

As thousands of hospital workers in Hong Kong went on strike to demand the border with mainland China be closed completely, the city announced that all people entering from the mainland, including Hong Kong residents, must be quarantined for 14 days. Tokyo Olympics organizers, meanwhile, said they are increasingly worried about the disruption the virus is causing ahead of the Games, which open in less than six months.

The director-general of the World Health Organization, Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus, asked for \$675 million to help countries address the expected spread of the virus. He acknowledged that the sum is a lot, but told a news briefing that "it's much less than the bill we will face if we do not invest in preparedness now."

Tedros said that in the last 24 hours, the U.N. health agency has seen the biggest jump in cases since the start of the enidemic

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the start of the epidemic. China has strongly de-

fended its epidemic control measures and called on other nations not to go overboard in their responses. Countries "can assess the epidemic situation in an objective, fair, calm and rational manner, respect authoritative and professional WHO recommendations, understand and support China's epidemic control efforts," foreign ministry spokeswoman Hua Chunying said at an online news conference Wednesday. "Fear is worse than any virus.'

As examples of anti-Asian discrimination mount, U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres appealed for "international solidarity" and support for China and other countries hurt by the virus. He urged a stop to any stigmatization of innocent people.

In the port city of Yokohama, just outside Tokyo, health workers, some in protective white jumpsuits, transferred 10 patients from the Diamond Princess cruise ship to a Japanese coast guard boat next to it. The 10 were taken to a dock and put on ambulances bound for hospitals for treatment in isolation.

Health Minister Katsunobu Kato said all of the people on board will be quarantined on the ship for up to 14 days under Japanese law.



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A Palestinian woman slams a portrait of Donald Trump on Wednesday in Gaza City.

## Trump aide links Mideast plan to rising anti-Semitism

By Deb Riechmann **Associated Press** 

WASHINGTON - President Donald Trump's national security adviser warned Palestinians on Wednesday that Israeli settlements will continue to expand because rising anti-Semitism around the world means more Jews will immigrate to Israel.

Addressing many hot-button global issues in a speech and discussion with foreign diplomats to the United States, Robert O'Brien also said the president hoped to go to Beijing to talk to the Chinese about a three-way nuclear arms control pact with the U.S. and Russia. He said the president still hopes that North Korean leader Kim Jong Un will resume nuclear talks with the U.S.

defended O'Brien Trump's Mideast peace plan, which was embraced by Israel but rejected by the Palestinians. O'Brien said the plan is not "perfect," but urged the Palestinians to negotiate terms of the proposed deal. The deal offers economic benefits that would allow Palestine to become the "Singapore of the Middle East," he said.

The Palestinians have roundly denounced the

proposal, which offers them limited self-rule in scattered chunks of territory with a capital on the outskirts of Jerusalem while allowing Israel to annex large parts of the West Bank. Protesters have burned U.S. and Israeli flags as well as posters of Trump and Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who stood with Trump at the White House when he rolled out the plan last

"This could be the last opportunity for a two-state solution," O'Brien said at the Meridian International Center. "The Israeli birthrate is strong and is growing because sadly anti-Semitism in Europe and other places around the world is encouraging more Jews to return to Israel. The settlements are going to continue to expand. If this freeze on settlements doesn't hold. If this peace process doesn't work, it may be physically impossible to have a two-state

It was unusual for a high-level administration official to tie anti-Semitism to the settlements. The Palestinians, as well as much of the international community, view the settlements in the West Bank

and annexed east Jerusalem - territories seized by Israel in the 1967 war as illegal and a major obstacle to peace. But O'Brien's comments are in line with the Trump administration strongly favoring Israel in the longtime conflict.

Trump's plan would foresee the eventual creation of a Palestinian state, but would allow Israel to annex all Jewish settlements in the West Bank, as well as the strategic Jordan

Addressing arms control during a question-and-answer session, O'Brien said the administration has been in touch with Russia about what to do about the New START Treaty, which expires in exactly one year. It is the only remaining treaty limiting the number of U.S. and Russian strategic nuclear weapons. Russia has expressed a willingness to extend the treaty for five years. Trump wants to pull China into the negotiations, citing China's major defense buildup.

"We are going to work on those talks in the coming months and year and I'd expect we'll be going to Beijing to talk to the Chinese about how we can reduce the threat of nuclear war," he said.

## GOP fastens fate to Trump after falling into line at trial

By Jonathan Lemire AND ZEKE MILLER

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - With the final gavel banging down Wednesday on impeachment, President Donald Trump barreled ahead in his reelection fight with a united Republican Party behind him, and emboldened by reassuring poll numbers and chaos in the Democratic race to replace

Republican senators voted largely in lockstep to acquit Trump, relying on a multitude of rationales for keeping him in office: He's guilty, but his conduct wasn't impeachable; his July telephone conversation with Ukraine's president was a "perfect call"; there's an election in 10 months and it's up to voters to determine his fate.

For Trump, there was one overriding message to draw from his acquittal: Even at a time of maximum political peril, it's his Republican Party.

One day after Trump avoided talk of impeachment in his State of the Union address and argued that he had delivered on his 2016 campaign promises, the president already was moving to use impeachment as a 2020 rallying cry.

"He will be acquitted forever, beginning today," White House counselor Kellyanne Conway told reporters before the vote.

The nation's first presidential nominating contest, the Iowa caucuses, handed more good news to Trump. A tabulating mishap threw the Democrats into chaos, depriving any candidate of a clear victory and allowing Trump to paint the Democrats as incompetent and corrupt.

Trump's tenuous relationship with the GOP establishment has been a consistent theme of his political life in recent years,



President Donald Trump walks into the Oval Office an hour before final votes Wednesday at his Senate trial.

and he has repeatedly put the party's values to the

Still, most Republicans have grudgingly stuck with him, through the revelations of the "Access Hollywood" tape, in which he was heard boasting about sexually assaulting women, and Charlottesville, where he defended white supremacists during a racial clash in the Virginia college town, as well as Helsinki, where he sided with Russia's Vladimir Putin over U.S. intelligence agencies about Moscow's 2016 election interference.

Now, they are giving him the victory he's been waiting for and lashing their fates to his like never be-

Throughout the impeachment process, Trump drew satisfaction as Republican senators, many of whom opposed his longshot candidacy and still dismiss him in private, overwhelmingly defended him and defied convention, tradition and public opinion polling in the process.

While Trump is among the least popular presidents in modern history, he has nonetheless maintained wide support among Republicans, with 83% approving of his job performance in a January poll from

The Associated Press-NORC Center.

Taking their cues from Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, with whom Trump has a respectful, if not particularly close, relationship, GOP senators fell in line to block new witnesses and documents in the trial. The final vote Wednesday was no different: Only one Republican, Utah Sen. Mitt Romney, a longtime Trump critic, voted for removal.

Trump has benefited from a new class of Republicans in Congress who have proved to be more partisan than their predecessors. Party members also know that Trump rains retribution on those who cross him. For all of Trump's talk about how Democrats stick together, he's got the Republicans in

Still personally stung by impeachment, Trump is betting that he can sell his acquittal to the American people as a vindication, that he can activate his supporters and mollify even his skeptics in the center. Democrats are left with the more challenging task of explaining the details of the Ukraine case to Americans, and the White House believes Trump's less complicated message will prevail.

### Senate

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ally to investigate Democratic rival Joe Biden ahead of the next election.

No president has ever been removed by the Sen-

A politically emboldened Trump has eagerly predicted vindication, deploying the verdict as a political anthem in his reelection

The president claims he did nothing wrong, decrying the "witch hunt" and "hoax" as extensions of special counsel Robert Mueller's probe into Russian 2016 campaign interference by those out to get him from the start of his presidency.

Trump's political campaign tweeted videos, statements and a cartoon dance celebrating that he was "vindicated."

Trump himself tweeted that he would speak from the White House on Thursday about "our Country's VICTORY on the Impeachment Hoax."

Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., said there will always be "a giant asterisk next to the president's acquittal" because of the Senate's quick trial and the Republicans' rejection of witnesses.

A majority of senators expressed unease with Trump's pressure campaign on Ukraine that resulted in the two articles of impeachment. But two-thirds "guilty" votes would have been needed to reach the Constitution's bar of high crimes and misdemeanors to convict and remove Trump from office. The final tallies fell far short.

On the first article of impeachment, abuse of power, the vote was 52-48 favoring acquittal. The second, obstruction of Congress, also produced a notguilty verdict, 53-47.

Only one Republican, Mitt Romney of Utah, the party's defeated 2012 presidential nominee, broke with the GOP.

Romney choked up as he said he drew on his faith and "oath before God" to announce he would vote



SENATE TELEVISION

Senators on Wednesday vote 52-48 in favor of acquittal on abuse of power and 53-47 on obstruction of Congress against President Donald Trump.

guilty on the first charge, abuse of power. He voted to acquit on the second.

Bill Clinton in 1999 and Andrew Johnson in 1868 drew cross-party support when they were left in office after an impeachment trial. President Richard Nixon resigned rather than face revolt from his own

Ahead of voting, some of the most closely watched senators took to the Senate floor to tell their constituents, and the nation, what they had decided. The Senate chaplain opened the trial with daily prayers for the senators, including one Wednesday seeking "integ-

GOP Sen. Lamar Alexander of Tennessee, who is retiring, worried that a guilty verdict would "pour gasoline on the fire" of the nation's culture wars over Trump. He said the House proved its case, but it just didn't rise to the level of

conviction. Other Republicans siding with Trump said it was time to end what McConnell called the "circus" and



Sen. Mitt Romney explains his decision to vote guilty on the abuse charge. He voted to acquit on the second charge.

move on.

Trump ally GOP Sen. Lindsey Graham said it was a "sham" designed to destroy a presidency.

Most Democrats, though, echoed the House managers' warnings that Trump, if left unchecked, would continue to abuse the power of his office for personal political gain and try to "cheat" again ahead of the 2020 election.

During the nearly threeweek trial, House Democrats prosecuting the case argued that Trump abused power like no other president in history when he pressured Ukraine to investigate Biden and his son Hunter Biden ahead of the 2020 election.

They detailed a shadow diplomacy run by Trump lawyer Rudy Giuliani that set off alarms at the highest levels of government. After Trump's July 25 phone call with Ukraine, Trump temporarily halted U.S. military aid to the struggling ally battling Russia at its border. The money was eventually released in September as Congress intervened.

When the House probed Trump's actions, the president instructed White House aides to defy congressional subpoenas, leading to the obstruction charge.

One key Democrat, Alabama Sen. Doug Jones perhaps the most endangered politically for reelection in a state where Trump is popular - voted to convict. "Senators are elected to make tough choices," Jones

Questions from the Ukraine matter continue to

House Democrats may yet summon former national security adviser John Bolton to testify about revelations from his forthcoming book that offer a fresh account of Trump's actions.

In closing arguments for the trial, the lead prosecutor, Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Calif., appealed to senators' sense of decency, that "right matters" and "truth matters" and that Trump "is not who you are."

Pelosi was initially reluctant to launch impeachment proceedings against Trump when she took control of the House after the 2018 election, dismissively telling more liberal voices that "he's not worth it."

Trump and his GOP allies in Congress argue that Democrats have been trying to undercut him from the start.

But a whistleblower complaint of his conversation with Ukraine President Volodymyr Zelenskiy set off

alarms. The call had been placed the day after Mueller announced the findings of his Russia probe.

When Trump told Pelosi in September that the call was perfect, she was stunned.

"Perfectly wrong," she

Days later, the speaker announced the formal impeachment inquiry.

The result was the quickest impeachment in U.S. history, with no Republicans joining House Democrats to vote for the charges, though one GOP congressman left the party and voted for impeachment and two Democrats joined Republicans to oppose. The GOPled Senate kept up the pace with the fastest trial ever, and the first with no witnesses or deliberations.

Trump's legal team with star attorney Alan Dershowitz made the assertion that even if the president engaged in the quid pro quo as described, it is not impeachable, because politicians often view their own political interest with the national interest.

#### **NEWS BRIEFING**

Staff and news services

## Syrian troops capture key rebel town despite Turkish warning

ANKARA, Turkey — Syrian government troops captured a key opposition town in the northwest Wednesday despite threats by Turkey's president to use force if they don't pull back, an observer group and news network reported.

The town, Saraqeb, sits at the intersection of two major highways, one linking the capital of Damascus to the north and another connecting Syria's west and east.

The Britain-based Syrian Observatory for Human Rights and an opposition news network said Syrian government troops entered Saraqeb in the evening after an intense day of fighting with opposition fighters.

The Observatory reported clashes inside the town between Syrian troops and opposition fighters. Turkish troops stationed north of Saraqeb shelled Syrian troops in efforts to break their hold.

## CIA worker: Massive 2017 leak 'was crippling' to the agency

NEW YORK — A CIA computer engineer testified at the espionage trial of a former CIA employee on Wednesday that the 2017 leak of thousands of pages of documents "was crippling" to the agency and turned his office into an FBI crime scene.

The engineer — testifying under the pseudonym Jeremy Weber — said the release by WikiLeaks left the CIA scrambling.

"We were in damage

mode," he said at the trial of Joshua Adam Schulte, who quit the CIA and moved to New York for a job with a salary of \$200,000 four months before the documents were published.

Weber said it took a week of 20-hour workdays to learn the scope of the damage, protect overseas assets and decide how to begin rewriting programs that target foreign adversaries.

## Advocates say ICE neglecting 5-year-old with head injury

HOUSTON — A 5-yearold boy from Guatemala who fractured his skull in an accident and suffered bleeding around his brain is not being properly treated at an immigration detention center in Texas for what could be a traumatic brain injury, family members and advocates alleged.

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement defended the care given to the 5-year-old, whom the agency detained with his parents and 1-year-old brother in January, about a month after the boy fell out of a shopping cart. The children and their mother are in custody at the family detention center at Dilley, Texas, where the 5-yearold continues to have headaches and complains when he hears normal levels of sound, according to his aunt and Dr. Amy Cohen, an advocate working with the family.



Emergency service members carry a victim Wednesday after an avalanche slammed a mountain road in Turkey's eastern Van province near the border with Iran, striking a rescue team sent to find people missing in an earlier avalanche.

## Avalanche in Turkey wipes out rescue team; 38 dead overall

ANKARA, Turkey — An avalanche slammed into a mountain road in eastern Turkey on Wednesday, wiping out a huge team of rescue workers sent to find people missing in an earlier avalanche. Officials said 33 emergency workers were killed, 53 were injured and others are still buried under the snow.

Wednesday's avalanche increased the overall death toll from the disaster to 38.

About 300 emergency service workers were called to a highway near the mountain-surrounded town of Bahcesaray in Van province, which borders Iran, after an avalanche struck late Tuesday. That

snow slide killed five people and left two missing. Around noon Wednesday, the team was struck by the second avalanche.

Turkey's emergency and disaster management agency, AFAD, said 33 bodies were recovered from the mass of snow on the steep slope. Earlier, Gov. Mehmet Emin Bilmez said the dead included eight military police officers, three government-paid village guards, three firefighters and nine volunteers.

Emergency teams were still searching for other colleagues under the snow, Bilmez said. He did not provide a figure of how many could be missing. About 30 emergency workers were either pulled out of the heap of snow or escaped themselves and were hospitalized Wednesday, the Interior Ministry said. There was no further information on their conditions.

Video from the scene showed at least three over-turned vehicles at the bottom of a hill during a snowstorm.

Fog, heavy snow and strong winds were hampering the rescue efforts.

The first avalanche buried a snow-clearing vehicle and a minibus.

The vehicle's operator and seven passengers escaped alive.

#### Judge strips terrorist of citizenship at US request

COLUMBUS, Ohio — A federal judge has stripped a terrorist of his naturalized U.S. citizenship, siding with the government in the case of a Pakistan-born man convicted more than 15 years ago of plotting to destroy New York's Brooklyn Bridge.

Defendant Iyman Faris,

once a truck driver in Columbus, Ohio, was sentenced in 2003 for aiding and abetting al-Qaida by scoping out the bridge as part of a plot to cut through cables that support it.

Faris met with Osama bin Laden in Afghanistan and worked with Sept. 11 architect Khalid Sheikh Mohammed, although some critics questioned how realistic the plot was.

The government argued that Faris lied on immigration papers before becoming a naturalized U.S. citizen in 1999 and that his terrorist affiliations demonstrated a lack of commit-

ment to the Constitution.

#### Companies offer rebuke of Tennessee's adoption law

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Almost three dozen big companies and more than 100 small businesses in Tennessee on Wednesday predicted economic backlash from a newly enacted state adoption law and other proposals that target LGBT people, with one company saying plans to add jobs in Nashville are "in doubt" over the legislation

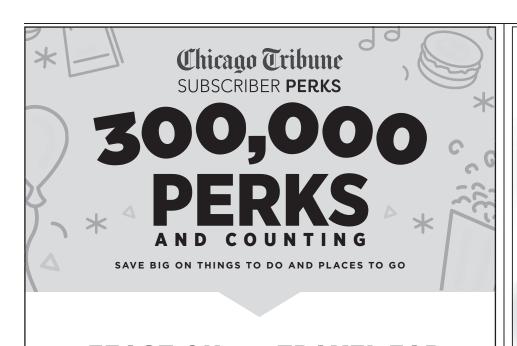
The letter from the likes of Amazon, Nike and Nissan to state officials offered the biggest rebuke to date from the business community after GOP Gov. Bill Lee last month signed the adoption bill and made it effective immediately.

The new law would assure taxpayer funding of faith-based foster care and adoption agencies even if they exclude LGBT families and others based on religious beliefs. Lee argued the law would better protect religious liberty.

In Iraq: At least eight anti-government protesters were shot dead and 52 were wounded in clashes with followers of a radical Shiite cleric in southern Iraq on Wednesday, Iraqi medical officials and activists said.

The violence comes as new divisions have emerged among protesters and supporters of radical Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, who initially threw his weight behind the uprising. But he then repositioned himself toward the political establishment after political elites selected Mohammed Allawi as prime minister-designate, a candidate he endorsed.

Clashes took place between protesters and followers of al-Sadr in the holy city of Najaf in southern Iraq.



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### **EDITORIALS**

## Gov. Pritzker pushes Illinois as first primary of 2024. Chances are that won't fly.

Every presidential election cycle, voters across the country give Iowa the side-eye. Why does Iowa play such an outsize role in the nomination process? Why should its precinct caucuses fall first in the primary season, elevating certain candidates while whacking others in the kneecaps?

This year with a technical glitch stalling Monday's tabulations, pressure is building for the two major parties to pivot away from Iowa. Cue the next twist of the wheel: a suggestion that Illinois go first.

Gov. J.B. Pritzker, through social media Monday night and remarks from his chief of staff, indicated he will push the Democratic National Committee to allow Illinois to host the first primary of 2024. "If you're looking for a state whose people represent the diversity of America, look no further than Illinois. It's time for the most representative state in the country to be the first in the nation," the governor's Twitter account posted Monday night. He's since amplified his proposal.

## As a shrinking Illinois loses clout ...

That would mean shoving Illinois to the front of the line in early February and intensifying the campaign frenzy here, which registers just a hair above dull. Illinois' primary election is unfashionably late — this year it's March 17 — and the state's population losses have translated into dwindling influence nationally. A U.S. House delegation that once had 27 members will, after this year's census, surely fall

Presidential candidates are not mingling with voters at rural elementary schools or Naperville pancake houses because Illinois isn't considered a competitive hotbed, not in primary season and not for Electoral College votes in the general election.

Illinois also used to be considered a swing state, drawing candidates from both parties to pound the flesh. But Illinois voters haven't favored a GOP presidential candidate since 1988 with George H.W. Bush. Voters since then supported Bill Clinton, Al Gore, John Kerry, Barack Obama twice, and Hillary Clinton.

Yet the governor suggests Illinois should have first-stop primary privileges. With Chicago, its suburbs and rural farming



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Gov. J.B. Pritzker, shown giving his first State of the State speech Jan. 29, at the State Capitol in Springfield, says Illinois should host the country's first primary election in 2024.

communities, the state is more representative of the nation as a whole than Iowa is. A 2016 analysis from National Public Radio that Pritzker cited showed Illinois leading the nation as the most "middle" state. In five categories studied — race, education, age, income and religious participation — Illinois most consistently matched national averages, based on U.S. Census Bureau data from 2014. "Illinois' respective populations are nearly identical to the country's at large," the authors of the study wrote.

## This is why we can't have nice things

But let's be real. Even the DNC, which might be thrilled to push back the compli-

cated, controversial caucuses, is unlikely to replace Iowa with New Jersey, Louisiana or any other state notorious for public corruption. The "dead people vote in Cook County" joke reliably delivers laughs on late-night TV.

Beyond wisecracks, though, are more valid reasons why Illinois is a tough sell. Such as a growing reputation for voter registration ineptitude.

Recently, Secretary of State Jesse White's office admitted it allowed more than 500 non-U.S. citizens to register to vote through a "programming error." White's office also mistakenly started the voter registration process for some 4,700 16-year-olds who showed up to get their driver's licenses. Illinois law allows 17-

year-olds to vote in primaries, but only if they'll turn 18 before the general election. And Illinois election authorities admitted they accidentally canceled the voter registrations of some 775 former prison inmates who in fact were eligible to vote.

#### Illinois' corruption eruption

Perhaps election authorities just had a couple of bad months. But it doesn't build the case for trust that would be required to move Illinois to the front of the primary election line.

That four of this state's last 11 governors have been imprisoned for federal felonies speaks to the Illinois culture of political sleaze. Then there's the wide-ranging federal corruption probe now tarnishing prominent Illinois Democrats. The perennial question of Illinois politics: "Who's

Besides, if the broader concern among Democrats is that Iowa voters advance too many white-bread candidates — surely news to Obama, with those two victories in Iowa's caucuses — national Democrats could have solved that this year long before Iowa

## About that diversity problem ...

Democrats could have coalesced around Sen. Kamala Harris, who's of Jamaican and Indian descent. They could have elevated Cory Booker, New Jersey's first African American senator. They could have boosted Julian Castro of Texas, once the youngest member of Obama's Cabinet, who is of Mexican descent. They could have rallied around Hawaii's Rep. Tulsi Gabbard, the first Hindu member of Congress. They could have activated the grassroots for Andrew Yang, whose parents emigrated from Taiwan.

Long before Monday, the candidates who contributed the most diversity to the Democratic field either quit the race or fell behind.

Why? Because they didn't attract the support of rank and file Democrats.

That suggests Iowa isn't the biggest problem. Moving the first primary of 2024 to another state, even Illinois, won't solve it

#### FROM A CHICAGO TRIBUNE EDITORIAL OF NOV. 28, 2019

## Giving thanks for FBI agents and federal prosecutors

A year ago this Friday, Chicagoans trudged from their trains, buses and autos to their workplaces, stood in line for morning coffee and tightened their coat buttons. It was a run-of-the-mill workday.

**Little did they know, federal agents at City Hall** and on the Far Southwest Side were storming the offices of Ald. Edward Burke, 14th. ...

Speculation came swiftly. Maybe Burke's City Hall office was being painted or decorated for the holidays. It couldn't possibly be a law enforcement raid.

Could it?

It was. ... Throughout this year, the feds' activity has only accelerated. Warrants, raids, indictments, headlines — and people's outrage.

At this Thanksgiving, Illinois citizens can offer thanks for that law enforcement effort. Thank you, federal prosecutors. You too, agents of the FBI and sister agencies.

We don't say that lightly. This is not a just-pass-the-gravy moment.

## It's an embarrassment that the U.S. Department of Justice has to police Illinois and Chicago for public corruption.

The lack of interest from state and local law enforcement in investigating and prosecuting corruption in Illinois has reinforced a sense of entitlement for the politicians engaged in it, and reinforced numbness from an electorate accustomed

to it. A campaign donation, tickets to a fundraiser, a patronage hire, a contract steered to a favored company, a bribe, all in exchange for government service — this has been business as usual. ...

For people cheated out of honest chances at jobs and contracts. For taxpayers. For citizens fed up with the stench of greed and corruption that rots a basic trust in government.

For that law enforcement effort we say, thank you.

#### WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

What happens when a party nominates a candidate who triumphs because of familiarity, or because "it's her turn," or because he's steadily ascended the party ranks despite no defining passion or cause? The track record of these "default" nominees, at least in modern political history, is bleak. Hillary Clinton is the latest and, for the Democrats, still most painful example. ...

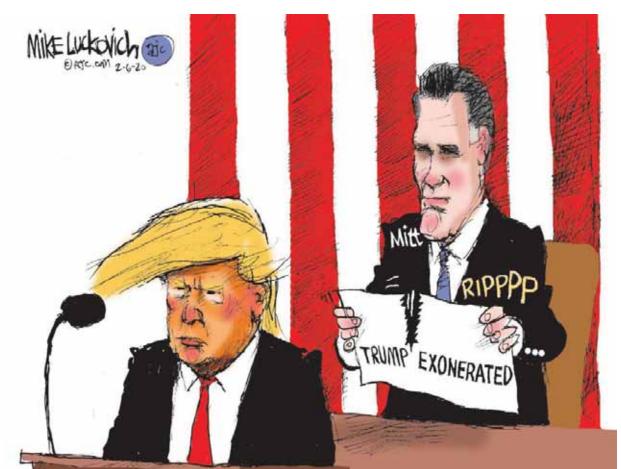
Four years before Hillary Clinton was defeated, the Republicans trotted out the reliable, central-casting Mitt Romney to lose to President Barack Obama, a campaign that seemed to rhyme with the time the Dems unenthusiastically fell in line for John Kerry against President George W. Bush in 2004. Keep going back, and you see candidates like these over and over, marching under flags of pale pastel, all going down to defeat in November: Al Gore, Bob Dole, Walter Mondale, Gerald Ford, Hubert Humphrey and even Richard Nixon, in his first run, in 1960. ...

(These default candidates) tend to lose to rivals who can claim novelty or outsiderhood: Jimmy Carter, Bill Clinton, Ronald Reagan, Obama, Donald Trump. (During the 2016 campaign, Trump knocked his own party's default candidate, Jeb Bush, out of the primaries.)

Biden is the former VP of a president still hugely popular with his party, so he's in the small group of defaults with a fighting chance to win (or, less hopeful for Democrats, to barely lose). Defaults aren't usually winners, but there are moments when they're what America is looking for. ... A vote accompanied by a shrug counts just as much as vote accompanied by a clenched fist.

Jeff Greenfield, Politico

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## PERSPECTIVE



Caucus participants check in at the Drake University field house in Des Moines, Iowa, on Monday.

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## After the Iowa caucuses disaster, let's bring back the smoke-filled room



STEVE CHAPMAN

This year's Iowa caucuses were a pratfall shackled to a debacle and wrapped inside a horror. The failure of organizers to get and report results promptly has provoked demands for change: Scrap the format, change the way results are tabulated or cancel Iowa's first place on the calendar. But the spectacle was a distraction from the graver defect, which is an overdose of democracy.

The caucuses were once an exercise in irrelevance, and presidential primaries were only slightly more than that. In 1968, Hubert Humphrey won the Democratic nomination without entering a single one. Party officials made the decision. But afterward, Democrats led by Sen. George McGovern changed the rules to give ordinary voters a bigger say.

Things have never been the same. In 1976, Jimmy Carter, an obscure one-term Georgia governor with little support among party officials, surprised people by announcing that he would enter every primary, and in a crowded field, managed to win—starting in Iowa. Since then, nominees have been picked by the voters.

The smoke-filled rooms packed with insiders where candidates were eliminated or elevated are long gone. But the Iowa disaster is more evidence that maybe it's time to bring them back, in smoke-free form.

The old method was disowned for being undemocratic, secretive and exclusionary. But what was the original smoke-filled room? Independence Hall in Philadelphia, where the framers labored behind closed doors, sworn to confidentiality, to hammer out a Constitution that has lasted 231 years. The delegates were chosen not by the voting public but by state legislatures.

The old system for choosing presidential nominees didn't yield such bad results. Among the products were Theodore Roosevelt, Franklin Roosevelt, Dwight Eisenhower and John F. Kennedy. More important, it put power in the hands of party stalwarts, who had a stake not only in winning each election but in keeping their institution strong over the long term.

As a result, presidential historian Richard Norton Smith tells me, "you had two parties, one center-right and one center-left, with an emphasis on 'center.' They were much more reflective of the country."

The presidential primaries are one reason for the greater polarization of the two parties. They have created opportunities for outsiders and zeal-ots to compete and win.

What matters in these contests is not building broad appeal but cultivating factions of intense supporters with slashing rhetoric and flamebroiled ideology. Victory in the Iowa caucuses has gone to such hard-liners as Mike Huckabee, Rick Santorum and Ted Cruz.

Donald Trump, a onetime prochoice Democrat who became a right-wing rabble-rouser, would have been blocked by the GOP establishment. Party insiders and Republican elected officials likely would have chosen a relative moderate such as Jeb Bush, Marco Rubio or John Kasich.

Bernie Sanders nearly won the Democratic nomination in 2016 even though he had not previously been a Democrat. He and his leftist followers could emerge triumphant at this year's convention and then lead the party over a cliff in November, as McGovern did in 1972. Under a process controlled by people who have been elected to public office or party posts, Sanders wouldn't have a chance.

That option may sound unfair and anti-democratic. But I'm reminded of H.L. Mencken's definition of an idealist as "one who, on noticing that roses smell better than a cabbage, concludes that it will also make better soup." Just because democracy is the best method in many instances doesn't mean it's right in all.

The flaw in the new system, wrote political scientist Judith Center in 1974, is that it "challenged the ancient wisdom that has held that the purpose of a political party is to mobilize majorities to win general elections, and that compromise and accommodation are eminently acceptable and valuable means to that end." The voters always had the final authority.

It may be no coincidence that the more democracy we introduce into nominating campaigns, the more uncompromising the parties become. As the parties grow more ideological and intolerant of internal differences, the public feels more alienated.

In 1961, according to the Pew Research Center, 79% of Americans said they were either Democrats or Republicans. Today, only 55% do. And as voters put off by uncompromising positions leave either party to become independents, the more extreme elements in each gain even more control.

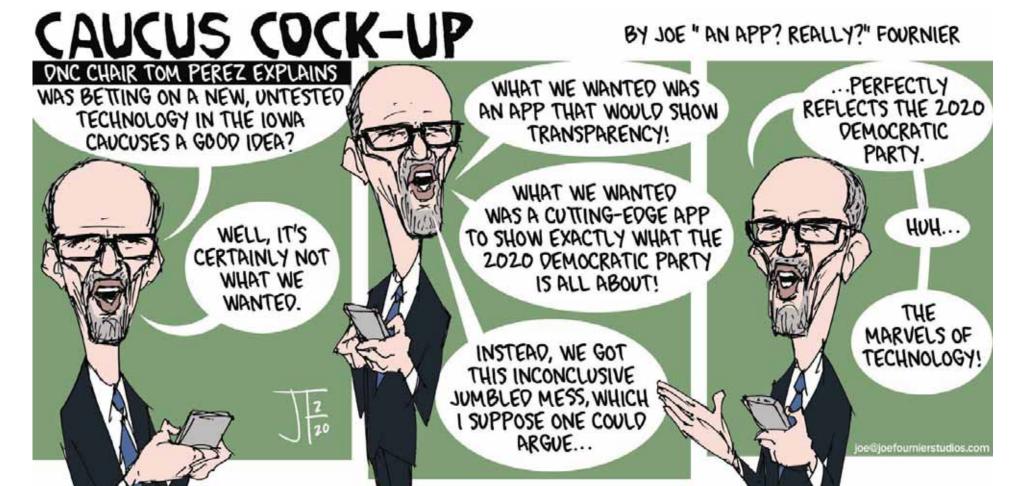
It seemed like such a good idea to take these decisions out of those smoke-filled rooms. But today, we're choking on the results.

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## PERSPECTIVE



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Sgt. 1st Class Townsend Williams, with his daughter and wife, Amy, after returning from deployment in Afghanistan, at the State of the Union address in Washington on Tuesday.

## The state of President Trump? Ripe for reelection



**CAL THOMAS** 

The president's State of the Union speech Tuesday night resembled a campaign rally. Some Republicans shouted 'four more years" as he approached the lectern. Democrats mostly looked glum, shook their heads, pursed their lips, laughed in response to some of his remarks, and in the case of Speaker Nancy Pelosi, appeared to be talking to herself. At the end, she tore up her copy of the address, and President Donald Trump refused to acknowledge her before stepping down from the platform.

This was more than a victory lap for the president. It was a celebration of all he and Republicans have accomplished the last three years. The latest Gallup poll reflects the public's recognition of those achievements with 49% of those polled approving the president's performance, up 10 points since November. Yes, 50% still disapprove of him, but based on what? It can't be the economy, which he again touted as strong and getting stronger. According to Gallup, 63% approve of his economic policies.

Trump made a strong case for school choice, putting a face on "failing government schools" by introducing a young African American girl and her mother from Pennsylvania. The governor, he said, recently vetoed an Opportunity Scholarship bill, but the president said he was

offering her a scholarship (funded personally by Education Secretary Betsy DeVos) so she and her mother could choose a better school.

There was the dramatic moment when the president brought back from Afghanistan Sgt. 1st Class Townsend Williams, who had been on his fourth tour, and reunited him with his wife, Amy, and their two children. Tears flowed.

Speaking of tears, when was the last time you saw radio talk show host Rush Limbaugh cry? He did as he received from Melania Trump the Presidential Medal of Freedom. Limbaugh announced Monday he has advanced lung cancer. Many Democrats refused to applaud. This is what hate does to some people.

The president directly and indirectly got in digs at Democrats, including former President Barack Obama, by noting the millions he said had been removed from welfare and food stamp rolls. "Since my election, we have created 7 million new jobs," Trump said. This was "taking credit for thousands of jobs created after the election but while Barack Obama was still president," according to FactCheck-.org. "The most recent figures show that in the 35 months after Trump actually took office, the economy added just under 6.7 million jobs."

In one of his many anti-abortion statements, the president introduced a woman and her 2-year-old child. "In 2017," he said, "doctors at St. Luke's hospital in Kansas City delivered one of the earliest premature babies ever to survive. Born at just 21 weeks and six days, and weighing less than a pound, Ellie Schneider was born a fighter. Through the skill of her doctors — and the prayers of her parents

 little Ellie kept on winning the battle for life. Today, Ellie is a strong, healthy 2-year-old girl sitting with her amazing mother Robin in the gallery." He then pivoted and called on Congress to pass legislation finally banning "the late-term abortion of babies."

One wishes he had said something about eliminating outdated and unworkable government programs. Instead, he proposed even more programs, adding to our \$22 trillion (and growing) national debt. He apparently still thinks growth will solve the problem, but not if he and Congress keep spending.

This was more than a State of the Union address. It was a campaign kickoff. According to Gallup, Trump received a 10% approval rating among blacks in 2019. Emerson Polling and Rasmussen Reports put that number around 34%, which, depending on which poll you believe, might suggest the president's appeal is growing in the African American community. Maybe the administration's criminal justice reform legislation and the call for expansion of school choice legislation are responsible for the

Following his acquittal by the Senate on two articles of impeachment, the president clearly has the wind at his back. With issues going his way and with the Democratic Party in disarray (the broken vote-counting app in the Iowa caucuses was an appropriate symbol of their dysfunction) the president is poised for four more years.

