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**CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK**

## Officials: Use masks outside

Gov. Pritzker, Chicago's health commissioner encourage covering up in public

BY JOHN BYRNE, MADELINE BUCKLEY AND CECILIA REYES

Illinois now has recorded over 10,000 new coronavirus cases, a milestone in the pandemic that Gov. J.B. Pritzker announced Saturday while estimating the spread of the disease will peak later this month.

The governor and Chicago's health commissioner, Dr. Allison Arwady, also called for people heading out of their homes to wear face masks as officials focus on slowing the virus.

"If you've been to the grocery store lately at any time other than three in the morning, you're running into a fair number of peo-

ple," Pritzker said at his daily briefing on the outbreak. "There's no need to take any risks. And by wearing a mask when you go to the grocery store, for example, you're really protecting all the other people that are there, as much as you're protecting yourself. In fact, more so."

During her daily online

Q-and-A session, Arwady said the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention's recommendation that people cover their faces while out in public is "just one additional piece" to fight the spread of the COVID-19 virus.

"With or without a mask, I do not want you out," Arwady said.

Arwady reminded residents that the CDC has asked people to use "cloth face coverings," such as a scarf.

With more than 1,400 new confirmations across the state, Illinois has now surpassed 10,000 known cases of COVID-19, the state's public health director Dr. Ngozi Ezike said Sat-

urday. Illinois reported 1,453 new cases and 33 deaths on Saturday, Ezike said Saturday.

The new additions bring the total number of known coronavirus cases to 10,357 in 68 of Illinois' 102 counties, Ezike said. There now have been 243 deaths attrib-

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**GRASSROOTS EFFORT**



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John Li, from left, Xuerong Xia and Hongwei Zou deliver 500 N95 masks to Northwestern Memorial Hospital on March 27.

## 'To us right now, time is life'

Chinese community mobilizing to provide medical supplies to Chicago-area hospitals

BY GRACE WONG

Xuerong Xia has gone to the hospital every day for the past month. Her garage is now a dressing room, where she dons plastic shoe protectors, a face mask, disposable gloves and sunglasses before climbing into her car, equipped with disinfecting wipes and rubbing alcohol.

The rest of her car is

loaded with medical supplies, donated by members of the Chinese community who fought the coronavirus since its early days in Wuhan. Now, their focus is fighting it here at home in the Chicago area.

They have already donated tens of thousands of masks, hospital gowns and goggles to hospitals including Northwestern Memorial Hospital, Rush Uni-

versity Medical Center and the University of Chicago Medical Center in the city, and Edward Hospital and DuPage Medical Group in the west suburbs.

Donation efforts are largely organized through WeChat, the primary Chinese-language social media platform.

Xia, a stay-at-home mom of a 14-year-old boy, is a relative newcomer to

WeChat. She joined a few months ago to connect with family and friends affected by the coronavirus in China. From there, she participated in a few local WeChat groups, one of which sent medical supplies to Wuhan. She even volunteered to help pack boxes of face mask donations at a warehouse near O'Hare International Airport earlier this year.

Like many others, she believed the United States was a country of abundance that could help other nations in need. But as time went on, conversations with her neighbor, a cardiologist, led her to believe that hospitals here were not as well-equipped as she thought.

"It seemed like the local

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**VENTILATORS**

## Big need, but short supply of lifesaver

In some cases, device can be last chance of survival

BY DAVID HEINZMANN

As the COVID-19 virus attacks the human body, it invades more and more human cells. The body's immune system fights back, causing cell after cell to become inflamed and leak fluid, which leads to swelling, aches and fevers.

But when the virus gets to the lungs, the stakes change dramatically.

The respiratory system's job is to take oxygen from human breath and push it through the spongy, porous lining of the lungs into the bloodstream. The war of inflammation between virus and immune system creates a condition called Acute Respiratory Distress Syndrome that smothers the lungs' lining.

It is a form of drowning.

"The immune system recognizes there's a foreign invader," said Graham Carlos, a pulmonary critical care doctor in Indianapolis. "As the virus replicates and infects more cells, at the same time, the immune system is ramping up so strong it causes extreme inflammation in the lungs. And when that happens, it blocks the

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## Across Wisconsin, polls open Tuesday

Worker shortage, stay-home order won't stop the vote

BY BILL RUTHHART

Thousands of poll workers have said they won't work. Hundreds of voting locations have been consolidated. Tens of thousands of requests for mail-in absentee ballots are backlogged.

Wisconsin's voting system is teetering under the weight of the coronavirus pandemic, but Tuesday's election is still scheduled to go on as planned after Republican state legislative leaders on Saturday rejected the Democratic governor's eleventh hour call to postpone voting and a

federal judge ruled against rescheduling it.

Ballots will be cast even as Gov. Tony Evers has issued a "safer at home" order directing Wisconsinites only to venture outside for essential tasks such as seeking medical treatment, buying food and, apparently, voting.

"We are in an unprecedented moment, and the statutes and laws weren't written with a situation like this in mind," said Charles Franklin, a political science scholar and director of polling at the Marquette University Law School. "We have had a gigantic surge in request of absentee ballots — more than 1 million — and we have no

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Brenda Jones checks over her ballot as she votes absentee during drive-up early voting in Milwaukee on March 28. Despite the coronavirus, the state will hold an election on Tuesday.

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### JOHN KASS

## Best for the shutdown: 'Alone' or 'Tiger King'?

You're alone out there now, isolated, stuck in your home during the coronavirus shutdown, hitting the fridge, getting fat, and talking to yourself about how you can't find a good reality show to binge-watch on TV, alone.

"You've got to watch 'Tiger King,'" said a guy, a confirmed elitist who, if he watches anything at all, cleaves to "Masterpiece" on PBS while mocking me for my low-brow tastes. "I've watched five episodes already!"

"Tiger King"? Isn't that like Twitter trolls with tigers? Or is it more like Jerry Springer/Maury Povich with tigers, sequins and too few teeth? If it were fiction, written by Elmore Leonard, I might try again. But he's dead.

The TV audience watches the big-cat circus people, their jealousies and self-indulgence taking them to some dark place like contract murder. The appeal is like that of every freak show in history — you watch, feeling superior to the toothless with their bad hair, their cheap animal prints.

Enjoy it as you please. But it's just not my métier. By the rules of modern journalism, I should be praising "Tiger King" to the heavens because it is popular. Playing to the mob is the new currency, in politics and culture. And clicks are our new god, even during Lent. But I just can't.

"Alone," oddly enough, is the name of the reality TV show on History that you should be watching during the COVID-19 shutdown, if you're looking for a quality program that matches the solitary, shelter-in-place zeitgeist.

The premise? Women and men, trained survivalists, are dropped alone into the wilderness, with some basic survival gear, but no guns. They hunt, trap, forage and fish to eat. They build their own fire and shelters. They fend off wolves and bears. There are no camera crews. They shoot their own video. They are absolutely alone out there in the cold, sometimes for months and months. They don't know how long it will last.

Some begin to crack. Sound familiar?

Their struggle through hunger is rough. But their battle with isolation — while talking about it all on camera — is riveting. The last one standing wins a \$500,000 prize. "Alone" is the only TV show that can make me cry.

"I can't help laughing about the toilet paper hoarding craze now," said Ryan Pender, one of the producers for Leftfield, the company that makes the show. "Because if you're a student of 'Alone,' you know that everything is toilet paper."

A few seasons ago, contestant Dave Nessia did everything right. He caught many fish and smoked them, to save for lean, cold times ahead. But he wouldn't eat the fish. Instead, he hoarded them for weeks thinking he'd wait just one more day, then one more day after that. The medical crew that regularly checks on the survivalists decided he'd lost too much weight and he was pulled out.

Some contestants get squirrely. Others are mentally tough, holding fast, devoting themselves to projects. Some carve chess sets or find clay and make pots, or build fireplaces with river stones. Some collect medicinal herbs. One mistake can cost them their lives and the prize.

"We wanted it as pure as possible," Pender said. "Primitive bows if they choose. We put them in locations nobody has been in for years. It's self-reliance at its best. It's just you and your capabilities. And one mistake out there can end it."

One of my favorite contestants, a woman who knew all about medicinal plants and mushrooms, made a mistake, cutting herself with a hatchet. The infection was unforgiving. She took out her satellite phone, tapped out and called for extraction, and began weeping.

Some love it out there. Others begin to crack the moment they leave the helicopter, realizing how alone they are, that they're not the character in their own movie. It isn't a movie. It's

the wilderness and it can kill you. The show runners call this "drop-shock."

In the last season of "Alone" — set in the Canadian Arctic — contestant Jordan Jonas, of Lynchburg, Virginia, took down a moose with a bow and arrow. He had meat. But he needed more fat to keep his brain working. The bears came. And then a wolverine. Even bears are afraid of wolverines.

Jonas fought off a wolverine that stole his caribou fat. He used a stick and a hatchet and ended it. Then he caught a lake trout through the ice, which offered him enough fat to keep going. He won the \$500,000.

You can find "Alone" on demand or through streaming services and watch six seasons. In the upcoming seventh season of "Alone," now being edited, the prize grows. Now the winner will win \$1 million, if he or she lasts 100 days up there. I've watched all six seasons, and no one has made 100 days.

So, what makes it so compelling? Is it watching people go crazy as they starve?

"I don't think so," Pender said. "I think for some contestants what the show really is, is learning about yourself. And giving the folks at home an insight into what happens to your mind when food is tough to get; what happens to the body, when it's just you and you alone in your head."

"We're kind of all there now, in a way, right? Even in their own homes, some people are worrying about having enough resources, food, and there are folks who don't have jobs."

If there is one show for the coronavirus shutdown, it's not the trash about the tiger freaks.

It's "Alone."

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## Unexpected phone call brings moment of joy



MARY SCHMICH

My phone rang out of the blue a couple of days ago.

"Mimi!" I said. Her name had appeared on the screen. "What a nice surprise. Are you OK?"

"I just wanted to hear your voice," she said.

Mimi is my late brother Bill's mother-in-law. She's in her mid-90s and still lives at home, with help from family, in Colorado. Mimi and I don't talk often, but whenever we do it's with a familial ease. She's one of those elderly people who seems as if she's always been around and always will be. Like my own mother, she has the capacity for staying, or at least seeming, cheerful in any storm.

"I'm sitting on the porch," Mimi said, "watching the world go by. It's very quiet. Even the cars seem to be moseying."

She laughed. "Is moseying a strange word to use?"

I told her I thought "moseying" was exactly the right way to describe the pace of our world right now, though it's not the moseying of leisure, but enforced moseying with an eerie air.

The afternoon sun filtered through my living room window as we talked about the pandemic that has crashed the world. I said I felt fortunate that I'd lived my life without a public crisis of this magnitude. Mimi said she'd never seen anything like it either. I reminded her that she'd been a child during the Great Depression and a young woman during World War II, that she'd raised and supported seven kids as a working mother, that she'd survived all manner of hardships known to break people.

She laughed again and said, no, none of it had been all that hard, and that this moment, too, would settle into history.

"We're going to be OK," she said.

Her words washed over me like warm water.



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Brian Zdziarski and Christine Cermak say a socially distant hello from their porches Thursday in the 7000 block of West 64th Place in Chicago.

***It's as if disconnection — from workplaces, jobs, gyms, churches, routines, people we love — has reinforced our understanding of how much we need to connect.***

"We are going to be OK, Mimi," I said. "Eventually."

She gave a big sigh. "Oh, I'm so glad you said that. It helps me believe it when I say it."

I told her I could say it with more conviction because I'd heard her say it.

"Well," she said a few minutes later, "I should let you go. I'm so glad to hear your voice."

I was glad to hear her voice, too, and when our conversation was done, the world seemed a little brighter, our exchange of voices like a bridge from the past to the present to a future that would be OK.

The pandemic we're living through has sparked many "out of the blue" calls like the one I got from Mimi. I've heard several people say they've talked more on the phone lately — or on FaceTime, Zoom, Skype — than they have in years, and to people they rarely talk to.

"I have had more contact with old high school and college friends in the last two weeks than in the last decade," says a friend. "Maybe it's because we have more time, or maybe it's because we're

all getting sentimental as we peer into the precipice. But it has been one of the very few things that I've been grateful for about the pandemic."

Sometimes all this renewed or amplified connection can be overload. I empathize with the friend who recently grumbled that her fantasy of pleasant alone time during self-isolation has been burst by the incessant communication from other self-isolators.

But most of the time, these out-of-the-blue phone calls are a good thing. It's as if disconnection — from workplaces, jobs, gyms, churches, routines, people we love — has reinforced our understanding of how much we need to connect, and not only by email and text.

In a moment of limited touch and travel, we need to talk.

For many of us, all the pan-

demic has shifted our sense of time, too. Weekdays may blur into weekends. The past creeps into the present. The future is on hold. Suddenly we need to talk to a friend who's fallen out of our orbit. We need the comfort of a voice.

Shortly before Mimi and I ended our call, she reported that someone was leading a cow down the street.

A cow? No.

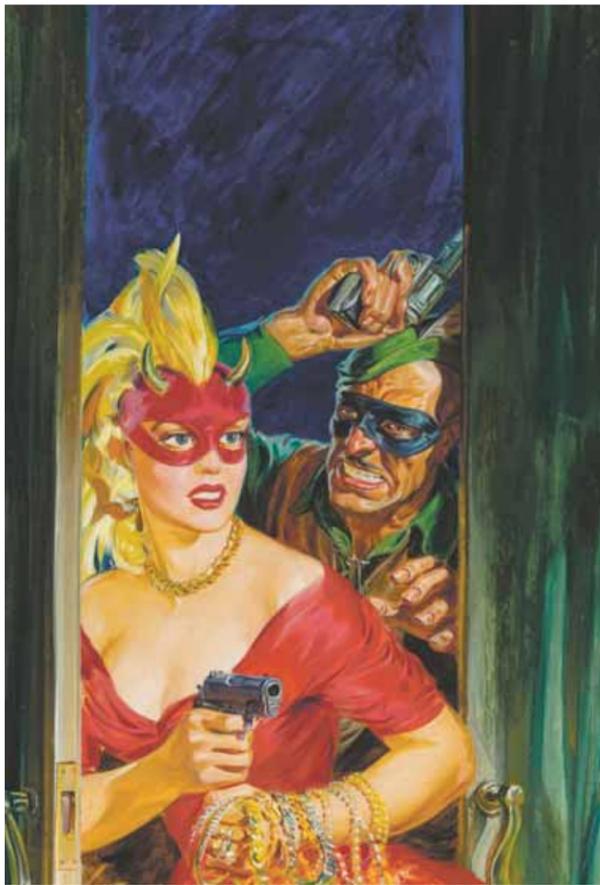
"Yes," she said. "A cow. You never know what you'll see if you sit on your porch long enough."

I've felt lighter since Mimi called. When I go out walking, I think of it as moseying. I look for stray cows. And I think about the power we hold in our voices to help each other believe that, eventually, we'll be OK.

