



## CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

# 'This virus knows no bounds'

46 in DuPage County nursing home positive for COVID-19

State now has 288 reported cases, with ages 9 to 91 infected

Closures, cancellations continue to ripple through residents' lives

BY ALICE FABBRE, ROBERT MCCOPPIN, JAMIE MUNKS, DAN PETRELLA, STACY ST. CLAIR, ELYSSA CHERNEY, GREGORY PRATT AND MORGAN GREENE

Doreen Hall stood outside her mom's first-floor window on Wednesday morning to get in a short visit — even if it had to be outside the building.

On Wednesday, officials said an additional 24 individuals at the Chateau Nursing and Rehabilitation

Center in DuPage County tested positive for the coronavirus, bringing the total number of patients there to 46. Some relatives did whatever they could to see their loved ones.

"I have to see my mom... that's my little girl," said Hall, who parked her car

along the entrance road to the nursing home and walked across the lawn to her mother's window.

So life went the day after the first fatality in Illinois linked to COVID-19 was announced, and hours before 128 new cases were reported in the state, with

confirmed infections in two new counties — Kendall and Madison.

There are now 288 reported cases across 17 counties, the Illinois Department of Public Health said Wednesday, with people age 9 to 91 infected.

At Chateau Nursing, 33 residents and 13 staff were identified as having the virus, almost double the

number identified Tuesday. At least six of the patients were hospitalized, and all were kept in isolation while public health workers tried to track down those people who have had contact with the patients.

"The grim truth is that these numbers will continue to grow significantly," said Department of Public Health Director Dr. Ngozi

Ezike at the Wednesday news briefing in Murphysboro, Illinois, where the new cases were announced.

Ezike emphasized that residents of long-term care facilities are the "most vulnerable population and at the greatest risk of severe illness, which is why the state has moved to restrict

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Drive-thru COVID-19 testing, which involves a nasal swab, takes place at Advocate Lutheran Hospital in Park Ridge on Wednesday.

## Drive-thru coronavirus tests start at some area hospitals

It's available only by appointment, with doctor's OK

BY ANGIE LEVENTIS LOURGOS, LISA SCHENCKER AND PETER NICKEAS

Just past a sign advertising "drive-thru COVID-19 testing," a medical provider in full protective gear — a blue gown, gloves, hair covering and face mask — walked up to the driver's side of a brown Honda Civic.

The testing site area — a small white tent erected in the parking lot of Advocate

Lutheran General Hospital in northwest suburban Park Ridge — was cordoned off with yellow caution tape, and the worker maintained a distance of several feet.

As the state and the nation struggle to make testing for the new coronavirus more widely available, Advocate Aurora Health has begun to offer drive-thru screenings at several of its Chicago-area hospitals, though only by appointment for patients with physician authorization.

The in-vehicle testing method, which involves a nasal swab, is designed to

efficiently screen more patients while mitigating the spread of the highly contagious virus.

With the disease already sickening thousands across the country, medical providers and politicians alike have called out federal officials for the slow launch of drive-thru screening in the U.S. compared with other nations, including South Korea and Australia.

Dr. Ronald Hershov, an infectious disease expert at the University of Illinois at Chicago, called the rollout of coronavirus testing in the U.S. a "disappointment"

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Emergency room nurse Korrine Potter moves medical equipment inside the tent at Edward Hospital.

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## Trump invokes emergency powers

Senate approves bill to provide paid leave for ill workers

BY JONATHAN LEMIRE AND JILL COLVIN  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Confronting twin health and economic crises, President Donald Trump on Wednesday invoked emergency powers to marshal critical medical supplies against a coronavirus pandemic threatening to overwhelm hospitals and other treatment centers.

The Senate acted on the economic front, approving legislation to guarantee sick leave to workers sickened by the disease.

Trump described himself as a "wartime president" as virus cases surged and the markets fell, and he took a series of extraordinary steps to steady a battered nation, its day-to-day life fundamentally altered.

Most immediately, Trump is employing the Defense Production Act as needed, giving the government more power to steer production by private companies and try to overcome shortages in masks, ventilators and other supplies.

Trump also said he will expand the nation's testing capacity and deploy a Navy hospital ship to New York City, which is rapidly becoming an epicenter of the pandemic, and another such ship to the West Coast.

The Housing and Urban Development Department will suspend foreclosures

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## Bears trade for QB Nick Foles

The quarterback proved his worth during the Eagles' Super Bowl run three seasons ago. **Chicago Sports**

### ELECTION 2020

## Amid unknowns, Illinois Dems seek the familiar

Biden preferred over Sanders as virus rewrites life

BY RICK PEARSON

In a climate of global uncertainty caused by the dangerous coronavirus, Illinois Democrats overwhelmingly sided with Joe Biden to win the party's

presidential nomination, choosing a known commodity rather than the political revolution called for by Bernie Sanders.

That was among the findings revealed in the AP VoteCast survey of participants in Illinois' Democratic primary in which Biden, the former vice president, won 59% of the unofficial vote with 99% of

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the state's precincts counted while 36% went for Sanders, the Vermont senator and democratic socialist.

The decision to back Biden, representing the party's more moderate establishment wing, came despite a professed desire for change among the Democratic electorate rather than merely a return to the days before Republican President Donald Trump.

A majority of 53% of voters said they wanted a candidate who would make

bold changes compared with 45% seeking someone who would restore government to the pre-Trump era.

Biden, who has campaigned on both trying to return order to Washington while billing himself as a progressive, captured 80% of those seeking a restoration. At the same time,

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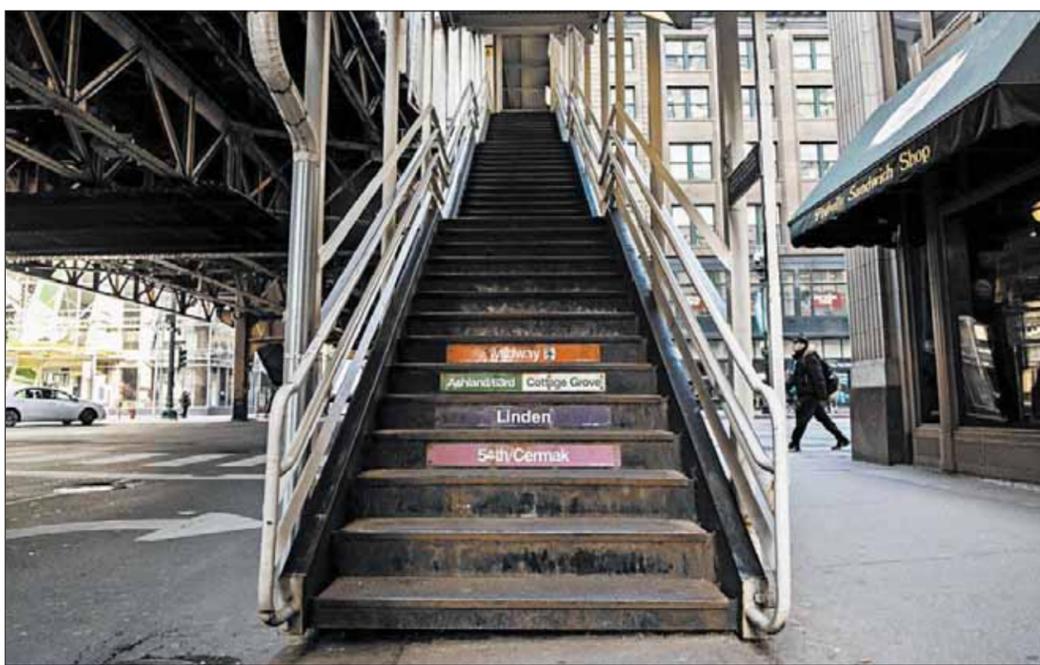
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An empty stairwell to the State/Lake CTA "L" station during the evening rush period on March 17 in Chicago's Loop.



## JOHN KASS

# What we'll learn about ourselves during pandemic

After the first of those oddly comical fistfights over toilet paper in grocery stores, and before the possibility of horrific battles over respirators in the weeks to come, I committed an act of coronavirus defiance.

I sat in a comfy leather chair in the neighborhood cigar lounge and lit a fine maduro cigar.

Why? Because I wanted to sit and think about all the things we'll learn from now forward. And I wanted to say goodbye to the guys.

Just a few days ago they were worried about the FBI raiding the place again in pursuit of Chicago Way politicians. That was when we still shook hands.

All that's changed for anyone with any sense of responsibility for others and themselves.

We're at war with the virus.

You don't need a rousing "Braveheart"-style speech. The virus doesn't care about Hollywood-style drama. And you don't need any more fear-mongering and quivering lips. There's been too much of that on cable news, to keep you locked in through commercials.

You just need quiet, and time to think. Here's what I've been thinking:

If things are going to be as bad as the health professionals warn, can our fractured American culture handle what's coming?

Those of you who've paid attention know that American culture has been systematically deconstructed by the left over the past decades. It was and is about power. Liberals won the culture war, took the universities and the media, and now frame the public discussion.

Yet now, in this time of crisis, with the old culture deconstructed and a new one not yet fully cemented in, what are the ties that bind a diverse people together and keep them strong?

A meme going around tells us that our grandfathers were called to war, and all we are being asked to do is sit

on the couch and watch TV. There is longing for Roosevelt's fireside chats and Churchill's stiff upper lip. But are we still made of that kind of stuff?

Or have we become a silly people wasting time agonizing over who may have been insulted by someone calling it the "Chinese virus"?

The other day, the barking dogs of media and politics fought over whether some unidentified White House staffer tastelessly called it the "kung flu." A few weeks ago, CNN anchors were calling it the "Chinese flu" and the "Wuhan virus" — you may have seen the video mashup. But now the act of calling it by the name of origin is a sin.

China doesn't like it, and some media organizations are sensitive to China's feelings. Disney and the NBA were sensitive when China became peeved with them. But the virus originated in China, and China lied about it for weeks. And calling it "Chinese" anything gets in the way of what many of them want to call it: #TrumpVirus.

Remember what Rahm Emanuel said about never letting a crisis go to waste? Well, they're not wasting it.

But if you're in a hospital bed, with your face strapped to a ventilator, you really can't hear the barking dogs. And those in a desperate struggle for oxygen probably don't give two figs.

We've already learned much about ourselves with those infantile (and I mean it literally) fights over toilet paper in the stores. We'll learn more, if shelter-in-place orders are backed by the National Guard and hospitals hire armed security to deal with fights over ventilators and beds.

Mexico doesn't seem all that worried. They're partying in great, happy crowds. But Europe has rediscovered the virtue of borders. In Italy, doctors are now forced to ration ventilators, deciding who lives and who dies.

"In Italy, they say *pan di grano*," said my barber, Raffaele Raia, of Naples. He explained that "*pan di grano*,"

literally means "wheat bread." The slang was born in Italy during World War II, when people starved. Hospitals were full and resources scarce. And doctors were forced — just as they're doing now — to play God and decide the great mystery for those deemed unsavable.

Those who weren't to be saved, like the elderly and the very ill, were given wheat bread. It made hungry people feel full and somewhat comforted at the end.

"So now," Raia said, "in Italy, with so many sick with the virus, someone asks, 'How is your grandfather?' You could respond with, '*Pan di grano*.' But you're not talking about wheat bread. You're talking about the end. That's *pan di grano*."

I do wish the churches were open. A good friend regularly attends services at her Roman Catholic Church. A week ago, she was there for her daughter's confirmation ceremony. The priest applied holy oil to the foreheads of all the children, one after another, with the same cup and same thumb.

"I didn't think much of it then," she said. "But now I think, should I have scrubbed it off immediately? See how this has changed us?"

The great sadness is that churches, temples and mosques close just as people need them the most. But you don't need a church to pray. Perhaps the best prayer of all is the simplest prayer I know, uttered by that lowly tax collector, his head bowed, kneeling, whispering, "Kyrie eleison. Have mercy upon me oh Lord, a sinner."

We will get through this. And along the way, we'll learn exactly who we are.

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## Chicago relief fund raises \$8 million on 1st day



**HEIDI STEVENS**  
*Balancing Act*

Chicago has joined a growing list of cities establishing COVID-19 relief funds to deploy immediate resources to the families and neighborhoods hit hardest by the economic fallout of the new coronavirus.

On Tuesday, the Chicago Community Trust and United Way of Metro Chicago announced the launch of the Chicago Community COVID-19 Response Fund, a place where individuals and corporations can donate money to be pooled and distributed to local nonprofits with experience in providing food, housing, health care, child care and other crucial assistance to residents in need.

"This is both a short-term and a long-term crisis," Helene Gayle, president and CEO of the Chicago Community Trust, told me Wednesday. "We want to make sure we can get resources out to people immediately and also think about the mid- to long-term impact on families who are missing paychecks or have children out of school without child care; on our homeless population; on the elderly population who can't get out to get food; on the most vulnerable, who can't withstand the shock of missing a paycheck."

Within the first 24 hours of launching, the fund raised \$8 million.

"We've had donors giving \$25, \$50 — there's a spot where you can give \$1 million," Sean Garrett, president and CEO of United Way of Metro Chicago, said Wednesday. "It's been great to see people doing whatever they can to help their neighbors in need."

The Chicago Blackhawks announced Wednesday they will match the first \$100,000 in individual donations contributed through the Chicago Blackhawks Foundation, the team's charity, until the end of March. All donations, plus the match, will go



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CEO and president of Chicago Community Trust Helene Gayle said, "We want to make sure we can get resources out to people immediately."

directly to the Chicago Community COVID-19 Response Fund.

"We're seeing the increased needs in the community and the very real, lasting challenges this is creating for families across the region in ways that are hard to even imagine," Garrett said. "On the flip side, we're seeing an outpouring of support and energy from so many people who want to do something to help. There's a basic human need to connect with one another and help one another, and we're really seeing that right now."

Donors who choose to contribute to the fund don't select specific organizations to direct their money toward. Instead, Gayle said, donations will be pooled to provide emergency food, sup-

plies, rent, utility and mortgage assistance and other financial help for the hardest-hit households and neighborhoods in Chicago and the surrounding suburbs.

"We're trying to dampen the impact of not only the infection and epidemic itself," Gayle said, "but all of the consequences families are facing from being out of work and disrupting their daily routines. We hope we'll be able to look back and see that as a result of some of these efforts, people were spared some of the impact that we know is going to evolve around the country and around the world."

Prior to helping the Chicago Community Trust, Gayle served as an epidemic intelligence serv-

ice officer at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and worked as a medical epidemiologist in the CDC's AIDS program. She has worked as a health consultant to the World Health Organization and the United Nations and served as the director of the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation's HIV/AIDS and Tuberculosis program.

She knows crisis, and she knows humankind's ability to rise to the challenge of helping one another through it.

"I feel really proud of what Chicago and the state of Illinois are doing," she said. "This shows the kind of spirit Chicago has to pull together in a time of crisis."

Garrett said the fund will continue indefinitely.

"We don't know what the next days, weeks and months ahead will look like," he said. "Our intention is for the fund to evolve based on the needs in our community. That's what our work has always been about — bringing the community together to solve problems."

Contributions to the Chicago Community COVID-19 Response Fund can be made at [chicago.covid19responsefund.org](http://chicago.covid19responsefund.org).

Join the Heidi Stevens Balancing Act Facebook group, where she continues the conversation around her columns and hosts occasional live chats.

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## CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

# Hospitals do best to prep for worst

If infection rates are not slowed, system could be overwhelmed

By LISA SCHENCKER  
AND DAVID HEINZMANN

Even as Chicago-area hospitals make preparations to treat a growing number of patients with COVID-19, some experts are warning of scenarios where the system could be overwhelmed.

Hospital leaders are hoping that the cancellation of schools, emptying of restaurants and prohibitions against large gatherings in Illinois will keep their facilities from overflowing with COVID-19 patients in coming weeks and months. But they have already started making changes in case those measures aren't enough.

Many have started reassigning medical staff, canceling elective surgeries to save resources, moving testing for COVID-19 outside typical patient areas and drawing up plans for how to house large numbers of patients.

But some experts say it is unlikely that Illinois' hospital systems could expand facilities anywhere near enough to avoid being overwhelmed if more than a certain number of people become infected in Illinois in too short a time span.

"Everything depends on the effect of the social distancing. The efforts to test and isolate sick people who test positive and quarantining their close contacts is also critical," said Mark Dworkin, a professor of epidemiology at the University of Illinois at Chicago School of Public Health.

"Once they exceed capacity, and if additional supplies and equipment are not available, they will be making difficult decisions resembling a MASH unit receiving injured from a battlefield," Dworkin said.

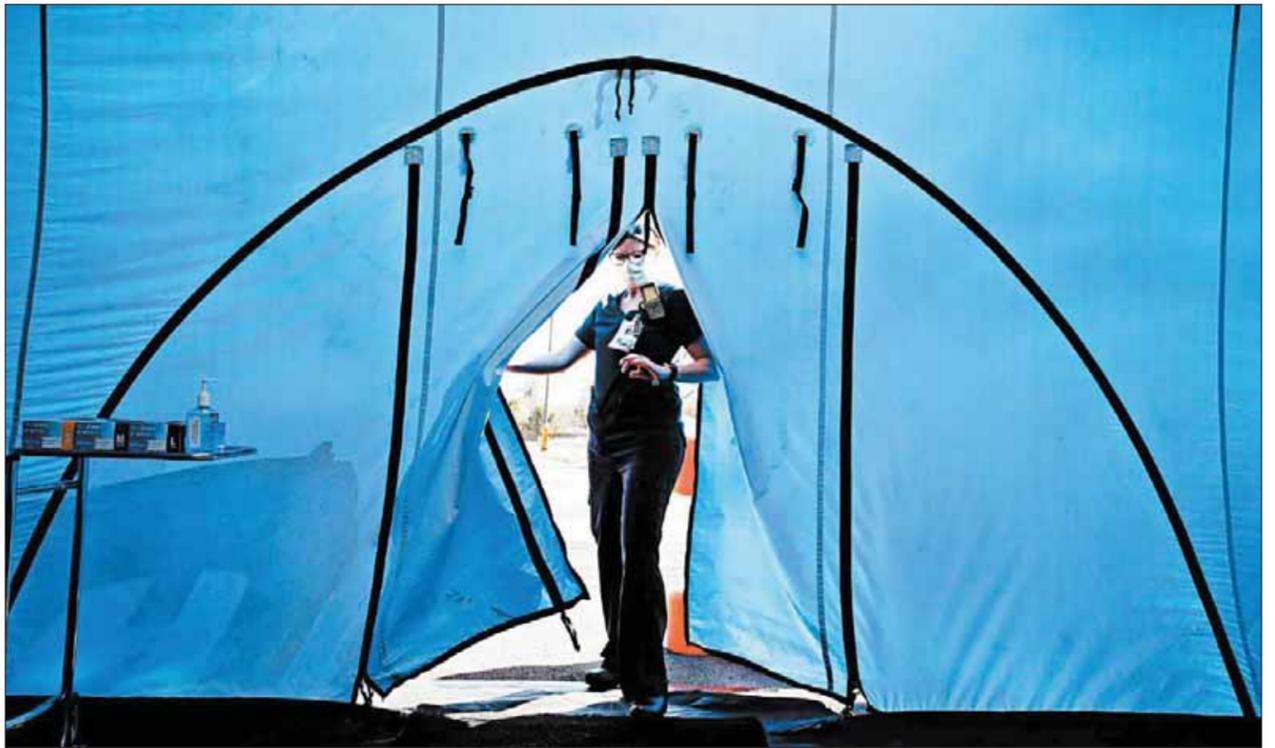
Most people who get COVID-19 don't get severely ill, and social distancing might help Chicago hospitals keep their heads above water in coming months. But in the short term, experts expect the situation to get worse before it gets better.

Illinois saw a flash of how quickly things can change Tuesday when Gov. J.B. Pritzker announced in a news conference that a single COVID-19 case discovered over the weekend at a senior living facility in Willowbrook had mushroomed into 22 cases — 18 residents and four staff members — after more testing.

On Wednesday, the Illinois Department of Public Health announced 128 new cases of coronavirus in the state, bringing the total to 288. The state also said 20 more people at the Willowbrook facility had tested positive for COVID-19.

"Based on data we're seeing across the country and Illinois, we should be expecting an influx of patients across the Chicago area into hospitals and the health care system over the next several weeks," said Dr. Brian Stein, the acting chief quality officer at Rush University Medical Center.

The Illinois Department of



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Emergency room nurse Korinne Potter enters a tent that Edward Hospital in Naperville set up to test possible coronavirus patients.

Public Health was not able to immediately provide estimates or projections of how many COVID-19 patients might need to be hospitalized in coming weeks or months.

But data analysts from Rush said cases in the U.S. are now growing at a similar rate to those in Italy, France, Germany and the U.K. If the cases continue to increase at the current rate, the analysts said, the U.S. may have nearly half a million cases by the end of the month, though it's possible that new measures meant to keep more people at home could result in lower numbers.

The Rush analysts are still working on a model to estimate how many cases might be expected in Illinois. But experts who have already produced such models have some potentially dire predictions, while also noting it's possible those predictions won't come to pass.

Researchers at the Harvard Global Health Institute teamed up with the nonprofit news organization ProPublica to model what could happen in cities across the country, including Chicago. According to their model, if 20% of people in the Chicago hospital market develop COVID-19 over the course of six months, area hospitals would need about 176% of their available beds. If the transmission of the illness is slowed, such as through social distancing, and 20% get the disease over 12 months, only 88% of Chicago hospitals' available beds would be needed.

However, if 40% get the illness — regardless of whether it's over six, 12 or 18 months — Chicago hospitals would need to expand their bed capacity, according to the analysis.

The Illinois Health and Hospital Association has been coordinating planning conversations between hospital administrators

and government officials, said Danny Chun, spokesman for the organization.

"Only one scenario works," Chun said. "Any other scenario and hospitals get overwhelmed. That's just a mathematical fact."

As of Wednesday, 1,764 adult intensive care beds in Illinois were occupied, and 825 were empty, according to the Illinois Department of Public Health. Illinois had 1,450 ventilators available and 714 in use.

Chun noted that the Pentagon announced it was putting 2,000 ventilators into the nation's medical system. However, that is a small fraction of what may be needed.

"Clearly there are not going to be enough ventilators if a peak demand hits all at once," he said. He also pointed out that 80% of the people who get sick won't need to be hospitalized and people should consult their doctors over the phone before deciding to seek help in person to minimize unnecessary use of hospital facilities.

"If you can stay at home, stay at home," he said. "We've got to reserve space for the 20% who have to be hospitalized."

At Edward-Elmhurst Hospitals, administrators said they are reorganizing some operations at their two hospitals — Edward Hospital in Naperville and Elmhurst Hospital — to brace for what's coming.

"We have a space issue and a people issue," said Dr. Sanjeeb Khatua, the chief physician executive for Edward-Elmhurst. Caring for people infected with COVID-19 creates an outside drain on the hospitals' resources, especially staff.

Elmhurst Hospital has one COVID patient currently admitted, Khatua said. Exposure to that patient has necessitated some of the staff be monitored and kept at home. While declining to specify

how many people they have sent home because of the single case, he said: "It's not one or two of us. I'll tell you that."

To try to minimize the impact, Edward-Elmhurst erected tents in the parking lot outside the Edward emergency room and in the ambulance bay at Elmhurst Hospital to keep evaluations of people presenting COVID symptoms or concerns away from the interior of the hospitals.

Also, they have shut down their walk-in clinics that operate at Jewel-Osco stores so those workers can be redeployed. As far as equipment and protective gear, Khatua said the hospitals have a three-month supply of personal protective equipment if use continues at the current rate.

But "our burn rate is going faster every day," he said. "As of right now, we're OK, but I can't predict what the next weeks will bring."

Many hospitals have also canceled elective surgeries, a move that should free up a number of intensive care beds, which are often used to monitor patients post-surgery, said Stein, of Rush. It's also possible hospitals may need to put patients needing intensive care in other areas of their facilities.

A handful of Rush workers have been sent home because of exposure to COVID-19 patients, Stein said. As the number of COVID-19 patients increases, Rush will likely reassign certain employees to different functions in the hospital, such as doctors and nurses who are no longer performing elective surgeries.

At hospitals across the country, staffing will likely be a major challenge as the number of COVID-19 cases grows.

Hospitals are typically staffed to about 60% capacity, said Chris Plance, a managing consultant with PA Consulting, who works

with hospitals. Even if hospitals can find enough doctors, it could be difficult to hire enough nurses, he said. During bad flu seasons hospitals typically must compete with one another to hire temporary nurses from agencies. And the coronavirus outbreak could be much worse than a nasty flu season.

"These are skilled workers, and they're not just sitting around waiting to be employed," Plance said.

The Illinois Nurses Association is calling on public officials to provide child care for nurses, to free more of them up to work as the illness spreads.

Dr. Robert Citronberg, director of infectious diseases at Advocate Lutheran General Hospital in Park Ridge, acknowledged that a shortage of frontline medical providers is possible. It's also possible that the hospital could reach capacity, he said, though officials are taking many actions to try to avoid that, such as postponing elective surgeries.

Sinai Health System, which runs Mount Sinai and Holy Cross hospitals, is working to keep its staffing levels high, such as by offering bonuses to health care workers to pick up shifts and streamlining and consolidating certain units. And it's considering setting up tents, as Rush has done, or setting up a drive-thru to test potential COVID-19 patients.

Sinai expects the majority of people it sees with COVID-19 won't need to be hospitalized.

Sinai has modeled out four different scenarios for its hospitals. In the worst case scenarios, the hospitals would likely move all COVID-19 patients to one area of each hospital, said Airica Steed, Sinai executive vice president and chief operating officer.

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## Shedd penguins have some advice for us humans: Stay put!



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Video of penguins waddling about the empty Shedd Aquarium rotunda lit up the internet this week, giving Chicagoans and people across the country a brief respite from news of the worsening coronavirus pandemic.

With the aquarium closed, caregivers let the penguins wander the normally tourist-packed walkways. A tweet from the Shedd's Twitter account explained that it was "providing new experiences for the animals to explore and express their natural behaviors."

Unfortunately, we humans continue to express some of our natural behaviors, despite warnings from state and federal health officials to limit social contact and generally lay low to reduce the transmission of the virus. That, according to my well-placed sources in the penguin community, has the Shedd Aquarium pen-

guins more than a little upset.

In the interest of both human and penguin preservation, they relayed the following letter to me and asked it be shared far and wide.

Dear human people:

We, the Shedd Aquarium penguins, would first like to thank you very much for giving us fish. We love fish. Please do not stop giving us fish, which we love very much.

As you know, we were recently let out of our enclosure, the one where they give us fish, which we love, and allowed to walk (please do not say "waddle," it is very offensive to us) around the aquarium and experience life from your perspective. It was fun.

But as we returned to our enclosure — and to more fish! — we could not help but feel worried about your recent behavior in light of the coronavirus outbreak. (We get CNN and stay informed on what you fish-suppliers ... sorry ... "humans" are up to, and Wellington is on Twitter almost 24/7. We think he is addicted.)

Do your human brains, which we believe are technically larger than our penguin brains, not grasp what is happening? You have been

directed to, if at all possible, remain in your enclosures. Why are so many of you not doing that? Are your caretakers not putting you back in or something?

There are now more than 6,000 confirmed cases of coronavirus in the country, and the humans we see on the TV keep saying it will be many, many more. There are people dying. Nearly 20 older humans at an older-human facility in Willowbrook now have the virus.

We know you are not coming to see us at the aquarium, which is good, but we see videos of many of you out and about acting like nothing has changed. THINGS HAVE CHANGED, HUMANS! GO IMMEDIATELY TO YOUR ENCLOSURES!

We saw a doctor human named Sanjay Gupta on CNN Tuesday night, and he seemed annoyed that other humans are not taking this outbreak seriously. He said: "You have to act as if you might be carrying the virus. ... Never have we been so dependent on each other, at least not in my lifetime, and we should rise to that occasion."

Why are you not listening to this Gupta human? He seems like

a smart human who would give us fish. We are very concerned that if you do not start listening to people like him, we may not have humans to give us fish. (Have we mentioned how much we like fish?)

We, as concerned penguins, beg you to use your larger human brains and remain in your enclosures as much as possible. We are serious. As penguins, we do not have to worry about the coronavirus. You can sneeze on our beaks and we will be just fine. But you humans must remember one thing: YOU ARE NOT PENGUINS. (And you are really missing out on the joy of fish!)

With that in mind, please ask yourselves these five simple questions any time you consider leaving your enclosures.

1) Are you a flightless seabird? If not, you need to treat the coronavirus seriously and follow the rules set out by human medical professionals.

2) Are you able to drink seawater then use a gland near your eyes to filter the salt out of your bloodstream before expelling that salt through your nasal passageways? If not, you should practice social distancing until further

notice.

3) Do you lose your feathers all at once each year in something called a "catastrophic molt"? If not, please remain in your enclosure as much as possible, regularly wash your hands for 20 seconds and stay away from humans outside family members who live in your enclosure.

4) Do you enjoy sliding on your belly? If so, you could be either a penguin or a human. It is really fun! Just move on to the next question.

5) When your species was first discovered, was it described as "strange geese"? If not, kindly stick to your enclosure and take this stuff seriously.

It is a simple test, humans. Please do the right thing.

While we like walking around the empty aquarium, we prefer watching you stare at us and laugh while we do things we consider perfectly normal and not funny.

But most of all, we like having you around to give us fish.

Take care, and do not come back until it is safe. (Bring fish.)

— The Shedd Aquarium penguins

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## CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

## Silence holds court in place that's seen it all

Cook County courthouse faces shutdown's reality

BY MEGAN CREPEAU

A herd of sheriff's deputies stood watch Tuesday morning in Cook County's biggest criminal courthouse.

But the crowds they are usually tasked with wrangling — the scramble of jurors and spectators and defendants hoping to make it to court on time — were nowhere to be seen.

So they guarded a largely empty lobby, rubbing sanitizer into their hands and giving any stragglers who wandered inside the news: Tuesday was the first day of a nearly complete court shutdown that left thousands of cases frozen in place and the normally bustling hallways of the Leighton Criminal Court Building at 26th Street and California Avenue in Chicago virtually abandoned.

Other than bond court, only two courtrooms in the hulking building will be open for the next 30 days, and those are only to deal with emergency matters.

The coronavirus pandemic has left criminal justice authorities with the critical task of balancing the constitutional rights of defendants against a steadily deepening public health crisis. And when it all ends, there is only the looming untangling of the unprecedented court stoppage.



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The normally bustling Leighton Criminal Court Building at 26th Street and California Avenue is now largely empty.

"They say this is going to last a month, (but) it's kind of like dog years," veteran attorney Jack Lanahan said. "We'll be playing catch-up for seven months, or eight months, or a year."

In the hope of mitigating the spread of COVID-19, virtually the entire Cook County court system has ground to a halt. Until at least mid-April, judges will not perform marriages, sign evictions, or preside over jury trials.

Social distancing is virtually impossible in normal courthouse circumstances. On a normal day, many hundreds of defendants and lawyers flood into Leighton, where lockups, jury rooms and courtroom galleries all keep people in close contact by design.

Only bond court was slated to continue as usual, as the question of whether someone can be released after they are arrested must be addressed.

Two fifth-floor felony courtrooms will also be open, but under special circumstances. A rotating group of judges will deal with urgent matters, as well as formally moving each day's regularly scheduled hearings to a predetermined date in April or May.

Perhaps the most immediate issue court officials had to weigh had to do with defendants' speedy-trial rights.

Once a defendant formally invokes those rights, a clock starts ticking: Prosecutors have 120 days by statute to go to trial if the defendant is in custody, or 160 days if they are out on bond.

A spokeswoman for the Cook County state's attorney's office said prosecutors will "file motions on this issue as appropriate," but did not elaborate.

Under Illinois law, prosecutors can request more time if they need it to track

down witnesses or evidence. Attorneys told the Tribune they expect judges to approve requests for extensions due to the shutdown, given the extraordinary circumstances.

But dragging out the court process is tough on defendants no matter the circumstances, said attorney Emmanuel Andre.

"Whenever (you're) dealing with a felony case, it's a traumatic event as it is," he said. "People want to be done with this as soon as possible, that's the whole concept behind due process. ... But now, because of the extenuating circumstances, that's very, very difficult. And the effect it's going to have on people is going to be very, very difficult."

On Tuesday morning, Judge Peggy Chiampas took the bench in one of the building's two open courtrooms, tasked with handling 16 judges' dockets at once.

Clerks buzzed around the bench, talking to the few private attorneys who showed up as well as the handful of public defenders and prosecutors assigned to the room for that day.

"Everybody's appearance is waived right now," Chiampas said to the nearly empty room, announcing to almost no one that defendants were not required to show up for court that day.

A courthouse staffer walked by wearing a cloth face mask and a single blue latex glove.

"Judge Sacks, Room 602, all matters continued to April 21, 2020," Chiampas said. "Any of the attorneys here on Judge Howard's call? Going once, going twice ... Judge Howard's call, April 21, 2020, by order of the court."

Most defendants were not brought from the jail to the courthouse, unless they were slated to appear in bond court or had a court order to appear, a spokeswoman for the sheriff's office said.

Formal arraignments were largely delayed in Chiampas' nearly vacant courtroom. Warrants for defendants on bond who did not show up in court were pushed off until the next court date.

After Chiampas ran through the court call, a few people were still in the rows of benches, waiting for clarity or direction. Clerks and attorneys rushed over to try and clear up the confusion.

"I don't want to get no warrant issued; we were here," one woman told an attorney.

In Central Bond Court a few hours later, sheriffs limited the number of spectators allowed in the gallery — only one per defendant — and people had to sit a few feet apart.

Some court staffers said they believe bond hearings could soon be conducted by video, a practice discontinued in Cook County more than a decade ago after a lawsuit alleged it was unconstitutional to deny de-

endants a chance to physically appear before a judge.

By Monday, clerk's office workers had been given latex gloves to wear. Some courthouse visitors wore masks, or pulled fabric up over their mouths and noses as they moved through the halls.

That day, Judge Angela Petrone presided over what promised to be her last normal court call for at least the next month.

A prosecutor wiped her hands. The occasional coughs in the small courtroom were met with wary smiles.

One defendant was not brought to court from the jail because he was in the new isolated receiving area Cook County Jail has set up to observe new detainees for COVID-19 symptoms.

Another defendant was told his psychological examination for fitness to stand trial had to be delayed. The office that conducts those evaluations will be closed during the shutdown.

Petrone's courtroom was slated for the building's only potential jury trial that day, an attempted murder case. More than 80 jurors had reported for duty, but in the end, the defendant decided to have his case heard instead by Petrone herself.

After the first day of trial, the proceedings were continued — until the end of April.

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## PREGNANT, UNSURE WHAT TO EXPECT

Area women share concerns about virus even as isolation to combat its spread strains already fraught time

BY CHRISTEN A. JOHNSON

Rachael Stewart is planning to meet her second child, a baby boy, in about four weeks. A name is chosen, a doula is selected and flights are booked for her out-of-state mother to be in attendance for the birth.

But now, Stewart, who lives in Beverly, is coming to terms with the fact that many of these "wish list items" have to be rearranged, or canceled, due to the effects of the coronavirus on hospitals.

Her doula will now chime in via video, and her mother, who was flying in from Georgia and hadn't been there the first time Stewart gave birth, will likely be conferenced in as well since the University of Chicago Medicine Family Birth Center now only allows one visitor in the delivery room.

"A lot of what I was hoping for looks like it might not happen," said Stewart, whose husband will be with her in the delivery room.

Riverside resident Sarah Magner is 30 weeks pregnant, and said she is keeping her fingers crossed that some things will change by her May 22 due date, like Elmhurst Hospital's new labor and delivery policy that went into effect Sunday, she said.

"The hospital announced there's no visitors and only one partner in labor and delivery currently," said Magner. "We intended to have a doula in this delivery, so that would exclude having that resource for us and would certainly limit having to see other family or our 2-year-old son while we're in the hospital after birth."

Both Stewart and Magner are healthy and have had low-risk pregnancies, but like most places, hospitals are taking all necessary precautions to limit the spread of COVID-19, especially for the most vulnerable.

A newborn in London was diagnosed with the illness shortly after being born. The Guardian reported. The child's mother was also diagnosed with the virus; she was hospitalized before giving birth from what doctors deemed pneumonia, the news site said. Based on reports, officials don't know if the baby



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When Rachael Stewart gives birth sometime in April, only her husband, Clif Stewart, will be allowed in the delivery room under new guidelines.

got the virus in the womb or during birth. The report did not cite how the mother delivered.

A February Lancet study suggested that vertical transmission of COVID-19 from a mother to a baby in the womb is unlikely. The study followed nine pregnant women in Wuhan, China, during their third trimester. Each woman gave birth via cesarean section. Some of the women showed symptoms of COVID-19, such as fevers and coughs. All the babies in the study were born alive and tested negative for the virus.

The study notes that: "Findings from this small group of cases suggest that there is currently no evidence for intrauterine infection caused by vertical transmission in women who develop COVID-19 pneumonia in late pregnancy."

Dr. Melissa Simon, an OB-GYN at Northwestern Medicine, says even though very little is known about what happens during pregnancy amid coronavirus, the real issue is about con-

tact. "After you give birth, the baby usually gets put on the mom's chest and near the mom's face, and that's really where the transmission would happen," said Simon. "So right now, it's the contact that we need to take precaution with after birth, or during breastfeeding as well."

Simon acknowledges that limited contact can take a toll on bonding, but she says new moms can still interact with the infant so long as they take the proper precautions.

"We know this could impact relationships and bonding, but as long as you're practicing good hygiene, you'll reduce any chance of transmission," said Simon, who encouraged women to have this conversation with their health care provider.

If you're breastfeeding an infant and you have the coronavirus, or you're suspected to have the virus, Simon suggests to wear a mask, wash your hands and limit direct respiratory drops to the baby. If you're pumping, make sure all

your equipment is clean.

"We don't know how long the coronavirus can last on a surface, especially a surface such as a bottle or any pumping device," said Simon. The coronavirus can live on surfaces for hours to days, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

Pregnant people should only be tested for COVID-19 if they are showing symptoms for the virus, said Simon. She recommends being triaged at home for the symptoms first, then coming into the hospital if necessary. No matter where a woman is in her term, she said, they're telling all pregnant women the same information.

"I want to make sure the people coming into the hospital are really the ones who need to be evaluated," Simon said.

If a pregnant woman is showing symptoms of COVID-19, and she has a preexisting chronic condition — such as diabetes, asthma or high blood pressure — those women become priority, no matter how far along they are in

their pregnancy.

"Pregnant women tend to have a decreased immune response," said Simon, "but if they have (other conditions) that would make their immune system more susceptible to not being able to fight, that can make them even more susceptible to having bad complications from coronavirus."

She believes practicing social isolation and distancing is even more imperative for pregnant women but knows it can be hard during a big transition.

"In pregnancy you have a higher chance of feeling anxious or depressed," said Simon. "Even for women who've just given birth in the last few weeks, it's a time with high anxiety, baby blues and depression, and all of those feelings are very valid. It's really important to seek help if you're feeling that way and you're practicing this social distancing, especially in this time of need."

Magner said she's more concerned about mental health than her physical health during this time.

"Isolation when you're going through major life changes makes it much harder," she said. "When you've got a newborn, you're not leaving the house much anyway, so it extends the likelihood we'll be spending an awful lot of time inside our four walls over the next few months."

She has plans in place to help with potential loneliness and isolation, like continuing to teach her prenatal fitness class twice a week — but online.

"I'm excited to be able to connect with other moms who are going through the same things as I am," said Magner. "It's nice to have that village even if it is virtual versus in person."

Simon urges pregnant women to ask for help if they are having trouble coping with the isolation.

"Please reach out to your health care provider if you need help and need to get connected to a hotline or case worker or somebody to talk to," Simon said. "We can do that for you."

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nursing home visitors and is screening workers at those facilities.

"It seems so harsh, but it's why we have to keep visitors out. We know that visitors, wanting to see loved ones, are also transmitting this virus, bringing it into the nursing home, again, putting at risk the people that they care for," she said. "Limiting visitors will decrease the possibility of this virus affecting our most vulnerable and will limit the spread."

Gov. J.B. Pritzker attributed the large jump in cases, in part, to more available testing.

"We know this, in part, due to an increase in testing, but also we know it is spreading," Pritzker said. "This virus knows no bounds."

Hall's mother has been a resident of the facility since having a stroke about a year ago. She tested negative for the virus and was undergoing a routine check every four hours for fever, Hall said. She is hoping her mother can come home in April, when she was originally scheduled to be released.

On Wednesday morning, Hall did what she's been doing, standing outside the window so her mother could see her. A nurse cracked the window open so the two could talk a bit.

"She saw me, she waved at me," the Bolingbrook woman said after the visit. "She said she's doing really well."

In Evanston, at least two people have tested positive for COVID-19 at Three Crowns Park senior living complex, according to city officials and the facility's executive director. Both cases involve residents of McDaniel House, a wing of the facility.

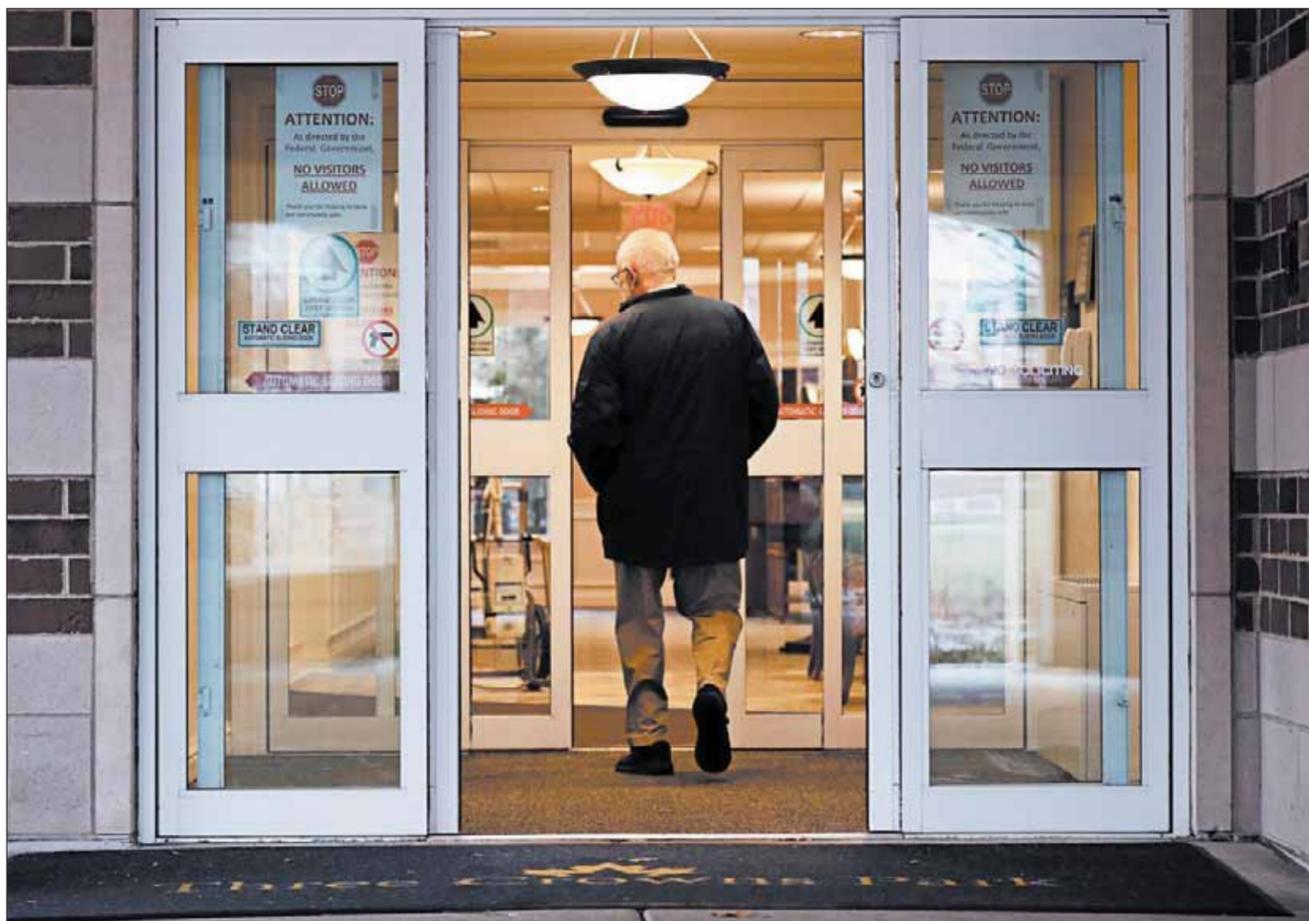
In a Tuesday letter, Phil Hemmer, executive director of the facility, wrote that the second resident was taken for testing and remains hospitalized. Hemmer also shared his frustration that more tests have not been offered to residents, especially after the Willowbrook outbreak.

"We recognize that testing is a vital part of this process but when I inquired about testing residents and staff, Evanston replied that they do not advise testing for anyone who is asymptomatic," Hemmer wrote.

Hemmer described the mood at the facility as "a lot of concern, there is a lot of fear."

A cluster of six cases that might have stemmed from a fundraiser held earlier this month was reported at Lycée Français de Chicago in Ravenswood. The cases apparently include staff members and parents but no students.

The person who tested positive did not show any respiratory symptoms at the March 7 fundraiser, and so



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Three Crowns Park resident Steve Warner, 78, reenters the assisted living facility where two residents have contracted COVID-19.



The Three Crowns Park assisted living facility is shown Wednesday in Evanston.

public health officials believed there was "low risk" to other attendees, school president Eric Veteau said in a message Sunday. But by Monday, the number of confirmed COVID-19 cases linked to Lycée had swelled to six, according to the school. The Lycée said it would remain closed through March 27, or longer, if necessary.

At DePaul University, a faculty member tested positive for the virus, leading to a Wednesday closure of the building at 1150 W. Fullerton Ave., including a Chicago Public Library branch and Amita Sage Medical, to allow for cleaning. The faculty member told school officials he was last in the building briefly on Sunday with someone not connected with DePaul but who has also tested positive.

The Lincoln Park public library branch was used for two weeks as a polling place. The branch at 1150 W. Fullerton Ave. opened as an early voting site on March 2 and served four precincts on Election Day Tuesday, according to Jim Allen, spokesman for the Chicago Board of Election Commissioners.

"We'll look into this with public health officials," Allen said.

Ald. Michele Smith, 43rd, said her understanding is that the faculty member — an art teacher — worked on the upper floor and was not in the library on the first floor. The teacher did use an elevator that is an option for people who can't make the three-stair climb from the lobby to the first-floor landing, she added.

"The possibility for exposure was very limited," Smith said. "I really don't think there's cause for tremendous concern."

Other cases that surfaced Wednesday included an employee for the Chicago Department of Procurement Services and a high-ranking Chicago Fire Department official, the second CFD employee reported to have tested positive for the coronavirus.

On the city's Southeast Side, Ford temporarily shut down production at the Chicago Assembly Plant after a confirmed case at a Hammond, Indiana, seat manufacturing plant disrupted the supply chain.

As the number of cases multiplied, Pritzker ac-

knowledged more National Guard service members may be deployed to help combat the virus.

The governor called up 60 service members earlier this week, including 43 airmen from the Peoria-based 182nd Airlift Wing's Medical Group, and 17 planners and liaison officers from both National Guard and Air National Guard units from across the state. The group includes medical planners, who will help with the anticipated rise in cases.

However, Pritzker said five dozen troops are likely not enough to handle everything needed.

The Peoria-based medical unit includes doctors, nurses and nurse practitioners, but it's mostly made up of medical technicians trained and certified in procedures such as blood draws, swab testing, immunizations and maintaining medical records, a spokesman said. Though the members have both overseas and domestic response experience, the pandemic marks the first time they have been deployed as a unit.

The governor said the service members will perform "a variety of missions" in the coming days and weeks. For example, he said, the units may assist in distributing meals to schoolchildren who might not be getting enough food during the state-ordered school closures until March 30, the governor said.

They also could play future roles in helping to staff hospitals, establishing drive-up testing sites and working in triage hospitals, he said.