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#### The Democrats' blind hatred

As a fierce independent voter, all I can say is I won't be voting for any Democrat for anything ever, perhaps. After the blatant hatred and disrespect to our country, our president, our military and our Constitution, the Democrats sat through President Donald Trump's State of the Union address to the nation on their butts, not even showing respect for most of the special guests introduced. Talking to each other, rather than listening. Never did I believe they could be so openly hateful toward the American people; usually it's just whispering and laughing behind our backs.

Time to wake up, America. Regardless of your party affiliation, these Democrats sitting there were disrespecting to you and me as much as to President Trump. They showed their stripes. You wouldn't let your 10-year-old get away with disrespecting her teacher or a neighbor like the Democrats just did. In November, time to make them aware: We are their bosses and not the other way around, whether they like us or not.

— Linda Dorminey, Burr Ridge

#### **State of the Union** showcased lies

I watched President Donald Trump deliver his State of the Union address Tuesday evening. Since it has been clearly demonstrated that he is a serial pathological liar, I could not believe a word he said, and never will. Let's all remember this in November, when we have the opportunity to vote him

- Bob Chimis, Elmwood Park

#### Rush Limbaugh's undeserved honor

The Presidential Medal of Freedom is the country's highest civilian honor. President Donald Trump just gave it to Rush Limbaugh. Limbaugh has desecrated our country in so many ways, which has resulted in a concerted campaign to remove his hate message from the airwaves, called "Flush Rush." Ad revenues have dropped as corporations fear being associated with his hateful message. And Trump declares him our  $country's \ hero-talk\ about\ desecrating\ the$ meaning of the award and our country! The reputation of everyone who has received this award is now tarnished.

— Lee Knohl, Evanston

#### Biden undone by impeachment stink

The impeachment hearings appear to have mortally wounded the presidential candidacy of Democrat Joe Biden: Why vote for a tainted candidate, when you can vote for the fresh alternative? Thus, Biden comes in fourth in Iowa, and his "alternative" Pete Buttigieg comes out on top, with Bernie Sanders second. Biden's donors and supporters will all see the shifting wind and switch to Buttigieg. Biden can and will fold. Thus, smart move by Sanders' friends to keep pushing the impeachment hearings, I have to give them that: They got Biden out of the picture!

But perhaps there is justice in life after all. Elizabeth Warren and Sanders will be at each other's throats all the way to the Democratic National Convention. At the end, party leaders will demand supporting the candidate with the most delegates, and that will be Buttigieg. Michael Bloomberg won't be taking it away from him: too old, too rich. (He had a better chance against Biden.)

– Harald Uhlig, Chicago

#### Desperate stabbing in the dark

People who now call for censure of President Donald Trump are like the Black Knight in "Monty Python and the Holy Grail" who, after losing all of his limbs in a sword fight, comes after King Arthur with

– Jack Kenesey, Palatine

#### Iowa doesn't deserve top spot

The fiasco at the Democratic Party's Iowa caucuses, where a problem with a mobile app caused a lengthy delay in voting results, shows why Iowa doesn't deserve the honor of being the site of our nation's first presidential primary, especially since problems have happened there in the past. So it is time to make another state the home of our nation's first presidential primary, one that is not only more reliable but more diverse and technologically savvy.

- Kenneth L. Zimmerman, Huntington Beach, California

#### Let's go back to paper ballots

Am I the only person who thinks it is time to go back to paper ballots voted by hand and counted at the end of the day by the precinct judges with the candidate watchers on hand?

- Jerome C. Yanoff, Chicago

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#### Beyond #OscarsSoWhite, Hollywood must confront its history of racism on the big screen created to legitimize hateful attitudes and make acceptable levels of social oppres-

By Jordan Walker-Pearlman

Around the time I was 13, in the early 1980s, I started watching movie screeners with my uncle, Gene Wilder. The screeners, sent from the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, were provided to academy members for consideration of Oscar nominations.

Gene had been a member since being nominated for best supporting actor for "The Producers" in 1969. We would binge-watch 20 or 30 over a month before he began voting.

Throughout my childhood I was in love with movies and enthralled with classic American and international films. But I slowly soured on the American

Nearly without fail, whenever my uncle and I would pop a classic movie into the VHS player, some ruinous and racist image of the happy bellhop, cheerful slave or servant, seldom speaking but ready to tap dance, would emerge. Gene could see the disappointment in my face and know I was thinking about the pain these images would cause me and the African American side of my family.

The new films we watched in the 1980s were not much better. Many came with new stereotypical images or an absolute neglect of people of color. Gene grew to understand this issue well through one of the men he admired most personally and professionally, Sidney Poitier, who became an early mentor to me. My uncle and I talked about this problem nearly every year around Oscar

Throughout my childhood I was in love with movies and enthralled with classic American and international films. But I slowly soured on the American ones.

Then, as now, the issue was not about creating an awards quota, but the lack of equal opportunity for people of color to create and exist within this art form on both sides of the camera.

When I was nominated to join the academy in the director category in the early 2000s (under its previous system), I declined. It was not easy, since my life has been a love affair with cinema. But it never occurred to me to accept. Joining that club at that time would mean agreeing to, or at least acquiescing to, the organization's blatant disregard of negative images and its neglect of inclusive oppor-

It's important to understand that this isn't about blaming an earlier generation for views common in its day or asking artists to know what tomorrow's sensitivities might be.

Those earlier characterizations of

people of color in movies were not merely

cases of harmless ignorance, but a form of cultural violence. They were consciously

Americans were removed for theaters in the South, while the running time of happy slaves was lengthened) or that any of these films be censored or denied recognition for their storytelling.

But it is my strong hope that the academy, which is opening its own museum in Los Angeles, will honestly confront its own history and role. The museum could include a permanent exhibit that shows the painful images on the big screen that were used to support and maintain a system of dehumanization. Certainly, many academy members would decry such a history when it exists in fields and institutions outside our own medium.

The academy needs to embrace, not fear, inclusion. The demand that the cinema reflect all of us won't go away, because it still has the power to tell us who we are.

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## Northwestern to spend \$78M on ER project

Additions to hospital could help relieve overcrowding, backups

By Lisa Schencker

Northwestern Memorial Hospital plans to spend \$77.6 million to add 49 beds and construct a three-story connector between two of its buildings in Streeterville, partly in a bid to relieve crowding in its emergency depart-

The additions could help alleviate backups that cause 3,000 patients a year to leave the ER without being seen and cause the hospital to temporarily stop accepting ambulance patients, according to an application filed with the Illinois Health Facilities and Services Review Board, which must approve the plan.



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Northwestern Memorial Hospital is seeking to add 49 hospital beds in a bid to ease crowding in its emergency department.

A lack of beds in other areas of the hospital has forced patients to remain in the ER longer while they wait for a bed, leading to the

backups, according to the application. That lack of beds also can make it difficult to accept patients from other hospitals who need specialty services.

Northwestern Memorial went on bypass - meaning it asked ambulances to take new patients to other hospitals - more than any other Chicago-area hospital between 2017 and the first half of 2019, a Tribune investigation revealed last year. It was on bypass about 31% of the time during that period and has been investigated by the state for its use of the practice.

The state again reached out to Northwestern in September with concerns about its use of bypass. Northwestern Memorial President Julie Creamer responded at that time with a list of actions the hospital was taking to reduce its bypass hours including the additional units, pending approval by the state review board.

The hospital hopes to add 24 beds for intensive care patients

and 25 beds for medical and surgical patients to its campus, which would bring the total number of beds to 943, according to the application. The additional beds would help Northwestern meet growing demand for intensive care and medical and surgical services at the hospital, the application says.

The board is scheduled to consider the application June 30.

The state said previously it would continue monitoring Northwestern's bypass hours and expected "progressive improvement." In its application to the state, the hospital says it hopes to no longer have to go on bypass because of a lack of beds.

The hospital also plans to construct a three-story building connecting the Feinberg Pavillion to

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### Desai settles SEC fraud allegations

Former Outcome Health executive, three others accused in scam

By Ally Marotti

A former executive of Outcome Health reached a settlement with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission involving allegations he was aware of and participated in a "fraud at the core" of the Chicago company.

The SEC filed a lawsuit against Ashik Desai in November, alleging he and three other former executives committed securities fraud in raising roughly \$487 million in financing. It sought the return of allegedly ill-gotten gains, plus interest and penalties.

The settlement was filed in Chicago federal court on Tuesday. Any monetary relief and penalties will be determined later.

SEC allegations still stand against three other former Outcome Health

executives named in the lawsuit, including former CEO Rishi Shah, former president Shradha Agarwal and Brad Purdy, who held various roles, including



chief financial officer and chief operating officer.

The four former executives also face criminal charges for their alleged roles in a nearly \$1 billion fraud scheme at Outcome Health. Shah, Agarwal and Purdy pleaded not guilty to those charges.

Desai, 26, pleaded guilty to the criminal charges against him in December, and agreed to cooperate with the government's investigation. His agreement with the SEC will remain in place regardless of proceedings in the criminal case, according to the court documents filed Tuesday.

Desai served as Outcome's executive vice president of business growth and analytics.

Outcome Health was once celebrated among Chicago tech companies, but the company has faced turmoil in recent years as it dealt with the fallout of the alleged fraud

The company installs screens and tablets in doctor's offices and waiting rooms that run pharmaceutical ads and educational content. It gained widespread attention in 2017 when it secured funding from big-name investors and rose to a valuation of about \$5.5 billion, a number unmatched among Chicago tech companies.

Unfortunately, the narrative Outcome spun for prospective investors was a sham," the SEC lawsuit states. "In reality, Outcome's success was built largely on a simple and pervasive fraud: Outcome was routinely billing clients — and recognizing revenue — for ads it never ran."

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"Unfortunately, the narrative Outcome spun for prospective investors was a sham."

- SEC lawsuit



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About 30 of the 125 stores Macy's announced it was closing Wednesday are already in the process of shutting down. The struggling department store chain had earlier this year announced said it was leaving the Seminole Towne Center mall, above, in Sanford, Florida.

## Macy's to close 125 stores

2K corporate jobs to be cut as department chain dumps underperformers in 'lower-tier' malls

By Lauren Zumbach

Struggling department store chain Macy's is planning to close 125 of its weakest stores over the next three years and cut 2,000 corporate jobs in its latest push to reinvent itself in the age of online shopping.

The store closures represent about one-fifth of Macy's current 684 stores, a figure that includes both Macy's and Bloomingdale's locations. About 30 of the 125 stores are already in the process of shutting down, including a Macy's in West Dundee.

The retailer didn't specify how many jobs would be lost at the shuttered stores.

Macy's has loyal customers, and investments to update its stronger stores are working, CEO Jeff Gennette said during a meeting with investors Wednesday. Despite an earlier round of 100 store closures announced last year, the company still has too many stores to maintain them at "brand-right standards," he said.

Closing locations will free up funds to work on other initiatives, like efforts to appeal to younger shoppers, boost sales at Macy's-owned brands and experiment with budget-friendly offprice stores and shops in convenient spots outside the mall,

Gennette said. "When we get his right, Macy's will grow again with the next generation of shoppers," he

Macy's didn't identify specific stores that will close, but Gennette said the company would close underperforming stores in "lower-tier" malls, which he thinks will continue to decline in a market that is "over-malled and over-retailed."



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CEO Jeff Gennette stands in the newly remodeled jewelry section of a Chicago Macy's in early November of last year.

West Dundee's Spring Hill Mall is losing both Macy's and Sears. Once that store closes, Macy's will have stores in Chicago-area malls including Water Tower Place on North Michigan Avenue and malls in Skokie, Oak Brook, Calumet City, Orland Park, Bolingbrook, Schaumburg, Vernon Hills, Aurora, Joliet and Gurnee.

Macy's has more stores an-

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## United Airlines buys flight training school to build pipeline for 10,000 new pilots

Demand for aviation jobs has grown as retirements loom

By Lauren Zumbach

United Airlines is buying an Arizona-based flight training academy to help train the more than 10,000 pilots the airline expects to hire within a decade.

The academy, currently operating as Westwind School of Aeronautics in Phoenix, will be part of a recruiting program United announced last year,

called Aviate, that lets pilots join a pipeline to United with a conditional job offer early in their careers rather than waiting until they rise through the ranks at regional carriers or complete military service.

Aspiring pilots will be able to enter the full-time academy with no flight experience and apply to join the Aviate program after earning a private pilot certification, United said. Students would graduate with the credentials needed to progress to the next stage in their career, working as a flight instructor, in nine to 12 months, the airline said.

Pilot jobs were scarce when the airline industry struggled after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks and during the recession. Hiring has picked up as demand for travel has grown, and airlines have been bolstering recruiting programs in an effort to build up a pool of aspiring pilots before a wave of upcoming retirements

leaves them shorthanded. United said last year it expects nearly half of its 12,500 pilots to retire within a decade, and over the next 20 years, Boeing estimates that airlines will need to

recruit about 131,000 commercial pilots in North America and 514,000 more throughout the rest of the world.

United isn't feeling a shortage now but wants to make sure the regional airlines that operate its United Express flights continue to have enough pilots, said Curtis Brunjes, United's managing director of pilot strategy. Regional airlines are facing "a lot of competition for talent" and have been offering potential hires signing bonuses, he said.

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## Ford profit plunges and CEO blames flubbed launch of new Explorer SUV

Associated Press

DETROIT – Ford Motor Co.'s profit last year plunged by more than \$3.6 billion, weighed down by slowing U.S. sales, the cost of a botched SUV launch and some big pension expenses.

The Dearborn, Michigan, automaker on said it made \$47 million in 2019, down from a \$3.68 billion profit a year earlier. For the fourth quarter the company lost \$1.7 billion, or 42 cents per share, hit by \$2.2 billion in one-time pension costs.

Excluding one-time items, Ford made 12 cents per share for the quarter, falling short of Wall Street's expectations. Analysts polled by FactSet predicted 17 cents per share.

Quarterly revenue fell 5% to \$39.7 billion, about even with Wall Street estimates.

Shares of Ford, which released results after the markets closed Tuesday, tumbled 9.3% to \$8.33 n extended trading.

Ford CEO Jim Hackett

said on a conference call with analysts that the company fell short of its expectations for the year, and he blamed the drop primarily on the flubbed launch of the new Ford Explorer SUV at its factory in Chicago.

New Explorers came off the assembly line with multiple problems and had to be shipped to a Detroit-area factory for repairs.

Hackett also referred to higher warranty costs during the year, especially for a flawed six-speed automatic transmission in the Ford Focus compact car.

He said the Explorer production is now fixed and the SUVs are selling well.

"Our leadership team is determined to return to world class levels of operational execution," he said.

He said 2019 was a year of restructuring for the company as it downsized its white-collar workforce and shifted its products to higher-growth, higher-margin SUV and truck segments while exiting lower-growth



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Ford Motor Co.'s profit last year plunged by more than \$3.6 billion, weighed down by slowing U.S. sales.

The company also announced that blue-collar workers represented by the United Auto Workers union

will get profit-sharing checks of \$6,600, based on North American pretax profits of just over \$6.6

## Jigsaw unveils tool to help journalists spot fake images

The New York Times

A doctored, phony image of President Barack Obama shaking hands with President Hassan Rouhani of Iran. A real photograph of a Muslim girl at a desk doing her homework with President Donald Trump looming in the background on television.

It is not always easy to tell the difference between real and fake photographs.

But the pressure to get it right has never been more urgent as the amount of false political content online continues to rise.

This week, Jigsaw, a company that develops cuttingedge tech and is owned by Google's parent, unveiled a free tool that researchers said could help journalists spot doctored photographs even ones created with the help of artificial intelligence.

Jigsaw, known as Google Ideas when it was founded, said it was testing the tool, called Assembler, with more than a dozen news and fact-checking organizations around the world. They include Animal Politico in Mexico, Rappler in the Philippines and Agence France-Presse. It does not plan to

offer the tool to the public. We observed an evolution in how disinformation was being used to manipulate elections, wage war and disrupt civil society," Jared Cohen, Jigsaw's chief executive, wrote in a blog post about Assembler. "But as the tactics of disinformation were evolving, so too were the technologies used to detect and ultimately stop disinformation."

The tool is meant to verify the authenticity of images or show where they may have been altered.

Reporters can feed images into Assembler, which has seven "detectors," each



Jigsaw's tool, called Assembler, is designed to sort out real images from fake ones. Jigsaw, known as Google Ideas when it was founded, unveiled the tool Tuesday.

#### "These detectors cannot completely solve the problem, but they represent an important tool to fight disinformation."

- Luisa Verdoliva, a professor at the Naples university and a visiting scholar at Google AI

one built to spot a specific type of photo-manipulation technique.

When an image has been manipulated – for instance, two images were merged together or something was deleted from the background — traces of the

changes may be left behind. With a computer program that has been trained to learn from being shown example after example of what it should detect, Assembler can analyze an image and highlight where it thinks those traces are.

Five of the Assembler's image detectors were developed by research teams at universities, including the University of California, Berkeley; the University of Naples Federico II in Italy; and the University of Maryland. The models can detect things like color pattern anomalies, areas of an image

that have been copied and pasted several times over and whether more than one camera model was used to create an image.

"These detectors cannot completely solve the problem, but they represent an important tool to fight disinformation," said Luisa Verdoliva, a professor at the Naples university and a visiting scholar at Google AI.

The other two detectors were developed by Jigsaw. One was designed to identify "deepfakes," realistic images that have been heavily manipulated by artificial intelligence in ways meant to mislead an audience.

Santiago Andrigo, a Jigsaw product manager, said Assembler might be "most helpful in a situation where a journalist from a large news organization receives a scandalous image and is under pressure to break the

It could also be used to verify an image that has gone viral, he said.

Jigsaw also announced an interactive platform showing coordinated disinformation campaigns from around the world over the past decade.

They include Ukrainian soldiers receiving targeted disinformation encouraging them to defect during the 2014 Russian annexation of Crimea; associates of President Rodrigo Duterte of the Philippines hiring "click armies" to write pro-Duterte comments and stories online; and a small-town California hospital hiring a private firm, Psy-Group, to influence public opinion about a contested seat on the

hospital board. The database described the players involved in influence operations, common tactics used and how the falsehoods were spread on

social media platforms. Jigsaw worked with the Atlantic Council's Digital Forensic Research Lab to organize the set of around 60 disinformation cases, culled from over 700 investigations, articles and reports the lab published over the last five years.

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United said the academy, which will be renamed United Aviate Academy in September, will initially produce about 300 graduates each year, but it hopes to expand that to 500. Graduates would be able to work as instructors at flight schools United has partnered with to rack up hours of flying time required to qualify for entrylevel jobs with regional carriers, such as Express-Jet, Air Wisconsin or Mesa Airlines. Pilots in the Aviate program hired by the regional carriers would be then eligible for jobs with

Operating its own flight training academy will also give the airline more control over training. Brunjes said United's curriculum could place extra emphasis on skills like managing automated systems or avoiding loss of control accidents. Training required for commercial pilots is "fairly modest when it comes to upset recovery and could be innovated, he said.

United has not determined the cost of training but Brunjes said it would be comparable with other flight schools, which can cost \$80,000 to \$90,000 to complete. The airline said it is working with financial institutions and hopes to offer financing options. United also said it wants to broaden the pool of candidates by offering a scholarship program for women and minority appli-

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United Airlines pilots listen as President Scott Kirby speaks at O'Hare International Airport in Chicago.

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the Galter Pavillion, on the 10th, 11th and 12th floors.

The connector will help staff safely transport "critically deteriorating" patients because they won't need to take as many elevator trips, and it will help staff move supplies, medications, equipment and food between the two buildings more efficiently, the application says.

The project is expected to be completed by December 2022. The growth comes as a

number of community hospitals fight to survive amid less demand at their facilities for overnight stays and low reimbursement from government health insurers, among other factors. Community hospitals are facing less demand for overnight care as more procedures can be done on an outpatient basis, and the patients who need overnight care for complex conditions flock to academic medical centers such as Northwestern.

## **Macy's**

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choring Chicago-area malls than any of its department store rivals, according to data from real estate research firm Green Street Advisors. Half were in malls that earned at least an "A" rating from Green Street, meaning they have a mix of high-end stores and national chains and stable occupancy and sales.

J.C. Penney and Sears had a larger presence in malls that earned lower ratings, which have weaker sales, declining occupancy and one or more vacant anchor stores. Higher-end department stores like Nordstrom, Neiman Marcus and Lord & Taylor each had only a handful of stores in Chicago-area malls, but all are in top-rated locations.

Some malls are thriving and continue to attract both retailers and shoppers. But others are struggling to draw customers, and every time another retailer leaves, a "vicious cycle" makes it tougher for remaining stores to draw shoppers, said Lauren Beitelspacher, associate professor in marketing at Babson College.

If the malls affected by the latest round of cuts at Macy's can't find new retailers to replace it, that will give shoppers one less reason to trek to those malls, making things even more challenging for the retailers left behind.

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mid-1980s, department stores accounted for about 10% of overall retail. Now it's about 1.3%," and some of that spending happens online, not in stores, he said.

department stores need to size, Johnson said. That flagship and opening offprice Backstage shops

Macy's has upgraded the look of 150 top-performing stores that account for about 50% of its sales.

which ended Nov. 2. That

New retail centers that blend shopping, entertainment and residential space seem to be attracting younger consumers, but when it comes to traditional enclosed malls, "I don't think

being built again," she said. Like its department store peers, Macy's also faces competition from budgetfriendly discount stores like T.J. Maxx and online retailers, said Craig Johnson, president of retail consultancy Customer Growth

"If you go back to the

All but the highest-end shrink to get to a sustainable could mean closing stores or shrinking existing locations, as Macy's has by selling the top half of its State Street within its department

Still, Macy's reported a steeper-than-expected 3.5% drop in sales at stores that had been open at least a year in its fiscal third quarter,



Pedestrians walk past a Macy's store on Randolph and State Street on Tuesday amid news it is closing 125 of its least productive stores and cutting 2,000 corporate jobs.

marked Macy's first quarterly decline in sales among comparable stores in almost two years.

The year "frankly did not play out as I intended," Gennette told investors Wednesday.

The company is planning to cut about 2,000 jobs, or about 9% of its corporate workforce, as it closes offices in Cincinnati and San Francisco. That will leave New York as Macy's sole corporate headquarters.

Macy's plans to expand the upgrades already in place at 150 stronger stores to 100 additional locations this year, and about 400 by the end of 2022. About 50 new Backstage shops will open within Macy's stores this year, as well as seven standalone Backstage stores outside of malls.

The retailer is testing a new, smaller store located at a strip center instead of a mall. The store, dubbed Market by Macy's, will carry Macy's merchandise, local goods and food and beverage options. Customers will be able to sip a cocktail while they shop and attend events like wine tastings, book signings or craft workshops. The first store, opening in Dallas on Thursday, will also have a new Macy'sowned beauty line.

Macy's is trying to figure

out how "a fleet of Macy's stores...can work in combination across a city," Gennette said, and will be testing new store formats in Dallas, Atlanta and Washington, D.C.

Macy's isn't the only retailer trying to invent new kinds of stores to give shoppers convenient options outside the mall. In New York, Nordstrom has a handful of service hubs meant to give shoppers a convenient spot to pick up online orders, meet with a stylist or have clothing tailored. Sears also has experimented with small stores focused on appliances, mattresses and home services.

The challenge for Macy's will be finding ways to get new customers excited about its brand, Beitelspacher said. Changing its stores' size and location alone won't solve that, she said.

Executives said Macy's is investing in businesses that customers see Macy's as a destination for, like dresses, women's shoes, big-ticket furniture, men's tailored apparel, jewelry and beauty.

Macy's is working to appeal to younger customers with new apparel lines targeting women under 40 and changes to the store's layout meant to make it easier for them to find brands they like, said Chief Merchandising Officer Patti Ongman.

The retailer wants private label brands to account for 25% of its sales by 2025 and aims to build its four strongest private brands -INC, Alfani, Style & Co. and Charter Club - into \$1 billion businesses.

It also plans to test a custom clothing business, in addition to ongoing experiments with apparel rental and secondhand clothing.

Macy's said the moves are expected to generate annual gross savings of about \$1.5 billion, which will be fully realized by the end of 2022. For 2020, Macy's anticipates gross savings of about \$600 mil-

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## US stocks rally on; S&P, Nasdaq notch new highs

### Solid earnings, economic data throw shade on virus fears

By ALEX VEIGA Associated Press

Health care and financial stocks led another milestone-setting rally Wednesday on Wall Street, extending the market's gains for the week.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average climbed more than 480 points and the S&P 500 index and Nasdaq composite each hit an all-time high.

The latest gains came as another batch of solid corporate earnings reports and encouraging economic data overshadowed concerns about the potential economic fallout from the coronavirus outbreak that originated in China.

The S&P 500 index rose 37.10 points, or 1.1%, to 3,334.69. The Dow climbed 483.22 points, or 1.7%, to 29,290.85. The average briefly climbed above 500 points. The Nasdaq gained 40.71 points, or 0.4%, to 9,508.68. The index, which is

heavily weighted with technology stocks, also notched a record high Wednesday. The Russell 2000 index of smaller company stocks picked up 25.15 points, or

Markets in Europe and Asia closed

Industrial and technology stocks also helped lift the market. Crude oil prices jumped 2.3%, giving energy stocks a boost. Exxon Mobil gained 4.6%.

Real estate stocks were the only decliners as investors shifted away from safeplay holdings and took on more risk. The yield on the 10-year Treasury rose to 1.64% from 1.60% late Tuesday.

The recent virus outbreak has infected more than 24,500 people globally, but has been mostly confined to China. The world's second largest economy remains on lockdown and companies continue to warn of an expected effect to revenue and profit, though the extent of the damage for many remains unclear.

Tesla plunged 17.2% on reports that the shutdowns in China will delay production at its Shanghai factory. The company warned investors last week that production delays in China were possible.

Anxiety about the outbreak fueled a mid-January slump for U.S. stocks, but

investors appear to have set aside those jitters this month.

"We're not only focused on what's going on with this virus, we're focused on all the other things that are out there, and all the other things that are out there (that) are systematically and consistently positive," said Scott Ladner, chief investment officer for Horizon Investments.

Traders also continued to weigh a mixed batch of company earnings reports

Versace parent Capri Holdings jumped 8.3% and CoverGirl owner Coty vaulted 14.5% for some of the strongest gains as Wall Street rewarded their latest quarterly results, which beat analysts' forecasts.

Humana climbed 6.4% after the health insurer reported surprisingly good fourthquarter profit and revenue.

Merck fell 2.9% after the drugmaker reported weak fourth-quarter revenue and said it will spin off some of its operations, including the women's health division.

Ford slumped 9.5% after the automaker reported weak fourth-quarter earnings to cap off a disappointing year.



Disney CEO Bob Iger said Baby Yoda consumer products will go on sale soon. Baby Yoda is the breakout star of "The Mandalorian."

## Disney Plus sees few minuses

Streaming service reaches nearly 29M in less than 3 months

By Tali Arbel Associated Press

NEW YORK - Disney said its Disney Plus streaming service reached nearly 29 million paid subscribers in less than three months, an impressive start for what the company has positioned as its future as more people drop cable subscriptions.

But as expected, starting up a new service comes with huge expenses, contributing to a 23% profit decline for the company in the latest quarter.

Disney Plus launched in November to compete with online video services like Netflix. Disney had 26.5 million Disney Plus subscribers as of Dec. 28, the end of its fiscal first quarter. That grew to 28.6 million as of Monday, well on the way to Disney's target of 60 million to 90 million worldwide by 2024.

Original series on Disney Plus include the "Star Wars" series "The Mandalorian." One of the hit characters from the show resembles a baby version of Yoda.

Disney CEO Bob Iger told analysts this week that "Baby Yoda" consumer products will go on sale in the coming months. He character said a lot about Disney Plus.

The company also said a second season for "The Mandalorian" is coming in October and said the priority for "Star Wars" going forward is through the streaming service. After 42 years, the franchise just concluded its nine-part core series with "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" in theaters. Disney has said the next "Star Wars" theatrical movie, which is to be set outside the Skywalker saga, isn't scheduled for release until 2022.

Disney also had 30.4 million Hulu customers and 6.6 million ESPN Plus subscribers as of Dec. 28, big gains for both from a year ago. Disney offers a bundle of the three streaming services.

Disney Plus is available in the U.S., Canada, The Netherlands, Australia, and New Zealand. Disney expects growth in the near term to come primarily from further expansion abroad, as the service launches over the next two years in Western Europe, India and Latin America. Disney also plans to roll out Hulu outside the U.S. next year after getting Disney Plus off the ground abroad.

The company has been turning to heavy promotions to boost Disney Plus in the early months.

Disney, for example, struck a deal with Verizon to give some customers a free year. Disney said about 20% of its subscribers

said the "sensational response" to the came through Verizon. About half signed up directly through Disney, and the rest from other channels.

Disney earned \$2.13 billion in the latest quarter, or \$1.17 per share. Adjusted for one-time items, earnings came to \$1.53 per share. Analysts polled by FactSet expected earnings of \$1.46. Revenue rose 36% to \$20.9 billion. Wall Street expected revenue of \$20.7 billion.

The direct-to-consumer business that includes Disney Plus posted revenue of \$4 billion, up from \$918 million a year ago, while its operating loss widened to \$693 million from \$136 million. Disney expects the business to lose another \$900 million during the current quarter.

Revenue at the movie business more than doubled to \$3.8 billion thanks to "Frozen II" and the new "Star Wars" movie in theaters.

Revenue slid at Disney's cable networks division, by 20% to \$4.8 billion. It said ESPN weighed on its profit because of higher programming and production costs and lower ad revenue as viewers decline. The broadcasting arm's revenue rose 34% to \$2.6 billion, while the parks division's sales rose 8% to \$7.4 billion.

A virus outbreak in China has hurt attendance and hotel stays at Shanghai Disney Resort and Hong Kong Disneyland. Both parks are currently closed because of

## Misleading student loan site settles with FTC

By RANDALL CHASE

Associated Press

DOVER, Del. - A personal finance website founded by former University of Delaware students has agreed to pay \$350,000 to settle allegations that it posted fake reviews and steered users toward companies that paid the site, according to federal regulators.

The Federal Trade Commission on Monday announced a proposed consent agreement with LendEDU.com and chief operators Nathaniel Matherson, Matthew Lenhard and Alexander Coleman.

The consent agreement will be subject to public comment for 30 days after publication in the Federal Register, after which the commission will decide whether to make the proposed consent order final.

According to the FTC's administrative complaint, the operators of LendEDU.com claimed that the website provided "objective," "accurate" and "unbiased" information about consumer financial products, including student loans, personal loans and

But LendEDU failed to disclose that information on its website was actually influenced by compensation from advertisers, authorities said.

According to the complaint, the company pointed users toward lenders and creditors that paid to influence its website content, including product rankings and ratings. The company also posted false flattering reviews on its own website and on thirdparty websites that were written by employees, friends or other associates of LendEDU, officials said.

The website is run by ShopTutors Inc., a company that Matherson and Lenhard launched in 2014 while students at the University of Delaware to connect students with tutors. The company won the school's annual business startup funding competition and eventually transformed into Lend-

#### **BUSINESS BRIEFING**

### Mild weather nets January job gain

WASHINGTON - U.S. companies added 291,000 jobs in January, a big increase from December, but much of that strength likely reflected unusually warm weather during the month.

Payroll processor ADP said Wednesday that the January job gain, which was larger than had been expected, compared to a revised December figure of 193,000.

Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Analytics, said that warmer-than-normal weather for January played a big role in the increase. He said that without that impact, the job gain would probably have been around 150,000.

The ADP report is coming out ahead of the Labor Department's release of the January jobs report Friday.

### Hong Kong airline seeks unpaid leave

HONG KONG — Cathay Pacific Airways asked its 27,000 employees on Wednesday to take three weeks of unpaid leave while the Hong Kong carrier struggles with plunging revenue due to China's virus outbreak.

In a video message to employees, CEO Augustus Tang said the situation is as grave as the 2009 financial crisis, the South China Morning Post reported.

On Tuesday, Cathay announced a 90% reduction in flight capacity to mainland China, which has canceled group tours and told businesspeople to put off foreign travel while Beijing fights the outbreak centered on the city of Wuhan.

The airline cut 30% of its worldwide capacity for two months.

## US services companies see continued health

Associated Press

WASHINGTON - U.S. services companies grew at a slightly faster pace in January than the previous month, an indicator of continued steady expansion of the economy.

The Institute for Supply Management said Wednesday that its service-sector index edged up to 55.5 from 55 in December. Any reading above 50 signals an expansion. The index covers retail, health care, hotels and restaurants, and professional services, among other sectors.

Services companies added jobs at a slower pace last month than in December, while sales increased. Steady consumer spending, buttressed by a strong job market and decent pay gains, is driving a healthy service sector and broader econo-A separate survey this week of manufac-

turers by the ISM showed that U.S. factories expanded unexpectedly in January, snapping a five-month losing streak. New orders, production and export orders all grew last month, but the rebound was narrow. Only eight of 18 industries reported growth, led by furniture companies. And the outbreak of a new virus in China threatens the supply chains that manufacturers rely on.

The industries covered by the ISM's services survey, by contrast, make up nearly 90% of the economy.

Details of the new report were mixed. New orders increased last month at a faster rate. Ten of the 18 U.S. services

industries reported growth in January. Five industries reported an increase in new export orders, including agriculture, finance and health care. But the pace of new hiring slowed, with some companies reporting a continued substantial workforce shortage. And order backlogs shrank for the fourth straight month.

Trade tensions are weighing less on companies than in previous months, after the U.S. and China reached a preliminary trade agreement Dec. 13. President Donald Trump signed it Jan. 15.

Still, an emerging trade fight between the U.S. and the European Union over a tax on digital services, levied by France, could hurt exports of consulting and other services in the coming months. The U.S. is considering retaliatory tariffs in response.