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## CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

# Anesthesiologist toils on front lines

'It's difficult to predict who will live, who will die'

BY KATE THAYER

On evenings when Dr. Cory Deburghgraeve reports to work at University of Illinois Hospital in Chicago, he first checks the charts of patients he treated the shift before — people who struggled to breathe after COVID-19 caused their lungs to swell and fill with fluid.

He's crushed when he finds those he thought would improve aren't doing well. And they're not who the public might think would be hit hard by the coronavirus pandemic.

"These are not what I would consider to be generally sick people," Deburghgraeve said, describing many who are in their 30s, 40s and 50s, and though they may have an underlying condition, it's often something that, until recently, they managed well, like mild or moderate hypertension or asthma.

"I get frustrated when people say (stay home for the elderly and more vulnerable populations). No. Stay home for yourself too; it's unpredictable," he said. This virus "can hit anyone, and it's difficult to predict who will live and who will die."

Deburghgraeve, 33, is an anesthesiologist — a specialist many may not associate with being on the front lines of the fight against COVID-19, but he's literally in the face of it.

Because of anesthesiologists' expertise in intubation — the mechanism physicians use to place a breath-



DR. CORY DEBURGHGRAEVE

In a video for Facebook, Dr. Cory Deburghgraeve, an anesthesiologist, demonstrates putting on his protective gear.

ing tube inside a patient's mouth and guide it into their lungs — Deburghgraeve is paged when a patient suspected of having COVID-19 needs to go on a ventilator. An early step in that process is to intubate the patient.

Deburghgraeve normally works in the obstetrics department, specializing in high-risk pregnancies. Because that specialization often involves complicated intubations with the swollen airways of pregnant women, he was pulled from that duty and assigned to treat COVID-19 patients.

He now works 14-hour, overnight shifts five or six

days a week.

So far, he said, he's done so with adequate PPE (protective personal equipment). While he's heard of others at his hospital and elsewhere across the country with different experiences, Deburghgraeve said he's fully outfitted in PPE every time he treats a COVID-19 patient. Any other way would be too dangerous, he said.

Deburghgraeve said that when he intubates patients, his face hovers close to theirs. He's right at their open mouth, and when placing the tube, the patient (who is sedated and under general anesthesia) could

cough or otherwise release air or droplets containing the virus.

"As an anesthesiologist ... I think it's important people understand what we do and that we are on the front lines," he said.

Dr. Neeta Venepalli, associate chief medical officer at University of Illinois Hospital in Chicago, said certain staff members throughout the hospital have shifted their duties to treat COVID-19 patients.

"We have to be creative and innovative in fulfilling these needs," she said.

The goal is to limit the number of people required to be in a patient's room, and

find ways to streamline certain procedures by identifying the specialized skills of doctors, nurses and other staff members, she said. For instance, those who work in otolaryngology (ear, nose and throat) are conducting the deep nasal swabs for employee screenings for COVID-19 while also teaching staff how to swab properly. Medical students are screening temperatures at the door, and psychology unit staff members are conducting wellness checks on the staff.

In recent weeks, Deburghgraeve has posted videos on social media demonstrating on a medical mani-

kin how he performs an intubation. He's also shown how much PPE he needs to be safe — a gown, two pairs of gloves, a mask, a face shield and other items. Deburghgraeve said he's been increasing the speed at which he puts it all on, getting it down to five to 10 minutes.

These videos have received thousands of views, and it's spurred an outpouring of support from friends and strangers, he said. "It's made me feel like I can do this for months ... that amount of support"

When caring for COVID-19 patients, Deburghgraeve said he doesn't think a lot about the risk he's taking. He's thinking more about the patients. While some of those he's helped place on ventilators are improving, many aren't and haven't been able to breathe on their own in a couple of weeks. He's also seen patients die, some of them young.

Many of his patients are unconscious before the intubation procedure, so he doesn't get to talk to them; but those who aren't unconscious are scared, he said. The no-visitor policies make it harder, so Deburghgraeve said he tries to offer as much support as he can.

"We are dealing with a very tragic, very terminal disease here," he said. "The long hours ... can be challenging, but really for me what is hardest (about the job) is that young, healthy people are having such terrible outcomes."

"It's tragic, it's sad, it's everything."

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# When will Illinois outbreak peak? Models offer predictions

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Health experts say a wave of COVID-19 cases is likely in the coming weeks or months, but exactly when that wave will hit — and how big it will be — remains a matter of debate.

The Tribune has found at least two models that produced significantly different predictions on when the outbreak will peak in Illinois: as soon as two weeks, or as long as 3 months from now, according to their most recent forecasts.

The models also offer widely different estimates of fatalities from the virus, from less than 4,000 across the state to between 18,000 to 64,000 dead, depending on how well Illinoisans keep their distance from one another.

Add to that the predictions of public officials, such as Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot, who said Wednesday that the virus was expected to peak in Chicago in "mid- to late April." Gov. J.B. Pritzker on Thursday predicted the statewide peak will be "sometime we think in the later half of April."

Neither the city nor state has responded to Tribune requests for specific details on their predictions. Nor have they offered projections on deaths.

University of Illinois researchers working with the state told the Tribune they were uncomfortable releasing their most recent projections for fear of misleading the public, given all the caveats and uncertainties.

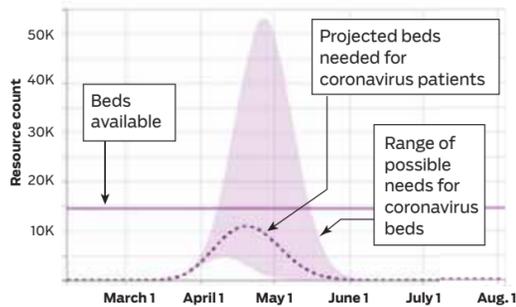
Modelers say their work involves multiple guesses, ranging from just how infectious the virus is to how successfully people practice social distancing. Their forecasts also change as time passes — sometimes drastically. For example: On Wednesday, one model projected a peak in Illinois in mid-May and then, based on updated data the next day, changed the prediction

## Coronavirus projections

Two models predict different peaks for when Illinois will see the most coronavirus cases.

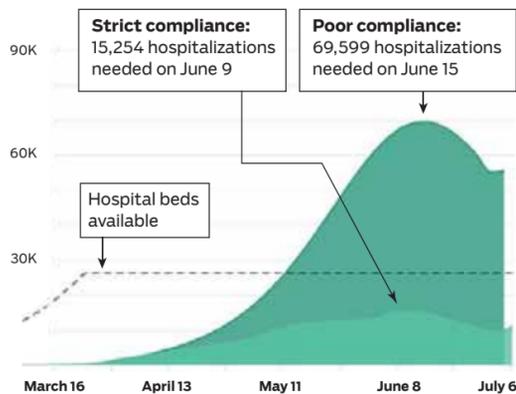
**Projection by IMHE:**  
How many hospital beds will be needed in Illinois?

Beds that may be needed on April 20 peak: 10,944  
Actual beds available: 14,552



**Projection by COVID Act Now: Hospitalizations depending on shelter-in-place compliance**

For 3-month shelter-in-place



SOURCES: Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation, Covid Act Now

or meeting other strict criteria.

"Again, what's really sort of unfortunate — to me one of the most unfortunate things about all of this — is there just hasn't been enough testing," said Yale School of Management professor Edward Kaplan, who's worked on some national modeling and spoke to the Tribune last week.

Making it harder still, researchers have said, is how dangerous the virus is for certain groups of people, including the elderly and those with chronic conditions, and having to account for unique scenarios in each part of the country.

That said, researchers have tackled the challenge and released projections. "For doctors and leaders in health care (and) public health, we need trusted data upon which we can make decisions. How do we plan for our surging capacity? How do we get our systems in place?" said Dr. Nirav Shah, a COVID Act Now contributor and Stanford University professor who said he's treating COVID-19 patients.

Here are some models:

## Predicted Illinois peak: April 20

The Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation, at the University of Washington, has projected how each state will fare based on its policies and demographics. Those projections, updated frequently, were prominently featured in a Tuesday news conference at the White House.

The model combines a host of data to make a single prediction — as opposed to a range of possible peak dates — for each state. It suggests Illinois' wave will hit in the next few weeks.

**The good news:** According to the model, Illinois will likely have enough hospital beds for COVID-19 patients.

**The bad news:** Illinois won't have enough intensive care unit beds, at least according to this model.

The model doesn't ap-

pear to take into account the state's most recent efforts to expand capacity, such as the 3,000 beds being added at a field hospital inside McCormick Place. Nor does it account for how some parts of Illinois may have more available beds than others.

It also shows how imprecise the estimates can be, with forecasters saying the real needed bed count could be anywhere between 2,800 and 44,000 on April 20.

The model also predicts deaths, projecting 109 deaths a day by April 20 and, by Aug. 4, 3,386 total deaths statewide.

Those figures are updated regularly, and they show how quickly predictions can evolve. On Wednesday, the model showed a peak of April 17, with roughly 500 fewer overall deaths.

The institute has said its model assumes "continued and uninterrupted vigilance by the general public, hospital and health workers, and government agencies," the institute's director, Dr. Christopher Murray, said in a prepared statement on March 26.

"The trajectory of the pandemic will change — and dramatically for the worse — if people ease up on social distancing or relax with other precautions," he said. "We encourage everyone to adhere to those precautions to help save lives."

## Predicted peak: June 9 to June 15

Led by a former Google executive, a group of data scientists, policymakers and health advocates across the country built another site, under the name COVID Act Now, that offers a range of peak dates that, for Illinois, stretches into June.

Unlike the University of Washington's model, it doesn't offer one guess at when Illinois will see peak patients. Rather, it offers a broad range depending on how well Illinoisans can avoid one another. It's a nod to the reason the model was

built: to advocate that policymakers push for social distancing.

Because Illinois has already imposed a stay-at-home order, the model offers two scenarios that would fit.

Under the worst-case scenario, if Illinois does a poor job of staying at home, the state could need more hospital beds than it has available by May 11. By a June 15 peak, it would end up needing twice as many hospital beds as it has, according to this model.

Under a best-case scenario, if Illinois residents really comply well and stay at home, the state wouldn't need nearly as many beds as it has available, with a much lower June 9 peak.

Those are significant differences from what the model predicted earlier this week, when the peak was predicted between May 14 and May 26 — nearly a month earlier.

Henderson explained the changes Thursday by saying the latest analysis includes fresher data, including more refined modeling that projects the disease lasting longer for patients.

"Our understanding of the disease has evolved, and as a result, we've extended it, which has the effect of widening the graphs," Henderson said.

"The other thing is, yeah, sheltering in place is working. It's still early data. So we don't have a great understanding of exactly how well it's working. But certainly the more it slows disease spread, the more it will shift those graphs out."

Still, the model offers a far more grim prediction for deaths than the University of Washington model. As many as 64,000 people across the state are projected to die if Illinoisans poorly comply with the stay-at-home order, according to the COVID Act Now model. If Illinoisans strictly comply, the model still forecasts 18,000 deaths.

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## Families prepare to bring Seder rituals to Zoom

Passover traditions getting a twist with virtual new reality

BY MADELINE BUCKLEY AND JAVONTE ANDERSON

Months ago, Felice Eckhouse's family made plans to gather at her sister's home in Glenview for a catered Passover Seder with as many as 25 people. Now, they will still celebrate together through at least 11 different computer screens, hoping to adapt the dinner's rituals to the virtual new reality.

As Illinois settles into life under the stay-at-home order to stem impact of the COVID-19 pandemic, residents are exploring ways to continue to observe religious traditions. For the Chicago area's Jewish community, preparing for Passover this year means organizing readings of the Haggadah over Zoom, deciding how to show the Seder plate and making sure family members can use the technology.

They are also ready to improvise and extend themselves some grace and humor if the virtual celebra-



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Felice Eckhouse usually hosts a group of 10 to 20 people for Passover Seder, but this year will hold it virtually.

tion goes awry.

Eckhouse's family, spread across Chicago and its suburbs, usually conducts a Seder with a large group, each participating by lighting candles, reading the Passover story and, for the children, searching for the hidden matzo. This year, they will try to replicate what they can on Zoom, the video conferencing service.

"It's very interactive," Eckhouse said of her family's Seder. "But it's either do it this way, or don't do anything at all."

Meanwhile, some of Eckhouse's friends who choose not to use the technology

during the holiday will have quiet Seders with only those in the household, she said.

Chicago-area rabbis are helping to guide their congregations through this year's Passover, which begins at sundown on Wednesday.

Rabbi Shaanan Gelman said Passover is a very preparation-intensive holiday, so his synagogue, Kehilat Chovevei Tzion in Skokie, has relied on video conferences and social media to teach and communicate with its congregants.

And although a Seder is usually a communal meal shared between families

and communities, Gelman said this year they are encouraging people to focus on the people inside their home and themselves.

But with governmental stay-at-home orders, Gelman said he understands this holiday will be "lonely for some people."

"This is a holiday in which we commemorate Jewish freedom from bondage from slavery," he said. "And to a certain extent, it's a hard year to feel that because we're quarantined."

Eckhouse, though, is looking on the bright side. With this year's virtual Seder, local participants will be able to include out-of-town family members who wouldn't have been able to join the regular feast.

"It's kind of cool, in a way. We wouldn't have been able to join in with family on the two coasts," she said. "That might be a way of looking at it."

Still, the family has to navigate logistical hurdles to bring the rituals to life in nearly a dozen homes. Eckhouse is still trying to decide if each participating household will prepare its own Seder plate, which contains foods symbolic of Passover.

They are also working

out how to split up the catered meal, meant to feed nearly two dozen people. Family members will likely try to coordinate apportioning and delivering the meal to different households.

Because the Seder meal has dietary restrictions, one synagogue coordinated delivery of Seder meal essentials to make it easier for people to secure their food while staying home.

"When we realized that our health required us to all shelter in place, we knew had to bring Passover to the people, and through our collective efforts we have created this program so every Jew anywhere in Illinois can have the Seder essentials," said Rabbi Baruch Epstein with Lubavitch Chabad of Illinois.

Epstein said they received more than 900 orders from roughly 35 synagogues and Jewish community centers across the state.

For Oak Park resident Barbara Brotman's virtual Seder, each household will be responsible for its own meal, but she is working to incorporate their customs across as many as 20 different computer screens.

Brotman, a former Tribune columnist, purchased a

version of the Haggadah, which tells the Passover story, on a Kindle. She plans to share it on screen with all the Zoom participants. They will decide who will read which passages beforehand, she said.

They also already have a virtual version of the "Hide the Matzo" tradition that is usually geared toward children, who race to find the hidden unleavened bread. When Brotman's children grew older, her husband started "mentally" hiding a piece of matzo in history, she said. They would try to guess which era her husband was thinking through a game of 20 questions.

Brotman's rabbi recently sent an email to the congregation reminding them that this year's Seder "doesn't have to be perfect." Still, she said she is obsessing over details and logistics as they look for a new way to observe tradition.

"The fact that we're so isolated means that this gathering of friends and family is all the more precious," she said.

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## Device

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lungs' ability to oxygenate the blood."

For patients suffering from ARDS, there is one hope to save their lives: a mechanical ventilator that forces oxygen into the body. Ventilators don't cure COVID-19, but they can keep patients alive long enough for their immune system to defeat the virus.