Over at City Hall, Mayor

Lori Lightfoot announced the city will ease up on its debt collection practices to give people a break on certain ticket violations as part of an effort to help residents amid the outbreak.

Through at least April 30, Lightfoot said the city will suspend booting, late fees and defaults on payment plans for all city debts, and is suspending checks on city debt for ride-share and taxi drivers. The city also will be limiting ticketing, towing and impounding solely to what she said are public safety-related issues.

"We think that given the challenges that many of the people who will be most impacted by fines and fees are having, now is the time to act," Lightfoot said. "It's the right thing to do. We know cash flow is a significant issue, and we want to be sure we're doing our part to make sure we're doing our part to really hear people, recognize what their daily struggles are, and use the levers of city government to help them rather than leave them reeling and potentially driving them into bankruptcy."

Additional assistance for residents who may not be able to pay utility bills on time came Wednesday as more companies in the state suspended service disconnections. Nicor Gas, Peoples Gas and Ameren Illinois suspended shut-off services for both residential and business customers through May 1. Illinois American Water also suspended shut-offs for an undetermined length of time.

By midweek, cancellations due to the coronavirus

were still compounding, and additional measures to curb the spread of the virus continued to be announced.

Retailers from North suburban supermarket Sunset Foods to Dollar General, Target, Whole Foods and Jewel-Osco said they are setting aside shopping time for customers who could be more vulnerable to the virus.

BMO Harris temporarily closed 43 Chicago-area branches Wednesday and will also suspend lobby access at 151 Chicago-area branches. Twenty-three Chicago-area branches will remain open, said spokesman Patrick O'Herlihy.

On Tuesday, the CTA saw an overall ridership drop of 61% compared with the same day last year, with rail ridership down 70% and bus ridership down 52%, the agency said in an email.

The South Shore Line and Amtrak's Midwestern service will be running fewer daily trains in response to reduced customer demand.

The coronavirus pandemic has sickened more than 200,000 people around the world, according to Johns Hopkins University. More than 8,000 have died, about half of them outside mainland China.

The United States has seen about 6,500 coronavirus cases and more than 110 deaths.

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in comparison with other countries fighting the pandemic.

"Testing is such a central feature of responding to an outbreak because it's part of surveillance," he said in an interview Wednesday. "If we don't know where (cases are) occurring, we can't appropriately apportion prevention and treatment resources."

Hershey said ideally anyone with symptoms would be able to get tested rather than focusing on only the most at-risk populations, as is the case now. Fighting the pandemic is more complicated because it's also the season for other respiratory viruses.

"That's the beauty of drive-thru testing," he said. "You're in the safety of your own car. That why that model is so attractive. You'll be doing more harm than good if you pack waiting rooms with sneezing people, some of whom might have COVID-19 — a minor but they're packed into a waiting room with people who have other viral disease who



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People drive through a COVID-19 testing site at Advocate Lutheran Hospital in Park Ridge on Wednesday.

may be susceptible to COVID-19."

Locally and across the country, medical providers are seeking innovative ways to combat the health crisis while limiting patient and health care worker exposure, including expanded use of telemedicine and tented screening sites outside main hospitals.

Several states opened their first drive-thru coronavirus testing sites this week, including Florida and Alaska, as well as Washington, D.C. Other states like Connecticut, Washington and Colorado were experimenting with drive-thru

testing for health care workers earlier this month.

South Korea launched drive-thru stations in February, part of the nation's system for providing large-scale testing on a level unavailable in the United States. These roadside facilities often allow anonymous screenings, and in one South Korean city, a temporary site in a public parking lot reportedly tested more than 100 residents in a day, according to Reuters.

In Illinois, 288 cases of coronavirus have been confirmed as of Wednesday, and one death has been linked to the new disease,

which originated in Wuhan, China, in December and has since sickened more than 200,000 people around the globe.

Illinois became the first state to test for the new coronavirus in February; other states had a lag time of several weeks before they were able to provide testing at their public health labs.

At Advocate Lutheran General Hospital on Wednesday, a half-dozen signs dotting the property directed patients to the drive-thru coronavirus testing site. The test is intended only for sick patients, said Dr. Robert Citronberg, director of infectious diseases at Advocate Lutheran General.

"This is not designed to test what we call the worried well," he said.

The line on Wednesday morning was only about two or three cars, and there didn't appear to be a long wait. All drive-thru patients must first call their physician and then make an appointment, according to Advocate officials.

Several drivers were turned away from the Park Ridge site on Wednesday because they didn't have appointments.

Dmitra Miller, 43, from Chicago's West Side, said

she had heard reports of drive-thru testing and pulled up, but was told she needed to call her doctor first and make an appointment. Miller, who was wearing a face mask, said she's had symptoms of the highly contagious new virus and was frustrated that it isn't easier to get tested.

"There should be a better setup," she said, adding that she plans to try to come back to Lutheran General later.

Christine Palmieri, 42, of the Lakeview neighborhood said that after seeking testing for some days, she was successfully tested at Lutheran General's drive-thru on Wednesday.

The process took about five minutes, she said. First she pulled up in her vehicle to a white tent, and a health care worker checked to make sure she had a physician's order; then she drove a little farther to a second white tent at the site, where other medical providers swabbed each of her nostrils in a circular motion for about 10 seconds, which she described as uncomfortable.

"I'm very lucky to get tested," she said. "We've come in contact with people who are immunocompro-

mised; I want to know what to tell them."

The Advocate hospital system is in the process of expanding drive-thru testing to more sites, officials said. Last week, Advocate Good Shepherd Hospital in the northwest suburban Barrington began a pilot drive-thru program in an ambulance bay on its property.

Another medical provider, Family First Medical Group in south suburban Evergreen Park and Mokena, began providing curbside coronavirus testing at both locations Monday, according to marketing director Ryan Dawson.

As the number of local coronavirus cases surged recently, the smaller south suburban medical provider decided safe and convenient drive-up testing was the best way to serve the community, he said. The testing process only takes a few minutes and doesn't require patients to exit their vehicle; a phone screening followed by a video visit is required first.

"It became apparent that this is the best thing our patients need right now," Dawson said.

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## ELECTION 2020

## Newman's win in Dem primary ends decades of Lipinski reign

BY PATRICK M. O'CONNELL

Marie Newman has ended an era.

Since 1983, a Lipinski has represented Illinois' 3rd Congressional District, a collection of southwest suburbs and Chicago's Southwest Side. William Lipinski served in Congress until 2005, then engineered the appointment of his son, Dan, to take over the seat.

Two years after nearly ending the decades-long dynasty, the progressive Newman broke through Tuesday night, defeating the socially conservative incumbent and ending the reign of one of the Chicago area's most recognizable political families. Newman's victory was celebrated by progressive groups locally and nationally, with activists saying her win underscores the shifting priorities of Democratic voters.

Newman, a businesswoman from La Grange, had 48.2% of the vote to Lipinski's 45.8% with all but a handful of precincts counted, according to unofficial returns. She will face Republican Mike Fricilone, a Will County Board member who campaigned as a fiscally conservative candidate opposed to abortion rights, in the autumn general election. But the district heavily skews toward Democrats, making Fricilone's bid an uphill climb.

Newman did not hold any public events on Wednesday in order to practice social distancing to mitigate risk from the coronavirus.



Newman

The central themes of the second-straight primary clash between Newman and Lipinski were similar to the first: abortion, health care, immigration and climate change. Lipinski is one of the few remaining anti-abortion Democrats in the U.S. House, and he originally voted against the Affordable Care Act.

Among those reaching out to congratulate Newman via social media was Hillary Clinton.

"Congratulations to @Marie4Congress for her win in #IL03 yesterday. It's a victory for reproductive rights, better health care, DREAMers, our climate, and an economy that works for everyone," Clinton posted.

"Thank you so much," Newman responded. "Can't wait to get started!"

Newman had the backing of a number of national organizations, including the Justice Democrats and progressive New York U.S. Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez.

"Marie has been a consistent fighter for working families throughout her entire career," Alexandra Rojas, the executive director of Justice Democrats, said



With his wife, Judy Lipinski, by his side, Rep Dan Lipinski holds a news conference to concede to Marie Newman at his headquarters in Oak Lawn on Wednesday.

in a phone interview Wednesday. "I think this is a huge victory for the progressive movement and a huge strike against machine politics. I think this shows there is a hunger for a new type of progressive leadership."

Rojas pointed to Lipinski's positions on the Affordable Care Act, abortion, the Green New Deal and the immigrants known as Dreamers as further reasons why Newman's positions resonated with more voters than the incumbent during the primary. Many voters, she said, are prioritizing a woman's right to choose and universal health care, especially as the coronavirus crisis sweeps the country. "We can't keep kicking the can down the road, it does not work, and it is showing right now," Rojas said, arguing that the coronavirus is exposing problems and holes with the American health care system.

Newman has endorsed a "Medicare for All" concept that would be phased in over an unspecified period, allowing for people who currently like their private insurance to keep it.

Newman also had the support of EMILY's List, a national group that supports pro-abortion rights Democratic women.

"Congratulations @Marie4Congress (IL-03) on winning your primary!" the group tweeted. "It's time for IL-03 to have a pro-choice Democratic woman in office!"

Another progressive group, Sunrise Movement, a movement of young people working to stop climate change, also backed Newman.

"We ran a good campaign against tremendous headwinds," Lipinski said during a Wednesday afternoon news conference at his headquarters on 95th Street in Oak Lawn, adding there are still uncounted votes in the city. "But as the numbers stand right now, it appears that I will not prevail."

Lipinski, of Western Springs, and his father are longtime cogs in Democratic Illinois House Speaker Michael Madigan's political organization. Madigan's 13th Ward is part of the congressional district, and his ward organization backed Lipinski. It was support from city wards that helped Lipinski edge Newman in 2018. Lipinski held out hope late Tuesday that not-yet-counted votes in the city would be enough to make up the gap in the suburbs, but it did not appear to be enough.

Lipinski said he called Newman on Wednesday to congratulate her and said he will support her in the fall. Lipinski thanked his wife, Judy, his staff and his family, including his father, Bill, and his mother, Rose Marie, "for providing me with great guidance, love and support throughout this campaign and throughout my life."

Lipinski said his position as anti-abortion "loomed large" in the campaign. But he said he was steadfast in his beliefs and was not willing to change his position to win an election.

"The pressure in the Democratic Party on the life issue has never been as great as it is now," Lipinski said. "Over the years, I have watched many other politicians succumb to pressure and change their position on this issue. I've always said I'd never give up being pro-life and standing up for babies in the womb. Judy and I, and tens of millions of Catholics, hold firm to this belief. But it's not just based on religious belief. It is based on science, which shows that a life begins at conception. Knowing this, I can never give up protecting the most vulnerable human beings in the world simply to win an election. My faith teaches, and the Democratic Party preaches, that we should serve everyone, especially the most vulnerable."

Lipinski said he hopes to focus on an economic stimulus package and a transportation bill during his final nine months in office.

When his term is complete, then he may begin to think about his family's legacy.

"I'm very proud of the work that I've done and that my father did before me," Lipinski said.

Newman's path into politics was a winding one. She grew up in Beverly and Palos Park, graduating from Carl Sandburg High School.

Newman then attended Marquette University, before graduating from the University of Wisconsin. After college, Newman worked in advertising and as a consultant before founding a national nonprofit program called "Team Up To Stop Bullying."

She started the effort after one of her children was bullied at school. She also formed her own consulting company.

Two years ago, Lipinski led on election night, and Newman refused to concede. She kept him waiting, saying she wished for "Mr. Lipinski to have a very painful evening." She conceded the contest the following day.

The 3rd Congressional District includes parts of the Southwest Side, southwest suburban Cook County and northeastern Will County. The race, which drew national attention, was a rematch from 2018, when Lipinski had narrowly defeated Newman by 2.2%, or by 2,145 votes out of 95,205 cast.

In the moments after the race was called, Newman posted a message on Twitter, thanking her supporters and looking ahead to her goals.

"I am bursting with pride and gratitude for the amazing coalition that helped bring about much needed change in our district," Newman posted. "We are going to work together to lower health care costs, to fight climate change, and to build an economy that works for everyone."

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## Martinez claims victory in Dem primary for clerk

BY JOHN BYRNE

Veteran Northwest Side state Sen. Iris Martinez claimed victory Wednesday in the four-way Democratic primary race to follow Dorothy Brown as Cook County clerk of the Circuit Court.

Martinez made the announcement as her three opponents conceded. She will face Republican Barbara Bellar in the November general election.

"I appreciate that my opponents in the election have acknowledged that the voters of Cook County have once again sent a message to the political establishment that they want change," Martinez said in a statement. "I am honored and proud to be that change agent. Our campaign appealed directly to the voters to select an independent, progressive, woman, and the voters responded overwhelmingly."

With 98% of precincts countywide reporting, Martinez had 34% of the vote to 27% for Cook County Board of Review Chairman Michael Cabonargi, 25% for former Cook County Commissioner Richard Boykin and 14% for attorney Jacob Meister, according to unof-

ficial results.

Cabonargi got the Cook County Democratic Party's endorsement.

But as the only Hispanic and woman in the primary, Martinez said she hoped to connect to voters and carve out a path to victory. An 18-year veteran of the Illinois Senate, Martinez has a base and name recognition that also likely helped her.

Brown's five-term run has been marked by criticism that she was too slow to update the office's technology to allow more efficient handling of court cases, as well as by federal investigations that resulted in two former employees being convicted but no charges against Brown.

The four Democrats vowed to expedite the long-delayed move to digital record keeping and to improve transparency so county residents are more confident in the honesty of the office.

During the campaign, Martinez said she would open up the office by making it subject to the state Freedom of Information Act. And she said she would make all the top employees who aren't protected by government hiring rules reapply for their jobs.

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Sanders won barely half of those who are seeking major changes in government.

Moreover, of the 42% of Democratic voters who described themselves as liberal, ostensibly a base for Sanders' progressive-styled campaign, the Vermont senator narrowly edged the former vice president.

Meanwhile, Biden cleaned up among the 58% of voters who called themselves moderate or conservative, winning by a 3-to-1 ratio.

The primary was held under the cloud of concern over the coronavirus, an issue reflected by the voters.

Overall, 79% of Democratic voters said they were concerned that they or a family member would contract the virus. Of those, 61% went with Biden while 33% chose Sanders. Among the 21% who said they were not concerned, 49% chose Biden and 43% voted for Sanders.

Far and away, the top concern of Democratic voters was health care, cited by 42% of them. That was followed by the economy and jobs at 17%, climate change at 15% and issues such as immigration, taxes, gun policy and race relations each receiving 5%.

Those concerns about health care are likely to be ratcheted up as Washington and Springfield attempt to deal with new issues involving the coronavirus, including testing, government-subsidized as well as private insurance coverage, reimbursement for out-of-

pocket costs and the potential of a system that could become overwhelmed.

Fully 70% of Democrats backed a government single-payer program for health care that would replace private insurance, something that has been a staple of Sanders' "Medicare for All" program. Another 29% said they were opposed.

Among Sanders' voters, 84% supported a single-payer program, while 63% of Biden's backers endorsed it. Only 16% of Sanders' voters oppose such a plan while more than one-third of Biden's voters opposed it.

But when asked which candidate would better deal with health care issues, Democratic voters split between Sanders and Biden. On issues such as dealing with the economy and on racial tensions, voters clearly sided with the former vice president.

Overall, 82% of Democrats said they believed Biden could beat Trump, regardless of their preference for the nomination. Among Sanders' voters, 68% agreed.

But only 62% of the state's Democratic electorate said they believed Sanders could defeat Trump, and Biden voters split equally on whether the Vermont senator could or could not beat the incumbent.

The AP VoteCast survey of 2,738 Democratic voters, conducted by NORC at the University of Chicago, had an error margin of 3.3 percentage points, with a larger margin for demographic subgroups.

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## Settlement reached in Puerto Rican Parade Committee case

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After more than a year of investigations, court proceedings and swirling allegations surrounding the Puerto Rican Parade Committee, the Illinois attorney general's office earlier this month announced a settlement in the bankruptcy case.

As part of the settlement, the remaining assets of the parade committee will be distributed to the Daniel Ramos Puerto Rican Festival Committee, according to a news release from the attorney general's office. The Daniel Ramos committee is now organizing the beloved summer festival in Humboldt Park, which the funds will support.

"The Puerto Rican Day Parade and festival is an important celebration that brings together Chicago's Puerto Rican community to showcase their rich culture,

and the misuse of the Puerto Rican Parade Committee's funds jeopardized this important Chicago tradition," Attorney General Kwame Raoul said in the news release. "Today's settlement ensures that those who misused funds are held accountable for improper spending that took advantage of donors and the Chicagoans who anticipate these festivities each year."

Carmen Martinez, the partner of the Puerto Rican Parade Committee's former president Angel Medina, is now banned from acting as a trustee or board member for another nonprofit organization, according to the release.

When reached by phone, Martinez said she preferred not to talk in length about the case.

"I've suffered so much because of this," she said.

Martinez said she is still proud to be Puerto Rican

and everything she did for the organization "was with a good intention."

"But only God knows what happened. And everything I did, I did with a good heart," Martinez added.

In July 2018, the attorney general's office opened an investigation into the nonprofit committee "after receiving complaints about alleged financial misconduct, including hundreds of thousands of dollars in questionable spending," according to the release.

The committee was also under investigation by police for allegations of theft and deceptive practices. It was unclear how much money from entrance fees for the festival, a portion of which was supposed to go to Hurricane Maria relief, was collected, according to committee board members at the time. And some people were allegedly not paid — one vendor told the Tribune his company had a \$19,000 contract and

months later still had not been paid.

Past festivals have brought in more than \$100,000, according to tax filings.

Meanwhile, Casa Puertorriquena, the committee's home building and community hub, was at risk of being sold because the committee filed for bankruptcy in 2017, claiming it was more than \$900,000 in debt. The building was eventually sold.

Martinez claimed more than \$500,000 in mortgages on the property. The committee filed an adversary complaint claiming it owed Martinez nothing. Meanwhile, the attorney general's office got involved and alleged Martinez violated the state's charitable trust laws — claiming Martinez and Medina "engaged in multiple questionable transactions" related to the committee's assets and Martinez's mortgages.

As part of the settlement, Martinez agreed to with-

draw portions of her claim and cap her recovery, according to the attorney general's office. She also agreed to cooperate by providing information about the committee.

The remainder of about \$30,000 from the sale of Casa Puertorriquena will be paid to the attorney general's office as part of the settlement, and will be distributed to the Puerto Rican Cultural Center and used by the Daniel Ramos committee to continue the annual celebration.

Casa Puertorriquena was expected to be demolished and replaced with affordable housing with a space for the new committee.

But now an organization specifically committed to the community center has identified a new building in Humboldt Park that could serve as a neighborhood hub, said Charles Serrano, a leader in the effort.

"I think the bankruptcy coming to a closure allows

for new beginnings," Serrano said.

The festival will continue on, along with additional year-round events for the entire community, Serrano said.

Carlos Jimenez Flores, executive director of the Daniel Ramos committee, said this year's festival will be "bigger and better."

Flores said he'd like to see a blood drive as part of the festival, in addition to features such as film screenings and voter registration from last year's fest. The festival will also feature more women performers than in previous years, Flores said, including one night of all female acts.

"We just have to do our little bit to show future generations that, hey, we've turned the page," Flores said.

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# Sanders weighs options after losses

Dem calls grow for Vermont senator to drop out of race

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Advisers to Sen. Bernie Sanders said Wednesday that he was assessing his presidential campaign after another round of major primary losses left him with no realistic path to the nomination, while the 2020 race itself looked increasingly dormant because of the coronavirus outbreak.

Amid growing calls from Democrats that Sanders should consider winding down his candidacy, aides sent an email to supporters without asking for donations and the campaign stopped advertising on Facebook. Advisers say he is not suspending his bid at this point, but these are the kind of steps that other candidates have taken before ending their campaigns.

Faiz Shakir, Sanders' campaign manager, said the Vermont senator was considering his options after he was beaten by Joe Biden in Arizona, Florida and Illinois on Tuesday, but also suggested a decision on how to proceed was not imminent.

"The next primary contest is at least three weeks away," Shakir said in a statement. "Senator Sanders is going to be having conversations with supporters to assess his campaign. In the immediate term, however, he is focused on the government response to the coronavirus outbreak and ensuring that we take care of working



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Presidential hopeful Bernie Sanders suffered another setback Tuesday after losing Arizona, Florida and Illinois primaries.

people and the most vulnerable."

There have been signs in recent days that Sanders wanted to forge ahead and make a case that he sees no one else making: that the pandemic has brought new urgency to his calls for "Medicare for All." On Tuesday night before most polls closed, he released a list of proposals to deal with the crisis, including that Medicare cover all medical bills and provide \$2,000 cash payments to every American each month.

Whether he stays in the race is a decision that rests with Sanders and his wife, Jane, but some of his aides and supporters see no real downside in sticking it out,

at least in the short term. Many recognize that he is eager to continue pushing a message that he has championed for decades — and that he is singularly focused on keeping his political movement alive. And after years of being excluded from what he sees as the party's establishment clique, he is also determined to show that he is a better candidate than Biden, whom he views as the establishment's choice, some close to him say.

But even before his latest round of losses, some Sanders aides and supporters were coming to terms that his path to the nomination had become almost impossibly narrow. Sanders spent

Tuesday largely focused on developing his list of proposals, according to an aide. He intends to use his platform in the coming days — as a senator and as a public figure — to concentrate on ways to help Americans during the health crisis, and he has indicated he plans to speak with Democratic leadership about the plans he has proposed.

As of Wednesday, the most conspicuous Sanders booster was President Donald Trump himself, who seemed to lament the imminent end of a fight he believed would work to his advantage. "The DNC will have gotten their fondest wish and defeated Bernie Sanders, far ahead of sched-

ule," Trump wrote on Twitter. "Now they are doing everything possible to be nice to him in order to keep his supporters. Bernie has given up, just like he did last time. He will be dropping out soon!"

As the results came in Tuesday, some Democrats were declaring the race effectively over and openly calling for him to drop out, suggesting that Sanders would look out of step with the moment if he stayed in a race he had no chance of winning, especially when the country is contending with a deadly virus outbreak.

"Bernie is getting beat by 30 and 40 points, it's over," said Rep. Don Beyer of

Virginia, who has endorsed Biden. "This is the adult thing to do — knowing when it is time to disappear."

Former Sen. Tom Daschle of South Dakota said that "barring unforeseen developments, Joe Biden will be our nominee," and that he assumed Sanders wanted to use his candidacy for leverage at the convention and in negotiations over policy with Biden. "He has a significant portion of his progressive base who are unwilling to concede," added Daschle, who has also endorsed Biden. "But, obviously, the sooner we unify the stronger we will be."

Even some of Sanders' own allies were acknowledging that Biden would most likely be the party's nominee.

"Tonight is a really good night for Joe Biden, and it looks like he will be the presumptive nominee," Alexandra Rojas, the executive director of the progressive group Justice Democrats, said Tuesday night on CNN. But she suggested that forcing Sanders to drop out would "shame" his supporters and deprive them of their ability to vote for their preferred candidate.

Shakir, in a subsequent email to the campaign's supporters, gave a blunt appraisal of its recent performance. "No sugarcoating it, last night did not go the way we wanted," he wrote.

Ohio, Georgia, Louisiana, Kentucky and Maryland have postponed their primaries, and more states could follow, raising the possibility that a portion of the election season could stretch into June.



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Travelers have their temperature checked this week before entering the airport in Kabul, Afghanistan. Quarantine procedures are complicating the withdrawal of U.S.-led troops.

## Coronavirus slows drawdown of US troops in Afghanistan

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WASHINGTON — The U.S. commander in Afghanistan is halting American and allied troops from entering Afghanistan and, in turn, preventing some troops from leaving, for the next month, American and European officials said. The planning reflects mounting concerns as the coronavirus has spread in the country in recent days.

Gen. Austin Miller's decision aims to protect his forces from the virus. But, in turn, it may complicate the drawdown of troops ordered by President Donald Trump after the United States recently signed a peace agreement with the Taliban.

American officials insist their Afghanistan drawdown will continue as planned following the peace deal. But, for now, European diplomats say they are not so sure.

There are roughly 12,000 U.S. troops in Afghanistan. But under an agreement signed between the Taliban and American diplomats last month, that

number is set to decrease to 8,600 within the next hundred or so days. NATO and coalition forces, with roughly 8,700 troops in the country, were set to draw down a commensurate amount.

Between the ongoing Taliban-fueled violence, political uncertainty at the top of the Afghan government and the possibility of a larger outbreak of the virus, NATO has put aside for now discussions of the troop drawdown. European diplomats said the uncertainty in Afghanistan will make it difficult for the Americans to stick to their drawdown plan and for NATO to follow with its own reductions.

NATO will release its annual report this week, and Secretary-General Jens Stoltenberg is expected to address the Afghanistan mission at a news conference Thursday. Alliance officials declined to comment ahead of Stoltenberg's speech.

In a statement posted to Twitter, Col. Sonny Leggett, a spokesman for the U.S.-led mission in Afghanistan, said that "protecting the force is our top priority."

"We continue to execute the ordered drawdown to 8600," he wrote.

Several European countries had tentative plans to deploy additional logistics troops to Afghanistan to help close bases as part of the peace plan. But with the uncertainty over carrying out the peace agreement and a demand for logistical expertise in Europe to fight the virus, those deployments are on hold for now, a European official said.

The European official said that troops for several countries were on a two-week quarantine before entering Afghanistan.

But the new orders from Resolute Support could stretch that quarantine period for far longer, as the U.S.-led NATO command puts measures in place to try to slow the spread of the virus into Afghanistan.

One allied official said that even in a worst-case scenario, the readiness of their forces should be only marginally affected. The pause in rotations will make sure personnel coming into Afghanistan are virus-free and minimize any risk that troops leaving would infect others in their home countries.

## Inmates fearful of virus argue for release or home detention

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NEW YORK — Coronavirus has become a "get out of jail" card for hundreds of low-level inmates across the country, and even hard-timers are seeking their freedom with the argument that it's not a matter of if but when the deadly illness sweeps through tightly packed populations behind bars.

Among those pleading for compassionate release or home detention are the former head of the Cali drug cartel, President Donald Trump's former personal attorney Michael Cohen, Ponzi schemer Bernard Madoff and dozens of inmates at New York City's Rikers Island, part of a jail system that lost an employee to the virus this week.

"He is in poor health. He is 81 years old," David Oscar Markus, the attorney for cocaine kingpin Gilberto Rodriguez-Orejuela, wrote in emergency court papers this week seeking his release after serving about half of a 30-year drug-trafficking sentence. "When (not if) COVID-19 hits his prison, he will not have much of a chance."

While widespread outbreaks of coronavirus behind bars have yet to happen, the frenzy of legal activity underscores a crude reality that's only beginning to sink in: America's nearly 7,000 jails, prisons and correction facilities are an ideal breeding ground for the virus, as dangerous as nursing homes and cruise ships but far less sanitary.

Stepped-up cleanings and a temporary halt to visitations at many lockups across the country in the midst of the crisis can't make up for the fact that ventilation behind bars is often poor, inmates sleep in close quarters and share a small number of bath-



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"Simply put, it's impossible to do social distancing" in jails and prisons, a former federal prosecutor says.

rooms.

"Simply put, it's impossible to do social distancing," said David Weinstein, a former federal prosecutor in Miami.

The 81-year-old Madoff, who is serving a 150-year sentence for bilking thousands of investors in a \$175 billion Ponzi scheme, had just asked last month to be released early in light of his terminal kidney disease. Now his attorney is calling on all at-risk federal prisoners to be released for their own safety because of the coronavirus.

"The federal prison system has consistently shown an inability to respond to major crises," Madoff attorney Brandon Sample told The Associated Press. "My concerns are even more amplified for prisoners at federal medical centers and those who are aged."

As of Wednesday, two federal Bureau of Prisons staff members have tested positive for coronavirus, a person familiar with the matter told the AP. One of the staffers works in a correctional facility in Berlin, New Hampshire, and the other works in an office in Grand Prairie, Texas, but there were still no confirmed cases among any of the 175,000 inmates in the BOP system, the person said. The person, who spoke to the AP on condition of anonymity,

would not say how many inmates, if any, have been tested for coronavirus.

It's not just attorneys for the wealthy and powerful seeking release.

In New York, public defenders asked judges to release older and at-risk inmates from the city's beleaguered federal jails, saying pretrial confinement "creates the ideal environment for the transmission of contagious disease." The motions cite a provision of the Bail Reform Act allowing for the temporary release of pretrial inmates under "compelling" circumstances.

"I truly believe the jails are ticking time bombs," said David Patton, executive director of the Federal Defenders of New York. "They're overcrowded and unsanitary in the best of times. They don't provide appropriate medical care in the best of times, and these certainly are not the best of times."

Some authorities around the nation appear to agree. Police departments are incarcerating fewer people, prosecutors are letting nonviolent offenders out early and judges are postponing or finding alternatives to jail sentences.

"No judge wants to have a dead prisoner on his conscience," said Bill Barzee, a Miami defense attorney.

# Russian: 'Here I can be my own dictator'

Putin critic takes advantage of free land program

BY ANDREW HIGGINS  
The New York Times

NOVINKA, Russia — An outspoken critic of Russia's president, and of all the Kremlin leaders who came before, Sergei Lunin is an inveterate malcontent.

But as Lunin, a peniless 60-year-old, tramped recently across an expanse of pristine snow studded with birch trees 3,500 miles east of Moscow, he rejoiced at the prospect of finally finding some satisfaction.

"Here I can be my own dictator," Lunin said, outlining his plans to turn the land, granted to him for free by the Russian state, into a sanctuary from, well, the Russian state.

When President Vladimir Putin began a program four years ago to hand out plots of land in remote areas of the Russian Far East, the idea was to lure young, hardy settlers to the vast and sparsely populated region in a Slavic replay of the 1862 Homestead Act's promise of 160 acres in the United States.

Instead, at least in this patch of territory near the Chinese border, the Kremlin's program got Lunin, a self-declared anarchist — though, he insists, "not an idiot who supports violence" — and lifelong gadfly.

Before signing up as a pioneer to develop his plot of empty land, he edited a now-defunct newspaper, Dissident; spent time in a Soviet jail accused of "parasitism"; and did freelance work as a political consultant specializing in making mischief.

That someone like Lunin wanted to join the Kremlin's settler program — and has been accepted into it — is a measure of how, in more far-flung corners of Russia, the rigid political barriers that define with-us-or-against-us politics in Mos-



Sergey Lunin and wife, Aliona Dobrovolskaya, in their apartment in Blagoveshensk, the closest city to Lunin's property.

cow and other cities in the west of the country can quickly dissolve.

Like the American West, the Russian Far East has always been a land apart. This is true not only because of its distance from the capital but also because of its self-image as a haven of relative freedom, a place of exile and a magnet for all manner of dissenters, idealists and oddballs.

The Russian Far East, with its vast open vistas and stunning natural beauty, is still a world away from the cramped spaces and often cramped minds of the west. And it often tolerates and even nurtures ruggedly contrarian, freethinking spirits.

Encouraging such spirits was not Putin's goal when the Kremlin embarked on its Far Eastern Hectare program, which offers each taker 2.5 acres. The effort is aimed primarily at rescuing the area from decades of declining population and economic malaise.

The Far East accounts for 41% of Russia's total territory but has just 6.2 million inhabitants, less than 5% of the country's population.

More than 78,000 Russians have so far taken up the offer of free land. But many of these are not home-steaders from outside the Far East; instead, they are locals, including many officials, who simply want to build a vacation home.

Kremlin critics mock the program as a misguided failure, but Lunin, though "initially very skeptical" and still upset by rules that make it easy for officials to take back the land they grant, has come around to embracing it — despite his lifelong wariness of everything connected to officialdom.

Lunin has never voted for Putin and rejects everything he stands for, but he also sees him as "the pure pressed juice" of the ideas and attitudes held by the vast majority of Russians.

"He not only represents

the people but is the clearest expression of the people," he said. "Look around — all these people will vote for Putin."

A recent move by the Kremlin to rewrite the rules so that Putin can crash through constitutional term limits and stay in power through 2036 has only confirmed Lunin's distaste for what he called "Russia's repulsive reality."

But Lunin does not have any faith in Russia's Moscow-based opposition, either, which he said "is just another part of the same system."

It is this bleak picture that made him want to strike out with his wife, his third, on a patch of undeveloped land surrounded by swamps, frozen in winter and swarming with bugs in summer. There are no neighbors for miles other than a nursery run by the Russian Orthodox Church.

But his 74-acre property, which includes plots re-

ceived by his wife, Alyona Dobrovolskaya, and mother-in-law, has a road nearby and possible access to electricity, unlike most of the land on offer.

"This will be my own little country, and I will be its Putin," he explained during a recent visit along with his wife to their land.

He quickly added that his wife had nothing to fear from his planned little despotism.

"We will be equal, dictators together of our own fate," he said. "Nobody will suffer from my rule."

His readiness to join the Kremlin's land giveaway has caused dismay among some like-minded critics of the Kremlin. Appearing last year on Ekho Moskvy, a radio station popular with Russia's liberal intelligentsia, he faced repeated questions about how a dogged foe of the authorities like himself could join the settlement project.

"I am not supporting

Putin's program," he said. "I am using it. I'm doing this for myself."

Aside from going online to apply for the land and filling in official forms testifying to his readiness to develop it, however, Lunin has so far done little. He has hammered wooden stakes wrapped with red plastic tags into the frozen ground to mark the boundary of his territory but has done nothing substantial to develop it as required by the program's rules.

He planned to start last summer, but with only a tent to shelter in during a long and violent storm, he fell ill and retreated to his rented apartment in Blagoveshensk, the nearest city. He said he will try again this summer and has grand plans to one day grow his own food, cultivate fruit and vegetables for sale, and build a two-story wooden house next to a small lake at the property's edge.

To do this, however, he needs money.

With a monthly salary of 7,000 rubles, around \$106, from his day job in Blagoveshensk as a technician, Lunin gets by with support from his wife, who has a better-paying job at a medical institute. But with their combined wages, they still have nowhere near enough to buy the equipment and materials needed to develop their land.

Unless he does something soon, authorities can take his property. To demonstrate he is making some small progress, Lunin plans to build a small hut once the snow melts this year to shelter in and, he hopes, keep covetous officials away until he can save enough to start building something more permanent.

Describing himself as an optimist despite his dyspeptic view of Russia and its leaders, he said he learned long ago to never lose hope or let officials get him down.

"I was free under Brezhnev and am free under Putin," he said. "I am free inside."

**10 THINGS**  
YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW  
ABOUT NEARLY EVERYTHING

A Collection of Fascinating Historical, Scientific and Cultural Trivia about PEOPLE, PLACES and THINGS

MARK JACOB & STEPHAN BENZKOPFER  
Chicago Tribune

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## CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

# Closed borders within Europe unleash chaos

Congestion reigns, goods stranded amid outbreak

BY BENJAMIN NOVAK AND MELISSA EDDY  
The New York Times

BUDAPEST — European leaders' decision to fight the spread of the coronavirus by closing land borders proudly thrown open 25 years ago has left drivers angry, goods stranded and traffic backed up for miles across the heart of a continent used to letting its residents pass through with virtually no checks.

The pledge that the movement of goods would not be interrupted by the measures appeared to be failing badly Wednesday, especially in Hungary, the landlocked nation that has suddenly become a bottleneck in Europe. Prime Minister Viktor Orban carried through with his promise Monday to close the borders to all foreign nationals — leaving road travelers stranded and fuming.

After many international airlines cut flights and the United States banned travel from most of Europe, plans were thrown into disarray

and airports became scenes of confusion. A similar scene has been playing out for days on a larger scale on European roads.

Bulgarians, Romanians, Serbians and Ukrainians on either side of the main Austria-Hungary crossing have left their cars and sat on the main road, preventing any vehicles from crossing in either direction in an effort to pressure authorities to open the crossing.

Truckers trying to transport goods to and from nations like Poland and Germany were enduring 30-hour waits. Slovaks working in Hungary were left with no sense of when they would be able to cross back home because of backups at the Hungary-Slovakia border.

Free movement of goods and people is a principle at the heart of the European Union, and a week ago, countries including Germany had derided President Donald Trump's decision to close U.S. borders to most of Europe. But as the number of infections has climbed worldwide — it was more than 200,000 by Wednesday — individual members of the 26 nations belonging to the borderless Schengen Agreement began

throwing up controls and turning back nonresidents and others who were not able to prove a need to enter the countries.

By midday Wednesday, however, the protesters' strategy appeared to have worked. Karl Nehammer, Austria's interior minister, who had been consulting with his counterpart in Hungary since Tuesday to find a solution, announced that Hungary had reopened its border in an effort to ease the crunch.

Later Wednesday, Polish officials agreed to open four crossings to vehicles in an effort to ease the traffic jam and ensure that cargo could get through.

The virus has infected more than 214,000 people worldwide and killed over 8,700.

Some bright spots emerged: Wuhan, the locked-down Chinese city where the virus was first detected in late December, reported just one new case for a second straight day Wednesday. The situation had improved enough that China even sent medical supplies to hard-hit France, returning a favor done by the French weeks ago.

But in a grim illustration



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Hungarian police officers check vehicles crossing the border from Austria on Wednesday at the border station of Hegyeshalom, Hungary.

of the epidemic's shifting center of gravity, the death toll in Italy was close to overtaking China's. Italy had more than 2,900 dead after a record one-day total of 475; China's overall toll was around 3,200.

Iran has also been hit hard, with more than 17,000 cases and 1,100 deaths.

Yet, even as the number of cases in Iran grows, food markets were still packed with shoppers and highways were crowded as families traveled ahead of the Persian New Year, Nowruz, on Friday.

Deputy Health Minister Alireza Raisi urged the public to avoid travel and crowds, telling Iranians the

days ahead represented two "golden weeks" to try curb the virus.

He criticized people for not adhering to the warnings to stay home. "This is not a good situation at all," he said.

Meanwhile, African nations should "prepare for the worst" as the coronavirus begins to spread locally, the World Health Organization's director-general said Wednesday, while South Africa became the continent's new focus of concern as cases nearly doubled to 116 from two days before.

Though the pandemic is in its early days on the continent, health experts

have warned that even facilities in Africa's richest nation could be overwhelmed by the virus' spread.

Crowded conditions in poor areas could lead to even faster transmission, experts say. Countless South Africans continue to pack into commuter trains and minivan taxis.

"We have low-income workers who cannot afford to self-isolate or take time off work," said public health expert Dr. Atiya Mosam, who also worried about the large population without clean water or sanitation or vulnerable from HIV or tuberculosis.

Associated Press contributed.

## Virus

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and evictions through April. A growing number of Americans face losing jobs and missing rent and mortgage payments.

But as Trump laid out efforts to steady the economy, the markets plummeted. Gone were the last of the gains that the Dow Jones Industrial Average had made since Trump took office.

The Senate overwhelmingly passed a second coronavirus response bill, sending it to Trump, who signed it Wednesday night. The vote was 90-8 despite worries by many Republicans about a temporary new employer mandate to provide sick leave to workers who get COVID-19. The measure is also aimed at making diagnostic tests for the virus free.

In the House, Reps. Mario Diaz-Balart, R-Fla., and Ben McAdams, D-Utah, released statements saying they had tested positive for COVID-19 — the first two known cases in Congress.

Meanwhile, the administration pushed forward its broad economic rescue plan, which proposes \$500 billion in checks to millions of Americans, with the first checks to come April 6 if Congress approves the plan.

The president was also pressed on why a number of celebrities, like professional basketball players, seemed to have easier access to diagnostic tests than ordinary citizens.

"Perhaps that's the story of life," Trump said. "I've heard that happens on occasion."

Trump dismissed talk from Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin, who suggested that the nation could face 20% unemployment at least in the short term.

That's an "absolute total worst-case scenario," Trump said. "We're no way near it."

The administration has told Americans to avoid



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Harry Powell changes the marquee to include a message to patrons Wednesday at the Kentucky Theatre in Lexington.

groups of more than 10 people and the elderly to stay home while a pointed reminder was given to millennials to follow the guidelines and avoid social gatherings. Trump likened the effort to the measures taken during World War II and said it would require national "sacrifice."

"It's a war," he said. "I view it as a, in a sense, a wartime president."

The president also employed more nativist, us-vs-them rhetoric at the briefing, continuing his recent habit of referring to the coronavirus as the "Chinese virus," which has been criticized as racist. "It's not racist at all," Trump said. "It comes from China, that's all."

He was asked about a report that a White House

aide had referred to the virus as the "Kung flu" when talking to an Asian American reporter, and Trump did not signal disapproval of the term.

The Defense Production Act gives the president a broad set of authorities to shape the domestic industrial base so that it is capable of providing essential materials and goods needed in a national security crisis.

The law allows the president to require businesses and corporations to prioritize and accept contracts for required materials and services.

It also allows the president to provide incentives for the domestic industrial base to expand the production and supply of critical materials and goods, ac-

ording to a March 2 report by the Congressional Research Service.

Trump also said he would soon invoke a rarely used federal statute that would enable the U.S. to tighten controls along the southwest border because of the new coronavirus, based on a recommendation of the U.S. surgeon general.

More than eight weeks after the first U.S. case of the virus was detected, the federal government is still struggling to conduct wide-scale testing for the virus. Compounding the problem, laboratories are reporting shortages of key supplies needed to run tests.

Vice President Mike Pence reiterated Wednesday that testing should give priority to those most likely

to have COVID-19.

"It's important to remember that people without symptoms should not get tested," Pence said. "We want to make sure the supply of testing is there for those who need it most."

Deborah Birx, who is coordinating the White House response, cautioned there has been a backlog of swabs waiting in labs to be tested, and as that backlog clears "we will see the number of people diagnosed dramatically increased" in the next few days.

Birx said the science discovering how long the virus can be transmissible on hard surfaces helped prompt the administration's tightening of recommendations on social distancing. "None of us really understood the level

of surface piece," she said. "We're still working out how much is it by human-human transmission and how much is it by surface." She said: "Don't expose yourself to surfaces outside the home."

Birx also renewed her call for younger people to follow federal guideline and stop meeting in groups.

She said there have been "concerning reports" from France and Italy about young people becoming seriously ill.

"We cannot have these large gatherings that continue throughout the country for people who are off work," Birx said. She added that the federal pandemic task force so far has not seen any "significant mortality" in children.

## US Census Bureau suspends field operations over virus concerns



JOHN AMIS/AP

The U.S. Census Bureau has suspended field operations.

BY MIKE SCHNEIDER  
Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — A week after starting its 2020 count, the U.S. Census Bureau on Wednesday suspended field operations for two weeks out of concern about the health and safety of its workers and the U.S. public from the novel coronavirus.

Census Bureau officials said they were continuing to monitor all operations related to the once-a-decade head count amid the

global pandemic. As of Wednesday, 11 million households had answered the census questions.

Most census workers won't head into the field until May, when they'll knock on the doors of homes that haven't turned in their questionnaires.

But some workers are already in the field, primarily working on counts for college students, nursing homes, prisons and other institutions, as well as places with no fixed addresses.

Census historian Margo Anderson called the move unprecedented.

"I don't think I've ever heard of such a suspension, nationwide," said Anderson, a history professor at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. "We're in uncharted territory on the census, as well as everything else since last Friday."

This is the first decennial census that has encouraged most people to answer the questionnaire online, although respondents can also answer by telephone or

mailing back a form. The Census Bureau is hoping a strong self-response rate will decrease the need for census takers to knock on doors for face-to-face interviews this summer.

"The public is strongly encouraged to respond to the 2020 Census online using a desktop computer, laptop, smartphone, or tablet, and can also respond by phone or mail," the Census Bureau said in a statement.

The 2020 census will help determine how many congressional seats each

state gets and the distribution of \$1.5 trillion in federal spending.

In a statement, the chairwoman of the House Committee on Oversight and Reform said lawmakers were monitoring the suspension of field operations and encouraged people to self-respond.

"By responding now, you will ensure that the Census Bureau does not need to send a census worker to your door," Democratic U.S. Rep. Carolyn Maloney of New York said.

## CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

## Italy struggling with onslaught of patients

Country's high number of cases difficult to treat

BY ANDREA FOA  
Associated Press

BRESCIA, Italy — Three weeks into Italy's coronavirus crisis, Dr. Sergio Cattaneo has seen an unused ward outfitted into an intensive care unit in six days, a hospital laundry room converted into a giant stretcher-filled waiting room and a tented field hospital erected outside to test possible new virus patients.

But Cattaneo, head of anesthesiology and intensive care at the public hospital in Brescia in northern Italy, still can't get his head around the curve — the upward slope of new infections in Italy that tracks almost exactly the trajectory of cases in Wuhan, China, where the global pandemic began three months ago.

"What is really shocking — something we had not been able to forecast and brought us to our knees — is the quickness the epidemic

spreads," Cattaneo said during a tour of Brescia's newest ICU. "If the spreading of this epidemic is not put under control, it will bring all hospitals to their knees."

Cattaneo's new ICU added six more beds to the hospital's capacity, bringing to 42 the number of ICU beds dedicated to the virus. Across the Lombardy region, local authorities are pushing ahead with plans to build a 400-bed ICU field hospital at the Milan fairgrounds, even though the civil protection agency has warned that it doesn't have the ventilators or personnel to staff it, and that time is running out.

"The secret has been — and this should be a strong message for foreign countries — to act early on this, in order to avoid — like in our case — having to chase after it day after day," Cattaneo said.

Brescia, an industrial city of nearly 200,000 east of Milan and the capital of a province of 1.2 million, is second only to nearby Bergamo in positive cases in Lombardy, the epicenter of the pandemic in Europe.

While many people suffer relatively mild symptoms from the virus, the mortality rate in Italy in people over 80 is 22%, according to statistics from the National Institutes of Health.

It has been a race against time for Lombardy to add more ICU beds than the patients who need them, not an easy task given that 10% of all Italy's infected require ICU admission, primarily for respiratory help.

Nearly all admitted patients have interstitial pneumonia, a disease in which the lace-like tissue of the lungs' alveoli become inflamed, leading to progressive respiratory failure, according to Giovanna Perone, director of Brescia's emergency services.

"In the last few days, the number of people arriving here on their own and reporting such symptoms has increased," Perone said outside the civil protection tents where walk-in patients are tested and then sent to the hospital's converted laundry room to await the results.

The onslaught of infections has completely overwhelmed



LUCA BRUNO/AP

Doctors in northern Italy are struggling to make room for the onslaught of patients.

the public health system in Italy's prosperous north, prompting regional officials to beg retired doctors to come back to work and to accelerate graduation dates for nurses and specialists.

"I ask you from my heart, we need your competency, your experience, your efficiency," said Giulio Gallera, Lombardy's chief health care official. "Give us a hand."

Already Lombardy this week has received 2,200 responses to a "help wanted" sign on its Facebook page, and hired over 1,000 people, Gallera said.

Italy's medical personnel also complain about critical

shortages of gear, including protective masks and gowns. Italy's national federations of doctors and nurses have issued a joint alarm over the more than 2,300 medical personnel who have been infected, 1,900 of them doctors and nurses. The two groups demanded adequate protective masks, gloves and other equipment as a matter of national security for the 900,000-strong medical workforce in Italy.

"We have to redefine the priorities in the fight," said Filippo Anelli, head of the doctors' federation. "It's unfathomable, unworthy of a civil society and puts public health at risk."

Italy's civil protection agency has blasted countries for failing to follow through on orders of protective masks, including 20 million that were under contract but were never delivered.

Civil protection chief Angelo Borrelli has named India, Russia, Romania and France as countries that have blocked exports of the specialized masks, which Italy doesn't produce domestically.

Prisoners are being put to work to make surgical masks, since there's a shortage of them, too. The Justice Ministry estimates that inmates could produce as many as 10,000 a day.



ELAINE THOMPSON/AP

Nurse Laurie Kuypers works at a drive-through COVID-19 testing station in Seattle.

## US government struggles to fill demand for protective gear

BY ANDREW SELSKY  
Associated Press

SALEM, Ore. — The U.S. government is rushing protective equipment to states, packing dozens of flights and hundreds of trucks with supplies for medical workers who will be on the front lines of the coronavirus fight.