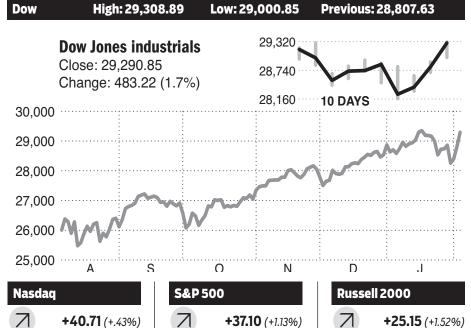
#### Changes in employment In thousands of nonfarm private jobs

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#### MARKET ROUNDUP



Nasdaq				
7	+40.71 (+.43%)			
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		May 20	556.25	560.50	553.25	559	+4.50
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bush	el Mar 20	381.50	383.25	379.50	380.75	-1.50
		May 20	387.50	389	385.25	386.50	-1.50
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bush	el Mar 20	880	888	878	880	+.50
		May 20	893	901.50	891.75	893.50	+.50
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Mar 20	30.83	31.69	30.64	31.32	+.59
		May 20	31.23	32.07	31.05	31.69	+.59
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Mar 20	288.30	289.40	287.20	287.40	-1.10
		May 20	294.00	295.00	293.00	293.10	90
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl dollars per bbl.	Mar 20	49.51	51.88	49.47	50.75	+1.14
		Apr 20	49.68	52.01	49.64	50.92	+1.12
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Mar 20	1.876	1.884	1.825	1.861	011
		Apr 20	1.902	1.909	1.857	1.887	015
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYM)	()42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Mar 20	1.4388	1.5205	1.4360	1.4863	+.0431
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AbbVie Inc	N	86.63	+2.27	<b>Equity Commonwith</b>	ı N	32.91		Middleby Corp	0	113.47	+1.9
Allstate Corp	N	124.67	+4.72	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	72.40	-1.03	Mondelez Intl	0	57.92	+.4
Aptargroup Inc	N	117.87	+.92	<b>Equity Residential</b>	N	83.31	33	Morningstar Inc	0	158.69	-1.0
Arch Dan Mid	N	46.07	+.70	Exelon Corp	0	48.33	+.24	Motorola Solutions	N	176.69	-1.6
Baxter Intl	N	91.31	+.44	First Indl RT	N	43.49	04	NiSource Inc	N	29.77	+.2
Boeing Co	N	329.55	+11.61	Fortune Brds Hm&S	ec N	72.06	+.82	Nthn Trust Cp	0	103.42	+3.0
Brunswick Corp	N	62.93	+1.72	Gallagher AJ	N	105.08	+.38	Old Republic	N	23.45	+.6
CBOE Global Marke	ts N	123.77	+1.30	Grainger WW	N	315.06	+6.92	Packaging Corp Am	N	103.81	+4.3
CDK Global Inc	0	53.93	-1.98	GrubHub Inc	N	55.60	37	Paylocity Hldg	0	136.78	-12.9
CDW Corp	0	136.04	11	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	108.98	+1.13	RLI Corp	N	96.55	+1.6
CF Industries	N	42.71	+1.64	IAA Inc	N	48.05	+.05	Stericycle Inc	0	64.95	+1.4
CME Group	0	213.43	-2.11	IDEX Corp	N	170.42	+1.33	TransUnion	N	94.82	4
CNA Financial	N	47.14	+1.07	ITW	N	185.76	+3.73	US Foods Holding	N	40.02	+1.0
Cabot Microelect	0	156.71	+3.44	Ingredion Inc	N	90.36	+2.01	Ulta Salon Cosmetic	cs O	278.18	+4.6
Caterpillar Inc	N	137.44	+3.93	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	177.16	+2.06	United Airlines Hldg	0	81.85	+2.9
ConAgra Brands Inc	c N	32.67	+.75	Kemper Corp	N	79.82	+2.43	Ventas Inc	N	58.53	+.2
Deere Co	N	168.35	+3.92	Kraft Heinz Co	0	29.37	+.22	Walgreen Boots Alli	0	52.98	+.6
Discover Fin Svcs	N	77.38	+1.58	LKQ Corporation	0	34.07	+.81	Wintrust Financial	0	66.10	+1.2
Dover Corp	N	119.21	+2.75	Littelfuse Inc	0	188.50	+4.59	Zebra Tech	0	247.81	0

MOST ACTIVE ST	OCKS	
NEW YORK STOCK EX	(CHAN(	GE.
STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Ford Motor	8.31	87
Snap Inc A	16.19	-2.79
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Bank of America	34.71	+1.09
Gen Electric	12.86	+.28
Ambev S.A.	4.07	02
Uber Technologies	36.81	-1.72
Petrobras	14.43	+.06
Freeport McMoRan	12.41	+.37
Exxon Mobil Corp	62.73	+2.76
Merck & Co	85.83	-2.53
Pfizer Inc	38.17	+.48
Disney	141.37	-3.36
Taylor Morrison Hom	ne27.32	+.70
Nokia Corp	4.03	+.07
Sthwstn Energy	1.75	+.15
Itau Unibanco Hldg	7.82	+.07
Teva Pharm	12.10	+.04
Aurora Cannabis Inc	2.12	02
AT&T Inc	37.81	+.18
Macy's Inc	17.45	+.98
Intelsat SA	3.72	25
Transocean Ltd	5.20	+.39
Banco Bradesco ADS	7.87	+.11
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Tesla Inc	734.70 -	152.36				
Zynga Inc	5.93	15				
ToughBuilt Inc	.16	+.02				
Adv Micro Dev	49.84	+.39				
Microsoft Corp	179.90	22				
Luckin Coffee Inc	36.31	+.07				
Apple Inc	321.45	+2.60				
Vivus Inc	3.38	+1.08				
eBay Inc	37.13	29				
Intel Corp	67.34	+1.88				
Puma Biotechnology	14.57	+3.99				
Gilead Sciences	65.87	-1.53				
Comcast Corp A	44.59	+.31				
Micron Tech	56.77	+1.27				
Sirius XM Hldgs Inc	7.17	04				
On Semiconductor	21.15	+1.33				
Onconova Therapeu	t .41	+.04				
Mattel Inc	14.19	18				
Cisco Syst	48.45	+.83				
Qualcomm Inc	90.91	+1.98				
Moleculin Biotech	1.05	+.17				
Ritter Pharmaceutic	.25	+.04				
Oasis Petroleum	2.44	+.22				
Zion Oil & Gas Inc	.28	+.04				
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INDEX	CLOSE	CHG./%
Shanghai	2818.09	+34.8/+1.3
Stoxx600	423.62	+5.2/+1.2
Nikkei	23319.56	+235.0/+1.0
MSCI-EAFE	2006.33	+20.0/+1.0
Bovespa	116028.30	+471.6/+.4
FTSE 100	7482.48	+42.7/+.6
CAC-40	5985.40	+50.4/+.9

LARGEST COM	PANIES				
Based on market capitalization					
STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.			
Alibaba Group Hld	220.22	-2.66			
Alphabet Inc C	1448.23	+1.16			
Alphabet Inc C Alphabet Inc A	1446.05	+.64			
Amazon.com Inc					
Apple Inc	321.45	+2.60			
Bank of America	34.71	+1.09			
Berkshire Hath B					
Facebook Inc	210.11	+.28			
HSBC Holdings prA	26.85	09			
Intel Corp	67.34	+1.88			
JPMorgan Chase	137.59	+2.30			
Johnson & Johnson	153.99	+2.39			
MasterCard Inc	328.32	80			
Microsoft Corp	179.90	22			
Procter & Gamble	126.81	+1.15			
Taiwan Semicon	57.92	+.40			
Unitedhealth Grou	295.73	+14.89			
Visa Inc	202.81	75			
WalMart Strs	116.81	+1.54			
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30-year	2.1	
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Gold	\$1557.80	\$1550.40
Silver	\$17.569	\$17.528
Platinum	\$987.10	\$966.10
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Prime Rate	!	4.75
Discount R	ate Primary	2.25
Fed Funds	Target	1.50-1.75
Money Mkt	Overnight A	vg. 0.50

Discount Rate Primary Fed Funds Target Money Mkt Overnight	2.25 1.50-1.75 Avg. 0.50
FOREIGN EXCHANG	GE
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Based on total assets		CHG	1-YR
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American Funds AMCpA m	34.69	+.39	+19.3
American Funds AmrcnBalA m		+.21	+15.1
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American Funds CptlIncBldrA r American Funds FdmtlInvsA m	63.53	+.37 +.74	+12.7 +19.7
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	53.65	+.24	+21.6
American Funds IncAmrcA m	23.44	+.14	+14.1
American Funds InvCAmrcA m	40.44	+.48	+18.8
American Funds NwPrspctvA n		+.04	+22.8
American Funds WAMtInvsA m		+.75	+19.2
Dodge & Cox Inc	14.21	01	+9.3
Dodge & Cox IntlStk Dodge & Cox Stk	42.62 194.96	+.40	+9.8 +14.6
DoubleLine TtlRetBdl	10.75	01	+6.9
Fidelity 500IdxInsPrm	115.77		+24.2
Fidelity Contrafund	14.45	+.04	+23.2
Fidelity InvmGradeBd	11.72	02	+10.0
Fidelity TtlMktldxInsPrm	93.56	+.94	+22.9
Fidelity USBdldxInsPrm	12.06	03	+9.2
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	2.33	+.01	+8.1
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PIMCO TtlRetIns	10.49	03	+8.9
Schwab SP500Idx	51.05	+.57	+24.2
T. Rowe Price BCGr	132.05	+.22	+22.6
T. Rowe Price GrStk	78.13	+.09	+23.9
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	308.12		+24.2
Vanguard BalldxAdmrl Vanguard DivGrInv	40.26	+.20 +.36	+17.5
Vanguard EgincAdmri	31.60	+1.28	+26.1 +18.2
Vanguard Eqilicadilii Vanguard GridxAdmri	100.10	+.22	+31.7
Vanguard HCAdmrl		+2.07	+18.5
Vanguard InTrTEAdmrl	14.63	02	+7.4
Vanguard Insidxins	299.94		+24.2
Vanguard InsidxinsPlus	299.96		+24.2
Vanguard InsTtISMIInPls	70.95	+.70 39	+22.9 +23.0
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl Vanguard MdCpldxAdmrl	105.82 226.97		+20.3
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Vanguard TtBMIdxIns	11.19	03	+9.4
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Vanguard TtinBidxins	34.42	08	+8.3
Vanguard TtlnSldxAdmrl	29.68	+.23	+11.2
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Vanguard TtlSMIdxIns	82.36	+.81	+22.8
Vanguard TtlSMIdxInv	82.31	+.81	+22.7
Vanguard WingtnAdmrl	76.56	+.72	+19.0
Vanguard WisiyincAdmri	67.40	+.26	+14.5
Vanguard WndsrllAdmrl	65.99	+.98	+20.9

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## Tribune reporter for 36 years covered Chicago 7 trial

By Bob Goldsborough

Robert Enstad was a Chicago Tribune reporter and editor for 36 years who covered the Chicago Seven trial and did investigative work that at one point had him buying illegal guns.

"He was an assiduously careful reporter who always prided himself in being a solid reporter and a fine writer, and his work reflected that," said retired Tribune reporter William Mullen.

Enstad, 81, died of complications from Parkinson's disease on Jan. 29 at Aurora Medical Center in Kenosha. Wisconsin, said his brother, Richard. A longtime resident of Kenosha, he had previously lived in Evanston.

Born in Pine City, Minneosta, Enstad grew up in River Falls, Wisconsin. While in high school, Enstad took a keen interest in politics, and he authored a column for the weekly River Falls Journal newspaper.

Enstad procured press credentials to attend the 1956 Democratic National Convention in Chicago, and his experience at the event spurred him to pursue a career in journalism, his fam-

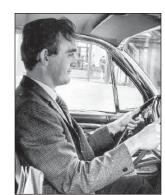
After earning a bachelor's degree in journalism from Indiana University in 1961, Enstad joined the Tribune in July 1961 as a neighborhood news reporter, largely covering McHenry County suburbs. He covered criminal courts from 1964 until 1967, followed by a stint covering the federal building.

"As a young reporter for City News Bureau (in the mid-1960s), I was assigned to cover the Criminal Courts building, where Bob Enstad was the dean of the press room," recalled David Gilbert, who later was a Tribune reporter and Gov. James R. Thompson's press secretary. "He always made sure I didn't get scooped too badly, and he took time to teach me the ins and outs of covering one of the most interesting places in the city. (He was a) great man, awesome reporter and a good friend."

Enstad later worked as a rewrite man and briefly reported from the Tribune's Washington, D.C., bureau in

Enstad covered the Chicago Seven trial at Chicago's federal building in 1970, which included conspiracy and riot incitement charges related to anti-Vietnam War protests in Chicago during the 1968 Democratic convention. Enstad also covered separate contempt of court charges against the defendants in 1973.

"He was always proud, and rightfully so, of his coverage," Mullen said. "He was in the courtroom for the (Chicago Seven) trial, and the late Bob Davis, another small-town Wisconsin kid



JAMES MAYO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE Tribune writer Bob Enstad takes a driving test in 1970 for an article about an Illinois law that required every motorist to take a new driver's license test.

and one of the best rewrite men in the history of the Tribune, would take his notes daily over the phone, producing his stories. The Tribune was a notably archconservative newspaper then, and the trial, with its silly Yippie high jinks and explosive political ramifica-tions, could have been a mess in less sure hands, but Bob's coverage was fair, factual and when it needed to be, col-

Enstad's investigative work included a 1970 article that explored a new Illinois law requiring all motorists to take new driver's license tests. Enstad and another reporter each brought a clunker car — a 1962 Cadillac - to a testing station, and Enstad deliberately attempted to fail the test.

"During the test, I ran up over a curb, turned the front wheels the wrong way when parking on a hill, and purposely forgot to signal for turns," Enstad wrote. "But despite these and several other boo-boos, my test examiner cheerfully informed me that I had earned the right to be licensed to drive."

In 1972, Enstad was part of a Tribune task force investigating the ease with which handguns could be purchased. Along with reporter William Currie, Enstad became a gunrunner in Florida, Virginia and Iowa, buying handguns illegally in those states from licensed firearms dealers who ignored a federal law that had demanded that they sell guns only to residents of the state in which they did business.

In 1983, Enstad won a Peter Lisagor Award from the Chicago Headline Club along with four other Tribune colleagues for their work covering the 1982 collapse of a bridge that was under construction, an accident that claimed 14 lives.

Enstad also was one of the regular diners featured in the Tribune's "Motley Crew" column, which was a somewhat tongue-in-cheek look at budget restaurants. The column was written first by veteran rewrite man John R. Thomson from 1969 until 1978 and then was resurrected for several months in 1983 under the authorship of Bob Davis.

Sheila Wolfe, a retired Tribune editor, called Enstad "good-natured and one of the best-liked people in the newsroom."

"In the office, he had this country boy quality about him," Wolfe said. "He was wide-eyed and low-key, and always dressed very casu-

Enstad later covered the northern suburbs and southern Wisconsin and toward the end of his career worked on the Tribune's overnight

"When we opened the (Tribune's) Lake County bureau in 1991, Bob was wired in and was the guy who showed a lot of the younger reporters around and knew everyone up there and had covered the courts," said retired Tribune deputy bureau chief John Gorman. "He was a gifted writer, and he knew how to talk the talk to lawyers. He was a huge asset for the Tribune."

Former Lake County State's Attorney Mike Waller frequently was interviewed by Enstad both before and after the Tribune opened its Lake County bureau.

"He had a real good way with dealing with people. He listened very closely and he was persistent," Waller said. "What I think made him good at his job was when he wrote a story, if I was quoted on it, it was always right on point and accurately reported the facts as I knew them."

In 1994, Enstad returned to his hometown of River Falls, after he learned that a town native, CIA operative turned KGB double agent Aldrich Ames, was charged with espionage. Enstad interviewed people who had grown up with Ames, who shortly after Enstad's article was published pleaded guilty and was sentenced to life imprisonment.

Outside of work, Enstad was passionate about cars and enjoyed driving a Rolls-Royce and a Bentley. He also owned numerous sailboats throughout his life, mooring them in Kenosha.

"Bob loved the sea, if you can call Lake Michigan a sea, and it seemed like every time my wife and I went out sailing with him, he had a newer, larger sailboat," recalled retired Tribune travel editor Ross Werland. "His heart was even bigger than his boats."

Enstad retired from the Tribune in 1998.

In addition to his brother, he is survived by a sister, Karyl Rommelfanger.

A celebration-of-life service will take place from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 15, at Piasecki Funeral Home, 3720 39th Ave., Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Bob Goldsborough is a freelance reporter.

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Brave, Jacqueline C. 'Jacquie' Jacqueline C. "Jacquie" Brave, nee Cohen, age 84, of

Chicago, formerly of Kansas City, MO and New Orleans, LA. Founder and retired Co-President of Accenting Chicago Events and Tours: loving mother of Amy B. (Jim) Acri and Suzanne Bettinger; grandmother adored Emily and Madeline Acri and Carolyn (Jonathan) Boren; devoted daughter of the late Harry P. and late Sarah M. Cohen: cherished sister of Arthur (Sheryl)

and Joseph Cohen and Barbara Lief; Jacquie's beloved friend Robert Spieler. Jacquie was a volunteer and active member of Friends of the Parks, National Council of Jewish Women, and Congregation Hakafa. In addition, she was an avid lover of music, theater and art museums. Service Friday, 12:30 p.m. at The Chapel, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Rd., Buffalo Grove (1 Blk N of Lake Cook Rd ) Interment Willow Lawn Cemetery, Vernon Hills. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the American Cancer Society, www.cancer. org, Congregation Hakafa, www.hakafa.org, The Lyric Opera, www.lyricopera.org or a charity of your choice. Info: The Goldman Funeral Group, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.



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**Caldarulo, Mary Ann**Mary Ann Caldarulo of Oak Brook passed away on

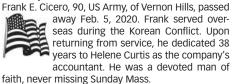


Sunday, February 2, 2020. Predeceased by her husband , John and brother, Ben. She is survived by her daughter Lynn and grandchildren Dominic and Nicole (Steve), great grandchildren Jack, Benjamin, sister-in-law Barbara, nieces Corrine, Debbie (Tom) Dawn, neph-

ews Tony, Dan (Jan) and many friends and extended family. Mary Ann had a long, full and fantastic life, enjoying her family and travel. Memorial donations will be appreciated to the Cancer Research Institute. A celebration of life mass will be held on February 22, 2020, 10:00 am at Ascension of Our Lord church, 1S314 Summit Ave, Oakbrook Terrace 60181.

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Cicero, Frank E.



Frank is survived by his beloved wife of 61 years Shirley; his loving children Alan and Lynn; his adoring grandchildren Tony, Ashley and Gina; and adoring siblings the late Joseph (Nancy) and Amelia (Jerome).

Visitation for Frank will be Friday February 7th from 4-8 pm at McMurrough Funeral Chapel, 101 Park Pl, Libertyville where there will be a prayer service and military honors. Interment Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery. Funeral info (847) 362-2626. Please sign the guestbook at libertyvillefuneralhome.com

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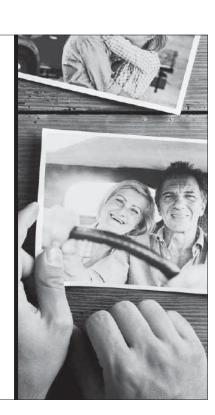
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In 1956, Autherine Lucy, the first black student admitted to the University of Alabama, was expelled after she accused school officials of conspiring in riots that marred her court-ordered enrollment five days

In 1971, the Apollo 14 astronauts prepared to head back to Earth after a 33hour stay on the moon.

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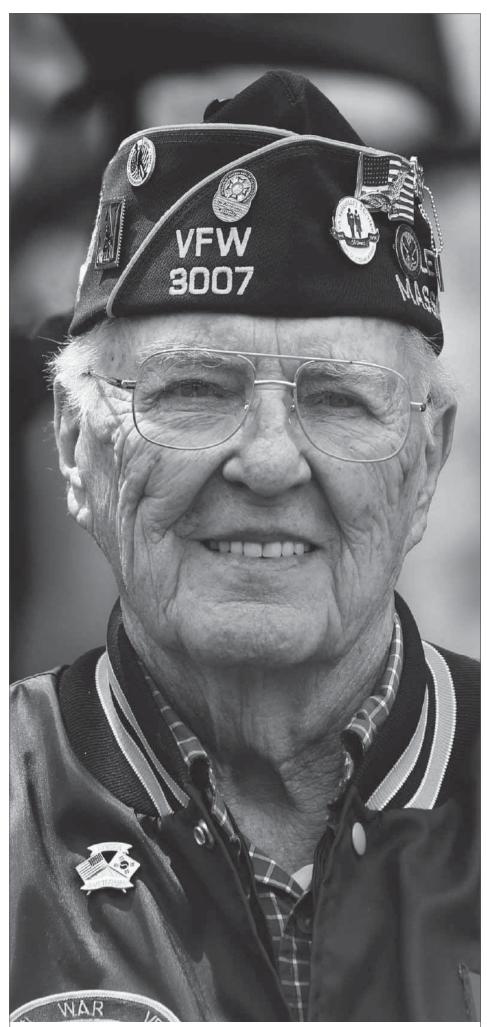
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In 1988, Michael Jordan soared from the free-throw line to score a perfect 50 on his final jam to win the NBA Slam Dunk Contest over Dominique Wilkins at the Chicago Stadium.

In 1996, a Turkish-owned Boeing 757 jetliner crashed into the Atlantic Ocean shortly after takeoff from the Dominican Republic, killing 189 people, mostly German tourists.

In 1998, President Bill Clinton signed a bill changing the name of Washington National Airport to Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport.

In 2018, thousands witnessed SpaceX's Falcon Heavy rocket — at the time the largest in use - blast off from Kennedy Space Center in Florida on its first test flight, carrying a red sports car belonging to SpaceX founder Elon



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**Collopy, Garrett James** 

Garrett James Collopy, age 21, of Highland Park, IL passed away unexpectedly on February 3, 2020. Beloved son of Francesca and James Collopy; dear brother of Cathryn and her fiancé Mark Rowling of St. Louis, Missouri; precious grandson to Edith (the late James) Collopy and the late Mary & Gennaro Rinaldi, Cherished nephew, cousin and friend to many. Please keep Garrett and his memory in your thoughts and prayers. A visitation will be held Friday, February 7th, 2020 from 10:00-11:30 a.m. at Kelley and Spalding Funeral Home, 1787 Deerfield Road, Highland Park, IL 60035. A funeral mass will be held immediately following at noon at Immaculate Conception Parish, 770 Deerfield Road, Highland Park, IL 60035. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: Campaign Urging Research for Eosinophilic Disease (CURED) Foundation, P.O. Box 32, Lincolnshire, IL 60069 or https://curedfoundation.org. For more information please call Kelley & Spalding Funeral Home at 847-831-4260 or visit https://kelleyspaldingfuneralhome.com

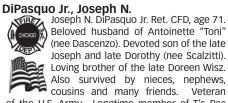
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Czarnowski, Phyllis A.

Phyllis A. Czarnowski nee Morgan. Beloved wife of the late Arthur; loving mother of Michael, Robert (Pamela), and Cheryl (Tim) Chadwick; dearest grandmother of Robert, Joseph, Nicholas, Spencer, and Trevor; dear sister of Audrey Mock and the late Richard Morgan; also several fond nieces and nephews. Funeral service Saturday 11 AM at the Schielka Addison Street Funeral Home 7710 W Addison St... Interment St Joseph Cemetery. Visitation Friday 3 PM - 9 PM. 773-625-3444

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of the U.S. Army. Longtime member of T's Pac Athletic Club. Visitation Friday from 3-8 p.m. with a Service of Rememberance at 7:30 p.m. at the Elmwood Chapel, 11200 S. Ewing Ave., Chicago. Cemetery Private. Please omit flowers. 773-731-2749. www.elmwoodchapel.com

#### Izzo, Patricia K.

Patricia K. Izzo, nee Tegtmeyer, age 95, of Deerfield. Beloved wife of the late Albert J.; dear mother of Steve (Alina) and Diane (Ray) Roman; loving grandmother of Courtney (John) Curtis, Stephanie (Geoff) Scott, Alexandra (Craig) Howell, Connor (Tatianna), Griffin, and Casey Roman; cherished great-grandmother of James Curtis, Nathan Scott and Colson Roman; fond sister of Mary Lou (the late Ben) Ehrlich and the late Sally (the late Zenon) Kowaliczko. Visitation, Thursday, February 6, 2020, from 3 to 9 p.m., at HABEN Funeral Home & Crematory, 8057 Niles Center Rd., Skokie. Funeral, Friday, February 7, at 9:30 a.m., from the funeral home, for Mass, 10 a.m., at Holy Cross Catholic Church, 724 Elder Ln., Deerfield. Interment, Ascension Catholic Cemetery, Libertyville. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Catholic Charities, 721 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, IL, 60654. Info: 847.673.6111 or www.habenfuneral.com to sign guestbook.



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Kelleher, Marcia D



Marcia Doody Kelleher, 84, of Chicago; formerly of Clarendon Hills and Oak Loving mother Brook. of John, Michael, Dennis (Kristina), Julia (John) Lynch, and Brian (Nicole). Beloved grandmother and biggest fan of Rosemarie and John Kelleher; Billy, Joe and Timmy Lynch; and Sean, Darby and Quinn Kelleher. Dear sister

of John (Janet) Doody and the late Mary Riff. Fond aunt of many loving nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by her beloved husband of 44 years, John "Butch" Kelleher, and her parents, Margaret and John Doody. Marcia was a dedicated volunteer for the Saint Vincent DePaul Society of St. Joseph Parish in Downers Grove. In lieu of flowers, donations to a local St. Vincent DePaul chapter are appreciated. Funeral Saturday 10:00 AM chapel at Grein Funeral Directors 2114 W Irving Park Rd. to St Benedict Church 10:30 AM Mass. Interment Bronswood cemetery in Oak Brook. Visitation Friday 3 to 9 PM. www. greinfuneraldirectors.com 773-588-6336.

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#### Kilmartin, Thomas M.

Thomas M. Kilmartin, age 72, Beloved son of the late Thomas and Margaret Kilmartin. Loving brother of Jim Ret C.P.D. (Donna), Jack Ret C.P.D. (Nancy), Mary Therese and Peggy Kilmartin. Dear uncle of Megan (Tim) Cook, Michael (Stacy) Kilmartin, and Kelly Kilmartin, and great uncle of four, and friend to many. Visitation Thursday 3:00PM - 8:00PM at Donnellan Funeral Home 10525 S. Western Avenue, Chicago. Funeral Friday 9:00AM prayers at the funeral home then to St John Fisher Church Mass 10:00AM. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Proud alumnus of Visitation Grammar School, Mt Carmel High School, and DePaul University. Tom was a teacher at Tinley Park High School for 30+ years. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Thomas Kilmartin to the Mt. Carmel Educational Foundation 6410 S. Dante Ave, Chicago, IL 60637 and would be greatly appreciated. For information: www.donnellanfuneralhome.com or 773-238-0075. Sign Guestbook at chicagotribune.com/obituaries

Kolkman, William A. 'Al'

William A. "Al" Kolkman, age 88, Korean War U.S. Army veteran, a resident of Naperville, IL since 1969, formerly of Burlington, IA, passed away on Wednesday, February 5, 2020 at Presence Mercy Hospital in

Aurora, IL. He was born June 26, 1931 in Burlington, IA. Arrangements by Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Naperville, IL. For service times and a complete obituary, please visit www.friedrich-jones.com or call (630) 355-0213



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Kossow, Salvatore 'Sam'

Salvatore "Sam" Kossow, 68; beloved son of the late Rose DiBenedetto and George Kossow; cherished brother of Bonnie (Harry) Ryan and George (Mary); adored uncle of Jillian (Bob) Werneth, Eric (Stephanie) Ryan, Kris (Holly), and Scott; loving great uncle of Abby and Paige Werneth, John Kossow, and Brock Baker; cherished nephew, cousin, and friend to many. Visitation Friday 3-8 PM and Saturday 9:30 AM until time of service 10:30 AM at Gibbons Family Funeral Home, 5917 W. Irving Park Road (1/2 east of Austin). Interment Mt. Carmel. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Gateway Foundation. For info 773-777-3944 or www.GFFH.com.

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LaPorte, Gerald J.

Gerald J. LaPorte, Veteran Army Korean War. Loving Brother of Joseph (Marcia) and the late Louis and late Richard LaPorte. Fond Uncle of Joseph, Paul (Sue), and Jeffrey (Laura). Cherished Great-uncle of Troy, Antonio, Marcus, Hope, Giuliana,

Francesco and Antonio. Retired Employee of 42 years of Commonwealth Edison.

Visitation is Friday February 7, 2020 from 3 PM to 9 PM at **FORAN FUNERAL HOME**, 7300 W. Archer Ave. (55th street just west of Harlem). Visitation on Saturday at the funeral home from 9 AM until time of Celebration of Life Service at 10:00 AM. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to Gerald's Family on his personal tribute website at www.foranfuneralhome.com For information 708-458-0208

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#### Malik, Elizabeth A.

Elizabeth A. Malik (nee Van De Casteele) age 93. Beloved wife of the late Clifford. Loving mother of Marie (James Brownold and the late Andrew) Mack and Peter (Pamella) Malik. Cherished Busia of Steven (Jenna) and Peter J. (Amy) Mack. Devoted great grandmother of Andrew, Brandon, Tyler, Julia, and Nolan. Predeceased by her siblings Joseph Van De Casteele, Mary Kirn, Edna Huebsch, and Hazel Kopkowski. Fond aunt of many. She retired from 744 IBT and was a lifetime member of DAV # 14. Visitation Friday, February 7, 2020 from 3:00-9:00 p.m. at Colonial-Wojciechowski Funeral Home, 8025 W. Golf Road in Niles. Funeral Saturday, February 8 at 10:00 a.m. from the funeral home to St. Monica Church. Mass 11:00 a.m. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery. Memorials to Misericordia or Salvation Army appreciated. Info 847-581-0536 or www. colonialfuneral.com



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#### Mariottini, Frances R.

Frances R. Mariottini, Age 97. Beloved daughter of the late Clorinda (nee Magnanenzi) and Francesco Mariottini. Cherished sister of Betty (late Robert) Traube, Lorraine (late Harry) Serrantoni, late Lena (late Joseph) LoCaccio, late Dorothy (late Alfred) Casaccio, late Santino (late Mary) Mariottini, and the late Santina (late Emil) Cardosi . Fond aunt and cousin of many. Visitation Friday Feb. 7 from 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Cumberland Chapels, 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge. Funeral Saturday 9:00 a.m. from the funeral home to Oueen of All Saints Basilica for Mass at 10:00 a.m. Entombment Oueen of Heaven Mausoleum. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to Masses preferred. Funeral Info: 708-456-8300 or www.cumberlandchapels.com.



Mosqueda, Carlos Favier



residing in St. Augustine, FL. Carlos enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and is a Viet Nam Veteran. He joined the Chicago Police Department and later became a Chicago Firefighter and retired as a Battalion Chief. Memorial Services at the Ridge Funeral Home 6620 W. Archer Ave.,

Chicago, IL. Saturday, February 8, 2020, 12:00 pm till

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**O'Shaughnessy, Edward J.** Edward J. O'Shaughnessy, 55, of Chicago, at rest February 1, 2020. Beloved son of Beatrice and the late Robert J. Loving brother of Ann, Daniel (Susan), Kara (Kevin) Prior, Michael (Lara), John, and the late Barbara Anne. Caring uncle to 18 nieces and nephews. Devoted friend to many. Visitation Friday 3 PM to 9 PM at Malec & Son Funeral Home 6000 N. Milwaukee Ave Chicago Chapel prayers Saturday 9 AM to St. Stanislaus Kostka Catholic Church 1327 N. Noble Ave., Chicago for 10 AM Mass, Interment All Saints Catholic Cemetery, DesPlaines. In lieu of flowers Masses would be appreciated. Info. 773 774-4100.



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Randich, Gene M.

Gene M. Randich, First Lieutenant U.S. Army Veteran. Beloved husband of Helen 🗐 nee Siedoff. Loving Father of Barbara (Brad) Smith, Karen Randich Stone and Russell (Deanne) Randich. Cherished Grandfather of Cager (Jessie), Justin

(Lindsey), Travis (Maria), Elizabeth (Derek), Tom Jacob (Brianna), Megan (fiancé Tyler), Lindsey (fiancé Abraham) & Luke (fiancé Betty). Proud Great Grandfather of Audrey, Owen, Lucas, Preston, Ryker, Beckham, Zayn, Ezra & Baby Rollend. Dear brother of Roy (Fran) Randich & the late Gail (Beverly) Randich. Fond brother-in-law of many & uncle of many nieces & nephews. Gene was a proud alumnus of Purdue University with a degree in Civil Engineering where he received the Distinguished Engineering Alumnus Award in 1985. It was his honor to serve as First Lieutenant in the U.S. Army with expertise in surveying and mapping. As Executive Vice President & Regional Manager of DeLeuw, Cather & Co., during his 40-year career in the public transportation field he received numerous awards including a Lifetime Achievement Award from the American Society of Engineers. He was a member of the American Legion of Evergreen Park 854. Amongst several hobbies he enjoyed fishing and golfing, was a member and Past President of Ridge Country Club. His loving, compassionate and gentle ways molded our lives & impacted others. His legacy will continue in the lives he leaves behind. Funeral Saturday 9:15 am from Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home, 5570 W. 95th St., Oak Lawn to St. Germaine Church for Mass at 10:00 am. Interment private. Visitation Friday from 3:00 pm until 8:00 pm. thompsonkuensterfu-

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Reilly, Patricia A.

Patricia A. Reilly nee Kerr, age 85. Beloved wife of the late Thomas J. Reilly. Devoted mother of Kathleen (Daniel) Runser, the late Maureen Magnan. Michael Patrick Reilly, Colleen Corbett and Laureen Reilly. Proud grandmother of 11. Cherished great grandmother and aunt of many. Visitation Friday 8:30 a.m. until time of prayers at 11:00 a.m. at the Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Home, 4950 West 79th Street, Burbank, IL to St. Bede the Venerable Church, Mass 11:30 a.m. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. www.sheehyfh.com. 708-857-7878

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Roche, Claudia D.

Claudia D. Roche, nee Tomeyer, age 60, beloved wife for 39 years to Michael Roche. Loving mother of Amanda and Chris. Devoted daughter of the late George and Evelyn Tomeyer. Dear sister of the late Chris Tomeyer. Dearest sister-in-law of Sandi (Dave) Kappes. Fond aunt of Jackie Tomeyer, Rich Tomeyer and Ken Kappes. Much loved sister-in-law and aunt of Patrick (Kathy) Roche and Kimberly (Joseph) Kauth and their families. Visitation Thursday from 4-9 p.m. Funeral Service Friday 10:00 a.m. at Colonial Chapel, 15525 S. 73rd Ave. (155th/Wheeler Dr. & Harlem) Orland Park, IL. Interment Good Shepherd Cemetery, Orland Park, IL. Memorials to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105-9959 are appreciated. Express your thoughts and condolences at colonialchapel.

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#### Schoenneman, Clyde W.

Clyde W. Schoenneman. Beloved husband of the late Valerie, nee Berry. Loving father of Karen (the late Mike) Parker, Roy (Roberta), Clyde, Jr (Judy), Gerry (Kathy), Joanna (Don) Cundari, Darin (Sally) and the late Lynn Gentile. Special "Bumpa" to 16 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren. Dear brother of the late Roy and Ronald Schoenneman. Clyde was an accomplished athlete at Oak Park River Forest High School and at Northwestern University. He was also a proud and talented artist. Some of Clydes fondest memories were of traveling with his family, especially to Colorado. In lieu of flowers contributions to the Catholic Charities Meals on Wheels Program at 312/655-7700 in Clydes name would be appreciated. Family and friends will gather Friday Feb. 7th at 10:00a.m. at St. Catherine-St. Lucy Church, 38 N. Austin Blvd in Oak Park with a Mass at 11:00 a.m. Enurnment will be private. Info: PETERSON-BASSI CHAPELS / GAMBONEY & SON DIRECTORS,

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Shamberg, Richard Richard Shamberg, age 90. Beloved husband of the

late Hinda. Loving father of David (Laura) Shamberg and Julie (Steve) Spencer. Proud grandfather of Lewis, Marcus and Justin Shamberg, Blake Reback, and Sela Spencer and furry grandkids Lando and Peyton. Dear brother of the late Shirley (the late Dr. Max) Klein. Service Friday 10:30 AM, at Chicago Jewish Funerals, 195 North Buffalo Grove Rd (one block North of Lake Cook Rd.), Buffalo Grove. Interment Westlawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his memory to Smidt Heart Institute/Heart Failure Research Program c/o Cedars-Sinai Gift Administration, 8700 Beverly Blvd., Suite 2416, Los Angeles, CA 90048-0750. Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals – Buffalo Grove Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfinfo.com

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Thompson, Christine L.