At this stage, finding, buying, repairing and building ventilators is one of the steepest challenges for medical providers, public health experts say.

By most experts' estimations, when the COVID-19 outbreak hits its apex in any American community, it will likely overwhelm the local capacity to provide intensive care — especially ventilators. With more than 1 million confirmed cases across the globe, the need for ventilators has skyrocketed well beyond the world's supply and production limits.

In New York, where the situation is most critical, Gov. Andrew Cuomo said hospitals need tens of thousands of ventilators more than they have.

Illinois has nearly 2,500 ventilators spread across hundreds of hospitals statewide. Currently, about 1,700 of them are in use. Of those, roughly 600 are being used by COVID-19 patients, according to figures Gov. J.B. Pritzker released Tuesday. But with infection continuing to increase at a steep rate in Illinois, hospitals could be maxed out soon.

"From all the modeling we've seen, our greatest risk of hitting capacity isn't right now. It's weeks from now," Pritzker said Tuesday.

The governor said in a CNN interview he told Vice President Mike Pence that Illinois needed 4,000 ventilators from the national stockpile. He said Pence responded that the government believed Illinois' need was more like 1,400.

Sunit Singla, a research physician at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Medicine, said a ventilator works by applying pressure — using air with a higher percentage of oxygen than normal breath — to push some of the fluid out of the lungs.

"It also provides better oxygenation of any good lung that is left," said Singla, who has been researching ARDS since 2007. "We can use up to 100% oxygen to get more bang for every breath."

"What this emphasizes is the need for increasing our ventilator capacity," Singla said.

The demand for ventilators, which can cost as much as \$50,000, has created bidding wars for government buyers from Springfield to Spain. Pritzker and several of his fellow governors have



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Stefan Elbel tests RapidVent prototypes using test lungs at Creative Thermal Solutions in Urbana.



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Dr. Sunit Singla stands in his lab Friday at the University of Illinois at Chicago College of Medicine.

complained that they're left to fend for themselves without clear coordination from the federal government. At the same time, they said, they are routinely being outbid for the machines by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Critics of the Trump administration say the ventilator shortage is among the critical problems exacerbated by procrastination, negligence and denial. The New York Times reported

Wednesday that the Trump administration last year let the contract lapse for maintaining the nation's emergency stockpile of ventilators. As a result, thousands of them now do not work.

The ventilator shortage finally drove Trump to invoke the Defense Production Act in an effort to get General Motors to repurpose its factories to build ventilators instead of cars.

The problem has driven plans to ramp up manufac-

turing quickly. Beyond the giant manufacturers, like GM, smaller efforts are designed to more nimbly fill niche needs within a matter of weeks.

As the scale of the pandemic crisis became clear weeks ago, engineers and doctors at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign started talking about the shortage facing central Illinois hospitals. In a collaboration between the engineering college and the Carle Illinois College of Medicine, engineers have now produced a prototype of a simple, portable ventilator that university doctors believe can help low- to moderate-level patients, saving the full-scale machines for people in more critical condition.

The RapidVent would require inserting a tube into the patient's airway to force oxygen into the lungs, while venting carbon dioxide out of the body. It is powered entirely by air pressure and does not need electricity, said Charles Dennis, chief medical officer of Carle

Health in Champaign.

"The brilliance of this device is that it is so simple," Dennis said. "It will take care of a substantial number of COVID patients and can be deployed in any hospital room — any place that has medical oxygen."

The engineering team on the project is working on ways to get small manufacturers on board and over two hurdles: capital investment to retool their factories and rapid clearance from the Federal Drug Administration. "We keep wanting to push it faster because every day matters," said Rashid Bashir, dean of the university's Grainger College of Engineering. "The number of cases in Illinois has doubled. The virus certainly isn't waiting and we shouldn't either."

Bashir said the technology to make cheap, portable ventilators is not revolutionary. In fact, there are similar devices on the market already. However, they are made by large medical device companies who have little interest in producing

large numbers because it takes a pandemic to put them in demand, he said.

Media reports recently detailed how efforts by the Bush and Obama administrations to create a stockpile of portable, cheap ventilators foundered when the contractor was bought by a larger company that didn't follow through on the project because it was unprofitable.

But now, in a time of crisis, the U of I team hopes the crisis will supersede concerns about profitability and create an opportunity for small companies to retool quickly.

"For Illinois, we have many small businesses that could be qualified to produce these. But they need investment to scale up to retool their manufacturing equipment. This is a barrier for small business," Bashir said. "It's not a long-term profitable business. But we have this very urgent need right now."

With these efforts, however, it remains to be seen how useful simpler machines may be in treating a disease that attacks the lungs so violently.

Doctors who are now treating COVID-19 patients have said that using ventilators to fight the disease is a precarious task and they have questions about the precision of the simpler ventilators.

Top-of-the-line ventilators provide feedback from the body that allows doctors and respiratory therapists to regulate the treatment. The amount of pressure ventilators are exerting on injured lungs leaves little room for error, doctors said.

"Not all ventilators are created equal," said Carlos, who is a professor at the Indiana University School of Medicine. He spoke to the Tribune during a recent shift working on the COVID-19 unit at Eskenazi Hospital, which functions as Marion County's public medical center, serving Indianapolis' most at-risk populations.

Without proven drugs to battle the virus directly, even the best ventilators can only keep a patient alive long enough for their own body to defeat the virus. The first key factor is whether the person's immune system is up to the job, Carlos said.

If a patient's immune system isn't working well, they will run out of time as not enough oxygen reaches their bloodstream and they drown with saturated lungs that can no longer function even with a ventilator, he said.

"It's a really fine balance between the immune system beating the virus and the immune system not overrunning the person's lungs," Carlos said. "You're walking a tightrope of having your immune system kill the virus and not kill you."

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## Vote

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idea at this moment how many of those will get sent out in time or how many people will show up in person on Tuesday to vote. This is uncharted water.”

For the last decade, Wisconsin's state government has been dominated by a bitter partisan divide, but for weeks Evers, a Democrat, and the Republicans in the state legislature had agreed on one thing — voters should head to the polls Tuesday.

That changed late Friday when Evers reversed course, saying he now opposed in-person voting on Tuesday, and called state lawmakers to Madison for an emergency legislative session late Saturday afternoon. The governor asked legislators to vote to shutter polling places, mail every voter in the state a ballot by May 19 and extend the deadline for local clerks to receive those ballots until May 26.

Evers' proposal effectively would delay the election by more than a month.

“Here's the bottom line, folks: If, as elected officials, we're going to expect the people of our state to make sacrifices to keep all of us safe, then, by golly, we better be willing to do our part too,” the first-term governor said. “I am calling the legislature into a special session to do its part — just as all of us are — to help keep our neighbors, our families and our communities safe.”

Republicans showed up on Saturday, gaveling the legislature into session for just seconds before adjourning without taking up the governor's proposal. Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald, R-Juneau, and Assembly Speaker Robin Vos, R-Rochester, slammed Evers for “flip-flopping” on the election, painting him as a “feckless” leader who “caves under political pressures from national liberal special interest groups.”

“Hundreds of thousands of workers are going to their jobs every day, serving in essential roles in our society,” the Republican leaders said in a statement. “There's no question that an election is just as important as getting take-out food.”

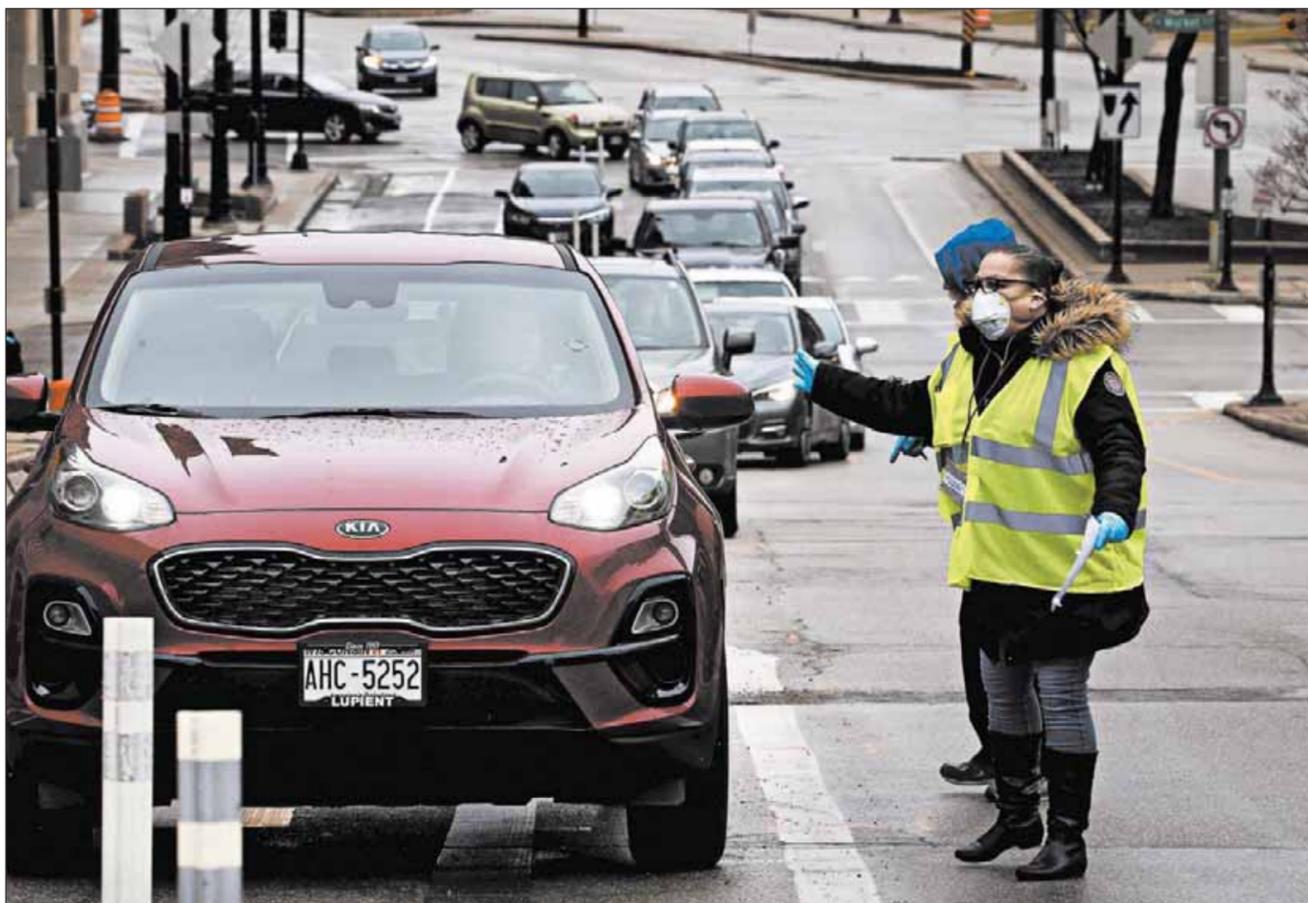
Perhaps the only recourse now left for Evers to keep voters from crowding into a limited number of election sites on Tuesday would be to issue an emergency public health order to close all of Wisconsin's polling places.

A source close to Evers not authorized to speak publicly about the matter said Saturday that the governor and his lawyers are considering that option, but they worry about the possible precedent such a move would set. The attorneys have stressed that there is no state case law upholding the governor's emergency powers as superseding the state legislature, and the move would lead to an immediate court challenge from Republican lawmakers.

Wisconsin's seven-member state Supreme Court has five conservative members and two liberals, so a lawsuit over an order to close the polls could risk a precedent that would hamstring other future emergency actions Evers might want to take to respond to the coronavirus pandemic, the source said. One of the court's Republican members is on the ballot Tuesday for a 10-year term and likely would recuse himself from any such decision.

Barring any last-minute changes, Wisconsin will soldier on at a time when 15 other states either have delayed their elections or switched them entirely to vote-by-mail with later deadlines.

But unlike many of those elections, Wisconsin's contest isn't just a presidential primary between former Vice President Joe Biden and Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders. It is also a general election for 3,831 local offices — including Milwaukee mayor, Milwaukee County executive and a state Supreme Court seat — where elected officials' terms are set to expire in a



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Luz Quinonez-Hurd directs cars to line up as drive-up early voting in Milwaukee started March 28, with a steady stream of cars lined up around City Hall.



Katherine Katsekis, left, and Diane Scott, both paid volunteers, help sort absentee ballots by ward to be opened on Election Day at Brookfield City Hall.

matter of weeks.

Amid the pandemic, thousands of poll workers — many of them elderly and more at risk of dying from the highly contagious COVID-19 — have said they won't work, and the governor has directed the Wisconsin National Guard to help staff election sites. Numerous elected leaders, including longtime Milwaukee Mayor Tom Barrett, have urged voters not to go to the polls and instead try to vote absentee.

The wave of those mail-in requests, however, has overwhelmed local clerks who haven't had the staff, and in some cases the supplies, to promptly send out the ballots, raising questions of whether thousands of voters will receive them in time.

In the middle of the chaos, dozens of local mayors, civil rights organizations, Sanders, the state Democratic Party and the Democratic National Committee have called for the election to be postponed — some more recently than others. And Democrats announced Thursday they would delay by one month their national convention planned for July in Milwaukee, citing the uncertainty swirling around the pandemic.

After weeks of Evers and state legislative leaders refusing to bend on the election, the matter landed before an exasperated U.S. District Judge William Conley.

In a ruling issued Thursday, Conley did not postpone the election, but granted an additional six days for absentee ballots to come in from voters. The state Democratic Party called the court's decision a victory for “thousands of Wisconsin voters who feared they would be silenced.”

Wisconsin Republicans turned to the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, which declined late Friday to stay the lower court's ruling. On Saturday, the state party and the Republican National Committee filed an emergency request with the U.S. Supreme Court to put a hold on the lower court's absentee ballot ruling.

During a marathon, four-hour video conference

hearing Wednesday, Conley said he did not have the authority to call off a statewide election, but did little to conceal his disdain about the predicament voters have been placed in: don't vote or risk your health to do so.

“The state of Wisconsin's legislature and governor are not willing to step up and say there's a public health crisis and make it absolutely clear that we should not be allowing poll workers and voters to congregate on April 7,” Conley said. “You expect the state of Wisconsin to realize this is a hurricane and prevent it and stop it for public health reasons. I don't see a basis on which I can stop this, albeit it's a very risky decision by the state of Wisconsin.”

### ‘Unicorn wishes’

The state's poll worker shortage is severe.

Of 1,320 voting jurisdictions that responded to a recent survey by the Wisconsin Elections Commission, 779 — or roughly 60% — said they did not have enough poll workers. Of that total, 111 jurisdictions reported not having enough workers to staff even a single polling place, while another 126 said they did not have enough workers for all election sites.

All told, the elections commission reported a shortage of at least 7,000 workers statewide.