But the pandemic has exposed some of the stockpile's shortcomings: The cache isn't designed to be a long-term solution to monumental demand, and some state officials are complaining that the deliveries are falling far short of what's needed or include expired items.

The Strategic National Stockpile was created in 1999 to respond to bombings and biological, chemical and nuclear attacks. It maintains caches of pharmaceuticals, medical supplies and vaccines in secret locations around the nation.

It has never confronted anything on the scale of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The first real use came in the anthrax-by-mail attacks following the Sept. 11 attacks, but it was the 2009 H1N1 pandemic that prompted the largest use to date, said Christopher Mc-

Knight Nichols, associate professor of history at Oregon State University.

"The SNS as designed and funded cannot and will not be able to fully accommodate the needs of the entirety of the American people," Nichols said. The system "is designed to help buy time" and prioritize areas of greatest need.

When the virus first hit the U.S., federal officials did focus on a hot spot: the Seattle area.

The country's first coronavirus death occurred there on Feb. 29.

That same day, Washington Gov. Jay Inslee requested almost one-quarter million N95 respirator masks, which fit tightly to the face, and 200,000 surgical masks, which are less protective than respirators but still deemed acceptable by federal health officials when N95 masks are unavailable. The governor also asked for 5,000 eye protectors, 60,000 disposable gowns and 70,000 pairs of gloves.

Six days later, the shipment came in.

"They met our entire request," said Mike Faulk, a spokesman for the Democratic governor.

A second order resulted

in the delivery of more N95 respirators and other equipment, Faulk said.

But since then, Washington state has received only about 25% of requests, according to Jessica Baggett of the state's joint information center.

Other states haven't gotten what they wanted.

"If anyone in the Trump administration is listening, I want to say this very loudly and clearly: We need a better response from the federal government," Rhode Island Gov. Gina Raimondo, a Democrat, said Monday. "We need faster access to our personal protective equipment, masks, goggles, gloves, etc. to protect our front-line health care workers. I am out of patience at this point."

The state requested hundreds of thousands of respirators, surgical masks, gloves and other protective equipment from the stockpile and received a quarter of that request, said Joseph Wendelken, spokesman for the Rhode Island Department of Health.

Health experts have previously estimated that demand for masks could reach 300 million per month in a worst-case scenario, he noted.

## US, Canada closing shared border to nonessential travel

BY ROB GILLIES  
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The New York Times

NEW YORK — The United States and Canada agreed Wednesday to temporarily close their shared border to nonessential travel to confront the coronavirus pandemic, bringing a halt to tourism and family visits but leaving the flow of trade intact.

The announcement by President Donald Trump came as his administration prepared to immediately return all people to Mexico caught illegally crossing the southern U.S. border.

These combined actions would further isolate the United States, affecting two borders that have been treated in starkly different ways by the Trump administration.

The flow of travelers on the northern border, the world's longest between two nations, has been relatively open. By comparison, Trump has made clamping down on immigration, both legal and illegal, across the southern border the cornerstone of his presidency.

The Canadian restrictions, unlike those under consideration with Mexico, were agreed upon mutually by both governments.

Canadian Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said travelers will no longer be permitted to cross the border for recreation or tourism, but that essential travel will continue.

"It is critical that we preserve supply chains between both countries," Trudeau said.

Trudeau made his comments in front of his residence where he is self-isolating after his wife tested positive for the virus.

Trump tweeted that the restrictions on the Canadian border will not affect trade between allies eager to maintain their vital economic relationship. Canada



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A truck crosses the Blue Water Bridge from Sarnia, Ontario, Canada, into Port Huron, Michigan.

relies on the U.S. for 75% of its exports and about 18% of American exports go to Canada.

Truck drivers and Canadian snowbirds, who live in the U.S. for part of the year and are returning to Canada, are among those exempted. Completely closing the border would cause severe damage to two economies so closely integrated. Much of Canada's food supply comes from or via the U.S., and 98% of its oil exports go to the U.S.

The administration sees Mexico's efforts to check the spread of the virus as among the weakest in the Americas and is framing the anticipated border move as a way to pressure Mexico to respond more aggressively to the outbreak.

Mexico responded cautiously to news reports that the U.S. may turn back people who illegally cross into the U.S. The Mexican foreign minister said Washington had not shared a "formal proposal" and, if it did, then Mexico would respond "in defense of its interests, considering, among other things, public health and human rights."

The U.S. proposal would apply to anyone who crossed the U.S.-Mexico border between ports of entry, including those who claim asylum. It would amount to one of his most

aggressive attempts by Trump to curtail illegal immigration.

The Border Patrol averaged about 1,000 arrests a day in February. During the U.S. budget year that ended in September, only 20% of those arrested were from Mexico; many of the rest came from Guatemala, Honduras, El Salvador, Cuba and Brazil.

The situation at Canada's border came into focus Monday when Trudeau said that he would close the country's borders to anyone who was not a Canadian citizen, an American or a permanent resident. Even then, those people are required to self-isolate for 14 days on arrival.

Many in Canada criticized the decision to give Americans an exemption, including British Columbia Health Minister Adrian Dix, citing the surge in cases in neighboring Washington state.

Canadian Deputy Prime Minister Chrystia Freeland said then that the border is vital to the daily life to people on both sides.

"Nearly 200,000 people cross that border every day, and that border and that traffic that goes across that border is literally a lifeline for both the Canadians and the Americans on both sides of that border," Freeland said.



ALLEN G. BREED/AP

Rene Betancourt grabs three "crowlers" of beer at the White Street Brewing Co. in Wake Forest, N.C., on Tuesday.

## Fighting fear with beer: Virus spurs sales at curb

BY ALLEN G. BREED  
Associated Press

WAKE FOREST, N.C. — Sometimes you wanna go where everybody knows your name. But with the new coronavirus popping up all over the country, a trip to your favorite tap room isn't in the offing. So breweries are stepping up, offering curbside growlers to stave off the grumbling.

Amid the growing coronavirus pandemic, North Carolina Gov. Roy Cooper issued an executive order

Tuesday closing all restaurants and bars, except for takeout. But instead of grumbling, Tar Heels are growing. A number of other states around the country have put similar measures in place. But where one door shuts, another door may open, and breweries are finding that's a car door.

White Street Brewing Co. in downtown Wake Forest is offering curbside service for people who bring in growler bottles to be filled with their signa-

ture tap beers. They also offer two-pint cans called "crowlers."

Tap room manager Rene Betancourt says the gesture is the brewery's way of showing appreciation for customers while helping to stem the spread of COVID-19.

"Beer isn't a necessity," she says. "But beer is a social thing. So, the fact that we're having to distance ourselves from each other, and those opportunities are being taken away, I think that is affecting a lot of people."

To help customers make up for some of the fun they're missing from prohibited barroom gatherings — and to give a boost to flagging business — Austin Beerworks in Texas posted a photo of brightly colored cans and bottles stacked up at a new makeshift drive-thru.

"In accordance with new rules, our taproom is now only able to offer Beer-To-Go," the brewery said in a tweet. "We set up a drive through tent and are working on preordering online."

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### Trump's last GOP challenger exits presidential campaign

WASHINGTON — A day after President Donald Trump racked up enough delegates to become the presumptive 2020 Republican nominee for president, former Gov. William Weld of Massachusetts, his last Republican challenger, ended his campaign.

Weld's announcement came in the midst of the coronavirus pandemic, and aides said he planned to make no appearances or conduct any interviews

because he did not want to distract from coverage of the crisis.

Intraparty challenges against an incumbent president always face long odds.

Weld was the first Republican to announce a challenge to Trump, in February 2019, and the last to drop out. The field of contenders at one point included former Gov. Mark Sanford of South Carolina and former Rep. Joe Walsh of Illinois.

### British cruise ship with handful of virus patients docks in Cuba

HAVANA — A British cruise ship rejected by Caribbean port officials for weeks docked in Cuba on Wednesday to unload more than 1,000 people on board, including five with confirmed cases of the novel coronavirus.

The Braemar arrived in the port of Mariel. Passengers leaving the ship were being taken by medical workers in protective gear to Jose Marti International Airport, 40 miles

east in the capital, Havana.

Most of the 682 passengers were expected to arrive Thursday in London on planes chartered by Fred. Olsen Cruise Lines. Passengers with the coronavirus or flu-like symptoms were being flown to a British military base on a separate plane.

Cuba announced its first death from the virus, a 61-year-old Italian tourist who was one of 10 cases on the island.

### Ala. Gov. Ivey delays March 31 GOP Senate runoff to July 14

MONTGOMERY, Ala. — Alabama is postponing its Republican primary runoff between former U.S. Sen. Jeff Sessions and a rival because of the coronavirus, the governor announced Wednesday.

The runoff between Sessions and former Auburn University football coach Tommy Tuberville will now be held on July 14, Gov. Kay Ivey said. The winner of the GOP runoff will face

Democratic Sen. Doug Jones in November. The delay also affects primary runoffs for state and local races.

Five other states also have postponed their primaries because of the coronavirus pandemic: Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland and Ohio.

In announcing the decision, Ivey noted the White House recommendation that people avoid gatherings of 10 or more people.



A firefighter walks past debris in front of a building damaged by an earthquake Wednesday in Magna, Utah. There were no reports of injuries from the 5.7 magnitude quake.

### Quake rattles Utah residents already on edge from virus

SALT LAKE CITY — A moderate earthquake Wednesday near Salt Lake City temporarily shut down a major air traffic hub, damaged a spire atop a temple and frightened millions of people already on edge from the coronavirus pandemic.

There were no reports of injuries.

The 5.7 magnitude quake just after 7 a.m. damaged the spire and statue atop the iconic Salt Lake Temple. Elsewhere, bricks were showered onto sidewalks and a chemical plume was released outside the city.

The epicenter was just southwest of Salt Lake City,

between the airport and Great Salt Lake. It was felt by about 2.8 million people who were already hunkered down inside their homes to prevent the spread of the coronavirus. Many ran outside in panic amid the shaking that lasted as long as 15 seconds.

"This is extremely bad timing, because we already have the coronavirus issue going on right now causing a lot of anxiety," Gov. Gary Herbert said.

Planes were diverted from Salt Lake City International Airport and the control tower and concourses were evacuated.

Marsha Guertzen of

Evanston, Wyoming, was about to board a flight when the quake struck. "Pandemonium and chaos" immediately erupted in the terminal — only to be heightened by each aftershock, she said.

"Everybody was running around, they were scared, I don't think they knew what was going on," she said.

People reported feeling the quake in the neighboring states of Colorado, Idaho, Wyoming and Nevada. It was the largest earthquake to hit Utah since a 5.9 magnitude quake shook southern Utah in 1992, according to Utah Emergency Management.

### Barr creating task force on federal prison misconduct

WASHINGTON — The Justice Department is creating a special task force to address criminal misconduct by federal Bureau of Prison officers at several correctional facilities after a loaded gun was found at the same jail where wealthy financier Jeffrey Epstein killed himself. Attorney General William Barr said.

Those facilities include the Metropolitan Correctional Center in New York City, where Epstein killed himself last summer and where investigators found a loaded gun this month. The gun's discovery followed a weeklong lockdown that also turned up cellphones, narcotics and homemade weapons.

The establishment of the task force comes as the nation's jails and prisons are on high alert in response to the coronavirus threat at all 122 federal correctional facilities across the country.

**In Greece:** Police on Greece's border with Turkey used tear gas and water cannon Wednesday to repel hundreds of migrants clustered on the Turkish side who attempted to breakdown a border fence and enter Greece.

The clashes took place near the Kastanies border crossing. Greek police said Turkish authorities also fired tear gas at Greek forces, and migrants later lit fires on the Turkish side of the fence. Similar clashes occurred before dawn.

About 2,000 migrants are camped out on the border, weeks after Turkey declared its borders to Europe open and encouraged migrants and refugees living in the country to try crossing into EU-member Greece.

### Naval officer sues over military transgender ban

BOSTON — A U.S. naval officer who is facing involuntary discharge because of a policy restricting transgender people from military service has filed a lawsuit that aims to force defense officials to allow her to continue serving.

The federal lawsuit, filed Tuesday, is the first legal

challenge to the policy since rules went into effect in April 2019 stripping transgender troops of rights they secured under the Obama administration to serve openly and to have their medical transitions covered in their health benefits, lawyers said.

The officer, a transgen-

der woman stationed in Massachusetts, is seeking to transition and serve as a woman, the lawsuit says.

Four other lawsuits are pending in court and are expected to go to trial, but the Supreme Court last year ruled that the ban could go into effect while the cases continued.

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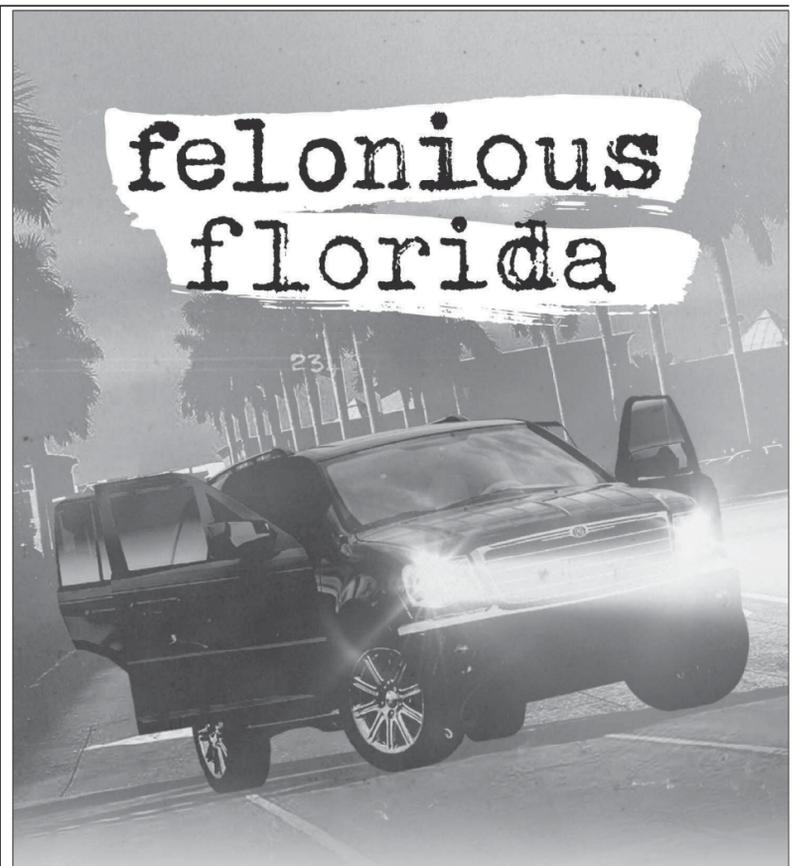
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# It's up to all of us: How Chicagoans can avoid a shelter-in-place edict

The fight against the coronavirus crisis has revived the concept known as shelter in place. Case in point: Late Wednesday a cluster of west suburban Chicago mayors urged their residents to stay home.

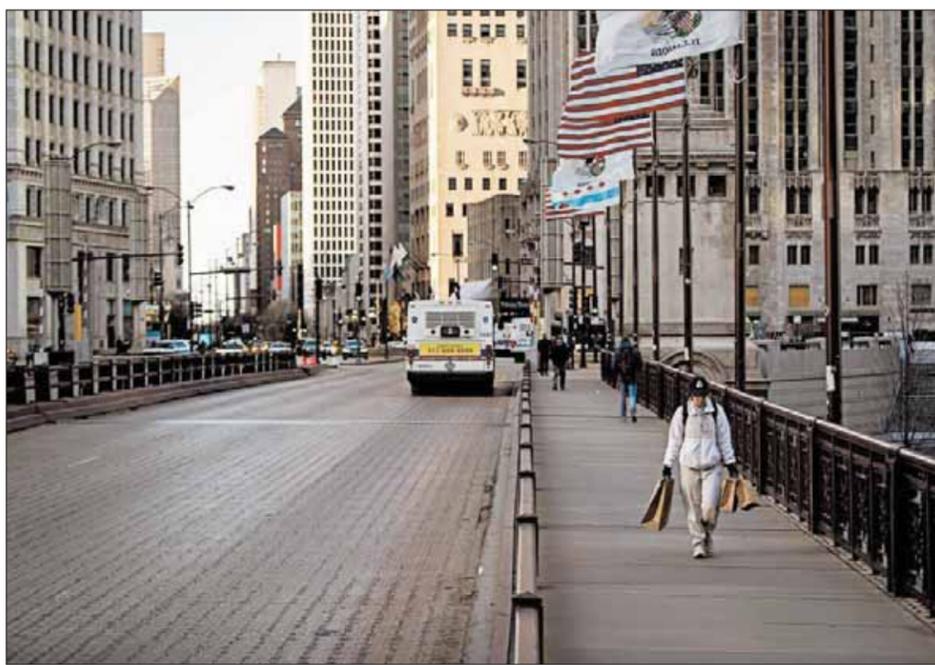
By contrast in scope, San Francisco became the first metropolis in the country to enact a shelter-in-place edict Tuesday. Residents in the Bay Area and surrounding counties cannot leave their homes. Exceptions include trips to the grocery store, pharmacy, gas station or doctor's office, and to walk your dog, go for a stroll or exercise outdoors.

### Is this inevitable for the entire Chicago area too?

It doesn't have to be, but that's up to metro Chicagoans.

The upheaval created by COVID-19 disease courses through society, through every aspect of daily life. Yet the case-load continues to climb, reaching 288 in Illinois as of Wednesday afternoon and expected to grow.

Every shutdown, every cancellation, has a singular goal: minimize the spread. We're all familiar with the "flatten the curve" mantra by now. The more proactive we are in paring down the opportunity for the contagion to cause new clusters of outbreak, the less of a chance our fate will look like that of the people of Italy, where more than 2,500 have



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The Michigan Avenue Bridge is nearly empty during the evening rush hour on Tuesday.

died and the country's health care system verges on collapse.

Draconian steps don't sound so draconian when a pandemic imperils the nation's — the world's — health. Issuing a shelter-in-place directive would indeed be an extreme step. It raises

so many questions. Could it be enforced? How wide a radius would it cover? Would the initial edict be expansive enough?

**At this writing, there's no public indication that Chicago and the rest of the region con-**

template a shelter-in-place order. We're not there yet. But Chicagoans can ensure that the necessity for such a drastic edict doesn't further restrict us. Gov. J.B. Pritzker and Mayor Lori Lightfoot have consistently urged people to practice safe

social distancing. Illinois banned gatherings larger than 50 people; the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention suggests limiting groups to no more than 10 people.

Are Chicagoans heeding these directives? Impossible to know, but if they're not, watch for a steady rise in coronavirus cases that could force something as severe as shelter in place.

New York City Mayor Bill de Blasio is considering shelter in place precisely because the pandemic's effect is reaching new heights. On Tuesday alone, new coronavirus cases in New York City jumped 75%, to 814, The New York Times reports. "I think New Yorkers should be prepared right now for the possibility of a shelter-in-place order," de Blasio said.

The number of cases in the Chicago area likely will grow and surely will accelerate if all of us don't maintain the level of safe social distancing that's crucial to slowing the coronavirus juggernaut.

Chicago has shown remarkable resolve so far in coping with the unrelenting nature of the coronavirus. We're bending, but not breaking. Now, Chicagoans, let's all demonstrate that resolve to negate the need for shelter in place. Whether public officials have to take a step that drastic is up to all of us.

## Biden, Foxx, Newman: How Illinois voters toggled between center and left

Illinois voters rebelled just enough during Tuesday's primary to shape a ballot for November that will feature sharp contrasts, pocketbook showdowns and new choices — it's not over — in several heated races.

Voters' over-the-top support for former Vice President Joe Biden on Tuesday helped nudge Sen. Bernie Sanders toward the presidential primary exit. See, Illinois? We do matter. Unofficial returns show Biden winning over Illinois Democrats with 59% to Sanders' 36%. Sanders did better inside Chicago city limits but still lost. By flashing their more moderate credentials, Illinois Democrats smartly rejected Sanders' unaffordable promises on education and health care.

Yet in other races, Chicago-area voters leaned left. They overwhelmingly supported criminal justice reformer and State's Attorney Kim Foxx, despite her international Jussie Smollett

embarrassment. Voters retired one of the only pro-life Democrats in Congress, Rep. Dan Lipinski of the 3rd District. They turned up their noses at the Cook County Democratic Party's slated candidate for Circuit Court clerk, elevating progressive state Sen. Iris Martinez instead of Michael Cabonargi.

And despite the threat of coronavirus in an election some critics said Gov. J.B. Pritzker should have postponed, turnout in the city of Chicago landed at about 31%, a decent-by-Illinois-standards turnout. Statewide numbers still are being tallied.

### The state's attorney contest:

Foxx now faces Republican Patrick W. "Pat" O'Brien. For voters to continue to support Foxx's agenda, they need to trust her — and that's where Smollett clouds the picture. Special prosecutor Dan Webb reinstated charges against Smollett that he faked a

hate crime, and Webb continues to investigate whether Foxx's office mishandled the prosecution.

O'Brien — assuredly the underdog — has a role to play challenging Foxx's version of events because residents of Cook County need to know if Foxx cut a special deal for a celebrity. Whether Webb finishes up before November isn't known. But the general election campaign is now underway, which means Foxx will continue to face questions about Smollett, and her judgment.

**About that Lipinski race:** His defeat demonstrated a platform shift that has been shaping up nationally — little if any tolerance in the Democratic Party for members who oppose abortion. Lipinski challenger Marie Newman had the endorsement of Planned Parenthood Action Fund and NARAL Pro-Choice America. She

was a stark contrast to the incumbent, who has called on the Supreme Court to overturn the landmark Roe v. Wade decision. His votes on abortion legislation made him a pariah with many Democrats, who see the issue as nonnegotiable.

His loss, her win, is sure to amplify a push in Springfield to reverse parental notification laws for minors seeking abortions. Those laws are necessary breakwaters to ensure minors at least notify an adult before undergoing a serious medical procedure. But Illinois' far-left progressives will try to lift that precaution. To the pro-life movement: Get ready for battle.

Newman isn't in Congress yet. She now faces Republican Will County Board member Mike Fricilone, a fiscal and social conservative. He's the underdog in this Democratic district. But Newman's very liberal positions, including support for the Green

New Deal and eventual adoption of "Medicare for All," give Fricilone openings.

In the western suburbs, incumbent Democratic Reps. Sean Casten in the 6th District and Lauren Underwood in the 14th are first-termers who ousted conservatives in areas that had been reliably Republican. So get ready for fireworks, voters. The GOP challengers will run aggressive campaigns. Casten faces Jeanne Ives, who won nomination Tuesday. She nearly toppled Gov. Bruce Rauner in the 2018 gubernatorial primary. In the 14th, Underwood confronts Jim Oberweis, the state senator and wealthy dairy magnate, who won his primary.

Do these two seats flip back to Republican? Or has even exurban Chicago moved left? These races, and the November ballot overall, will not only settle scores. They'll help shape the political identity of Illinois and the nation.

### WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

It has been alleged by multiple officials of the Obama administration, including in the Post, that President Donald Trump and his then-national security adviser, John Bolton, "dissolved the office" at the White House in charge of pandemic preparedness. Because I led the very directorate assigned that mission, the counterproliferation and biodefense office, for a year and then handed it off to another official who still holds the post, I know the charge is specious.

Now, I'm not naive. This is Washington. It's an election year. Officials out of power want back into power after November. But the middle of a worldwide health emergency is not the time to be making tendentious accusations. ...

It matters because when people play politics in the middle of a crisis, we are all less safe. We are less safe because public servants are distracted when they are dragged into politics. We're less safe because the American people have been recklessly scared into doubting the competence of their government to help keep them safe, secure and healthy.

And we're less safe because when we're focused on political gamesmanship, we're not paying enough attention to the real issues.

**Tim Morrison, The Washington Post**



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# Chicago Tribune PERSPECTIVE



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Traders at the New York Stock Exchange watch President Donald Trump's televised White House news conference on Wednesday.

## How to relieve the growing economic pain — and how not to



STEVE CHAPMAN

In normal times, we expect the people who make economic policy to do everything possible to avoid a recession. But with the new coronavirus, that's not an option. The steps needed to cope with the epidemic virtually guarantee a painful contraction. And that's a price we should be willing to pay, because there is no good alternative.

Donald Trump has done a lot of things wrong, but he made the right point Tuesday about the sinking stock market. "For the markets, for everything," he said, "the best thing we can do is get rid of the virus."

For once, he wasn't trying to boost the Dow Jones Industrial Average by downplaying the problem but emphasizing the short-term nature of the slump. "Once (the virus) is gone," he predicted, the stock market is "going to pop back like nobody's ever seen before." His prediction may not be accurate, but at least the president is recognizing the inevitable harm that will result from the pandemic and the

measures to combat it.

When you require many businesses to close or sharply curtail their operations, while asking citizens to stay home, the economy is bound to stop growing and start shrinking. But failing to take such steps would not prevent a downturn: It would merely postpone and greatly magnify it.

Given the realities of what's happening, Congress and the president should not grasp at remedies that won't make much difference. Fiscal stimulus is a bad idea because it misunderstands the problem. Stimulus makes sense when you want to boost economic activity by encouraging people to get out and spend. It makes no sense when you don't want people to get out and spend.

Nor would a boost in demand — even if the government could achieve it — help with the other side of the problem, which is supply. Many companies have cut production because they can't get parts and materials. Automakers in Europe have shut down dozens of plants, and there were indications Wednesday that the Big Three in the U.S. would do the same. You can't stimulate consumers to buy things that aren't being made.

The administration's first idea for helping people, a payroll tax cut, was off-base because it would help only people who are working. Any help

should be targeted at those who are losing income because of the epidemic.

Sending out checks to every American, or every American below a certain income level, is unwisely indiscriminate. Those people lucky enough to keep working at their jobs, which is most people, don't need extra cash any more than before. The majority of these fortunate souls would not spend the money but put it in the bank, which is no way to stimulate the economy.

"The goal should be helping people who don't have savings to pay their bills and debts for a while and (have) enough to eat while we wait for the economy to restart, and businesses not to go bankrupt," Stanford University economist John Cochrane told me. "That requires a lot more access to loans and forbearance than just spreading cash gifts around."

Excluding anyone above a certain income threshold wouldn't be much of an improvement. Take two people who each have been earning \$60,000 a year. One loses her job; the other one keeps drawing her usual paycheck. One will have trouble covering basic needs; the other will not. There is no reason to send money to both.

What are the best ways for the federal government to help? Expanding unemployment benefits to workers who might not otherwise be eligible

and waiving the usual requirement that recipients look for work is one way. Increasing the federal share of Medicaid outlays would make it easier for states to ensure treatment for more low-income people who get the virus.

Letting individuals and corporations postpone their April 15 income tax payments, as the administration is doing, makes sense, because it eases the cash bind that many are in. Those in the most trouble are the ones who will make use of the option.

Help for businesses is probably essential, because a cascade of bankruptcies is no help to anyone. But rescue packages should include stiff conditions, such as barring dividends, stock buybacks or executive bonuses until the money is repaid. Unpleasant terms would deter corporations from taking loans unless they have no alternative.

The common sentiment in Washington right now is to go big rather than risk doing too little. That's a sound instinct because of the huge scale of the crisis. But it's equally important to go smart.

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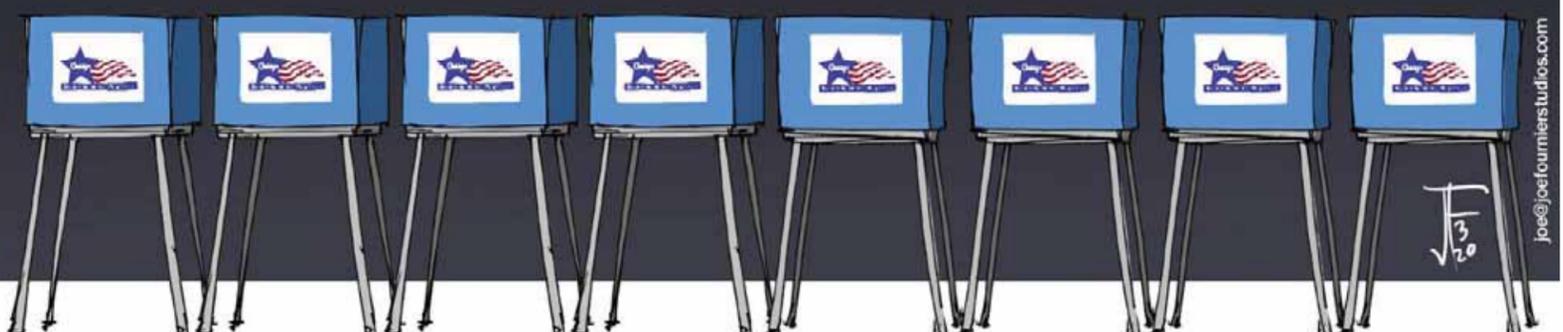
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## LOW TURNOUT BY JOE "WHAT IF WE THREW A DEMOCRACY AND NOBODY CAME?" FOURNIER

THE CORONAVIRUS KEPT CHICAGO VOTERS FROM THE POLLS THIS YEAR. NOT ONLY THE AARP VOTERS, BUT THE YOUTH VOTE ALSO STAYED IN, HAVING TAKEN THE QUARANTINE WARNINGS TO HEART.

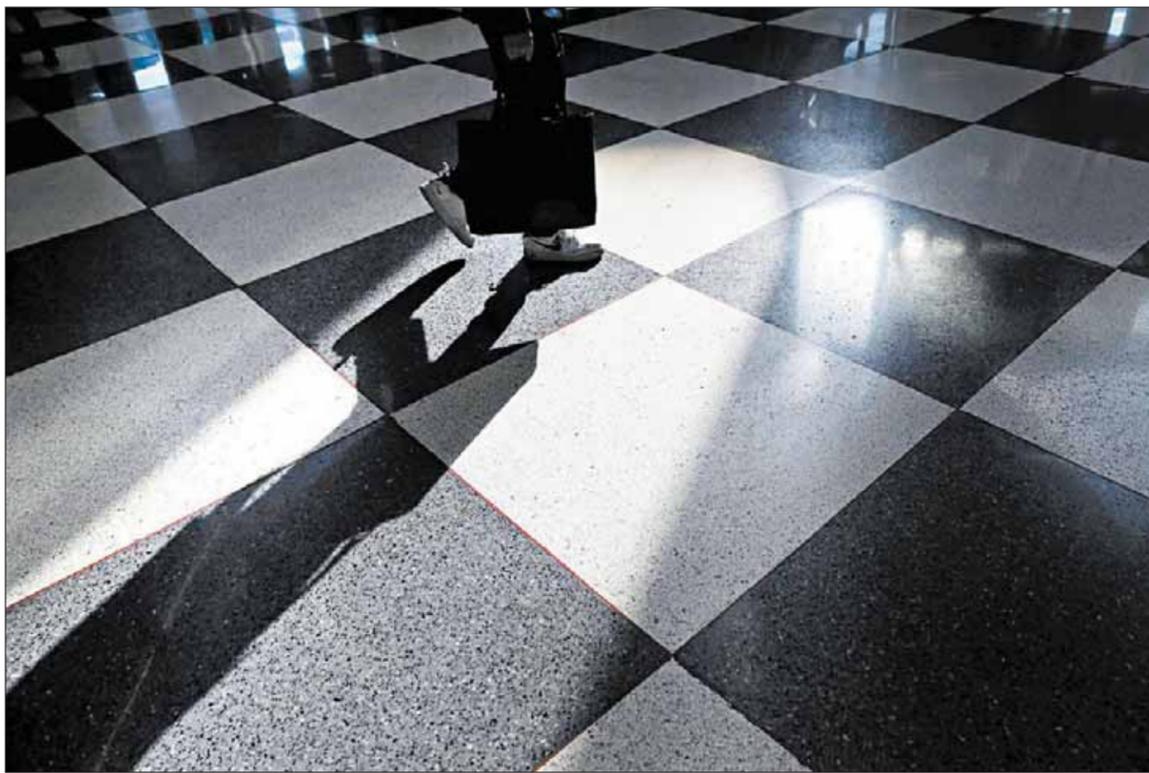
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# PERSPECTIVE



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Travelers make their way through Terminal 1 at Chicago O'Hare International Airport on March 13.

## For an immigrant with a mum overseas, O'Hare is no longer a lifeline

BY CHRIS JONES

Most people I know hate Chicago's O'Hare International Airport. For me, that chaotic place at the end of the Kennedy Expressway has always been a source of deep comfort.

If anything were to go wrong with my independent, 96-year-old mum in Great Britain, I've told myself since moving to Chicago 30 years ago, I can be at her side tomorrow morning. In fact, being as American Airlines has long maintained a daytime flight from Chicago to London, I could probably be there that very night. I always keep 50,000 miles on reserve from my credit-card bonus for just that eventuality.

For years, I've known the schedule of every nonstop flight to London by heart: American, United, British, Norwegian, Virgin Atlantic (back in the day), Air India (back in the day), TWA L-1011 Tristars (really back in the day). And since my parents settled in the village of Stansted, near the low-cost airport an hour outside of London, I've found cheap ways to get there through Dublin, Amsterdam, Copenhagen, wherever. When my father was dying from Alzheimer's complications in 2016, I kept going back and forth for the weekend, visiting with him while maintaining my job as the Tribune's theater critic, determined that my choice to live my life abroad should not hurt him when he needed me the most. It cost me a fair bit of cash, but it was a long, cold winter and the flights either were cheap or available for miles. And I am very experienced at working the system.

But just when I need it most, as COVID-19 rips through an ill-prepared Britain, as elsewhere in Europe, with terrifying force, that source of comfort has



CHRIS JONES

Jacqueline Jones, 96, on a bench last summer in her garden in England.

been ripped away.

Those 10 flights a day have been nixed, a consequence of travel bans and diminished demand. I keep making different contingency plans: through Canada, maybe, or the Caribbean. But those rapidly are closing off too. While the news is changing daily on the numerous travel blogs I read, it looks like a skeleton schedule will be maintained (my current emergency plan is to drive to Detroit and then fly on Delta, carrying both my passports for the border controls). But who knows for how long? For anyone with close family overseas, this is a situation so improbable as to have been previously unimaginable.

I know that not everyone has emergency airfare in reserve. But Chicago O'Hare doesn't just provide mental health insurance for people like me. The Volaris airline could get you fast to Guadalajara (still possible, as I write) or Dubai (not now) or Amman (not now) or Paris (not now) or Krakow (LOT Polish Airlines has suspended the flight), Vienna (Austrian Airlines has just suspended all operations) or Madrid (you get my drift). For the first time in my lifetime, anyway, anyone with overseas family is cut off with an unparal-

leled finality.

That's not all there is to worry about. I've twice been in New York recently; I represent a risk to my mum's health. To go and see her would require me being sure I was virus-free.

Since so little testing has occurred in the United States (a governmental failure of epic proportions), what are the realistic chances of anyone worried about being a walking time bomb for the elderly to be reassured otherwise? Maybe in 2021. And even if I were to test negative right now, how could I be sure that I would not pick up COVID-19 en route?

Live long enough, of course, and you learn how to tolerate, and maybe even assess, risk, omnipresent in travel and life. I don't worry about plane crashes or freak crises. But in the last few days, we've all had a crash course in our own mortality. And we're all worried we've become hazards against our will, just as we fear something will target us.

Some folks have senior parents in communities that have gone on lockdown in the last 24 hours. Your dad might be sequestered in Mundelein, not Milan, and you still are worried you won't be able to go to him if he were to get sick. We've all seen the pictures of a family standing outside plate glass windows, trying to get a message.

You'll have many friends and work colleagues in my position, and far worse. I'm just saying a prayer that everyone stays home, that we all stay healthy, that the most optimistic predictions prove true and that ORD is soon back in business.

It stands for Orchard Field, you know.

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### VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

#### Not canceling election shameful

It makes absolutely no sense: Gov. J.B. Pritzker closes all restaurants and bars as well as all schools but then allows the primary election to proceed? He had to realize that the vast majority of poll workers are senior citizens who are most vulnerable to the coronavirus, so there must have been something else driving him to make this poor decision. The Cook County Elections Board made a very reasonable suggestion that ballots be mailed out to voters. The governor claimed he didn't have the constitutional authority to postpone the election, which seems hard to believe. In a crisis situation, the governor has extraordinary power. So, shame on you, governor, for putting many people at an unnecessary risk.

— Dan Schuchardt, Glen Ellyn

#### Voter glad the polls stayed open

Upon learning of the victory of Marie Newman over U.S. Rep. Dan Lipinski, I was reassured over my decision to cast my vote on Election Day. I decided that the privilege to vote was more important than keeping my 80-year-old self in isolation. Thank you, governor, for your decision to keep the polls open.

— Carole Bogaard, Oak Lawn

#### Selfish agenda behind decision

When the dust settles, perhaps a class action suit against Gov. J.B. Pritzker should be pursued. Title? Illness, death and political greed. He needs to be held accountable for his mandating that the primary should not be delayed. How noble-sounding he is spouting about the constitution.

When have top Democratic politicians ever had the best interests of the people of Illinois at the top of the list?

— Jody Pelletiere, Barrington

#### Elections critical

I believe Gov. Pritzker made the right decision to continue with the March 17 primary election. Elections are important to democracy, and our country held presidential elections during the Civil War and World Wars I and II. Rather than delay the election in Illinois, I'm glad we went ahead with it. It appears that voter turnout in the city was actually higher than in 2012 when there were no health risks in going to the polls.

— Dodd Mohr, Barrington

#### Poor training for elections

On Election Day, while serving as an election judge in the 1st Ward, I watched the finger-pointing unfold between Gov. J.B. Pritzker and the Chicago Board of Elections.

Pritzker's comments about volunteering National Guardsmen and youth volunteers from the Mikva Challenge to assist with the election, only to be rebuffed by the Chicago Board of Elections, really resonated with me. I've always felt that Chicago easily has the resources to conduct a world-class election every election cycle. It seems to make logical sense that the citizens of Chicago could work with our universities, civic groups, businesses, and other organizations to consistently hold an election that would be the envy of other cities across the country.

However, every election cycle, the experience for Chicagoans is adequate at best, and frustratingly painful at worst. While I don't claim to have the entire picture, my experience as an election judge leaves me with many questions about how the Chicago Board of Elections executes its duties.

When wading through a complex, confusing, 100-plus-page election judge training guide, I wonder, doesn't Chicago have a system of universities that can develop education and training?

When attending an election judge training course held in a cavernous, echo-filled room in Block 37, listening to an instructor recite from a script for the better part of four hours, with no projector or other visual aid, I question: Doesn't Chicago have better resources to develop and provide this critical training?

When it becomes clear that the meager pay alone isn't enough to attract election judges, I question, aren't there civic-minded organizations that could field volunteers to assist in elections, regardless of the pay?

When the polls close at 7 p.m., and election judges are faced with a byzantine process of poll closing and reporting, involving dozens of complex forms, ballot tapes and a hodgepodge of electronics, I ask, doesn't Chicago's industry and tech companies have the intelligence and resources to streamline this process?

Chicagoans deserve a better experience when they vote. Luckily, Chicagoans also possess the resources to help their Board of Elections produce better. Is the Board of Elections a part of the solution, or a barrier to it?

— James Moes, Chicago

## Can Biden beat Trump? Michigan's swing districts offer good clues

BY SETH HILL

It may be early to be making predictions about what will happen in the presidential election eight months from now, particularly with the uncertainties of the coronavirus pandemic. But there's good news for Joe Biden if you dig into the district-by-district results from Michigan's recent Democratic primary. I found strong evidence that he's building a diverse coalition of support that, if maintained, could win him the state and the Electoral College vote come November.

Biden's primary victory in Michigan kept his momentum going and did serious damage to Bernie Sanders' chances for the nomination. Equally important is how Biden won in Michigan. Here's what we can glean from the Michigan contest.

What stands out about Biden's performance was his ability to draw support from voters in every kind of congressional district — liberal urban districts with many young people and people of color, moderate suburban districts and districts that swung heavily for Donald Trump in 2016. If he is to win Michigan in November, he has to gain more support than Hillary Clinton had in the 2016 presidential election. His performance in the primary, compared with Clinton's primary performance in 2016, suggests he is improving on the size and diversity of her coalition.

Michigan was a crucial swing state in 2016 and is likely to be again in 2020. It contains congressional districts that run the political gamut. For instance, the 13th District is represented by Rashida Tlaib, a member of the Democratic Socialists of America. The 8th District, which went for Trump in 2016, is now represented by Elissa Slotkin, a moderate Democrat who

defeated a Republican incumbent in the 2018 midterm election. The 4th District is a solid Republican district, held by John Moolenaar, a Trump supporter.

Biden not only won in the 13th, 4th and 8th districts, but he also won more votes than Sanders in every one of Michigan's 14 congressional districts. He also got more votes in every district than Sanders did in the 2016 primary, when he won the Michigan primary. This indicates that Biden appeals to Democrats and independents of many different backgrounds and political preferences.

Biden's primary election support was large and geographically dispersed. Turnout was up across the state, with Biden receiving 838,259 of the 1.5 million votes cast in the Democratic primary (there was a separate Republican primary). He won more primary votes than Clinton did in the 2016 primary in all but one district. On average, Biden received 18,742 more votes per district than Clinton's primary tallies.

While the primary electorate is different than the general electorate, primary support can be a leading indicator of the general election. These results show that Biden was able to mobilize voters who did not support Clinton in 2016, which could be important in the general election.

In the nine Michigan congressional districts where Trump received more votes than Clinton in 2016, Biden won an average of 23,753 more primary votes than did Clinton in the 2016 primary. In the five districts that Clinton won in the presidential election, Biden picked up an average of 9,722 more primary votes than Clinton had. Biden's primary support was stronger than Clinton's had been in almost every congressional district, but especially so in Trump territory. If some of these

primary voters who turned out for Biden but did not vote for Clinton in 2016 continue to support him in November, Trump's 12,000-vote statewide margin in 2016 could vanish.

In the Democratic wave that took the House in 2018, Democratic candidates in five Michigan districts (1st, 5th, 7th, 8th and 11th) received more votes than Clinton did in the 2016 general election. In these districts, Biden won an average of 23,949 more primary votes than Clinton did in the 2016 primary. In the two districts that flipped from Republican to Democrat in 2018, Biden received 27,726 and 36,299 more votes in the primary than had Clinton.

There are differences between the 2016 and 2020 primaries. In 2016, there was a competitive primary on the Republican side. Because Michigan has an open primary, some people who voted in the 2016 Republican primary may have voted in the Democratic primary this year. The question is whether this group of voters, many of whom appear to have turned out for Biden, will stick with the Democratic nominee in November.

While we can't know for certain how these trends will translate in the general election, Biden won votes across all of Michigan — and of special importance, in places where Democrats saw large gains in 2018 and that Trump won in 2016. That broad base of support in a big swing state is promising for building an Electoral College majority.

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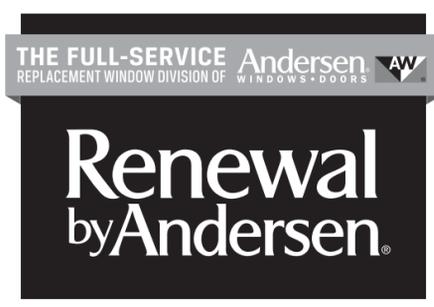
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# Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

## ‘We’re mentally preparing for a shutdown’

Coronavirus imperils Chicago’s continuing construction boom



**RYAN ORI**  
On Real Estate

After more than a decade of boom times, Chicago developers, contractors and construction workers face an unexpected obstacle to continued prosperity.

Wide-ranging safety precautions are being implemented on job sites to limit the potential

spread of the new coronavirus, and to try to avoid the fate of Boston, which on Monday became the first U.S. city to shut down construction entirely. On the West Coast, nine counties in the San Francisco Bay region issued a shelter-in-place order that could affect construction projects there.

A similar construction shutdown in Chicago could endanger the ongoing construction cycle that has reshaped the city’s skyline. Along with the jobs created during construction, the new towers have helped support waves of jobs moving from the suburbs and other cities and boosted the residential population downtown.

“The Boston scenario is a worst-case scenario, and we hope by employing best practices here locally that we won’t be in that

situation,” said Michael Meagher, president of Chicago’s James McHugh Construction Co.

“The impact would be overwhelming to our industry, because most of our trade labor is paid hourly and it would be a significant loss of wages,” said Meagher, who also is president of the Chicago and Associated General Contractors.

If it’s prolonged, a construction shutdown could be a body blow to the local economy, amid fears of a broader, long-term recession nationally.

A construction stoppage would add to the ranks of workers in restaurant, retail and other sectors not drawing paychecks unless their employers take steps to keep paying them. A shutdown also could cause ambitious devel-

opments now on the drawing board to become more difficult to finance and get off the ground.

“My gut feel is that Chicago may do something similar to what Boston did,” said Daniel Pomfrett, the Chicago-based vice president of forecasting and analytics at Cumming Corp., a San Diego-based project management and construction consulting firm. “It seems like just a matter of time.”

A shutdown of a few weeks could be overcome with minimal long-term damage, but a freeze of six months or more could be devastating to the economy and labor pool, he said.

“You never want to get to the point where there’s labor leaving the market, like it did during the last recession,” Pomfrett said.

Chicago is projected to have

more than \$4.5 billion in residential construction projects in 2020, a 16.4% increase from last year, according to Cumming. Commercial construction is projected at more than \$4.6 billion this year, a 5.6% increase.

“Clearly, shutting down construction projects throughout the city or the state would be detrimental to the economy,” said David Carlins, CEO of Chicago’s Magellan Development Group. “It will have a ripple effect to everybody. There’s definitely concern.”

“We’re mentally preparing for a shutdown, but you can’t make any real plans until you know what the extent of it is, and how long it might last.”

Magellan is in the late stages of

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Paul Becvar, right, from Yorkville, buys a Rock River AR-15-style rifle from Bat Arms gun store owner Barry Torphy, in Plano on Wednesday.



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Cityscapes

## Things we love are what puts us at risk

Public transit, urban hustle create a ‘culture of congestion’

In Millennium Park, no one was reflected in the polished stainless steel walls of the Cloud Gate sculpture, also known as The Bean.

At Navy Pier, the promenade facing Lake Michigan was deserted except for a jogger in purple sweats and a woman pushing a baby carriage.

The ghost-town emptiness at two of Chicago’s most popular attractions underscores how the fast-spreading coronavirus has temporarily turned an essential, much-praised feature of urban life — high population density — on its head.

By concentrating large numbers of people in a compact area, density allows people to walk, bike, or take transit to work. That saves energy. Density also energizes cities by pouring people — lots of people — into alluring public spaces. The Dutch architect Rem Koolhaas has memorably celebrated Manhattan’s hyper-density and what he calls its “culture of congestion.”

But now, when physical proximity carries the risk of infection and spreading a pandemic, the virtue of urban density is suddenly a vice.

Shoving density off its pedestal is the mantra of “social distancing,” which seeks to prevent the sick from coming in close contact with the healthy.

The imperative to maintain social distancing is why Navy Pier is shuttered through April 2, and why the plaza around Cloud Gate

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## Business remains brisk

Gun stores place limits on ammo, extend hours as demand spikes on coronavirus concerns

BY ABDEL JIMENEZ

A day after the World Health Organization declared the new coronavirus a pandemic, customers flocked to Maxon Shooter’s Supplies and Indoor Range in Des Plaines.

Owner Dan Eldridge said they came in search of shells, guns, and other items, and one week into the pandemic, business remains brisk.

Shoppers have depleted grocery stores of hand sanitizer, toilet paper, canned food and other items as health officials urge the public to hunker down and avoid large gatherings.

But shelf-stable foods aren’t the only thing consumers have been on the hunt for: They have also swept rounds of ammo off the shelves at gun stores.

Many businesses have shut down or limited operations in response to the fast-spreading COVID-19, but gun stores have

remained open, and customers have been stocking up on rounds.

“We are trying to keep up with customers,” Eldridge said. “There were no limits for ammunition. Most common calibers are gone, but we are being resupplied.”