Christine Louise Thompson of Hampshire formerly

of Schaumburg was born July 31, 1970 and died on February 4, 2020. Cherished daughter of Patricia Mustari and the late Charles Thompson; dear sister of Michelle Cooper and Tony Mustari; loving aunt of Kaya Cooper; life partner of John Laird; loving cat mom of Frankie and Trudie.

Visitation Sunday, February 9, 2020 4:00 - 9:00 pm at the Countryside Funeral Home & Crematory, 950 South Bartlett Rd., (at Stearns Rd.) Bartlett. Funeral Monday, 12:00 p.m. (Noon). After services cremation will be private at the Countryside Crematory. 630-289-7575 or www.countrysidefuneralhomes. com

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Wargin, Carole (Mufale)

Carole Wargin nee Mufale age 77 of Mt. Prospect. Beloved mother of Kimberly Wargin, Robert Wargin and Nicol (Steve) Spickerman; cherished grandmother of Kody Riehle, Hannah Spickerman and Noah Spickerman. Visitation Saturday February 8, 12:00 p.m. until time of Funeral Service 3:00 p.m. at Friedrichs Funeral, 320 W. Central Rd., (at Northwest Highway) Mt. Prospect, IL 60056. Interment private All Saints Cemetery. Funeral information (847) 255-7800 or www.friedrichsfh.com

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**Death Notices** 

White, Celeste Celeste, age 57, of Oakwood, passed away

on Thursday, January 30, 2020. Celeste was born on May 21, 1962 in Chicago, IL to Frank and Annabelle Betenia. Celeste had a superb business mind and the degrees to support it. She earned her MBA from Wright State University and she was a CPA

who managed her own tax practice. She was also a lover of the arts, particularly painting and sculpture. She was preceded in death by her parents. Celeste is survived by her husband of 32 years, Fred; daughters, Brittany (Linden) Ballen, Jackie White; siblings, Pam (Richard) Kator, Frank Betenia, John (Martha) Betenia, Catherine (Ray) Santiago; aunt, Katherine Vales; and numerous nieces and nephews. A special thank you to Larry Forman and the ER staff at Miami Valley Hospital Memorial Services will be held in Chicago at a later date. In lieu of flowers a donation may be made in her memory at https://sardaa.org Condolences may be sent to the family by visiting www.routsong.com

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**Death Notices** 

Whitney, Geraldine R. "Jerrie"

Geraldine R. "Jerrie" Whitney (nee Mavon). Beloved wife of the late Robert P. Whitney. Loving mother of Robert II and Stephen (Caryl) Whitney. Cherished grandmother of Lauren (Joseph) Jacob, Sarah (Griffin) Keenan and Meredith, C.P.D. (Peter) Carey. Fond great-grandmother of Matthew, Connor and Gavin Jacob, Griffin, Jack, Whitney and Charlotte Keenan, P.J. and Colin Carey. Devoted daughter of the late Girard and Gertrude (nee Shipner). Sister of the late Catherine (the late Allen) Flagler and the late Philip (the late Marge) Mavon. Devoted aunt of many nieces and nephews. Jerrie was an avid traveler, gardener, and golfer, who touched the lives of everyone she met. Longtime parishioner and pillar of St. John Fisher parish and community. Visitation Saturday, February 8, 2020 from 9:30 a.m. until time of Funeral Mass 11:00 a.m. at St. John Fisher Church, 10234 S. Washtenaw Ave. Chicago. Private interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Donnellan Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. John Fisher Tuition Assistance. For info. (773) 238-0075 or sign guestbook at www.donnellanfuneralhome.com.



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Robert S. Wolf, 84, of Glenview. Beloved husband of the late Claire Wolf: loving father of Phillip (Suzy) Wolf, Lori (Rick) Neubauer and the late David (Judy) Wolf; proud and loving papa of Adam, Michael, Grace and Olivia Wolf, Jessica (Jeffrey) Mark, Bryan (Shelby) Neubauer and great papa of Griffin Neubauer and Eve Mark; loving life partner of Sunny Gold. Bob was also

loved dearly by Sunny's children Andi (Steve) Koek, Laura (Michael) Halap, Rick (Shannon) Kulbersh and grandchildren Joshua, Aaron and Corev Pevitz, Stephanie (Will) Bartos, Jason and Zac Halap, Jake, Maddie and Logan Kulbersh. Graveside services will be held 12:00 noon, Friday, February 7, 2020 at Memorial Park Cemetery, 9900 Gross Point Road, Skokie, IL 60076. Memorial contributions to Misericordia Heart of Mercy, 6300 N. Ridge, Chicago, IL 60660 or (www.misericordia.com) appreciated For funeral information 847-256-5700.



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Ziccarelli, Rosalie



2. 2020. Beloved wife of Loving the late August. mother of Janice (George) Yingst and August Jr. (Roberta) Ziccarelli. Fond grandmother of Christina, Andrew and Patricia. Great grandmother of Rosemarie. Dear sister of late Louis (RoseAnn) Santello

Joseph (Catherine) Santello, Carmella (late Vincent) Peliachevsky and late Lena (late Anthony) Scopelliti. Cherished aunt to many. Visitation Friday 4:00-9:00 P.M. Funeral Saturday 9:30 A.M. from SEGUIN & SYMONDS FUNERAL HOME, 858 Sheridan Rd., Highwood to Church of Saint Mary, Lake Forest, mass 10:00 A.M. Entombment All Saints Cemetery. Contributions to St. James Church, Highwood, EWTN or Catholic Charities Lake County appreciated. Info 847-432-3878

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Andrea Christian** (Mother) AKA Andrea Christen

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown (Father)
Any And All Unknown Fathers Any, , respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on January 29, 2020, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Robert Balanoff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 02/28/2020, at 10:30 AM in CALENDAR 12 COURTROOM L, 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.

CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT TO A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS January 29, 2020 6594848

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD

IN THE INTEREST OF

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Jakymia Jones

JUVENILE NO.: 17JA00823

#### NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Alondro Pratt (Father), Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on August 15, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Nicholas Geanopoulos in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 02/28/2020, at 10:30 AM in CALENDR 17 COURTROOM at 10:30 AM in CALENDAR 17 COURTROOM K, 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 concert to adoption. consent to adoption

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS January 9, 2020 6592900

#### **LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION**

A MINOR NO. **2020JD00108** 

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Rodney Taylor (Father), respondents, and TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on January 15, 2020, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Joanne Rosado in the 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on 02/20/2020 at 9:00 AM IN CALENDAR 55 COURTROOM 2,

or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, an order or judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the petition.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT January 17, 2020

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY:
T. Jackson, C. Winsett
ATTORNEY FOR:
THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS
ADDRESS: 1100 South Hamilton
CITY/STATE: Chicago, Illinois 60612
TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000
ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS January 17, 2020 6584852

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Simisola Dada Palmisano (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 20JA00076

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Sunday Anyede (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on January 14, 2020, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Maxwell Griffin in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 02/28/2020, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 10 COURTROOM J, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS January 28, 2020 6594858

COUNTY OF COOK OFFICE OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER FOR THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE INVITATION FOR BID (IFB) FOR MOTOROLA RADIOS, PARTS, AND EQUIPMENT IFB NO.: 1912-18028 IFB Document: The IFB document is available for download at: https://legacy.cookcountyil.gov/purchasing/bids/listAllBids.php

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD

PROTECTION DIVISION IN THE INTEREST OF

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Veronica Johnson (Mother) AKA Veronica Calhoun

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA01080

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Veronica Calhoun NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Veronica Calhoun AKA Veronica Johnson (Mother), Unknown (Father) Any and All Unknown Fathers, respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on September 26, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Robert Balanoff in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 02/28/2020, at 11:00 AM in CALENDAR 12 COURTROOM L, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS January 23, 2020 6592893

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IN THE INTEREST OF Justin K Thomas AKA Justin J Thomas

A MINOR NO. **2020JD00178** 

Notice is given you, Michael Thomas (Father), respondents, and TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on January 29. 2020, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Kristal Royce Rivers in the 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on February 20, 2020 at 9:00 AM IN CALENDAR 56 COURTROOM 10,

or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, an order or judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the petition.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT January 30, 2020

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: S. David, C. Castro ATTORNEY FOR: ATTORNEY FOR: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS ADDRESS: 1100 South Hamilton CITY/STATE: Chicago, Illinois 60612 TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000 ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS January 30, 2020 6595023

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF

NO. 2020JD00117

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Ezell Kyle (Father), respondents, and TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on January 16, 2020, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Joanne Rosado in the 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on February 20, 2020 at 9:00 AM IN CALENDAR 55 COURTROOM 2,

or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary, an order or judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the petition.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT January 29, 2020

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: T. Jackson, C. Winsett ATTORNEY FOR:

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THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS
ADDRESS: 1100 South Hamilton
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TELEPHONE NUMBER: (312) 433-7000
ATTORNEY NO: 23122 ATTORNEY NO.: 33182

CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT, COOK COUNTY OF ILLINOIS January 29, 2020 6595084

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
CONCERNING THE INTENT OF THE
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UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NUMBER 201-U,
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District. Jeanine Galbraith Secretary, Board of Education, Community Unit School District Number Will County, Illinois

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF

A MINOR NO. 2020JD00034

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Tony Simmons, Sr. (Father), respondents, and TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on January 5, 2020, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX. STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Terrence Sharkey in the 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois on 03/20/2020 at 9:00 AM IN CALENDAR 63 COURTROOM 13

or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT January 16, 2020

ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY: S. Auyeung, L. Martin
ATTORNEY FOR:
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MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Tracey Frasure** (Mother) AKA Tracy Frasure

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Deante Riley (Father), AKA Deante Rile, AKA Deonte Riley, respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on March 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 02/28/2020, at 11:30 AM in CALENDAR 8 COURTROOM H, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will belid upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS December 5, 2019 6562162

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF Tyden Richardson

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF **Sheena** Richardson (Mother)

JUVENILE NO.: 19JA01390

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on November 26, 2019, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOXX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Bernard Sarley in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 02/28/2020, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 9 COURTROOM I, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court

and for other relief under the Act. THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO ME WATER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

RIGHTS TO THE CHILD. UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order or judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS January 21, 2020 6592910

## NOTICES

LEGAL NOTICE 610 S. First St. Geneva, II. 60134 owned Etoile LLC Madeline Roth Principal 2/5, 2/6, 2/7/2020 6594380

### **FORECLOSURES**

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY,

ILLINOIS COUNTY DEPARTMENT, CHANCERY DIVISION STATE BANK OF TEXAS, as successor in interest to the Federal Deposit Successor in interest to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, as Receiver for Seaway Bank and Trust Company fk/a Seaway National Bank, Plaintiff, v. CHICAGO ITILE LAND TRUST COMPANY AS TRUSTEE UNDER TRUST AGREEMENT DATED MAY 10, 1974 AND KNOWN AS TRUST NO. 32991; DOLTON BUILDING NO. 1 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP DIA/A DOLTON BUILDING NO. 1 LIMITED PARTNERSHIP; COLLEGE INDUSTRIAL PARK ASSOCIATES; UNKNOWN OWNERS, and NON-RECORD CLAIMANTS, Defendants. Case No. 2020 CH 00972 Property Address: 14800-14822 South Drexel Avenue Dolton, Illinois Go419 NOTICE OF FORECLOSURE BY PUBLICATION The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is BY PUBLICATION The requisite affidavit for publication having been filed, notice is hereby given you, Unknown Owners and Nonrecord Claimants, defendants in the above entitled cause, that the said suit has been commenced in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Chancery Division on January 24, 2020 and is now pending by the said Plaintiff against you and other defendants, praying for the foreclosure of a certain mortgage conyeving the premises described mortgage conveying the premises described as follows, to-wit: 1. The name of the Plaintiff and the Case Number are identified above. 2. The Court in which said action was brought is identified above. 3. The name of the titleholder of record is: State Bank of Texas, as successor in interest to the Federal the titleholder of record is: State Bank of Texas, as successor in interest to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, Receiver for Seaway Bank and Trust Company f/k/a Seaway National Bank 4. A legal description of the real estate sufficient to identify it with reasonable certainty is as follows: LOTS 12, 13 AND THE SOUTHEASTERLY 80.00 FEET OF THE SOUTHWESTERLY 86.00 FEET OF LOT 6 IN DOLTON INDUSTRIAL PARK, BEING A SUBDIVISION OF PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 10; ALSO PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 10; ALSO PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 10; ALSO PART OF THE NORTHEAST 1/4 OF SECTION 10; ALSO PART OF THE THIRD PRINCIPAL MERIDIAN, IN COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS. Permanent Index No.: 29-11-133-033-0000 and 29-11-133-035-0000 Commonly Known As: 14800-14822 South Drexel Avenue, Dolton, Illinois 60419 5. An identification of the Mortgage sought to be foreclosed is as follows: a. Name of Mortgagor: Chicago Title Land Trust Company as Trustee under Trust Agreement dated May 10, 1974 and known as Trust No. 32991 b. Name of Mortgage: State Bank of Texas, as successor in interest to the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, as Receiver for Seaway Bank and Trust Company f/k/a Seaway National Bank. c. Date of Mortgage: Jaugust 9, 2013 e. County/Place Where Mortgage: August 9, 2013 e. County/Place Where Mortgage: 1322126117 Now, therefore, unless you, UNKNOWN WINERS and NONRECORD CLAIMANTS, defendants, file your answer to the Complaint for Mortgage Foreclosure in said cause or otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court of otherwise make your appearance therein, in the office of Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois, 60602, on or before March 2, 2020, a default may be entered against you and each of you at any time after that day and a judgment of foreclosure entered in accordance with the prayer of said Complaint for Mortgage Foreclosure. Sandra A. Aguilera (saguilera@agdglaw.com) Vanessa E. Seiler (vseiler@agdglaw.com) ARONBERG GOLDGEHN DAVIS & GARMISA Attorneys for Plaintiff 330 North Wabash Avenue, Suite 1700 Chicago, Illinois 60611 Phone: (312)828-9600 Facsimile: 60611 Phone: (312)828-9600 F (312)222-6389 Attorney No. 30375

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Multiple teams have shown interest in Kris Bryant, and the Red Sox's Tuesday trade that sent Mookie Betts and David Price to the Dodgers leaves Cubs fans expecting something similar.

## Bryant-less in Chicago?

#### Cubs fans brace for Bryant trade as Boston wails over Betts' departure

Theo Epstein stood before a media horde at the Cubs Convention last month and offered a blunt assessment of a dire situation.

"It's a bummer," he said.

Epstein could have

been referring to a million things — his tight budget, an uneventful winter, the 8-8 Bears or the Astros cheating scandal among them.

But on this occasion the Cubs president was referring to Kris Bryant's bout with the flu, which prevented the third baseman from meeting with the media for the first time since the end of the 2019 season.

It was indeed a bummer that Bryant couldn't address his ongoing grievance hearing — which he later lost — or the incessant



PAUL SULLIVAN On the Cubs

trade rumors — which remain just rumors for now — or his Hawaiian vacation that teammate Anthony Rizzo spoke about a day earlier.

"He told me he got a tan in Hawaii," Rizzo said. "I didn't believe him. He wouldn't send me a picture."

The flu took Bryant off the hook, so barring a post on social media, we'll have to wait until spring training to hear his thoughts on such pressing matters.

"Bad timing," Epstein said.
"Better now than during the season."

Bryant hopefully won't be hampered by the untimely illness during the 2020 season, wherever

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JOHN BAZEMORE/AP

The Red Sox, who lost in the Division Series last year, traded Mookie Betts, above, and David Price.

#### FIRE

# Navy blue jerseys replace red in 2020

By JEREMY MIKULA

Come on you men in ... blue?
The Chicago Fire on Wednesday night unveiled their new uniforms for the 2020 Major League Soccer season, ditching the all-red look they've had since their inaugural season for navy blue kits.

The new uniforms — dubbed the "Homecoming Kit" — feature red diagonal pinstripes and red Adidas branding, while team sponsor Motorola's logo is red and white. The template for the new jersey is the same one worn by Premier League club Wolverhampton, who wear a black-and-orange motif for their away uni-



CHICAGO FIRE FC PHOTO

The Fire's new jerseys for the 2020 MLS season will be navy blue, a shift from their classic all-red design.

forms

The new primary uniforms are a stark contrast to the Fire's classic look that featured a red jersey with a white bar across the chest, red shorts and red socks — a look

first unveiled in 1998 and garnered the "men in red" nickname. From 2012-15, the Fire ditched the white bar for a blue one but reverted to

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#### BRUINS 2, BLACKHAWKS 1 (OT)

## Nylander searching for right role in playoff push

By Jimmy Greenfield

Alex Nylander knew he risked jet lag when he flew home to Sweden for six days during the

All-Star break.

But the Blackhawks forward decided he wanted to see friends and family, so he made the trip with a plan in place to stay fresh upon returning.

"It wasn't bad at all," Nylander said. "I was actually trying to stay as much as possible (like) the time over here and it worked out really well I feel like pormed."

really well. I feel like normal."

The break wasn't just about spending time at home. Nylander continued a routine he developed in recent seasons and skated the majority of the days off during the break. He was on the ice four of his six days in Sweden working on his shot and making sure he

was ready for the stretch run.

Even though he played 19

games in the three seasons before this one with the Sabres, Nylander, 21, is still a rookie. He's excited about the prospect of playing in his first playoff race.

That is, if he can stay in the lineup.

Nylander was a healthy scratch for three straight games before returning to the lineup on Jan. 7 against the Flames. He has been shuffled into different roles all season, but now he's on the fourth line with Ryan Carpenter and Zack Smith playing about 10 minutes per game.

The Hawks haven't indicated their intentions with the Feb. 24 trade deadline approaching, but general manager Stan Bowman has plenty of salary cap room to make a deal. If he brings in a veteran forward, Nylander could be the odd man out.

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## TOP OF THE SECOND



**PHIL ROSENTHAL** 

## Long a sports radio natural

"I think you're going to be great at this," WMVP-AM 1000's David Kaplan told guest co-host Kyle Long on Tuesday, two hours into Kaplan's first of three shows this week with the newly retired Bears guard.

"Kap" is absolutely right. The guy is very good right out of the box.

If we're playing "Shot/No Shot" on whether Long has a successful radio career ahead, the answer is definitely "Shot."

Assuming Long wants one, that is. A son of Pro Football Hall of Famerturned-TV analyst Howie Long, he very much seemed a natural on ESPN 1000. For a radio rookie, he has a veteran's polish.

Smooth. Smart. Funny. Unhurried. His three-plus hours with Kaplan centered on the Bears, the NFL and his own life and career. Long acquitted himself just fine when the conversation dipped into other areas, such as whether the Bulls should consider trading star Zach LaVine.

'The NBA is foreign to me, but there are less guys on the court, less moving pieces, and if you can acquire a couple good ones for a really good one, then it might strengthen your team," Long said.

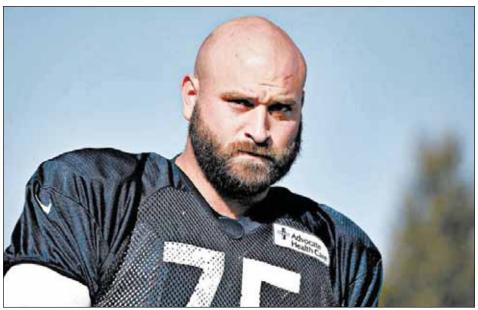
"I know the guy's insanely talented. ... But at what point are you getting all the squeeze of your juice out of that one apple and you don't have many other apples in your basket?"

Long, 31, has to know, too, he can't keep squeezing the juice from his own life and career forever, though his recollection of high school baseball and football encounters with fellow future NFL standout Russell Wilson - recognizing just how talented Wilson was from the start — was undeniably a winner.

Presumably on Wednesday and Thursday, he and Kap will move past his past. Kaplan teased that the Cubs' Anthony Rizzo is scheduled to call on Wednesday, so that should give Long, a 23rd-round pick of the White Sox in 2008, an opportunity to show greater range.

A lot of former players sell their insights by working themselves into a lather with capillary-bursting passion. What distinguished Long most, instead, was his knack for painting a picture that was both vivid and visceral.

Long squaring off against the toughest guys he had to block — Ndamukong Suh, Fletcher Cox and Geno Atkins, in case you wondered — was "like blocking a fire hy-



STACEY WESCOTT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Retired Bears offensive linesman Kyle Long heads off the field and into the radio booth.

drant with razors on it."

Of Suh, he said, "It was like being locked in a closet with a bear, a real bear."

Attempts Tuesday to push Long to be critical of teammates were no more successful than efforts to shove him from where he wanted to be on the field during his prime.

That might change with more distance from his playing days. WBBM-AM 780 Bears radio analyst Tom Thayer has shown a former lineman can deliver critical insight with a punch that doesn't necessarily leave bruises.

All of this, of course, adds up to the idea that ESPN 1000 would be wise to lock Long up as soon as possible. He's already better than some people working in local sports talk and stands to grow.

But that presumes co-hosting a local radio show is something Long wants to do.

It's not inconceivable Long might prefer a national gig and/or something that allows him to focus only on football. Maybe he just wants to dabble in radio and has his eyes on TV.

While on injured reserve in December, Long offered his own free-form commentary to complement the Bears' Thursdaynight victory over the Cowboys via Amazon's Twitch.

It was raw, unstructured and lacked focus — much less effective than when he had Kaplan to steer the conversation — but that also is potentially something Long could develop. Perhaps he'll become so immersed in his esports racing business, he'll have no use for any of this.

His performance with Kaplan ought to ensure he will have options in any case.

Long expressed interest in stretching beyond the life he has led since the Bears drafted him with the 20th overall pick in

"I would explain playing in the NFL to living in an all-inclusive resort, for seven years, in my case," he told Kaplan. "Everything I needed was a fingertip or a text message away. ... I'm learning what being a human being is."

Apparently almost 80 pounds lighter and 6 inches slimmer than when he played in last year's wild-card playoff game, Long's learning to fetch his own coffee and pay closer attention to his financial affairs.

A radio gig such as the one he slipped so naturally into with Kaplan this week could be part of what Kaplan described as Long's transition "to the next phase of his life." Long sounds good enough already that it

might be a short transition. The next phase easily could be this.

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Pelicans forward Zion Williamson goes to the basket against the Grizzlies on Friday.

# Too big, too fast, too strong ...

**Undermanned Bulls** have work cut out as Zion comes to UC

By Jamal Collier

It was only a preseason game, but Bulls coach Jim Boylen remembers the electric atmosphere at the United Center when Pelicans rookie phenom Zion Williamson visited Chicago.

He had yet to play in his first regular-season game, but he was already literally turning heads everywhere he went before the game. He lived near the rim and dominated the Bulls in the paint, scoring a game-high 29 points on

12-of-13 shooting.
The Bulls had little answer for Williamson on that night at the start of October, but they are hoping for a much better response when they host the Pelicans on Thursday night.

"We were actually talking about some of the stuff he was doing in the preseason game like, 'Man, he's super-athletic'," forward Thaddeus Young said. "When he's driving to the basket, he just takes off. I think once it seemed like he took off from the free-throw line and he was just

Williamson, 19, has quickly

taken off on a path toward stardom, captivating the basketball world in his first seven games after coming back from a knee injury that delayed his debut. In those first seven games, he is averaging 19.6 points and 8.0 rebounds while shooting 55% from the field and 44% on 3-point attempts. However, the Pelicans listed him as questionable for Thursday night's game with a sprained right toe.

"He was a big part of our summer as a league and a big part of the fall, the hype for him," Boylen said. "And you saw our game here in preseason."

The Pelicans are contending for a playoff spot and provide plenty of potential matchup problems for the Bulls, including All-Star forward Brandon Ingram. But Williamson is likely to command the most attention.

His unconventional combination of size, strength, speed and athleticism have made him a nightmare for opposing teams. Williamson is listed at 6-foot-6 and 285 pounds, and the Bulls do not have anyone available to replicate his size in practice. Young chuckled as he recalled memes that compared Williamson

to the Marvel movie villain Thanos. "You're going to see (the hype)

because you're watching the

games and looking at your social media feeds and stuff like that," Young said. "I don't pay attention to it as much, but you're going to

"I'm a guy that loves to see when young guys come into this league, get a lot of hype and is able to go out there and show what they can do. I think he has a great head on his shoulders and I've heard he's a great kid."

The Bulls, meanwhile, have watched as their frontcourt has been devastated by injuries. Wendell Carter Jr. and Lauri Markkanen will both miss the game with an injury and rookie center Daniel Gafford just came back from a dislocated thumb Sunday but twisted his ankle during his first stint and spent the rest of the game hobbling, though he seems likely to play.

That will leave most of the responsibility on Young to contend with Williamson, a challenge he was looking forward to.

"He's a physical specimen, one of those once-in-a-lifetime type players, very athletic, super athletic with a big, wide body," Young said. "He's a big, active guy. Biggest thing is keeping your body between him and the basket. You know he's going to be athletic. You know he's going to try to power through some guys."

**NBA ALL-STAR WEEKEND** FEB. 14-16 IN CHICAGO

## Format changing for 3-point shootout

Contest to include 2 deep shots worth 3 points each, more time

By Tim Reynolds Associated Press

The NBA is changing the format to this season's 3-point contest at All-Star Saturday Night in Chicago by adding a pair of deep shots that will be worth three

points apiece.

That change means each round will now be a total of 27 shots instead of 25, and competitors will now get 70 seconds to finish their shots instead of the customary 60. Competitors were told of the changes in the last few days, and the NBA announced the change Tuesday night.

The two additional shots will come from 6 feet beyond the 3-point line, between the racks located on the wings and the one at the top of the key. Those shots only one from each spot called the MTN DEW Zone — will be taken with a special green ball.

All-Star Saturday is Feb. 15, one night before the All-Star Game.

The competitors for the 3-point contest this season are the Bulls' Zach LaVine, the Trail Blazers' Damian Lillard, the Kings' Buddy Hield, the Wizards' Davis Bertans, the Hornets' Devonte' Graham, the Heat's Duncan Robinson, the Hawks' Trae Young and the Nets' Joe Harris.

Robinson said he was looking forward to the new format and the two deeper shots.

"More shots the merrier. I've got no problem with that," Robinson told AP. "I hardly ever get a shot pressed up against the line unless it's coming off an action or something. I'm more comfortable maybe a step off the line."

The change is being made in part to stay consistent with the times, since NBA players are shooting more shots from deeper distances than ever. There have been nearly 300 shots made from at least 30 feet this season, already more than the total from last season.

The rest of the format for the 3-point contest — five shots per rack, five different racks, most shots worth one point and a special "money ball" worth two points - remains unchanged. There is one rack composed of five "money balls," which a shooter can place at any of the competition's five regular spots. The maximum score that can be reached is now 40, six more than the previous maximum.

Lillard, Hield, Bertans, Graham, Robinson and Young all rank among the NBA's top 10 in 3pointers made per game this season. LaVine made 13 3-pointers against the Hornets on Nov. 23, the top single-game effort in the NBA this season.

Robinson, at nearly 44% this season, has the best 3-point percentage entering Tuesday's games of any of the eight selected for this year's contest.

Lillard and Young are All-Stars this season. Harris is the defending champion. Bertans, Graham, LaVine, Robinson and Young are all first-time 3-point contest participants. Harris and Hield are in for the second time and Lillard is

entering for the third time.
The Lakers' Dwight Howard, the 2008 slam dunk contest champion, will be back in this year's dunk event as well. He'll be joined by a pair of former dunk contest runner-ups — the Magic's Aaron Gordon and the Heat's Derrick Jones Jr. - as well as first-timer Pat Connaughton of the Bucks.

Howard is competing for the first time in 11 years.

This is the first time Chicago has played host to All-Star Weekend since 1988 — the year that Michael Jordan took off from the foul line to beat Dominique Wilkins for the dunk title.

"Chicago is historical, and that's partly the reason why I'm doing it," Gordon said Tuesday night in an interview on TNT.

The skills contest field is loaded, with four former champions and five All-Stars in the eight-player event. Reigning champion Jayson Tatum of the Celtics will aim to defend his title and try to join the Heat's Dwyane Wade (2006, 2007) as the only back-to-back winner of the event.

Former champions Spencer Dinwiddie of the Nets, Patrick Beverley of the Clippers and Derrick Rose of the Pistons are also in the skills field. They'll be joined by the Heat's Bam Adebayo, the Bucks' Khris Middleton, the Pistons' Domantas Sabonis and the Raptors' Pascal Siakam.

### Chance, Common head Celebrity Game rosters

By DEANTAE PRINCE

NBA All-Star Weekend will descend on Chicago from Feb. 14-16, and a long list of celebrities will come along with the bright lights of the league's main event, including some of the city's most famous homegrown talent.

The NBA announced the official roster for the All-Star Celebrity Game on Wednesday, with a group that includes Chicago celebrities, basketball stars and recording artists.

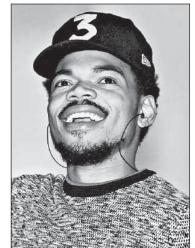
At the top of the list are Chicago rappers Chance the Rapper and Common, who will serve as captains in the Feb. 14 game at Wintrust Arena and as ambassadors for All-Star Weekend in Chicago. The pair also will perform at halftime of the 69th All-Star Game at the United Cen-

ESPN personalities Stephen A. Smith and Michael Wilbon, a Chicago native and Northwestern graduate, will coach in the game. Both teams will include hometown favorites, athletes and enter-

tainers. Wilbon's "home" team will include several entertainers, including Common, Hannibal Buress and Jidenna. Smith will use his animated approach to coach an "away" roster with Chance the Rapper, Quavo and Lil Rel How-

The NBA and WNBA will be represented in the game as well, as former DePaul and Young star Quentin Richardson and WNBA star Chelsea Gray are set to play on Wilbon's team. On the other side, former NBA forward Darius Miles, WNBA star A'ja Wilson and former Bears defensive tackle Anthony "Spice" Adams will lace up for Smith's team.

As is the case with many of this year's festivities, the Celebrity Game will feature a new wrinkle. The event's presenting sponsor, Ruffles, has created "The Ridge," a 4-point line that players can shoot from during the game. Ruffles will donate \$4,000 to the Special Olympics for every shot made from the spot.



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Chance the Rapper is set to play and perform at this year's NBA All-Star Weekend in Chicago.

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■ Lil Rel Howery (actor,

comedian)

■ A'ja Wilson (WNBA player) ■ Darius Miles (former NBA

#### player) **Team Wilbon**

■ Captain: Common (rapper)

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comedian) ■ Kane Brown (recording artist)

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media influencer) ■ Jidenna (recording artist)

■ Chelsea Gray (WNBA player) ■ Quentin Richardson (former NBA, DePaul and Young player)

## Nylander

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With six goals and 11 assists in 49 games entering Wednesday's game against the Bruins, Nylander hasn't cemented a specific role or laid claim to a spot in the lineup. He's been given every opportunity to succeed this season since coming to the Hawks in a July trade that sent defenseman Henri Jokiharju to the Sabres, but how he fits into this team remains uncertain.

"His ability to skate with the puck and drive the play, that's a benefit for him," Hawks coach Jeremy Colliton said. "The focus for him is just doing it all the time: being consistent, finishing his shifts off, (including) when he's tired (at) the end of the period, end of the game. But he's been playing pretty well for us. That Carpenter line, the last couple games, has been really

The fourth line, however, isn't where Nylander was expected to earn his paycheck when he joined the Hawks. They viewed him as a top-nine forward whose offensive skills would be perfect for the power play. So far this season, Nylander has no goals and two assists in 72 minutes, 21 seconds of power-play time.

"(I'm) getting a little bit less playing time, so you've got to focus on each shift," Nylander said. "You have to do it on every shift, but you have to focus on each one being really good and being in the battles and winning your battles.

"I want to get back to the way I was playing before, but I've been feeling really good the past couple games. So I just need to keep doing what I'm doing and I know good things will happen for me."

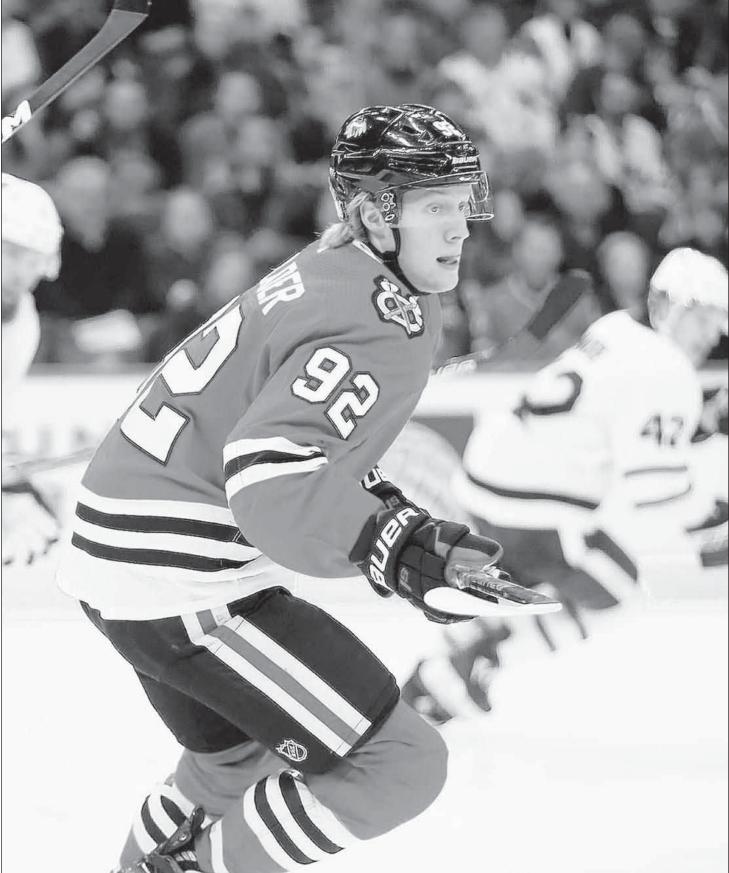
#### **BLACKHAWKS RECAP**

Charlie McAvoy scored 1 minute, 19 seconds into overtime as the Blackhawks fell to the Bruins 2-1 Wednesday night at the United Center.

The Hawks have played three consecutive overtime games since the All-Star break ended, dropping the last two to fall

to 25-21-8. The Bruins outshot the Hawks 40-22. The Hawks' Zack Smith took a penalty with 2:26 left in the third when he struck Torey Krug in the head with his shoulder, giving the Bruins a chance to win the game in regulation. Drake Caggiula appeared to score short-handed, but a delayed penalty on Krug was called, and the referee ruled the play was dead before Caggiula's shot went in. The Hawks had 55 seconds of powerplay time to start the overtime but didn't convert. For more go to

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#### BASEBALL

#### **COMMENTARY**

## With recent trade, Dodgers go for it all

Getting Betts from Red Sox shows World Series ring is the top priority

BY BILL PLASCHKE Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES - Sitting on their hands?