“What are we going to tell voters in these locations if we don't have poll workers for them? Sorry, we're not having an election today?” state election Commissioner Ann S. Jacobs, a Democrat from Milwaukee, said during a video conference meeting this week. “We are pretending with our fingers crossed and unicorn wishes that we're going to be able to cobble together a way to administer this election.”

In response to the staffing woes, some areas have dramatically consolidated the number of polling locations, potentially crowding more voters in one space at a time when health officials are preaching for them to stay home and maintain social distancing of at least 6 feet when in public.

In Milwaukee, 180 polling sites will be cut down to five. Suburban Waukesha has cut its 13 election sites to just one. In Green Bay, the 270 typical poll workers are down to only 19, and the city is considering reducing its 31 polling places to just two high school gymnasiums.

To fill the void, the state's Democratic and Republican parties are working to recruit workers. Evers sent out a call for state employees to staff the polls and has directed the Wisconsin National Guard to help work the election.

Milwaukee's election commission, however, has rejected the National Guard help, saying it's too late to train workers. Evers spokeswoman Melissa Baldauff called it “insulting” that Milwaukee would deem the troops incapable of working the polls and noted the state's election commission and the Guard already have coordinated on election training.

Milwaukee has told state officials it is short 650 workers, and the National Guard has 609 available to work the polls there, according to figures shared with the Tribune by a state source. The National Guard also has enough troops to cover an 150 worker shortage in Racine County, the 50 workers needed in Waukesha, 773 of the 800 needed in Dane County and 314 of the 400 needed in Brown County, which is home to Green Bay.

It remained unclear Saturday how many members of the National Guard would be called upon Tuesday.

“If we would have had swift action by our state officials, we could have maintained the April 7 date while at the same time administering an all-mail ballot election,” said Green Bay Mayor Eric Genrich, who previously served as a Democrat in the state assembly. “When you look at the public health guidance from D.C. all the way down to our local county, it's not hard to recognize that an in-person election is incompatible with that advice.”

After urging the governor and legislature to take action, Green Bay sued last month in federal court to postpone the election and

have ballots mailed to every registered voter, but the case was dismissed after the judge ruled the city didn't have the standing to delay a statewide election.

In a bid to improve the safety of polling locations, state elections commission Administrator Meagan Wolfe said the commission has acquired 6,000 liter bottles of hand sanitizer, 10,000 spray bottles of sanitizer, 750,000 isopropyl wipes and enough pens for every voter to have their own, all sorted by the state's National Guard. Tape also is being sent to voting sites to mark the recommended 6 feet between voters waiting in line.

A new Marquette University Law School poll released Wednesday found voters nearly split on whether to postpone the election, with 51% in favor of holding it Tuesday and 44% opposed. The survey, however, found a divide when it comes to the coronavirus, with 87% of Democrats saying they were very concerned about the disease compared with 56% of Republicans.

### ‘Rigging an election’

Democrats repeatedly raised concerns about absentee ballots in recent days.

After the DNC filed its lawsuit, Judge Conley last week extended the amount of time for voters to register online.

His ruling Thursday gives election officials an extra six days to receive ballots, moving the deadline from when the polls close on Tuesday until April 13, the following Monday. The judge, whom former President Barack Obama appointed, also pushed the deadline for voters to request an absentee ballot back an extra day, until 5 p.m. Friday.

More than 1.25 million absentee ballots had been requested as of Saturday, far more than the previous record of around 200,000 in the 2016 presidential primary.

State election officials also reported late last week there was close to a 30,000 ballot backlog but warned that number could be much higher as voting jurisdictions have lagged in reporting their totals. The state numbers showed Brown County, home to Green Bay, as having a backlog of 1,400 ballots on Thursday, but in the city alone the mayor said the number was 7,000.

The sheer volume of absentee ballots and the additional time granted by the court means local officials will not be allowed to post election results until April 13.

In his ruling Thursday, Conley also relaxed a witness requirement for absentee ballot applications, concluding that voters could provide a written testimonial that they could not safely obtain a witness signature because of coronavirus fears. The 7th U.S. Circuit

Court of Appeals, however, stayed that decision late Friday, saying the lower court had not weighed how that change might allow for voter fraud.

In his ruling, Conley rejected efforts to suspend the state's voter ID law, which requires voters to digitally upload a copy of their ID when requesting an absentee ballot.

Republicans already had scored a legal victory on that issue this week. The law has an exception for those who are “indefinitely confined” and unable to obtain an ID, largely intended for elderly citizens.

Last week, the clerks in Milwaukee and Dane counties, the state's two Democratic strongholds, told all voters who were unable to upload an ID to claim they are indefinitely confined because of the coronavirus. The Wisconsin Republican Party equated the guidance to “illegally rigging an election” and sued in the state's Supreme Court, which ruled unanimously that the advice was against the law.

In the run up to Thursday's federal court ruling, Wisconsin Republicans argued against a dramatic change in the amount of time allowed to count absentee ballots.

“We've already had to go to the court once to rein in a couple of rogue clerks,” Wisconsin Republican Party Chairman Andrew Hitt said in an interview. “I wouldn't have a lot of confidence that they would follow the letter of the law.”

Conley's ruling to allow the extra six days for the absentee ballots to be returned without requiring them to be postmarked by Election Day “effectively changes the date of the election,” Hitt said.

In an interview prior to the ruling, Wisconsin Democratic Party Chairman Ben Wikler accused Republicans of “trying to hold the election the normal way, right away” in a bid to suppress voter turnout.

“The polling suggests that Republicans are less likely to be concerned about coronavirus than Democrats,” Wikler said of in-person voting on Tuesday. “Whether you're Republican or Democrat, we should be taking every possible step to help everyone cast safe absentee ballots.”

For now, voting is on track to take place under the conditions of Conley's ruling that allows for additional time to send and count absentee ballots but leaves the day of the election in place — much to his own frustration.

“Without doubt, the April 7 election day will create unprecedented burdens not just for aspiring voters, but also for poll workers, clerks and indeed the state,” Conley wrote in his opinion. “As much as the court would prefer that the Wisconsin legislature and governor consider the public health ahead of any political considerations, that does not appear in the cards.”



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# CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

## Do those household products disinfect?

Some can help, but it depends on how they're used

By KATHERINE ROSENBERG-DOUGLAS

With Americans more focused than ever on keeping their homes safe amid the COVID-19 pandemic, a key to success is knowing the difference between cleaning and disinfecting.

The words aren't synonymous, rather, they're more akin to two steps in one process, such as sweeping your floor before mopping it, explained Justin Douglas, CEO of Corvus Janitorial Systems.

"That's how I explain it when we train new employees," Douglas said. "Or, I use the example of picking up the clothes off the floor of your kid's room before you can do anything else. Cleaning and disinfecting aren't interchangeable words."

It's easy to think there's no wrong way to clean. And while it doesn't take a microbiologist to do it correctly, a basic understanding of something referred to as "dwell time," also sometimes called "contact time" or "kill time," is necessary, Douglas and other experts say.

Luckily, information about contact time is available on every cleaning product mass-produced in the United States. To achieve the efficacy of claims such as "kills 99.9% of germs," just one frequently overlooked step is crucial: Read the instructions, said Todd Clements, chief operating officer for UNX Industries, a chemical manufacturer that supplies nursing homes and hotels with cleaning products.

"All of us are guilty of not reading the backs of the labels," Clements said.

"As far as I know, there's no EPA-registered product with specific kill claims against COVID-19 because it's so new, but it falls under human coronaviruses, so look for the contact time listed for those," he said.

Clements and Travis FormyDuval, also with UNX, said people may be surprised to learn just how long many top cleaning



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Marquette Dewitt cleans and disinfects an elevator outside the Corvus Janitorial offices.

**"People who are symptomatic, if they're touching things or coughing on things, those are the things that you want to disinfect more regularly."**

— Erica Marie Hartmann, an assistant professor at Northwestern University

products must sit — five or 10 minutes is not uncommon. But consumers should be reassured that if they allow a chemical to sit according to instructions, the claim on the front of a product bottle should be achieved. Each product is tested by the Environmental Protection Agency to ensure it does what it says and the instructions have been vetted for accuracy.

"We can't even change the font on the label unless the EPA approves it," Clements said.

Joe Rubino, a microbiologist and the director of research and development for Reckitt Benckiser, the parent company of the brand that makes Lysol products, said "sanitize" is another term people also often use incorrectly.

"Cleaning is basically removing dirt and soil. You're going to remove some of the bacteria but not all of them," he said. "Disinfecting is a

very high level of germ kill, or greater than 99.99%, and you'd really need a few more 9s. Sanitization is another level, the somewhat lower level of 99.9%."

FormyDuval, who teaches hotel housekeepers best practices, said people can wrongly assume if they use a product for any length of time, they're going to achieve the efficacy advertised.

When teaching, FormyDuval said he talks about the elements needed to disinfect, which include time, agitation and heat. Agitation is how hard a person must scrub to remove soap stains or grime from surfaces.

"I tell them that just by changing up the routine a little, starting by spraying your chemicals in the bathroom, you can move on to the living portion of the room while you let it sit. When you come back to the shower, it takes less elbow grease, less physical activity to remove any scum, so you're actually saving time," FormyDuval said.

Using the same principle at home, he suggested residents spray a chemical in the kitchen, then spray a chemical in the bathroom, select separate towels for each space and head back to the kitchen, leaving each product to sit for the appropriate time. The different rags are so you don't introduce bathroom germs into the kitchen, or vice versa. Likewise, in the bathroom, it's best to start at the top and work your way down to the floor.

Erica Marie Hartmann, an assistant professor at

Northwestern University, said not every surface needs to be disinfected every time, but it's a good idea for frequently touched spaces, particularly if sharing a home with someone displaying COVID-19 symptoms.

"People who are symptomatic, if they're touching things or coughing on things, those are the things that you want to disinfect more regularly, such as the nightstand, the door handle or whatever they're commonly interacting with," Hartmann said. "There are, depending on the surface, tens of billions of microbes."

When they're done using cleaning chemicals, people may be tempted to "wipe away" residue with a wet rag, which is unnecessary because the EPA has determined the chemical is safe to leave behind. But it also won't prevent or undo disinfection, Rubino said.

"There are a lot of additives to cleaners that can be harmful to health, including endocrine disruptors," said Dr. Susan Buchanan, a University of Illinois at Chicago environmental medicine specialist. "At this time when we're trying to fight an outbreak, though, those concerns tend to take a back burner."

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention also has a list of recommended products to disinfect against COVID-19, as well as the necessary contact time for each product.

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## U of I financial hit 'significant and growing'

Room and board student refunds likely to hit \$37M

By ELYSSA CHERNEY

Illinois' largest public university expects it will cost \$37 million to provide room and board refunds to students who left campus early because of the coronavirus outbreak — and additional reimbursements might be on the way.

While the University of Illinois System also projects that canceled events and postponed medical treatments could cost the school \$17 million and \$15 million, respectively, the refunds for students represent the single largest expense, according to Avijit Ghosh, chief financial officer and comptroller.

"In general, the (financial) impact is broad, significant and ongoing," Ghosh said Thursday during a virtual meeting with the board of trustees' executive committee. "We have incurred a significant amount of ... expenses as we have converted academic programs to online education and remote teaching and adapted everybody to remote work."

The outlook, which Ghosh stressed should only serve as an initial estimate, offers the first glimpse of the pandemic's financial toll on higher education in Illinois. One area school, MacMurray College in Jacksonville, has already announced it will close for good, in part because of economic strain from the crisis.

Nearly all of the 89,000 students enrolled at U. of I. campuses in Urbana-Champaign, Chicago and Springfield have moved home to finish their semesters online since the COVID-19 crisis escalated last month. Those who lived in campus dorms or university-owned apartments were urged to leave and can have portions of their fees for housing and meal reimbursed.

About 600 students have remained in residence halls in Chicago and 500 in Urbana-Cham-

paign, according to school chancellors.

Chancellors also indicated that more relief could be provided to students in the near future.

Susan Koch, chancellor of the Springfield campus, said she is "anticipating some additional refund decisions." She did not elaborate on what the refunds would cover.

"We have provided prorated refunds for housing and dining where appropriate and are examining other refunds," she told trustees.

University of Illinois at Chicago Chancellor Michael Amiridis said he was also reviewing whether to offer more refunds for service fees. A school spokeswoman said that could include costs for recreation, student centers, student programming and athletics.

Though unanticipated costs will continue to mount throughout the pandemic, U. of I. stands to gain a portion of the \$14 billion set aside for struggling colleges and universities in the recently passed CARES Act.

Ghosh said some reports suggested U. of I. would receive \$60 million of the federal stimulus money, which is being allocated by the U.S. Department of Education based on total enrollment and the percentage of low-income students.

But it's not clear when that money will be distributed, and estimates could change.

"We hope Congress will provide adequate support to universities to overcome the unique challenges we are facing," Ghosh said. "The \$14 billion provided to higher education, the CARES Act, is a start, but not adequate to support universities across the nation."

Also on Thursday, U. of I. at Urbana-Champaign announced that courses would continue as online only for the summer session. Study abroad programs for the summer had already been canceled.

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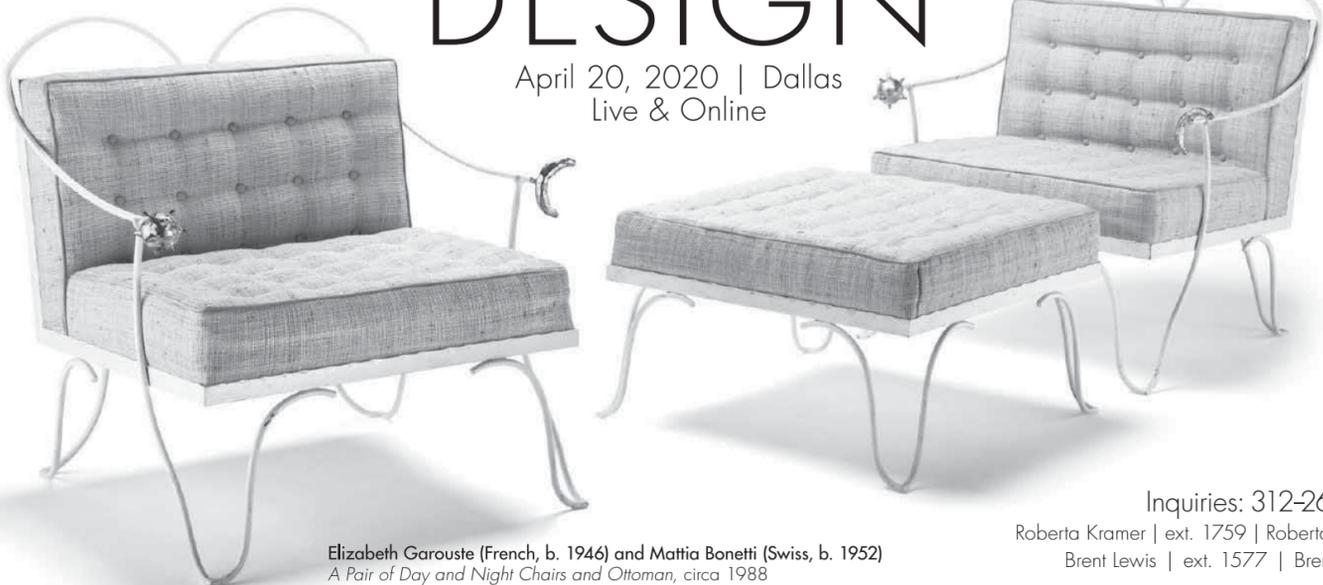
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# New city test sites open in Pilsen, Roseland

Former location in Northlake moving operation to Joliet

BY ANGIE LEVENTIS LOURGOS

New COVID-19 testing sites have launched in the city's Roseland and Pilsen neighborhoods, and a drive-up is location coming to the parking lot of a Walmart in southwest suburban Joliet.