On Monday, the gun retailer capped the amount of ammunition customers can purchase to no more than 300 rounds on all calibers.

“It’s so we don’t run out. We want to have some for range users,” Eldridge said.

In addition to gun sales, Maxon has a shooting range, which was busy over the weekend as well, Eldridge said.

On Wednesday, Maxon shortened its hours of operation, opening an hour later and closing an hour early to give employees time to restock on products and clean the store.

In Plano, Barry Torphy, owner of Bat Arms, said he’s seen a

significant uptick in sales of both firearms and ammunition.

Most people are buying 9 mm. The next most popular caliber is .233 Remington, which is used for rifles. “Between those two they have been our major sellers,” Torphy said.

Torphy said he opened the store for business on Monday and Tuesday even though the store is typically closed those days.

“Business is higher than for a typical March,” Torphy said.

Bat Arms has raised the prices on all its products by 10%. Torphy said the higher prices are because distributors are lifting their prices.

At Article II Gun Shop & Range in Lombard, manager Barry Soskin said sales at the store have been up about 20%, with ammunition leading those figures.

Before Illinois residents can legally possess firearms or ammunition, the state requires them to apply for a Firearm Owners Identification card, which involves a background check.

The Illinois State Police have 30 days to approve or deny the applications. The state was unable to provide information on how many applications have been received in the past year.

Gun store owners say that even before the COVID-19 pandemic, the state had a backlog of applications waiting to be processed. On Jan. 31, the Illinois State Rifle Association and the Second Amendment Foundation filed a lawsuit in federal court against the State Police, alleging that delays in processing the applications were infringing on the right to bear arms.

Torphy doesn’t question his customers’ purchasing decisions, even if they are buying items out of fear.

“Why are people buying toilet paper? Why are people buying cases of water? People are panicking,” Torphy said. “They are stockpiling on things. They are considering their necessities, and to some that’s ammo.”

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## Marijuana dispensaries halt recreational weed sales

State to allow curb delivery or in parking lot for medical clients

BY ALLY MAROTTI

Illinois will allow marijuana dispensaries to take orders from medical patients outside of their shops — at the curb, or in the parking lot — to reduce the spread of the new coronavirus.

Meanwhile, more dispensaries in Chicago have stopped recreational sales until further notice.

The state’s Department of Financial and Professional Regulation issued guidance Monday to dispensaries on how to help contain COVID-19, the disease caused by the new coronavirus. Special effort is being made to protect medical patients, many of whom have compromised immune systems, but still need access to medical marijuana.

Typically, dispensaries are only allowed to distribute marijuana products inside a limited access area, as deemed by the state. But until March 30, dispensary workers will be allowed to go outside to medical patients’ cars or adjacent public walkways to take their order. They then must take the cash inside, get the product and bring it back out to the patient.

The rule change applies only to medical patients.

The state also advised dispensaries to disinfect any surfaces that patients touch, like tablets or door handles, every 30 minutes. The stores must also ensure customers don’t come within 6 feet of other patrons, and the shops must keep medical and recreational lines separate.

“If patients, caregivers, or pur-



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Employee Venus Bikos wipes down counters and product display cases last week at Dispensary 33 in Andersonville.

chasers are bunching up, the dispensary must intervene to order them to space out,” said the guidance from Bret Bender, deputy director of the Cannabis Control

Section in the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, which regulates dispensaries.

On Tuesday, Dispensary 33 in

the Uptown neighborhood stopped recreational sales until further notice, said marketing director Abigail Watkins. The dispensary could not serve recreational customers and keep everyone at a safe distance from each other, she said. MOCA Modern Cannabis in the Logan Square neighborhood halted recreational sales last week.

A medical marijuana dispensary in the Rogers Park neighborhood, Greengate Chicago, temporarily shut down Wednesday.

“The risk to all has become too great, and for the greater good of humanity, we have shut our doors for approximately two weeks, to clean and quarantine,” said an email the dispensary sent to customers Tuesday night. “We will miss you all during these difficult times.”

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building what will become Chicago's third-tallest skyscraper, the Jeanne Gang-designed Vista Tower. Magellan is developing the condo and hotel project with Chinese partner Dalian Wanda Group, and the 1,191-foot-tall tower is scheduled to open this fall along the Chicago River east of Michigan Avenue.

Magellan was enjoying a particularly successful stretch of condo sales, with more than \$20 million worth of sales contracts signed in the past five weeks, before the developer's thoughts turned to coronavirus worries, Carlins said.

"The landscape is literally changing day to day, but we are optimistic that this too shall pass," Carlins said.

McHugh Construction is working on Vista Tower, and its other projects include the 1000M condo tower on South Michigan Avenue. Developers Time Equities, JK Equities and Oak Capitals broke ground late last year on the 421-unit tower, designed by Helmut Jahn.

McHugh is among several Chicago construction companies that in recent days have begun regular calls to discuss ideas for keeping sites safe from the coronavirus spread, Meagher said. New steps include eliminating shared offices on sites, moving foreman and safety meetings to the phone, beefing up cleaning of job trailers,



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The Bank of America Tower, a 55-story building under construction on Wacker Drive, is seen in the Loop.

not eating together during lunch breaks, and adding hand-washing stations and sanitizers throughout sites.

For high-rise projects, fewer workers are being allowed on elevators at a time.

On Tuesday, the city granted a waiver of its usual prohibition of early morning construction work downtown, allowing "quiet trades" such as drywall installation and other indoor work to begin before 8 a.m., Meagher said. That will help stagger work shifts to limit the total number of workers on a site at any time, he said.

Contractors are using noncontact, digital laser thermometers to check workers' temperatures as they arrive on-site. At least one firm is considering investing \$10,000 to \$20,000 for an infrared camera that could monitor the temperatures of 40 to 50 workers at a time, Meagher said.

"By the nature of our business, we think if we're diligent we should be able to function fairly normally as long as our supply lines

last," said Tom Cuculich, executive director of the Chicagoland Associated General Contractors. His organization represents more than 10,000 employees of general contractors, subcontractors and suppliers in the greater Chicago area, including some in Wisconsin and Indiana.

Construction sites aren't the only type of real estate feeling the coronavirus impact.

At many office buildings, only 10% to 20% of employees were coming to work by early this week.

In response, and as an additional precaution, landlords of properties including The Old Post Office, Prudential Plaza and 600 West Chicago were shutting down amenities such as fitness centers, lounges and conference centers. Chicago's tallest skyscraper, Willis Tower, this week closed tenant amenities following the closing of the Skydeck tourist attraction, which draws 1.7 million visitors annually, on Saturday.

The John Buck Co., an owner and property man-

ager, doesn't plan to close any buildings outright, according to Charles Wagoner, president of Buck's property management arm.

As the illness continues to spread in Chicago, owners are continuing the now-common practice of informing tenants when a worker in the building tests positive for COVID-19. On Monday, New York-based Tishman Speyer informed workers in one of the office buildings it owns here, a 25-story tower at 525 W. Monroe St., that an employee of an undisclosed company in the building had a confirmed case.

There previously have been confirmed cases in larger office properties, including the two-tower Prudential Plaza near Millennium Park and BMO Harris Bank's three-building complex in the Loop.

Corporations have implemented broad work from home plans, while property managers have ramped up cleaning of common areas and adapted to light usage of their buildings, said Michael Cornicelli, executive vice president of the Building Owners and Managers Association of Chicago, an association of 240 buildings.

"In the past we were worried about things like terrorist attacks or weather events," Cornicelli said. "A lot of companies have contingency plans in place for those scenarios, and they're dusting off those contingency plans."

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Pedestrians walk near a fence surrounding Cloud Gate after it was closed due to the coronavirus Sunday in Chicago.

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has been cordoned off.

It's why Paris has closed the Eiffel Tower, why "talking" drones in Madrid are urging the public to stay home, why President Donald Trump on Monday urged Americans to limit gatherings to no more than 10 people and why Chicago felt so empty Tuesday morning, with public schools closed for the first time because of the virus.

"Stop the contagion by reducing the density," New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, said on "60 Minutes" Sunday night.

Yet the tension between density and distancing isn't limited to public spaces.

These days, who wants to ride in packed elevator? Or work in one of those open-plan offices, without cubicles, where people are practically on top of one another?

The years after the Great Recession have been a boom time for central cities, with luxury apartment buildings and chic restaurants popping up like dandelions.

Now, a house in the exurbs, far from the threat of infection and surrounded by dandelions, may look pretty good.

Granted, cities aren't the only places where people come together in great numbers. All gathering places involve some risk, which is why the Illinois Department of Natural Resources announced Sunday that it was closing state parks until further

notice.

Yet cities like Chicago are all about dense concentrations of people, not only in skyscraper-filled downtowns but also in outlying neighborhoods packed with three-flats and greystones.

This density is what sends customers to the shoe repairman or the corner coffee shop. It also puts people in parks and playgrounds that provide a rare opportunity for those in a metropolitan area split on the fault lines of race and class to share the same space and to experience, if only fleetingly, their common humanity.

In this time of social distancing, social media at least gives us the chance to engage with others and reduce our sense of isolation. But life isn't fully lived on a smartphone screen.

It can't deliver the multisensory pleasures of the physical world — the sun, the breeze, the sensation of being in a large crowd, the excitement of engaging directly with a great work of art like Cloud Gate.

Yet for the foreseeable future, we have to bid such pleasures goodbye.

In the conflict between density and social distancing, social distancing should always win. Urban vitality is one of the great characteristics of our civilization, but it cannot take precedence over protecting human life.

The joys of density will return once this tragic chapter is over.

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Greengate only sells medical marijuana, and is one of the first dispensaries to stop medical sales because of COVID-19.

The Herbal Care Center, a dispensary near the Pilsen neighborhood, is also closing to do a deep clean on Thursday, according to a text alert sent to customers.

The store plans to resume medical sales Friday, but recreational sales are suspended until further notice.

Many legal weed stores began taking measures last week to prevent the spread of COVID-19, including restricting sales to medical patients only, asking medical patients to use online ordering systems or send their caregiver, or reducing hours of operation.

The precautions have continued to escalate as the

disease has spread in Illinois.

Mission South Shore marijuana dispensary has continued recreational sales, but will not allow more than 10 people on the sales floor, said Gabriel Mendoza, Mission's vice president of operations.

The dispensary has a classroom that it will set aside for patients and take their orders from there, Mendoza said. Additionally, it is ending buying limits on

flower, the dried buds that can be smoked. Buying limits were put in place in response to a statewide shortage of marijuana products after recreational sales started Jan. 1.

"Individuals can come pick up as much medicine as they need to get through this quarantine," Mendoza said.

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# Volatility persists: S&P falls 5.2% as Dow sheds 6.3%

## Investors dash for cash amid fears of recession

BY STAN CHOE, DAMIAN J. TROISE AND ALEX VEIGA  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Stocks tumbled more than 5% on Wall Street on Wednesday, and the Dow erased virtually all its gains since President Donald Trump's 2017 inauguration. Even prices for investments seen as safe during downturns fell as the coronavirus outbreak chokes the economy and investors rush to raise cash.

Markets have been incredibly volatile for weeks as Wall Street and the White House acknowledge the rising likelihood that the pandemic will cause a recession. The typical day this month has seen the stock market swing up or down by 4.9%. Over the last decade, it was just 0.4%.

On Wednesday, the Dow Jones Industrial Average lost 1,338.46 points, or 6.3%, to 19,898.92. It's the eighth straight day the Dow has moved by more than 1,000 points.

The S&P 500's slide was so sharp that trading was halted for 15 minutes Wednesday. The index ended the day down 5.2% after earlier being down as much as 9.8%.

Delta Air Lines said Wednesday it's parking at least half its planes to catch up with a plummeting drop in travel.

The NYSE will temporarily close its trading floor in lower Manhattan and move to all-electronic trading on Monday as precautionary step amid the coronavirus outbreak.

The trading floors of the NYSE and NYSE American Options market in New York will be closed, along with the NYSE Arca Options in San Francisco.

The exchanges will continue to operate under normal trading hours.

Wednesday's selling swept markets around the world. Benchmark U.S. oil fell 24% and dropped below \$21 per barrel for the first time since 2002. European stock indexes lost more than 4% following broad losses in Asia. Even prices for longer-term U.S. Treasuries fell as investors sold what they could to raise cash. Gold also fell.

"They're just saying, 'I may take some losses here, but if we have cash we can deploy it when we know more,'" said J.J. Kinahan, chief strategist with TD Ameritrade. "The problem for the market really

is we just don't know anymore. And until we really know where things are at, you may see people who just want to have as much cash as possible."

The bond market is also operating under strain, and it hasn't been this difficult for buyers to find sellers at reasonable prices since the financial crisis of 2008, said Gene Tannuzzo, deputy global head of fixed income at Columbia Threadneedle Investments.

Investors are selling their highest-quality bonds to raise cash, thinking they will be the easiest to sell and will hold up the best. That's paradoxically undercutting their prices further.

Also exacerbating moves, many traders are making trades not from their office.

"I'm calling the Citigroup dealer, who's on his home Wi-Fi with his kid in the living room," Tannuzzo said. "That causes gaps" in pricing.

"These are truly unprecedented events with no adequate historical example with which to precisely anchor our forecast," Deutsche Bank economists wrote in a report Wednesday.

# Ford, GM to close all N. American auto plants

BY TOM KRISHER  
Associated Press

DETROIT — Ford and General Motors are confirming that they will temporarily close all of their North American factories due to the coronavirus threat.

Fiat Chrysler will do the same, according to two people briefed on the matter Wednesday.

Ford and General Motors confirmed in statements Wednesday that all North American factories will close temporarily. Ford said its plants will shut down after Thursday evening shifts, through March 30, while GM said it will begin a "systematic orderly suspension" of production through at least March 30.

Messages were left seeking comment from Fiat Chrysler.

"We have been taking extraordinary precautions around the world to keep our plant environments safe, and recent developments in North America make it clear this is the right thing to do now," GM CEO Mary Barra said in a statement.

Ford said it will work with United Auto Workers union leaders in the coming weeks on plans to restart factories, as well as exploring more procedures to prevent the virus from spreading. The union has been pushing for factories to close because workers are fearful of coming into contact with the virus.

The companies' decisions reverse a deal worked out late Tuesday in which the automakers would cancel some shifts so they could clean equipment and buildings, but keep factories open. But workers, especially at some Fiat Chrysler factories, were still fearful and were pressuring the union to seek closures.

Honda Motor Co. announced Wednesday that it will temporarily close its North American factories for about one week starting Monday.

The move by GM, Fiat Chrysler and Ford will idle about 150,000 autoworkers.



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A masked woman stands in a security line Monday at Reagan National Airport in Arlington, Virginia.

# TSA on front lines with virus

## Exposure cases among screeners are on the rise, sparking worries

BY BEN FOX AND DAVID KOENIG  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — At least six Transportation Security Administration officers have tested positive for the new coronavirus and dozens were in self-quarantine this week as the disease takes an increasing toll on an agency critical to the safety of U.S. aviation.

TSA said it was providing safety training to employees and operations were running smoothly. It stood by its decision to not provide officers with respirators as their union requested last week.

Union leaders said they were still concerned, even as a major drop in traffic at the nation's airports seemed to reduce the potential for exposure. Officers screen 2 million passengers around the country on a typical day.

Joe Shuker, a vice president for the union representing workers in the region that includes Philadelphia and Washington, said he was surprised the government hadn't shut down air traffic.

"Our guys can't stay 6 feet away from

anybody, we're patting people down," Shuker said. "We're putting people at risk for no reason."

TSA over the weekend announced the positive test of an officer at Orlando International Airport who had last been at work March 10. The officer was being treated and all employees who came into contact with the person over the previous two weeks were in self-quarantine.

There was an earlier positive test by an officer at the Fort Lauderdale-Hollywood International Airport and four at the airport in San Jose, California.

The TSA did not disclose the total number of employees in isolation because of the exposure but the American Federation of Government Employees, which represents the nearly 46,000 officers, said about 40 workers at just the San Jose airport were told to self-quarantine.

Around the globe, airline bookings are plummeting and cancellations soaring as governments restrict travel and people fear being enclosed in an airplane for several hours during a pandemic.

TSA said checkpoints remain open though some lanes may be closed. Shuker said the Philadelphia airport was unusually quiet. "There are enough people because nobody is flying," he said. "This place should be packed right now on a Monday."

AFGE sent a letter last week to the TSA director asking that he provide respirators because surgical masks they were given are insufficient for officers who "are uniquely susceptible to this outbreak." The request was denied.

The agency said in response to The Associated Press that neither the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention nor the Occupational Safety and Health Administration recommends respirators for the officers and says the equipment should be reserved for workers in the riskiest situations such as medical personnel.

"TSA follows OSHA and CDC guidance related to personnel protection," it said in a written statement.

The agency said it was requiring officers to wear nitrile gloves while checking people and baggage to add an extra layer of protection and instructing them not to reuse swabs used in screening, among other measures.

Gary Holdsworth, a union vice president for the local in Northern California, said there has not been any mass sickout in response to the outbreak despite the increasing stress of potential exposure.

"You don't want to panic and you don't want to be paranoid, but when you are in a spot where you are seeing the public every day you have no idea," he said.

# New homebuilding dips again in February

BY MATT OTT  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Construction of new homes fell again in February, but not as much as the previous month. Those declines follow a December surge that had pushed home construction to the highest level in 13 years.

Builders started construction on 1.60 million homes at a seasonally adjusted annual rate, a decline of 1.5% from 1.62 million units in January, the Commerce Department reported Wednesday. Analysts had expected a more significant drop. The economic impact of the coronavirus outbreak was not apparent in the February numbers.

Application for building permits, con-

sidered a good sign of future activity, fell 5.5% in February to an annual rate of 1.46 million units. However, permits for single-family home construction rose 1.7%.

"Single-family building permits rose for the tenth consecutive month to a cycle high of 1.004 million," said Neil Dutta, an economist at Renaissance Macro Research. "Thus, the housing market was really hitting its stride before the onset of the coronavirus in the United States. That said, with homebuilder sentiment easing (for) March, expect the gains in permits and construction to ebb in the months ahead."

Single-family housing starts were up 6.7% to 1,072,000 in February over the revised January figure of 1,005,000.

The report on housing starts showed

that homebuilding declined the most in the Northeast, falling 25.1%, followed by an 8.2% drop in the West. Home building fell modestly in the Midwest and South.

The National Association of Home Builders reported Tuesday that its survey of builders' sentiment declined slightly in February, but remains high.

The group said builder confidence reflected a decline in mortgage rates, a low supply of existing homes and a strong labor market with rising wages and the lowest unemployment rate in a half century. But that could change drastically in the coming months as American industry braces for the effect of COVID-19, which is grinding the economy to a near halt as people stay home, airlines cancel flights and public events are called off.

## BUSINESS BRIEFING

# Volvo recall to fix automatic braking

DETROIT — Volvo is recalling more than 736,000 vehicles worldwide because the automatic emergency braking system may not detect obstacles and stop the vehicles as designed.

The recall covers certain 2019 and 2020 S60, V60, S90L and V90 models.

The company says in government documents that a software-hardware incompatibility glitch causes the problem. If the system doesn't work as intended, it can increase the risk of a crash, Volvo said in documents posted Wednesday on the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration website. The company says it has no reports of crashes or injuries.

Volvo will notify owners, and dealers will update the software at no cost to customers.

# New iPads to get PC-like trackpads

NEW YORK — Apple's new iPad brings PC-like trackpad capabilities for the first time, as the company seeks to make its tablet even more like a laptop computer.

Apple says the trackpad will offer more precision than fingers in selecting text and switching between apps.

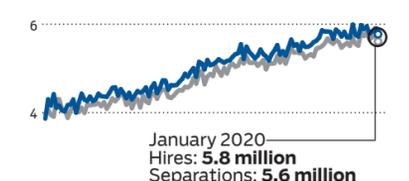
Older iPads will also be able to get trackpad capabilities with a free software update, but some will require keyboards from third parties. For the iPad Pro, Apple is releasing a "magic keyboard" with a trackpad in May starting at \$299.

The tablet itself starts at \$799, while an Apple Pencil stylus costs another \$129. Apple also announced a new MacBook Air computer with a starting price of about \$1,000.

## Hires and separations

In millions per month

— Hires, private and government jobs  
— Quits, layoffs, firings, private and government jobs

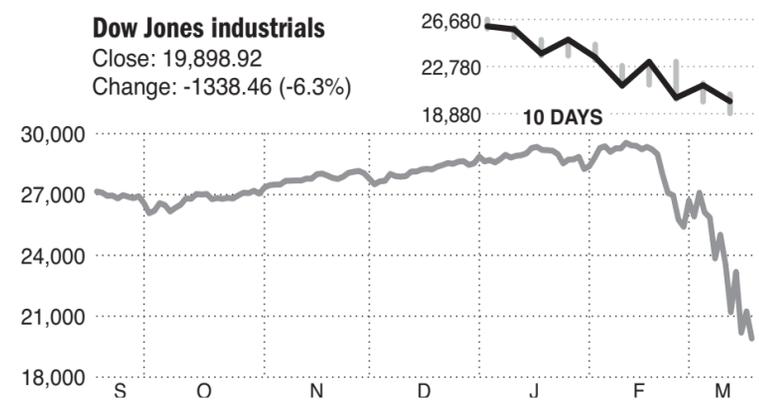


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MARKET ROUNDUP

**Dow** High: 20,489.33 Low: 18,917.46 Previous: 21,237.38



**Nasdaq**  
-344.94 (-4.70%)

**S&P 500**  
-131.09 (-5.18%)

**Russell 2000**  
-115.35 (-10.42%)

Close: 6,989.84  
High: 7,182.83  
Low: 6,686.36  
Previous: 7,334.78

Close: 2,398.10  
High: 2,453.57  
Low: 2,280.52  
Previous: 2,529.19

Close: 991.16  
High: 1,062.88  
Low: 966.22  
Previous: 1,106.51

**10-yr T-note**  
+26 to 1.25%

**Gold futures**  
-47.60 to \$1,477.30

**Yen**  
+13 to 107.98/\$1

**Euro**  
+0.106 to .9197/\$1

**Crude Oil**  
-6.58 to \$20.37

Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
-15.52	-12.10	-12.52	-32.20	-28.80	-29.18	-22.71	-9.56	-15.09

FUTURES							
COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 20	500.75	512	494.50	508.25	+9
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 20	344	345.25	332	335.25	-8.75
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 20	824.50	838.50	822.25	825.50	+1.25
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	May 20	25.35	25.94	24.68	25.04	-20
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	May 20	298.30	305.00	298.30	304.00	+5.70
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl- dollars per bbl	Apr 20	26.94	27.22	20.06	20.37	-6.58
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Apr 20	1.721	1.728	1.555	1.604	-1.25
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Apr 20	.7161	.7416	.6205	.6377	-0.737

LOCAL STOCKS

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

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	79.26	-.23	Dover Corp	N	69.86	-11.27	Littelfuse Inc	O	105.80	-24.82
AbbVie Inc	N	71.03	-1.99	Envestnet Inc	N	55.85	-5.47	McDonalds Corp	N	137.30	-10.32
Allstate Corp	N	75.55	-12.39	Equity Commonwealth	N	28.34	-2.42	Middleby Corp	O	48.61	-14.83
Anixter Intl	N	74.52	-8.87	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	45.24	-10.90	Mondelez Intl	O	46.55	-2.27
Aptargroup Inc	N	96.75	+30	Equity Residential	N	60.87	-5.59	Morningstar Inc	O	107.69	-6.18
Arch Dan Mid	N	33.02	-2.24	Exelon Corp	O	33.04	-2.96	Motorola Solutions	N	148.20	-1.13
Baxter Intl	N	84.59	+4.08	First Indl RT	N	29.23	-1.48	NiSource Inc	N	23.60	-9.7
Boeing Co	N	101.89	-22.25	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	36.50	-5.20	Nthn Trust Cp	O	66.18	-2.37
Brunswick Corp	N	28.20	-1.80	Gallagher AJ	N	72.44	-13.02	Old Republic	N	13.01	-3.73
CBOE Global Markets	N	75.85	-12.69	Grainger WW	N	235.89	-10.54	Packaging Corp Am	N	91.03	-2.71
CDK Global Inc	O	31.01	-5.40	GrubHub Inc	N	35.85	-4.93	Payload Hldg	O	78.39	-14.25
CDW Corp	O	84.39	-2.89	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	93.78	+4.40	RLI Corp	N	74.95	-4.67
CF Industries	N	21.14	-3.01	IAA Inc	N	28.62	-.32	Stegan Co	N	101.99	+2.49
CME Group	O	142.97	-23.05	IDEX Corp	N	114.00	-11.96	Stericycle Inc	O	49.48	-6.32
CNA Financial	N	31.98	+0.3	ITW	N	141.76	-17.74	TransUnion	N	58.96	-9.24
Cabot Microelect	O	89.37	-14.38	Ingredion Inc	N	60.80	-9.93	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	128.52	-26.08
Caterpillar Inc	N	100.12	-.08	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	92.70	-12.90	United Airlines Hldg	O	21.38	-9.29
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	27.26	-2.54	Kemper Corp	N	62.98	-10.57	Ventas Inc	N	16.97	-4.05
Deere Co	N	114.21	-12.50	Kraft Heinz Co	O	23.69	-1.4	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	52.81	+3.21
Discover Fin Svcs	N	27.00	-9.87	LKQ Corporation	O	15.90	-3.79	Zebra Tech	O	185.47	+4.81

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Bank of America	20.79	-1.19
Gen Electric	6.60	-4.48
Ford Motor	4.50	-0.51
Chesapck Engy	.18	-.03
Energy Transfer LP	4.56	-.69
Uber Technologies	14.82	-4.09
AT&T Inc	32.85	-.89
Carnival Corp	9.30	-3.41
Delta Air Lines	23.49	-8.25
Annaly Capital Mgmt	5.32	-1.34
Boeing Co	101.89	-22.25
Exxon Mobil Corp	33.12	-3.69
Snap Inc A	8.37	-.54
Wells Fargo & Co	28.12	-1.51
Vale SA	7.40	-.77
Itau Unibanco Hldg	4.43	-.47
Sthwstn Energy	2.05	-.07
Petrobras	4.31	-1.09
Blue Apron Holdings	16.25	+9.70
MGM Resorts Intl	7.14	-2.41
Citigroup	36.43	-3.82
Kinder Morgan Inc	9.98	-2.66
Ambev S.A.	2.12	-.18
Halliburton	4.61	-1.53

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
AT&T Inc	32.85	-.89
Alibaba Group Hldg	180.00	-4.81
Alphabet Inc C	1096.80	-23.00
Alphabet Inc A	1091.19	-26.87
Amazon.com Inc	1830.00	+22.16
Apple Inc	246.67	-6.19
Berkshire Hath B	172.44	-15.16
Facebook Inc	146.96	-2.46
HSBC Holdings prA	21.68	-2.66
JPMorgan Chase	83.89	-9.87
Johnson & Johnson	134.96	-1.63
MasterCard Inc	227.93	-9.95
Microsoft Corp	140.40	-6.17
Procter & Gamble	117.45	-.79
Taiwan Semicon	44.37	-4.17
Unitedhealth Group	217.06	-27.16
Verizon Comm	54.32	+0.1
Visa Inc	148.48	-9.41
Walmart Strs	122.58	+3.32

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AmrcnBalA m	24.33	...	-4.8
American Funds CptWldGrInca m	39.31	...	-15.0
American Funds CptInclBldrA m	51.24	...	-10.9
American Funds FdmtlInvSA x	43.49	-3.36	-20.1
American Funds GrfAmrCA m	38.82	-2.09	-14.3
American Funds InvAmrCA x	18.85	...	-9.5
American Funds IncAmrCA x	29.09	-1.46	-16.9
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	34.24	-2.03	-17.1
American Funds WAMtInvSA x	34.15	-2.49	-18.8
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.43	-3.0	+2.3
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	26.84	-1.76	-27.8
Dodge & Cox Stk	124.17	-8.21	-29.1
DoubleLine TlRetBdl	10.72	...	+6.0
Fidelity 500IdxPrm	83.52	-4.53	-13.7
Fidelity Contrafund	10.79	-.48	-10.1
Fidelity InvMGradeBd	11.13	-2.3	+3.8
Fidelity TlMktIdxPrm	65.61	-4.07	-16.9
Fidelity USBdlIdxPrm	11.82	-1.19	+6.5
Franklin Templeton IncA1 m	1.90	...	-13.3
Metropolitan West TlRetBdl	10.97	...	+7.8
PIMCO Incl2	10.85	-2.6	-1.9
PIMCO InclStk	10.85	-2.6	-1.8
PIMCO TlRetltns	10.26	...	+6.1
Schwab SP500Idx	38.83	...	-8.6
T. Rowe Price BCGr	102.07	...	-7.5
T. Rowe Price GrStk	58.73	...	-9.0
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	221.20	-12.08	-13.7
Vanguard BalIdxAdmrl	32.44	-1.42	-7.7
Vanguard DivGrInv	23.51	-1.26	-10.6
Vanguard GrIdxAdmrl	73.52	-3.70	-7.1
Vanguard HCAmrl	70.40	-3.10	-10.6
Vanguard InTRndGAdm	9.68	-1.9	+4.2
Vanguard InTRTEAdmrl	14.00	-1.4	+2.1
Vanguard InslIdxlns	216.36	-11.80	-13.7
Vanguard InslIdxlnsPlus	216.38	-11.80	-13.7
Vanguard InslTSMInPls	49.77	-3.09	-16.9
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	76.73	-4.26	-14.9
Vanguard MDCpldxAdmrl	148.06	-12.05	-24.0
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	105.58	-5.79	-16.9
Vanguard STInvMGrdAdmrl	10.48	-.09	+2.3
Vanguard SmCpldxAdmrl	48.08	-5.13	-33.9
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	27.24	-1.02	-8.4
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	16.09	-6.8	-10.7
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	28.80	-1.33	-12.6
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	17.34	-8.6	-14.5
Vanguard TlBdIdxAdmrl	10.96	-1.8	+6.6
Vanguard TlBdIdxlns	10.96	-1.8	+6.6
Vanguard TltnBdIdxAdmrl	22.23	-2.7	+3.8
Vanguard TltnBdIdxlns	33.35	-4.2	+3.8
Vanguard TltnBdIdxlnv	11.12	-1.4	+3.8
Vanguard TltnBdIdxAdmrl	20.20	-1.24	-26.2
Vanguard TltnSdIdxlns	80.79	-4.97	-26.2
Vanguard TltnSdIdxlnsPlus	80.81	-4.97	-26.2
Vanguard TltnSdIdxlnv	12.08	-1.74	-26.2
Vanguard TlSMIdxAdmrl	57.77	-3.59	-16.9
Vanguard TlSMIdxlns	57.79	-3.58	-16.9
Vanguard TlSMIdxlnv	57.74	-3.59	-17.0
Vanguard WlngtAdmrl	60.00	-2.81	-9.6
Vanguard WlslyIncAdmrl	58.28	-1.91	-3.3
Vanguard WndrslAdmrl	44.27	-2.94	-21.7

TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	0.02	0.19
6-month disc	0.07	0.25
2-year	0.51	0.45
10-year	1.25	0.99
30-year	1.86	1.58

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1477.30	\$1524.90
Silver	\$11.735	\$12.469
Platinum	\$603.00	\$665.30

INTEREST RATES

Prime Rate	3.25
Discount Rate Primary	0.75
Fed Funds Target	0.00-0.25
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.37

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Argentina (Peso)	63.2511
Australia (Dollar)	1.7294
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Britain (Pound)	.8631
Canada (Dollar)	1.4554
China (Yuan)	7.0475
Euro	.9197
India (Rupee)	75.050
Israel (Shekel)	3.7625
Japan (Yen)	107.98
Mexico (Peso)	23.9656
Poland (Zloty)	4.16
So. Korea (Won)	1266.55
Taiwan (Dollar)	30.40
Thailand (Baht)	32.65

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## OBITUARIES

LYLE WAGGONER 1935-2020

## 'Wonder Woman' co-star, foil on Carol Burnett show

BY LYNN ELBER  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Lyle Waggoner, 84, who used his good looks to comic effect on "The Carol Burnett Show," partnered with a superhero on "Wonder Woman" and was the first centerfold for Playgirl magazine, died Tuesday.

Waggoner, who was battling cancer, died peacefully Tuesday at his Los Angeles-area home with his wife of 60 years, Sharon, at his side, according to a family statement.

A household name in the 1970s, Waggoner went on to become a successful entrepreneur. He built a behind-the-scenes business that provides custom trailers that keep stars comfortable during production breaks. Playing on his surname, he called it Star Waggoners.

In the mid-1960s, the Kansas-born Waggoner was appearing in run-of-the-mill movies such as "Swamp Country" and "The Catalina Caper" and was a finalist to play "Batman" in the campy TV series that eventually starred Adam West. Then he was called to audition for Burnett's variety show.

The actress-comedian recalled that she wanted an announcer for the show who could do more than introduce the commercials. He had to also be good-looking, so she could do her ugly-duckling, romance-besotted character with him, and funny, so he could contribute laughs.

"In walked Lyle Waggoner," she recalled in her 2010 book, "This Time Together." "Gorgeous? Yes. But so much more. He was incredibly funny. He had a sly, tongue-in-cheek delivery that told you he was putting himself on and not taking himself seriously."

As the series evolved, she said, he showed such great comic instincts that he got



STEPHEN SHUGERMAN/GETTY 2005

Cast members of "The Carol Burnett Show," from left, Harvey Korman, Vicki Lawrence and Lyle Waggoner.

roles in sketches and became a full member of the cast. He stayed with the show from its beginning in 1967 to 1974 (it ran on CBS another four years.)

Along the way, he made history of sorts in 1973 when the fledgling Playgirl magazine chose him as his first centerfold, calling him "the stuff of which sexual fantasies are made, a 6-foot-4 hunk of gorgeous beefcake."

In 1976, Waggoner was picked to star in "Wonder Woman," based on the venerable comic book heroine. Lynda Carter was Wonder Woman, who came from a lost island where she was one of a band of Amazon women with superpowers. Maj. Steve Trevor (Waggoner), crashed onto the island during World War II. Wonder Woman joined him on his return to the United States, where she mostly fought Nazi agents with her secret powers while posing as Steve's secretary.

In 1977 "Wonder Woman" moved from ABC to CBS as "The New Adventures of Wonder Woman" and from the '40s to contemporary times, with Carter still the superhero and Waggoner as Steve Trevor Jr., his previous character's

son. The series ended in 1979, and Waggoner focused on his rental company.

"I was always looking for a backup because I knew the (television) series; they don't last forever," he told a CNBC interviewer in 2002. "They can yank the rug out from under you at any time."

He got the idea while working on "Wonder Woman," when he was assigned a motor home rented from an individual. When Waggoner asked the studio if they would rent a motor home from him, he bought one and started charging for it. That gave rise to Star Waggoners, which were up to 40 feet long, cost as much as \$100,000 and included carpeting, leather easy chairs and satellite television.

He eventually had hundreds of them, customized to meet special requests. Star Waggoners covered mirrors at Steven Spielberg's request, changed a dinette to a makeup area for Teri Hatcher and even switched a trailer that Jaclyn Smith got "bad vibes" in.

Waggoner continued to perform, appearing in TV specials starring Burnett and guest starring on shows such as "Murder, She Wrote," "Ellen" and "Love Boat."

lin D. Roosevelt ordered that men between the ages of 45 and 64 register for nonmilitary duty.

In 1945, more than 900 crew members were killed and 325 wounded in a fast-spreading fire aboard the USS Franklin off southern Japan when two Japanese bombs struck the aircraft carrier as it was launching its own fully armed and fueled planes.

In 1951, Herman Wouk's war novel "The Caine Mutiny" was first published.

In 1953, the Oscar ceremonies in Los Angeles were televised for the first time.

In 1962, a cease-fire in Algeria ended seven years of warfare between the French and nationalists in the North African colony.

In 1977, after seven seasons, CBS broadcast the final episode of "The Mary Tyler Moore Show."

In 1979, the U.S. House began television broadcasts of its day-to-day business.

In 1981, at Cape Canaveral, Fla., two workers were killed in an accident during tests for the space shuttle

Columbia.

In 1987, televangelist Jim Bakker resigned as chairman of his PTL ministry organization amid a sex and money scandal involving Jessica Hahn, a former church secretary from Oklahoma.

In 1994, talks between North Korea and South Korea collapsed, imperiling a U.S.-brokered deal to resolve the North Korean nuclear dispute.

In 1998, completing baseball's transformation from family ownership to corporate control, Rupert Murdoch's Fox Group won approval to buy the Los Angeles Dodgers for a record \$350 million.

In 2001, California officials declared a power alert, ordering the first of two days of rolling blackouts.

In 2002, U.S. intelligence analyst Ana Belen Montes pleaded guilty in federal court to spying for Cuba; she was later sentenced to 25 years in prison.

In 2011, NATO action begins in Libya as more than 110 Tomahawk missiles fired from American and British ships and submarines hit about 20 Libyan air- and missile-defense targets.

In 2015, the onetime owner and two former top executives of the shuttered Sacred Heart Hospital in Chicago were convicted on charges they paid hundreds of thousands of dollars in kickbacks so doctors would refer patients on Medicare to the struggling West Side facility.

In 2016, a Boeing 737-800 flying from Dubai crashed while trying to land in the southern Russian city of Rostov-on-Don, killing all 55 passengers and six crew members.

## Chicago Daily Tribune

ON MARCH 19 ...

In 1563, the Peace of Amboise ended the first War of Religion in France, with the Huguenots granted limited toleration to exercise their religion.

In 1628, the English founded the Massachusetts Bay Colony.

In 1796, freedom of the press was established in France.

In 1831, the country's first bank robbery occurred when \$245,000 was taken from New York's City Bank.

In 1917, the Supreme Court upheld the eight-hour work day for railroads.

In 1918, Congress approved daylight-saving time.

In 1920, the U.S. Senate rejected, for a second time, the Treaty of Versailles by a vote of 49 in favor, 35 against, falling short of the two-thirds majority needed for approval.

In 1928, the radio show "Amos 'n' Andy" made its debut on WMAQ in Chicago.

In 1942, President Frank-

## WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

**ILLINOIS**  
March 18  
Powerball ..... 15 27 44 59 63 / 08  
Powerball jackpot: \$130M  
Lotto jackpot: \$5.75M  
Pick 3 midday ..... 740 / 1  
Pick 4 midday ..... 7386 / 0  
Lucky Day Lotto midday .....  
04 05 26 29 33  
Pick 3 evening ..... 754 / 5  
Pick 4 evening ..... 0508 / 0  
Lucky Day Lotto evening .....  
01 02 20 23 26  
March 20 Mega Millions: \$96M

**WISCONSIN**  
March 18  
Megabucks ..... 05 11 16 18 21 47  
Pick 3 ..... 273  
Pick 4 ..... 9446  
Badger 5 ..... 04 09 17 20 21  
SuperCash ..... 11 12 17 27 28 33

**INDIANA**  
March 18  
Lotto ..... 03 07 13 20 33 38  
Daily 3 midday ..... 906 / 8  
Daily 4 midday ..... 2851 / 8  
Daily 3 evening ..... 249 / 2  
Daily 4 evening ..... 2672 / 2  
Cash 5 ..... 09 13 22 23 24

**MICHIGAN**  
March 18  
Lotto ..... 14 17 18 28 33 36  
Daily 3 midday ..... 068  
Daily 4 midday ..... 4323  
Daily 3 evening ..... 919  
Daily 4 evening ..... 4893  
Fantasy 5 ..... 10 20 24 27 29  
Keno ..... 01 03 04 08 11 12  
16 26 28 30 31 33 35 40  
49 50 58 64 66 71 72 77

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## Death Notices

## Charous, Donald I.

Donald I. Charous, MD, age 87; beloved and cherished husband for 62 years to Roberta nee Glazier; loving father of David (Lynn) Charous, Sandy (Mark) Levin, Steven (Becky) Charous and Anita (David) Grobart; adoring Papa of grandchildren Deanna (Brett) Abrams, Linda (Raphael) Moreen, Matthew (Mollie) Levin, Jamie (Daniel) Hochberg, Brian, Jason and Aaron Charous, Jeremy (fiancée Elizabeth Sikora), Sam, Adam and Joshua Grobart, Erica (Jaime) Faulhaber and Daniel Charous; and great-grandchildren Gabriel, Jonah and Ari Abrams, Ezekiel Moreen, and Lily Faulhaber; dear brother of Olivia Baskin; treasured brother-in-law, uncle and great uncle. Our gratitude to Jan Gurdziel, a wonderful caregiver. Dr. Charous was a well-respected and loved physician and cared for his patients with compassion and care; proudly served as a Captain in the United States Air Force as a physician, and assisted people with disabilities as an expert witness for the United States Social Security Administration in his retirement. Dr. Charous was a person of class and dignity and will be deeply missed by his family, friends and the many others who were fortunate enough to have known him. Due to the pandemic and out of concern for our extended family and friends, services and shiva will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hadassah Chicago-North Shore, Jewish United Fund and Solomon Schechter Day School of Metropolitan Chicago. For information and to leave condolences: **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, (847) 255-3520, or [www.shalom2.com](http://www.shalom2.com).

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## Coakley, Daniel J.

Daniel J. Coakley passed away on March 16th, 2020. Beloved husband of Maureen nee Conley; loving father of Sean (Sumontha) Coakley and Elizabeth (Mark) Antrobus; dear grandfather of Kate Maureen Coakley, Mark Daniel Antrobus, and Maximus Joseph Antrobus; beloved son of the late Daniel and Margaret Coakley; fond brother of Anna (the late James) Farrell, the late Jack and Jim Coakley. Visitation Saturday, March 21st, 10:00 am to 12:30 pm at Adol Funeral Home, 7000 S. Madison St., Willowbrook, IL 60527. Interment to follow at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, 6001 W. 111th St Alsip, IL 60803. For information 630-325-2300, [www.adolf-services.com](http://www.adolf-services.com) or [www.powellfuneraldirectors.com](http://www.powellfuneraldirectors.com)

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## Conroy, Loretta

Loretta M. Conroy, an 88 year old resident of Lake Bluff, passed away on March 11, 2020. Her daughter and son, Patty and Dale, were present at the time of her peaceful passing. She leaves behind her daughter Patty (George) Loukas, son Dale (Tricia) Conroy; her cherished grandchildren Stacey (Simeon) Spirison, Nick (Stephanie) Loukas, Christina (Matt) Branch, Kosta Loukas, and Vanessa (Andy) Liebovich; and she was blessed with five great-grandchildren Marianna, Thalia, Despina, Christ and Lukas. Loretta's beloved husband Nick, her parents John and Anna, and brother John and sisters Jayne and Marge preceded her in death. She will be missed by many nieces, nephews, and friends in California, Illinois, Arizona and Ohio. Loretta attended Youngstown State University with a focus on Business. She worked many jobs through the years, with the majority of the time (13 years) at California State University of Northridge. She was a secretary in the English Department typing manuscripts and exams. Loretta and Nick moved to Illinois in 2001 to be closer to her children and grandchildren. At 69 years old, she worked at US Bank in Illinois, working in the Safety Deposit Department. In semi-retirement, she worked 10 years part-time at the family-owned Cubby Bear Lincolnshire. She spent her last 3 years living at The Sheridan at Green Oaks in Lake Bluff, which gave her such joy, always complimenting her new friends and staff at this senior living facility. All services are private at this time, a public memorial service will be held at a later date to be determined. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the American Heart Association or Lynn Sage Cancer Research Foundation. For information **Wenban Funeral Home** 847-234-0022 or visit [www.wenbanfh.com](http://www.wenbanfh.com).

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## Fabrikant, Arnold

Arnold Fabrikant, Age 75. Beloved husband of Wendy. Loving father of Samson Fabrikant and Charles (Colleen) Fabrikant. Proud grandfather of Elizabeth. Dear brother of Joel Fabrikant and the late Dennis Fabrikant. Private graveside services will be held. Memorial contributions may be made to the animal charity of your choice, Northwest Suburban Chabad, [www.nwschabad.org](http://www.nwschabad.org). Arrangements by: **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Buffalo Grove, 847.229.8822, [www.cjfmfo.com](http://www.cjfmfo.com)

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## Gootnick, Stuart D.

Stuart Donald Gootnick, age 89. Beloved husband of the late Geraldine, nee Poncher; cherished father of Jo Bice and Elaine Imber; loving grandfather of John and Mark Imber. Stuart would never want to put anyone's health at risk during this global health crisis. For this reason, the family made the difficult decision to ask for a private graveside funeral on Thursday and will not be holding Shiva. Info **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals**, 630-MITZVAH (630-648-9824), or [www.mitzvahfunerals.com](http://www.mitzvahfunerals.com)

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## Lakowski, Frank A.

Frank A. Lakowski, 95, of Huntley, died on March 15, 2020. He is survived by his children, Steve (Irene) Lakowski, Jeff Lakowski, Laura (Gary Jeffers) Lakowski, and Janice (Dave) Yost, his grandchildren, Kyle, Kenneth (Anne), Ryan, Kaylin (Branden), Samantha, and Karly, his great-grandchildren, James, Drew, and Ellie, his sister, Irene Raczka, many nieces and nephews, and his beloved dog, Roscoe. He is predeceased by his beloved wife of 66 years, Vivian (nee Wogelius) Lakowski, and his son, Frankie Lakowski. Visitation will be held on Friday, March 20, 2020 from 8:30am to 9:30am at DeFiore Funeral Home - 10763 Dundee Road, Huntley. Following visitation, a Funeral Mass will be held at 10am at St. Mary Catholic Church - 10307 Dundee Road, Huntley. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Alzheimer's Association are requested. <https://alz.org/> For further information please call the funeral home at 847-515-8772 or online condolences may be directed to [www.defiorefuneral.com](http://www.defiorefuneral.com)

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**Lombardi, Lillian Marie**

Lillian Marie Lombardi, nee Finger was born Feb. 19, 1927 in Joliet, IL; late of Arlington Heights, IL; formerly of Twin Lakes, WI and Ft. Meyers, FL; preceded in death by her husbands, Charles Timm and Carmie Lombardi and her companion, Al Hansen; survived by four step-daughters, Lydia (the late John) Bloom, Marian (the late Lew) Samuels, Margaret (Sonny) Rewerts and Mary Lou (the late John)Hoeksema; also survived by many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great grandchildren and cousins. She was an educator having received her B.S. degree from Northern Illinois University and her M.A. from the University of Chicago. She was an elementary school teacher and a reading resource teacher Memorials to The Reserve of Arlington Heights (Memory Care), 1825 S. Arlington Hts. Rd. Arlington Hts., IL 60005 appreciated. Memorial service to be held at a later time. Private interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. 847/394-2336.

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**Marcinkus, Raymond P.**

Raymond P. Marcinkus, 77, U.S. Army Veteran, at rest March 16, 2020. Beloved son of the late Kazys and Brone Marcinkus. Loving brother of Rita Marcinkus. Dear friend of Tim Stoffregen and family. Raymond was a graduate of St. Rita High School and a pro member of the Sierra Club and the Nomad Ski Club. He was an avid skier, hiker, and cyclist. Services will be held privately. Interment St. Casimir Lithuanian Cemetery, Chicago. Arrangements entrusted to **Orland Funeral Home**. (708) 460-7500.

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**Obrand, Arthur L.**

Arthur L. Obrand, 86, beloved husband of Ethel nee Cohn for 67 years; loving father of Jan Obrand and Anita (Vic) Pildes; cherished Grandpa of Russell and Jeffrey Pildes; devoted son of the late Ruth and Norman Obrand; dear brother of the late Beverly (the late Sam) Hoffman and the late Roberta (Arnold) Twersky; loving brother-in-law of the late Harvey (Fran) Cohn; many loving nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Due to the pandemic and out of concern for our extended family and friends, services and shiva will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to The Chicago Lighthouse, Congregation Beth Shalom or the charity of your choice. For information or to leave condolences, **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home** (847) 255-3520 or [www.shalom2.com](http://www.shalom2.com).