The Dodgers just balled those hands into fists and came out swinging.

Afraid to open their wallet? The Dodgers just climbed up on baseball's main stage and made it

Their competitiveness questioned, their intentions doubted, the Dodgers turned on a fastball of criticism Tuesday night to crush the biggest hit of the Guggenheim ownership era.

In acquiring former American League MVP Mookie Betts and expensively aging pitcher David Price from the Red Sox in a deal that sent outfielder Alex Verdugo to the Red Sox and pitcher Kenta Maeda to the Twins, the Dodgers did two things most folks lamented they would never do.

They traded the immediate future for now.

They spent bunches of money to make that happen.

They made two championship decisions in a title-chasing shakeup that was hinted by team president Stan Kasten earlier this

"The team we have now is not going to be the team we have to start the postseason," Kasten vowed at the time. "I expect that team, this year, it looks like it's going to be well over the (competitive balance tax), or somewhat over."

Kasten added, "There are guys that we think could be difference makers and we have pursued them ... when there is an opportunity we will certainly jump.'

Did they ever jump, leaping all the way from February to deep in

With Betts, the centerpiece of the deal and the corner outfielder of the Dodgers' dreams, they obtained more than arguably baseball's second-best player in the last four years behind Mike Trout.

They picked up more than just a hitter who has finished in the top eight in MVP voting for four years, more than just a right fielder who has won four consecutive Gold Glove awards.

They added more than a leadoff hitter in a batting order without one, and a right-handed power hitter in a lineup that needed one.

More important than all that, in Betts they may have finally found their missing championship piece.

It might seem like they've made this type of blockbuster addition before, but this time it feels different. This impact feels enormous. This hope feels real.

This is not the 2017 midseason trade for the pressure-wracked Yu Darvish. Betts has a ring after homering off Clayton Kershaw in the clinching game of the 2018 World Series.

This is also not the 2018 midseason trade for the selfish Manny Machado. Betts runs out ground balls and everything else, as he led the AL in runs scored in each of the last two years.

As compelling as what they acquired in Betts is what they didn't acquire. They didn't get a guarantee that he will be here more than one season.

The Dodgers wonderfully didn't care. They're going for it

Betts apparently would not have been traded here if the Dodgers didn't agree to take on Price and some or all of the \$96 million owed him. That's a lot of money for a declining talent, yet Kasten apparently signed off on it anyway.

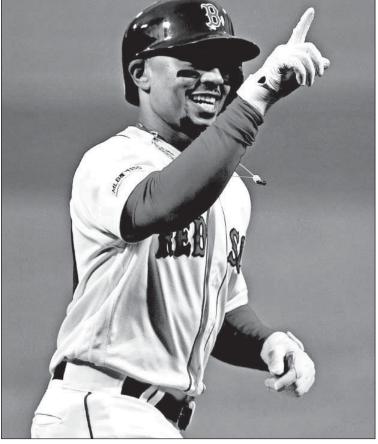
Who knows, maybe the sorewristed Price can figure it out and again resemble the pitcher who went 2-0 with a 1.98 ERA against the Dodgers in that World Series championship.

As for what the Dodgers gave up, Verdugo could be an impact player one day, he's no Betts, not right now. While Maeda was a nice regular-season starting pitcher, he spent his postseasons in the bullpen, and unhappily so.

Also Tuesday the Dodgers reportedly traded away a 36-homer guy in Joc Pederson, but, let's be honest, in this new outfield he becomes a surplus bat.

On any other day, the Pederson deal to the Angels would have been the headlines, but Tuesday was far from any other day. It was a day when the Dodgers finally connected with their fans on their definition of success.

The Dodgers agreed it's not about every year, it's about this year, and it's about time.



CHARLES KRUPA/AP

Mookie Betts may be the final piece the Dodgers needs to win the World Series.

#### **CUBS**

### Morrow, 12 pitchers invited to camp

By Mark Gonzales

The Cubs have invited 21 non-roster players to spring training in Mesa, Ariz.,, including 12 pitchers.

Former closer Brandon Morrow heads the list, Morrow, 36, sidelined for the last 1½ seasons because of right elbow injuries, received a \$3 million buyout after the 2019 season and signed a minorleague contract in December.

The other pitchers invited were right-handers Jason Adam, Oscar De La Cruz, Dakota Mekkes, Caleb Simpson, Brock Stewart and Ben Taylor; and left-handers Rex Brothers, Danny Hultzen, Tyler Olson, C.D. Pelham and Wyatt Short.

Non-roster position players invited were infielders Carlos Asuaje, Trent Giambrone, Corban Joseph and Hernan Perez; catchers P.J. Higgins, Jhonny Pereda and Josh Phegley; and outfielders Noel Cuevas and

The first spring workout for pitchers and catchers is Feb. 12, and the first full-squad workout is scheduled for Feb. 17.

The Cubs also were expected to announce a new sponsorship with Nike and will rename their spring facility the Nike Performance Cen-



**CHICAGO TRIBUNE** 

Cubs reliever Brandon Morrow throws at 2019 spring training in Mesa. Ariz.



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Kris Bryant fist bumps young fans during the opening ceremony of the Cubs Convention on Jan. 17 at the

## Still on lookout

With Betts dealt. Bryant is among the top trade candidates

#### By Mark Gonzales

The Dodgers' blockbuster trade Tuesday night to acquire All-Star outfielder Mookie Betts from the Red Sox leaves Cubs slugger Kris Bryant, Indians shortstop Francisco Lindor and Rockies third baseman Nolan Arenado as the top trade candidates believed to be on the

Bryant's trade value received a boost when arbitrator Mark Irvings ruled he will be a free agent after the 2021 season rather than 2020. Whether they trade or keep Bryant, the Cubs have continued to pursue thrifty upgrades at other positions. After adding reliever Jeremy

Jeffress and outfielder Steven Souza Jr. last week, the Cubs continue to examine their options at second base. The latest potential candidate

is left-handed-hitting second baseman and Northbrook native Jason Kipnis, according to a tweet by Jordan Bastian of MLB.com.

Kipnis, 32, became a free agent after the Indians declined to pick up his \$16.5 million option for 2020. Kipnis could provide a perfect balance to rookie Nico

But Kipnis, a two-time American League All-Star, was limited to 121 games last year and didn't play during the final two weeks because of right wrist surgery. He finished with a .245 batting average, 17 homers and 65 RBIs.

A source close to Kipnis reported that he's healthy and could be invigorated by the possibility of playing closer to home. But according to Bruce Levine of WSCR-AM 670, the Cubs have contacted former Brewers and Reds second baseman Scooter Gennett, and in January they signed left-handedhitting second baseman Carlos Asuaje to a minor-league con-

As for Bryant, the acquisition of Betts and left-hander David Price likely eliminates the Dodgers as a potential destination.

## Sullivan

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he is playing.

Unfortunately for most Cubs fans, that probably won't be on the North Side if Epstein is able to find the right deal before opening day. Bryant's fate hangs over the franchise as the clock ticks toward spring training, at which point the focus must shift off Bryant's status or risk becoming a distraction.

The Red Sox's big move Tuesday — pairing overpriced starter David Price with 2018 American League MVP Mookie Betts for a white-flag-style trade with the Dodgers — could be a harbinger for the Cubs trading Bryant, the 2016 NL MVP.

The Cubs have followed the Red Sox's lead for most of the last decade, from hiring Epstein and his lieutenants in 2011 to reno-

vating Wrigley Field like Fenway Park to starting their own TV network like NESN. We're still waiting for the Rickettses to buy a Premier League soccer team to keep up with Red Sox owner John Henry. If they can do that, the only thing left would be to start selling hot lobster rolls at Wrigley Field.

Rest assured, Chairman Tom Ricketts is surveying the harsh reaction in Boston after the Betts trade and calculating how Cubs fans would react to a potential Bryant deal.

Not surprisingly, Red Sox Nation is aghast, which might be redundant.

A Boston Globe headline called the trade "one of the worst days in recent Red Sox history," which presumably doesn't include the day last month when they fired World Series-winning manager Alex Cora after MLB implicated him in the Astros cheating scan-

Globe columnist Dan Shaughnessy called the team the "Boston Rays" for emulating the Tampa Bay franchise's annual downsizing strategy, and Twitter was filled with reminders that the Betts deal took place about 100 years after the Red Sox sold Babe Ruth to the Yankees — as if the two players were comparable.

There's no word yet from Ben Affleck or Matt Damon, but you have to assume most Bostonians are wicked mad. No sports town is more overdramatic than Boston, nor does one have more celebrity actors wearing their teams' logos and popping up when those teams are winning.

It's obviously a big loss for the city. Betts probably is bigger in Boston than Bryant is in Chicago, if only because Bryant hasn't been as dominant the last two seasons

as he was from 2015-17. Like Bryant, Betts was included in trade rumors all winter because he and the front office

couldn't agree on a long-term extension and the Red Sox wanted to avoid paying luxurytax penalties again. And like Bryant, Betts was a popular player who represented the franchise well on and off the field.

But that's where the similarities end. The return for Betts and Price — top Dodgers outfield prospect Alex Verdugo and unpolished Twins pitching prospect Brusdar Graterol — is presumably less than what the Cubs would get for Bryant, who has two years of team control remaining compared with Betts' one.

But who knows? Maybe the Cubs will throw in a bad contract, as the Red Sox did, and accept less in return to save some money down the road. And even if Ep stein were to get a better haul than the Red Sox did for Betts, there still figures to be a lot of teeth-gnashing about giving up a

big-time talent in his prime. Needless to say, many fans

would consider it a bummer, no matter how many top prospects the Cubs get in return.

But life will go on, and baseball will be played. Even if Bryant is dealt, Epstein will have other difficult personnel decisions to make as he tries to balance budget issues with trying to compete for a championship in this window to

So this could be the end of "Bryzzo" — or perhaps just the beginning of "Baezzo," a new combo platter featuring Rizzo and Javier Baez instead of Rizzo and Bryant.

"Realistically, for the next two or three years, there are a few of us that are uncertainties here," Rizzo said. "You're going to hear rumors flying, people writing this, people writing that. We have a job to do, and that's to win and to win

The goal hasn't changed, even if the degree of difficulty might go



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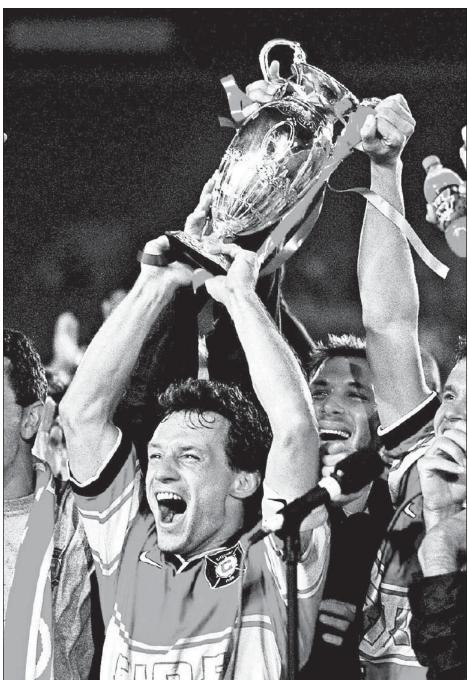


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#### FIRE



CHICAGO TRIBLINE

Fire captain Peter Nowak, center, lifts the MLS Western Conference trophy in 1998.

### **Uniforms**

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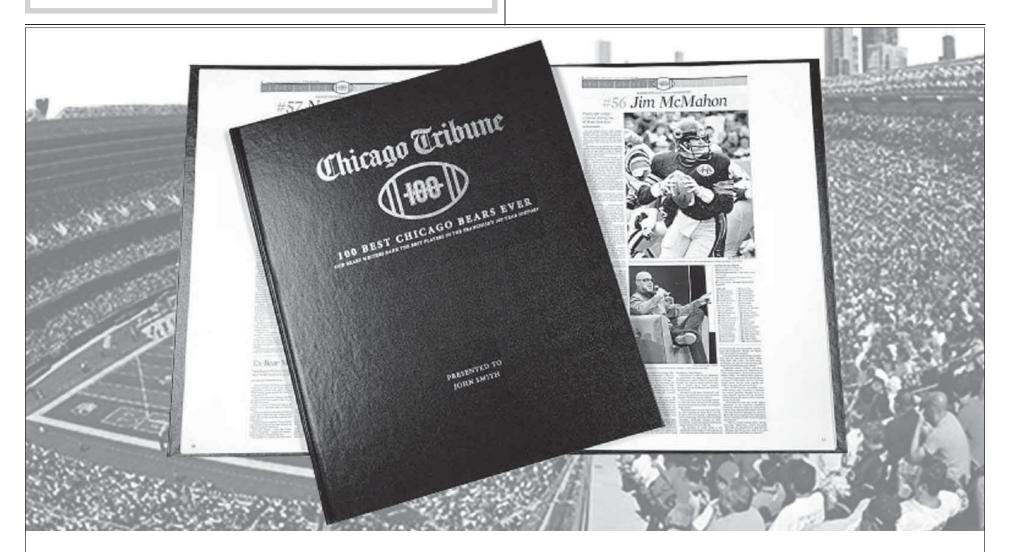
The shift from red to blue is the latest overhaul the Fire have made to their identity in anticipation of their return to Soldier Field. In November, the Fire changed their name to Chicago Fire Football Club and unveiled a new crest that team marketing called the "Fire Crown" — for "flames inverted to become a crown" — that represents the city's transformation

after the Great Chicago Fire of 1871.

The old crest was a Florian cross with a stylized "C" encircled in the middle. The new crest is a dark blue oval with two sets of three triangles — one gold, one red — divided by a line.

The new uniforms were unveiled in New York as part of a league-wide showcase. Former Fire player and league MVP Mike Magee modeled the Fire's uniforms.

The Fire said the player jerseys worn during games will feature a star above the crest to represent the team's 1998 MLS Cup title.



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Toronto 119, Indiana 118 Boston 116, Orlando 100 Atlanta 127, Minnesota 120 Oklahoma City 109, Cleveland 103 Memphis 121, Dallas 107 Denver 98, Utah 95

L.A. Clippers 128, Miami 111 THURSDAY'S GAMES
Orlando at New York, 6:30 p.m. New Orleans at Chicago, 7 p.m. Philadelphia at Milwaukee, 7 p.m. San Antonio at Portland, 9 p.m. Houston at L.A. Lakers, 9:30 p.m.

#### **CELTICS 116, MAGIC 100**

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6-8, Ross 3-9, Carter-Williams 1-2, Iwundu 1-2, Gordon 1-3, Vucevic 1-5, Clark 0-2), Boston 13-23 (Tatum 5-11, Williams 3-4, Wanamaker 2-2, Hayward 2-3, Brown 0-2). **Fouled Out**—None. **Re**bounds-Orlando 39 (Gordon, Vucevic 10), Boston 41 (Kanter, Tatum 8). As-sists—Orlando 20 (Carter-Williams 6), Boston 23 (Hayward 7). Total Fouls-Or lando 13, Boston 19. A-19,156 (18,624)

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Los Angeles at N.Y. Islanders, 6 p.m. New Jersey at Philadelphia, 6 p.m. Pittsburgh at Tampa Bay, 6 p.m. Vegas at Florida, 6 p.m. Colorado at Ottawa, 6:30 p.m. Vancouver at Minnesota, 7 p.m. Winnipeg at St. Louis, 7 p.m. Carolina at Arizona, 8 p.m. Nashville at Calgary, 8 p.m San Jose at Edmonton, 8:30 p.m.

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Penalties: Saad, Chi (slash), 5:53; Nylander, Chi (trip), 11:41; Pastrnak, Bos (un-sportsmanlike), 11:41; Wagner, Bos (slash), 14:41; Smith, Chi (Illegal check to head), 17:34; Carpenter, Chi (misconduct), 17:48; Krug, Bos (trip), 18:55.

OVERTIME: 3, Boston, McAvoy 1 (Krejci, DeBrusk), 1:19.
SHOTS ON GOAL: Boston 16-11-11-2-40. Chicago 5-8-9-0-22. **POWER PLAYS:** Bos 0 of 3; Chi 1 of 4.

**GOALIES:** Boston, Halak 14-6-6 (22 shots-21 saves). Chicago, Lehner 15-8-5 (40-38). **A:** 21,472 (19,717). **T:** 2:32. Referees: Steve Kozari, Peter MacDougall. **Linesmen:** Steve Barton,
Michel Cormier.

**ACTIVE GOAL SCORING** 

skater	G	GP	Α	PT:
Alex Ovechkin	698	1137	570	126
Patrick Marleau	561	1707	625	118
Sidney Crosby	455	967	790	124
Ilya Kovalchuk	441	910	428	869
Eric Staal	434	1226	579	1013
Steven Stamkos	417	796	406	82
Joe Thornton	415	1620	1085	150
Evgeni Malkin	407	891	649	105
Jeff Carter	381	1034	349	73
Patrick Kane	381	956	622	100
Zach Parise	380	998	398	778
Corey Perry	376	1029	416	792
Thomas Vanek	373	1029	416	789
Phil Kessel	368	1051	486	854
Joe Pavelski	366	1016	418	78
Patrice Bergeron	343	1073	513	850
Jonathan Toews	341	926	458	799
Jason Spezza	340	1106	595	93

hockey-reference.com through Tuesday

#### COLLEGE BASKETBALL

**HOW MEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED** 

1. Baylor (20-1) did not play. Next: vs. Oklahoma State, Saturday.

2. Gonzaga (23-1) did not play. Next: vs. Lovola Marymount, Thursday, 3. Kansas (19-3) did not play. Next: at TCU, Saturday.
4. San Diego State (23-0) did not play.

Next: at Air Force, Saturday.

5. Louisville (20-3) beat Wake Forest 86-76. Next: vs. Virginia, Saturday. 6. Dayton (20-2) did not play. Next: vs. Saint Louis, Saturday. **7. Duke** (19-3) did not play. Next: at North

Carolina, Saturday.

8. Florida State (19-3) did not play. Next:

vs. Miami, Saturday.

9. Maryland (18-4) did not play. Next: at No. 20 Illinois, Friday.

10. Villanova (17-5) lost to No. 19 Butler 79-76. Next: vs. No. 12 Seton Hall, Sat. **11. Auburn** (20-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 18 I SU. Saturday

No. 18 LSU, Saturday.

12. Seton Hall (17-5) beat Georgetown
78-71. Next: at No. 10 Villanova, Sat.
13. West Virginia (18-4) beat lowa State
76-61. Next: at Oklahoma, Saturday.
14. Oregon (18-5) did not play. Next: at Oregon State, Saturday, 15. Kentucky (17-5) did not play. Next: at

Tennessee, Saturday.

16. Michigan State (16-7) did not play. Next: at Michigan, Saturday.

17. lowa (16-7) lost to Purdue 104-68.
Next: vs. Nebraska, Saturday. **18. LSU** (17-5) lost to Vanderbilt 99-90. Next: at No. 11 Auburn, Saturday. 19. Butler (18-5) heat No. 10 Villanova 79-76. Next: at Marquette, Sunday.

20. Illinois (16-6) did not play. Next: vs.

No. 9 Illinois, Friday, NO. 9 Hillinois, Friday.

21. Creighton (17-6) lost to Providence 73-56. Next: vs. St. John's, Saturday.

22. Penn State (17-5) did not play. Next: vs. Minnesota, Saturday.

23. Arizona (15-6) did not play. Next: vs. Southern Cal. Thursday. 24. Colorado (17-5) did not play. Next: vs. California, Thursday.

25. Houston (17-5) did not play. Next: vs.

#### WEDNESDAY'S SCORES

Albany (NY) 62, Binghamton 49 American 62, Navy 54 Arcadia 94, ALVR 88, 2OT Boston U. 80, Army 66 Colgate 81, Lehigh 51 Loyola (Md.) 74, Holy Cross 60 Mount Aloysius 74, Franciscan 60 Slippery Rock 71, Clarion 64 St. Bonaventure 72, GW47 Stony Brook 77, Mass.-Lowell 70 UMBC 70, Hartford 59 Vermont 77, Maine 52 Worcester Tech 102, Clark 62 ETSU 80, Chattanooga 64

FIU 69, FAU 50 Florida 81, Georgia 75 Furman 79, Mercer 57 Mississippi 84, South Carolina 70 Northwestern St. 73, Abilene Chr. 69 Palm Beach 13t, 73, Allielle Clif. 09
Palm Beach Atlantic 87, Embry-Riddle 86
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St. Leo 71, Tampa 46
UNC-Greensboro 88, The Citadel 68
Virginia 51, Clemson 44
Wofford 79, VMI 73

MIDWEST Butler 79, Villanova 76 Duquesne 82, Saint Louis 68 Fort Wayne 75, W. Illinois 69 Indiana St. 68, Chicago 39 Missouri St. 80, Illinois St. 60 Notre Dame 80, Pittsburgh 72 Purdue 104, Iowa 68 S. Illinois 64, Evansville 60, OT

#### **HOW WOMEN'S AP TOP 25 FARED**

1. South Carolina (21-1) did not play. Next: at No. 25 Arkansas, Thursday. 2. Baylor (20-1) beat Kansas 97-44. Next: at Kansas State, Saturday. 3. Oregon (20-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 12 Arizona, Friday. **4. UConn** (19-2) did not play. Next: vs. Memphis, Friday. 5. Louisville (21-1) did not play. Next: vs. No. 17 Florida State, Thursday. **6. Stanford** (20-2) did not play. Next: vs. No. 10 UCLA, Friday.
7. N.C. State (21-1) did not play. Next: at Virginia Tech, Thursday. 8. Mississippi State (20-3) did not play. Next: at No. 23 Tennessee, Thursday. 9. Oregon State (18-4) did not play. Next: vs. No. 19 Arizona State, Friday 10. UCLA (19-2) did not play. Next: at No. 6 Stanford, Friday. 11. Gonzaga (22-1) did not play. Next: at Pacific, Thursday.
12. Arizona (18-3) did not play. Next: at No. 3 Oregon, Friday. **13. Maryland** (18-4) did not play. Next: vs. Rutgers, Sunday.

14. DePaul (20-3) did not play. Next: at St. John's, Friday.
15. Kentucky (17-4) did not play. Next: vs. Alabama, Thursday.

16. Texas A&M (18-4) did not play. Next: at No. 8 Mississippi State, Sunday. 17. Florida State (18-4) did not play. Next: at No. 5 Louisville, Thursday. 18. Indiana (18-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 13 Maryland, Thursday. 19. Arizona State (16-6) did not play. Next: at No. 9 Oregon State, Friday. 20. lowa (18-4) did not play. Next: vs. Nebraska, Thursday.
21. Northwestern (19-3) did not play. Next: at Michigan, Thursday.

22. South Dakota (21-2) did not play.
Next: at North Dakota, Sunday. 23. Tennessee (17-5) did not play. Next: vs. No. 8 Mississippi State, Thursday.

**24. Missouri State** (18-3) did not play.

Next: at Northern Iowa, Friday, **25. Arkansas** (18-4) did not play. Next: vs. No. 1 South Carolina, Thursday.

#### WEDNESDAY'S SCORES

Binghamton 58, Albany (NY) 42 Fordham 60, Rhode Island 50 Maine 70, Vermont 59 Stony Brook 89, Mass.-Lowell 69 UMBC 56, Hartford 47 Wichita St. 85, Temple 75 SOUTH Dayton 55, Davidson 49 George Mason 73, UMass 56 New Orleans 88, Houston Bapt. 84, OT Stephen F. Austin 78, Nicholls 61 Texas A&M-CC 73, McNeese St. 59 Troy 77, Louisiana-Monroe 65 VCU 57, Richmond 42 Cent. Michigan 66, N. Illinois 60

Kansas St. 84, Texas Tech 70 Kent St. 61, Bowling Green 47 Miami (Ohio) 92, Toledo 83 Ohio 75, E. Michigan 65 Abilene Chr. 84, Northwestern St. 69 Cent. Arkansas 53, Lamar 29 Houston 55, SMU 53

Iowa St. 74, Oklahoma St. 63

Incarnate Word 77, Sam Houston St. 74 Oklahoma 68, W. Virginia 58 UCF 62, Tulsa 49 Boise St. 67, Wyoming 48 California Baptist 55, CS Bakersfield 53 Fresno St. 79, Colorado St. 61 Nevada 71. Air Force 67

#### **AUTO RACING**

#### NASCAR MONSTER ENERGY CUP SERIES UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Sunday: x-Busch Clash at DAYTONA Daytona Beach, Fla. Feb. 13: x-Bluegreen Vacations Duel 1 and Duel 2; DAYTONA, Daytona Beach Feb. 16: DAYTONA 500, Daytona Beach Feb. 23: Pennzoil 400 presented by Jiffy

ATP CORDOBA OPEN R2 at Estadio Mario Alberto Kempee: Cordoba, Argentina; outdoors-Red clay Corentin Moutet d. #2 Guido Pella,

6-7 (4), 7-5, 6-3. #3 Cristian Garin d. Attila Balazs, 6-3, 6-0. #6 Pablo Cuevas d. Gianluca Mager, 6-7 (5), 7-6 (2), 6-1. Andrej Martinde Carlos Taberner, 6-3, 7-6 (7).

ATP OPEN SUD DE FRANCE R2 at Palais des Sports de Gerland; Montpellier. France: indoor-hard

Vasek Pospisil d. #3 Denis Shapovalov, 6-2, 6-3. Gregoire Barrere d. #4 Grigor Dimitrov, 6-7 (4), 6-4, 7-5. Feliciano Lopez d. #8 Ugo Humbert,

MEN'S FIRST ROUND SINGLES
Adrian Mannarino d. Alexei Popyrin,,
6-0, 6-7 (7), 6-0. Richard Gasquet d. Gilles Simon, 6-4, 6-4.

ATP TAHA OPEN MAHARASHTRA R2 at Balewadi Stadium; Pune, India; outdoors-hard#2

Ilva Ivashka d. #3 Stefano Travaglia. (5), 7-6 (3). #5 Yuichi Sugita d Viktor Troicki, walkover.

Jiri Vesely d. #7 Salvatore Caruso, 7-6 (5), 6-4. Ricardas Berankis d.

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2. Rory McIlroy	N. Ireland	9.16		
3. Jon Rahm	Spain	8.60		
4. Justin Thomas	U.S.	7.77		
	U.S.	7.02		
	U.S.	6.18		
	U.S.	6.17		
8. Patrick Cantlay	U.S.	6.12		
<ol><li>Xander Schauffele</li></ol>	U.S.	5.84		
10. Justin Rose	England	5.79		
11. Tommy Fleetwood		5.69		
12. Tony Finau	U.S.	5.12		
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14. Louis Oosthuizen	S Africa	4.52		
15. Adam Scott	Australia	4.49		
16. Shane Lowry	Ireland	4.39		
17. Gary Woodland	U.S.	4.36		
18. Bryson DeChambeau		4.29		
19. Marc Leishman	Australia	4.26		
20. Paul Casey	England	4.19		
21. Matt Kuchar	U.S.	4.16		
22. Francesco Molinari		4.02		
23. Hideki Matsuyama		4.02		
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	Sweden	3.32		
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31. Danny Willett	England	3.01		
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1. Jin Young Ko	S Korea	8.68
2. Sung Hyun Park	S Korea	6.12
3. Nelly Korda	U.S.	6.04
4. Nasas Hataoka	Japan	5.68
5. Danielle Kang	U.S.	5.63
6. Sei Young Kim	S Korea	5.29
7, Brooke M Henderson	Canada	5.08
8. Jeong Eun Lee	S Korea	5.06
9. Minjee Lee	Australia	5.00
10. Lexi Thompson	U.S.	4.87
11. Hinako Shibuno	Japan	4.51
12. Hyo-Joo Kim	S Korea	4.16
13. Ariya Jutanugarn	Thailand	4.03
14. Ai Šuzuki	Japan	4.00
15. Carlota Ciganda	Spain	3.93
16. In Bee Park	S Korea	3.90
17. Jessica Korda	U.S.	3.83
18. So Yeon Ryu	S Korea	3.52
19. Lizette Salas	U.S.	3.48
20. Amy Yang	S Korea	3.41
21. Mi Jung Hur	S Korea	3.41
22. Hanna Green	Australia	3.33
23 Shanshan Feng	China	3.11
24 Hee Jeong Lim	S Korea	3.00
25. Jiyai Shin	S Korea	2.88
26. Charley Hull	England	2.85
27. Hye Jim Choi	S Korea	2.71
28. Brittany Altomare	U.S.	2.71
29. Seon Woo Bae	S Korea	2.60
30. Da Yeon Lee	S Korea	2.59
31. Ha Na Jang	S Korea	2.56
32. Bronte Law	England	2.54
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## Heat trade for Iguodala; Raptors set team record

Andre Iguodala is headed to Miami after the Heat and Grizzlies agreed Wednesday night on his long-awaited trade.

As part of the deal, Iguodala agreed to a two-year extension, with the second of those years being a team option, according

The Heat and Grizzlies were still working out complete terms of what the Heat are giving up in the deal, and that a third team may still be involved.

Holding the team option for 2021-22 is a critical component for the Heat, who intend to have space for two max contracts in the summer of 2021 and made clear to all teams in recent days — and even last summer — that it wouldn't compromise those plans.

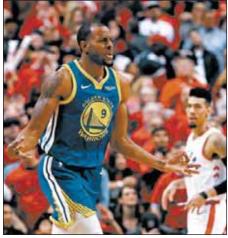
Iguodala was the 2015 NBA Finals MVP for the Warriors and was traded to the Grizzlies last summer. He didn't play for the Grizzlies, after he and the team agreed that it would be best if he was sent elsewhere. It took several months, but Miami became that destination.

Iguodala, 36, has averaged 12.1 points in 1,108 career games, plus is a veteran of 145 playoff contests and was with the Warriors for all five of their finals runs over the last half-decade.

Raptors rally, set team mark: Serge Ibaka hit a go-ahead 3-pointer with 30 seconds remaining and the Raptors rallied from 19 down to beat the Pacers 119-118 on Wednesday in Toronto, setting a franchise record with their 12th consecutive victory.

Kyle Lowry had 32 points, 10 assists and eight rebounds, and Ibaka scored a seasonhigh 30 as the defending league champions fought back after trailing by 11 with less than four minutes to play.

Malcolm Brogdon scored 24 points and Justin Holiday added 22, but the Pacers lost their third straight.



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Andre Iguodala was the 2015 NBA Finals MVP while a member of the Warriors.

Covington, Capela part of big deal: Robert Covington is going to the Rockets and Clint Capela is going to the Hawks as the headline moves in a complicated trade involving four teams, 12 players and at least three draft picks, according to reports.

Among the key components: Covington and Jordan Bell will join the Rockets from the Timberwolves, Capela and Nene are leaving the Rockets for the Hawks, the Timberwolves added soon-to-be restricted free agents Malik Beasley and Juancho Hernangomez from the Nuggets, who got Shabazz Napier from the T'wolves plus a first-round pick from the Rockets.

Williamson battling toe issue: The Pelicans listed rookie Zion Williamson as questionable for Thursday night's road game against Bulls with a toe sprain.

The No. 1 overall draft pick was knocked to the ground several times in the Pelicans' 120-108 loss to the Bucks on Tuesday. Williamson finished with 20 points, seven rebounds and five assists.

### Islanders cool under pressure

Newsday

The Islanders' 19 regulation wins are the fewest among the top 10 teams in the Eastern Conference, important since that will be the first playoff tie-breaker after 82 games

On the plus side, they're 11-6 in games that go past regulation and have 27 regulation or OT wins, which will be the second tiebreaker. That speaks to a resiliency under pressure.

So do the first two games on their three-game Brooklyn homestand, which concludes Thursday against the Kings.

The Islanders beat the Stars 4-3 in OT on Tuesday. Mathew Barzal scored the power-play equalizer at 16:01 of the third, after Brock Nelson's apparent powerplay goal at 14:33 was overturned because of goalie interference. Nelson's equalizer with 25.1 seconds left allowed the Islanders to rally from a two-goal deficit and salvage an important point in Saturday's 4-3 OT loss to the Canucks.

"If something goes wrong, we find a way to turn it around quick," Barzal said. "After goals and stuff, we seem to bounce back quick and have our legs."

That's something Barry Trotz worked

after becoming coach prior to last season. "The first probably 10 games, as soon as the game got close, everybody was like a cat on a hot tin roof," Trotz said. "... What you have to do is just trust that you're going to get your job done. We were able to establish that last year.

"Lately, we've been staying very predictable and staying on task and knowing what we want to get done."

#### **COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

### Baldwin's 3 lifts Butler at buzzer

Associated Press

Kamar Baldwin made a buzzer-beating 3-pointer and scored 17 points, giving No. 19 Butler a 79-76 victory over No. 10 Villanova on Wednesday night in Indianapolis.

The Bulldogs (18-5, 6-4) snapped a five-game skid in the series as Sean McDermott scored 21 points and Bryce Golden added a career-high 18 points. Villanova (17-5, 7-3) rallied from a

10-point deficit in the final six minutes tying the score on Saddiq Bey's 3-pointer with 24 seconds to go.

Purdue hits 19 3s in upset: Evan

Boudreaux scored a season-high 18 points to lead five Purdue players in double figures in a 104-68 rout against No. 17 Iowa. The host Boilermakers (13-10, 6-6 Big Ten) led by as many as 39 points,

converted 19 of 34 3-point attempts, shot a season-high 63 percent overall and reached the 100-point mark for the first time this season.

Luka Garza led the Hawkeyes (16-7, 7-5) with 26 points.

**Gators storm back:** Florida tied its biggest comeback in school history overcoming a 22-point deficit to stun visiting Georgia 81-75.

The Gators (14-8, 6-3 SEC) trailed 52-30 early in the second half before putting together a 34-5 run.

Florida trailed Alabama by 21 in Gainesville early last month before mounting a comeback.

#### **IN BRIEF**

#### Yanks starter Paxton out 3-4 months

The Yankees announced that left-handed starter James Paxton had back surgery and will likely miss 3-4 months of action.

"Earlier today, LHP James Paxton underwent a microscopic lumbar discectomy with removal of a peridiscal cyst. The surgery was performed by Dr. Andrew Dossett in Dallas, Texas. His approximate timeline to return to Major League action is 3-4 months," the Yankees said in a statement Wednesday.

The news comes less than a week before pitchers and catchers are scheduled to report for the start of spring training. Paxton, 31, won a career high 15 games

and had a 3.82 ERA last season.

■ MLB will return to the Dominican Republic for the first time in 20 years, with the Twins and Tigers playing a spring training game in Santo Domingo on March 7. ... Career hits leader Pete Rose again submitted an application to MLB Commissioner Rob Manfred to end his lifetime ban for placing bets on the Reds to win from 1985-87 while playing for and managing the club, saying the penalty is unfair compared with discipline for steroids use and electronic sign stealing. Manfred denied Rose's last request in 2015.