A South Side hospital has also begun offering priority coronavirus testing for first responders.

Walmart announced Friday that the company is closing a drive-up coronavirus testing site in the parking lot of its west suburban Northlake store and moving the operation to southwest suburban Joliet.

The big box retailer said in a news release that the relocation was prompted by the state recently opening a COVID-19 testing site at Forest Preserve Drive on the Northwest Side of Chicago. The Illinois National Guard on Monday began screening health care workers and first responders for coronavirus on a former vehicle emissions testing center in that area, about 8 miles from Northlake.

At the new Joliet site, testing will serve first responders and health care workers who present with coronavirus symptoms or have been exposed to the new virus, as well as patients over 65 who are exhibiting symptoms, the news release said.

"We are proud to have filled a gap in testing and



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Health care workers administer COVID-19 tests Friday at Roseland Community Hospital.

helped the government extend COVID-19 testing in Chicago," the company said in a news release. "We appreciate the city of Northlake for their support, and we look forward to continu-

ing to serve Joliet."

On the Chicago's South Side, the new Roseland Community Hospital is now offering drive-thru COVID-19 screenings for local residents. Testing began Wednesday,

and approximately 30 Chicago police officers were the first to be screened, the hospital said in a news release. The hospital is distributing protective masks to every police officer in the 5th District who needs one, according to the news release. On the city's Southwest Side, UI Health on Monday launched a COVID-19 clinic at its Pilsen Family Health Center Lower West.

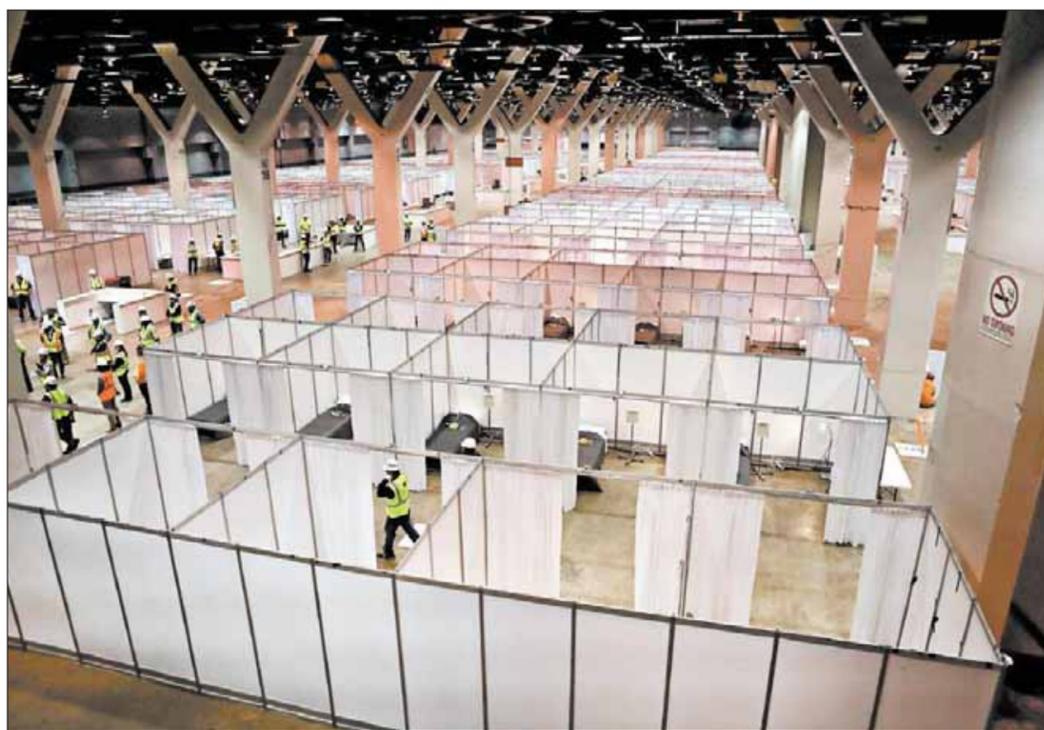
"This site is by appointment only, but it is a controlled space where patients with mild symptoms can seek clinical care and be evaluated for COVID-19," the hospital system said in a news release.

Rush University Medical Center on Friday announced it's providing priority coronavirus testing for Chicago police, firefighters,

emergency responders and military personnel, including members of the Illinois National Guard.

"We know our first responders face greater risk of coming into contact with the novel coronavirus by the nature of their work," said Richa Gupta, senior vice president and chief operating officer, in a written statement. "We want to support our police, firefighters, paramedics and military personnel by ensuring they have access as quickly as possible to COVID-19 testing when they find they have any of the symptoms. Doing so also will help protect the people they are serving and help slow the spread of the virus."

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Construction workers put the finishing touches Friday on Hall C Unit 1 of the COVID-19 alternate site at McCormick Place.

## Masks

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uted to the coronavirus, Ezike said.

There were 23 deaths in Cook County, three in Kane, two each in DuPage and Will, and one each in Jackson, Kankakee and Lake Counties, the state health department reported. The age of those who died ranged for a Cook County man in his 20s to a DuPage County woman who was more than 100 years old, the department said.

"The number is sobering and reminds us that it's critical that we all do our part," Ezike said. "The more cases means the more hospitalizations. The more hospitalizations means more deaths."

Responding to a question about the COVID-19 deaths of two Walmart workers in Evergreen Park, Pritzker said he is encouraging "the essential workforce and the essential businesses that are open to all take care of themselves."

"The businesses themselves, they know that their workers are vital," he said. "Many of the businesses in fact have increased pay for people coming to work because they know how vital

these folks are and want to give them an additional incentive."

Pritzker said he didn't want to try to put too fine a point on when the spread of the virus in Illinois might hit its peak, "because they're all put together by experts at modeling and statistics, and so they can be a little off."

"But certainly I would say that most of the models I have seen, and there are a number out there, say that we will peak somewhere between the middle and the end of April," he said.

The governor cautioned against getting too invested in hitting the peak, saying it's important mostly to help plan how to deal with the health care needs of those who are sick.

"And as we move toward it, you've seen the numbers that we report every day. You know, on one day you feel a little hopeful. On another day, it feels like we're going backward," he said. "And so it's very hard to tell, you know, what's actually happening unless you look at it over a time series."

"And unfortunately over a time series, as you see we're climbing the number of people who have it, the number of people who are passing away. And so I don't want to predict on a certain day that we're going to hit a

peak, but I will say that it's very important for us to track this. And the reason it's important to track it is, obviously it helps us determine what to do with patients who are in certain conditions," he said.

Pritzker noted that tracking the numbers helps in deciding when to transfer patients to beds at McCormick Place and when medical providers may need to begin creating overflow intensive care beds, for example.

Pritzker and Mayor Lori Lightfoot on Friday toured McCormick Place, where the first 500 of an eventual 3,000 beds have been set up at the sprawling lakefront convention center in anticipation of a possible crush of COVID-19 cases that could overwhelm Chicago-area hospitals.

The McCormick Place alternate care facility is planned to hold patients who mostly have mild symptoms and don't require intensive care.

The governor said the total number of such off-site beds should exceed 4,000 statewide in the next two weeks, with around a thousand in Cook County and about 250 in various Downstate locations, in addition to those at McCormick Place.

The Illinois National Guard has identified space for "thousands of potential beds" for coronavirus patients in field hospitals throughout the state, according to a spokesman and a member of the team tasked with assessing mostly vacant hospitals for alternate locations.

"Not all of those potential sites are actually feasible in other ways," Lt. Col. Bradford Leighton said, adding renovations, fiscal and legal questions can limit the actual number of beds ultimately readied. "It's not like you go into the space, turn the lights on and you have the beds."

Also Saturday, Pritzker noted the problems that are created locally when other states — including neighboring Iowa — don't have orders in place barring residents from leaving their homes for nonessential functions.

"I'm frustrated for the people in those states. I mean, I'm frustrated for us too," he said. "If you look at our border states who just went to stay at home, or haven't even gone to stay at home yet, it's obvious this has an effect on Illinois."

As he has for days, though, the governor reserved his strongest words for the federal government,

## Illinois coronavirus tracker

Data from Illinois Department of Public Health and Chicago Tribune reporting as of April 4.

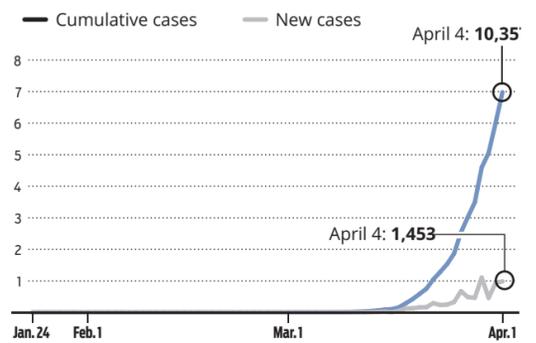
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### Reported coronavirus cases and deaths

Geography (Population)	Number positive tests	Rate per 100k residents	Deaths
Chicago (2.7M)	4,296	158.8	76
Suburban Cook (2.5M)	3,143	127	91
Lake (700,832)	683	97.5	12
DuPage (928,589)	590	63.5	18
Will (692,310)	582	84.1	11
Kane (534,216)	207	38.7	12
McHenry (308,570)	122	39.5	3
Kendall (127,915)	47	36.7	2

Note: 2018 population figures

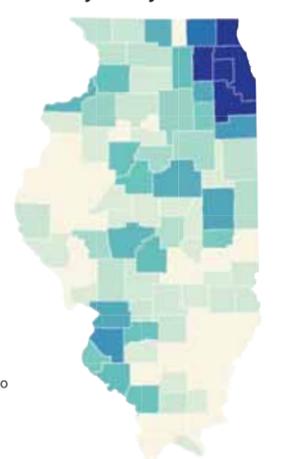
### Reported Illinois coronavirus cases: Daily vs. cumulative cases



### Reported Illinois coronavirus cases by county

- No cases
- 1 case
- Fewer than 10
- More than 50
- More than 100

Note: Total for all Illinois counties doesn't equal total Illinois cases because locations for all cases isn't known



SOURCES: Tribune analysis of state health and census data, Illinois Department of Public Health, Chicago Tribune reporting

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saying it has "abdicated its role in leadership in addressing this virus."

"Let me be clear, while we can talk about those individual states, this should have been the job of the federal government to give guidance to set orders

for the country," he said. "We know how this virus travels."

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# Cook County Jail staffers raise complaints about conditions, safety

BY MEGAN CREPEAU

Cook County Jail staffers don't have proper access to personal protective gear and hand sanitizer despite close contact with detainees in a facility where COVID-19 is spreading quickly, according to the correctional officers' union and attorneys who have represented jail staff — allegations the sheriff's office strenuously denies.

In one instance, an officer without protective gear escorted a detainee from the jail to the courthouse and back this week, only to realize upon return that the detainee had a confirmed infection, the union said. A few days later, officers opened a box of N95 respirators to find that the elastic that secures the mask to the

face had deteriorated, according to the union, leaving them unusable.

While much of the public concern over the jail as a coronavirus hot spot has centered around detainees, it is just as important to ensure that the staffers inside remain healthy, said Teamsters Local 700 Vice President Anthony McGee.

"The correctional officers are protecting society right now, not only from accused criminals that otherwise would be in our local neighborhoods, but they are also protecting them from this current pandemic that's taking place," McGee said. "They're housing these individuals on a daily basis, and they're in direct contact ... putting not only their lives in jeopardy, but

their families' lives as well."

Protective equipment, along with hand sanitizer and cleaning supplies, is readily available at the jail, according to the office. Sheriff Tom Dart has repeatedly denied allegations that conditions at the facility are unsanitary or inadequate.

"As has been said repeatedly, hand sanitizer, soap, bleach, cleaning supplies and PPE are available in every part of the jail," spokesman Matt Walberg said in a statement to the Tribune.

As of Tuesday, 141 detainees had tested positive at Cook County Jail, along with 25 employees of the sheriff's office. The facility has begun putting detainees in single cells to facilitate

social distancing, and opened up unused buildings to act as isolation and treatment centers for sick detainees.

Efforts to release detainees and help stem the disease's spread have led to an enormous drop in the jail population — a decrease of about 19% in the past three weeks.

But conditions behind the walls are "unconscionable, reflecting a disregard for human life," said attorneys who have represented jail staffers in unrelated litigation.

The attorneys made eyebrow-raising claims in a letter to Dart and Cook County President Toni Preckwinkle, claims that by their own admission they have not verified.

Among their accusations:

The thermometer guns used to check employees' temperatures were not meant for use on humans; that hand sanitizer has not been distributed to staff; that many detainees are often not actually placed in single cells; and that access to N95 respirator masks is spotty even for medical personnel.

Marni Willenson, one of the attorneys, told the Tribune that while the claims in the letter have not been checked out, she has no reason to doubt her clients' account of their conditions.

"Some of this is so basic," she said. "How can you not make sure you have hand sanitizer available to every employee in that facility when you need it?"

A statement from the sheriff's office said the ef-

fort was a "throw-the-kitchen-sink letter riddled with false allegations."

A letter in response from the sheriff's legal counsel reiterates that "massive amounts" of personal protective equipment and sanitizer are available, and that attorneys are undermining staffers' safety by "generating unreasonable fear during a viral pandemic instead of solving that fear through informative and complete decisions."

McGee, of the correctional officers' union, said they have stepped in to provide hand sanitizer to officers. But supplies are still inadequate, and personal protective gear is unevenly distributed, he said.

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## Supplies

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hospitals were reacting too slow," she said in Mandarin.

### Group chats turn into donation networks

Like many other Chinese immigrants, Xia heard first-hand about the severity of the coronavirus from family or friends of family. When news of the quarantine in Wuhan reached her, she was convinced the United States was in for something terrible the next few months.

As the community learned of Chinese medical equipment manufacturers shuttering and supplies dwindling, her WeChat group chat blew up with people asking how they could help the panicked hospital workers. WeChat group chats formed around the issue, and she found herself taking responsibility for two of them while remaining an active member of another.

Xia reached out to John Li, who was leading the charge of pivoting from international relief to domestic efforts in one of her WeChat groups. "I told him that soon, even if you have the money, you won't be able to buy medical supplies, especially ones that meet U.S. standards," she said.