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**Rothenberg, Audrey**

Audrey Rothenberg nee Garden, 89. Loving wife of the late Phillip Rothenberg. Cherished mother of Marty (Rosita) Rothenberg, Sidney (Andi) Rothenberg, Judy (Robert) Fisher, Arthur (Kelly Palesh) Rothenberg and the late Alice Rothenberg. Proud grandmother of Scott (Danielle), Aaron and Joanna Rothenberg; Adam (Megan), Jason (Alexandra) and Sarah Rothenberg; Samuel, Maxwell and Elliot Fisher and Connor Palesh. Cherished great-grandmother of Rory, Nora, Joe and Miles. Dear sister of the late Joyce R. (the late Dan) Rosenfeld. Private graveside services were held at at Waldheim Jewish Cemetery in Forest Park. Memorials to the Greater Chicago Food Depository, P.O. Box 74008557, Chicago, IL 60674 [www.chicagosfoodbank.org](http://www.chicagosfoodbank.org) would be appreciated. Arrangements by: **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 847.229.8822, [www.cjinfo.com](http://www.cjinfo.com)



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**Taaffe, Helen L.**

All services scheduled for Helen L. Taaffe have been cancelled and will be postponed until further notice. Updated service information will be provided once a re-scheduled date has been confirmed. In lieu of flowers, donations may be given to Moms Demand Action, payable to "Everytown" with 'Moms Demand LaGrange Chapter' on the memo line, mailed to The First Presbyterian Church of LaGrange, 150 S. Ashland Ave., LaGrange. For information, contact **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 1025 W. 55th St., Countryside at 708-352-6500 or at [HJfunerals.com](http://HJfunerals.com).



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**Wanninger, Albert M.**

Albert M. Wanninger, age 81, at rest March 18th after a long battle with cancer. Beloved husband of Lottie (Szymczak). Loving father of Gregory (Lisa) Digles, Deborah Pusateri, Dawn (John) Bergum, Laura and Paul Wanninger. Devoted grandfather of Joseph Digles, Kira Bergum, Corbin and Cameo Wanninger. Funeral Saturday 9:15am from **RICHARD J MODELL FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES**, 12641 W. 143rd St., Homer Glen to St. Bernard Church, Funeral Service 10am. Private interment Resurrection Cemetery. Visitation Friday 3pm to 8pm. Albert had many talents from Electrical Engineer to Supernumerary at The Lyric Opera. Albert graduated from John Marshall Law School in 1969 and practiced law until his retirement. He enjoyed travelling especially visiting Ruins of Ancient Times. In lieu of flowers donations to The American Cancer Society (<https://www.cancer.org/>) appreciated. 708-301-3595 or [rjmodellfh.com](http://rjmodellfh.com)

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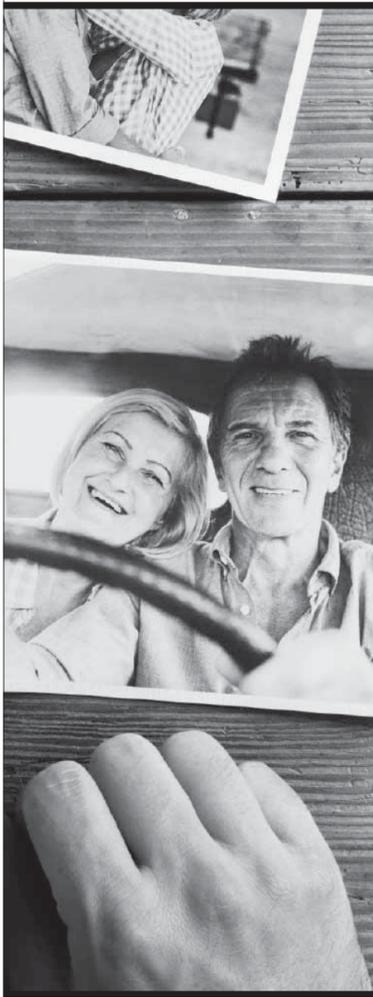


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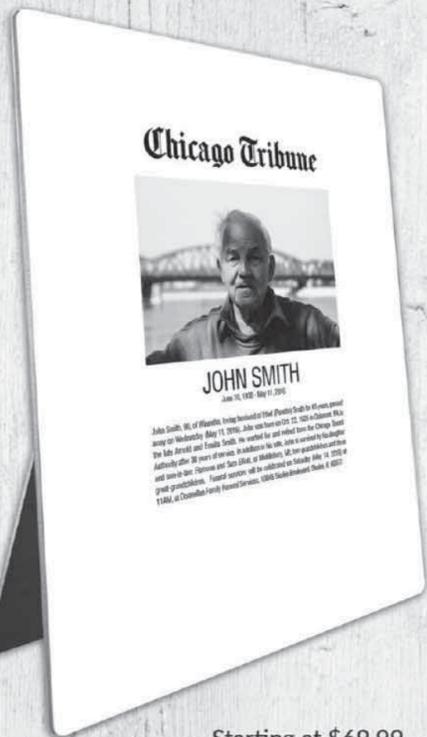
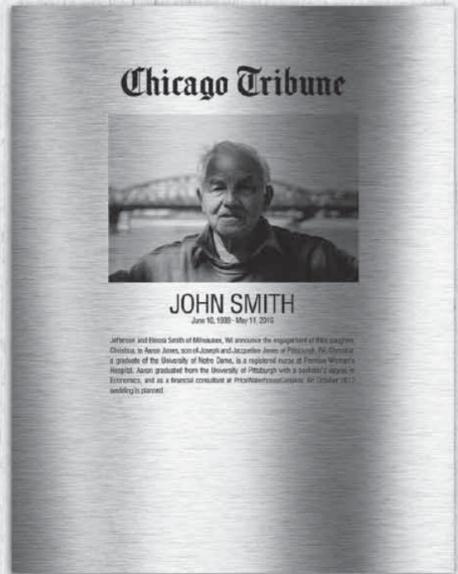
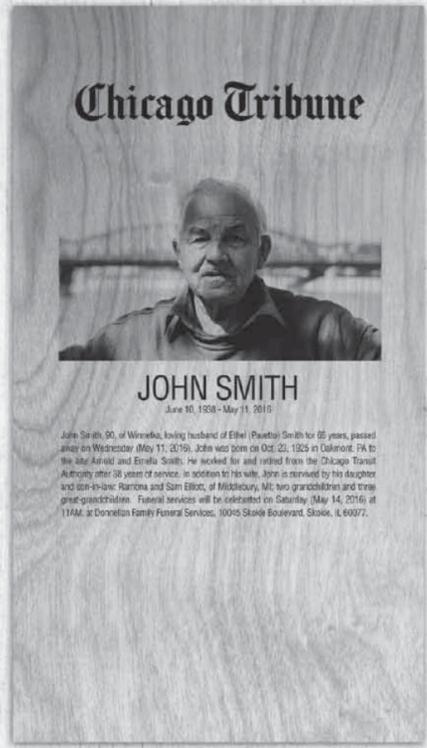
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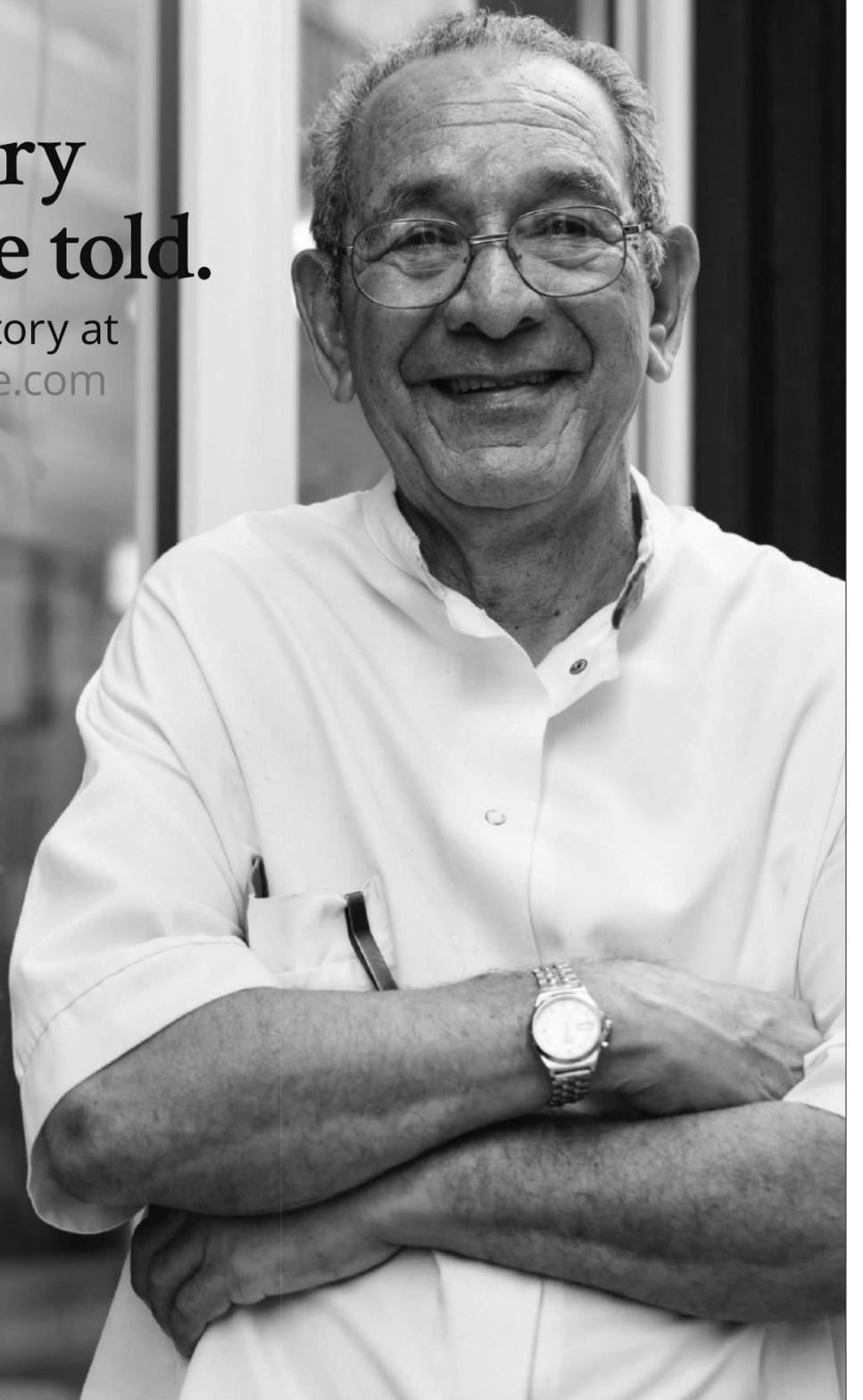


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TO: Krel Laboratories, Inc.; Krel Laboratories, Inc., c/o Christopher T. Nowotarski, Reg. Agt.; Illinois Attorney General; Illinois Attorney General's Office, c/o Elizabeth Dubats, Occupant, 382 N. Avers Ave., Chicago, IL 60624; KAREN A. YARBROUGH, COUNTY CLERK; Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said property. TAX DEED NO. 2020COTD000129 FILED: 1/10/2020 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: 5/9/2018 Certificate No.: 16-0010183 Sold for General Taxes of (year): 2016 Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality): N/A Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 382 N. AVERS AVENUE, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60624 Legal Description or Property Index No.: 16-11-302-004-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/6/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/6/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Chicago, Illinois, on 7/15/2020 in Room 1704 of the Richard J. Daley Center at 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/6/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 MIDWESTERN INVESTORS LLC Purchaser or Assignee Dated: March 5, 2020 Balin Law, P.C. Attorneys at Law 100 N. LaSalle, Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 345-1111 Firm #58864  
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TO: PHILIP AVELAR; MAY LOFTMINIUM, LLC, C/O ANTHONY R. DIBENEDETTO, REG. AGT.; MAY LOFTMINIUM, LLC, C/O JESSE WHITE, IL SECRETARY OF STATE; MAY LOFTMINIUM, LLC, C/O A P LOFTMINIUM CONSULTANTS INC., MANAGER; INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE; U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL; PROMETHEAN MANAGEMENT, INC., C/O KEITH HALE, REG. AGT.; WAREHOUSE 351 GARAGE CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, C/O KEITH HALE, REG. AGT.; OCCUPANT; KAREN A. YARBROUGH, COUNTY CLERK; Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said property. TAX DEED NO. 2020COTD000066 FILED: 1/8/2020 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: 5/9/2018 Certificate No.: 16-0010855 Sold for General Taxes of (year): 2016 Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality): N/A Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 351 N. MAY STREET, UNIT #61, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS Legal Description or Property Index No.: 17-08-401-008-1042 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/6/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/6/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Chicago, Illinois, on 7/15/2020 in Room 1704 of the Richard J. Daley Center at 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/6/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 5 HOLE ACQUISITIONS, INC. Purchaser or Assignee Dated: March 5, 2020 Balin Law, P.C. Attorneys at Law 100 N. LaSalle, Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 345-1111 Firm #58864  
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TO: CHICAGO TITLE LAND TRUST CO. A/T/U/T/A/D 1/24/18 A/K/A/T/N 8002376986; CHICAGO TITLE LAND TRUST CO. A/T/U/T/A/D 1/24/18 A/K/A/T/N 8002376986, C/O CT CORP.; OCCUPANT, 6443 FAIRFIELD AVE., CHICAGO, IL 60629; OCCUPANT, 6451 FAIRFIELD AVE., CHICAGO, IL 60629; KAREN A. YARBROUGH, COUNTY CLERK; Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said property. TAX DEED NO. 2020COTD000063 FILED: 1/8/2020 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: 5/8/2018 Certificate No.: 16-0006813 Sold for General Taxes of (year): 2016 Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality): N/A Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: AN APPROX. 30' X 126' PARCEL LOCATED ON THE EAST SIDE OF FAIRFIELD AVENUE APPROX. 106' NORTH OF 65TH STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60629 Legal Description or Property Index No.: 19-24-209-017-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/6/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/6/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Chicago, Illinois, on 7/15/2020 in Room 1704 of the Richard J. Daley Center at 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/6/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 5 HOLE ACQUISITIONS, INC. Purchaser or Assignee Dated: March 5, 2020 Balin Law, P.C. Attorneys at Law 100 N. LaSalle, Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 345-1111 Firm #58864  
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TO: Cherie A. Travis; City of Chicago, c/o Anna M. Valencia, City Clerk; Ruben A. Naal; Occupant; KAREN A. YARBROUGH, COUNTY CLERK; Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said property. TAX DEED NO. 2020COTD000124 FILED: 1/10/2020 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: 5/8/2018 Certificate No.: 16-0007627 Sold for General Taxes of (year): 2016 Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality): N/A Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 935-945 S. MARQUETTE ROAD, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60621 Legal Description or Property Index No.: 20-20-404-021-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/6/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/6/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Chicago, Illinois, on 7/15/2020 in Room 1704 of the Richard J. Daley Center at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/6/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 MIDWESTERN INVESTORS LLC Purchaser or Assignee Dated: March 6, 2020 Balin Law, P.C. Attorneys at Law 100 N. LaSalle, Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 345-1111 Firm #58864  
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TO: BHF CHICAGO HOUSING GROUP B LLC; BHF CHICAGO HOUSING GROUP B LLC, C/O ANNA M. VALENCIA, CITY CLERK; CITY OF CHICAGO, C/O ANNA M. VALENCIA, CITY CLERK; BHF CHICAGO HOUSING GROUP B LLC, C/O Jesse White, IL Secretary of State; WILMINGTON TRUST, N.A.; ILLINOIS FINANCE AUTHORITY; PAPER STREET REALTY LLC; PAPER STREET REALTY LLC C/O MICHAEL ABRAHAM, REG. AGT.; ILLINOIS ATTORNEY GENERAL; PROPERTY MANAGER; OCCUPANT; KAREN A. YARBROUGH, COUNTY CLERK; Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said property. TAX DEED NO. 2020COTD000060 FILED: 1/8/2020 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: 5/8/2018 Certificate No.: 16-0005367 Sold for General Taxes of (year): 2016 Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality): N/A Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 2666-2670 E. 78TH STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60649 Legal Description or Property Index No.: 21-30-1034-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/6/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/6/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Chicago, Illinois, on 7/15/2020 in Room 1704 of the Richard J. Daley Center at 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/6/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 5 HOLE ACQUISITIONS, INC. Purchaser or Assignee Dated: March 6, 2020 Balin Law, P.C. Attorneys at Law 100 N. LaSalle, Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 345-1111 Firm #58864  
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TO: Michael Skrobotov; Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc.; Guaranteed Rate, Inc.; Guaranteed Rate, Inc., c/o Illinois Corp. Service, Reg. Agt.; Fifth Third Bancorp; Occupant; KAREN A. YARBROUGH, COUNTY CLERK; Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said property. TAX DEED NO. 2020COTD000126 FILED: 1/10/2020 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: 5/8/2018 Certificate No.: 16-0008324 Sold for General Taxes of (year): 2016 Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality): N/A Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 10048 S. PROSPECT AVE., CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60643 Legal Description or Property Index No.: 25-07-411-054-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/6/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/6/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Chicago, Illinois, on 7/15/2020 in Room 1704 of the Richard J. Daley Center at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/6/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 MIDWESTERN INVESTORS LLC Purchaser or Assignee Dated: March 6, 2020 Balin Law, P.C. Attorneys at Law 100 N. LaSalle, Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 345-1111 Firm #58864  
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TO: Castles and Kings, LLC Castles and Kings, LLC, c/o Daniel E. O'Brien, Reg. Agt.; Castles and Kings, LLC, c/o Jesse White, IL Secretary of State; Ridgestone Bank; Blyline Bank S/1/I to Ridgestone Bank; Blyline Bank; City of Chicago, c/o Anna M. Valencia, City Clerk; Shaun L. Gayle A/K/A Shaun L. Gayle, Reg. Agt.; Taylor Street St., Chicago, IL 60612; Shaun Gayle Sports Academy, LLC, c/o Daniel E. O'Brien, Reg. Agt.; Shaun Gayle Sports Academy, LLC, c/o Jesse White, IL Secretary of State; THE 1985 World Champions XX, Inc., c/o William Regan, Reg. Agt.; Occupant; KAREN A. YARBROUGH, COUNTY CLERK; Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said property. TAX DEED NO. 2020COTD000130 FILED: 1/10/2020 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: 5/9/2018 Certificate No.: 16-0010302 Sold for General Taxes of (year): 2016 Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality): N/A Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 2824 W. TAYLOR STREET, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60612 Legal Description or Property Index No.: 16-13-319-033-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/6/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/6/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Chicago, Illinois, on 7/15/2020 in Room 1704 of the Richard J. Daley Center at 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/6/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 MIDWESTERN INVESTORS LLC Purchaser or Assignee Dated: March 6, 2020 Balin Law, P.C. Attorneys at Law 100 N. LaSalle, Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 345-1111 Firm #58864  
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TO: Davis, Chapel Development, Inc.; Davis, Chapel Development, Inc., c/o Thomas W. Taylor, Reg. Agt.; Davis, Chapel Development, Inc., c/o Jesse White, IL Secretary of State; Davis, Chapel Development, Inc.; First Midwest Bank S/1/I Bridgeview Bank Group; Schmidt, Salzman, & Moran, LL; Tornado Car Wash; Occupant, 4613 S. Honore St., Chicago, IL 60623; KAREN A. YARBROUGH, COUNTY CLERK; Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said property. TAX DEED NO. 2020COTD000123 FILED: 1/8/2020 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: 5/4/2018 Certificate No.: 16-0001570 Sold for General Taxes of (year): 2016 Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality): N/A Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 4613 S. HONORE ST., CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60609 Legal Description or Property Index No.: 18-13-219-033-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/6/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/6/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Chicago, Illinois, on 7/15/2020 in Room 1704 of the Richard J. Daley Center at 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/6/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 5 HOLE ACQUISITIONS, INC. Purchaser or Assignee Dated: March 5, 2020 Balin Law, P.C. Attorneys at Law 100 N. LaSalle, Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 345-1111 Firm #58864  
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TO: Juan Ramirez; Cynthia Ramirez; Occupant, 4605 S. Honore St., Chicago, IL 60623; Occupant, 4613 S. Honore St., Chicago, IL 60623; KAREN A. YARBROUGH, COUNTY CLERK; Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said property. TAX DEED NO. 2020COTD000123 FILED: 1/8/2020 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: 5/8/2018 Certificate No.: 16-0007002 Sold for General Taxes of (year): 2016 Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality): N/A Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 4611 S. HONORE ST., CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60609 Legal Description or Property Index No.: 20-06-421-005-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/6/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7

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TO: Glenn Schultz; Daniel Kotlajich; First Midwest Bank, f/k/a First Midwest Bank, N/A; Wrench Auto Repair, Inc.; Wrench Auto Repair, Inc., c/o Angela Kocinis Gibson, Reg. Agt.; Occupant, 12833 Western Ave., Blue Island, IL 60406; KAREN A. YARBROUGH, COUNTY CLERK; Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said property; TAX DEED NO. 2020COTD000055 FILED: 1/8/2020 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: 5/4/2018 Certificate No.: 16-0009990 Sold for General Taxes of (year): 2016 Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality): N/A Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 12833 WESTERN AVENUE, BLUE ISLAND, ILLINOIS 60406 Legal Description or Property Index No.: 25-31-104-018-000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/6/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/6/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Chicago, Illinois, on 7/15/2020 in Room 1704 of the Richard J. Daley Center at 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/6/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 5 HOLE ACQUISITIONS, INC. Purchaser or Assignee Dated: March 5, 2020 Balin Law, P.C. Attorneys at Law 100 N. LaSalle, Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 345-1111 Firm #58864 3/17, 3/18, 3/19/2020 6627541

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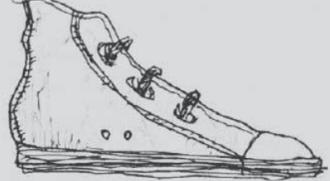
TO: CAPINVEST, LLC; CAPINVEST, LLC, c/o JESSE WHITE, IL SECRETARY OF STATE; CAPINVEST, LLC, c/o CT CORP. SYSTEM; CITY OF CHICAGO, c/o ANNA M. VALENCIA, CITY CLERK; AIRGROUP INVESTMENTS, INC.; AIRGROUP INVESTMENTS, INC., c/o DOUGLAS A HANSON, REG. AGT.; OCCUPANT, 14028 S. ATLANTIC ST., RIVERDALE, IL 60827; PROPERTY MANAGER, STEVE LAW; KAREN A. YARBROUGH, COUNTY CLERK; Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said property; TAX DEED NO. 2020COTD000059 FILED: 1/8/2020 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: 5/7/2018 Certificate No.: 16-0002975 Sold for General Taxes of (year): 2016 Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality): N/A Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 14028 S. ATLANTIC ST., RIVERDALE, ILLINOIS 60827 Legal Description or Property Index No.: 29-04-111-014-000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/6/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/6/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Chicago, Illinois, on 7/15/2020 in Room 1704 of the Richard J. Daley Center at 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/6/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 5 HOLE ACQUISITIONS, INC. Purchaser or Assignee Dated: March 5, 2020 Balin Law, P.C. Attorneys at Law 100 N. LaSalle, Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 345-1111 Firm #58864 3/17, 3/18, 3/19/2020 6627554

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TO: South Park Real Estate, LLC, c/o Todd M. Van Baren, Reg. Agt.; Cornelius W.H. Nymeyer, South Park Real Estate, LLC, c/o Anna Marie Nymeyer, Manager; Davita Dialysis; Occupant, 16136 South Park Ave., South Holland, IL 60473; KAREN A. YARBROUGH, COUNTY CLERK; Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property; Unknown owners or parties interested in said property; TAX DEED NO. 2020COTD000117 FILED: 1/10/2020 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold: 5/7/2018 Certificate No.: 16-0003419 Sold for General Taxes of (year): 2016 Sold for Special Assessments of (Municipality): N/A Warrant No.: N/A Installment No.: N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at: 16136 S. PARK AVENUE, SOUTH HOLLAND, ILLINOIS 60473 Legal Description or Property Index No.: 29-15-304-024-000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on 7/6/2020. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his or her assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the county clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before 7/6/2020. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Chicago, Illinois, on 7/15/2020 in Room 1704 of the Richard J. Daley Center at 50 W. Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before 7/6/2020 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, at the Office of the County Clerk in Chicago, Illinois. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT THE COUNTY CLERK ADDRESS: 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645 MIDWESTERN INVESTORS LLC Purchaser or Assignee Dated: March 6, 2020 Balin Law, P.C. Attorneys at Law 100 N. LaSalle, Suite 1200 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 345-1111 Firm #58864 3/17, 3/18, 3/19/2020 6628872

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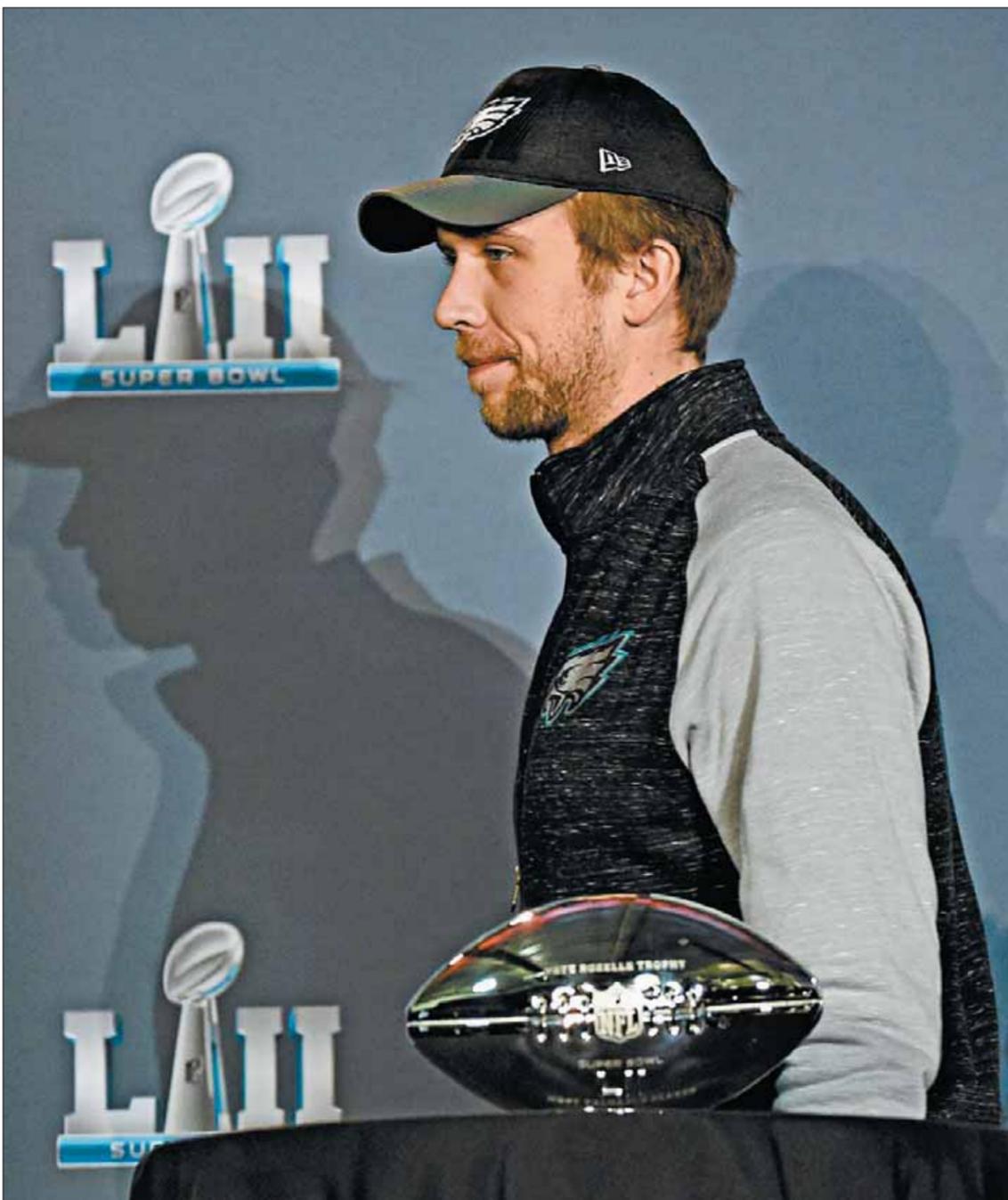
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## WHEN SPORTS STOOD STILL

Keeping an eye on the impact of the coronavirus crisis:

### NBA considering 'diversion' game

The NBA is considering an idea where some players would be quarantined or isolated for purposes of being able to compete against one another and provide basketball fans with some sort of diversion from the coronavirus pandemic.



NBA Commissioner Adam Silver revealed that notion as one of several items under consideration by the league right now during the shutdown caused by the pandemic. Silver made the comments in a televised interview on ESPN.

"Maybe it's for a giant fundraiser or just for the collective good of the people," Silver said Wednesday night. "You take a subset of players and is there a protocol in which they can be tested and quarantined and isolated. People are stuck at home. They need a diversion. They need to be entertained."

Silver offered no predictions on when NBA games would resume. He said the league may, when conditions allow, resume games but without fans — a move the league was going to make last week before the Jazz's Rudy Gobert tested positive for COVID-19 and prompted the league to go on what it thought would be a hiatus, not a stoppage that is certain to reach multiple weeks and likely months.

Silver said he hopes the NBA can be a conduit to spark positive change — especially now there's a real need.

"One thing ... about the United States we're an incredible country and some of the greatest inventions, some of the best innovations, some of the best minds are in this country," Silver said. "And I'm sure as people are sitting home but still working they're thinking of these various things like how can we restart the economy and what role can the NBA play?"

— Associated Press

# Tried & Tru

Bears deal for QB Foles, who proved his worth during Eagles' stunning Super Bowl run three seasons ago



**BRAD BIGGS**  
On the Bears

Trade is an admission Bears whiffed on drafting Trubisky

The Bears didn't get the first pick of quarterbacks this offseason, but in trading for Nick Foles, they did get the player their coaches have the most experience with.

And with uncertainty about offseason programs and when — or if — training camps will open, that's a plus.

That Foles is a proven postseason performer, helping guide the Eagles to the Super Bowl LII championship after the 2017 season, is another bonus for Bears general manager Ryan Pace and coach Matt Nagy, who were seeking — at the minimum — competition for starter Mitch Trubisky.

Turn to **Biggs**, Page 5



**PAUL SULLIVAN**  
In the Wake of the News

Thanks, NFL, for giving us something to talk about

As we collectively experience our maiden voyage through a sports-free world, we're learning every day what is and isn't important to us.

Who's the most overpriced free agent? Whether to plunk the Astros? MJ or LeBron? Not important.

Social distancing? Staying calm? Appreciating time spent with loved ones? Very important.

But some things remain in the middle ground, and everyone is free to decide whether it's right or wrong to pay attention to matters that seem relatively insignificant in the big picture.

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BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Nick Foles, top, won the Super Bowl MVP with the Eagles after the 2017 season, then beat Mitch Trubisky and the Bears in the infamous double-doink game 11 months later.

## THE QUOTE



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**"Nobody in America had a better season than we did. How do you give credit to that effort and have it be recognized? And I don't know exactly how we do it."**

— Coach Bill Self, whose Kansas team finished No. 1 in the final AP men's basketball poll

## THE NUMBER

**127** Days until the opening ceremony of the Summer Olympics in Toyko, scheduled for July 24.

On Wednesday, some key Olympic officials came to the defense of the IOC and its stance on opening the Games as scheduled despite widespread criticism.



**NBA**  
Season suspended indefinitely

**NHL**  
Season suspended indefinitely

**MLB**  
Opening day delayed until at least mid-May



**MLS**  
Season suspended until at least mid-April

**NFL**  
Draft set for April 23-25; OTAs canceled

**NCAA**  
Spring sports schedule canceled

Others: PGA Tour suspended through the PGA Championship. WTA, ATP suspended through at least June 7. NASCAR suspended until at least May 9.

**SPORTS**

**A GOOD TIME TO LOOK BACK**

We're all missing sports these days. So with the games on hold, we're offering a daily dose of memorable moments as chronicled through sports history:

# Superman returns

(MARCH 19, 1995)

This story, which has been edited for length, was published when Bulls superstar Michael Jordan ended his 17-month absence from basketball to take on the Pacers in Indianapolis. A day earlier, Jordan sent a two-word fax announcing his return: "I'm back." The Bulls lost the game, however.

**BY FRED MITCHELL**  
Chicago Tribune

**H**e's back. Well, at least halfway back. In one of the most theatrical comebacks in sports history, Michael Jordan appeared somewhat out of step with his teammates and out of touch with the bottom of the net Sunday.

Perhaps most followers of basketball's pre-eminent showman have been out of touch with reality when it came to assigning realistic immediate expectations.

Yet the Bulls managed to force overtime before succumbing 103-96 to the Indiana Pacers at sold-out Market Square Arena.

"We were worried for three quarters that we weren't going to give Indiana a game," said Bulls coach Phil Jackson. "At least we came back and gave them one."

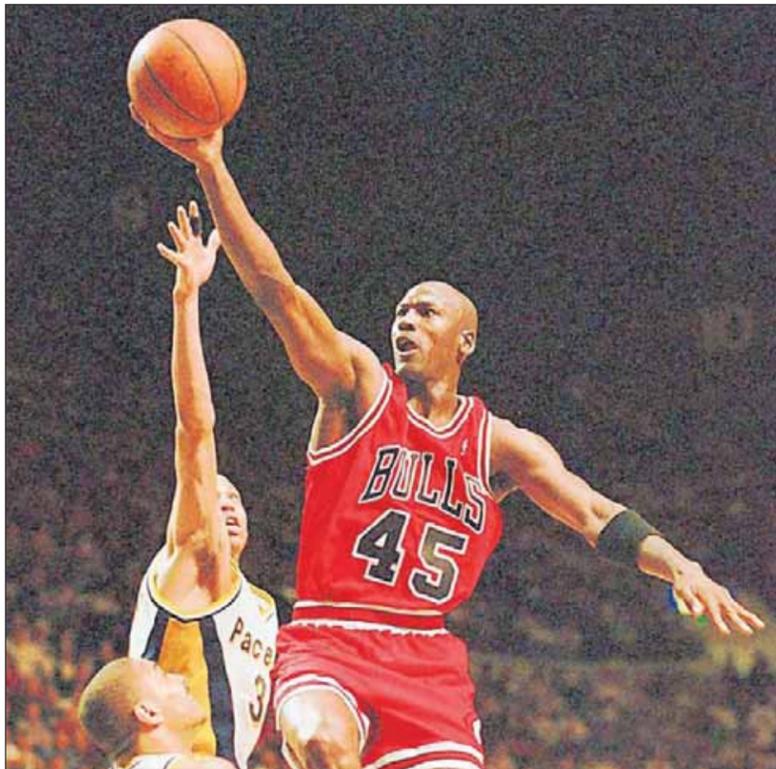
Jordan connected on only 7 of 28 shots while winding up with 19 points. He did manage three steals and a team-high six assists.

"It was tough for us to adjust to his presence," said Bulls guard Steve Kerr. "It completely changes the focus of our offense. It completely changes people's roles within the team. And those are things we are going to have to adjust to before the playoffs."

Jordan played 43 minutes in his first game back after a brief fling with baseball. His left leg cramped up after he fouled Indiana's Reggie Miller with 3 seconds to play in regulation.

"It was pretty disappointing, from my standpoint," said Jordan of his performance. "As competitive as I am, I wanted to do well. Indiana is playing well, and the Bulls were playing well... until I came back."

Jackson is not overly concerned about the time it will take to fully integrate Jordan into the offense.



MICHAEL CONROY/AP

Michael Jordan flies to the hoop over the Pacers' Reggie Miller and Mark Jackson on March 19, 1995, a day after announcing his return to the NBA. Jordan scored 19 points.

"Nine of these guys haven't played with Michael!" said Jackson. "It is going to take some time for everyone... eight games to two weeks to get back to full strength. He obviously adds another element. You saw how we hung around and made it a game. Rebounding was a very obvious problem for us."

The Pacers had 46 rebounds to the Bulls' 36. With 20, Dale Davis had nearly half of the Pacers' boards.

While he was not himself on offense, there was no mistaking Jordan on defense.

"The defense is 100 percent better all of a sudden," said Kerr. "We have the Dobermans

back out there. You throw Scottie (Pippen) and B.J. (Armstrong) and Pete Myers out there together with Jordan, and we have more team speed. Probably because I'm back on the bench. But it just makes our defense that much better."

The Bulls trailed 47-37 at the half as they shot just 33 percent (11 of 33). Jordan was 2 for 9 from the field in the first half and had seven points.

"I was very excited he chose us to make his comeback," said Miller. "I thought both teams were very nervous coming out, and we played a little tight in the beginning."

**OTHER MARCH 19 MOMENTS**

**1966:** Texas Western wins the NCAA basketball championship with a 72-65 triumph over Kentucky.

**1972:** The Los Angeles Lakers beat the Golden State Warriors 162-99 for the most lopsided victory in NBA history.

**2006:** Tennessee's Candace Parker is the first woman to dunk in an NCAA tournament game, jamming one-handed on a breakaway 6:12 into the second-seeded Lady Vols' 102-54 victory against an Army team that was making its NCAA tournament debut.

The Bulls pulled within 88-83 with 2:44 left in regulation on an Armstrong jumper after a feed from Pippen. At crunch time, it was a Pippen field goal after an Armstrong steal that cut the gap to 90-87 with 1:24 left. After Miller and Pippen exchanged baskets, it was Pippen again for three to tie the game at 92 with :19 left in regulation.

As the Pacers poised for the final shot, Jordan charged out beyond the three-point line to prevent a shot by Miller, as the Bulls had a foul to give.

The players' legs tangled up and Miller was forced to leave the game until midway through overtime.

"He made a good play when he kned me because I couldn't get a shot off, and didn't get to the line," said Miller.

"Michael showed his brilliance in many ways," said Jackson. "He played a little out of sync. You can tell because his shot was short. Indiana showed they are a very good team, one of the best in our conference."

Derrick McKey's last-second shot clanked off the back of the rim to give the Bulls new life in overtime.

But Mark Jackson hit a short jumper to make it 99-96 Pacers with 1:13 to go in the extra session. When the Bulls' Corie Blount saw his short jump hook rim out with :40 left, the Pacers went for the knockout punch when Byron Scott connected on a fallaway shot while being fouled. Scott, who finished with 17 points, converted the three-point play to make it 102-96.

"We were all out of sync," said Jordan. "We got caught up in the hype."

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## An Olympic flameout?

Critics call to postpone Games despite officials backing IOC

BY GRAHAM DUNBAR  
Associated Press

GENEVA — Regional Olympic officials on Wednesday rallied around the IOC and backed its stance on opening the Tokyo Games as scheduled, as direct criticism from gold medalist athletes built amid the coronavirus outbreak.

Leaders of continental Olympic groups praised the IOC after a conference call to update them on coronavirus issues four months before the opening ceremony in Tokyo on July 24.

“We are living through an unpredictable crisis and as such, it is important that we have one policy, expressed by the IOC, and we follow that policy in unison,” the Italy-based European Olympic Committees said.

However, when the International Olympic Committee published an interview with its president, Thomas Bach, after a separate call with athlete representatives, it prompted a four-time Olympic champion to urge postponing the games.

Bach acknowledged that many athletes were concerned about qualifying events being canceled, but noted that there were still four months to go until the games are set to be opened.

“We will keep acting in a responsible way in the interests of the athletes,” Bach said.

British rowing great Matthew Pinsent wrote on Twitter that the comments from Bach, his former IOC colleague, were “tone deaf.”

“The instinct to keep safe (not to mention obey govt instructions to lock down) is not compatible with athlete training, travel and focus that a looming Olympics demands of athletes, spectators organisers,” Pinsent wrote. “Keep them safe. Call it off.”

On Tuesday, one of the IOC’s 100 members had broken ranks in a rare public criticism of the body’s unwavering strategy.

“I think the IOC insisting this will move ahead, with such conviction, is insensitive and irresponsible given the state of humanity,” said Hayley Wickenheiser, a four-time Olympic hockey gold medalist from Canada.

Wickenheiser, who is training to be a doctor and was voted to the IOC by fellow athletes at the 2014 Sochi Olympics, wrote on her Twitter account she was elected “to represent and protect athletes.”

Her concern about athletes’ troubled preparations for Tokyo — “as facilities close and qualification events are canceled all over the world” — were echoed by 2016 Olympic pole vault champion Katerina Stefanidi.

“The IOC wants us to keep risking our health, our family’s health and public health



NATHAN DENETTE/AP

to train every day?” Stefanidi wrote on Twitter. “You are putting us in danger right now, today, not in 4 months.”

Neither Wickenheiser nor Stefanidi, who is a candidate for athlete elections scheduled for Tokyo, directly cited IOC president Thomas Bach, who has urged competitors to prepare “with full steam” for the games.

Responding to the criticism, the IOC said it was “counting on the responsibility and solidarity of the athletes.”

Wickenheiser sits on the official IOC athlete panel, which is chaired by Olympic swimming champion Kirsty Coventry. Coventry is a member of the IOC executive board and has been a loyal Bach supporter on athletes’ rights issues.

On Tuesday, the IOC repeated its steadfast stance after a conference call with sports governing bodies, many of which have not completed qualification events for Tokyo.

“There is no need for any drastic decisions at this stage; and any speculation at this moment would be counter-productive,” the IOC said.

That message was repeated after Wednesday’s conference call by IOC executive board member Robin Mitchell, the interim leader of the group of national Olympic bodies known as ANOC.

**“I think the IOC insisting this will move ahead, with such conviction, is insensitive and irresponsible given the state of humanity.”**

— Hayley Wickenheiser, above, four-time hockey gold medalist from Canada who is now one of the IOC’s 100 members

“We share the view that we must be realistic, but not panic,” Mitchell said in a statement released by the IOC on behalf of the Oceania Olympic group.

The Rome-based European Olympic group did acknowledge the “unprecedented disruption to our daily lives caused by the outbreak of COVID-19.”

Offering unanimous support for the IOC’s efforts to resolve qualification issues, the 41-nation Pan-American group noted challenges facing potential Olympians.

“The athletes of the Americas are facing issues to complete their usual training schedules and take part in competitions,” said PanAm leader Neven Ilic, another IOC member.

## ROUNDUP

## Sens player 1st positive test in NHL

Associated Press

The NHL has its first known case of the new coronavirus after a Senators player tested positive.

The team announced late Tuesday that an unidentified player had tested positive for COVID-19. The Senators said the player has mild symptoms and is in isolation, and that other players are being tested under the supervision of medical authorities.

Senators players, coaches and others have been advised to remain isolated, monitor their health and seek advice from team medical staff. The NHL is not mandating testing.

“The current state of medical advice is that people should likely not be tested unless they are symptomatic,” deputy commissioner Bill Daly told The AP by email Wednesday. “That doesn’t mean that potentially exposed individuals shouldn’t take proper precautions such as adhering to self-quarantine principles as necessary and immediately reporting to medical staff should they become symptomatic.”

NHL Players’ Association spokesman Jonathan Weatherdon said the union has been in contact with Senators players about the situation.

The Senators’ final three games before the season was suspended were all in California: in San Jose on March 7, Anaheim on March 10 and Los Angeles against the Kings on March 11.

NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman last week announced the season was on pause with the hope of resuming and still awarding the Stanley Cup. The league and players’ association provided new direction to players Monday that effectively pushed back the earliest resumption date to early May, in light of CDC guidelines.

**More tennis events off:** The ATP and WTA professional tennis tours suspended all competition through at least June 7 because of the new coronavirus pandemic and froze their rankings Wednesday “until further notice.”

In a rare joint statement by the men’s and women’s tours, they announced that the entire clay-court circuit “will not be held as scheduled” — a day after the start of the French Open, also played on that surface, was postponed from May to September.

As of now, the next major championship on the tennis calendar is Wimbledon, which is scheduled to start in England on June 29.

Its organizers and those in charge of the U.S. Open, which is slated to begin Aug. 31, have said they are not yet ready to make any changes to their tournaments but are studying the matter.

Shortly after the ATP-WTA announcement.

**Reds spring employee has virus:** An employee who worked at the Reds spring training complex in Goodyear, Arizona tested positive for the new coronavirus, the ballclub announced.

The employee lives in Arizona and has been self-quarantined, along with other members of the Reds staff who were in close contact. The employee worked at the complex from Feb. 29 through March 14.

Major League Baseball has shut down spring training and pushed back the start of the season until at least mid-May because of the pandemic.

No Major League Baseball player is known to have been infected. Two Yankees minor leaguers have tested positive for the virus.

**More IndyCar, F1 changes:** The IndyCar race in Long Beach, California, won’t be held this year.

Officials with the Acura Grand Prix of Long Beach said they pursued the possibility of rescheduling the popular race to a later date, but “trying to reassemble all the elements that have made the Long Beach event such a success does not appear feasible for 2020.”

The race had been scheduled for April 19.

Meanwhile, Formula One moved its midseason break from August to March and April.

The break was also been extended from 14 days to 21.

Motorsport’s governing body FIA said in a statement that the change was unanimously approved by all teams.

Four of the season’s 22 races have already been postponed, and the FIA is hoping that moving the annual F1 forward could make it easier to find new dates later for events. F1 races in Netherlands, Spain and Monaco scheduled for May are also under threat of postponement.

## NFL, NBA offering up free streaming content

BY PHIL ROSENTHAL  
Chicago Tribune

Just as NFL free agency is giving sports fans something to talk about, the league seems intent on giving us something to watch too.

The NFL has opened its library, giving complimentary U.S. access to its NFL Game Pass streams through May 31.

This is a free opportunity to enjoy highlights and whole games from the last 11 seasons, as well as NFL Films series such as “Hard Knocks” and “A Football Life,” plus “NFL Game Pass Film Sessions.”

The NBA on Wednesday offered free

access to NBA Game Pass streaming content from the 2019-20 season through April 22. Fans are invited to sign up and sign in via NBA.com or the NBA app on supported devices.

This is a blessing for the housebound sports fan, eager for a connection to sports content during the coronavirus pandemic.

In a smaller but similar action, documentary filmmaker Ken Burns prevailed upon PBS to make streams of his 1994 series “Baseball” available for free.

NFL Game Pass access is available to anyone who creates an account online at NFL.com/GamePass or via the NFL app across mobile and connected TV devices.

Also starting Wednesday, NFL digital platforms began showcasing a different team’s signature victory each day beginning at 11 a.m. Central time via NFL.com, the NFL app and the NFL’s official YouTube channel.

First up was Patrick Mahomes and the Chiefs coming from behind to defeat the 49ers in Super Bowl LIV last month.

NFL Game Pass offerings include full regular-season, postseason and Super Bowl games in HD and commercial-free from 2009 to 2019. Preseason games since 2010 are available too.

There are condensed 45-minute replays of games.