College football: Auburn RB JaTarvious Whitlow entered the the NCAA transfer portal, according to reports. Whitlow, who started the last two seasons and ran for a total of 1,550 yards and 16 TDs in 24 games, must sit out next season and will have two years of eligibility remaining.

NFL: The Raiders signed RB Jalen Richard to a two-year extension. Richard, 26, caught a team-high 68 passes in 2018. Also, the Raiders hired former Lions head coach Rod Marinelli as their new defensive line coach. Marinelli, 70, spent the last seven seasons as an assistant coach with the Cowboys. ... The Steelers and GM Kevin Colbert agreed to a one-year contract extension that runs through the 2021 draft. Colbert, 63, joined the Steelers in 2000 and spent the last 10 seasons as GM. ... Hundreds of thousands of Chiefs fans braved sub-freezing wind chills in Kansas City, Missouri, for a parade to celebrate the team's first Super Bowl victory in 50 years.

**Soccer:** Second-tier club Mirandes upset visiting Villarreal 4-2 to advance to the semifinals of the Copa del Rey.

— News services

#### **COLLEGE FOOTBALL**

## A few more for the locals

#### By Joel Boyd and Shannon Ryan

College football's national signing period got underway Wednesday with Illinois and Northern Illinois adding to their recruiting classes. Northwestern and Notre Dame did not announce any additions after signing 17 players apiece during the early period in December.

#### Illinois

The Illini added the 13th member of their 2020 class Wednesday morning – and their first defensive back — when cornerback Tahveon Nicholson signed a national letter of intent.

The 5-foot-11, 170-pound Nicholson is a two-star prospect who played this past season at Palmetto Prep in Columbia, S.C., while working to become an NCAA academic qualifier, according to Illini Inquirer. Nicholson is originally from Jacksonville, Fla., and also had an offer from Florida Atlantic, where Illinois defensive backs coach Keynodo Hudson previously coached. He's one of seven Florida natives

He fits coach Lovie Smith's preference for defensive players who can create turnovers. Nicholson had four interceptions and forced a fumble last season. He also played on offense, totaling 721 receiving yards and 355 rushing yards, and is a candidate to return kicks and punts at Illinois, Illini Inquirer said.

Nicholson was the only recruit Illinois signed Wednesday. The Illini lost their highest-rated commitment and only instate recruit Tuesday when Naperville Central wide receiver Jadon Thompson flipped his commitment to Cincinnati. Thompson signed with the Bearcats on Wednesday morning.

In large part because of its size, Illinois' class has a national ranking of No. 88 in the 247Sports.com composite and 14th in the

"We're excited to add another talented piece to our secondary," Smith said in a university news release. "As I said in December, we knew this class would be small in numbers but feel like we've added talent and depth in several areas with this group of recruits. Like last season, we intend to add to this class with transfers during spring or summer if we find the right

Five-star offensive tackle Broderick Jones, who took an official visit to Illinois two weeks ago, signed as expected with Georgia, where he had been committed since April 2018.

#### **Northern Illinois**

After signing 26 players in December in his first full recruiting cycle as Huskies coach, Thomas Hammock announced the addition of three transfers who are already enrolled — including one with an unconventional backstory.

Greg DeLuca, a 28-year-old safety originally from New Jersey, spent the last six years in the U.S. Navy as a member of SEAL Team 10 and Special Reconnaissance Team 2. Before that he played four years on the lacrosse team at Duke, where he was a member of two national championship teams, while also playing two years of football as a walk-on. DeLuca joined the Huskies as a walk-on.

The other two transfers — junior college safety Woodly Appolon, a Montreal native, and graduate transfer quarterback Andrew Haidet from Houston Baptist - are on scholarship.

In addition to DeLuca, the Huskies announced 11 other preferred walk-ons, including seven from Illinois high schools: Downers Grove North quarterback Drew Cassens, Lincoln-Way West wide receiver Billy Dozier, DeKalb linebacker Jalon Redmond, Maine West safety Jaden Dolphin, Sycamore safety Manny Dominguez, Neuqua Valley safety Patrick Hoffmann and Lake Park kicker Anthony Beacom.

#### Area/state

In addition to Naperville Central wide receiver Jadon Thompson signing with Cincinnati, a handful of other top-40

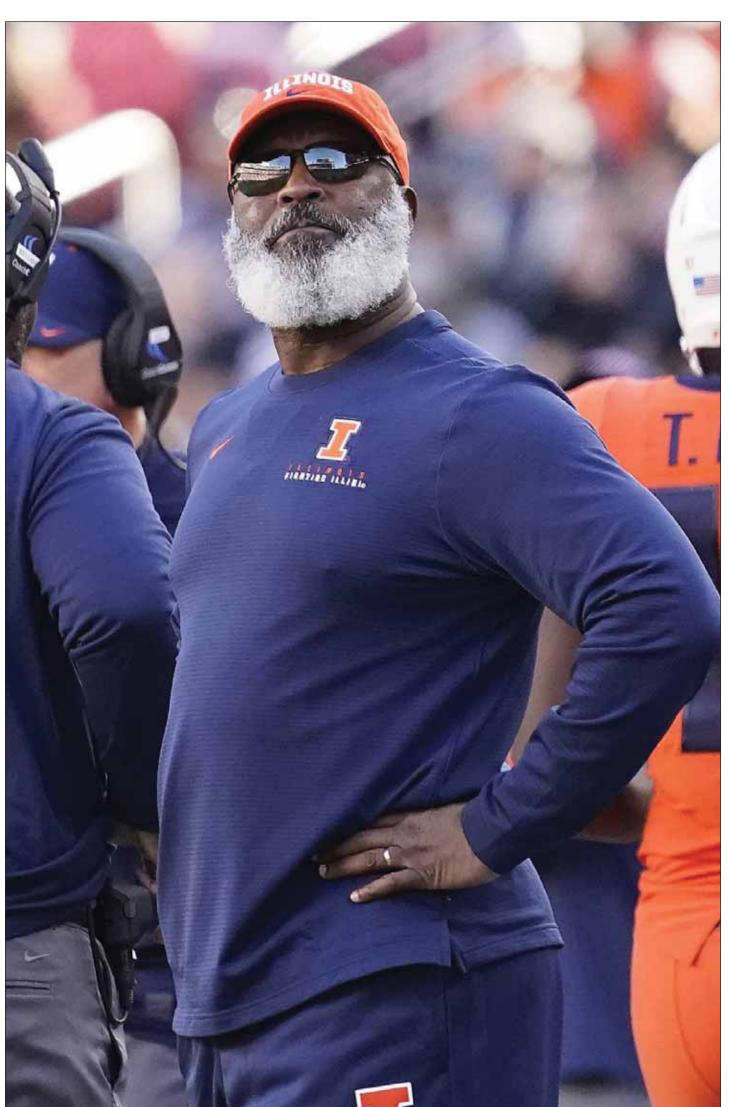
prospects in Illinois signed Wednesday. Morgan Park defensive tackle Shontrail Key — a former basketball player at Leo and Kenwood who didn't play high school football until his senior season — picked Arizona. And Nazareth defensive tackle CJ West and Simeon cornerback Chau Smith, who committed over the weekend to Kent State and Washington State, respectively, also signed letters of intent.

#### **National**

Georgia held off Alabama in the race for the No. 1 class in the country. It's the second time in three years coach Kirby Smart has signed the top class — the only two times in the last 10 years that Nick Saban and the Crimson Tide haven't finished at the top of the composite team rankings.

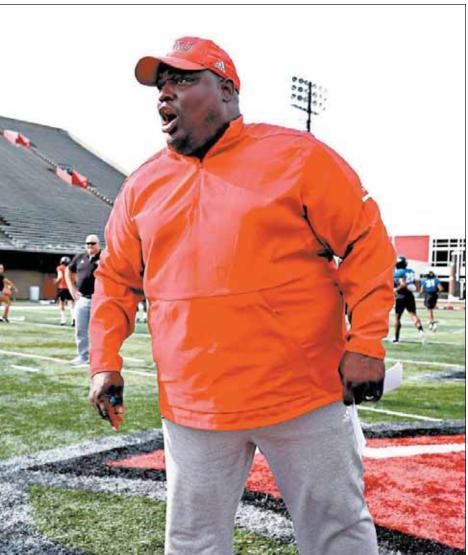
The Bulldogs, who entered the day with a slim lead, signed a pair of longtime commitments on the offensive line, fivestar tackle Broderick Jones and four-star center Sedrick Van Pran, who didn't sign during the early period, and they flipped three-star cornerback Daran Branch from

Mississippi. But the key to Alabama not overtaking them was four-star defensive tackle McKinnley Jackson — at No. 61 in the composite rankings, one of the top uncommitted prospects entering the day – signing with Texas A&M over SEC West rivals Alabama and LSU. The Tide also lost a head-to-head battle to Missouri for three-star cornerback Ennis Rakestraw, and four-star defensive tackle Jayson Jones flipped to Oregon.



TONY AVELAR/AP

Illinois coach Lovie Smith looks at the scoreboard from the sideline during the first half of the Redbox Bowl against California on Dec. 30.



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Northern Illinois coach Thomas Hammock yells to players during practice at Huskie Stadium in 2019 in DeKalb.

Only nine of the nation's top 100 recruits entered the day unsigned, and by the end of the day that number was down to two both of them five-star prospects.

The mystery of the day involved defensive lineman Jordan Burch (No. 8) of Columbia, S.C., who committed to the hometown Gamecocks on the first day of the early period but didn't sign. While Burch took an official visit to LSU two weeks ago, it appeared South Carolina had

hung on when he put on a Gamecocks cap during a news conference Wednesday with other recruits from his high school. But as of 6 p.m. South Carolina hadn't announced his signing, as he apparently had yet to submit a letter of intent.

The other unsigned five-star, running back Zachary Evans (No. 16) of Houston, is expected to take his recruitment into the spring, with Mississippi, Tennessee and Texas A&M the current top contenders.



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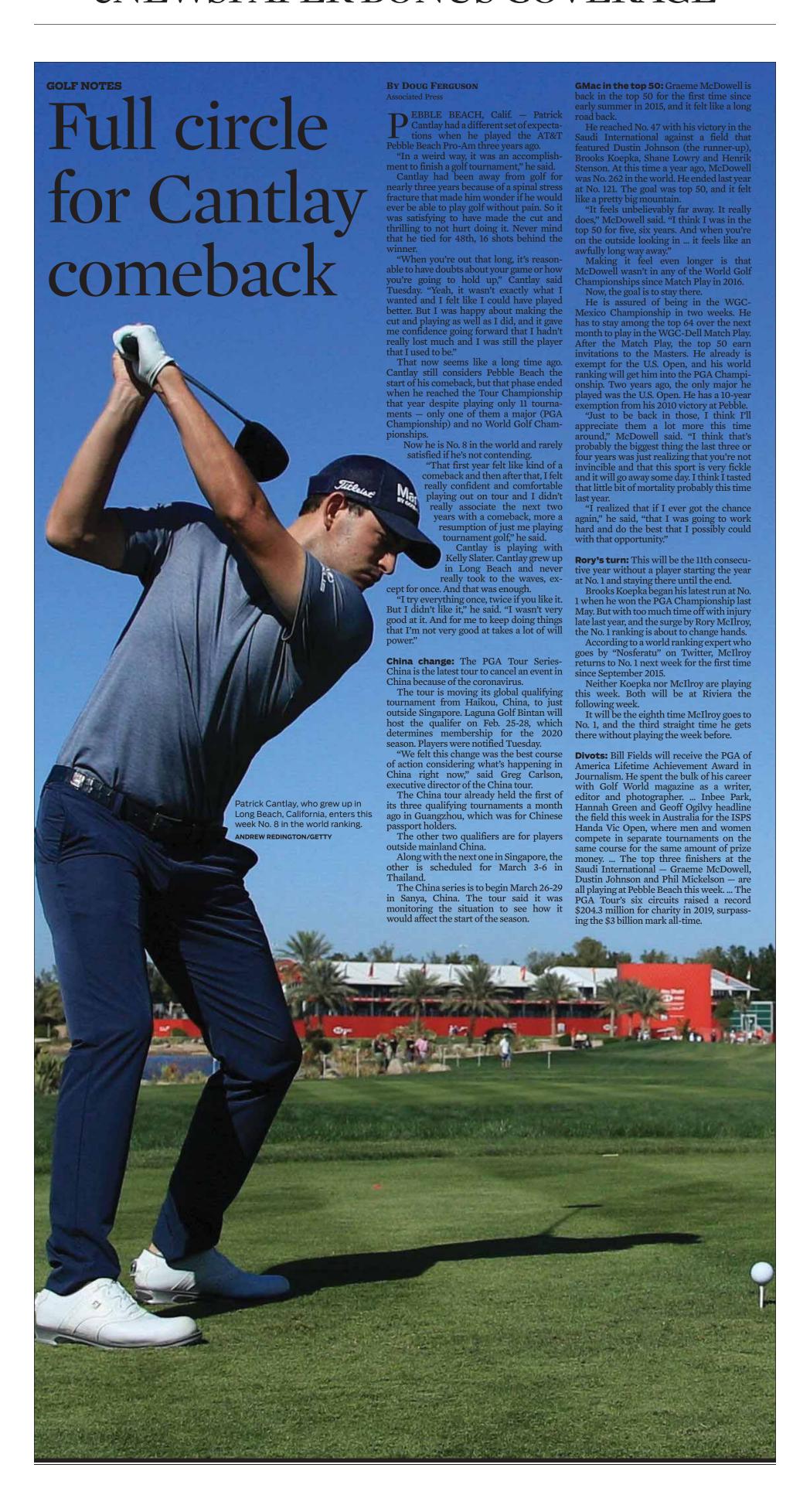
Notre Dame coach Brian Kelly watches warmups before the Camping World Bowl against Iowa State on Dec. 28 in Orlando,

#### Where they stand

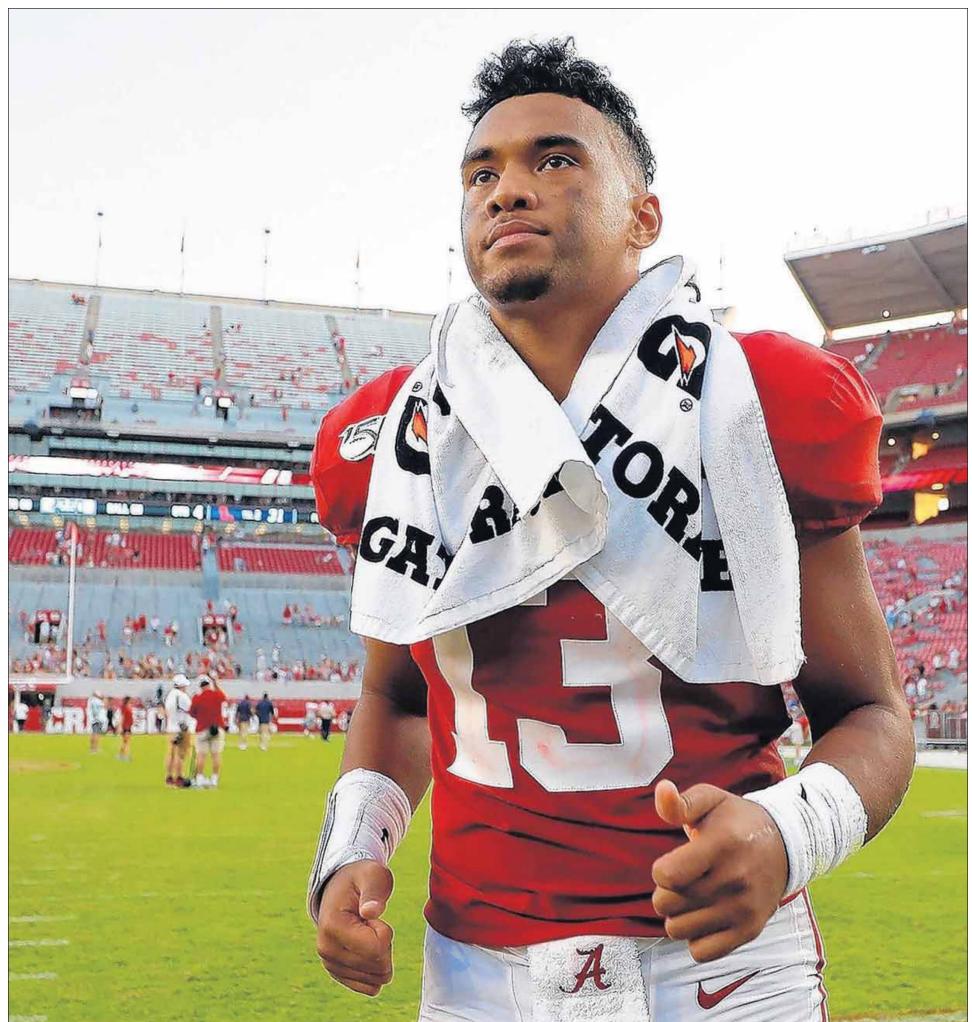
Here are the top 10 national classes in the composite rankings, plus where Notre Dame, Northern Illinois and the rest of the Big Ten ended up (number of signees and commitments in parentheses):

- 1. Georgia (25)
- 2. Alabama (25) ■ 3. Clemson (23)
- 4. LSU (24)
- 5. Ohio State (25)
- 6. Texas A&M (26) ■ 7. Auburn (26)
- 8. Florida (25)
- 9. Texas (19)
- 10. Tennessee (23) ■ 14. Michigan (23)
- 15. Penn State (27) ■ 17. Notre Dame (17)
- 20. Nebraska (24)
- 25. Wisconsin (20)
- 31. Maryland (27)
- 33. Purdue (21)
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- 43. Michigan State (22)
- 47. Northwestern (17) ■ 58. Indiana (19)
- 63. Rutgers (20) ■ 88. Illinois (13) ■ 91. Northern Illinois (28)

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With Patrick Mahomes and Lamar Jackson winning two league MVPs and one Super Bowl in the last two seasons, the Dolphins may look to Alabama's Tua Tagovailoa as their next OB.

# Destiny with Dolphins? Tua may be next in trend

By Safid Deen

South Florida Sun Sentinel

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. -Tua Tagovailoa held \$15 in singles in his hand, ready to spend \$1 or up to \$5 on his favorite Kansas City Chiefs and San Francisco 49ers players for a video segment with Bleacher Report ahead of the Super Bowl. He spent his first \$3 on Patrick Mahomes, the flamethrowing Chiefs quarterback who led a comeback win over the 49ers in Sunday's big game.

"I have to go with Pat," Tagovailoa said.

Mahomes, shortly after becoming the youngest Super Bowl MVP at 24, was asked if he thinks he's now the face of the league. He was quick to mention South Florida native Lamar Jackson.

"There's several guys that can be the face of the NFL," Mahomes

"Lamar, who was the unanimous MVP last night, he had one of the best seasons of all time at the quarterback position. There's guys like that every single year."

Jackson made history himself on Saturday. He became the youngest NFL MVP at 23, breaking a record set by Mahomes a year ago. He also became the second player to win the award unanimously after Tom Brady did it in 2010.

"I'm trying to chase Brady," Jackson said. "I'm not worried about any other quarterback because he's got six Super Bowls.

I've got to get my first one." Notice a theme here? Game

recognizes game.

As both Mahomes and Jackson raised the bar for young quarterbacks in the NFL last week in South Florida, the rest of the NFL world has taken notice. If you've got a good but not great quarterback now, you need a better one or at least put exceptional pieces around him to be a playoff con-

This is what the Miami Dolphins need to work on this offseason to reverse their fortune. And an option for Miami could be Tagovailoa, a 21-year-old talented but perhaps injury-prone quarterback out of Alabama.

Plenty of uncertainly remains around Tagovailoa in the coming weeks before the 2020 NFL draft, where teams like the Dolphins will likely spend a lot of their time deciding whether to take a chance on the charismatic quarterback, who also happens to enjoy South Florida — but is recovering from a serious hip injury.

"You're looking around here in Miami. What do you think? Do you like the city?" Tagovailoa was asked during a radio interview in Miami Beach ahead of the Super

"I mean, it's a beautiful place," Tagovailoa said. "I think where we're staying, it's a little touristy. But we'd have to see because I don't know too much about where the guys stay, that play football, live around here so it could be different in that aspect."

Maybe, he'll find out soon

about basking in South Florida's

Tagovailoa, joined by his parents Galu and Diane, weren't shy

food and weather. They moved from Hawaii to see their son play in Tuscaloosa, Ala., so they'd likely follow him to South Florida if the Dolphins were to draft him.

"Īt's really like Hawaii," Diane said about her first impressions of

South Florida. Tagovailoa has enjoyed his time here, too. Last week was his second time already this year visiting the area. He joined some friends on a trip earlier this

Tagovailoa's family and Dolphins owner Steve Ross were several feet from each other last Saturday afternoon in Wynwood as Tagovailoa's agent, Leigh Steinberg, used his Super Bowl party to benefit the Make-A-Wish foundation and honor Ross for his

philanthropy work in the process. Tagovailoa and Ross did not have much contact during the event, similar to when they were standing a few yards away from each other before the Alabama-Michigan Citrus Bowl game in Orlando shortly after the New Year. But they will likely have a formal meeting at some point in the coming weeks as the Dolphins prepare for the draft.

Just a day earlier in the same venue, Ross modestly discussed his rise as a New York businessman during the Bloomberg Power Players Summit. He also bluntly discussed several football topics and praised Tagovailoa, while also addressing the clear concern

about his future. "I've been down there to see

him. Tua is a great player. I just

worry about his health," Ross said.

He then added: "The coaches really make the decisions on the draft choices. We have to look at his health is and everything else

and see what the alternatives are." It may not have been the most glowing endorsement by the Dolphins owner, but Ross surely knows the magnitude of his football team's evaluation of Tagovailoa before the draft.

Ross spent more than \$700 million on his Miami Gardens entertainment complex which includes Hard Rock Stadium. His lavish venue shined brightly as Mahomes and the Chiefs beat the 49ers with halftime performers Jennifer Lopez and Shakira captivating a worldwide audience during Sunday's Super Bowl.

Ross expressed his regret about the Dolphins not playing in the Super Bowl in Miami — a sentiment he shared at least three times during the Bloomberg event.

The Dolphins have not won a playoff game since 2000. They have competed in the postseason just two times since 2001. They have not won the AFC East since 2008. Most importantly, they have not won a Super Bowl since winning back-to-back titles in 1972 and 1973.

Maybe, Tagovailoa could be the dynamic quarterback to lead the way for Miami like Mahomes

lifted Kansas City to its first Super Bowl in more than 50 years. The Dolphins already have a coach with big-game experience in Brian Flores, who came up in

the New England Patriots organi-

zation. This was the first time in

four years Flores wasn't in the Super Bowl. He helped the Patriots win two titles in three years.

A Flores-Tagovailoa partnership would be interesting. But there's two months, several NFL teams looking for a quarterback, and it could take a draft-day trade to move Miami from the No. 5 pick into the top three to land Tagovailoa if his health checks out in the coming months. Also, the Dolphins are more than just a quarterback away from being a playoff contender, but have the draft capital and assets to build a strong team that could compete as early as next season.

Tagovailoa will hit the threemonth mark in his recovery process next week. He'll have a CT scan and follow-up MRI on the hip he dislocated and suffered a posterior wall fracture in mid-November. If all goes well, Tagovailoa said his doctors "will let us loose a little more" in his football rehabilitation.

Tagovailoa plans to "win my medical" at the NFL scouting combine later this month and hopes to throw during a pro day workout in late March or early April before the draft begins on April 23 in Las Vegas.

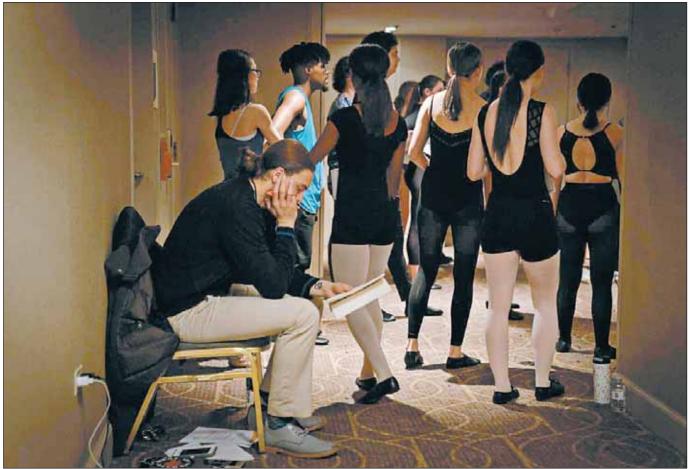
Then, the Dolphins will have to decide whether hitching their franchise rebuild to Tagovailoa is worth the investment.

The Tagovailoa family wouldn't mind being back in South Florida.

"We love it. Miami is a beautiful place," Tagovailoa's father said. "We like it, and I mean, hopefully, in the future, it'll be nice, too - ifthings do work out."

### Chicago Tribune





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Musical theater students warm up before auditions for the Western Michigan University theater program in a hallway at the Palmer House Hilton during Unifieds, the week of auditions held by dozens of theater departments of universities from across the country.

# 'Break both legs!'

The Unifieds are now in Chicago, a make-or-break, do-or-die audition week for anxious, hopeful theater kids

#### BY CHRISTOPHER BORRELLI

Inside the Palmer House every February, for as long as anyone associated with the National Unified Auditions can remember — but then, isn't that just like theater folk, to conveniently forget how long they've been around — the theater departments of several dozen colleges have converged on Chicago, bought hotel rooms and, as you go about your workday, staged a grueling Darwinian fight club of sorts for aspiring theater majors.

OK, perhaps that's overstating thin On the other hand, no! Hold up!! These are theater kids! Many of them musical theater kids! Overstating, emoting, belting, putting on a show — that's what theater kids expect!!

On Monday afternoon, Kayla Black, a high school senior from Cleveland dressed head to toe in black, slowed her breathing and centered herself in the middle of a crowded seventh-floor hotel hallway. She lowered her head slowly, she lifted it, she lowered it.

Students slid past her.

But Black, preparing for an audition, getting into the mindset of Berniece from August Wilson's "Piano Lesson," remained rooted, steady, still, like a stone in a rushing stream.

Around the corner, another 18-yearold hopped in place and punched her fists into her cheeks like she was limbering up tenderloin, then stretched her jaw comically low, then popped open her eyes, as if waking from a trance. Around the corner from her, there sat a



Musical theater students Avery Jane Taylor of Dallas, from left, Shelby Zimmerman of Tampa and Maryanna Tallemache of Austin prepare to audition at Unifieds, the week of auditions held at the Palmer House Hilton.

high school student from Seattle, in the dark suit and springy curls of a (even younger) Timothée Chalamet. Schools, he said, more to himself than a reporter, as if repeating a mantra, schools can make decisions about him but he has the power to decide his fate.

Several floors below, outside a closed conference room held by the musical theater program of Temple University, a dozen kids stretched, leaped in place, cracked knuckles. They looked equal

parts hopeful and edgy.

A faculty member cracked open the door and stepped into the hallway: "OK! All of you! I want to thank you for being here! Please bring just *yourself* inside! And a water bottle! Leave the rest in the hall!" Meaning presumably phones but also self-doubts and egos.

Unifieds — as everyone calls this annual gathering — is one-stop talent

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People walk through the "Cathedral of Light," part of Chicago Botanic Garden's "Lightscape" exhibit in November. The show attracted 1.275 million visitors.

# A generally static year for area museums

Botanic Garden's light show helps set attendance record

#### By Steve Johnson

A streetwear art exhibit and a new holiday lights display guided the only big attendance increases at the most popular area museums and nature parks in 2019.

Chicago Botanic Garden rode the success of its new "Lightscape" year-ending holiday lights show — it sold out nearly every ticket — to a total of 1.275 million visitors, the highest in its 48-year

"Chicagoans know how to put on their hats and gloves and get outside," said Jean Franczyk, the Glencoe institution's president and CEO. "Certainly, 'Lightscape' proved that."

The 2019 figure was a 22% increase over 2018 and its seventh straight year with more than a million visitors. "2019 was the first time we stretched ourselves into that November, December period," Franczyk said, adding that the more than 75,000 who saw "Lightscape" proved there is hunger for the nature park's "original 3D experience" of getting out-

Chicagoans went inside in summer, though. At MCA Chicago the midyear exhibit on Virgil Abloh, the Rockfordraised streetwear-turned-high fashion designer, helped boost that institution 24, to 346,000 visitors, the second high-

est since it was founded in 1967. "Virgil Abloh: Figures of Speech" was the third most popular exhibition MCA has mounted, behind 2014's David Bowie show and its most popular, "Takashi Murakami: The Octopus Eats Its Own Leg." That 2017 exhibit led MCA to its all-time record of 371,000 visitors.

The year's biggest attendance loser was the Museum of Science and Industry, which saw its visitorship drop more than 10%, to 1.388 million. MSI's big special exhibition for 2019 was "Wired to Wear," a lively survey of very new, very

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# Harris Theater will bulk up on music for 2020-21

Introduction of recital series an expanded part of offerings during the coming year

#### By Howard Reich

The Harris Theater's musical offerings will expand significantly during the 2020-

In addition to ongoing attractions such as the Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center, which will mark its 10th year in residence at the Harris, the institution will present a new lineup of vocal recitals.

Soprano Patricia Racette, making her Harris Theater main stage debut, will sing "Edith Piaf: No Regrets," accompanied by pianist Craig Terry (7:30 p.m. on Dec. 8).

Mezzo-soprano Joyce DiDonato will present "Songplay," featuring the stylistically eclectic repertoire from her Grammy Award-winning album of that name. The band will be led by pianist Terry (7:30 p.m. on Feb. 17, 2021).

Tenor Javier Camarena will return to the Harris following recent successes at the Metropolitan Opera and Madrid's Teatro Real (7:30 p.m. on April 10, 2021).

"The introduction of the recital series,

which I plan to continue, is definitely (an) expanded part" of the theater's offerings, said Harris Theater President and CEO Patricia Barretto. "That's a big deal for us.

"People want to experience this kind of intimate performance style. But also I feel there is room for more rentals in our city.'

Also significant on the Harris music season: the Chicago debut of Cape Town Opera in "Mandela Trilogy," which embraces traditional South African music and jazz (7:30 p.m. on Feb. 26 and 27, 2021; plus a Family Series performance 2 p.m. on Feb. 27, 2021).

"Cape Town Opera is South Africa's premier opera company," said Barretto. "Basically they've fostered the expression of national identity through the creation and performance of new South African works alongside classics of the genre.

" 'Mandela' is their original production. The music is gripping. It's a unique fusion of the traditional Xhosa songs, jazz tunes and modern music. Nelson Mandela was one of the world's most inspiring statesmen, and I think it's really important for Chicago to see his life told through such an intimate way — and through the eyes of his own people.

"It's not how the world sees him. It's



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Joyce DiDonato, left, shown in Orchestra Hall last year, will perform "Songplay" at the Harris Theater. Soprano Patricia Racette, making her Harris Theater main stage debut, will sing "Edith Piaf: No Regrets."

how his home sees him."

This Harris presentation, among others, underscores the theater's emphasis on diversity, said Barretto.

"It is important to make the Harris feel like home for every resident of our great city, and the way to do it is to present diversity," she explained. "I think that the diversity piece, there is room for that in this city, as I look around.

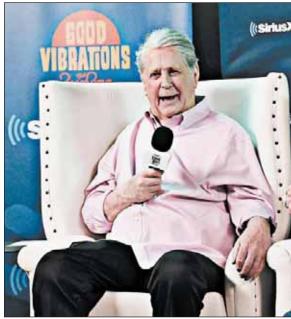
"It's something that is just necessary for

all of us custodians of the arts to focus on. We're becoming more global. It brings more people together. It creates more empathy for people that are different from

The Harris' Mix at Six series, which as its name suggests features after-work performances at 6 p.m., will expand to feature two Mix at Six Rooftop concerts,

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### CELEBRITIES



**RICHARD SHOTWELL/INVISION 2018** 

Brian Wilson is at odds with fellow Beach Boy Mike Love over his plan to perform at a Safari Club event.

### Bad vibrations for Beach Boys members

NEW YORK — One of the co-founders of the Beach Boys has joined a boycott of his own music to protest it being used by another band member at an animal hunting convention.

Brian Wilson denounced a planned performance of Beach Boys music Wednesday at the Safari Club In-

ternational Convention in Reno. Nevada. The concert was planned by Beach Boys co-founder, lead singer and chief lyricist Mike Love.

In a tweet, Wilson said he and band member Al Jardine are "emphatically opposed" to trophy hunting. He then pointed to a Change .org petition that calls for a boycott of Beach Boys music unless the performance was canceled. The petition had garnered more than



100,000 signatures by Tuesday afternoon. The annual Safari Club convention has drawn protests by animal rights groups such as the Humane Society of the United States for profiting from the hunting of endangered animals and promoting unethical hunting practices. This year's keynote speaker is Donald Trump Jr.

In response, Love offered a statement to Pitchfork magazine: "We look forward to a night of great music in Reno and, as always, support freedom of thought and expression as a fundamental tenet of our rights as Americans.

The Beach Boys are known for sunny harmonies in such songs as "California Girls," I Get Around," "Fun Fun Fun," "Good Vibrations" and "Kokomo."

Associated Press



JORDAN STRAUSS/INVISION

Ladies first: Michelle Obama is coming to TV fictionally. Showtime has issued a first-season order for the hourlong drama "First Ladies," which is set to star Viola Davis as the former first lady. The show will peel back the curtain on the personal and political lives of first ladies from throughout history, with season I focusing on Eleanor Roosevelt, Betty Ford and Michelle Obama. The series turns its lens on the East Wing of the White House, where many of history's most impactful and world-changing decisions have been hidden from view.

McPolitics: Patrick Dempsey is set to play the lead in a drama pilot that has been ordered at CBS. "Ways and Means" centers on a powerful congressional leader (Dempsey) who has lost faith in politics who finds himself working secretly with an idealistic young congresswoman from the opposing party to subvert the hopelessly gridlocked system he helped create. Together, they'll attempt to save American politics — if they don't get caught. The role marks a return to broadcast television for Dempsey, who is best known for his role as Dr. Derek "McDreamy" Shepherd on ABC's "Grey's Anatomy."

Feb. 6 birthdays: Actor Mike Farrell is 81. Anchorman Tom Brokaw is 80. Singer Fabian is 77. Actor Michael Tucker is 75. Actress Kathy Najimy is 63. Musician Simon Phillips is 63. Actor-director Robert Townsend is 63. Musician Axl Rose is 58. Singer Rick Astley is 54. Actor Josh Stewart is 43. Actor Ben Lawson is 40. Singer actress Tinashe is 27.



## ASK AMY

By Amy Dickinson

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### Wedding nightmare fractures family

Dear Amy: My husband "John" and I were married recently. At our wedding, my mother behaved erratically. She drank too much, gave an awful speech, yelled at John, hijacked the DJ for multiple "surprise" spotlight dances, groped John's married uncle and was taken home early. I had nightmares for weeks.

We met with Mom and my stepfather. John and I said we were worried and wanted Mom to visit her doctor, but also that she had hurt us. John then asked her to acknowledge this and apologize. Mom began screaming and physically threatened him. She said she had always disliked him and that she would rather kill herself than apologize. We left.