They brainstormed how to acquire supplies — at one point, even exploring buying a vacated production facility in Vernon Hills and making the medical equipment themselves. But they realized that all the raw materials would have to come from China anyway. The best way, they decided, was to tap into the local Chinese community that understood the severe consequences of the virus.

Although segmented, some WeChat groups contain more than 200 members and grow by the dozens each day. The active members reach out to their own connections, who put out calls for donations, creating a wide network of Chinese



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A University of Chicago hospital employee, left, accepts masks donated by a grassroots group of Chinese Americans.

immigrants who are donating personal supplies, making small-batch orders and contributing financially.

Like Xia, Li was moved to act when the virus broke out in Wuhan. As time went on, his wife, who works at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, came home with increasingly distressing reports on the ability of the hospital to keep medical supplies stocked to protect workers treating infected patients.

"From what we've seen in China, this virus is very strong and its ability to transmit is very high. We've seen a lot of doctors get infected," he said in Mandarin. "If the doctors get infected, then we lose that level of protection and we won't be able to treat people ... The (health care professionals) are our top priority."

He switched his personal business operations to domestic relief efforts and tapped his business relationships with shipping and logistics companies to alert him if they had medical products they could send to the U.S. As a trusted member of his growing WeChat group, people sent him fi-

nancial donations to buy whatever supplies he could find. He estimates he's received more than \$30,000 on top of the tens of thousands of face masks and other medical equipment.

"Everyone has seen the seriousness of this situation and has been moved to help," Li said.

He's even received messages from people in China asking how they can contribute. Family members of people in Chicago paid for express shipping to send thousands of masks to the U.S., many of which will start arriving this month.

Since he became a main organizer, Li said he's only slept a few hours each night in order to coordinate donations. He believes the next two weeks will bring some of the most trying times to Chicago. But the ordered medical supplies will take another month or two to arrive, so he's encouraging people to donate now.

"To us right now, time is life," Li said. "Every moment is dedicated to gathering donations so we can save lives, so we're sending them as quickly as possible."

Li said he and a small

group he's put together filter the donations, making sure supplies are FDA-approved and conducting quality control, especially if they're coming from China.

"We're being really cautious about this because we're giving them to doctors," Li said. "If the quality is not good, then it will have a negative impact."

### 'Very, very touching moment'

University of Chicago Medicine said in a statement that it "has received numerous donations and overwhelming support from the Chinese American community, whose members have provided critical supplies, including thousands of masks, along with messages of gratitude."

Dr. Xinyan Lu, a professor of pathology and medical director of one of the clinical diagnostic laboratories at Northwestern Feinberg School of Medicine, said she is grateful to Li and the others because the last few weeks have been especially tough.

The school's Department of Pathology received hun-

dreds of N95 and surgical masks, a few dozen hospital gowns plus other miscellaneous items a few weeks ago. Since then, they've received hundreds more, including some Friday morning that are now in use.

"This is really heartwarming for the staff to see ordinary people contribute what supplies they can and donate their own masks," Lu said. "It's a very, very touching moment for the entire Chinese community to support our front lines and medical staff at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, we highly appreciate their support and are so grateful."

As the donations were ramping up, reports of verbal and physical attacks against people of Asian descent began popping up around the country. President Donald Trump kept referring to the coronavirus as the "Chinese virus."

"We were very angry," Li said. "As a Chinese American, I found it completely unacceptable. His words are putting us at risk. ... I think this president's language has caused great harm that is not short term, but long term."

Li hopes people will see that the Chinese community is doing everything it can to support local hospitals. "It's even more important for us to do what we're doing," he said. "We still want to do this because we love our country. We should protect our doctors and nurses so they can protect our patients."

Ray Chinese School began collecting donations nearly two weeks ago. The weekend Chinese language school serves more than a thousand students and functions as a community center for the Chinese immigrant community in the west suburbs.

"I cannot imagine another group that has a profound impact on so many families and could call hundreds of people and get donation items together," said Jie Su, chairperson on the board.

The school has received more than \$20,000 in donations as well as personal protection equipment, which it is donating to area hospitals. "We want to work together with everybody and get the message out that Chinese Americans are doing their best and trying their best with the situation," Su said.

It's a collective effort of the community, not just a single hero, said Xia. She stepped up to the delivery role because she saw a need that required swift action. "My thought process was very plain," she said. "If somebody is going to do it, it might as well be me."

She learned how to protect herself by reaching out to a friend who worked in health care and has grown accustomed to the container of plastic bags in the corner of her garage that she uses to discard disposable face masks after each drop-off. She's afraid of getting infected but said she's inspired by the enthusiasm of the community.

"I haven't thought about the question of when I'll stop" she said, before emphasizing again that she considers it a group effort. "There are a lot of ordinary heroes in the Chinese community."

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## Montgomery greenhouse loaded with lilies — with no place to go

BY DAVID SHAROS

Inside her warm greenhouses tucked away in Montgomery, Mary Ann Kutnick, 69, co-owner of Schaefer Greenhouses, has been busy with her staff nursing beautiful lilies the past three months in anticipation of Easter.

But this year, scores of churches that would normally buy the lilies to adorn their altars, or the individuals who would bring them home or give as gifts, aren't coming to the greenhouses due to the coronavirus pandemic.

"We're planning on running a sale and putting the lilies on discount, and I even have an email campaign going out," Kutnick said recently as she looked over rows and rows of plants. "We have the First Christian Church of Aurora coming in to get some for their Easter service that they are going to stream (online), but their order is only for 14 plants. Normally by now, at least a third of them are gone."

An order for 14 plants won't make a dent in the 10,000 lily plants staff say are growing on the premises from bulbs that were planted late last year.

"The bulbs have to be stored cold for six weeks and as soon as the poinsettias go out, the lilies come in," said Mike Schaefer, 63, of Aurora who is Kutnick's cousin and works as the production manager and grower. "You can't cancel orders, and we ordered these bulbs last April and they came in during October and here we are — all dressed up and nowhere to go."

Schaefer said the order for this year "was actually cut back a little" as the greenhouse is planning to offer "more vegetables and annuals" but the customer base for the annual lily sale



DAVID SHAROS/BEACON-NEWS  
The lilies raised by the staff at Schaefer's Greenhouses in Montgomery have double shoots.

isn't there.

"The churches and flower shops are closed and we're going to try and liquidate the lilies as best we can," he said.

Another cousin, garden center manager Brett Schaefer, 61, of Aurora, called Easter "an important season" and said he hopes at least some people will buy the lilies "if only to keep Easter in their minds and in their hearts."

"Easter is important but in terms of our business, Mother's Day is probably the biggest of the year and we don't know how that is going to go yet," he said. "As far as our greenhouse goes, we've been through adversity before. Some years ago, we had six feet of water in here and three years later the place burned down. We have come back."

The greenhouse business was launched back in 1926, Brett said, and to date has included five generations working at the facility.

Mike Schaefer said this year's crop of lilies was especially nice as smaller bulbs were sent which meant that two were planted in each pot.

"We got our bulbs from the Pacific Northwest and there are two shoots which means there will be double the amount of flowers," he said. "The only downside about that is the plants dry out a lot faster. We have to water them a couple of times a week."

Like other businesses, customers going to the greenhouse have slowed to a trickle with curbside service becoming the norm.

Despite the current stressful time, staff at the Schaefer Greenhouses have managed to find a silver lining.

"You come in here to work and you breathe the fresh air and you're reminded there is life beyond this most unbearable time," Brett said.

"People are so preoccupied right now and buying cut flowers is not something on the top of their mind," Kutnick said. "Mother's Day is our biggest time of the year and we're concerned about how the supply chain might be impacted. But people this time of year get excited and want to come out and look at flowers and begin to garden, which brings joy and happiness."

The co-owner of the greenhouse also thinks raising flowers and plants might just be the perfect antidote for those struggling with staying at home.

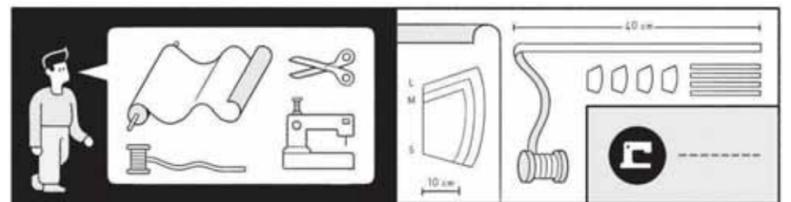
"Flowers also relieve stress and put people in good moods, and this is the kind of comfort we need now — we need to share the joy," Kutnick said.

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## How to make your own mask

Now that the CDC has recommended wearing masks, here are the supplies and steps to make your own. The pattern is available here: [bit.ly/nyt-mask-pattern](https://www.nytimes.com/2020/03/26/well/health/make-your-own-mask.html)

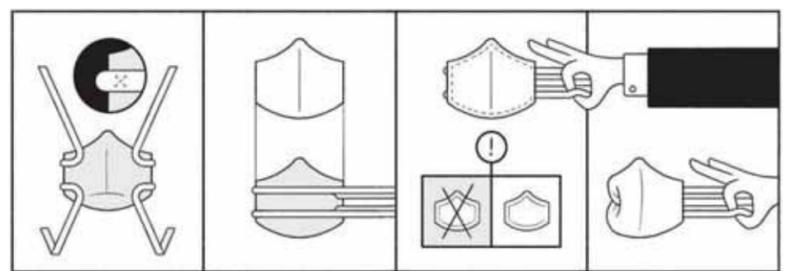
- You'll need scissors, sewing supplies and a breathable, tightly woven cotton fabric.



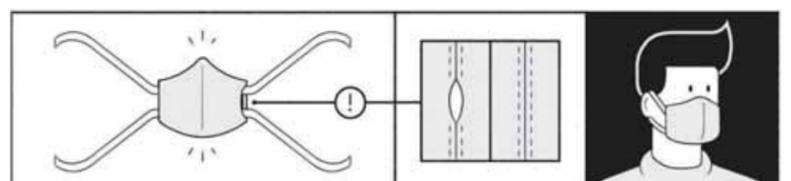
- Using the template, cut four pieces of fabric. Take two pieces and sew the curved side together, creating the front of the mask. Then do it again for the other two pieces of fabric, creating the back side of the mask.



- Now you will sew the ribbons. Place one side of the mask on the table, seam side down. Place a ribbon on each corner with the ends slightly peeking over the edges. Sew the ribbons in place. Pull all ribbons across the right side. Place the other mask on top, seam side up, sandwiching the ribbons. Sew the two masks together, leaving the area on the right side of the mask unsewn. Then turn the mask inside-out by pulling the ribbons through the unsewn hole.



- Now that the mask is reversed, sew the remaining gap closed. You're done!



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## PERSPECTIVE



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Priests conduct the sacrament of communion during a Sunday Mass on March 15 at the Cathedral of Saint Mary Catholic Church in Miami.

## Barring worship services in a pandemic is not religious persecution



STEVE CHAPMAN

With most Americans staying home as much as possible and avoiding other people like, well, the plague, it's surprising to learn that some churches are holding Sunday services to bring parishioners together to worship. Even more surprising, some states are letting them.

On Wednesday, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, who had refused to close the state's beaches to spring break revelers, finally issued a stay-at-home order. It exempts people who must venture outside to "obtain or provide essential services or conduct essential activities." High on his list of essential activities: "attending religious services conducted in churches, synagogues and houses of worship."

Most of the nation's clergy do not see packing pews as defensible, much less essential, during this pandemic. Most have shifted to virtual worship, so their members don't transmit or contract a disease that can kill. The faithful can also find spiritual suste-

nance in prayer, Bible reading or helping those in need.

But some religious believers have chosen to go on worshiping as they always have, and never mind the risk. A recent poll found that 17% of regular churchgoers are still showing up in person.

A pastor at an evangelical megachurch in Tampa, Florida, defied the local sheriff by holding Sunday services and was arrested for allegedly violating the county restrictions, but he says he may do it again on Easter.

Fire marshals in Brooklyn shut down a Hasidic Jewish wedding celebration that included more than 200 people. A Louisiana minister who ignored the state ban on gatherings of more than 50 people was cited on a misdemeanor charge.

"Never been more proud to be persecuted for the faith like my savior," responded Rev. Tony Spell. The Christians who were fed to the lions might say, "You call that persecution?" But saying Spell was persecuted for his faith is like saying the Unabomber was locked up for bad-mouthing capitalism.

Had Spell gathered all those people for a block party or a pep rally, he would have gotten the same summons. It's safe to say that neither the governor of Louisiana nor the local police chief has any desire to crucify Chris-

tians, even metaphorically. Being religious didn't get the pastor in trouble; it just didn't exempt him from following the law.

Other states have chosen to accommodate gross irresponsibility as long as it is carried out in the name of the almighty. Michigan, Ohio, Kansas and New Mexico have specifically allowed places of worship to hold gatherings above the number allowed in other settings.

Maybe some pastors think faith acts as a vaccine against this illness. Maybe some think the disease is no different from the flu. Then there is R.R. Reno, editor of the conservative Christian publication *First Things*, who seems intent on qualifying his faith for inclusion in *The Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders*.

"The massive shutdown of just about everything reflects the spirit of our age, which regards the prospect of death as the supreme evil to be avoided at all costs," he wrote in March. "In a time of pandemic — a time when Satan whips up in us all fears of isolation, abandonment, and death — churches must not join the stampede of fear."

I'm no theologian, but I'm pretty sure that if Satan exists, he (or she) is more than happy to see Christians crowd into churches during a pan-

demic. You would think a form of faith that regards itself as "pro-life" would not deliberately expose believers to the real possibility of needless death — or send those believers out to endanger others.

Religious lunacy is perfectly legal, but there's no reason that states should strive to give it a boost. Democratic Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer suggested that she had to exempt religious services to preserve the constitutional separation of church and state. She's wrong.

It's not a violation of religious freedom to require church buildings to comply with fire and safety codes that apply to other buildings. And it's no affront to the First Amendment to stop churches from amassing crowds in a way that endangers public health during an emergency.

If some pastors won't act to prevent disease, public officials should do it for them. "The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep," said Jesus of Nazareth. It's a bad shepherd who sees the wolf and pays no heed.

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## DON'T SHOOT THE MESSENGER

BY JOE "LOVE THE FAUCI AND GROUCHY PRESS BRIEFINGS!" FOURNIER

DR. TONY FAUCI EXPLAINS

I KNOW SOME PEOPLE DON'T WANT TO LISTEN TO ME, THAT BAD NEWS ISN'T EASY TO HEAR AND BELIEFS AND FAITH CAN BE MORE COMFORTING THAN SOBERING, SCIENTIFIC FACTS.