# SCOREBOARD

NBA				
EASTERN CONFERENCE				
ATLANTIC				
TEAM	W	L	PCT	GB
Toronto	46	18	.719	—
Boston	43	21	.672	3
Philadelphia	39	26	.600	7½
Brooklyn	30	34	.469	16
New York	21	45	.318	26
SOUTHEAST				
Miami	41	24	.631	—
Orlando	30	35	.462	11
Washington	24	40	.375	16½
Charlotte	23	42	.354	18
Atlanta	20	47	.299	22
CENTRAL				
Milwaukee	53	12	.815	—
Indiana	39	26	.600	14
Chicago	22	43	.338	31
Detroit	20	46	.303	33½
Cleveland	19	46	.292	34
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
SOUTHWEST				
Houston	40	24	.625	—
Dallas	40	27	.597	1½
Memphis	32	33	.492	8½
New Orleans	28	36	.438	12
San Antonio	27	36	.429	12½
NORTHWEST				
Denver	43	22	.662	—
Utah	41	23	.641	1½
Oklahoma City	40	24	.625	2½
Portland	29	37	.439	14½
Minnesota	19	45	.297	23½
PACIFIC				
L.A. Lakers	49	14	.778	—
L.A. Clippers	44	20	.688	5½
Sacramento	28	36	.438	21½
Phoenix	26	39	.400	24
Golden State	15	50	.231	35

REBOUNDS PER GAME				
TEAM	OFF	DEF	REB	
Milwaukee	9.5	42.2	51.7	
Brooklyn	10.8	37.6	48.5	
LA Clippers	11.0	37.0	48.0	
New Orleans	11.2	35.8	47.0	
Dallas	10.6	36.4	47.0	
Memphis	10.4	36.3	46.7	
New York	12.0	34.5	46.5	
LA Lakers	10.6	35.5	46.1	
Boston	10.7	35.3	46.0	
Portland	10.1	35.4	45.5	
Philadelphia	10.4	35.1	45.5	
Toronto	9.7	35.5	45.2	
Utah	8.8	36.3	45.1	
Houston	10.4	34.6	44.9	
Minnesota	10.5	34.3	44.8	
Miami	8.5	36.0	44.5	
Orlando	10.4	34.2	44.5	
San Antonio	8.8	35.6	44.4	
Denver	10.8	33.5	44.3	
Cleveland	10.8	33.4	44.2	
Atlanta	9.9	33.4	43.3	
Phoenix	9.8	33.3	43.1	
Golden St.	10.0	32.9	42.8	
Indiana	8.8	34.0	42.8	
Charlotte	11.0	31.8	42.8	
Oklahoma City	8.1	34.6	42.7	
Sacramento	9.6	32.9	42.5	
Chicago	10.5	31.4	41.9	
Detroit	9.8	32.0	41.7	
Washington	10.1	31.6	41.7	

OFF. REBOUNDS				
TEAM	GP	REB	PPG	
Andre Drummond	CLE	57	250	4.4
Hassan Whiteside	POR	61	244	4
Tristan Thompson	CLE	57	226	4
Rudy Gobert	UTA	62	211	3.4
Derrick Adams	OKC	58	196	3.4
Steven Adams	MEM	45	147	3.3
Wendell Carter Jr.	CHI	43	139	3.2
Jonas Valanciunas	MEM	62	199	3.1
Domantas Sabonis	IND	62	189	3
Jarrett Allen	BKN	61	186	3
Mitchell Robinson	NY	61	186	3

REBOUNDS				
TEAM	GP	REB	PPG	
Andre Drummond	CLE	57	864	15.2
Hassan Whiteside	POR	61	869	14.2
Clint Capela	ATL	39	537	13.8
G.I. Antetokounmpo	MIL	57	783	13.7
Rudy Gobert	UTA	62	850	13.7
Domantas Sabonis	IND	62	771	12.4
Deandre Ayton	PHO	30	360	12.0
Joel Embiid	PHI	44	520	11.8
Jonas Valanciunas	MEM	62	696	11.2
Nikola Vucevic	ORL	54	596	11.0
Karl-Anthony Towns	MIN	35	378	10.8
Bam Adebayo	MIA	65	683	10.5



MARC LESTER/AP

## PHOTO OF THE DAY

# This race was on

Thomas Waerner of Norway, above, won the nearly 1,000-mile Iditarod Trail Sled Dog Race across Alaska on Wednesday. He took a commanding lead in the late stages of the race and held a five-hour advantage over the next closest musher. Waerner took his dog team over mountain ranges, on the frozen Yukon River and across treacherous Bering Sea ice to the finish line on Nome's main street in 9 days, 10 hours, 37 minutes and 47 seconds. The race started March 8 north of Anchorage and was one of the few sporting events in the U.S. that wasn't canceled because of the coronavirus.

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER						
TEAM	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Atlanta	2	0	0	6	4	2
N.Y. Red Bulls	1	0	1	4	4	3
Montreal	1	0	1	4	4	3
Toronto FC	1	0	1	4	3	2
Columbus	1	0	1	4	2	1
D.C. United	1	1	0	3	3	3
Chicago	0	1	1	2	3	3
New England	0	1	1	2	3	3
Orlando City	0	1	1	2	2	1
Philadelphia	0	1	1	2	2	1
Cincinnati	0	2	0	0	3	5
Inter Miami CF	0	2	0	0	1	3
N.Y. City FC	0	2	0	0	0	2
Western						
Sporting KC	2	0	0	6	7	1
Minnesota	2	0	0	6	8	3
Colorado	2	0	0	6	4	2
FC Dallas	1	0	1	4	4	2
Los Angeles FC	1	0	1	4	3	2
Seattle	1	0	1	4	3	2
Portland	1	1	0	3	3	3
Vancouver	1	1	0	3	2	3
Real Salt Lake	0	2	2	1	1	1
LA Galaxy	0	1	1	1	1	2
San Jose	0	1	1	1	4	7
Houston	0	1	1	1	1	5
Nashville SC	0	2	0	0	1	3

3 points for victory, 1 point for tie

COLLEGE BASKETBALL				
FINAL MEN'S AP TOP 25				
RK.	SCHOOL	W-L	Pts	LW
1.	Kansas (63)	28-3	1,623	1
2.	Gonzaga (1)	31-2	1,547	2
3.	Dayton (1)	29-2	1,505	3
4.	Florida State	26-5	1,381	4
5.	Baylor	26-4	1,337	5
6.	San Diego State	30-2	1,279	6
7.	Creighton	24-7	1,154	7
8.	Kentucky	25-6	1,118	8
9.	Michigan State	22-9	1,023	9
10.	Villanova	24-7	1,011	11
11.	Duke	25-6	990	10
12.	Maryland	24-7	924	12
13.	Oregon	24-7	892	13
14.	Louisville	24-7	768	15
15.	Seton Hall	21-9	727	16
16.	Virginia	23-7	586	17
17.	Wisconsin	21-10	539	18
18.	BYU	24-8	537	14
19.	Ohio State	21-10	459	19
20.	Auburn	25-6	453	20
21.	Illinois	21-10	263	21
22.	Houston	23-8	179	22
23.	Butler	22-9	165	24
24.	West Virginia	21-10	159	22
25.	Iowa	20-11	109	25
Others: Stephen F Austin 78, ETSU 66, Providence 63, Michigan 62, Utah St. 36, Saint Mary's (Cal) 33, Penn St. 21, Arizona 7, Rutgers 6, Richmond 6, Southern Cal 4, New Mexico St. 4, Texas Tech 3, UCLA 2, Vermont 2, Purdue 1, Belmont 1, Liberty 1, Utah 1.				
FINAL WOMEN'S AP TOP 25				
RK.	SCHOOL	W-L	Pts	LW
1.	South Carolina (26)	32-1	746	1
2.	Oregon (4)	31-2	724	2
3.	Baylor	28-2	676	3
4.	Maryland	28-4	654	4
5.	UConn	29-3	642	5
6.	Louisville	28-4	588	6
7.	Stanford	27-6	560	7
8.	NC State	28-4	543	8
9.	Mississippi St.	27-6	505	9
10.	UCLA	26-5	501	10
11.	Northwestern	26-4	394	12
12.	Arizona	24-7	385	13
13.	Gonzaga	28-3	359	11
14.	DePaul	23-9	321	14
15.	DePaul	28-5	298	15
16.	Kentucky	22-8	283	16
17.	South Dakota	30-2	259	17
18.	Texas A&M	22-8	246	19
19.	Florida State	24-8	239	18
20.	Indiana	24-8	194	20
21.	Iowa	23-7	174	21
22.	Princeton	26-1	163	22
23.	Missouri State	26-4	121	23
24.	Arkansas	24-8	97	24
25.	Arkansas State	20-11	31	25
Others: TCU 11, Ohio St. 10, Boston College 6, Marquette 5, Rutgers 4, Florida Gulf Coast 3, Texas 2, Boise St. 2, Iowa St. 2, Duke 1, Cent Michigan 1.				
FINAL USA WOMEN'S COACHES TOP 25				
RK.	TEAM	W-L	PTS	LW
1.	South Carolina (26)	32-1	794	1
2.	Oregon (6)	31-2	772	2
3.	Baylor	28-2	715	3
4.	UConn	29-3	706	4
5.	Maryland	28-4	682	5
6.	Louisville	28-4	581	6
7.	Stanford	27-6	592	7
8.	N.C. State	28-4	572	8
9.	UCLA	26-5	543	9
10.	Mississippi State	27-6	523	10
11.	South Dakota	30-2	424	11
12.	Arizona	24-7	384	12
13.	Gonzaga	28-3	372	13
14.	DePaul	28-5	368	14
15.	Northwestern	26-4	359	15
16.	Oregon State	23-9	319	16
17.	Princeton	26-1	291	17
18.	Kentucky	22-8	235	18
19.	Missouri State	26-4	226	19
20.	Florida State	24-8	209	20
21.	Texas A&M	22-8	174	21
22.	Indiana	24-8	168	22
23.	Iowa	23-7	126	23
24.	Fla. Gulf Coast	30-3	105	24
25.	Arkansas	24-8	69	25
Others: TCU (22-7) 20, Arizona State (20-11) 10, Dayton (25-8) 9, James Madison (25-4) 8, Ohio State (21-12) 7, Marquette (24-8) 7, Central Michigan (23-7) 7, Troy (25-4) 1, Stony Brook (28-3) 1, Duke (18-12) 1.				

(First-place votes in parentheses)

NHL						
EASTERN CONFERENCE						
ATLANTIC						
TEAM	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Boston	44	14	12	100	227	174
Tampa Bay	43	21	6	92	245	195
Toronto	36	25	9	81	238	227
Florida	35	26	8	78	231	228
Montreal	31	31	9	71	212	221
Buffalo	30	31	8	68	195	217
Ottawa	25	34	12	62	191	243
Detroit	17	49	5	39	145	267
METRO.						
Washington	41	20	8	90	240	215
Philadelphia	41	21	7	89	232	196
Pittsburgh	40	23	6	86	224	196
Carolina	38	25	5	81	222	193
Columbus	33	22	15	81	180	187
N.Y. Islanders	35	23	10	80	192	193
N.Y. Rangers	37	28	5	79	234	

## SPORTS

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Chalk it up:  
Kansas ends  
season No. 1Jayhawks top final AP poll;  
Zags No. 2, Flyers No. 3By DAVE SKRETTA  
Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. — Kansas coach Bill Self has spent much of the last week mulling ways to commemorate one of the more remarkable seasons in the school's proud basketball history, one that began with off-the-court distractions too numerous to count and ended in the unprecedented cancellation of the NCAA Tournament.

The Jayhawks can start by celebrating their finish atop the final Top 25 from The Associated Press.

The regular-season Big 12 champions, who were 28-3 when the season abruptly ended after the first day of the conference tournament last week, received 63 of 65 first-place votes from a national media panel in balloting released Wednesday. That easily outdistanced No. 2 Gonzaga and No. 3 Dayton, each of which received a first-place vote.

"Nobody in America had a better season than we did," Self said. "How do you give credit to that effort and have it be recognized? And I don't know exactly how we do it. Do we do it within our own fan base? Do we do it within podcasts or whatnot? Whatever we've come up with so far pales in comparison to the accolades they deserve."

It's the fourth time since the inception of the men's poll for the 1946-47 season that Kansas finished on top, though typically there would still be March Madness to play. The AP does not declare a national champion in the sport because of the tournament.

The final rankings were based on play through March 11, when the outbreak of the coronavirus brought the sport to a halt.

The Jayhawks claim five national championships, the most recent in 2008 after they beat Memphis in the NCAA Tournament title game.

But despite a season in which 353 teams played thousands of games and Kansas finished as the clear-cut No. 1, the school's Hall of Fame coach was unwilling to stake claim to any kind of championship.

"That's not the way this is all intended to be," Self said. "Coaches prepare their teams to peak at certain times. I'm proud of how our team prepared all season but especially at the end of the season, we were terrific."

"We operated under some pressure and dealt with some stuff. From our standpoint, sure, that would be great, but even if that were to occur, there would be a huge asterisk next to it, and I would agree with that."

Gonzaga (31-2) finished second after beating Saint Mary's in the West Coast Conference finals, one of a handful of league tournaments that were completed. But the Bulldogs will be left to wonder whether another dominant team from coach Mark Few would have finally delivered the school a national championship.

Dayton (29-2) was third behind behind breakout stars Jalen Crutcher and Obi Toppin. That matched the 1955-56 team led by Bill Uhl and Jim Paxson for the best finish in program history.

"The voters who deemed us worthy to be one of the top five teams in the country and finish in the poll in the top three, we appreciate that," Flyers coach Anthony Grant said. "Having that recognition hopefully is something — another thing that you can look back on and will be in the history books, that this team was able to accomplish a top-five ranking."

Florida State (26-5) was fourth in the final poll, easily the best finish ever for the Seminoles, while Baylor (26-4) rounded out the top five after spending a longer stretch at No. 1 than any other team during a topsy-turvy season.

"I think 'historical' always sums up a season when you're able to set so many records and accomplish so many things," said Bears coach Scott Drew, whose team was in the running for a No. 1 seed in the NCAA Tournament after finishing second to Kansas in the Big 12 race. "This group really got along well. It is a group that really loved one another, spent time with one another, and they were always positive, and that led us to having a historical year."

No. 11 Duke finished outside the top 10 for only the second time since 2007, while Maryland, Oregon, Louisville and Seton Hall came next.

The rest of the Top 25 included reigning national champion Virginia at No. 16, followed by Wisconsin, BYU, Ohio State and Auburn. The final five in the poll were Illinois, Houston, Butler, West Virginia and Iowa.

The first two teams outside the poll were two teams with a good chance to have been NCAA Tournament darlings — or break a whole lot of brackets.

Stephen F. Austin was 28-3 with a win over Duke at Cameron Indoor Stadium in November.

East Tennessee State went 30-4 and went toe-to-toe with the Jayhawks before losing at Allen Fieldhouse.

Also receiving votes were Michigan, Penn State, 2019 national runner-up Texas Tech and Liberty.



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Carson Wentz and quarterbacks coach John DeFilippo of the Eagles look on as Nick Foles passes in preparation for Super Bowl LII.

## Biggs

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The Bears acquired Foles, 31, from the Jaguars on Wednesday in exchange for their fourth-round compensatory draft pick, No. 140 overall.

The Jaguars gave up on Foles a year after signing him to a four-year, \$88 million contract, the league's largest free-agent deal in 2019. He pocketed \$30 million from the Jaguars and made only four starts, all losses, making it one of the worst contracts in recent years. The Bears assume only \$20.125 million in guarantees, so the Jaguars' major mistake becomes Pace's high-priced one-year trial.

No matter how Nagy winds up structuring things when teams can return to work, the addition of Foles is an admission the Bears missed in drafting Trubisky with the No. 2 pick three years ago. They've been building around him ever since, and now it looks like the construction of what the Bears believe is a win-now roster may continue around a different quarterback. It's hard to imagine they gave up a mid-round pick and threw more money at the position thinking of Foles as only a life raft if things don't turn around for Trubisky.

Because NFL rules during the coronavirus pandemic prohibit players from entering team facilities until at least March 31, team doctors cannot perform physicals, so the Bears can't officially announce the trade. Foles played for Nagy in Philadelphia and Kansas City and also has experience with Bears offensive coordinator Bill Lazor and quarterbacks coach John DeFilippo, all of which should help in the event the NFL schedule is significantly altered by the world health emergency.

Swapping Foles for the compensatory pick means the Bears spent a total of five draft picks — a first-rounder, two thirds and two fourths — to acquire Trubisky and Foles, including the 2017 draft-day deal with the 49ers.

Regardless of how you feel about Foles, failing to take action this offseason would

have been a greater mistake. The Bears never will solve their quarterback problem unless they keep swinging at it, and the delay in swinging has troubled the organization in the last decade. They hung on to Jay Cutler too long. They've failed to take enough shots on quarterbacks in the draft.

The Bears likely could have pulled Andy Dalton out of Cincinnati for the same draft pick, maybe less compensation. He had success with Lazor before. The Panthers made Cam Newton available, but his right shoulder has to be as much of a question as the foot injury that knocked him out last season.

A lot of quarterbacks were available entering this week, but none appeared to be the perfect fit for the Bears. That's what happens when you're fresh off missing on one with the second pick. In that case, why not pick the one you are most familiar with?

It's at least worth wondering, though, why Pace had to pay a fourth-round pick. Were the Jaguars going to keep Foles if the offer was lower? It's difficult to imagine the Bears were bidding against anyone else by midday, when the Patriots were the only team without a clear plan for a 2020 starting quarterback. The Colts might have had Foles as a backup plan, but that was before reaching an agreement with Philip Rivers on Tuesday.

In other words, were the Bears bidding against themselves? It would be one thing to give up the fourth-rounder if the Jaguars took on part of the money owed to Foles this season, but they didn't. ESPN reported the Bears were able to rework Foles' contract shortly after finalizing the trade. That's helpful for salary-cap purposes, but it doesn't change the \$20.125 million in guaranteed money.

Things unraveled quickly for Foles in Jacksonville last season. He broke his left collarbone in the opener, and when he returned to the lineup in Week 10, he lasted only 2½ games before he was benched in favor of rookie Gardner Minshew, a sixth-round pick from Washington State. The Bears will be Foles' fifth team.

Foles worked with Nagy in Philadelphia as a rookie in 2012 and again in Kansas City in 2016. DeFilippo was the Jaguars

offensive coordinator last season and the Eagles quarterbacks coach when Foles had his magical 2017 postseason run. Lazor was the Eagles quarterbacks coach in 2013, when Foles was named to the Pro Bowl after throwing 27 touchdown passes and only two interceptions in Chip Kelly's offense. So the Bears coaches are very well-versed in what he does well.

Whether Foles can emerge as a long-term solution or prove to be a bridge to the Bears' next effort to draft a quarterback remains to be seen. He has only 13 starts over the last four regular seasons and was viewed primarily as a top-tier No. 2 around the league until experiencing enough postseason success to prompt the Jaguars to tab him as the replacement for Blake Bortles last March.

Foles' postseason success wasn't limited to replacing Carson Wentz late in the 2017 season and helping the Eagles reach the Super Bowl, in which he earned MVP honors after completing 28 of 43 passes for 373 yards and three touchdowns in an upset of the Patriots.

He was starting in place of Wentz again when the Eagles came to Soldier Field for a wild-card-round game against the Bears after the 2018 season. Foles' 2-yard pass to Golden Tate on fourth-and-goal proved to be the difference in the Eagles' 16-15 victory after Cody Parkey missed a 43-yard field goal with 5 seconds left. That's the last start Foles won.

Foles is 4-2 in the postseason in his career, so maybe the Bears just have to get there for him to show the way. They're hoping a retooled front seven with the addition of outside linebacker Robert Quinn will amp up the defense. The Bears couldn't run the ball with any consistency last season and lacked explosive plays. A new offensive staff and new quarterback could combine to provide hope for Pace, who has gone the veteran route with free-agent contracts with Quinn, tight end Jimmy Graham and linebacker Danny Trevathan.

Eventually, the Bears will get around to making Foles' arrival official, and then we'll hear what they have to say about their plan. It ought to be to replace Trubisky.

## Sullivan

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One of those is the NFL, which not only began its free-agent season without delay but basically is the only game in town, or more specifically, the only game in America.

With no competition from other professional sports leagues, all of which have shut down indefinitely during the coronavirus pandemic, the NFL is dominating ESPN, sports-talk radio and the sports pages. It always has acted like a monopoly, and now it truly is.

I spent much of Tuesday following the Tom Brady updates, from him leaving the Patriots to speculation surrounding various landing spots to the report of his imminent signing with the Buccaneers. I was glued to the Bears' big moves — trading for quarterback Nick Foles, signing Robert Quinn and dumping first-round bust Leonard Floyd — and frequently scrolled through Twitter to catch up on Philip Rivers, Teddy Bridgewater, Cam Newton and the offseason quarterback carousel.

Obviously going cold turkey during the shutdown was not going to work for me.

Maybe it does for you, and if so, I applaud your willpower.

Some believe the NFL should have delayed the signing period. NFL spinmeister Mike Florio wrote that the league needed to "send a clear message" that the world has changed, as if we need a sports league to state the obvious.

Understandably, the notion of players being rewarded with multimillion-dollar contracts while millions suffer financially is bad optics for the NFL. Perhaps it could have postponed free agency for a month and joined the NBA, NHL, Major League Baseball and other sports leagues in an all-encompassing timeout.

But no one's health is being jeopardized by the free-agent season, as it would be playing games.

Cubs first baseman Anthony Rizzo told a Sun-Times reporter speaking to him through a fence at the team's complex in Mesa, Ariz., that it was "selfish right now that football's going on like it's normal."

"Because it's not normal," he said.

***There's nothing to apologize for if you're one of those fans imagining what Tom Brady will look like in a Bucs jersey, or how Robert Quinn and Khalil Mack will complement each other on the Bears defense, or if Nick Foles will challenge or replace Mitch Trubisky as starter.***

"These aren't normal times. You're standing behind a fence right now because this is how abnormal it is."

While these are not normal times, I have to disagree with Rizzo about the NFL's stance, and I would guess because he's a die-hard Dolphins fan, he's one of the millions following the free-agent signings.

If anything, the sense of normalcy the NFL news provided helps some of us get through the crisis by taking our minds off of it for a minute or two, as well as reminding us there's something to look forward to when things settle down, like watching a Buccaneers-Bears game at Soldier Field.

Distractions, sometimes, are good. "Technologically, all this (free-agent) stuff can be handled without human contact," Angels manager Joe Maddon said Wednesday from Tempe, Ariz. "I don't see anything wrong with it. Everybody else needs something else to watch and look at. I've had enough of watching CNN, quite frankly. I'm over (watching) it. ... It's getting to the point where it's getting unwatchable, and I don't like the message in general because I want to see the positive component of this also."

"So the NFL being available is a good thing. It's a good thing people are able to watch (the free-agent reports). The respite is good. We weren't around for World War II and what that was all about. But there had to be some very difficult moments during that time, and everyone was looking (to baseball) and baseball was played during that time to help people get into a different mindset."

Maddon said it's obvious people need to take social-distancing recommendations seriously.

"This is where technology really should shine," he said. "We have so many methods of being in touch right now that doesn't require us being (together)."

If the NFL were in season, obviously it would have shut down like baseball and every other league. If it didn't, that would be the definition of selfish.

Functioning like it always does during an offseason is its right, just as it's your option to follow the NFL news or turn the channel.

There's nothing to apologize for if you're one of those fans imagining what Brady will look like in a Bucs jersey, or how Quinn and Khalil Mack will complement each other on the Bears defense, or if Foles will challenge or replace Mitch Trubisky as starter.

This is what we've been programmed to do since we first learned to read about and play sports.

We're only one week into the shutdown, but so far it has been another reminder of how dominant the NFL is compared with other sports leagues.

Baseball's offseason couldn't carry us through something like this. It moves too slowly, only a few teams are usually in the mix for the biggest stars and agent Scott Boras basically controls the narrative, as he did in December when announcing agreements for Gerrit Cole, Stephen Strasburg and Anthony Rendon during the winter meetings.

The NBA has a spectacular free-agent season, but it's front-loaded, with all the big contracts dispersed in the opening day or week.

This NFL offseason already is off to a great start, and the draft in April will make it even more interesting.

We're all able to walk and chew gum at the same time, at least theoretically, so we also should be able to follow the rules of social distancing as we follow the news of our favorite NFL players.

Thanks, NFL, for helping to provide some normalcy during these abnormal times.

## BEARS

# Isn't it what they needed?

Foles has a proven track record of being a calm and steady rescue artist



DAN WIEDERER  
On the Bears

If you have the stomach for it, Chicago, it takes only 10 minutes. Cue up the late stages of the NFC wild-card-round game at Soldier Field on Jan. 6, 2019. Bears ahead 15-10, less than 5 minutes remaining.

An energized crowd and an eager city are feeling the buzz of what could be the Bears' first playoff win since January 2011.

What an exhilarating season 2018 had been. And now, on this winter evening, with this long-awaited return to postseason football, imaginations are quickly shifting into fast-forward.

Still, as the Eagles take possession at their 40-yard line against a defense that led the NFL in takeaways and the NFC in sacks, the belief in the visitors' huddle is swelling.

The quarterback in command, Nick Foles, has earned that trust — and a nickname in Philadelphia, with associated hashtag, that can't be printed in a family publication such as this — by proving himself as a reliable rescue expert time and again.

Now here he is in another pressure-packed moment with a new and urgent call to action. Over the next 3 minutes, 52 seconds, in a series of 12 plays, Foles operates with the equanimity of a surgeon. One thing at a time. Laser focus. All distractions blocked out.

The drive starts with a 15-yard completion to Alshon Jeffery, a play-action dart over the middle squeezed between a trio of Bears defenders. It ends with a 2-yard touchdown pass to Golden Tate, as precise as it is decisive.

Foles throws nine passes in all, completing six. That final one to Tate — on fourth-and-goal from the 2 as the clock ticks under a minute to play — is a winning throw made with winning vision before the snap.

The Eagles surge ahead 16-15.

You can cut the video there and save yourself further anguish from the sound of leather hitting metal twice. But you should notice Foles' contagious calm, his steady hand, his trust in his teammates and himself.

No wonder the folks at Halas Hall were willing to make their bold dice roll Wednesday, trading a fourth-round pick to the Jaguars to bring Foles to Lake Forest.

The Bears need a rescue artist. They no longer can operate with unwavering belief that Mitch Trubisky's developmental breakthrough is around the corner. They need options. Competition. A possible replacement.

Trubisky is the incumbent starter, nudged into this offseason with votes of confidence from general manager Ryan Pace but also demands from coach Matt Nagy that he become "a master at understanding coverages." His grip on the starting role is far from firm, and his coach's patience is running thin.

Now Foles' arrival changes the dynamic. Foles has proved himself to be both a trusty backup and, in some very important moments, a clutch starter. He has earned respect across the league for his steadiness.

Six days before that playoff game 14 months ago, Nagy expressed his admiration for Foles.

"Nick is as good of a human being as you will find," Nagy said. "You want to talk about people who do things the right way. He's somebody who cares about others, somebody who just wants to play for the love of the game. ... He's a very confident kid in the huddle. He knows where he's going with the football. And he's a playmaker."



That following Sunday, as the Eagles left Soldier Field, packing Chicago's ripped-out heart into their equipment crates, the endorsements continued.

"We've got a quarterback who just wants to live in the now," Tate said.

Added tight end Zach Ertz: "He never tries to do too much. He tries to stay within himself on every play. The moment is never too big for him, and he just emanates that calm and positive attitude."

As the Bears considered a multitude of candidates to bring into their quarterbacks room, a list that also included Andy Dalton and Teddy Bridgewater, Nagy had more than that playoff loss to reflect on. He spent time with Foles in 2012 with the Eagles and four seasons later with the Chiefs.

New Bears offensive coordinator Bill Lazor was Foles' quarterbacks coach with the Eagles in 2013, the year Foles took over for an injured Michael Vick in October and threw 27 touchdown passes with only two interceptions.

New Bears quarterbacks coach John DeFilippo was in that same role overseeing Foles with the Eagles in 2016 and 2017, then was his offensive coordinator last year in Jacksonville.

That 2017 season, of course, was the fairy tale, the year Foles saved the Eagles' season. After franchise quarterback Carson Wentz went down with a season-ending ACL tear in December, Foles jumped in and stayed steady. Then he carried the Eagles through the playoffs, one big victory at a time.

If those work-from-home coronavirus edicts afford you more than the aforementioned 10 minutes of leisure time, take Super Bowl LII for a spin. That night in Minneapolis, Foles went 28-for-43 for 373 yards and three touchdowns. He added a 1-yard touchdown catch on "Philly Special" in a 41-33 win over the Patriots.

He toppled Tom Brady and Bill Belichick, collected a Super Bowl MVP trophy and became a legend.

The Bears' Leonard Floyd defends as Eagles quarterback Nick Foles gets a throw off to Golden Tate for the winning touchdown in a wild-card game on Jan. 6, 2019.

JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Ten months later, after another Wentz injury, he carried the Eagles from below .500 in mid-December to 9-7 and a wild-card berth. Then he persevered through an otherwise bumpy day at Soldier Field with a game-winning drive.

For whatever it's worth, Foles' four playoff victories as a starter are more than the collective total of the last 29 Bears starting quarterbacks.

There are no promises the trade for Foles will prove successful. The Jaguars were eager to deal the 31-year-old quarterback barely a year after guaranteeing him \$50 million in a four-year contract in free agency.

A broken collarbone in the season opener followed by three ho-hum starts late in the season convinced the Jaguars to go in a new direction with Gardner Minshew. Foles also had uneven starting stints with the Eagles in 2014 and the Rams in 2015, so turbulent, in fact, that he found himself seriously considering retirement.

Skeptics aren't wrong to wonder whether Foles is capable of being a long-term starter or whether he is better suited for a supporting role.

It's possible Foles could become the next quarterback sucked into the black hole of futility in Chicago. He seems destined to get an opportunity to play at some point — perhaps as soon as Week 1. And even in an offense he knows well, working with a coaching staff he has great comfort and chemistry with, he might be incapable of elevating the Bears' bottom-tier offense to a championship level.

But beggars can't be choosers either. And the Bears absolutely needed to do something to shake up their quarterbacks room and truly press Trubisky. On Wednesday, they finally took the big swing to do so.

## Speculation begins on Trubisky's role going forward

BY COLLEEN KANE

The Bears welcomed quarterback Nick Foles on Wednesday afternoon with an appropriately bizarre message, given the circumstances.

The NFL decided this week to proceed with free agency amid the coronavirus crisis, but it added restrictions. One was that teams may not bring players to their facilities for physicals and may not announce any moves until physicals have been completed. Third-party physicals, however, can be arranged in players' home cities.

That meant that when the new league year opened at 3 p.m. Wednesday, most teams couldn't officially announce their big deals.

So instead, the Bears posted Foles' photo over an orange background on their Twitter account with this message: "Per @NFLNetwork reports, we have traded for QB @NickFoles. (NFL policy currently prohibits teams from making any official announcements.)"

They also tagged Snickers, apparently a marketing partner for their announcements this year. They did the same shtick for the signings of edge rusher Robert Quinn and tight end Jimmy Graham.

The messages were a cheeky way to get around the NFL restrictions, but with the Foles non-announcement comes a major question. If the Bears have to put off announcing the trade, when will the media get to speak to general manager Ryan Pace about it?

### Former Bear Floyd scooped up by Rams

The Rams agreed to a one-year deal worth up to \$13 million for pass-rushing linebacker Leonard Floyd, a person with knowledge of the situation confirmed.

He will be the nominal replacement for Dante Fowler, who joined an exodus of defensive starters from Los Angeles.

The Bears released Floyd on Tuesday after acquiring Robert Quinn, but Floyd landed a quick reunion with Brandon Staley, his position coach for the past two seasons with the Bears. Staley is the Rams' new defensive coordinator.

Floyd also played two seasons at Georgia with running back Todd Gurley.

■ The Saints opened free agency by bringing back a former defensive leader that they've long regretted letting go. Veteran free agent safety Malcolm Jenkins reportedly agreed to a four-year, \$32 million contract with the team. ... The Steelers turned free agency into a family affair for the Watt family, agreeing to terms with linebacker T.J. Watt's older brother, fullback Derek Watt, on a three-year contract worth \$9.75 million. ... The Lions agreed to a two-year, \$8 million deal with defensive tackle Danny Shelton.

— Associated Press

That's when we'll see how the Bears frame taking on a new quarterback for \$20.125 million in guaranteed money and what it means for former No. 2 pick Mitch Trubisky. Will they still stick to their refrain that Trubisky is the starter — until he's not? Will they declare it an open competition? Or will they hand the reins to Foles, a ninth-year NFL veteran now on his fifth team?

Foles, despite being something of a postseason legend for his unlikely run to become Super Bowl LII MVP, was one of the quarterbacks on the market whose acquisition could be open to interpretation. There was much debate about poten-

tially benching Trubisky last season as he quarterbacked one of the worst offenses in the NFL, but it never really happened, unless you count his mysterious hip pointer against the Rams.

Foles actually was benched. After he returned from a broken collarbone in the opener that kept him out of the next eight games, he played only 2½ more games before the Jaguars went back to rookie Gardner Minshew because of Foles' poor play. He hasn't started more than five games in a regular season since 2015.

So now the Bears have two quarterbacks coming off rocky seasons, continued uncertainty about how this offseason will play out

at the position and a new dynamic to navigate.

"The biggest thing is creating competition," Bears coach Matt Nagy said on the Tribune's Bear Download podcast last month about bringing in another quarterback. "It's being able to be somebody that can come in and just immerse themselves in this offense, understanding that and doing everything possible to always be the No. 1 quarterback."

If Pace is determined to give his draft pick another chance at turning into the player he envisioned in 2017, there won't be much slack. Trubisky has had three seasons, two in Nagy's offense, to prove himself and has done it only in occasional spurts.

Even as badly as Pace might want Trubisky to succeed, he must know the time for patience has passed. And the fact Foles has experience with Nagy, offensive coordinator Bill Lazor and quarterbacks coach John DeFilippo from previous stops makes it even easier to see him sliding in to take the job from Trubisky.

Even before the trade, Nagy acknowledged the urgency for Trubisky is "highly elevated."

"That's what's important is knowing this is where we're at right now," Nagy said. "Two years ago, coming in, brand-new offense, (he) knows nothing. ... Now you're getting into your third year. It's time."

"But he knows and understands the sense of urgency we have, so I expect him to take it head on."

That is, unless Foles takes that chance from him.

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The Masters, usually played in April, was postponed because of the coronavirus outbreak. It could be played in October and prices for hotel rooms in the area were already spiking.

## How rumors can spike hotel prices

BY DOUG FERGUSON  
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PONTE VEDRA BEACH, Fla. — The Masters was postponed, and it didn't take long for speculation to begin on when it would be played.

Augusta National closes in mid-May for the summer. The grass effectively turns brown before it gets back into shape for the reopening for its members in October.

May seemed like a stretch, especially with the Centers for Disease and Prevention recommending no events for 50 or more people through at least May 10. That shifted attention to the fall, with reports out of Augusta focusing on the school system's fall break the first full weekend of October.

Spring break in the Augusta area typically falls the same week as the Masters, mainly to allow residents to rent out their homes if they want to go on a holiday.

Evidence of the power of rumors and reports can be found at hotel websites.

Nearly all of the Hilton properties for the month of October are sold out. On the Marriott website, one popular week had a Fairfield Inn available for \$883 a night — typical for April, not so much for the weeks leading to Halloween.

And then came a tweet from Marina Alex on the LPGA Tour, sharing news that the room she had booked had been canceled, with the hotel saying they were “sorry to see you go.”

“Actually ... I didn't cancel my room YOU did,” Alex replied.

She had booked it for Oct. 5-12 — the fall break for schools is Oct. 9. Then again, that's an open date on the LPGA Tour schedule, right before it is scheduled to leave for the fall version of its Asia swing.

That might be ideal for the ANA Inspiration at Rancho Mirage, California, the first major of the year that was postponed. If golf ever gets started again, it might not matter.



PHELAN M. EBENHACK/AP

Even before the virus outbreak, Brooks Koepka was on the fence about playing for the U.S. in the Olympics because of his busy schedule.

### Koepka and Olympics

Brooks Koepka had conflicted feelings about competing for a gold medal in the Olympics. He talked about the crammed summer schedule. He also talked about the satisfaction of being an Olympian.

He was squarely on the fence. That was before golf shut down from the new coronavirus, with no PGA Tour events scheduled through May 17. Eight events have been canceled. Two majors have been postponed.

“This changes a lot of things now with what goes on with the Olympics,” Koepka said, conceding that he still wasn't even sure — as with everyone else — if the Olympics would be played.

But he mainly was talking about the end of the season.

Koepka was out from October until February due to a knee injury

he aggravated during a fall in South Korea. In five starts this season, he has two missed cuts, a withdrawal in South Korea and two finishes outside the top 40.

That puts him at No. 213 in the FedEx Cup.

“It makes it very difficult because of the start I've gotten off to,” Koepka said. “Let's say we're out six to eight weeks. I'm so far down in the FedEx Cup because of my play. And the PGA Tour is my job. I want to be right there at the end.”

Koepka said he wasn't officially pulling out, like Dustin Johnson already has (before the cancellations). But it didn't down very promising even if the Olympics are held.

And it probably won't help Tiger Woods if he's still interested.

According to a world ranking expert known only as “Nosferatu”

on Twitter, the leading four Americans if no golf is played before the June 22 cutoff for the Olympics are Justin Thomas, Koepka, Webb Simpson and Xander Schauffele. They would be followed by Patrick Reed and Patrick Cantlay.

The Olympics are a long way off on the calendar, suddenly not so far off in terms of qualifying.

But there remains a lot of unknowns along the way.

### Leftovers

One day after PGA Tour Commissioner Jay Monahan announced golf was shutting down for at least a month because of the new coronavirus, he was at work in a food kitchen.

Monahan was among players and The Players Championship staff serving meals at the Sulzbacher Center in downtown Jacksonville.

The food came from The Players Championship, which Monahan canceled after one round.

“We've prepared to have over 200,000 people here on property and won't,” Monahan had said on Friday. “So one of the things that we're quickly going to get to work on is how do you take all the food supplies that we have here and put them to good use for our community. And that's something that we're going to do immediately.”

Billy Horschel is an ambassador for the Feeding Northeast Florida, and was among loading food into the trucks at the TPC Sawgrass to take to the warehouse.

### Renovations on hold?

Among the four additional tournaments the PGA Tour canceled Tuesday was the Zurich Classic of New Orleans, the only team event on the tour's schedule.

The TPC Louisiana, a Pete Dye design that opened 16 years ago, recently was closed for six months during a \$1.9 million renovation to dig up and re-sod the fairways, restore greens and bunkers, and improve drainage.

When the cancellation an-

nouncement was made, partially assembled stands, suites and VIP areas stood in limbo around the ninth and 18th greens.

“Given the situation in our city and around the world, we truly had no choice,” said Steve Worthy, CEO of the Fore!Kids Foundation, which runs the tournament. “We are confident we will bounce back in a big way in 2021.”

Meanwhile, the AT&T Byron Nelson also was on the list of cancellations. It was to be played for the final time at Trinity Forest in Dallas. That means the final winner at Trinity Forest will be Sung Kang.

### Divots

Renee Powell is this year's recipient of the Donald Ross Award from the American Society of Golf Course Architects. Powell was the second black woman to play the LPGA Tour, the first to earn Class A PGA of America membership and was among the first women to be an honorary member of the R&A. ... The Friends of Golf and Golf Coaches Association of America says they will have three finalists and one winner for the Ben Hogan Award, using what it said was “ample data and results” from last year's NCAA Championship through the summer, fall and early part of the year before NCAA sports were stopped because of the coronavirus.

### Stat of the week

The eight tournaments canceled by the PGA Tour because of the coronavirus had combined prize money of \$73.8 million. That doesn't include the Masters and PGA Championship, which were postponed.

### Final word

“When we have situations like this, everyone can rely on sports to sort of take their mind off the tragedy at hand or the situation at hand in the world, and right now we don't have that.”

— Billy Horschel

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Illinois State coach Dan Muller talks with DJ Horne (0) and Antonio Reeves (12) during the Missouri Valley Conference men's basketball tournament on March 5.

# Redbirds rebuilding

## Illinois State looking to pick up the pieces after rare 20-plus-loss campaign

BY JIM BENSON

The Bloomington Pantagraph

NORMAL, Ill. — The world has basically turned upside down since March 5 when Illinois State's basketball team ended a 10-21 season with a 75-65 loss to Drake in a Missouri Valley Conference Tournament play-in game.

Redbird head coach Dan Muller and his staff are confined to staying at home as the NCAA mandated a dead period for in-person recruiting until at least April 15 because of the coronavirus outbreak.

Muller was supposed to meet with his team Sunday night as they returned from spring break. Workout and weight lifting schedules would have been set. Individual meetings with players would have followed this week.

None of that will be happening as schools across the country sort out the ramifications of students being off-campus for an undetermined length of time.

Yet that doesn't mean the planning for the 2020-21 season stops. Quite the contrary.

Sitting in his Redbird Arena office on Monday morning, Muller knows this season — the school's first 20-loss campaign in 17 years — left many long-time fans frustrated.

"As I evaluate the season, but more importantly where the program is at, no one is more disappointed about the record we had this year than me. That's my job," he said.

However, with junior forward Keith Fisher III and freshmen guards DJ Horne and Antonio Reeves leading the returnees along with what appears to be a promising recruiting class, Muller believes better days are ahead.

"As you evaluate, our culture is good. The guys were great off the court; they played hard; they were coachable," he said. "Then it comes down to having the depth we need, developing guys and putting them in the right position."

A year earlier, after a season that started with Missouri Valley Conference championship hopes and ended 17-16, Muller vowed to restore "the toughness and com-



JEFF ROBERSON/AP

Illinois State's DJ Horne averaged nearly nine points per game in his first season with the Redbirds.

petitiveness and effort" of his program.

To a degree, that was accomplished. Ultimately, though, turnovers and lack of depth that became apparent with some key injuries sent this season into a tailspin from which ISU couldn't recover.

ISU finished 287 of 350 Division I teams in turnovers with 14.4 per game, including 12 games of 16 or more. That was often the difference in the 11 games decided by six points or less where the Redbirds went 4-7.

Redshirt sophomore forward Taylor Bruninga played in only 15 games and averaged 11 minutes because of left foot trouble that has plagued him for two seasons. Matt Chastain, a redshirt junior wing from LeRoy, missed the first two games with a broken hand and later needed arthroscopic knee surgery that shelved him for 10 games.

Dedric Boyd, a redshirt sophomore guard, was starting to regain his form late in the season before a bone bruise on his knee put him

out four games.

"Going into next year I have to do a better job with the roster to have quality depth if we have injuries," said Muller, who has four years left on the seven-year contract he signed after ISU shared the MVC regular-season title in 2017.

Horne (8.7 points per game) and Reeves (7.2 ppg) played heavy minutes in their first season and more than held their own. Horne made the MVC All-Freshman Team while Reeves was on the MVC All-Bench Team.

Fisher had his struggles much of the season. But the 6-foot-8 transfer from San Jose State came on strong in the last month, averaging 13.0 points and 6.9 rebounds in the final 10 games.

"There's not all these drastic changes we need to have and not the same as last year when we had a violation of our culture, I thought," said Muller.

What Muller knows must change is taking care of the ball and defensively guarding the ball. Opponents shot 44.4% from the

field and scored 70.0 points, which ranked Nos. 7 and 8 in the Valley, respectively.

"We probably had too many guys in decision-making positions this year offensively. Some of our better players were high-turnover guys," said Muller. "The main issue we had offensively was our turnovers you look when opponents had big runs, I would say 80 percent of the time it was because of mass turnovers by our team."

"We have to evaluate offensively what we're doing. We'll have a lot new guys next year. The personnel and skill sets will be different."

Muller blames himself defensively for trying to do too many things early, such as full-court pressure. The Redbirds didn't mix up defenses much between man and zone like they've done in recent seasons until the last month.

ISU signed four players in the fall signing period. Three are high school seniors — 6-9 forward Alston Andrews of Ocoee High School near Orlando, Fla.; 6-6

wing Emon Washington of South Cobb High School in the Atlanta suburb of Austell, Ga; and 6-5 point guard Howard Fleming Jr. of Male High School in Louisville, Ky. The other is 6-2 guard Josiah Strong of Iowa Western Community College.

The Redbirds also got a commitment last week from Alex Kotov, a 6-10 forward from Moscow, Russia, who is at Daytona State College (Fla.) and will have three years of eligibility after suffering a broken pinkie finger in the second game this season.

"I couldn't be more excited about who we have coming in next year," said Muller. "There will be some new faces, certainly, and some really talented guys will be on the team next year with great depth."

Kotov's commitment puts the Redbirds one over the NCAA scholarship limit of 13.

Muller didn't want to discuss what possible returnees might not be on the roster next season until he has a chance to have meetings with the players, either in person or through an online video chat.

Having the same assistants in place next season would be the first in Muller's nine years as his alma mater's head coach. Many past Muller assistants have moved on as high-major assistants or head coaches (Dana Ford and Brian "Penny" Collins at Tennessee State).

Brian Reese is finishing his fourth year as an ISU assistant. Brian Jones was in his first year as the Redbird associate head coach, while Marcus Belcher also was a first-year assistant.

"I love having staff continuity, but I've said many times if one of these guys has a chance to get a job that will advance their careers I will help them," said Muller. "I think that's part of my job is to help advance the careers of my assistants and also help our players grow."

"But it will be really nice to have the same staff. Training, planning, what game day looks like, what kind of players we're recruiting that fit me, the most important thing you can have in any program is your staff."

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Singer-guitarist Joanna Connor is a regular at Kingston Mines in Lincoln Park. "Everyone's canceled everything. Just everything," she said. "We're in trouble. Musicians are in big trouble."

# Music isn't dead, it's just gone inside

## How coronavirus has affected Chicago musicians

BY STEVE KNOPPER

If everything were right in the world, Joanna Connor would be preparing to play the first of three gigs this weekend at Chicago's 52-year-old blues club Kingston Mines. Then she'd spend next week doing the same thing. The veteran LaGrange singer-guitarist plays 200 shows every year to pay her rent, buy vegan groceries and make meals for her dog. But now that Illinois Gov. J.B. Pritzker has ordered all bars and restaurants closed through March 30, all that work is gone.

Connor is so worried that she's thinking about selling her signature guitar, a Gibson Les Paul Classic 60 reissue that appears in many of her videos. "Everyone's canceled everything. Just everything. We're in trouble. Musicians are in big trouble," she says. "I'm praying it only goes two

weeks in Illinois. If it goes past two weeks, it's going to be a really desperate situation."

After ravaging the stock market for weeks, the coronavirus pandemic this week pivoted to the musicians, bouncers, cooks and bartenders who populate the live-music world in Chicago and elsewhere.

"It's intense," says Robert Gomez, who owns restaurants Subterranean and Beat Kitchen and is scrambling to figure out how to distribute the clubs' unsold food to his suddenly inactive 30-person staff. "The sense of anxiety over what we don't know is overwhelming."

For the 100 employees of his company's 14 clubs, including the Empty Bottle and Thalia Hall, Bruce Finkelman is trying to set up a system for carryout or takeout food for

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HULU

Kerry Washington, left, and Reese Witherspoon in "Little Fires Everywhere."

'LITTLE FIRES EVERYWHERE'

## Feel like today's world is going up in flames?

Then you should love new Hulu series, a fast, easy-to-watch drama

BY LORRAINE ALI  
 Los Angeles Times

Engaging melodrama and stumbling social commentary meet in "Little Fires Everywhere," Hulu's eight-part adaptation of Celeste Ng's bestselling 2017 novel of the same name,

which opens with a well-to-do woman watching in disbelief as her suburban McMansion burns down.

Keeping up appearances while getting to the bottom of things is a dangerous combination in this not too heavy, not too light mini-series about what happens when a planned community is upended by unplanned events. Casual quarantine viewing

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## Retired Chicago TV reporters, anchors have mixed emotions

They miss handling big stories but not the daily grind associated with it

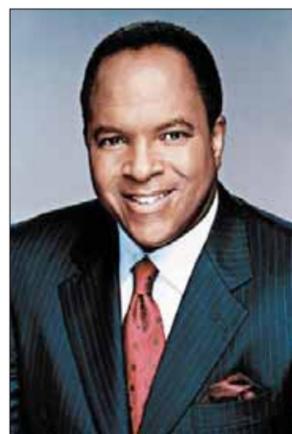
BY TRACY SWARTZ

Steve Sanders retired as a WGN-Ch. 9 midday news anchor on Feb. 28. He said this week he has "some mixed, if not conflicted, feelings" about the timing of his departure from the Nexstar Media Group station amid the worldwide coronavirus outbreak.

"I was in broadcast journalism almost a half-century, and I feel like I retired just as one of the biggest stories of my career was gaining traction," Sanders told the Tribune by phone. "There's one side of me that feels I left the battlefield in the middle of a war. And on the other hand I'm mindful of the fact that I'm technically a senior citizen — though I don't feel like one — so I'm in that vulnerable age group."

"That said, there's a side of me that would love to be out there covering this story. I am definitely conflicted."