My stepfather later told us that he will take care of Mom and understands if we distance ourselves. Her only communication since has been to send short, pleasant texts about how to avoid us. I find it confusing, exhausting and upsetting.

I started therapy, read about "emotional immaturity" and contacted a local family mediation center.

I've been thinking about future milestones like moving, pregnancy and parenthood, and I don't know what role Mom is capable of having or what role I want her to have.

Should I be doing something different? What happens when we have news to share? - Unresolved

**Dear Unresolved: You** have responded to your mother's behavior in a straightforward and honest way. I suggest you ask your therapist to talk to you about Borderline

Personality Disorder. Some of what you describe sounds typical of someone with BPD, who will have an exaggerated reaction to perceived abandonments.

As her daughter, you will have to find healthy ways to erect strong boundaries. When/if your mother behaves well, you can open a door, but you should be prepared to close it again. Do not let her control you. Continue to be in touch with your stepfather. Share any and all lifetime announcements with both of them, and then take your future with her on a case-by-case basis.

A book that might help you is "Stop Walking on Eggshells: Taking Your Life Back When Someone You Care About Has Borderline Personality Disorder," by Paul T. Mason and Randi Kreger (New Harbinger Publications; Second edition (Jan. 1, 2010)).

**Dear Amy:** I have been dating my boyfriend for over three years. Things are pretty good. My family and friends love him.

We started dating shortly after my ex and I broke up. I thought I was ready, but I have been having feelings toward my ex. Recently, my ex and I began texting, the conversation was something that I missed — we were good friends. But then he told me he still thinks of me, so I wished him well and stopped the conversation.

We broke up for a reason, and getting back together is out of the question, but still, I have lingering feelings. I know none of this is fair to the current boyfriend. I feel selfish and ashamed.

I'd like the thoughts and

feelings toward my ex to stop. I want to feel like I have properly moved on. Am I just selfish?

– Wandering Eyes

**Dear Wandering:** Your current relationship is pretty good. Your friends and family love him. Do you? Is he your forever guy? At the three-year mark, you should have an

This relationship might be a transitional one for you. But if some element of friendship is missing, you might be able to work on that. Have you been selfprotective? Are you being emotionally intimate and available to him?

Your current guy could be wonderful, loving and kind, but he might not be a match for you. If that is the case, you owe it to him to be honest. There is no need to find fault with him (or you). It's a question of chemistry and the mysterious intricacy of attraction.

Dear Amy: I'm another reader objecting to you calling squirrels "rodents" and a bunch of scampering squirrels an "infestation." Your reaction to these beautiful and harmless animals is too harsh.

- Squirrel Lover

Dear Lover: I once had two squirrels chew their way into my attic and then chew their way out of the first floor of my house. The damage was quite impressive. Yes, squirrels are rodents, and yes, they can be very destructive.

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### Museums

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high-tech garments and other wearables.

On the Museum Campus, for the second straight year moderate declines were the story of 2019. Adler Planetarium visitorship fell 3.6%, to 507,000. Shedd Aquarium dipped 4%, to 1.824 million. And Field Museum fell 2%, to 1.494 million.

Still, overall attendance at the major museums and nature parks tracked here-14 institutions on Chicago Park District land, plus the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Morton Arboretum was up almost 2%. For perspective, the more than 16.7 million visitors these institutions welcomed more than doubled the fewer than 7 million Bears, Blackhawks, Bulls, Cubs and White Sox home tickets sold in their most recent

All of these figures are self-reported by the institu-

The area's most popular attraction, Lincoln Park Zoo, does not charge admission or keep a gate count and so relies on statistical methods to tally its attend-

Milder outdoor weather in December for their longstanding lights shows helped both Lincoln Park and Brookfield welcome more people this year.

Brookfield missed hitting the 2 million plateau by 876 visitors; its 1.999 million tally was a 4.7% improvement over 2018.

Lincoln Park welcomed 3.595 million for a 5% in-

Posting gains of 5% or less were the Art Institute, Chicago Children's Museum, and DuSable Museum of African American History. Illinois Holocaust Museum was up almost 7%, to 128,000 visitors.

DuSable last year re-

ported more than 146,000 visitors, but that number was for through-the-door attendance and programs out in the community. Comparable data is not available yet for this year, museum officials said. Its slight increase from 2018 to 2019 reported here is for visitors entering the muse-

um only. Away from Museum Campus, small declines were recorded at the Notebaert Nature Museum, Chicago History Museum, Morton Arboretum and National Museum of Mexican Art. Still, Morton's 1.240 million attendees were the arboretum's second most in history.

Another major draw in the Chicago museum world, Kohl Children's Museum in Glenview, saw a 6.4% audience decline this year, to 285,000 from 305,000.

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#### Chicago area museums, zoos, garden and aquarium attendance, 2019 vs. 2018

Facility	2018 total attendance	2019 total attendance	2019 percent change vs. 2018
Adler Planetarium	525,878	506,748	-3.64%
Art Institute of Chicago	1.622M	1.666M	+2.69
Chicago Academy of Sciences/ Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum	320,957	317,064	-1.21
Chicago Botanic Garden	1.046M	1.275M	+21.89
Chicago Children's Museum	357,750	365,712	+2.23
Chicago History Museum	281,612	269,895	-4.16
Chicago Zoological Society/ Brookfield Zoo	1.909M	1.999M	+4.71
DuSable Museum of African American History	122,325	124,855	+2.07
Field Museum	1.525M	1.494M	-2.05
Illinois Holocaust Museum	120,000	128,000	+6.67
Lincoln Park Zoo	3.420M	3.595M	+5.13
Morton Arboretum	1.276M	1.240M	-2.79
Museum of Contemporary Art	278,240	345,794	+24.28
Museum of Science and Industry	1.555M	1.388M	-10.73
National Museum of Mexican Art	187,610	184,404	-1.71
Shedd Aquarium	1.900M	1.824M	-4.01
TOTAL	16.448M	16.724M	+1.68

Note: Figures are rounded

Sources: The individual institutions and Tribune reporting

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at the Harris Theater Rooftop: Dwayne Dopsie and the Zydeco Hellraisers (6 p.m. on Aug. 19) and Camila Meza and the Nectar Orchestra (6 p.m. on Sept. 2).

The rest of the Mix at Six series, indoors, will include Compagnie Herve KOUBI with "The Barbarian Nights or the First Dawns of the World" (Nov. 10); Nathalie Joachim and Spektral Quartet (Dec. 2); The Cambrians with "Chicago Dances" (Jan. 21, 2021); Meklit (April 27, 2021); and Chicago Academy for the Arts (May 6, 2021).

The aforementioned Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center will present "Spanish Inspirations" (7:30 p.m. on Oct. 15); a Family Series concert on "Albert & Wolfgang" (2 p.m. on Oct. 17); "From Prague to Vienna" (7:30 p.m. on Dec. 16); "The Great Sonatas" (7:30 p.m. on March 3, 2021); and "Brahms Effect" (7:30 p.m. on April 28, 2021).

Also on the Harris chamber music lineup: the **Percussion Collective** presenting "Seaborne" (7:30 p.m. on March 24, 2021). Violinist Maxim Vengerov will make his first Chicago appearance since 2015 performing with the Accademia Nazionale di Santa Cecilia (7:30 p.m. on April 15,

2021).

In dance, the Harris will present Akram Khan's "Xenos" (7:30 p.m. on Nov. 6 and 7); Paris Opera Ballet's "Le Parc" (7:30 p.m. on Feb. 4 and 5, 2021; 2 and 7:30 p.m. on Feb. 6, 2021); English National Ballet in Khan's "Creature" (7:30 p.m. on March 18 and 19, 2021; 2 and 7:30 p.m. on March 20, 2021).

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# Cardarelli now Facets' executive director

Experience as boss at Emerald City a plus in her hiring

By MICHAEL PHILLIPS

Longtime Emerald City Theatre co-founder and executive director Karen Cardarelli has been appointed executive director of the multimedia organization Facets.

Most recently Cardarelli, 55, served as an interim program officer for the Illinois Arts Council. Prior to that, she served 23 years as head of the children's theater company Emerald City, which closed its doors earlier this year.

Cardarelli left Emerald City in October 2019.

Facets founder Milos Stehlik, who saw his twoscreen cinematheque and ongoing video and streaming rental service through all sorts of economic weather, died last July.

Cardarelli's Emerald City experience, she said Wednesday, made for a



FACETS

Karen Cardarelli has been appointed executive director of Chicago's multimedia organization Facets.

natural "conversational starting point" as well as a good fit for Facets' annual international children's film festival, along with its

popular summer film camp. The words "community engagement" come up frequently in Cardarelli's plans for the future of

Facets. She's also intrigued by the intersection of Chicago's theater community and its film community, and how that might serve Facets' future projects. Facets film program

director Charles Coleman and children's film festival

director Ann Volkstrom will "absolutely" continue in their roles at the nonprofit, which operates on a roughly \$1.5 million annual budget, Cardarelli said.

In a statement, Facets board co-chair Randy Adamsick cited Cardarelli's "wealth of experience in nonprofit management, children's programming and strategic partnerships." Under the new regime the organization, he said, remains focused on "continuing Milos' vision that film is a powerful tool to educate and create social change."

Cardarelli noted that more than \$100,000 has been raised by way of the Milos Stehlik "legacy fund," in the wake of the Facets founder's death. The organization's new executive director begins later this month.

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### Isabel Allende on love: 'I am not afraid of it'

Chilean author reflects on life, migration and growing older

By Sigal **RATNER-ARIAS** Associated Press

NEW YORK — Over the last year, Isabel Allende has been coping with loss and grief after the deaths of her mother, a stepfather whom she "adored" and an exhusband. But not everything was bad, she says: "On the other hand, I also got married last year."

At 77, the Chilean author still believes in love. "I am not afraid of it," she says laughing when mentioning her third nuptials, to New York lawyer Roger Cukras.

She also published her 17th novel and 24th book, "A Long Petal of the Sea."

It follows Victor and Roser, a couple fleeing the Spanish Civil War. The writer places them among the 2,000 refugees aboard the real-life SS Winnipeg, an old cargo ship arranged by the poet Pablo Neruda to bring Spanish exiles to Chile.

It is the third novel about refugees, displacement and migration by Allende, who was born in Peru, raised in Chile and lived in exile in Venezuela before settling down in California about 30 years

In an interview with the AP, Allende spoke enthusiastically about her life, work and her own unconventional loves.

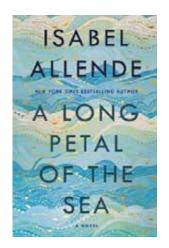
Q: "A Long Petal of the Sea" presents what Neruda did to save 2,000 Spanish refugees in the Winnipeg to a new generation. You have said that Neruda advised you to quit journalism and pursue literature. Did you want to honor him in some way with this nov-

A: It was impossible not to honor him because all the Winnipeg odyssey was the workmanship of Neruda. Neruda followed the Spanish Civil War closely because he loved Spain, he had friends among the intellectuals and the artists of republican Spain, and when the drama of half a million refugees at the frontier with France erupted, he convinced the Chilean government to let him bring immigrants to Chile, Spaniards who were in concentration camps in France. In Chile, the right wing and the Catholic Church opposed their coming because they were all leftists, many of them atheists, known for allegedly burning churches and raping nuns. The narrative, the anti-immigration rhetoric in 1939 Chile, was exactly the same as the one we are seeing right now in the United States. So, Neruda not only convinced the government, he also went to Paris, raised the money, bought a cargo ship that was somewhat dilapidated, transformed it in a passenger's ship and transported 2,000 people.

Q: You have been an immigrant for most of your life. Where have you found the biggest sense of belonging?

A: California is where I've lived the longest, but when you ask me where I am from, I tell you I am from Chile. And I wasn't even born in Chile! I spent only part of my childhood there, but apparently those years marked me so much that I feel Chilean. But, if you ask me about my roots, I would say that my roots are in my memories, in the books that I've written, in the people that I love.

Q: Speaking of Chile, it seemed one of the most stable countries in Latin America. Suddenly we've seen its streets covered in flames and tear gas.



How do you explain this?

A: I think the Chilean situation ... could bring very positive transformation. Over the years, the indignation of the people has grown, and it exploded with the rise of the Metro by the equivalent of 15 cents of a dollar, more or less. But people were outraged, and they expressed

#### Q: What do you miss most about the Chile of your childhood and

youth? A: Look, the Chile of my childhood doesn't exist. I wrote a book titled "My Invented Country" precisely because the country of my memory doesn't exist anymore. I don't miss anything because I did not have a happy childhood by any means. But the years I worked as a journalist in Chile were the years when I had my two children, was just married, those were happy years in which I felt that I was participating, that I belonged.

#### Q: What do you feel when you see all your achievements and love from your readers?

A: I am very moved by the affection from the readers, and the way they write to me fills me with emotion and warmth. But when I'm told that I have sold 75 million copies, that happens in another circle, in a different dimension that doesn't touch my private life. I live in a tiny, one-bedroom house, I drive a small car, I have two ordinary dogs. My life is still the same.

# Nancy Drew is dead? Sleuth's fans push back

By Michael Levenson The New York Times

The Hardy Boys stand over Nancy Drew's grave. The beloved teen detective, who has survived countless scrapes, cliffhangers and close calls, is dead - or so it seems killed while pursuing a high-stakes investigation of organized crime. And it's up to the Hardy Boys to solve the mystery of her murder.

What a way to celebrate the 90th anniversary of an unstoppable female hero.

The forthcoming comic book series "Nancy Drew & the Hardy Boys: The Death of Nancy Drew!' was intended to commemorate the publication in April 1930 of the first Nancy Drew book by putting a noirish spin on the classic tale of the roadster-driving, truth-seeking sleuth from River Heights.

But the possibility that Nancy - whose pluck and valor have helped her triumph over villains since the Great Depression was murdered infuriated some of her passionate fans. It also sent her name trending on Twitter.

"I'm very surprised" by the blowback, said Anthony Del Col, who wrote the series, which is to be published by Dynamite Entertainment in April.

Del Col said he had envisioned the story as a continuation of a previous series he wrote for Dynamite in which Nancy and the Hardy Boys team up to solve the murder of the boys' father, Fenton, a crime that the boys themselves stand accused of committing.

As in that series, he said, the gritty settings and dark themes in "The Death of Nancy Drew!" were inspired by the conventions of film noir.

"What we tried to do is create one of the ultimate mysteries of Nancy Drew," he said. "How did she die? Who killed Nancy Drew?"

Perhaps the bigger question on the minds of fans: Is she really dead? Del Col refused to say, adding only that readers of the series would find "more than meets the eye."

Some Nancy Drew readers said the possibility that Nancy had been killed, even if she turns up alive in the end, smacked of crass marketing, particularly for a character who has been embraced as a feminist role model.

Hillary Clinton, Nancy Pelosi, Ruth Bader Ginsburg and Sandra Day O'Connor are among the women who have cited Nancy as an early influ-

"The idea of killing her really flies in the face of her appeal as a character if they have killed her, which we don't actually know," said Melanie Rehak, the author of "Girl Sleuth: Nancy Drew and the Women Who Created

"As an idea, it goes against something really fundamental about her which is that she's able to get herself out of situations because she's resourceful and clever," Rehak said.

Some Nancy Drew fans also complained that killing Nancy and having the Hardy Boys work to crack the case played into antiquated gender stereotypes, just the kind Nancy herself tried to upend in her books, which have sold more than 80 million cop-

"I doubt Nancy Drew is really dead," Karen Jensen, a librarian and the creator of a website for teen librarians, wrote on Twitter. However, Jensen added, "Taking the lead female out of her anniversary story so boys can investigate her death is an odd & probably misogynistic way to celebrate a profoundly important female character in literature."

Nancy has captivated readers since she first sprang to life as the brainchild of Edward Stratemeyer, the head of a children's literature syndicate who created the Hardy Boys in 1927. Stratemeyer gave the

plotlines for the first Nancy Drew stories to Mildred Wirt, a young newspaperwoman, who fleshed out the books, which were published under the pseudonym Carolyn Keene. Wirt, later Mildred Wirt Benson, wrote Nancy Drew books off and on for two decades. Rehak said the intense

reaction to Del Col's comic book series showed the enduring power of Nancy Drew, even as she has been reimagined over the decades in books, movies, television shows and video

"She's still so powerful as a character that it creates an immediate firestorm," Rehak said. "I think that's very significant. There are other characters who would not provoke such outrage.'

# Sean Hayes will star in 2021 play at Goodman

**BY CHRIS JONES** 

Sean Hayes, the Chicago-born actor who found fame playing the character of Jack McFarland on the NBC sitcom "Will & Grace," will star next January at the Goodman Theatre in a new play written by Doug Wright, "Good Night,

It's about the concert pianist, comedian and raconteur Oscar Levant, a regular and frequently subversive guest on Jack Parr's "Tonight Show" and late-night television of the

"Oscar is an incredibly intriguing figure to me,"

Hayes said in a Wednesday telephone interview. "He understood the power of comedy and of television and how to use them to break barriers.'

Wright ("I Am My Own Wife") said that the project originated with Hayes himself, but he found it similarly intriguing.

"Oscar was the first comic to speak about his own mental health issues," Wright said. "He was both America's closest approximation to Oscar Wilde and, in a way, the first shock jock. He sent seismic waves through the Eisenhower

Hayes said Broadway

producer Beth Williams helped with the project, which will be directed by Leigh Silverman. Broadway producer Barbara Whitman is also part of the

Hayes and Wright both said they were focused on the Goodman production, but given Hayes' celebrity and Broadway history (he starred in "Promises, Promises," among other theatrical projects), the show is likely being teed up for Broadway.

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Sean Hayes will star in "Good Night, Oscar" at the Goodman Theatre in January 2021.

## Unifieds

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shopping, not just for prospective high school students looking to get accepted into a theater school, but for university theater programs, some of which discover a quarter of their incoming class at the Chicago Unifieds. Olivia Broadwater of Indianapolis sat with her hands on her lap outside an audition room for the musical theater program at University of Michigan, one of the most selective. Its freshman class of 22 musical theater students will be pulled from 1,400 applicants; 550 are invited to audition with 167 of those auditions here, during Unifieds.

"It's tense, of course," Broadwater said, "it's a lot of people intensely trying to get into their zones. I'm calmer than I was earlier. But then you know, it's just the rest of my life."

You think it's a nervous time for high school seniors applying to colleges?

Try being a theater kid trying out for college theater programs. Unifieds are also held in Los Angeles and New York but the Chicago installment is the largest, with almost 70 schools participating — so many, that auditions here sprawl into more hotels around the Loop. It lasts about four days (or longer for some schools), with more than 1,000 students auditioning again and again and again; some students book as many as two dozen auditions, moving school to school, 7 a.m. to 7 p.m., for days, alternating Rodgers and Hammerstein with Arthur Miller, pivoting from Shakespeare to jukebox musicals.

A mother from North Carolina, who worried she would affect her daughter's chances with schools if she was named, said she put her other children through medical school and teaching programs, "but whoa — this is so many more times crazier than those."

Alison Hook, of Somerville, Massachusetts, put it even more bluntly: When her son got into theater, "I heard, 'Be lucky it's not sports.' But let me tell you, the application process alone for this is a thousand times harder, you have an application fee, you have a pre-screening fee. Sometimes an auditioning fee. Should they audition on campus or Chicago? Make it past pre-screening, that doesn't mean you're accepted. It's a (expletive) nightmare."

The hallways are hot, choked with kids sitting on the floor, silently mouthing dialogue to themselves, singing lightly, the stress so palpable the wallpaper is probably sweating. A high school student from Min-



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The Unifieds is a week of auditions held at the Palmer House Hilton and other hotels. Dozens of theater departments of universities from across the country converge to evaluate prospective high school students, all hoping for their shot.

neapolis checked himself in a bathroom mirror, noticed a scaly rash, sighed dramatically then wrapped his neck inside a long heavy orange scarf.

"Nerves," he said. Now and again, walking the Palmer, singing erupts behind walls, clear, loud, Sondheim, Miranda, Webber, the notes bending up like a national anthem on Super Bowl Sunday.

Outside the auditions for the University of Oklahoma, a young woman waited and bounced so slightly you would need a Geiger counter to register her quiet rolling tremors. A member of the faculty stepped into the hallway and looked at the schedule of auditions. He read out a few names but no one came forward. "Well if no one is here —," he began.

"I'll go," the anxious student blurted.

"You ready?" the man said, surprised.

"No time like the pre-

Seated nearby in a flowing green dress was Duncan Cobb of Texas. "Break both legs," she called after the student. Cobb is a sophomore at Texas Christian University, studying costume design, looking to transfer. "Everyone gets super nervous at Unifieds, but I went two years ago -I've lost my self-esteem. Last time, my parents spent thousands to be here."

Indeed, Unifieds were first held in Chicago in the mid-'80s, as a way for families to save time and money, to avoid traveling the country and visiting schools and auditioning for months. It was the idea of Peter Sargent, who ran the theater department at



Samantha Adams helps her daughter, Jennifer Moorhead of Tucson, Arizona, fill out an application at the Unifieds, the week of auditions held at the Palmer House.



ChiArts musical theater students Joanna Starr Poulos and Nicole Nicolaide joke around between auditions

Webster University in St. Louis. Sargent (who died last fall, at 82) met with John David Lutz, now-retired chair of the theater program at the University of Evansville in Indiana. Lutz said their schools had been eager to find students outside the usual pools, Indiana and Missouri.

It's since developed steadily, into an informal national gathering of theater kids. One offering lessons beyond money and

convenience. Kyle Wedberg, president of the New Orleans Center for Creative Arts, a Louisiana performing and visual arts school, now takes as many as 20 students to Unifieds each year, he said. "We tell them, 'Look, it's stressful, it's hard, but you will have more auditions at one time there then you have in a career. At no other time will you do eight auditions in a day.' But they come away knowing how to prepare, how to behave professionally, how to take note of who exactly is in that room when they audition and who to send

thank-you notes to later." Marcus Crawford Guy is an acting coach who attends Unifieds and prepares students for auditions, not unlike the way a standardized-test coach might prep clients for SATs. He said Unifieds are invaluable for simple fact that kids get to see how

hard it really is. "You are preparing them for something inherently subjective," he said, "so you focus on where they are skilled, what makes them unique. Look around this place, you see 100 girls with brown hair, but something sets each of them apart? That can be hard to draw out now when so many of them spend time on Instagram comparing

themselves already. "But I also think (Unifieds) can be useful because this career path, acting, is brutal long-term, and it's not a bad thing for students to actually see how stiff their competition will be. After which they either level up or maybe reassess — is it what they really want? Because that competition they will feel at this? That never really goes away in this job."

Sonja Eckleberry, casually waiting for her son to finish an audition, playing

"It's not a bad thing for students to actually see how stiff their competition will be."

- Acting coach Marcus Crawford Guy

a game on her phone, as chill a stage mom as you get here, flew in from Pittsburgh, she said. She doesn't know the theater world. When her son said he wanted to sing, dance and act for living, "I was not thrilled, to be honest." She favored sports, but he's "gotten really good and he's gotten academic scholarships that frankly make all of this easier to deal with."

Beyond the couple dozen schools officially represented, many more come unofficially, piggybacking on the gathering. Prospective students apply directly to the schools, not to the Unifieds. At Palmer House, hallways are lined with banners for theater programs, sometimes featuring the smiling portraits of famous alumni, pointing seemingly toward a familiar path to success. American Academy of Dramatic Arts, based in New York and Los Angeles, offers Paul Rudd, Jessica Chastain, Anne Hathaway. University of Evansville had Rami Malek, who attended Unifieds in the late '90s, graduating Evansville in 2003.

One Oscar winner alone can help a school attract students, said Sharla Cowden, head of Evansville's theater management program (and primary organizer of National Unified Auditions). It's particularly helpful at a time when universities are struggling to explain the financial benefit of the humanities, theater departments are scaling back and colleges are promising more professional certainty than the arts offers (professional acting, by the transient nature of short-term roles, has famously high unemployment).

"A lot of (theater programs) have taken hits because high schools focus so much on STEM these days," she said. "At the same time, ironically, those

same schools are telling students to think outside the box and get creative. Still, (Unifieds) has only grown."

You try telling a theater kid not to do something.

If there's a single refrain dancing in the air at Unifieds, it's that.

Students sit, with great hair, nice scarves, terrific pants suits, their headshots slipped into plastic folders, ripping at their cuticles, waiting to audition. They face into hallway corners, running lines to themselves, searching for quiet. Their parents sit nearby, telecommuting on laptops and reading suspense novels, lending distance. Understandably: Many of the students at Unifieds have memorized and rehearsed as many as a dozen pieces, somber monologues and Broadway showstoppers, yards of Shakespearean verse and tangles of Sondheim. Since each school has its own requirements, if you audition for, say, 17 schools, you very well may be performing as many as a dozen pieces from a dozen different plays

Reese Parish, from Milwaukee, stood against a wall and softly sang "Waiting for Life" from the early '90s musical "Once on This Island." She did not look rattled or anxious.

Her mother, across from her, looked stressed, fidgety.

But Parish just contin-

"I'm here in the field/ With my feet on the ground

/ And my fate in the air." Inside audition rooms, faculty wait behind tables, shuffling schedules and taking notes, smiling and thanking as prospective classes came and went. In the room for Southern Methodist University, associate acting professor Benard Cummings said: "What do we look for? Green and hungry. That's enough. And trainable. You really can tell that in a lot of kids." Many of the students here are theater stars in their high schools and they know it. Said Anne Schilling, another SMU associate professor, many kids arrive at Unifieds nearly sculpted, but she's looking for "the students who didn't have those opportunities."

In the Evansville suite, during an audition, a Josh Gad-type with a Josh Gad voice nails his song, flubs his Shakespeare, shuts his eyes in frustration, and nails his monologue.

Then he sits before Amelia McClain, an assistant professor of performance, and after she tells him all of this is about looking for a right fit, he blurts out: "It's very stress-

Yes, she says, smiling gently.

Down the hall, a moment later, a senior from Dripping Springs, Texas, stood before Lara Teeter, head of the musical theater program at Webster University, and waited a beat then launched into a series of complicated numbers, with alternating tempos attached to lots of emotion and timing. After about 10 minutes of this, she stopped, then exhaled.

Teeter watched with a finger on his lips, then lowered his hand.

"How do you feel your audition went today?" he asked. "On a scale of one to

Exactly the kind of question you don't want to be asked, exactly the kind of question you obsess over for hours, months and years – give yourself a nine and you're cocky, a two and you lack conviction. The student, anxious, talented, doe-eyed, gave herself a six.

"You're undervaluing yourself," Teeter said. 'Your monologue?" "It felt good."

"I thought so too. We only ask because we know what you guys are going through, we know you're racing through auditions, going into hotel rooms that are too dry, full of nerves. And after four years of college, we just want you to be your own conservatory."

The girl from Dripping Springs smiled widely, swiveled in her boots and sailed away.

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Steven Weber and Fran Drescher

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**"Brooklyn Nine-Nine"** (7 p.m., NBC): Former "Saturday Night Live" regular Vanessa Bayer joins Season 7 in the recurring role of uniformed officer Debbie Fogel, who finds herself partnered with .... Capt. Raymond Holt (Andre Braugher)? For fans who don't remember, at the end of Season 6, Holt's professional nemesis, new acting commissioner Madeline Wuntch (guest star Kyra Sedgwick), found an excuse to force Holt to spend several hours on traffic patrol duty.

**"Katy Keene"** (7 p.m., CW): This spinoff of "Riverdale" revolves around aspiring fashion icon Katy Keene (Lucy Hale), who chases her career dreams in New York with her friends: budding pop star Josie McCoy (Ashleigh Murray), gender-fluid artist Jorge/Ginger Lopez (Jonny Beauchamp), and "It Girl" Pepper Smith (Julia Chan). Katy's vibrant world also includes a host of diverse personalities played by Katherine LaNasa, Lucien Laviscount, Camille Hyde and Zane Holtz.

**"Deputy"** (8 p.m., FOX): While Paula (Yara Martinez) is doing volunteer work in the medical wing of the Los Angeles Correctional Facility, a gunman walks into the place, prompting Bill (Stephen Dorff) to dispatch his entire department to find a way to get her out, in the new episode "10-8 Do No Harm." Valeria Jauregui, Karrueche Tran and Michael J. Harney guest star.

**"Swamp People"** (8 p.m., 11:03 p.m., History): Helped by their ace-in-the-hole sniper, Troy and Terral guard a friend's fish camp as week one draws to a close in "The Champ," a new episode that takes its title from the nickname of a heavy-weight gator the Edwards boys are pursuing. As Zak and Joey hunt the murky waters of Mardi Gras Pass, Deadeye Jones puts her father's gun to the test.

**"Tommy"** (9 p.m., CBS): Multiple Emmy winner Edie Falco ("Nurse Jackie," "The Sopranos") makes a welcome return to primetime TV in this new police drama from executive producer Paul Attanasio ("Homicide: Life on the Street"), which casts the actress as Abigail "Tommy" Thomas, a former top-ranked NYPD officer who becomes the first female police chief for Los Angeles.

#### **TALK SHOWS**

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Guest: Mary Elizabeth Winstead.\*

**"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon"** (10:34 p.m., NBC): TV host RuPaul; Meghan Trainor talks and performs.\*

**"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert"** (10:35 p.m., CBS): Democratic presidential hopeful Pete Buttigieg; actor Patton Oswalt.\*

**"Jimmy Kimmel Live!"** (10:35 p.m., ABC): Actor Billy Crystal; comic group The Tenderloins; Kelsea Ballerini performs.\*

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IN PERFORMANCE 'Riverdance'  $\star\star\star$ 

# Staying true to what's made it popular

Little has changed about show since it debuted long ago

### By Chris Jones

The 25th anniversary production of "Riverdance" begins with one of those slick highlight reels you often see at concerts by artists who've had long

There's "Riverdance" with Liza! Look at David Letterman! Isn't that Pierce Brosnan before the gray hair?

Of course, "Riverdance" is not a person but a cultural product — arguably, the Republic of Ireland's most influential international export in the realm of entertainment and, for the record, a phenomenon that was very much ignited here in Chicagoland during a series of performances at the Rosemont Theatre that enjoyed a euphoric reception. The brand here is not specific performers, at least not since the days of Michael Flatley, but the art of Irish step dancing, packaged with narrative and spectacle so as to attract an audience that rarely, if ever, goes to see dance.

The form, of course, involves precision and uniformity. Upper bodies remain rigid, smiles remain fixed, creativity must blend with coordination. On that video, you see "Riverdance" performers in a variety of global settings, ambassadors for a style of dance inextricable from the Irish



JACK HARTIN

"Riverdance 25th Anniversary Tour" performs at the Cadillac Palace Theatre in Chicago.

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Running time: 2 hours

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and their diaspora, young women conquering the world together.

That paragraph is probably enough to tell you that I am partial to "River-

dance," which I've come back to see every few years. It hasn't changed much at

The dancers have changed, obviously, given that some in this cast weren't born when "Riverdance" was first in Rosemont, and the video is higher def, but the basic, old-school, variety-show format is a constant, as is the original Bill Whelan score and nostalgic backdrop of that beautiful nation. There is a lead pair of Irish dancers, a huge com-

pany behind them, mostly costumed in souped-up traditionalism and then, by way of variety, a celebration of separated but related forms, such as two African-American tappers and, in this staging, a small separate company performing dance you associate with

Eastern European.

"Riverdance," has always been about participatory dance forms, and a good chunk of its audience is there to marvel not so much at innovation but expertise. Expertise is what

you get.

"Riverdance" can pick and choose its performers and has resisted any urge to cut back on a full company or the live music.

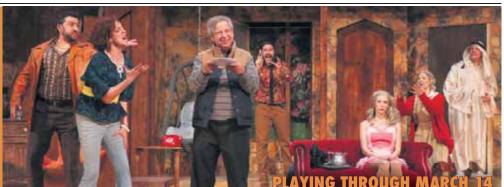
So there you go at the Cadillac Palace Theatre: the "Riverdance" you remember, superbly and joyously performed.

I found myself musing at how this Irish form communicates in performance; there is something, I think, about the stillness of half the body that seems to create an optical illusion of emotional communication. Dancers can't be subsumed in whole-body choreography They are always there, smiling for you.

The biggest difference from the money-spinning peak years is the deeper commitment to ensemble. The show's spirit feels more egalitarian these days, which only expands the warm, populist glow.

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#### Horoscopes



Today's birthday (Feb. 6): Teamwork produces miracles this year. Steady consideration lays ground for success. Settle into your nest this winter, before a summer team challenge provides a revitalizing boost. Support a loved one through a winter challenge,

on the arms of your community. Together, you rise. Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. Avoid domestic controversy and fuss. Follow your heart. Share dreams and ambitions with family. Consider long-term implications and consequences. Initiate actions later. Make plans together. Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Share and connect over a common passion. Expect travel and communication delays. Monitor conditions and focus on short-term objectives. Edit again, and launch when ready.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 8. Focus on practical financial priorities. A barrier blocks the way toward a long-term goal. Build and strengthen your house, one brick at a time. Cancer (June 21-July 22): 9. Follow a spontaneous personal passion as long as you don't neglect responsibilities. Talk about what you love. Find others who share your dream. Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 6. Rest and recuperate. Envision and dream. You can see what's blocking the way to a long-term goal. Consider different options for navigating around it. Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Talk with friends about potential dreams, visions and goals. Wait for better conditions to take action. Coordinate a team solution. Make detailed plans. Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Review your professional plans for possible alternatives to a blocked route. Edit outbound communications before sending. Carefully monitor current events. Consider career dreams.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Talk about where you'd love to go. Plot an adventure with someone you'd love to share it. Speculate, dream and imagine. Plan your itinerary.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 7. Financial challenges could make a long-term goal seem distant. Don't give up. Keep taking small steps forward. Contribute what you can. Stay in communication.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Focus on the here and now with your partner. Don't worry about the future. Wait for better conditions to pursue a shared dream.

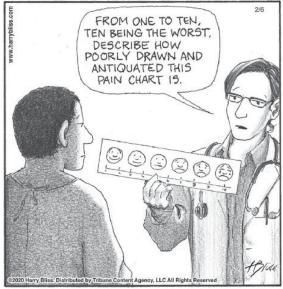
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 7. Nurture your health and wellness. Physical performance could face a barrier. Get enough rest. Take your medicine when needed. Get expert feedback. Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 7. An obstacle prevents a romantic objective. Don't get frustrated about long-term dreams. Enjoy simple pleasures with friends and family.

- Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

#### The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn



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South ♠ AQ9632 **♥** A 9 5 **♦** J3 **9** 5

Today's deal is from the European University Championships. South was Andrea Boldrini from Sicily. West continued diamonds until Boldrini ruffed the third round. A spade was led to dummy's king and another spade

was led. Boldrini

was prepared to play his nine had East

played low, but East

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Boldrini won with

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#### South West North **East** 14 **2**♠\* 3 **Pass** 3♠ Pass 4 All pass

\*Hearts and a minor, at least 5-5

his queen. West was almost certain to hold the king of hearts, so Boldrini had to find a way to hold his trump losers to zero.