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# CHANGE OF SUBJECT

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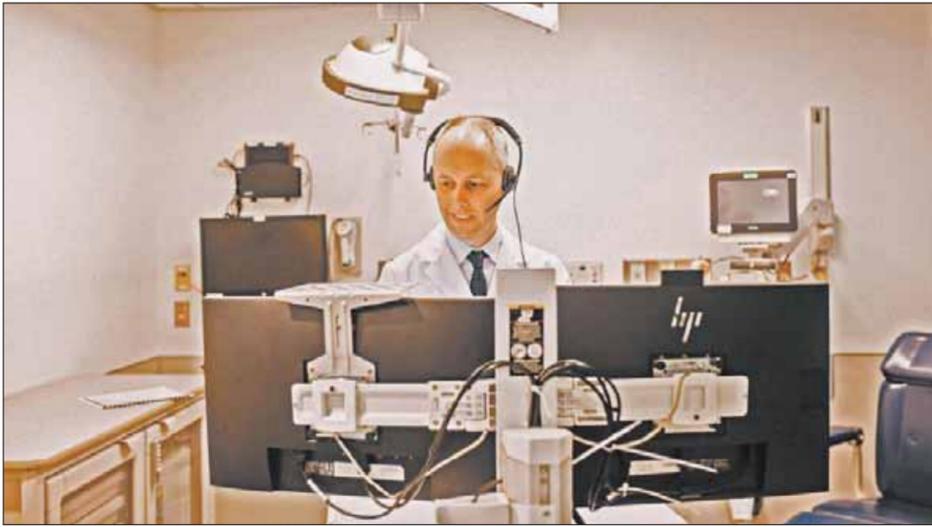
## Remote learning, telemedicine and Zoom show us the internet should be free

Never has the internet seemed so important. With so many of us ordered to stay at home in the effort to stem the spread of the coronavirus, the ability to work, go to school and consult with doctors remotely has gone from a luxury to a necessity. The ability to video chat and exchange instantaneous messages with friends, relatives, colleagues, businesses and government agencies has gone from a novel amusement to an integral means of staying connected during difficult, lonely, frightening times. And the ability to amuse ourselves with online entertainment during the dead hours has come to feel almost vital.

Taken together, these factors tell us it's time — well past time, in fact — that we recognize broadband internet access as so fundamental to the quality of modern life that government should provide it to everyone. As a basic social good, it's become more analogous to K-12 education, clean water, paved streets and postal service than to, say, subscription television, smartphones, automobiles or other things that are simply nice to have.

A 2019 survey by the Pew Research Center found that 73% of Americans have home broadband. Roughly half of those without said the cost was too high, while a similar percentage told Pew that their smartphones gave them all they needed.

But what we're seeing in this crisis is that smartphones, with their often costly internet data plans, aren't adequate for remote learning. A March Tribune/ProPublica Illinois report found that hundreds of households in the state's high-poverty census tracts do not have digital connections adequate for schoolwork. The Associated Press reported Tuesday that only 1% of households in impoverished Perry County in rural Alabama had "high-quality internet at home," making online lessons during a pandemic impossible.



Dr. Paul Casey takes video calls March 6 at Chicago's Rush University Medical Center.

In December, presidential hopeful Sen. Bernie Sanders, I-Vt., released a proposal to invest \$150 billion in providing universal access to broadband.

He said high-speed internet "must be treated as the new electricity — a public utility that everyone deserves as a basic human right."

Purists will quibble with the idea that internet access has become a "right." If you're among them, think of universal, free broadband, which is already offered in several countries and assorted American cities, as a smart investment in the future. Think of it as an infrastructure improvement, a metaphorical bridge to tomorrow. Internet for all will create jobs, increase our global competitiveness, enhance public health, safety and education, and act as a bulwark for such already-recognized rights as free speech and freedom of assembly.

The current crisis is making it clear that it's unfair bordering on immoral that we're not already there.

### Terms of Confinement

I move that we start using "C-19" as shorthand for COVID-19 (which is itself a truncation of "coronavirus disease 2019"). Yes, C-19 saves only one syllable — or four keystrokes — but given how often we're bound to be using it in the coming months, those savings will add up.

Does my motion have a second? None of the ways people are commonly referring to the "please stay home if you possibly can" era are particularly accurate. Lockdown and quarantine are the two most popular, but they significantly overstate the restrictions on movement, at least so far. I propose "the great distancing," but will gladly entertain other nominations.

Speaking of distancing, I alluded in a recent column to my preference for the term "physical distancing" over the far more currently prevalent term "social distancing" to describe the public health directive to attempt to stay at least 6 feet away from anyone

who isn't a member of your household or anyone you suspect might have C-19.

I'd seen others voice this complaint online, but for backup I went to one of the nation's premiere experts on interpersonal distancing, author and New York University professor Eric Klinenberg. Klinenberg's books include "Palaces for the People: How Social Infrastructure Can Help Fight Inequality, Polarization, and the Decline of Civic Life" (2018) and "Heat Wave: A Social Autopsy of Disaster in Chicago" (2002), in which he described how isolation contributed to an estimated 739 heat-related deaths here during a suffocating week of hot weather in July 1995.

"A lot depends on us making this change," Klinenberg said when I reached him by phone Friday at his home in New York. "To ask for 'social distancing' implies that we should go home and close our doors and turn our back on the people around us. That's precisely wrong. We need social connections, social solidarity, more than ever before. It's

feeling social solidarity that leads us to lend a hand to the most vulnerable people around us — the elderly, the homeless and those who are doing what we now call essential work, who are at enormous risk.

"Of course we need physical distancing to prevent the virus from spreading," Klinenberg said. "It's transmitted through physical contact. It's not transmitted through social bonds. And it's social closeness that will help us help each other through this and help us rebuild. So if we stigmatize social life through our terminology, if we praise individualism and just taking care of ourselves, we run the risk of making the problem even worse."

### A tip on tipping

If you can afford it, no pressure, you should tip restaurant carryout and delivery workers 30% during the great distancing. Yes, 20% is pretty much the standard restaurant tip and that's for full service. But these employees are struggling and they're risking their health with every point of contact. You will want them and the businesses they work for around when all this unpleasantness is over.

### Re: Tweets

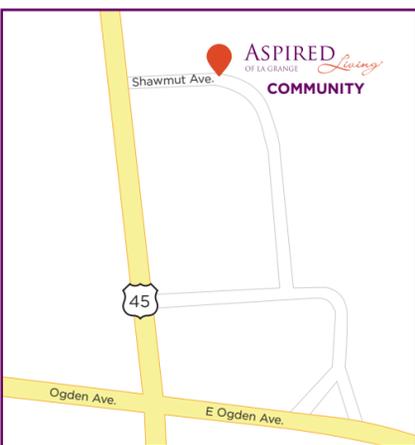
The winner of this week's reader poll to select the funniest tweet was, "If capitalism is so great, why does it need to be bailed out by socialism every 10 years?" by @CallForCongress. Running a close second was my personal favorite, "I'm working from home. But as a bartender," by @JessObsess.

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# CHICAGO FLASHBACK

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IN A FIRST FOR THE NATION, FORENSIC TECHNOLOGY LED TO 1910 MURDER CONVICTION

## HOW fingerprinting MADE CHICAGO FAMOUS

BY JOHN MARK HANSEN

In recent months, the public has read a series of astonishing — and also disquieting — stories about a relatively new forensic technology, the use of genetic databases to solve crimes. A hundred years ago, the amazing and troubling police technology of the time was fingerprinting — and its drama first played out here in Chicago.

In 1909, fingerprinting was new and fascinating to Chicagoans. In a Tribune profile, Edward Evans, an identification expert in the Police Department's Bureau of Identification, demonstrated the technique.

"Mr. Evans ... takes Mr. Crook by the finger and presses the digit upon a card. The result is an impression showing all the curves in the epidermis at the end of the finger — the little whorls that never change throughout life. ... The card is filed away with the 'mug,' as the police call the crook's picture."

"Some day it is possible that Chicago will have a big murder case in which the chief clew (sic) will be a bloody finger print on a window pane," the reporter marveled. "There is a good chance that the man who made the finger print will be identified by one of Mr. Evans' cards and the newspapers will have an unusual crime story."

"Some day" was not long in coming. Late one night in September 1910, Clarence Hiller confronted a robber who had invaded his Far South Side home and startled his daughters awake. He grappled with the man, and they both tumbled down the stairs. The intruder drew a gun and shot Hiller twice. He died at the scene at 1837 W. 104th St. Hiller was the chief clerk in the freight department of the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroad.

A short time later, police officers on patrol detained a winded African American man, his coat torn and bloodstained, at the streetcar stop at 103rd Street and Vincennes Avenue. They found a loaded revolver on him and arrested him. He gave his name as William Jones, and his address as 577 S. State St. At the South Englewood station, police connected him to the Hiller slaying. They also identified him as Thomas Jennings, a recent parolee.

At the Hiller home, investigators found the bullets, as well as soil the assailant had tracked into the house. On a recently painted porch railing, still tacky, they found prints from the fingers of a left hand. "Capt. (Michael) Evans took the section of porch railing to his office and there developed the finger prints. He ... found thirty-three similar points of identification" between those

### Have a Flashback idea?

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prints and Jennings' prints, the Tribune reported.

At Jennings' trial, Judge Marcus Kavanagh allowed the state to present the fingerprint evidence over the protest of Jennings' attorney, William Anderson, a prominent African American lawyer. Capt. Evans, Bureau of Identification superintendent and Edward Evans' father, testified that the prints on the railing matched the defendant's. The jury pronounced Jennings guilty of Hiller's slaying, marking "the first murder case on record in which the fingerprint system of identification was relied upon for a conviction" in the U.S., the Tribune wrote. The jury sentenced Jennings to death.

Capt. Evans was a Police Department veteran and an expert in criminal identification, having started his career as a police photographer capturing mug shots. Chicago was the second city in the world after Berlin to photograph suspects. In 1884, he devised a system to organize the photos and the accompanying records of identifying marks. The department created the Bureau of Identification, the first in the country, and made Evans the head of it.

Four years later, the bureau also adopted the Bertillon system, which recorded height and measurements of the cranium and face, the forearm, middle and little fingers, and the feet. In 1904, Evans sent his son Emmett, also a police investigator, to the World's Fair in St. Louis to learn the new technique of fingerprinting from experts from Scotland Yard. "I don't think it is any good but look and see," he said.

Emmett Evans returned enthusiastic about the method. His endorsement overcame his father's reluctance, and the City Council authorized the collection of fingerprints the following year. The Chicago Police Department was the first law enforcement agency in the United States to take prints. Capt. Evans soon came to believe in the technique. As a method of identification, he averred, fingerprinting was "infallible."

Judge Kavanagh agreed, the Tribune reported. "If the theory of the prosecution is right the slayer of Hiller left his photograph, also wrote his signature on the house he entered," he said, in admitting the fingerprint evidence against Jennings.

Others were not so convinced. In an editorial, The Washington Post called the Jennings verdict "an outrageous conviction." Setting "experts" and "evidence" in scare quotes, the Post concluded, "no man's life will be safe if the courts instruct juries to regard as conclusive the testimony of partisan 'experts' of handwriting, finger prints, brainstorm, and such nonsense." Concerned about the fairness of Jennings' conviction, the Chicago Defender reprinted the editorial.

Jennings appealed the verdict, challenging the validity of the fingerprint evidence. In 1911, in a ruling that stands as a landmark nationwide, the Illinois Supreme Court upheld the conviction. "Standard authorities on scientific subjects discuss the use of finger prints as a system of identification, concluding that experience has shown it to be reliable," the state's high court stated.

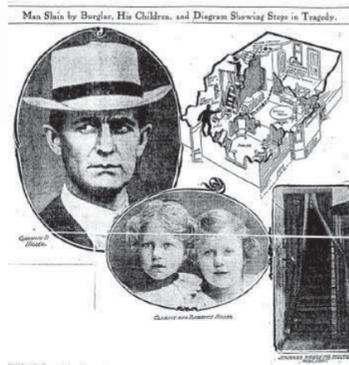
"The courts are justified in admitting this class of evidence," the court wrote in its opinion.

Jennings' appeals exhausted, Anderson and the anti-lynching activist Ida Wells-Barnett appealed to Gov. Charles S. Deneen for clemency, but to no avail. Jennings went to his death on the gallows at the Cook County Jail in 1912.

In the years after, reporters recalled the Jennings case from time to time, whenever fingerprint evidence figured in a new crime — as when police revealed that a print found at a murder scene in 1946 matched William G. Heirens, known as the "Lipstick Killer." Michael Evans led the Bureau of Identification until his death in 1931. His son Emmett succeeded him.



Capt. Emmett Evans, left, of the Chicago police Bureau of Identification, looks over pictures, fingerprints and arrest records for Al Capone in May, 1932. Judge Marcus Kavanagh, shown above in 1931, allowed the state to present fingerprint evidence at the Thomas Jennings trial in 1910.



A Sept. 20, 1910 newspaper clipping shows a photo of Clarence Hiller and his daughters, as well as the inside of the house where Hiller was murdered.

Forensic DNA analysis has recently thrown into doubt thousands of criminal convictions and exposed the fallibility of conventional methods of criminal identification. The reliability of eyewitness accounts, confessions, hair and fiber matches, and fire marks have all been called into question.

Now fingerprinting, the "infallible" evidence, is also under scrutiny. The reliability of visual "matches" of full, pristine prints collected by police to prints found at crime scenes, often partial or smudged, has never been scientifically established, the critics say. Perhaps the defenders of Thomas Jennings were well to be skeptical.

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## EDITORIALS

# A reformer, a crime fighter, a trust builder

David Brown, Chicago's next top cop, must be able to do it all

David Brown, expected to become the next Chicago police superintendent, will step into the job recognizing that not even a stay-home order to combat a global pandemic can stop the city's epidemic of street violence. Amid springlike weather on March 25, 12 people were shot and wounded in a flurry of outdoor incidents. For the year, homicides have increased 16% from 80 to 93. Shootings jumped 23%, from 336 to 414.

**What is Brown's vision for making Chicago a safer city?** We'll soon learn a lot more about the former Dallas police chief, named Thursday to the job by Mayor Lori Lightfoot. Brown will succeed Eddie Johnson, whom Lightfoot fired in December because she said he lied about the night he was found asleep in his vehicle.

The Chicago Police Department currently is led by interim Superintendent Charlie Beck, a former chief of the Los Angeles Police Department, who made it clear he would not be a candidate for the permanent position. Beck hasn't behaved like a temp. He reorganized CPD leadership and spoke honestly about the department's need to rebuild trust with Chicago's minority communities.

Beck saw that failing for what it was — a crisis of trust that left Chicago more vulnerable to crime because residents alienated by police won't share information with them.

Beck's performance as interim chief provides an excellent template for Brown to study: Take bold steps to reform the department, speak the truth and don't allow a focus on job security to get in the way of making hard decisions.

Brown, 59, was chosen by Lightfoot over two other finalists selected by the Chicago Police Board. He spent 30 years with the Dallas force until retiring in 2016. That year, in a horrific incident, five Dallas officers were shot to death by a sniper. Brown's team tried to negotiate an end to the standoff, but the chief resolved it by directing his force to use a remote-controlled robot loaded with explosives to blow up the gunman. To storm the position would have put officers in grave danger, Brown said.

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**Bring to bear your talents and embrace your outside perspective, Chief Brown.**

Brown won praise for steady leadership literally under fire. The Dallas Morning News named him a 2016 finalist for Texan of the Year. But he's not simply a law-and-order police chief. The Dallas newspaper editorialized that Brown, who is African American, made significant efforts to improve relations between police and minority residents. He emphasized de-escalation tactics when possible and increased use of body cameras and dashcam videos.