Besides the coronavirus, there's been a lot of Chicago news this year. Former Gov. Rod Blagojevich was released from federal prison last month, and



CBS CHICAGO/HANDOUT

Reporter Derrick Blakley retired from WBBM-Ch. 2 in June 2019.

Illinois' primary election was Tuesday. The Tribune reached out to retired Chicago TV anchors and reporters to see if they miss covering the big stories.

**Former WBBM-Ch. 2 political reporter Derrick Blakley:** Since retiring in June 2019, Blakley has contributed to the Center for Illinois Politics and taught broadcast news writing at DePaul University.

"We knew it would be a busy

news year because it's a campaign year," he said. "I don't think anybody, obviously, could foresee the incredible disruption that the coronavirus has caused. That's kind of an unprecedented crisis. I covered 9/11 and other major disruptions to our lives, and I also spent some time working overseas. But this is really interesting."

"I can't say that I'm really champing at the bit to get back in it, though. I'm very satisfied to watch it from afar and watch how it's being covered."

Blakley said he misses covering politics, but not Blagojevich.

"I spent enough time hanging out outside Blago's house," he said. "I didn't relish or feel like I was missing out on his return. It was an interesting story, but it turned out to be more of a circus than anything else."

**Former WLS-Ch. 7 anchor Ron Magers:** Since retiring in May 2016, Magers has moved to Florida, though he has a summer home in Chicago.

"My morning routine is about the same as when I was covering the news: a cup of coffee while I read at least three and usually

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# CELEBRITIES

Tribune news services

## Maggie Griffin, impish mother of comedian Kathy, dies at 99

LOS ANGELES — The mother of comedian Kathy Griffin, who inspired many of the jokes in her famous daughter's standup routines, has died. Maggie Griffin was 99.

"My Mom, the one and only, Maggie Griffin, passed away" Tuesday, Kathy Griffin tweeted. "I am gutted. My best friend. I'm shaking. I won't ever be prepared."

The sweet, impish and quick-tongued Maggie Griffin was a frequent presence in her daughter's reality show, "Kathy Griffin: My Life on the D-List," in the early 2000s. More often than not, she was holding a glass of wine.

Addressing her fans, the comedian said in her tweet: "I'm so grateful you guys got to be part of her life. You knew her. You loved her. She knew it."

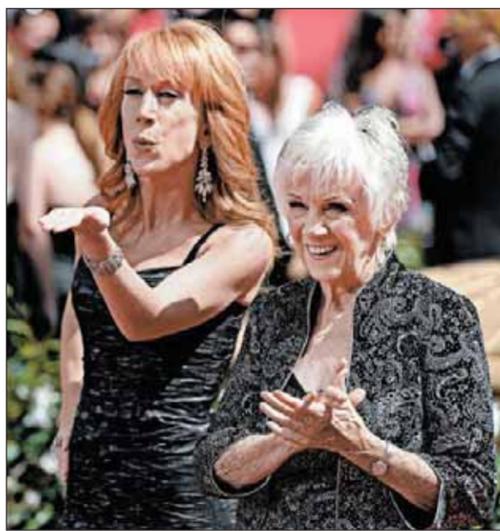
"Oh, and OF COURSE she went on St. Patrick's Day," Griffin went on, followed by three broken-heart emojis.

Griffin revealed on Twitter in January 2019 that her mother had "rapidly fallen into the throes of dementia."

"This is never easy for any child, I know this is a reality that millions of people deal with every year," the comedian wrote. "But when it comes to my mom this is particularly hard because her sharp mind was everything."

**Perry's legal victory:** A federal judge in Los Angeles handed a major victory to Katy Perry on Tuesday, overturning a jury's verdict that found the pop superstar and her collaborators copied her 2013 hit "Dark Horse" from a 2009 Christian rap song.

U.S. District Judge Christina A. Snyder said in her decision that the disputed section of the rap



Kathy Griffin and her mother, Maggie, arrive at the 62nd Primetime Emmy Awards in 2010. Maggie Griffin, who inspired many of her daughter's jokes, died Tuesday.

song, "Joyful Noise" by rapper Marcus Gray was not distinctive enough to be protected by copyright as the jury found. The plaintiffs plan to appeal.

**Cyrus' talk show:** Miley Cyrus is looking to spread hope and warmth to those stuck at home during the coronavirus outbreak. She announced Tuesday that every day this week she'll be appearing on Instagram Live for a talk show she's calling "Bright Minded: Live with Miley."

Her first guest on Monday was her own therapist, and her second on Tuesday was Demi Lovato.

"I haven't changed these sweatpants in about five days," Cyrus said during Tuesday's livestream, "and I don't plan on doing it any time soon."

"These afternoon sessions are all about bringing light to a dark time, staying positive and overcoming stress during this

pandemic," Cyrus said.

**Leto goes from isolation to isolation:** Jared Leto says he just emerged from the desert to find a world transformed.

"Wow. 12 days ago I began a silent meditation in the desert," the actor said on Twitter. "We were totally isolated, No phone, no communication etc. We had no idea what was happening outside the facility."

Leto says he was stunned to find much of the world shut down and sheltering over the new coronavirus pandemic.

**March 19 birthdays:** Actress Ursula Andress is 84. Singer Ruth Pointer of the Pointer Sisters is 74. Actress Glenn Close is 73. Actor Bruce Willis is 65. Actress Mary Scheer is 57. Actor Connor Trinneer is 51. Actress Abby Brammell is 41. Actor Craig Lamar Traylor is 31. Actor Philip Daniel Bolden is 25.



# ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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## Readers respond to questions on race

**Dear Readers:** Every year, I step away from the Ask Amy column for two weeks in order to work on other writing projects.

Today's "Best of" column from 2010 deals with racial issues. I'll be back with fresh Q&A next week.

**Dear Amy:** I am a 16-year-old girl and have a part-time job as a babysitter.

I have become aware of their stereotypes about Hispanics. Coming from a Hispanic family (although my skin is white), I get offended by this.

While walking home, a van with Hispanic men passed by. One of the boys made a comment about how these men had "probably just robbed a house."

I was shocked and didn't know what to say. Is it my place to say anything? Should I talk to their mom?

— Confused

**Dear Confused:** You should correct the kids when you are with them, because you are in charge. This includes comments they may make about old people, overweight people or offensive race-based remarks like the one you witnessed.

It's OK to say, "Hey guys, it's not nice and it's not fair to make assumptions about people. You seem to think all Hispanic people are bad or scary, but you're wrong. I don't want to hear you talk like that again about people you don't even know."

If you want to let them know why you take this personally, your ethnicity could provide a handy "teachable moment," but ethnic stereotypes are offensive, no matter the

ethnicity. If this is an ongoing issue, then yes, speak with their folks.

**Dear Amy:** I am always curious about people's cultural and racial background. My 24-year-old daughter is mixed-race (black and Korean). I went to Seoul when she was 2 years old to bring her home from the orphanage.

As a result, I've sorted out what various Asians look like and can distinguish differences among people from China, Japan, Korea, Mongolia, Vietnam and the Philippines.

I am outgoing, and when I hear an accent or see someone I think is a combo like my daughter, I usually ask.

Am I being rude if I express curiosity about a person's racial background? Some people like the interest. Others seem to resent it.

Should I keep my mouth shut? It seems politically correct to stay quiet.

— J

**Dear J:** You should feel free to express your curiosity, but you should also accept a stranger's right not to discuss his race or ethnicity with you.

Charging up to a person and saying, "Hi, just curious. Are you a combo?" is obnoxious. Referring to your daughter's racial identity this way is off-putting.

Some people aren't going to care about your motivations for intruding upon them. This has nothing to do with being politically correct. This has to do with you engaging strangers in a personal conversation they might not feel like having.

**Dear Amy:** "J" wrote that she loves to ask strangers about their race.

Should we feel free to indulge our curiosity by asking strangers about their gender? What about their sexual orientation? Age? Marital status? Religion? Why not if they're pregnant, or HIV positive?

One way to test whether satisfying one's curiosity is rude is to consider what would happen if the tables were turned.

Your advice to the always-curious J should have been, "Mind your own business."

And the polite response when strangers ask about your race? "Human."

— Barbara

**Dear Barbara:** Perfect. Thank you.

**Dear Amy:** I've been following your discussion about when it's appropriate to ask about a stranger's racial identity.

I was a census worker this summer. Among the questions we were required to ask was "race."

The question became one of the ones we all hated to ask, as many people were offended. We became used to people who answered "human," but my favorite answer was from an older gentleman who, when asked: "Race?" responded, "Not so much anymore."

— Colorado Girl

**Dear Colorado:** The perfect answer to a loaded question.

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- ACROSS**
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  - 24 "Elvis \_\_\_ left the building!"
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  - 39 Angelou or Rudolph
  - 40 Franklin or Savage
  - 41 Pass out
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  - 45 Fights off
  - 46 Take a load off
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- 48 Tourette's symptoms
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  - 56 Circle dance
  - 57 Banishment
  - 58 Time when both hands are straight up
  - 60 "\_\_\_ in a Manger"
  - 61 Pago Pago's land
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  - 64 At the head of the class
  - 65 Cartoon dog
- DOWN**
- 1 ABC competitor
  - 2 Beatles' "The Long and Winding \_\_\_"
  - 3 Jellystone Park bear
  - 4 Barber pole feature
  - 5 Have confidence in
  - 6 Prepares to shoot
  - 7 Actor Kaplan
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- 25 "...O'er the land of the free \_\_\_ the home..."
- 26 Thorough investigation
- 27 Bird in a Poe poem
- 28 Athlete's negotiator
- 29 Fork part
- 30 Angry tirade
- 31 Make joyous
- 32 Regal
- 33 Graceful swimmers
- 35 Smile
- 38 One who takes orders
- 39 \_\_\_ out; planning a route
- 41 Thanksgiving's follower: abbr.
- 42 Notices
- 44 Prose writings
- 45 Say again
- 47 Bravery
- 48 "Easier said \_\_\_ done"
- 49 Ottumwa's state
- 50 \_\_\_ Louie; "King of Salads"
- 52 School test
- 53 \_\_\_ beans
- 54 Pinot \_\_\_; red wine
- 55 "\_\_\_, but not forgotten"
- 59 Girl's nickname

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## BOOK REVIEW

## New novel brings Cromwell across finish line

Hilary Mantel triumphantly completes 3-volume saga

BY PARUL SEHGAL  
The New York Times

How suitably some writers come named. Muriel Spark, of the scorching short fiction. Judy Blume, of stories of young girls coming of age. Ann Patchett, in whose work families desperately try to repair their tattered ties.

Then there is Hilary Mantel, the author of several books, including an acclaimed suite of novels set in Tudor England, in whose own name can be discerned her themes — of cloaking and secrecy, the weight of responsibility — and, as it happens, the particular pleasure of submitting to her lavish and gory imagination.

When a hawk makes a kill, it drapes its wings over its prey, concealing it from other predators. This gesture is called “mantling,” and it’s a fine description of reading Mantel’s work. The world is blotted out as you are enveloped in the sweep of a story rich with conquest, conspiracy and mazy human psychology.

“The Mirror and the Light” is the triumphant capstone to Mantel’s trilogy on Thomas Cromwell, the son of a blacksmith who rose to become the consigliere of Henry VIII and architect of the English Reformation. It’s a story that could be the stuff of venerable and dusty historical fiction, but Mantel clears away the cobwebs. Missing are the archaic dialogue and laborious scene-setting, the dense clutter of details signaling diligent research. “Wolf Hall,” the first book in the series, begins midscene, in a galloping present tense. Cromwell is a teenager and lying in his own vomit, enduring one of his father’s brutal beatings. His eyes leak blood; he is frightened

that he has gone blind. It is the last time we will encounter him with his vision obscured.

He flees home, and from that moment on, he will distinguish himself with an ability to perceive a path for himself, to seize opportunity in the midst of chaos. He searches for the nearest war and enlists as a mercenary (“at least, as a soldier of King Louis, he was paid to receive blows”). He serves in the counting houses of Italy and the banks of Antwerp, rises to become the right hand of the doomed Cardinal Wolsey and later the king himself.

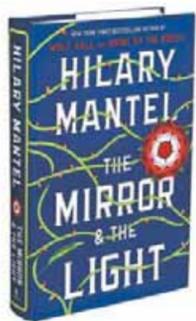
Mantel is often grouped with writers of historical fiction, like Penelope Fitzgerald. The more apt, and useful, comparison might be with Robert Caro, the biographer of Robert Moses and Lyndon Johnson, the great anatomizer of political power. They share an interest in what power reveals and conceals in human character. Intimate knowledge, of the self and others, is among Cromwell’s most reliable weapons. “Tell me what you want, I’ll get it” is his mantra. But his subtlety, his crooked genius, lies in never needing to be told; he divines what you desire, before you know it yourself. He can render himself indispensable, and perhaps start suggesting to you what you should want.

The curtain here rises on Cromwell in 1536. He is 50 years old, rich beyond all his imagining and very much alone. A sickness carried off his wife and two daughters years ago. He is the king’s chief confidant and fixer, although his primary duty is now “to get the king new wives and dispose of the old.” He admits: “I am running out of ladies.”



ELLIE SMITH/THE NEW YORK TIMES

Hilary Mantel's new novel, “The Mirror and the Light,” concludes her trilogy about the life of Thomas Cromwell.



## ‘The Mirror and the Light’

By Hilary Mantel, 757 pages, Henry Holt and Co., \$30

Henry is desperate for a male heir. He divorced his first wife, Katherine of Aragon — forcing a split between Rome and the Church of England. His

second wife, Anne Boleyn, mother of Elizabeth and the charismatic antagonist of the first two novels, has been beheaded for adultery. Cromwell was instrumental in bringing Anne to trial, which we saw in the second volume, “Bring Up the Bodies.” He rounded up her alleged lovers (including her brother) and squeezed out confessions. Whether they were true or trumped up is never known. A blacksmith makes his own tools, Mantel writes. Rumor and insinuation are Cromwell’s favorites; he throws what mud he can and sees what sticks.

When “The Mirror and the Light” begins, Cromwell has never been more beloved to the king, who is now free to marry the docile Jane Seymour. It is the beginning of Cromwell’s undoing. A man

who has worked in the shadows is now too visible, envied and feared. Tax rebellions spring up in the north. There’s a movement to advance Henry’s first child, Mary, as his heir. Seymour dies, after producing a son, and another wife must be sought. Cromwell chooses one for the king, and chooses badly. Anne of Cleves, selected to broker an alliance with Germany, cannot hide her distaste for Henry. Worry and guilt begin to gnaw at Cromwell. “Dead queens blink at him, from behind their broken mirrors.” Wolves gather outside his door.

At more than 700 pages, this is the longest book in the series, the most mournful — and the slackest. It lacks the formal play (and humor) of “Wolf Hall” and the ruthless compression of “Bring Up the Bodies,”

which tracked the events of just one year, culminating in Boleyn’s beheading.

This new novel is a different creature. The prose is plush, the sentences longer and more adorned, tricked out with little tassels and extended metaphors. Even as certain pages proved a slog, certain scenes repetitive, these choices follow a certain logic.

When we praise characters, we often say they “feel real.” But the enduring characters are always elusive. They cannot be so easily reconciled, nor do they stay neatly quarantined in their narratives. They trouble us; they haunt. Their questions become our own. No more so than with Cromwell, one of literature’s great ambiguous characters. Till the end, he is full of surprises.

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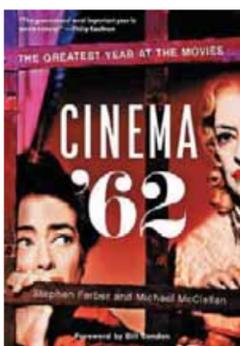
## A compelling argument in ‘best-year-in-film’ debate

BY LEE D. MITGANG  
Associated Press

What was the greatest year in cinema history? Among film fans and critics, 1939 has long been a favorite pick. Hollywood’s studio system was at its peak that year and cranked out an astonishing number of crowd-pleasing, star-studded films including “The Wizard of Oz,” “Mr. Smith Goes to Washington,” “Ninotchka,” “Stagecoach” and “Dark Victory.” At the top of that formidable heap was “Gone With the Wind,” which won eight Oscars, including best picture.

A new history by Los Angeles film critics and scholars Stephen Farber and Michael McClellan offers a different and, for many, surprising alternative.

In their audaciously titled “Cinema ’62: The Greatest Year at the Movies,” they argue that the early ’60s in general — and 1962 in particular — deserve recognition not just for big-wave beach movies, but also for new-wave films from abroad and for the emergence of a generation of American auteurs who were fashioning a mold-breaking new Hollywood. Strictly by numbers, 1962 may not have produced as many enduring classics as 1939, a year that placed 19 films on the Library of Congress’ prestigious National Film Registry, more than twice the eight such films from 1962. But 1962’s importance rests on the artistic daring of its films, and on the unprecedented willingness of filmmakers to tackle taboo subjects at a time when the production codes and the censorious Legion of Decency still wielded influence on Hollywood producers and American audiences.



## ‘Cinema ’62: The Greatest Year at the Movies’

By Stephen Farber and Michael McClellan, 270 pages, Rutgers University Press, \$34.95

Echoing the emerging civil rights spirit of the early ’60s, for example, “To Kill a Mockingbird” poignantly indicted racial injustice. “Lolita” depicted an older man’s obsession with a preadolescent girl. The British import “A Taste of Honey” offered an unusually adult portrayal of homosexuality and scored well with audiences. Bosley Crowther, The New York Times’ powerful film critic, called it the year’s best film.

Hollywood’s studio system may have been declining in 1962, but reliable stars such as Doris Day, John Wayne, James Stewart and Bette Davis still churned out an impressive number of hit films. Wayne and Stewart starred in director John Ford’s “The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance.” Screen veteran Rosalind Russell put an indelible stamp on the lead role of Rose in “Gypsy.” Davis and Joan Crawford gave unforgettably creepy performances in “Whatever Happ-

ened to Baby Jane?,” whose poster the authors feature on their book jacket.

From abroad, filmmakers were drawing American audiences as never before with movies that broke new artistic ground.

Among them were Federico Fellini (“La Dolce Vita”), Francois Truffaut (“Jules et Jim”), Tony Richardson (“The Loneliness of the Long Distance Runner”), Pietro Germi (“Divorce Italian Style”) and Michelangelo Antonioni (“La Notte”).

The authors add spice and credibility to their history with interviews of survivors of 1962 filmmaking, including Mariette Hartley, who made her debut in director Sam Peckinpah’s “Ride the High Country”; Shirley Knight, who starred with Paul Newman in the sexually charged “Sweet Bird of Youth”; and Angela Lansbury, who gave a deliciously villainous performance in director John Frankenheimer’s “The Manchurian Candidate.”

The book ends with a chapterlong appraisal of David Lean’s “Lawrence of Arabia,” 1962’s most honored, commercially successful and technically dazzling film. It featured a sophisticated plot replete with political chicanery, colonialism and a subtle depiction of the title character’s homosexuality, and a superb cast of old hands like Claude Rains as well as relative newcomers Peter O’Toole and Omar Sharif. Yet fascinatingly, it drew only mixed reviews.

“Cinema ’62” probably won’t end the “best-year-in-film” debate. But Farber and McClellan serve film fans a briskly written, meticulously researched history that gives an often-overlooked and underrated era in cinema its due.

## Katherine Schwarzenegger Pratt tackles forgiveness

BY ALICIA RANCILO  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Katherine Schwarzenegger Pratt has made a career of writing what she knows, from teaching about healthy body image to grappling with entering the real world after graduating college.

Her latest book, “The Gift of Forgiveness: Inspiring Stories From Those Who Have Overcome the Unforgivable,” is a deep dive into various stories on forgiveness.

Schwarzenegger Pratt, the eldest child of actor and politician Arnold Schwarzenegger and broadcast journalist Maria Shriver, writes in the book that she came up with the idea when struggling with how to forgive a friend with whom she had a falling out.

She interviewed 22 people, including kidnapping victim Elizabeth Smart and Tanya Brown, the sister of murder victim Nicole Brown Simpson, and Sebastian Marroquin, the son of drug kingpin Pablo Escobar, about their own experiences with forgiveness.

Schwarzenegger Pratt says the biggest lesson learned is that forgiveness is not a one-size-fits-all process.

“There isn’t one way to forgive, there’s not a right way, a wrong way, there’s only your way,” she said. Schwarzenegger Pratt talked about writing, advocating for animals and of course, forgiveness.

**Q: You talk to people for the book who’ve experienced some pretty heavy circumstances. Were you nervous to do those interviews?**

A: You’re always nervous when interviewing people that you don’t know about a topic that’s very intense like forgiveness. I



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Katherine Schwarzenegger Pratt



reached out to everybody and didn’t know anyone beforehand and just blindly asked them if they would be willing to sit down and talk to me about forgiveness. I went into every single interview not knowing how much they would open up or what they would give me in the interview and every single person was just so incredible to talk to, so inspiring and raw and open and vulnerable.

**Q: What did you ultimately take away on forgiveness?**

A: For some people it comes very easily and naturally and they can just decide to forgive someone and be done with it. And for a lot of people, myself included, it’s an ongoing process. So it’s about being OK with it.

**Q: Did you want to be a writer growing up?**

A: I always would write in journals when I was younger and found it very helpful for myself and therapeutic. If you had asked me when I was 10 years old if I would be writing that I would say that, but I think it’s been such a blessing for me in my life. I’ve been able to take situations and topics that I have struggled with and have looked at others struggling

with and it’s driven me to write about these topics to help other people.

**Q: Your dad is Arnold Schwarzenegger. Your mom is Maria Shriver and a member of the Kennedy family. You must’ve met so many notable people throughout your life. Is there anyone you haven’t met yet?**

A: I don’t actually know who that would be. A lot of times I think of people who are no longer on this earth that I would like to spend extra time with and I often will think about my grandma, especially as I’ve gotten older. When you’re little you kind of take your grandparents for granted and when you’re older you wish you could go back and talk to them about certain life things.

**Q: You do a lot of animal advocacy and you have your own dog, Maverick, whom you’ve written a children’s book about. Plus, you have a farm with your husband, actor Chris Pratt. Talk about why animals are so important to you.**

A: I’ve always been a big animal lover. When I adopted my dog, Maverick, and became introduced to the animal rescue world, it was such a blessing for me. To be a voice for the voiceless and advocate on their behalf is a really important thing for me.

# Music

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the staff and helping salaried employees understand their insurance benefits.

"I've been in the music business for over 30 years, and I've never had to deal with anything even remotely like this," he says. Will the Empty Bottle, which since 1992 has brought in bands from Tortoise to the Flaming Lips to the White Stripes, survive the crisis if it drags on longer than two weeks? "We'll have to cross that bridge when we get to it," Finkelman adds. "That's weighing on our heads — but we feel like we're in a very good place, and we certainly plan to be around for another 25 years."

"We will survive, because the owner of the auditorium owns the whole building," says John Geary, who manages booking and production at Logan Square Auditorium and spent the past week wondering whether any shows would continue, as the state-mandated capacity for gatherings dropped from 1,000 to 100 to zero. "For spaces that rent, who knows? If every restaurant is closed for two months, how are they going to pay?"

The shutdown has literally stopped musicians in their tracks. Veteran blues guitarist Tinsley Ellis, who was halfway through a 60-show tour, including a scheduled stop later this month at Space in Evanston, had to abruptly return home to Atlanta in



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Ohmme bandmates Sima Cunningham, top, and Macie Stewart are trying to adjust during the coronavirus pandemic.

his van.

"The new album just came out, so it pretty much couldn't be worse timing," he says, by phone from somewhere in Nevada, during the 2,700-mile drive from northern California. "But I'm looking at them as a postponement rather than cancellation. It's an inconvenience and a routing problem."

"I can't tell you how many friends we were talking with who were on interstates — people like Post Animal and Twin Peaks, who just had to turn around and cancel everything," says Sima Cunningham of the Chicago indie-rock duo Ohmme, which recently cut off its spring tour, days after learning a prized South by Southwest

gig evaporated when the festival canceled. "It's a big thing. Bands pretty much cannot make a living unless they're on tour constantly."

The ripple effect of the closures will affect the entire music ecosystem, including record labels, radio stations, merchandise companies and publications. Mark Carpentieri, president and owner of

Long Island, New York, blues label M.C. Records, says much of his company's CD sales come through artists' touring activity.

"We're hoping some of that transitions to other places, including online," he says. "Hopefully this will end sooner rather than later. You can do virtual concerts and stuff like that, but you're not going to

make up \$2,000 at a festival."

Adds Bruce Iglauer, president and founder of Chicago's Alligator Records, "Everyone's working, but my publicist and radio people aren't going to have very much to do for the next while. And I've got to keep them on payroll to keep them from going on unemployment or seeking other jobs."

For now, anxious musicians are using the layoff as a creative stay-at-home vacation. Ohmme's Cunningham has been commiserating with colleagues on social media, trying to figure out how to make up portions of lost revenue via GoFundMe and online performances. She also wrote a song about "coronavirus ruining our spring." Working title? "Corona."

Toranzo Cannon, a blues guitarist who records for Alligator, lost two Nebraska gigs scheduled for this week and isn't sure what will happen to his East Coast tour in June. And while he has a Chicago bus-driving gig to fall back on, he still has to pay for his daughter's college. "Everybody's hurting," he says. "I don't feel too good, either."

A follow-up question comes across slightly dark, given the state of world events, and this reporter apologizes. "Please, be bleak," Cannon responds. "It's the blues."

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# Fires

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wasn't likely the goal of "Little Fires Everywhere," but it hits that middling mark and arrives at the opportune time for content-hungry shut-ins.

Premiering Tuesday with three episodes, the series features co-producers Reese Witherspoon and Kerry Washington as fiercely protective mothers from very different walks of life. The women's worlds blow apart when their paths collide, and questions of class and race threaten family alliances and long-held community beliefs about justice and equity.

Set in the late 1990s, it begins with the Richardsons, an affluent, white, oh-so-perfect family of six with deep roots in Shaker Heights, Ohio, an unbelievably hermetic Cleveland suburb where public school

students naturally matriculate to Harvard and an overgrown front lawn equals a city fine and deep social shame. Family matriarch Elena (Witherspoon) is the region's premier poster wife and mother.

Then transient single mom Mia Warren (Washington) and her teen daughter, Pearl (Lexi Underwood), roll into town in their broken-down blue Chevy hatchback. First they rent a property from the Richardsons, then the families' lives become even more intertwined when Mia takes on domestic work in Elena's home and their teenage kids become friends, and lovers.

Shaker Heights' community ethos — that "everything should be planned out, and that by doing so you could avoid the unseemly, the unpleasant and the disastrous" — is rocked to its core when the moms eventually clash over the parental rights of Mia's

co-worker at her second job in a Chinese restaurant, Bebe Chow (Lu Huang), a poor immigrant from China who's in search of her abandoned child.

The problem here is that Witherspoon's entitled housewife who thinks she's progressive (spoiler alert: she's not) looks a lot like her character in "Big Little Lies," though more fastidiously groomed and less introspective. She can't help but swing her hair when she walks.

Washington's struggling, down-on-her luck Mia is equally narrow. The strapped artist is always angry, ready for a fight. She's been on the losing end of systemic racial and gender bias, and her face is set on permanent scowl.

When the clueless yet strident Elena has it out with her and accuses Mia of making terrible choices as a mother, she dishes out the obvious retort of what choices?! She never had the

"options that being rich and white and entitled" gave her counterpart.

Clumsy dialogue aside, "Little Fires Everywhere" is entertaining as a high-end soap opera driven by star power, a little bit of mystery and lots of '90s pop culture references. Suburban life plays out over the music of Liz Phair and TLC, clips of Ricki Lake and "The Real World." Elena's book club squirms while gingerly discussing "The Vagina Monologues," and it's un-ironic when the kids wear high-rise shorts.

Adapted for television by Liz Tigelaar, "Little Fires Everywhere" is reportedly faithful to the spirit of the book — co-producer Ng consulted on the scripts for the hourlong episodes — but heightens the importance of race in the narrative, particularly regarding Mia, whose race isn't marked in the novel.

The teens here are the best part of the show, par-

ticularly the overachieving Pearl. Underwood convincingly plays an independent, emotionally torn young woman whose exceptional maturity is a clear reaction to being raised by a self-centered, unstable mother. Elena's gentle son, Moody (Gavin Lewis), develops a crush on her, though she begins to gravitate toward his older brother, Trip (Jordan Elsass), a lunk-headed jock. The youngest Richardson sibling, Izzy (Megan Stott), is an outcast misunderstood by her cruel classmates and preppy mother. When she befriends like-minded eccentric Mia, the literal fireworks begin.

The adults carry the burden of representing archetypes in the series' class war. Elena's lawyer husband, Bill (Joshua Jackson), is a good provider/lousy listener more interested in her procurement of the dry cleaning than her relationship with the kids.

Where: Hulu

When: Now

Rated: TV-MA (may be unsuitable for children under 17)

He announces "Honey, I'm home!" after his long work day. She starts that day arranging color-coded sack lunches for the children.

Motherhood, in all its pain and joy, is a recurring theme here, inspiring lines so good they cut to the bone. As Elena, after a glass or two of wine, laments of her rocky relationship with Izzy, "You take it for granted that they'll love you forever. That they'll love you at all."

"Little Fires Everywhere" is not a searing masterpiece nor a flaming disaster. It's a fast, easy-to-watch drama where family relationships are the kindling and social mores an accelerator. Watch it all go up in flames.

# Retired

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four newspapers online and then check my 'trap line' of websites," Magers said in an email. "The difference is that I'm a news consumer now rather than looking at stories from the vantage point of, 'Where does this go next and who can get us more about it?'"

"I'm very fortunate to have worked long enough to know that I worked long enough and I do not miss the daily grind. I must admit that I still read and watch a story with an editor's eye looking at how it was put together and whether it effectively provided the information."

**Former Channel 7 reporter Paul Meincke:** After retiring in September 2015, Meincke canoed the Mississippi River and completed a cross-country bike ride. He said he had surgery in January to repair a tear in his aorta and was scheduled for another heart procedure this week, "but that's been postponed now because of coronavirus and hospital needs for other people. I certainly understand that, but it's a little frustrating."

Meincke, who spends winters in Arizona, is a part-time Channel 7 contributor of mostly human-interest stories. He said he did not miss the hoopla that surrounded Blagojevich's release.



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Longtime news anchor Ron Magers retired from WLS-Ch. 7 in May 2016.

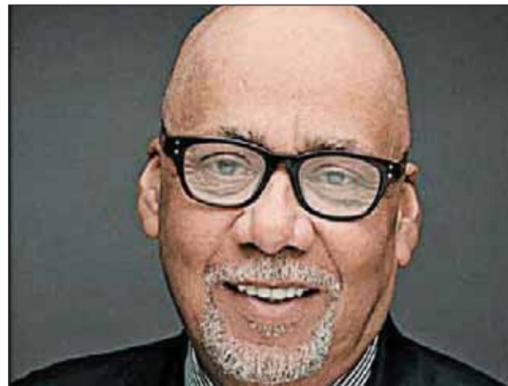


COURTESY OF LINDA YU/HANDOUT

Former news anchor Linda Yu retired from WLS-Ch. 7 in November 2016.

"I do miss what's going on now with coronavirus and other stories that have legs and meaning and are important for people to know," he said. "When you have to wade your way through a lot of information that you may not

initially understand, we all kind of become quasi doctors during this process. So you've got to be able to zero in on what's important for people to know, and you've got to do it in a fashion that informs and not alarms."



COURTESY OF CHARLES THOMAS/HANDOUT

Former political reporter Charles Thomas retired from WLS-Ch. 7 in March 2017.



PAUL MEINCKE/HANDOUT

Reporter Paul Meincke retired from WLS-Ch. 7 in September 2015.

**Former Channel 7 political reporter Charles Thomas:** "Deadline dreams" occurred to Thomas for about 18 months after he retired in March 2017.

"The work I do not miss because it was all-consum-

ing for me," said Thomas, who lives in the West Loop and recently vacationed in the Caribbean. "Sometimes I could be watching (the news) and actually get tired watching."

"What I see is a lot different than what I

experienced. I worked for ABC News prior to coming to Channel 7, so I have something of a perspective on the network side of it, the national news, and then I can look at the local news. ... The local news I believe actually does a better, more efficient job of telling the national story.

"They don't do it in much depth and don't spend a lot of time on it, but at least they're fair. They don't have a bias. I absolutely see bias on the national cable networks. They are just so obvious."

**Former Channel 7 anchor Linda Yu:** Retired since November 2016, Yu said she misses "covering something that is so radically affecting everyone" for two reasons.

"First, the writers, editors, camera people and producers," Yu said in an email while traveling in Utah. "When I spent many hours without a script, handling news that was traumatic, that was changing, that was hard to report, it was the team of people I trusted backing us up as we were the face of the news."

"Second, I always strongly felt the responsibility of informing audiences that trusted us. A viewer told me many years ago: 'When bad things happen, you make me feel safe.' I still hear from so many people that they miss hearing the news from me. I miss them."

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## WATCH THIS: THURSDAY



Connor Kalopsis and Ashley Boettcher

**“Outmatched”** (7:30 p.m., FOX): The kids’ safe place is put in jeopardy when the basement needs to be repaired and renovated, so they hatch a scheme to persuade Mike and Kay (Jason Biggs, Maggie Lawson) to depart for a night in the new episode “Black Mold.” That leaves Nicole and Brian (Ashley Boettcher, Connor Kalopsis) entrusted with babysitting the kids, a responsibility they learn is not nearly as easy as their parents make it look.

**“Last Man Standing”** (7 p.m., FOX): Mike and Chuck (Tim Allen, Jonathan Adams) vie to see who will be the last cook standing in Outdoorman’s Annual Chili Cook-Off in the new episode “Chili Chili Bang Bang.” Elsewhere, Kyle and Ryan (Christoph Sanders, Jordan Masterson) fill in for Mandy and Kristin (Molly McCook, Amanda Fuller) at Vanessa’s (Nancy Travis) weekly mother-daughter luncheon. Hector Elizondo also stars.

**“Legacies”** (8 p.m., CW): Lizzie (Jenny Boyd) is left to make a bitterly difficult decision, after events take a very dark turn on the twins’ 17th birthday, in the new episode “Life Was So Much Easier When I Only Cared About Myself.” Meanwhile, Hope (Danielle Rose Russell) resorts to drastic measures when she and Alaric (Matthew Davis) find themselves at loggerheads over how to handle an issue involving Josie (Kaylee Bryant).

**“The Bold Type”** (8 p.m., FREE): In the new episode “5, 6, 7, 8,” Sutton (Meghan Fahy) can’t quite bring herself to enjoy the truly epic bachelorette party Jane (Katie Stevens) throws for her. Meanwhile, Kat (Aisha Dee) learns something surprising about RJ (Aidan Devine) that leads her to start questioning the moral values of the company at large.

**“After Truth: Disinformation and the Cost of Fake News”** (8 p.m., HBO): Filmmaker Andrew Rossi looks at how social media has helped disseminate “fake news” widely into the American mainstream, and examines the corrosive effect that disinformation, conspiracy theories and stories reflecting “alternative facts” can have on the average citizen.

**“Top Chef”** (9 p.m., Bravo): After coming heartbreakingly close to claiming the title, 15 finalists, frontrunners and fan favorites from past seasons return to finish what they started and battle it out for victory — however belated — in Season 17 of this Emmy-winning reality competition. Host Padma Lakshmi and head judge Tom Colicchio return for this all-star edition, along with judge Gail Simmons.

## TALK SHOWS

**“Conan”** (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Actor Adam Scott.\*

**“The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon”** (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actor Andy Samberg; actress Mary Elizabeth Winstead; Finneas performs.\*

**“The Late Show With Stephen Colbert”** (10:35 p.m., CBS): TV personality Tyra Banks; TV host Coyote Peterson.\*

**“Jimmy Kimmel Live!”** (10:35 p.m., ABC): Actor Vin Diesel; actress Aidy Bryant; Thundercat performs.\*

\* Subject to change

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	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	
BROADCAST	<b>CBS</b>	2	* (6) 2020 NCAA Basketball Tournament: First Round: Teams TBA. (N) ©		2020 NCAA Basketball Tournament: First Round: Teams TBA. (N) (Live) ©				
	<b>NBC</b>	5	Superstore (N) ©	Brooklyn Nine (N)	Will & Grace (N) ©	Indebted (N) ©	Law & Order: Special Victims Unit (N) ©	NBC 5 News (N) ♦	
	<b>ABC</b>	7	Station 19: “Poor Wandering One.” (N) ©	Grey’s Anatomy: “Give a Little Bit.” (N) ©	(9:01) A Million Little Things (N) ©		News at 10pm (N) ♦		
	<b>WGN</b>	9	black-ish ©	black-ish ©	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N) ©	WGN News at Ten (N) ♦	
	<b>Antenna</b>	9.2	It’s a Living	3’s Comp.	Family Ties	Growing	Designing	Murphy	Carson ♦
	<b>Court</b>	9.3	* Closing Arguments (N)		OJ25 (N) ©	OJ25 ©		Closing ♦	
	<b>PBS</b>	11	Chicago Tonight (N)		Encore Programming			Encore Programming ♦	
	<b>CW</b>	26.1	Katy Keene (N) ©	Legacies (N) ©	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©		
	<b>The U</b>	26.2	Dr. Phil ©	Tamron Hall (N) ©	The Steve Wilkos Show				
	<b>MeTV</b>	26.3	Andy Griffith   Andy Griffith	Gomer Pyle	Green Acres	Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett	
	<b>H&amp;I</b>	26.4	Star Trek: “I, Mudd.” ©	Star Trek: Next	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Star Trek ♦			
	<b>Bounce</b>	26.5	The Losers (PG-13,10) ♦♦ Jeffrey Dean Morgan. ©		Cradle 2 the Grave (R,03) ♦♦ Jet Li. ♦				
<b>FOX</b>	32	Last Man Standing (N)	Outmatched (N) ©	Deputy: “10-8 Agency.” (N) ©	Fox 32 News at Nine (N)	Modern Family ©			
<b>Ion</b>	38	Chicago P.D.: “Fallen.”	Chicago P.D. ©	Chicago P.D.: “Politics.”	Chicago ♦				
<b>Telem</b>	44	* Exatlón EE. UU. (N)	La Doña (N) ©	Operación Pacífico (N) ©	Chicago (N)				
<b>MNT</b>	50	Chicago P.D. ©	Law Order: CI	Law Order: CI	Chicago ♦				
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CABLE	<b>AE</b>	The First 48 (N) ©		Live PD: Wanted (N) ©	60 Days In (N) ©	First 48 ♦			
	<b>AMC</b>	Taken (PG-13,08) ♦♦♦ Liam Neeson. © (SAP)		(9:05) Inside Man (R,06) ♦♦♦ © ♦					
	<b>ANIM</b>	Yukon Men: On the Edge: “To Catch a Predator.” (N)		Lone Star Law: Uncuffed (N) ♦					
	<b>BBCA</b>	Elysium (R,13) ♦♦♦ Matt Damon, Jodie Foster. ©		(9:29) Total Recall ♦♦♦					
	<b>BET</b>	* (5) Enough ‘02 ♦♦ ©		Diary of a Mad Black Woman (PG-13,05) ♦♦ Kimberly Elise. © ♦					
	<b>BIGTEN</b>	To be announced ♦							
	<b>BRAVO</b>	* Top Chef   Top Chef: “Finale.” ©		Top Chef (Season Premiere) (N) ©		Watch (N) ♦			
	<b>CNN</b>	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)	CNN Tonight (N)	Tonight (N) ♦			
	<b>COM</b>	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Daily (N) ♦		
	<b>DISC</b>	Homestead Rescue (N)	Homestead Rescue ©	Building Off the Grid (N)	Off Grid ♦				
	<b>DISN</b>	Bunk’d ©	Gabby	Sydney-Max   Roll With It	Coop	Sydney-Max	Bunk’d ©		
	<b>E!</b>	Very Cavallari ©		Very Cavallari (Season Finale) (N) ©	Nightly (N)	Very Cavallari ©			
	<b>ESPN</b>	* (6) College Wrestling: NCAA Division I Championship, Session II. (N)		SportsCenter (N) © ♦					
	<b>ESPN2</b>	NIT Tourn. (N)		To be announced ♦					
	<b>FNC</b>	Tucker Carlson (N)		Hannity (N) ©	The Ingraham Angle (N)	Fox News			
	<b>FOOD</b>	Food Truck Race		Food Truck Race (Season Premiere) (N)	Vegas Chef Prizefight (N)	Restaurant ♦			
	<b>FREE</b>	* (5:30) The Intern (*15) ♦♦		The Bold Type (N) ©	Motherland: Fort Salem	700 Club ♦			
	<b>FX</b>	Bad Moms (R,16) ♦♦ Mila Kunis, Kristen Bell. ©		Better (N)	Breeders	Better			
	<b>HALL</b>	Love at First Dance (NR,18) Niall Matter. ©		Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls			
	<b>HGTV</b>	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flipping (N)	Flipping 101	Crowded House Hunt (N)	Hunt Intl (N)		
	<b>HIST</b>	Swamp People ©		Swamp People (N)	Swamp People: Serpent	Swamp ♦			
	<b>HLN</b>	Sex & Murder ©		Forensic	Forensic	Forensic			
	<b>IFC</b>	* (5:45) Homefront (*13) ♦♦		Transporter 2 (PG-13,05) ♦♦ Jason Statham. ©	Pelham ♦				
	<b>LIFE</b>	King	King	King	King	King	King ♦		
<b>MSNBC</b>	All In With (N)		Rachel Maddow Show (N)	The Last Word (N)	11th Hour (N)				
<b>MTV</b>	Jersey Shore (N)		Busch (N)	Busch (N)	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.			
<b>NATGEO</b>	Wicked Tuna ©		Wicked Tuna ©	(9:03) Wicked Tuna ©	W. Tuna ♦				
<b>NBCSCH</b>	Pregame (N)   NHL Hockey: Minnesota Wild at Chicago Blackhawks. (N) (Live)		Blackhawks. (N) (Live)		Postgame				
<b>NICK</b>	Henry Danger ©		Shrek (PG,01) ♦♦♦	Voices of Mike Myers. ©	Friends ©				
<b>OVATION</b>	No Reservation		No Reservation	No Reservation	Bourdain ♦				
<b>OWN</b>	20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN	20/20 on OWN	20/20 ♦				
<b>OXY</b>	Killer Couples (N) ©		In Ice Cold Blood (N) ©	Snapped ©	Killer ♦				
<b>PARMT</b>	* Coming to America ♦♦♦		Wife Swap (N) ©	Coming to America (R,88) ♦♦♦ ♦					
<b>SYFY</b>	* (6:30) Mad Max: Fury Road (R,15) ♦♦♦ Tom Hardy.		X-Men: First Class (PG-13,11) ♦♦♦ ♦						
<b>TBS</b>	* 2020 NCAA Basketball Tournament (N)		2020 NCAA Basketball Tournament (N) ♦						
<b>TCM</b>	My Darling Clementine (NR,46) ♦♦♦ Henry Fonda.		Wichita (NR,55) ♦♦♦ Joel McCrea. ©						
<b>TLC</b>	Dr. Pimple Popper (N)		Save My Skin (N)	Dr. Pimple Popper	Stories ER				
<b>TLN</b>	Wealth	Wretched	Ink 180	Life Today	Like You	IMPACT			
<b>TNT</b>	* NCAA Tournament (N)		2020 NCAA Basketball Tournament: First Round: Teams TBA. (N)						
<b>TOON</b>	Home Movie	Burgers	Burgers	Rick, Morty	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad			
<b>TRAV</b>	Ghost Adventures ©		Ghost Adventures (N) ©	The Dead Files (N) ©	Dead Files ♦				
<b>TVL</b>	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men			
<b>USA</b>	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU	The Sinner: “Part VII.” (N)	Chicago ♦				
<b>VH1</b>	Wild ‘n Out		Wild ‘n Out	Wild ‘n Out	Wild ‘n Out	Wild ‘n Out			
<b>WE</b>	Marriage- Reality Stars		Marriage- Stars (N)	Waka & Tammy (N) ©	Marriage ♦				
<b>WGN America</b>	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©			
PREMIUM	<b>HBO</b>	* Hobbs & Shaw		After Truth: Disinformation	Plot Against America ♦				
	<b>HBO2</b>	The Plot Against America		Enthusiasm	High Main.	(9:15) Long Shot (R,19) ♦♦♦ ♦			
	<b>MAX</b>	The Whole Ten Yards (PG-13,04) *		(8:40) Die Hard (R,88) ♦♦♦ Bruce Willis. © ♦					
	<b>SHO</b>	* (6:50) The Upside (PG-13,17) ♦♦ Kevin Hart.		Black Mon	Black Mon	Desus (N)			
	<b>STARZ</b>	Wrong Man ©		(7:55) After the Wedding (PG-13,19) ©	Leatherhd ♦				
<b>STZNC</b>	* (5:49) Milk (R,08) ♦♦♦♦		13 Going on 30 (PG-13,04) ♦♦♦	Night at the Museum ♦♦♦					

## Chicago bookstores offer curbside pick-up

Shops also provide home delivery with low-price shipping

BY JENNIFER DAY

Need to stock up your bookshelves? Due to the CDC’s social distancing guidelines, several Chicago-area bookstores have temporarily closed, but they’re continuing to sell books online for home delivery or curbside pickup. Here’s a roundup of what local bookstores are doing to help supply customers with reading material for their coronavirus hometays.

## Anderson’s Bookshops

— in Naperville, Downers Grove and La Grange — remain open and are offering curbside pickup as well as \$9.99 media-mail shipping for books. Visit [andersonsbookshop.com](http://andersonsbookshop.com).

## Barbara’s Bookstores

remain open, with the exception of the State Street location inside Macy’s. The stores have altered hours and are offering curbside pickup, home delivery to nearby ad-



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Volumes in the Gold Coast and Wicker Park has closed both locations to the public, but is offering home delivery and free shipping to addresses nearby its brick-and-mortar stores.

dresses, and online ordering. Visit [barbarasbookstores.com](http://barbarasbookstores.com).

The Book Bin, in Northbrook, is closed to the public but asks customers to call to arrange for pick-up or home delivery. Online ordering also available. Visit [bookbinnorthbrook](http://bookbinnorthbrook)

dress, Glencoe and Highland Park. Shipping fees are \$9.99 for media mail or \$3.50 for two-day shipping to any domestic address. Visit [thebookstall.com](http://thebookstall.com) or call 847-446-8880.

## The Book Table, in Oak Park, remains open and is offering curbside pickup as

well as \$3 delivery to Oak Park or River Forest. Visit [booktable.net](http://booktable.net) or call 708-386-9800.

City Lit, in Logan Square, is closed to the public, but is still accepting online orders with hand delivery for those within a 2-mile radius of the shop. Visit [citylitbooks.com](http://citylitbooks.com) or call 773-235-2523.

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## Livestream fundraiser to help Chicago theater artists

‘American Idol’ alums DeGarmo, Young will star

BY DOUG GEORGE

Chicago theater devotees looking to help Chicago theater artists waylaid by coronavirus shutdowns can attend a fundraiser Thursday night.

Virtually, of course.

A livestream concert put on by the Beautiful City Project will star “American Idol” and Broadway alums Diana DeGarmo and Ace

Young, previously in town for the now-postponed roller rink musical “Hit Her With the Skates” at the Royal George Theatre.

The stream, simulcast on Beautiful City’s Facebook and Instagram accounts, will be 7:30 p.m. on Thursday. The stream is free with a suggested donation linked to Season of Concern Chicago. The evening of cabaret will be musically directed by David Fiorello and also feature other artists from Chicago theater.

The Beautiful City Project was founded earlier

this year with the aim to put on live cabaret benefit performances starring Chicago theater artists to benefit local causes; a planned April cabaret was to benefit the Dreamcatcher Foundation.

Season of Concern was founded in 1987 as a response to AIDS in the Chicago theater and dance communities. It has since expanded to provide assistance and services to Chicago performing artists in general.

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“American Idol” stars and married couple Ace Young and Diana DeGarmo, seen in February at a Bear Necessities pediatric cancer benefit in Chicago, are headliners of a livestream cabaret by Beautiful City Project.