South led a club to dummy's queen. A heart to the ace was followed by another club, and West, as expected, played the king. Boldrini continued with dummy's jack of clubs, shedding a heart from hand, and leaving this position:



Opening lead: Ace of ♦

**♥**QJ ♦ Void 🕏 6 2 South 뢒 Void \Delta A96

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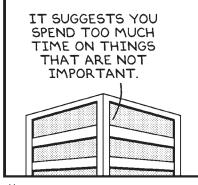
🕭 Void Boldrini simply ruffed a club and exited with his remaining heart. He could not be prevented from scoring the last two tricks with the ace-nine of trumps. Nicely

— Bob Jones tcaeditors@tribpub.com

played!

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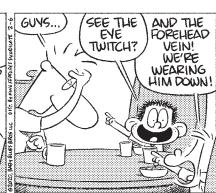




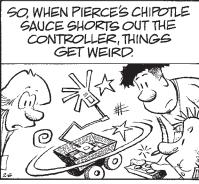
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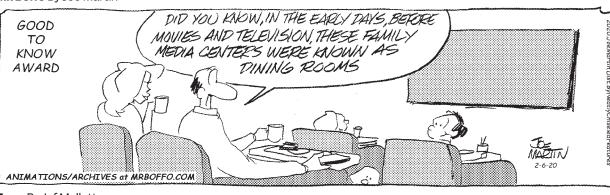
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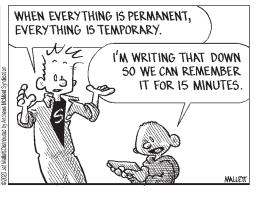
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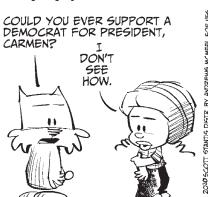
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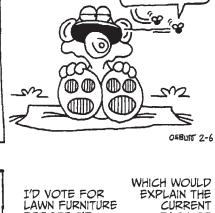
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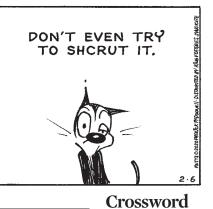




**Mutts** By Patrick McDonnell







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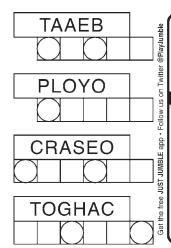
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#### ■ Wednesday's solutions

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#### Jumble

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





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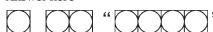
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#### Wednesday's answers

Jumbles: TEMPT LOFTY POISON LAWYER Answer: After a long day of shopping, the roommates came home TOTALLY SPENT

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Brewster Rockit: Space Guy! By Tim Rickard



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- nickname
- 24 "\_\_ whiz!"
- 25 Quarterback's nonchalant move?
- 32 Vague time period 33 Spots for AirPods
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By Robert Wemischner. Edited by Rich Norris and Joyce Nichols Lewis. © 2020 Tribune Content Agency, LLC. 13 "Pull up a chair"

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- 56 Murdoch who received the 1978 Booker Prize for "The Sea, the Sea
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- 60 Mattress option
- 61 Zaps 62 Neverland pirate
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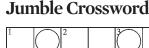
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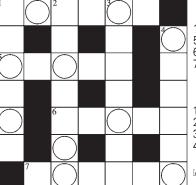
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### Trivia Bits

"Fences" and "The Piano Lesson" are part of a cycle of plays by August Wilson set in what city?

- A) Atlanta B) Cleveland C) Kansas City D) Pittsburgh Wednesday's
- answer: Fort Knox is named for Henry Knox, America's first secretary of war.
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WCAESH chicken ISAMD touch Claw 6. OTANL 7. Greek ISDANO **DOWN** CLUE **ANSWER** TMOMCI Carry out, act DASEEDT LPEINSO Tranquilized Fifth Greek Letter TKSHNA Gratitude

**CLUE** 

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS. **CLUE:** The is home to about 370 million people. **BONUS** 

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## CHICAGO WEATHER CENTER

chicagoweathercenter.com | By Tom Skilling and WGND



THURSDAY, FEB. 6

NORMAL HIGH: 33°

NORMAL LOW: **18°** RECORD HIGH: **57° (1882)** 

RECORD LOW: -14° (1982)

# Lake-effect snow showers reign in some areas

#### **LOCAL FORECAST**



- As system snow pulls away to the east, clouds thin inland, but gusty NE winds keep lake-effect snow showers along and iust inland of the Illinois and NW Indiana Lake Michigan shoreline into the overnight hours with an additional 1 to 3" in
- Becoming partly cloudy away from the lake-effect showers with afternoon highs in the lower 30s.

that area.

- Partly cloudy overnight - again lake-effect snow showers along the Lake Michigan shoreline.
- Inland low temps drop into the teens over fresh snow cover.

#### **NATIONAL FORECAST** -10s 20s 50s 60s **20s Spokane** International Falls Seattle . 20/-5 Concord Portland **Albany Green Bay** 37/31 Boston Minneapolis **Rapid City** Buffalo Chicago 28/25 • New York 31/24 **Des Moines** Cheyenne Pittsburgh Reno 30s Omaha Cleveland • 48/31 Indianapolis Salt Lake City Denver Washington San Kansas City St. Louis Louisville Francisco Las Vegas 58/44 32/23 Charlotte Wichita Wednesday's lowest: -24° at Gunnison, Colo. Los Angeles Little Rock Nashville 69/49 **Phoenix** Oklahoma City Albuquerque Birmingham 46/31 Dallas. Jackson El Paso Houston New. Orlando Orleans 57/40 Miami (Precipitation at 6 a.m. CST) Wednesday's highest: SNOW //// RAIN 86° at Ochopee, Fla.

As the low-pressure system snow moves off to the east Thursday, gusty northeast winds on the backside of the departing low pressure will support lake-effect snow showers along and just inland of the Illinois and northwest Indiana Lake Michigan shoreline. Additional accumulations of 1-3 inches could occur with these lake- effect showers that will end later Thursday and during the day Friday.

The system snow totals

were expected to be slight in northernmost sections of our area - up close to the Illinois/Wisconsin state line but further south especially along Interstate 80 upwards of 3-5 inches were expected before the snow moved off to the east. This could mean storm totals in excess of 6 inches when you add in the lakeeffect snow southernmost sections of Chicago into northwest Indiana.

#### FRIDAY, FEB. 7



LOW 24 33 Sun at the start with

Lake-effect snow showers in NW Indiana. Clouds increase from the west with a chance of light snow spreading into the area later in the day. High temps in the low to mid 30s. Light snow likely overnight.



## SATURDAY, FEB. 8



Clouds and a chance of light snow during the forenoon, becoming partly sunny in the afternoon. Afternoon highs in the lower 30s. Clouds return overnight with a chance of light snow far north. West to southwest winds 8 to 15 mph



**PRELIMINARY** 

WEDNESDAY

### **SUNDAY, FEB. 9**

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LARGE SCALE PATTERN

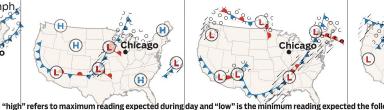
Contributing to Chicago lake snow

HIGH PRESSURE



Thickening clouds with a chance of light snow later in the day and overnight. High temps in the middle 30s. South winds shift north.

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### MONDAY, FEB. 10

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Mostly sunny with highs in the mid to upper 30s. Partly cloudy overnight. Northerly winds.



#### TUESDAY, FEB. 11

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Partly cloudy during the day with a high in the middle 30s. Clouds thicken overnight with a good chance of snow or a rain/snow mix by Wednesday morning. Light west winds

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#### **WEDNESDAY, FEB. 12**



32 37 Cloudy with snow likely north and a rain/snow mix south. Highs in the mid to

upper 30s. Wintry mix

continues overnight.

Easterly winds.

#### **ASK TOM**

Dear Tom,

Your recent article in the Tribune concerning full moons got me thinking: Is there a name for a month in which two full moons cannot occur?

Janice Ward, Chicago

Dear Janice,

We conveyed your question to Dan Joyce, who recently retired from the Cernan Earth and Space Center at Triton College. He responded that the answer to your question is simple: The name for a month without two full moons is... February. "That's because it is in the very unique position of being the only month without a full moon occurring twice." Joyce explains that a moon phase (in this case, a full moon) repeats itself every 29.5306 days, and February contains only 28 days (29 in a leap year). February usually has one full moon, but about once every 19 years it has no full moon at all, the next one being in 2037.

Write to: ASK TOM 2501 W. Bradley Place Chicago, IL 60618 asktomwhy@wgntv.com

WGN-TV meteorologists Mark Carroll, Steve Kahn, Richard Koeneman, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page

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Sets up the "NNW" winds running into Chicago off **SNOW TOTALS** Homewood 3.5" Lake Michigan LARGE CANADIAN South Haven, Ind. 3.0" Munster, Ind. 2.0 Dver, Ind. 2.3 Portage, Ind. 2.0 Oak Forest 1.8" Hobart, Ind. THURSDAY **AFTERNOON** 

AND EVENING 1-3" lake-effect SNOW snow showers RAIN

SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, NWS archives

EAST COAST STORM SYSTEM SNOW SHOWERS As system snow departs to the east northerly flow on backside of departing low pressure gives lake-effect snow showers along Illinois Lake Michigan shoreline into NW Indiana

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Lake-effect snow showers after system snow moves east

**THURSDAY CHICAGO TEMPERATURES INTO FRIDAY** Closer to normal this week; colder temperatures later next week 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 FEBRUARY POTENTIAL A WARM START TO FEBRUARY FÓR SOME First 4 days of February 2020 LAKE-EFFECT tied for 5th warmest start

> Top warmest Feb. 1-4 average temps in Chicago (since 1873) 41.60 41.50 40.10 38.50 38.40 38.40 TIED WITH:

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### **CHICAGO DIGEST**

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PERIOD Wed. (through 4 p.m.) **0.00" 0.05"**February to date **0.01" 0.25"** 2.81"

**CHICAGO SNOWFALL** Wed. (through 4 p.m.) 18.1" 15.4" Season to date 23.4

Normal to date 22.2" SOURCE: Frank Wachowsk **LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS** 

Wind NNE 12-27 kts. NW 6-15 kts. 4-8 feet 2-4 feet Wed. shore/crib water temps na/na

Area covered by snow 36.5% 34.6% Average snow depth 3.9" 4.6

TRACKING THE COLD SINCE OCT. 15 O'HARE MIDWAY Sub-32° highs 18 days 15 days 0 days

**CHICAGO AIR QUALITY** Wednesday's reading Good Thursday's forecast Good THURSDAY RISE/SET TIMES

6:58 a.m. 5:11 p.m. 4:55 a.m.

3RD Q 1ST Q **FULL** NEW Feb. 9 Feb. 15 Feb. 23 Mar. 2

THURSDAY PLANET WATCH 7:45 a.m. 6:40 p.m.

**PLANET** Mercury Venus 8:42 a.m. 8:41 p.m. Mars 3:44 a.m. 12:49 p.m. 5:15 a.m. Jupiter 2:26 p.m. 5:54 a.m. 3:18 p.m. DIRECTION **BEST VIEWING TIME** 6:15 p.m. Mercury 6:15 p.m. 5:30 a.m. 14.5° SE Jupiter 6:15 a.m. Not visible Saturn

Source: Dan Joyce, Chicago Astronomical Society

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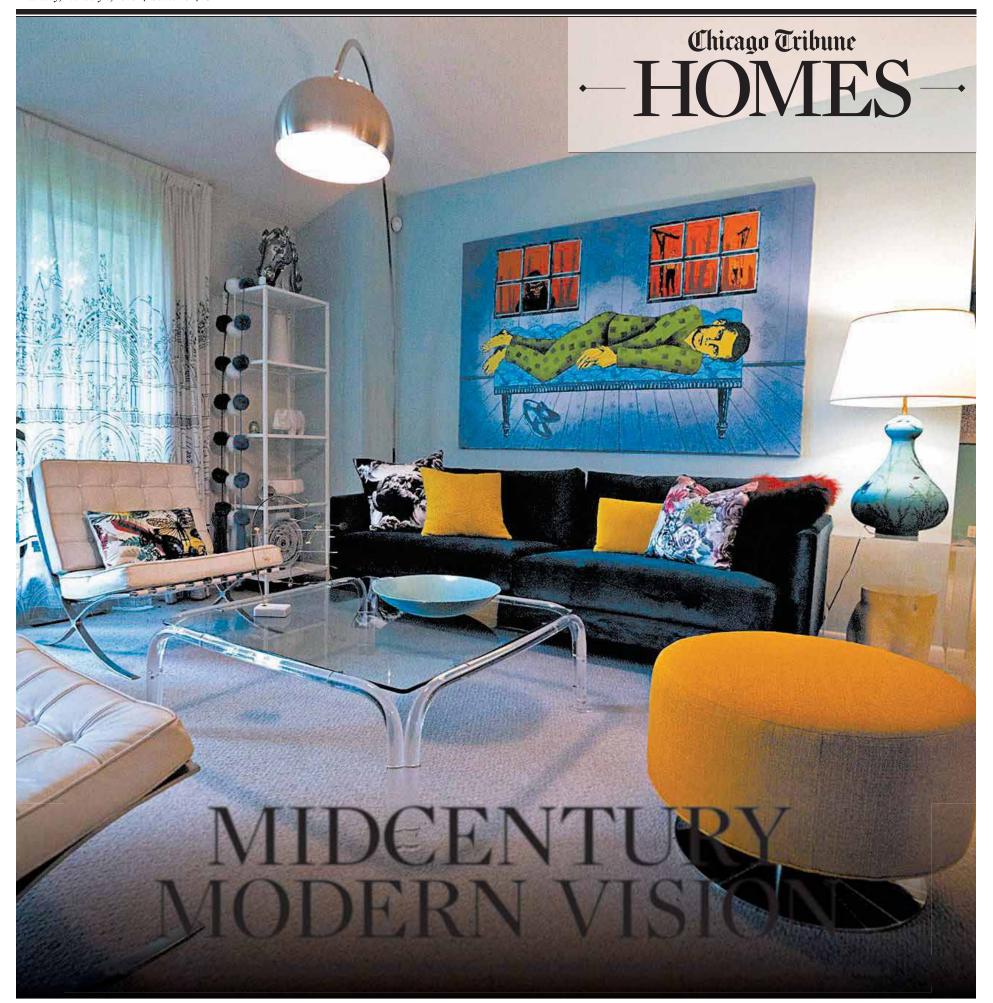












# Adding a breakfast bar can give your kitchen a boost

By Diana Crandall

HomeAdvisor

Cooking with limited storage and counter space is frustrating. Ingredients pile up, pans clatter and casual conversation can feel difficult. If you don't have enough space for an island, there's a simple way to make a new place to prep food and entertain guests: installing a breakfast bar. Take a look at how this popular mainstay can change the way everyone feels about your kitchen especially you.

1. It saves space. Breakfast bars are usually created by extending a countertop in some way, or installing a wall-mounted table. They differ from a kitchen island bar because they're attached to something else, not freestanding. This gives you three usable sides you didn't previously have in your kitchen, and it adds a layer to the decor.

2. It's affordable. The cost of breakfast bar installation is a little different from other types of kitchen upgrades because it doesn't



DREAMSTIME

Installing a breakfast bar can turn your kitchen into everyone's favorite hangout spot.

require a significant investment unless you want it to. Homeowners report paying as little as \$100 for a readymade island with breakfast bar capabilities, via Home-Advisor's True Cost Guide. Others pay significantly more for a custom, expert touch that may require

electrical work or construction. A kitchen remodeling professional can provide clarity on what type of cost you can expect based on the type of breakfast bar that fits best in your space.

3. It's versatile. A major asset of the breakfast bar is that it's dynamic. One moment, it's covered in cutting boards; the next, a pile of homework. It becomes a natural centerpiece that people in your home will gravitate toward to eat, converse or have a drink, no matter how large or small your space might be.

It's also easy to install. Seeking impermanence? Nab a ready-made bar. Already completing a kitchen remodel? It won't take much to tack on a countertop extension. Building a house? Talk to your designer about a wallfixed table.

#### 4. It's customizable.

Breakfast bars supply an extra few feet of counter space, but it's possible to turn them into your kitchen's most adaptable feature. If you're pining for storage, opt for a bar with drawers built into the unit. Breakfast bars can also easily hide a pull-out cutting board or offer up space for an inconspicuous shelf. If you need the counter space but want to open up the room, ask a pro to build you a floating breakfast bar. The end result should complement your space and serve your unique needs.

5. It's both stylish and functional. It's undeniable that breakfast bars add an entirely new layer to a kitchen — especially galley or small kitchens that are difficult to add depth and space to. Adding a dose of design with a fundamental base in practicality can make a uniquely shaped or tiny kitchen the most interesting room in the house. If you aren't sure where to start, a kitchen pro or handyman can help to answer your questions.

### 2020 Pantone color timeless and classic

BY CATHY HOBBS Tribune News Service

Each year, the prestigious Pantone Color Institute selects a Pantone Color of the Year. The color selection sets color trends in motion that influence everything from runway fashions to home decor.

The 2020 Pantone Color of the Year is Classic Blue, a dark and deep shade, very close to what many might consider indigo.

Blue is a timeless color,

and the shade is certainly classic. Blue is by all accounts the new black, especially for those looking for an alternative to bolder attributes.

**Decorating:** Classic Blue is often seen in more traditional home decor settings but can also feel modern and fresh, depending on the materials and colors in which it is paired. Whether part of a graphic pattern, infused into accessories or artwork, or foundation elements such as upholstery, Classic Blue can be incorporated in different ways. It is hard not to make a solid and timeless choice.

Why Classic Blue? The shade has yellow undertones, which helps add to its appeal. It often works well when paired with a complementary color such as orange or warm colors such as yellow and green.

Where to use it: Think of Classic Blue as a great accent color. Consider using it in accessories such as toss pillows, throws, artwork and area rugs, as well as accent furniture such as side chairs.

Here are several tips for using Classic Blue:

- Integrate blue accents through elements such as rugs, furniture, accent walls and artwork.
- Look to accessories such as toss pillows, throws and vases as a way to infuse Classic Blue into a space.
- Don't be afraid to pair it with lighter shades of blue.
- Pair Classic Blue with neutral colors to create a



**DESIGN RECIPES** 

A Classic Blue velvet accent chair creates a sense of luxury in this living room.

sense of contrast such as white, taupe and gray.

■ Consider using Classic

Blue as a foundation color. It can be used a base color, similar to black or brown.

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# Midcentury modern joy

Designer transforms his own suburban rambler with budget-friendly style

By Kim Palmer

Minneapolis Star Tribune

GOLDEN VALLEY, Minn. — Cy Winship has long been a fan of midcentury modern design.

Now he finally has the perfect house for it.

About three years ago, the interior designer, of Cy Winship Design, sold his longtime, century-old home in Minneapolis, and moved, with his husband, John Strauss, to a suburban rambler.

He fell for the second house they saw - an Atomic Ranch-style classic, with big picture windows, a galley kitchen that opened to a family room with a wood-paneled ceiling, and even a jaunty breezeway.

"I saw windows everywhere," Winship recalled. "There's so much air in this house — big horizontal spaces." Plus there was a large screen porch overlooking a patio and big backyard where he could garden.

"I thought, 'I can live here the way I want to indoors and outdoors," he said. Within minutes, he'd decided: "I have to have this house."

The rambler was built in 1954, but much of its decor dated from the 1980s and '90s, with sponge-painted walls in some rooms and stark white walls in the living room.

Winship had another look in mind.

"I look at a room and can visualize pretty quickly what it wants to be," he said. His home wanted to be "midcentury meets '70s glam," with Disco Decade touches such as furry flokati throws and a clear Lucite coffee table.

He didn't shy away from bold design statements that might seem over the top to some. In the family room, for example, he chose a metallic vinyl wall covering that shimmers like hammered gold.

"It's as trashy '70s as you can get," Winship said of his gilded wallpaper. "Hardly anyone dares to do it, but they think it's groovy in someone else's home."

As a bonus, on gray winter days, the metallic surface reflects light and brightens up the space. "We're so light-challenged here" in Minnesota, he said. "That gold wall is fantastic."

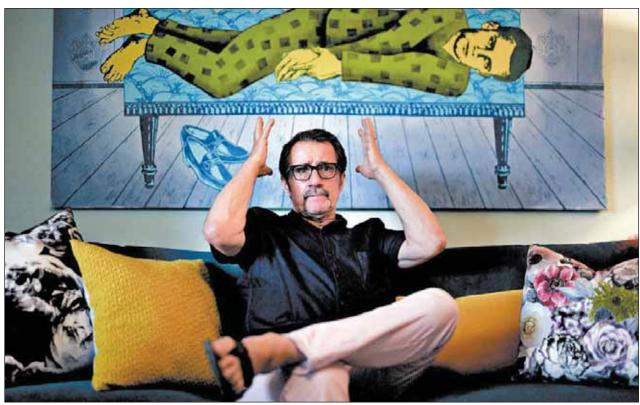
Winship also loves bold color. The formerly allwhite living room is now a breezy turquoise, set off by a teal velvet sofa and that Lucite coffee table. The kitchen, formerly beige, is now painted chartreuse.

The rambler's kitchen and master bathroom were due for more than a new paint job. The bathroom, an addition in the 1960s, was "falling off the house," Winship said, and had to be gutted and completely renovated.

The kitchen, meanwhile, was seriously short on storage. There were two metal carts on either side of the stove that were used for storage, "but it was hard to get at anything," Winship said. He added Ikea cabinets in glossy white and quartz countertops in pale gray. He transformed the adjacent breezeway into a pantry by adding Ikea cabinets there, too.

When it came to furnishings and artwork, the couple had to start almost from scratch. Most of what they already owned was the wrong scale for the 2,100square-foot rambler.

"We had smaller rooms" in the Minneapolis house, Winship said. "All our art



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At home with designer Cy Winship, where midcentury modern meets '70s glam.



He transformed the kitchen with Ikea cabinets in glossy white, quartz countertops and chartreuse paint.

was narrow and vertical. Here, we have bigger walls and need wider art."

So they sold much of their stuff on Craigslist and started fresh.

Winship appreciates collector-quality midcentury modern pieces but not their price tags.

His home's furniture includes several iconic pieces associated with big names, such as Mies van der Rohe's Barcelona chairs, Castiglioni's Arco lamp and Saarinen's tulip table. But Winship's pieces aren't the real deal they're budget-friendly knockoffs.

"I won't pass up a bargain," Winship said. Famil-

iar to TV viewers from his days on "Decorating Cents," the HGTV show that featured makeovers on limited budgets, Winship is no stranger to stretching design dollars. "Everything I do is tempered by cost vs. desire," he said. "We want to spend our money on other things, like travel."

Besides, a house filled with serious pieces is too, well, serious for Winship.

"Some homes are Gucci this and Eames that. I like to be a little lighter with it," he said.

Adding to the levity is his whimsical, playful taste in artwork - everything from a print showcasing a Brigitte Bardot look-alike in a



The master bedroom also has a wallpapered accent wall, "Dandelion Clocks."

bikini, to vintage Russian cigarette ads that he found at an estate sale, to a retro painting of an anonymous young girl. "I call her Cousin Martha," he said. "I love '50s portraiture — I like the colors."

Photos from the couple's travels and fabrics also play a prominent role in their home's decor.

"Fabrics do a thing for me," Winship said. "I like to collect stuff," such as Guatemalan textiles and a sheer white fabric with a sketchlike pattern that he brought back from Mexico and turned into drapes.

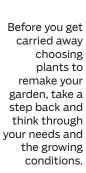
Designing a home for himself and his husband was a much different expe-

rience from designing for a client.

"It's much freer," he said. "I'm not as serious. Nothing seems too big a deal. There's a responsibility of dealing with someone else's home, trying to get what they love."

And that's his design philosophy — surrounding yourself with things you

"Figure out what brings you joy," he said. "For me, it's color, beautiful things, funny things and things I bring back from travels," then combining them to create "warmth and wit, a home that feels so good that you're happier and more productive."





# How to get started on designing spring garden

By Beth Botts

You know you need to rethink your garden plan this year. But with so many plants and ideas to choose from, where do you start?

It's tempting to start picking out all the new trees and plants you'd like, but that's premature, said Julie Janoski, former garden designer and Plant Clinic manager at the Morton Arboretum in

Instead, she suggests taking a big step back and thinking through two things. "First, figure out what you want from your space," she said. "Then make sure you know what the conditions are throughout your yard. That will help narrow down the infinite plant possibilities and make it more likely the plants you choose will survive."

Ideally, planning to create a new garden or improve an old one will begin the fall or summer before, she said. "If you didn't do that, you might decide to spend this year observing and collecting information and preparing for big changes the following spring," she said.

First, figure out what you want the garden to do for you: Provide something to see from the kitchen window? Have a space to grow vegetables or herbs? Plant some trees for shade? Is there a sight you want to block, such as the neighbor's garbage cans?

Then identify the area in vour vard that could meet those needs, she said. For example, the rear of the yard might be the place to create your kitchen-window vista. The shade might be best over the patio.

"The vegetables need to go where there is full sun, access to water and space to work," Janoski said.

Determine the conditions that trees and other plants would have in your designated area: How much sunlight does it get through the day? If you have a year to plan, you can record how the duration and intensity of sunlight changes through the growing season.

How is the soil texture? Is there foot traffic through that space? Are there objects or plants that need to stay, such as trees or shrubs you'd like to keep, or a

Measure the space and plot it on graph paper (or use a garden planning app or website). Mark the size and location of the trees and other existing objects.

"Loosely draw the gen-

eral types of plants that will work in the space," Janoski said. For example, you might draw some shrubs or tall grasses, or a trellis with vines to increase privacy. For the kitchen-window view, you may want a focal point plant to draw the eve. some big plants to frame it, and some mid-size plants or a small tree with lots of color. Be sure to allow enough space for the mature size of trees and shrubs, not just their small size when you plant them.

"Now for the fun part," Janoski said. Using what you've figured out about the conditions, the sizes and the characteristics of the plants you need, comb through plant catalogs and websites to find good candidates.

"When you do your research and planning before you start choosing trees or plants, you're much more likely to choose plants that will live and give you joy for years to come," Janoski said.

For tree and plant advice, contact the Plant Clinic at The Morton Arboretum (mortonarb.org/plantadvice, 630-719-2424 or plantclinic@mortonarb.org).

Beth Botts is a staff writer at the Arboretum.

# Easy-to-grow houseplant can brighten up your days

By Tim Johnson

Could you suggest a flowering plant that will be easy to grow and will provide a few weeks of color to brighten up my home for these dreary winter days?

– Beth Jenson, Highland Park

Kalanchoes are popular, easy-to-grow flowering houseplants with flowers that come in a wide variety of colors, including red, white, yellow, lavender, pink and orange. The flowers are in clusters at the end of stems held above the foliage and can last several weeks if the plant you purchase has lots of buds and not just flowers.

Prune off spent flowers as you see them to help extend the flowering period and keep the plants looking their best. Deep green leaves with scalloped edges set off the flowers and persist after flowering is completed. Kalanchoes are readily available to purchase so should be easy for you to find — your grocery store may even have them for sale.

Kalanchoes are succulent plants that are native to arid areas, so they are sensitive to overwatering and will decline in a moist growing medium that is not allowed to dry out between watering. (A cactus is an example of another succulent plant.)

When you do water, do so thoroughly, with the water coming out of the drainage holes of the container. Be sure to give the plant time to dry out before the next watering. They do not need extra humidity, so the generally drier winter air in a house is good for kalanchoes. There is no need to fertilize the plants during the flowering period.

Kalanchoes need lots of sunlight, so place them in a south-facing window in winter if possible, and



Kalanchoes feature flowers that come in a variety of colors and are easy to grow indoors.

move them to an east or west window for bright indirect sunlight in summer - too much sun may burn the foliage. Kalanchoes prefer temperatures above 55 degrees Fahrenheit, so they are wellsuited to the indoor envi-

Most people discard the plants after the bloom is over, though you can try to rebloom them yourself if you are willing to put in some effort. Your plants will need about six weeks of short winter days next year to flower again, so you will need to put the plants in a closet or cover them with a box to shade them from house lights.

Professional growers force kalanchoes to bloom throughout the year by giving them short days, which means about 12 hours of darkness each day to stimulate the formation

of flower buds. When all the flowers have dried, cut off the flower stalks, move the plants to a shadier location and reduce watering to force it into a dormant period. When new leaf buds appear in one to two months, move them back into bright light, resume regular watering and begin to fertilize twice a month with a diluted, balanced houseplant fertil-

You may want to move the plants outside in summer to a partly sunny location when temperatures remain above 50 degrees; while outside, the plants will need more frequent watering.

Tim Johnson is director of horticulture for the Chicago Botanic Garden in Glencoe.

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**ASK THE BUILDER** 

# Lean back on the toilet without worry

By TIM CARTER

Tribune Content Agency

O: An unnamed person living in my home says that the toilet seat lid and the toilet tank are made for leaning back against while using the fixture for personal needs. In a negotiation debate with this person, I mentioned that the bolts fastening the tank to the bowl aren't strong enough for leaning as one might against a standard chair. What say you, wise Tim? Do you arbitrate these touchy discords between cohabitants on a frequent ba-

A: Truth be told, I adjudicate disputes — or should I say spirited discussions? – between two people living under the same roof at least once a month.

I've been a master plumber since age 29. I've installed more toilets than I care to remember. The traditional toilet tank used to have just two brass bolts that connected it to the toilet bowl. One manufacturer years ago thought this was insufficient and developed a three-bolt design. The third bolt added lots of strength.

The bolts in either design are plenty strong and should never break if someone leans back against the tank while sitting on the toilet bowl. However, it's the rubber O-rings that surround the bolts that are the issue. It's entirely possible to create a leak between the toilet tank and bowl if you push back against the tank too much.

This is quite possible as the toilet ages and the rubber O-rings become less pliable. I'm sure you've seen rubber that becomes brittle with age. You don't want to



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Plumbers can install toilets so the tank is snug against a wall, but this requires quite a bit of planning.

hope that the rubber O-rings stay supple indefinitely.

Plumbers can install toilets so the tank is snug against a wall, but this requires quite a bit of planning. What's more, if the tank is tight against the wall, the tank lid might not fit well because the lids are larger than the tank and often have an overhanging rear lip.

It's easy to keep peace in these situations. When the leaning cohabitant is out and about having coffee with a friend or picking up groceries, you can glue some wood shims between the back of the toilet tank and the wall behind the tank.

You can use paint stirring sticks, regular tapered wood shims and construction adhesive that comes in a standard caulk tube to accomplish this simple fix. The key thing to remember is to be sure the shims are about <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-inch below the top of the tank lip so the tank lid doesn't touch the shims when you put it back

Q: Tim, I enjoy all the videos on your AsktheBuilder website. I just moved into an apartment that's tired and old, and my landlord is slow at making repairs. Can you help me fix a closet door that wants to always shut on its own without having to use a doorstop? This same door is rubbing the frame up at the top corner. How can I fix that? Finally, the sink in the

#### bathroom drains slowly. Is there a fast way to see if it's clogged with something? Thanks so much.

A: These pesky problems can happen in houses, condominiums and apartments, no matter what the age. I have a ghost door in my own master bathroom that wants to close on its own, and She Who Must Be Obeyed has let me know that it must be fixed. I don't see why I have to be reminded every six months, though!

The self-closing door is perhaps the easiest thing to cure. I've had great success by simply bending one of the door hinge pins. The bend in the pin creates just enough additional friction to overcome the force of gravity that closes the door without your help.

I prefer to bend the top hinge pin. Open the door part way and slide a folded magazine or some thin pieces of cardboard under the far bottom tip of the door under the handle. This will support the door when you remove the top hinge pin.

Sometimes the bottom of the hinge has a hole so you can insert a large nail to get the pin to move up. Once the hinge pin is out, take it outside to a concrete surface and lay it on its side. Strike it in the center with moderate force to put a slight bend in the steel shaft. Reinsert the pin, and let's move onto stopping the door rub.

The rubbing that happens at the top of a door frame is often caused because the top door hinge screws have come loose. Open the door so you have access to the hinge screws and tighten them. If that works, fantastic. If not, then you may have to set the hinge plate deeper in its mortise. This requires the use of a wood chisel and great hand-eve coordination. What's more, leave this to the landlord as it's his door, not

The slow bathroom sink drain can also be quite easy to fix. If the sink is equipped with a standard pop-up drain, the tiny prong that makes the stopper go up and down is superb at catching hair and other gunk. You can buy long plastic strips that can hook the hair and pull it back up out of the drain. You can also unscrew the nut on the back of the tailpiece, remove the lever that lifts the stopper and clear out all the obstructions. This can be done in less than two minutes. Watch the video I have at on my website that shows how to do this.

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# How to improve lighting throughout your house

By Diana Crandall Angie's List

Lighting is an important, yet often overlooked, design element that can affect the look and feel of your home. Fortunately, it's also one of the easiest to update. Whether you're looking to add ambiance and task lighting — or simply to swap out a few outdated fixtures - these ideas will help inspire lighting upgrades in every room.

Living room: Apart from the kitchen, there's perhaps nowhere else in your home more highly trafficked than the living room, and none more versatile. It's a place to entertain loved ones, relax with popcorn and a movie or take a well-deserved nap. Each of these activities calls to mind a different type of lighting. Table lamps near seating areas can layer nicely with a hanging fixture or two, like a chandelier or pendant lighting. To highlight the natural architecture of a room, consider cove lighting or strategically placed recessed lighting.

**Dining room:** A stunning chandelier or sophisticated pendant can make for an engaging focal point in your dining room. And additional lighting, such as recessed lighting and sconces, can add layering to fill out the room. Installing dimmers will allow you to set the mood for any type of meal, from holiday gatherings to a romantic evening for two.

Kitchen: Kitchens need bold, bright light that isn't appropriate for other parts of the house. In addition to general overhead lighting, there are options for different types of lighting that



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A chandelier can make for an engaging focal point in your dining room while also brightening the space.

can make cooking more fun and highlight certain features. Properly placed task lighting, such as under-cabinet lighting, for example, can help with meal prep and cleaning. And purposeful accent lighting will focus attention to unique architecture, cabinets and artwork.

Bathroom: Lighting in your bathroom isn't just a matter of style - it's also a matter of safety, to keep you and your guests from stumbling or slipping. Ambient, general lighting is important for illuminating the room, and task lighting near the sink, where grooming takes place, can help you look your best every day. Dimmable lights can be helpful for nighttime illumination. Or, consider low-wattage lighting that's automated to turn on with a motion sensor. Avoid

harsh, hot lighting right above or next to the bathroom mirror — it can glare and create shadows.

**Bedroom:** The bedroom is a place for winding down and relaxing; it's also the room where there's ample space to be creative with lighting. You'll want to layer lights in ways that light up the entire room. Wall sconces are perfect for lifelong bookworms, while tape lights, which are similar to rope lights, can set a laid-back mood.

When it comes to lighting, a simple fixture swap can be a DIY job or one for a handyman. But if you're installing or upgrading electrical components, it's a good idea to call a licensed electrician for help. You can typically expect to pay between \$150 and \$810 to have lighting fixtures professionally installed, via the Angie's List Pricing Guide.

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