### Horoscopes



**Today's birthday** (March 19): Weave your strengths together with friends this year. Grow stronger with practice, coordination and communication. Teamwork triumphs before love challenges arise. Sidestep professional obstacles next summer before romance sweeps you off your feet. Support family through winter domestic changes before your career spotlight shines.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19): Today is a 9. Celebrate with your wonderful team. You're coming into your own, with the sun in your sign this month. Achieve personal objectives confidently.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 7. Pursue professional opportunities. Finish old projects this month, with the sun in Aries. Completion frees you up for what's next.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 9. Travel, study and explore. It's an excellent month for community action. Team projects go well. Begin a four-week social phase, with the sun in Aries.

**Cancer** (June 21-July 22): 9. Profitable opportunities tempt your team. Apply yourself. Gain respect and authority, with the sun in Aries. Advance your career. Reach a new professional level.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Collaborate to get farther. Begin a month-long travel and expansion phase. Higher education satisfies, with the sun in Aries. Get obsessed with a fascinating investigation.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 9. Prioritize health. Work with a partner, with the sun in Aries. This month-long phase favors financial planning and action. Invest for long-term growth.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Love motivates and inspires you. Partnerships grow stronger, with the sun in Aries. Let another take the lead. Negotiate plans. Collaboration magnifies your energy exponentially.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 9. Demand for your energy increases, with the sun in Aries. Nurture your physical well-being. Take one step at a time. Exercise clears your mind.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. Express what's in your heart. You're especially lucky in love and games this month, with the sun in Aries. Play and have fun. Elevate your romance.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 9. Profits are available. Enjoy domesticity, with the sun in Aries. Give home and family more attention over the next month. Share delicious moments.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 9. Go for a personal dream. Studies and research blossom, with the sun in Aries. Investigate a subject of passion at a deeper level. Travel and explore.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 7. Strategize and recharge. This month with the sun in Aries, profits arise naturally. Keep track. Divert cash flow into savings.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

### The Argyle Sweater



### Bliss



### Bridge

North-South vulnerable, South deals

<b>North</b>		<b>East</b>
♠ QJ43		♠ A1082
♥ J83		♥ 109
♦ QJ5		♦ K43
♣ A76		♣ Q532
<b>West</b>		<b>South</b>
♠ 965		♠ K7
♥ AQ76542		♥ K
♦ 92		♦ A10876
♣ 8		♣ KJ1094

The struggle for an overtrick can be good fun to watch in a pair competition. British expert Brian Senior was South, in today's deal, where he squeezed the most out of his part-score contract in last year's Blue Ribbon Pairs.

The opening eight of clubs lead was not clearly a singleton, but it clearly located the queen for declarer. Senior took advantage of that and rose with dummy's seven of clubs while unblocking his nine of clubs under it. Senior successfully ran the queen of diamonds, and the jack of diamonds continuation was covered by the king and ace. Senior drew the last trump and exited with the king of hearts to West's ace.

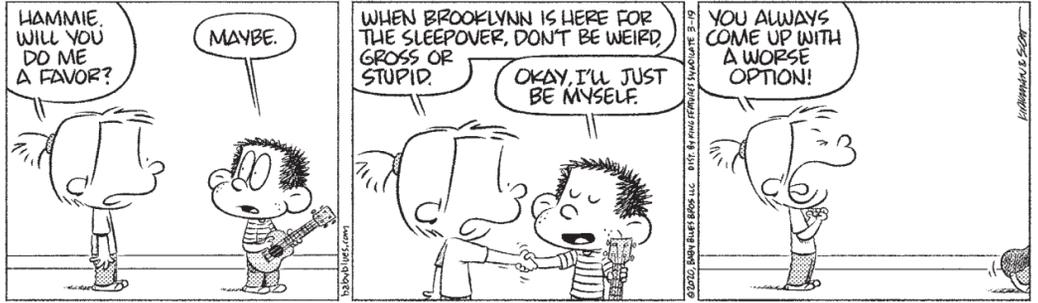
West shifted to a spade. Senior played dummy's jack and continued his terrific play by unblocking his king when East played his ace. East shifted to a heart, ruffed by Senior. South led a spade to dummy's queen, using the entry he had worked so hard to create. Senior now ran dummy's seven of clubs and was able to keep the lead in dummy by playing the four from his hand. Another club finesse gave Senior 11 tricks and a wonderful score on the board. Well done! We hear that his partner chastised him for not bidding the game.

— Bob Jones  
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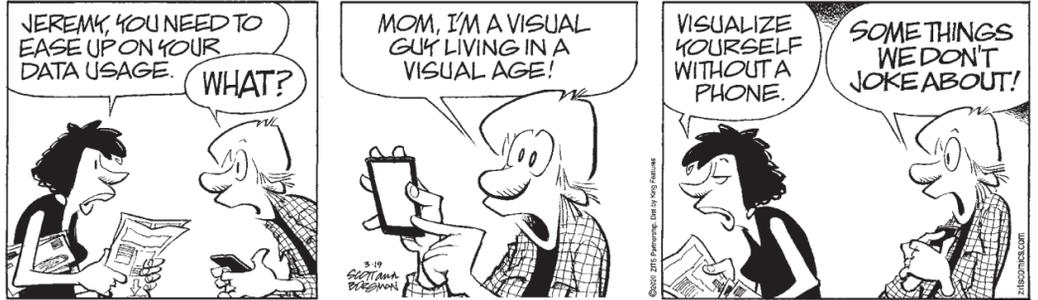
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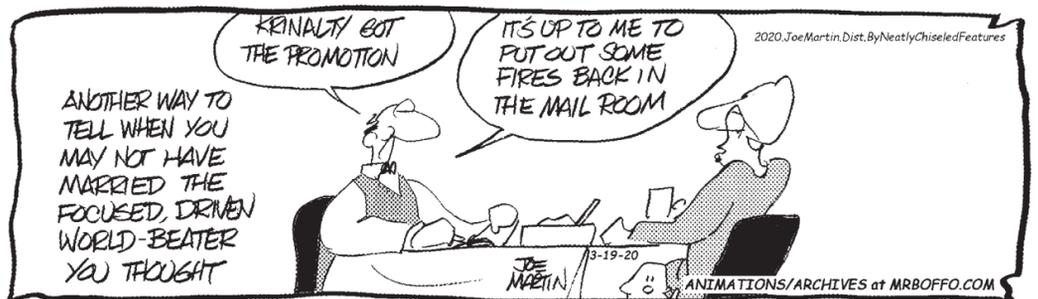
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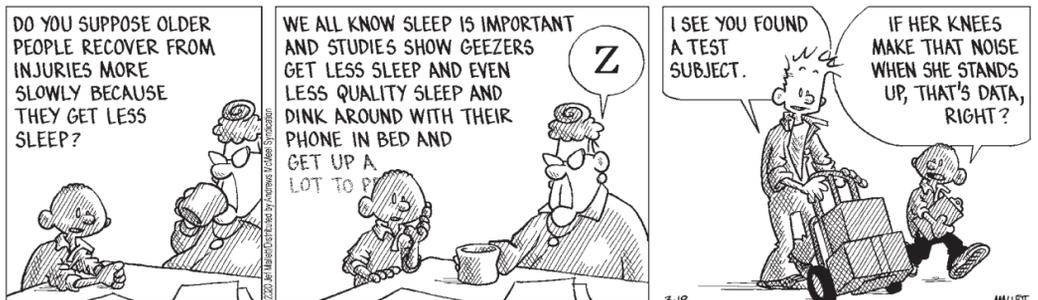
### Zits



### Mr. Boffo



### Frazz



### Classic Peanuts



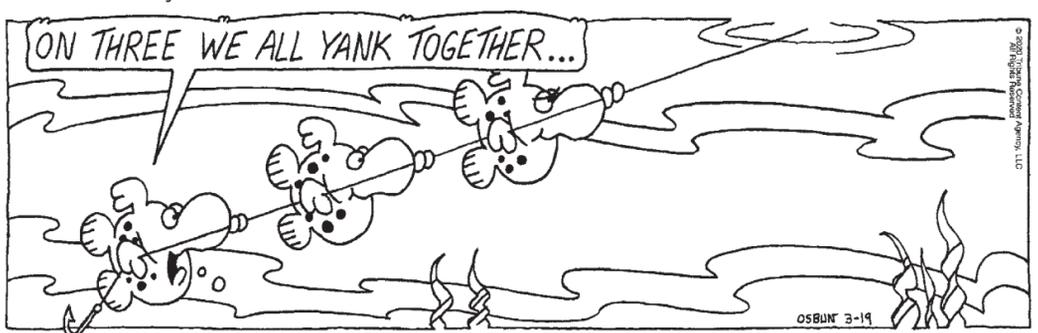
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### Dick Tracy



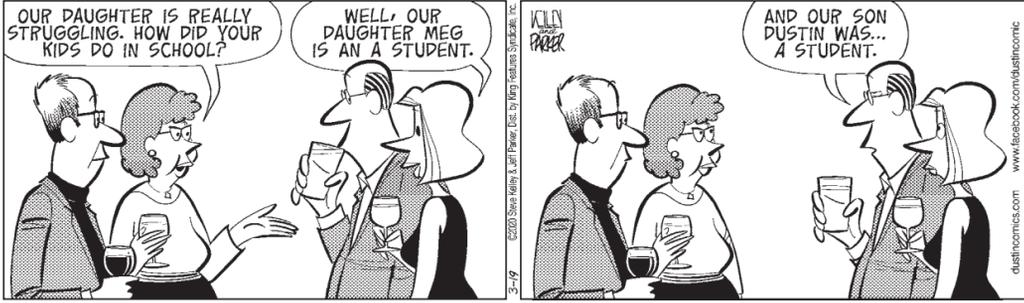
### Animal Crackers



### Prickly City



**Dustin** By Steve Kelley and Jeff Parker



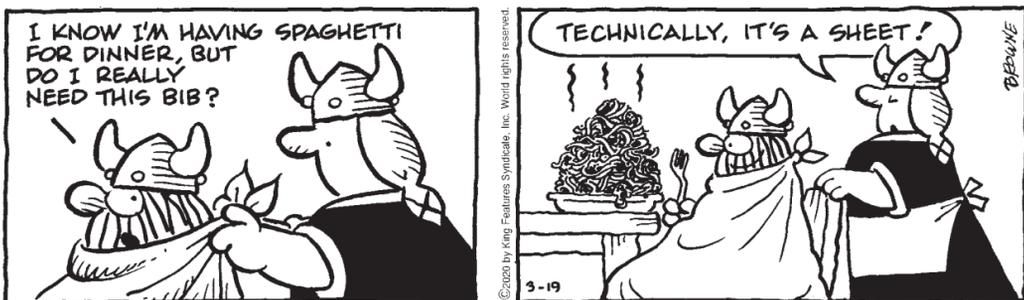
**For Better or for Worse** By Lynn Johnston



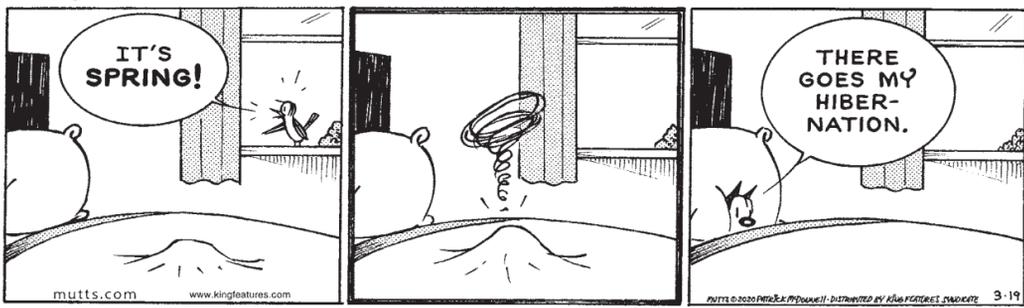
**Blondie** By Dean Young and John Marshall



**Hägar the Horrible** By Chris Browne



**Mutts** By Patrick McDonnell



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**Sherman's Lagoon** By Jim Toomey



**Brewster Rockit: Space Guy!** By Tim Rickard



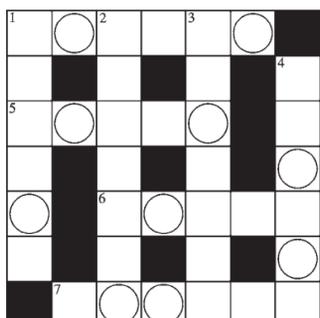
**Broom-Hilda** By Russell Myers



**Trivia Bits**

"Benson" was a spinoff from what 1970s series?  
A) "All in the Family"  
B) "The Brady Bunch"  
C) "Mary Hartman, Mary Hartman"  
D) "Soap"  
Wednesday's answer: In 1927, Felix the Cat became the first character balloon in the Macy's Thanksgiving Parade.  
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**Jumble Crossword**

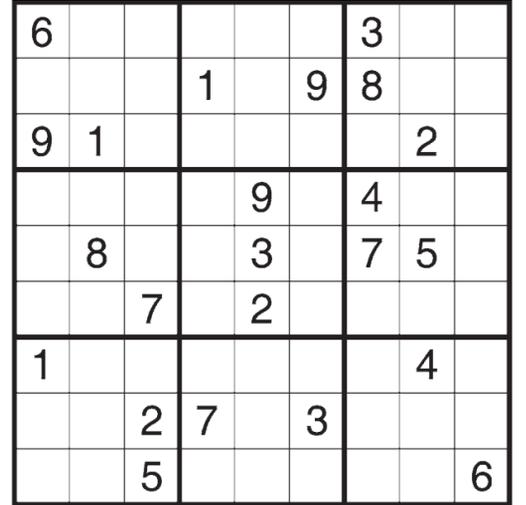


- ACROSS**
- 1. Speed
  - 5. Take with you
  - 6. Lessen
  - 7. Governor
- DOWN**
- 1. Surrender
  - 2. Disturb
  - 3. Carve, etch
  - 4. Well-versed

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.  
3-19-20  
CLUE: Actress Sarah Michelle Gellar starred in a 1982 TV commercial when she was 5 years old.  
BONUS

**Sudoku** 1 2 3 4

3/19



2	5	4	6	7	8	1	3	9
6	7	1	3	9	2	4	5	8
9	8	3	5	1	4	7	6	2
8	2	5	1	4	6	9	7	3
4	3	7	9	2	5	8	1	6
1	9	6	7	8	3	2	4	5
3	1	8	2	5	7	6	9	4
7	6	2	4	3	9	5	8	1
5	4	9	8	6	1	3	2	7

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

**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.

- GITDI
- PAATD
- MSILDA
- FMULFE



**Answer here**



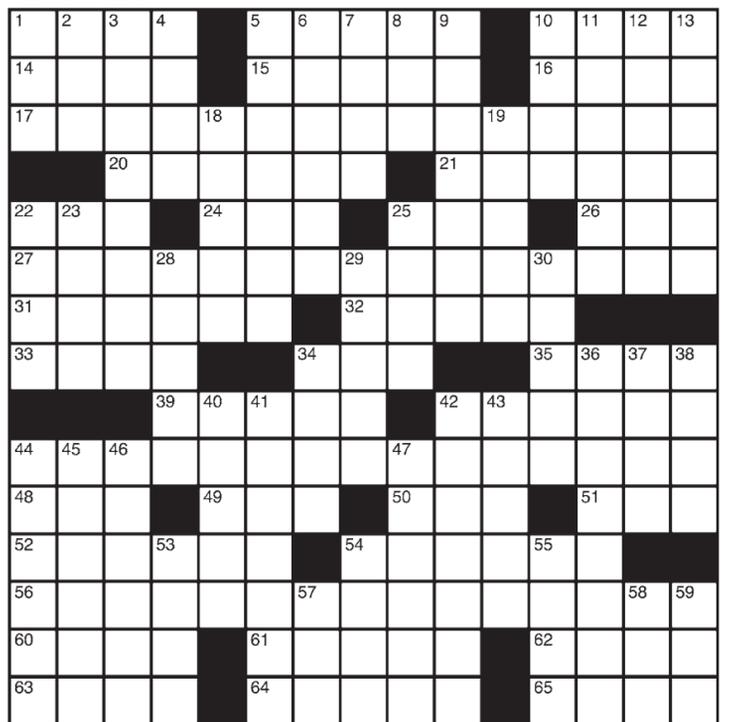
**Wednesday's answers**

Jumbles: LOBBY KNOWN CANCEL KOSHER  
Answer: Being near the expensive door handles meant the low-cost ones were able to -- "HOB-KNOB"

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**Crossword**

3/19



- Across**
- 1 Jazzes (up)
  - 5 "Let's open a window"
  - 10 Musical riff
  - 14 Louver part
  - 15 Whistle blower
  - 16 Retailer whose logo colors are the same as on its founder's national flag
  - 17 The con entered the bank under an ...
  - 20 Sly critic
  - 21 Became frothy
  - 22 Fertility clinic supply
  - 24 Prefix with content
  - 25 Not agin
  - 26 Amazon snake
  - 27 ... told the banker a ...
  - 31 Catching a break
  - 32 Iditarod runner
  - 33 "High School Musical" extra
  - 34 Crouched behind a boulder
  - 35 This and that, say
  - 39 Jack of "The Great Dictator"
  - 42 Colorado's "Steel City"
  - 44 ... opened an account with a ...
  - 48 One in a tchr.'s key
  - 49 Canadian whisky
  - 50 Old call letters?
  - 51 "The Hollow Men" poet's monogram
  - 52 Giggle
  - 54 It merged with CBS in 2019
  - 56 ... and cashed a check with a ...
  - 60 JFK part: Abbr.
  - 61 Languid
  - 62 Pic to click
  - 63 Koppel and others
  - 64 "Long time \_\_\_!"
  - 65 Like racehorses
- Down**
- 13 Bright spot in the workweek
  - 18 Copycat
  - 19 Language of Oslo, in Oslo
  - 22 Make the most ...
  - 23 Barn topper
  - 25 Clash of clans
  - 28 Sentence that should be two or more sentences
  - 29 Crook
  - 30 Laid-back sort
  - 34 New employee
  - 36 Over the top
  - 37 Societal woes
  - 38 What a hat may symbolize
  - 40 Trapped, after "up"
  - 41 Entered
  - 42 Salsa option
  - 43 New York college town
  - 44 Tantrum
  - 45 Pre-shoot-out score, perhaps
  - 46 Cyberhandle
  - 47 Political fugitive
  - 53 Driver's lic. stats
  - 54 Competes
  - 55 Blues singer Redding
  - 57 \_\_\_-cone
  - 58 Hundred Acre Wood denizen
  - 59 Apt answer for this puzzle location

**Wednesday's solution**



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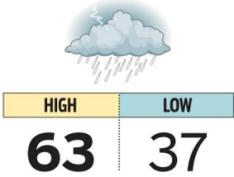
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THURSDAY, MARCH 19 NORMAL HIGH: 48° NORMAL LOW: 30° RECORD HIGH: 79° (2012) RECORD LOW: 0° (1923)

## Turning milder later as strong storms possible

### LOCAL FORECAST



■ Chicago positioned in a slight risk of severe t-storm area Thursday.

■ First a warm front moves through mid-day then a cold front marches through the area from the NW a little after midnight.

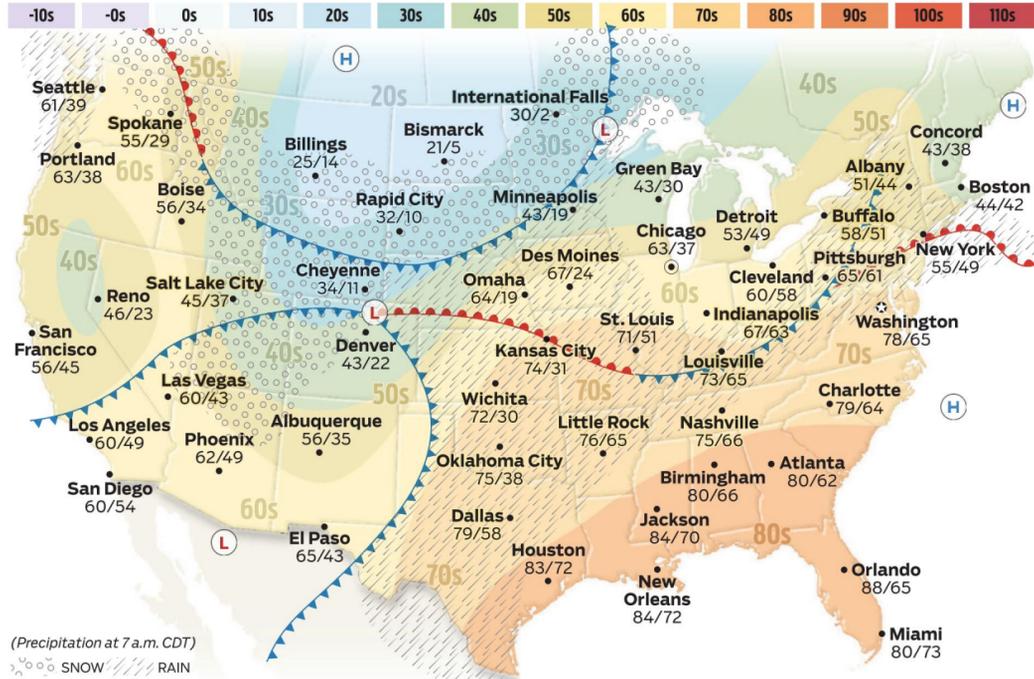
■ A cool start with temps in the 40s and a good chance of rain developing mid-morning on.

■ Winds shift SW gusting to 25 mph and temps jump into the 50s and low 60s during the afternoon.

■ Best chance of t-storms later in the afternoon into the evening hours with severe storms possible.

■ Winds shift to the NW after midnight. Colder.

### NATIONAL FORECAST

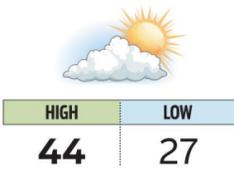


There will be a cool start to the day Thursday with rain spreading into the area from the south and west ahead of an approaching warm front. As the warm front pushes north of our area, winds will swing around to the SW allowing mild temps in the 50s and even lower 60s to spread into our area.

With the mild moist air in place – a cold front approaching from the NW will trigger bands of showers and thunderstorms, some possibly severe later in the afternoon into the evening hours. Temps could peak before midnight, and then fall through the 50s after the cold front sweeps through our area in the predawn hours.

Readings will continue to fall slowly through the 40s during the day Friday as a brisk northerly wind gusting at times over 35 mph will flow down Lake Michigan.

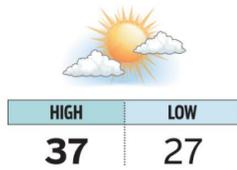
### FRIDAY, MARCH 20



Highs will be closer to 60 degrees, occurring shortly after midnight. Turning colder. Under mostly cloudy skies temps will be steady or slowly falling through the 40s during the daylight hours. NW winds 15-25 mph and gusty.



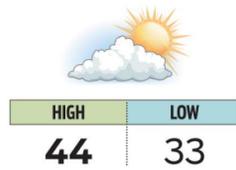
### SATURDAY, MARCH 21



Mostly sunny but cold with a high in the mid to upper 30s – more than 10 degrees below normal. NE winds 8-18 mph. Mostly clear skies overnight.



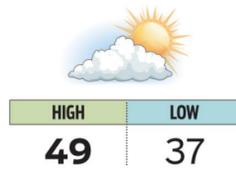
### SUNDAY, MARCH 22



Morning sun. Afternoon clouds but remaining mostly sunny. Warmer but still below normal. ESE winds 8-15 mph. Some clouds overnight with a slight chance of rain/snow mainly south portions. Lows in the upper 20s to mid 30s.



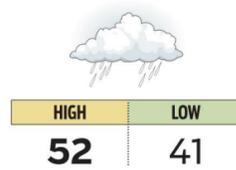
### MONDAY, MARCH 23



Partly cloudy skies. Highs in the upper 40s to around 50 degrees. Increasing and thickening clouds overnight. SE winds.



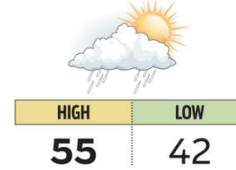
### TUESDAY, MARCH 24



Clouds thicken with a good chance of showers. Highs in the upper 40s to lower 50s. Clouds and a chance of rain overnight. SW winds.



### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25



Cloudy with a chance of showers in the morning becoming partly sunny in the afternoon. High temps in the 50s. SW winds.



### ASK TOM

Dear Tom,  
Which is colder, an ice storm or a snowstorm?  
Janie Long, Chicago

Dear Janie,  
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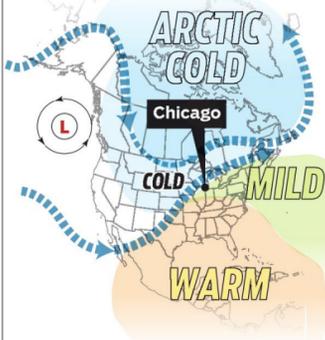
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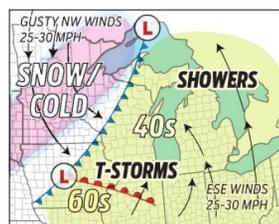
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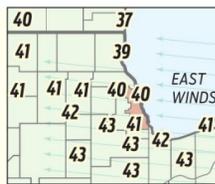
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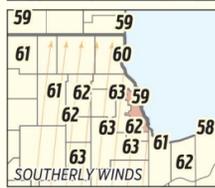
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THURSDAY 10:30 A.M. FORECAST TEMPS



THURSDAY 11:30 P.M. FORECAST TEMPS



MARCH 19 VERNAL (SPRING) EQUINOX Occurs at 10:49 p.m. CDT

Sun's angle above the horizon at 1 p.m. Thursday: 48°

- Approximately 12 hours of daylight/darkness
- Fastest daylight gain of the year

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THURS./FRI.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	ts	71	61	sh	66	32
Carbondale	ts	68	49	sh	57	25
Champaign	ts	70	48	sh	54	27
Decatur	ts	70	48	sh	54	27
Moline	ts	66	35	pc	39	25
Peoria	ts	67	41	pc	46	25
Quincy	rn	71	38	pc	43	27
Rockford	rn	59	36	pc	41	22
Springfield	ts	70	45	sh	50	27
Sterling	ts	61	36	pc	40	23
Indiana		69	63	ts	66	28
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Evansville	ts	72	65	sh	67	32
Fort Wayne	rn	60	60	sh	63	25
Indianapolis	ts	67	63	sh	65	27
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Detroit	rn	53	49	sh	63	24
Grand Rapids	ts	56	48	sh	64	21
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St. Ste. Marie	sh	40	33	sn	36	7
Traverse City	rn	53	37	rs	41	19
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Albuquerque	pc	56	35	pc	56	41
Amarillo	pc	64	27	pc	49	27
Anchorage	sn	36	31	pc	39	29
Asheville	cl	74	60	ts	72	52
Aspen	sn	36	25	sn	37	19
Atlanta	cl	80	62	sh	78	58
Atlantic City	sh	58	48	cl	63	50
Austin	ts	79	62	ts	78	46
Baltimore	sh	72	60	ts	79	49
Billings	ss	25	14	pc	37	20
Birmingham	sh	80	66	ts	74	57
Bismarck	pc	21	5	pc	25	14
Boise	pc	56	34	pc	59	35
Boston	rn	44	42	sh	68	45
Brownsville	pc	88	71	pc	83	68
Buffalo	cl	58	51	sh	67	30
Burlington	cl	52	43	sh	62	26
Charlotte	pc	79	64	cl	82	62
Charlton SC	pc	74	64	pc	75	64
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Chattanooga	sh	80	66	ts	71	55
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# BLOOMING INTERIORS

From wallpaper to bedding, wall art to flower arrangements, florals are coming up all over **PAGE 4**



**NEW HOMES MARKETPLACE** **INSIDE**

# 5 porch, patio upgrades to get ready for summer

BY JENNA SCHUSTER  
HomeAdvisor

It's almost time for warm weather, block parties and barbecues! Here, we've compiled five great ideas for your next porch and patio upgrade so you can enjoy your yard all summer long.

**1. Add plants.** Don't limit your greenery to the garden. One of the fastest ways to freshen up a patio or porch space is to add plants to the area. Consider placing a few planter boxes filled with flowers beneath your windows to instantly brighten up a wall. Or, add pots with greenery on either side of your front door to create a welcoming entrance. If you're lacking space on the ground, install a few hooks in the ceiling of your porch or beneath your deck and hang a few baskets with trailing plants and vines.

**Tip:** If you're a beginner, start cultivating your green thumb with a few hard-to-kill plant varieties. Marigolds, violets and pansies are hardy flowers that work



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A hammock or porch swing is an affordable way to add comfort to your outdoor space.

well in containers.

**2. Bring inside decor outside.** Indoor-outdoor living gets more popular each year as homeowners look for ways to bring nature into their daily lives — which means that decor options for your outdoor space are better than ever.

Bring the indoors out by adding sturdy, rust-resistant furniture to your porch or patio. Then, increase comfort and add a few pops of color with weather-resistant pillows and cushions. Illuminate your entertainment area with string fairy lights so guests can stay well past sunset.

**Tip:** If you have a smaller space, consider adding a sturdy outdoor mirror to your porch or patio. When arranged correctly, it can make the area seem much larger than it really is. Avoid a fire hazard by placing the mirror out of direct sunlight. And make sure the reflection won't confuse the

flight patterns of any passing birds.

**3. Incorporate appliances.** Whether you're looking to add a second kitchen or need a convenient spot to wash up after a swim, more appliances than ever are available for outdoor use. Everything from refrigera-

tors and stovetops to showers is now available to install outside the home. Even electronics such as speakers and televisions are available in weatherproof versions.

**4. Get some privacy.** Creating a private, enclosed sanctuary on your porch or patio may be easier than you think. Add some shade to your space with decorative lattice or outdoor drapes. If you'd like to try a more natural solution, consider planting some trees around the yard to shield your home from the hot sun (and any prying eyes). Even a small trellis with climbing vines can make a big difference in the look and feel of the area.

**5. Invest in fun upgrades.** Treat yourself to a few fun upgrades to personalize your porch and patio area and help it stand out. Add a fire pit for an instant gathering place that you can enjoy even on chilly nights. You can also look into increasing outdoor seating options with fun pieces such as hammocks or porch swings.

## Finding design inspiration in the little things

BY CATHY HOBBS  
Tribune News Service

Design isn't always seen and heard.

Some of the best designs aren't made in the big moments but in the small details.

From color to the right furniture, fabrics, artwork and accessories, we've assembled some designer secrets.

**Incorporate shape-blocking:** This involves the repetition of shapes or

patterns to make a design feel cohesive.

**Use thoughtful accents:** Accessories are critical elements of a room. Incorporate colors and items that look like they belong together.

**Use pops of color:** Subtle but purposeful pops of color can help highlight a space.

**Vary height:** Don't use items that are all one height.

**Use vignettes:** Vignettes are small, thought-out design elements, such as successfully paired-together objects.

**Surface style:** Don't ignore surfaces, such as dressers and countertops. These are great opportunities to continue your design statement.

**Dress your shelves:** Bookshelves or open shelves throughout the home should be functional yet aesthetically pleasing.

Blend books with decorative elements.

**Art, not mirrors:** Consider artwork instead of mirrors over dressers. Often this is an opportunity to continue a color story in a room.

**Infuse greenery or natural elements:** Many designers use organic and natural elements, such as moss, greenery, reeds, branches, twigs and stones, as filler design elements for shelves, countertops and side tables.



DESIGN RECIPES

Vignettes are often an interior designer secret.

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# Big flower moment

Floral designs are abloom in 2020 decor

BY KATHERINE ROTH  
Associated Press

In lighting fixtures, wallpapers, bedding and wall art, flowers are coming up all over in 2020. Along with floral design in furnishings, there's also renewed interest in actual flowers: floral arranging and floral-inspired table settings.

"Flowers have always made people feel happy. They can be feminine, but they can also be used in a maximalist style," says Christin Geall, author of the new "Cultivated: The Elements of Floral Style" (Princeton Architectural Press). "As we move away from beige interiors, flowers are a great way to liven things up."

Aimee Lagos, co-founder of Hygge & West, which sells a range of wallpapers and home goods, concurs: "Floral decor is having a major moment in 2020, especially wallpaper."

Floral patterns bring a touch of nature and an organic element into a room, she says, noting the popularity this spring of bold, large-scale floral murals.

"While floral patterns are nothing new, we're seeing modernized versions that appeal to people who in the past may have shied away from florals as being too fussy or old-fashioned," Lagos says.

At Hudson Valley Lighting, floral offerings include chandeliers with bouquets of crystal flowers, a wall fixture with lights surrounded by delicate petal shapes, and a variety of ceiling lamps and sconces reminiscent of leaves, buds and blossoming flowers. Ben Marshall, Hudson Valley Lighting Group's creative director, says florals create "a lively energy in the home which is both



HYGGE & WEST

Hygge & West's Storyline wallpaper in white designed by Emily Isabella features soft-line florals.



CHRISTIN GEALL/PRINCETON ARCHITECTURAL PRESS PHOTOS

Floral displays are featured in the book "Cultivated: The Elements of Floral Style" by Christin Geall. There's also a renewed interest in flower arranging and floral-inspired table settings.

beautiful and powerful."

"Florals are about nature, but they're also about culture, and bringing plants and plant imagery into the domestic sphere," says Geall.

In her book, she offers practical advice on flower arranging, as well as floral style.

"Somewhere along the line, floral design got divorced from the idea of home gardening," Geall says. "My focus is on the basics. And understanding the principles will help you adapt to what's around you." Foraged branches, twigs, invasive species, and even fruits and vegetables



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The Alyssa Chandelier by Mitzi seems to have been inspired by a blooming bouquet.

can be made into stunning arrangements, she says. Some of the arrangements featured in her book include tiny yellow tomatoes mixed with flowers. Grapes and berries are also fair game.

"Just because it's edible doesn't mean it can't be beautiful," she says.

In their new "Gathering:

Setting the Natural Table" (Rizzoli International Publications), authors Kristen Caissie and Jessica Hundley explore ways to marry flowers and handmade objects into table designs. Photographed by Gemma and Andrew Ingalls, the table settings include ceramics with floral patterns,

colors and designs inspired by nature, and natural-looking floral arrangements.

"When life gets overwhelming, I try to find my way back to my original love of flowers," says Caissie, a floral designer at Moon Canyon, in Los Angeles.



MORTON ARBORETUM

When you start cleaning up in the garden, be careful not to step on the emerging foliage of bulbs and perennials.

## Gardens aren't ready for springtime work just yet

BY BETH BOTTS

The garden beckons on warm days in spring, but it's too soon for planting and many other garden tasks, said Julie Janoski, Plant Clinic manager at The Morton Arboretum in Lisle.

"If you can't resist gardening, choose your tasks carefully — and watch where you put your feet," she said.

The biggest risk from early spring gardening is damaging the soil, which is likely to be wet and, in many cases, frozen. Walking on wet soil can compact it, Janoski said, and when soil is packed down, squeezing out air and water space, plants' roots can't live in it.

"That's a very difficult problem to correct," she said.

To avoid compacting soil, stay indoors when it's raining, or when the soil is still wet from rain. When you are working, try to stand on the sidewalk or steppingstones and avoid walking on the soil. Short pieces of wood or foam kneeling pads can work as temporary steppingstones to distribute your weight.

Here are some other do's and don'ts for early spring gardening:

**Remove tree wraps.** If you wrapped the trunks of young trees to protect their bark from animals over the winter, unwrap them now. In warmer weather, moisture trapped by the wraps can rot the bark.

**Clean up, but not too much.** Remove the dead stalks of perennials. Rake leaves and debris off the lawn. Fluff up matted leaves in perennial beds or clear most of them away. But don't tidy up down to the bare soil, Janoski said. "It's normal for plants to live under a layer of leaves or mulch," she said. "As the mulch decays, that organic matter feeds the healthy organisms in the soil."

**Watch out for sprouts.** New green shoots may be hidden under leaves or mulch. Be careful not to step on them. However, "weeds will soon be sprouting too," Janoski said. "Feel free to dig them up."

**Cut back ornamental grasses.** Remove last year's stalks to within 2 or 3 inches of the soil. Watch out for this year's first green grass shoots and try

not to damage them.

**Check for frost heave.** Perennials, especially those planted within the last year or two, may be thrust out of the soil by the freeze-thaw cycles of late winter. Gently press the plants' crowns back into the soil.

**Prune broken or dead branches.** "Tidy up deciduous shrubs and small trees if you didn't prune them over the winter," Janoski said. "Just be careful not to prune spring-blooming shrubs, or you'll be cutting the flower buds off."

**Give evergreens time.** If you see brown patches on boxwoods or other evergreens, wait a few weeks to see if they green up. "If they're still brown when your neighbors' evergreens are putting on new growth, you can assume they've succumbed to winter kill and remove them," she said.

*For tree and plant advice, contact the Plant Clinic at The Morton Arboretum ([mortonarb.org/plantadvice](http://mortonarb.org/plantadvice), 630-719-2424 or [plantclinic@mortonarb.org](mailto:plantclinic@mortonarb.org)).*

*Beth Botts is a staff writer at the Arboretum.*

## Keeping trees, shrubs safe from construction work

BY TIM JOHNSON

*I am planning an addition on my house this spring and was wondering what needs to be done to protect my garden beds and shade trees.*

— Jerry Johnson, Morton Grove

The construction processes can be harmful and even deadly to nearby trees. Unless the damage is extensive, the trees may not die immediately, but can go into decline over several years before finally dying. With this delay in symptom development, the loss of the trees may not be associated with the construction work.

It is possible to preserve trees on a building site, provided the right steps are taken before, during and after the construction is completed. Start by hiring a professional arborist to help you decide which trees are worth saving and to work with your contractor to protect trees throughout the construction process.

One of the first decisions to make is determining which trees are to be preserved and which should be removed. Tree species differ in their ability to adapt to compaction, grade changes and root damage that can occur as part of the construction process.

Consider the species, size, age, location, and condition of each tree. Older trees are more sensitive to environmental changes than younger trees, and therefore they will need more vigilant protecting. Large, mature trees typically do not survive when located within 5 feet of a new building, though you may find it worthwhile to try to save them by taking extra precautions to protect them. Younger, more vigorous trees usually can better withstand the stresses caused by construction.



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Trees and garden beds can be preserved on a construction site with proper planning.

After a tree is established, any construction activity that changes the soil condition can be detrimental to the tree's health. The less the root zone is affected or changed, the better it is for your tree. Construction traffic compacts soil most severely near the surface, where the majority of tree roots lie. This will limit root growth, reduce tree vigor and can cause death of the tree over time.

Keep construction foot traffic, vehicle traffic, work zones and material storage as far away as possible from the tree's root zone by using barricades. The area to protect can be large, as roots can extend horizontally well beyond the tree's foliage and well beyond the tree's drip line, or the area under the branches.

The extent of a tree's root system will depend on your site's soil conditions and the health and age of the tree. For new trees planted within the last four years, the drip line should be adequate. For optimal protection of trees older than four years, barricades should extend well beyond the drip line. As a general rule, extend the protection area a minimum of an additional foot for each inch of diameter of the tree's trunk.

You should provide supplemental water to these trees during dry periods of the growing season. A neighbor's construction project may also affect the root system of your trees, so monitor them and provide extra water during dry periods.

Regular foot traffic through a mixed perennial and shrub bed will compact the soil and can lead to the death of the perennials and decline of adjacent shrubs. Work with your contractor to provide alternate routes around planted beds or transplant plants that are in the way and create a mulched path. Ask the contractor to use plywood to cover soil in open beds to reduce the amount of compaction from foot and vehicle traffic.

Digging and trenching to install utilities may cut tree roots, with more significant damage being caused as the trench gets closer to the tree trunks.

Grade changes — whether adding topsoil above a tree's root system or removing soil to lower grade — can have a significant, negative impact on the tree's root system.

Mitigating the impacts of the construction process on the root systems of your trees is most important. Your large trees will require several years to adjust to the injury and environmental changes that occurred during construction. It is a good idea to provide extra maintenance, including water and fertilizer, during this recovery period. Prune out dead wood as needed.

*For more plant advice, contact the Plant Information Service at the Chicago Botanic Garden at 847-835-0972 or [plantinfo@chicagobotanic.org](mailto:plantinfo@chicagobotanic.org).*

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## ASK THE BUILDER

# Install a sink with no visible support

BY TIM CARTER

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**Q: I need your help solving a perplexing conundrum. I love all things old and have purchased a salvaged antique marble stone corner sink that I want to use as a powder-room lavatory.**

**It already has a drain hole, so that's not the issue. The faucet needs to be in the wall, and I can handle that as well. My problem is I want the sink to appear as if it's floating in the air with no visible means of support.**

**The sink is really heavy, as it weighs close to 70 pounds. What can be done to achieve my goal, and what other tips do you have to make sure this goes well? Are there any hidden problems you might know of I need to avoid?**

**A:** Years ago I used to purchase quite a few salvaged building materials for some of my projects. I was so lucky to have a specialty business near me that foraged for one-of-a-kind building fixtures, doors, mantles, sinks and so forth in buildings slated for demolition. They had so many things you simply couldn't believe it. One day I found a stunning solid walnut fireplace mantle I incorporated into the last home I built for my family.

Installing an antique sink shouldn't be a problem at all. When deciding to purchase one, you usually just have to make sure the holes for the drain and faucet will work with modern parts. Even if a hole is too small, it can usually be enlarged with minimal effort.

The other thing you need to do is to be sure the sink is going to fit really well in the space where it will end up. Recently, I had to install an antique sink corner sink in my daughter's new home. I uncrated it to inspect it and to create



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If you want to install a sink with no visible supports, you need to be sure the sink is going to fit really well in the space where it will end up.

a template because I wanted to see if the sink itself was square and would fit nicely in the corner of her powder room.

Guess what? The old sink was about 1.5 inches out of square in just 30 inches. That's a huge discrepancy. A rookie might have assumed the sink was square and been in for a surprise once the sink was lifted in place. I made a template of the sink using scrap cardboard and then padded out the wall studs to account for the out-of-square sink. After the drywall was installed the sink fit perfectly. All I had to do was squirt a small amount of caulking to seal the gap between the sink and the wall.

My daughter wanted the sink to float on the wall. I was able to locate a company online that sold these very heavy steel brackets that screw to the sides of wall studs. A quarter-inch thick steel plate extends out into the room that the sink can rest upon.

I had to install two of these, one extending out from each wall in the corner. The challenge was to make sure the brackets didn't block the drain hole, didn't extend too far out (and thus be visible) and didn't touch one another. Believe me, this exercise took some planning.

If you do have a conflict where the brackets don't fit perfectly, you may have to install an extra wall stud,

move one or cut off a small amount of one bracket to resolve the issue. In any case, you'll be able to figure it out. The quarter-inch thickness of the steel plate is a nonissue. Even sitting on the toilet looking at the sink, you can't really see the steel and you wonder how in the world the sink is not crashing to the ground.

Before the sink is installed, apply multiple coats of the best clear stone sealer you can purchase. Local businesses that fabricate granite and stone countertops sell this product.

You need to seal the stone before anyone touches the sink because plumber's putty, caulk and other materials may have

ingredients that can soak into the stone and permanently discolor it. After all this hard work, it would be a shame for that to happen.

When sealing the sink, seal all surfaces. Seal the top, the basin, the inside of all drilled holes and even the underside and back surfaces. Follow the instructions on the sealer label to see how to apply multiple coats of sealer. You'll never regret taking the time to do this. Remember, workmen almost always have dirty hands, and your sink may be one-of-a-kind. It's not like you can go to the home center and get a replacement.

Be sure the steel brackets have been painted several times so there's no chance

the steel can rust. You don't want rust stains bleeding through the natural stone.

Before you set the sink on the brackets, do a dry fit. Carefully place the sink to ensure it fits, it's level and all is well. Once you're satisfied, then you can squirt adhesive from a caulk tube onto the steel brackets and maybe a little bit on the back surfaces of the sink where it contacts the wall.

Place the sink on the brackets, slide it against the wall and put a sign on it DO NOT TOUCH so no one touches the sink until the adhesive dries.

You'll love your new sink, and I'd love for you to send me a photo of the finished installation.



# NEW HOMES MARKETPLACE

## First signs of spring awaken interest in décor trends

With historic low interest rates, many Chicago area residents are deciding that this is the year to purchase a new home. Those buyers who are looking at newly constructed homes will be delighted by the wide variety of standard features and optional choices they have when planning their homes.

"Today's open-concept floor plans have further increased interest in kitchens, and homebuyers continue to request expanded islands, deluxe commercial-type appliances and neutral tones," says Danielle Slutsky, Design Consultant for Toll Brothers in the South Barrington Design Center. "It is popular these days to combine neutral wood cabinetry with dark accents including bronze, brushed gold or matte black hardware. Mix and match hardware materials are trending and provide a distinctive look.

"Natural materials are very popular, with quartz and other types of stone as well as metals providing interesting texture to neutral color palettes. We are also seeing the use of two colors in kitchen cabinets with white cabinets contrasting with islands in tones of gray or navy and an increased use of accent walls. The trend with many buyers is to have touches of drama in contrast to natural materials," she says.

"Rich shades of blue will be very popular this spring, and wood shelving and other wood accents are popular anywhere in the home. Wide plank floors in light tones enhance the airy look of open-concept designs. The use of vinyl plank wood flooring is becoming very popular since it looks beautiful, is very durable and is an affordable luxury," she says.

In home décor today, unexpected accents can be a major factor in creating a distinctive look.

"As a family business, Shodeen Homes considers every plan and adds details to craft unique looks," says Jeremy Lund, Director of Sales. "For example, buyers continue to prefer home exteriors with a crisp white or gray farmhouse look, and we offer black window trim for an attractive contrast. We have also expanded our kitchen cabinet choices with glacier taupe and stone, a pale gray color. Our buyers want beautiful but easy-care interior materials that are well-suited to today's busy lifestyles," he says.



"Kitchens and baths provide the most payback on investment dollars and also provide the most enjoyment for homeowners," Lund says. "Today's buyers want their homes to be retreats with luxurious yet practical materials. Among popular choices this spring are wide plank taupe

and gray flooring, including the popular European wood laminate floors, which are beautiful, durable and affordable. Buyers like materials that provide the light and airy look that is so well-suited to open-concept floor plans. They continue to want gourmet kitchens with oversized islands

and materials like quartz that are easy-care. Subway tiles are popular as well as other backsplash patterns."

After kitchens, buyers are most interested in accessorizing the master bath.

"Large showers are very popular, and often displace the bathtub in today's master baths," Lund says. "Colorful new tiles and patterns are used to personalize shower walls and help to create a spa look."

Other features that are popular with homebuyers include fireplaces and porches and basements.

"Among our buyers, fireplaces, especially the direct vent type, are almost universally popular during Chicago winters while porches are an ideal place to enjoy the pleasures of summer," Lund says. "At Shodeen Homes, we include basements in the price of the homes, and buyers appreciate the extra space and flexibility this feature provides. Today's many designer features make homes an outstanding value as well as an ideal refuge."

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"We understand that not everyone has the time to build from foundation," says Jeremy Lund, director of Sales for Shodeen Homes. "Transferees, 'right-sizers', buyers, who sold an existing home more quickly than expected and have no desire to rent while they wait to build, all appreciate the ability to purchase a new home without the wait."

One of Shodeen's most popular ranch plans, the Southfork, is available for move-in and offers 3,221 square-feet of living space with three bedrooms and a study, two baths, 846 square feet of finished basement with a finished bath with shower, three-car, side-load garage and is currently



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priced at \$574,000.

"In addition to the practical benefits of new construction, new homes, such as the Southfork, offer the style and design elements that are popular now," Lund says. "Finishes such as wood-plank flooring, white kitchen cabinets with granite countertops, custom backsplashes, stainless-steel appliances, tray and cathedral ceilings, designer master baths with upgraded

tile and more are selected by our team of professional designers when building a quick move-in home. They make sure each home includes today's top design trends and elements to ensure buyers get their dream home without the wait."

Buyers who want to be settled in this summer have additional quick move-in ranch and two-story choices at Norton Lake ranging from 2,373 to nearly 3,000

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