**Different eras of Chicago policing call for different skill sets** in a superintendent. Brown will face an especially complex assignment: running a department operating under a federal con-

sent decree that is designed to lock in broad reforms, and reverse patterns of police misconduct in a city plagued by gun violence. That means the next top cop needs to be a reformer and a crime fighter who can earn the trust of Chicago and CPD's 13,000-strong force.

True, that broad job assignment might seem generic for any big city police chief — except the current situation in Chicago is unprecedented. The mayor and superintendent tasked with reforming police training, supervision and accountability are answerable to a federal judge via that consent decree, plus the city's soon-to-be-established civilian police oversight board.

Both are legacies of the 2014 police shooting of Laquan McDonald. And both require the next superintendent to perform superbly under constant scrutiny.

Add another complication: The nation, and public safety employees in particular, are gripped by the pandemic of the coronavirus. Lightfoot on Thursday announced the tragic death of Chicago police Officer Marco DiFranco due to coronavirus complications. Earlier this week, more than 800 police department employees were out sick, roughly 6% of the entire department.

We have reason to believe that Lightfoot, a former president of the Police Board, has made an excellent choice in naming Brown to the job. His combination of skills and personal experiences give him extraordinary insight into all aspects of urban policing, community relations and trust-building. In 2010,

Brown's son, who was bipolar, shot and killed a suburban Dallas police officer and was killed by responding police. This happened soon after Brown became Dallas' chief, requiring him to earn the trust of his force's 3,500 officers at a fraught moment.

**Whenever a new superintendent is chosen**, the question arises of whether to name someone within the department who understands this city, or an outsider who brings a fresh perspective. It's a debate that should be resolved one way: pick the best candidate for the job and the times. Lightfoot has made her decision.

Our best advice to the selected candidate? Bring to bear your talents and embrace your outside perspective, Chief Brown. Chicagoans need to experience a new era of effective, responsible policing right away. Courage and creativity will be required.

## WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

The elite of self-appointed experts offers weirdly detailed and specific agendas: This new tax will raise precisely X billion dollars; this health care tweak will insure Y number of people; this climate plan will eliminate Z tons of carbon emissions by this particular date.

Tens of millions of ordinary people have noticed, through examples large and small, that this is a bunch of bull hockey.

The experts did not, in fact, know that Saddam Hussein had weapons of mass destruction. Democracy did not, in fact, flower in Afghanistan and Iraq. Big data has not made health care cheaper and more efficient, as the experts predicted, and the rising tide of wealth in America has not lifted the boats of every worker. A college education has not been a ticket to prosperity for those whose student loan debt persists long after they've graduated.

So many promises, so many forecasts, have proved to be built on faulty assumptions — and yet they just keep coming.

How rich of us to complain about the lack of specifics in the Sanders health plan, or the impracticality of Trump's border wall. The establishment, not the insurgents, discredited expertise.

**David Von Drehle, The Washington Post**

## Lightfoot needs to face fiscal reality

During an emergency, there is no excuse for wishful thinking. Straight talk about harsh facts is essential. The coronavirus pandemic is a full-fledged calamity that Illinois will be grappling with for months to come. Our elected officials need to be candid about the scale of the crisis and its grim consequences for local and state finances.

On March 12, Mayor Lori Lightfoot said she was not worried about the likely fiscal consequences. "We feel very comfortable with where we are both as an economy writ large but also in terms of revenue sources for the city of Chicago," she said. That was before the full scope of the coming shutdown was apparent.

Since then, countless stores and businesses have shut down. Others have lost most of their customers. Convention and hotel revenue in Chicago has plummeted. Yet Lightfoot bristles at the notion that the city is in for a budget squeeze. Really?

In an April 2 Tribune opinion piece, "Chicago needs a wartime financial plan, now," former Chicago Public

Schools CEO and onetime city budget director Paul Vallas warned that the city "is facing a code red financial meltdown." An array of revenue sources, he noted, are bound to come up short in the coming months.

It's true. A sharp slowdown in shopping for nonessential goods means sales tax collections will fall. Hotel taxes don't come in when rooms are empty. Amusement taxes apply to all sorts of entertainment, from concerts to Cubs games, that are on hiatus. But Lightfoot took offense at the warning from her 2019 election rival, who later endorsed her, calling him "foolish." She said Wednesday, "It's too early to know what, if any, impact" the crisis will have on the city budget.

"If any?" She might want to reexamine her own 2020 Budget Overview, which, among other things, says its revenue estimates "assume modest growth in business and leisure activity, as well as ongoing revenue growth derived from consumer sharing technologies, such as ride-share services." Business and leisure activity have

sharply declined, leaving ride-share drivers starved for passengers. The Tribune reported Friday that Uber halted its renovations at The Old Post Office. Say it ain't so. The project symbolized Chicago's boom economy.

The real estate property transfer tax was supposed to bring in \$202 million this year, but home sales have plunged. That projection assumed the state would give Chicago the power to raise taxes on high-end real estate transfers, which didn't happen.

Pritzker has been more realistic about the state budget he proposed in February, before the crisis had unfolded. "It will be a vastly different budget," he said last week, partly because of a "revenue shortfall." Things will be particularly hard because, with its chronic budget deficits and vast pension liabilities, Illinois already has the worst credit rating of any state.

A couple of months ago, nobody could have predicted such a sudden economic bust and fiscal collapse. Now that they're here, our leaders need to face them head-on.

## PERSPECTIVE



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Director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases Dr. Anthony Fauci looks on as President Donald Trump speaks during a March 20 news briefing.

## Solid science, and Dr. Fauci, are essential during this pandemic



CLARENCE PAGE

A few decades ago, I noticed that my aging father, who loathed all jewelry besides his wedding ring, was wearing a copper bracelet.

"It's supposed to be good for aches and pains," he muttered, sounding a bit less than convinced of its alleged powers.

"You know that's probably not going to do you any good," I said, seizing this golden opportunity to show that his help with my college costs had not gone to waste.

"Well," he said with a shrug, "it's probably not going to do me any harm either."

Also true. As I later confirmed through a little library research, there is scant evidence of any medicinal impact of copper bracelets, except perhaps turning your wrist green.

Unfortunately, not all such disputes over alleged wonder cures are so easily resolved.

The rise of the coronavirus pandemic in our American age of social networks and sociopolitically polarized everything has led to an explosive

mix of facts, falsehoods, rumors, snake oil sales and paranoid alternative realities, all preying on public fear and desperation.

Although this is hardly the first time that an information crisis has broken out within a larger, sweeping public health crisis, one is hard-pressed to recall one in which the nation's president is this deeply supportive of the untested miracle cure side of the debate as President Donald Trump has been.

The contrast came into full public view at the president's March 20 daily coronavirus press briefing when reporters asked about chloroquine, a drug typically used for malaria that Trump touted earlier in the week as a possible treatment for COVID-19, the disease caused by the virus.

After Trump praised chloroquine again, Dr. Anthony Fauci, the widely respected head of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, politely stepped up to the microphones to caution that evidence supporting chloroquine as safe and effective against COVID-19 is thin and anecdotal until clinical trials can be conducted.

It's hard to argue with Fauci, who has held his post through administrations of both parties since the early 1980s. But Trump stepped back up to give it a try.

"I'm probably more of a fan of that

— maybe than anybody," he said. "But I'm a big fan, and we'll see what happens. We all understand what the doctor (Fauci) said is 100% correct: It's early. But I have seen things that are impressive. We'll see. We're gonna know soon."

I have often said that if I ever write a book on Trump's presidency, the perfect title might well be, "We'll See What Happens." It seems to be his most-used conversational closer, regardless of the topic. But this time he continued: "I feel good about it. That's all it is: Just a feeling. I'm a smart guy."

Right. As my copper bracelet-wearing dad used to say, whenever somebody tells you how smart they are, they probably aren't.

Still, Trump capped it off in familiar fashion: "I've been right a lot. Let's see what happens."

Yes, let's. Unfortunately, there are a lot of people who don't want to wait.

Dr. Vladimir Zelenko, a New York family doctor, got this national conversation started after treating people with coronavirus-like symptoms with an experimental treatment that includes the anti-malarial medication hydroxychloroquine, a less-toxic derivative of chloroquine.

Sean Hannity, Fox News host and close Trump friend, promoted Zelenko's claims on his TV and radio shows. Mark Meadows, incoming White House chief of staff, called

Zelenko to get more information. Rudy Giuliani also praised him in a podcast interview, and Trump began to promote it as "very effective" and possibly "the biggest game changer in the history of medicine," despite the lack of proper testing and research to support that.

Still, self-described "smart guy" Trump has been smart enough to keep Fauci on his coronavirus task force, despite some loony claims by paranoid right wing and, I would argue, anti-science conspiracy theorists.

The wing nuts suspect or claim to suspect Fauci, a leading expert and advocate of social distancing, is secretly trying to undermine Trump's reelection chances. In fact, he's a major asset in Trump's effort to stop the virus and keep his job.

But don't expect rational thinking from the paranoid right or left. The threats have led to Fauci's receiving enough death threats to be assigned enhanced personal security. Asked about it, he bravely shrugged off the threats and security as an unfortunate part of his job. But he deserves better. Much better.

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### VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

#### Memories of John Prine

Thanks for that great commentary by Mark Guarino on John Prine ("While John Prine battles coronavirus, Chicago cheers for an encore," April 3). It certainly brought back a lot of memories — especially of the Earl of Old Town. I lived on the third floor above the tavern for a time. With the tavern on the first floor and my good friends performing there, and the 43rd Ward Republican headquarters on the second floor, there was nobody to disturb the hootenannies at my place. (The Republican stronghold on the second floor was populated very infrequently in King Paddy Bauler's blue-collar ward.)

I had introduced Ray Tate to the staff at the Old Town School of Folk Music, then at North and Sedgwick. Ray wrote a wonderful remembrance of John Prine's public debut at The Bulls on Armitage after a "School" session. Can't remember where I read it.



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE 2016

Singer-songwriter John Prine has been hospitalized since late March because of COVID-19.

Wish there was room to retell it here. I was ahead of the curve in Old Town and had moved on by Jan. 1, 1970, when a leather shop I was associated with blew up and made me homeless.

Here's hoping for a full recovery for John. I need to discuss my own memoirs of those times with him.

— Simon Stanfield, Indianola, Iowa

#### Commander cared about his crew

I'm a Navy Vietnam War veteran. I mention Vietnam because even though I was an enlisted man, prevailing attitudes were and are pervasive from the top (commander in chief) down. In Vietnam, games were played at the top with body counts and Pollyanna war updates, even though the troops knew better. Skip ahead 50 years, and we have a president lying to the American people about the COVID-19 virus: about virus magnitude, testing, personal protective equipment, ventilators, etc.

As commander in chief, he has belittled generals and interfered with internal military matters regarding a rogue SEAL, which resulted in the firing of the Navy secretary because he made public the interference.

In this environment, Capt. Brett Crozier of the USS Theodore Roosevelt made public that the COVID-19 virus was starting to entrench itself among his crew. He went public because he put his crew's well-being above his career. He probably felt he had to go public because of the prevailing "misinformation/denial"

environment at the top. Because of this brave action, he was removed from command. Shame on the powers that be. I would go to war with Capt. Crozier any day.

— Steve McCoy, Lincolnshire

#### Trump reviled, no matter what

This is a very dangerous time. The current crisis that we are facing is daunting enough. But not only are we fighting the coronavirus, but we are also struggling against an imposed fear, pessimism and despair, fostered by some for political reasons.

For the most part, national crises were met with unity of purpose. We came together to defeat the enemy regardless of our differences. This crisis is different. It almost seems that there are those fomenting discord, in the hope that a prolonged pandemic can be used to discredit President Donald Trump's competency.

It's apparent that the president and his team have been working tirelessly in not only combating the virus and treating those infected, but also keeping all citizens and the economy itself afloat. It is heartbreaking to see

whatever he does reviled for political gain. This is not only discouraging; it's also frightening.

— Gary Ziolkowski, Crown Point, Indiana

#### Thoughts on city's new police boss

In the mid- to late '90s, I was fortunate enough to be a SWAT commander for the Dallas Police Department. David Brown was one of the supervisors within my unit, and he constantly strove to improve himself, as well as those with whom he worked. I won't offer opinions or personal feelings of my own or others, but instead will tell you what I know to be factual. David is a man of integrity and honesty who cares deeply about those he works with and the community he serves. He is not swayed by intimidation or opinions and stands up for what he believes is right.

I am grateful that I had the opportunity to know and work with David and am confident that Chicago has made an excellent choice to lead its department. To your city, and to David, I offer prayers for only the best.

— John D. Hancock, retired police lieutenant, McKinney, Texas



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-Maurice Smith, President, HCSC

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## CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

# Trump says 'toughest' weeks ahead

US infections top 308,000 with more than 8,300 deaths

BY KEVIN FREKING AND COLLEEN LONG  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump on Saturday returned to the idea of opening up the country's economy as soon as possible, even as he said the United States was heading into what could be its "toughest" weeks as coronavirus cases swell nationwide.

"There will be a lot of death, unfortunately. There will be death," Trump said in a somber start to his daily briefing at the White House.

Joining Trump were Vice President Mike Pence, virus task force coordinator Dr. Deborah Birx and Dr. Anthony Fauci, the U.S. government's foremost infection disease expert. Each stood far apart from one another on the small stage.

The president initially had suggested the country could reopen by Easter but pulled back after seeing projections of a staggering death toll even if restrictive measures remain in place. But just days after extending tough national guidelines through the end of April, starting down historic levels of unemployment and economic standstill, he was talking about opening up the country again.

"This country was not designed to be closed," he said. "The cure cannot be worse than the problem."

The number of confirmed cases in the country topped 308,000 Saturday with the death toll climbing



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Funeral home workers arrive to pick up a body Saturday at a hospital in the Brooklyn borough of New York City.

past 8,300, according to a tally by Johns Hopkins University. More than 3,500 of U.S. deaths are in New York. The global total of confirmed cases reached nearly 1.2 million with more than 64,000 deaths Saturday.

Much of the country is under orders to stay home, but eight states have not issued stay-at-home orders. Those states, all led by Republican governors, are Arkansas, Iowa, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Carolina, South Dakota, Utah and Wyoming.

But health officials offered some hope that social distancing measures were working. Fauci said he saw social distancing efforts as

he went out for a walk in Washington, D.C., and saw people waiting six feet apart for restaurant take out.

"As sobering and a difficult as this is, what we are doing is making a difference," Fauci said.

Trump suggested that some states were asking for more medical supplies than they really needed. He said the goal was to stay several days ahead of critical medical needs in each state.

"The fears of the shortages have led to inflated requests," he said.

Louisiana officials have said New Orleans is on track to run out of ventilators by next week.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo, D-

NY, whose state is at the epicenter of the national pandemic with over 113,700 confirmed cases as of Saturday, has pleaded for ventilators for days and lambasted what he has said is insufficient help from the federal government. New York is poised to get 1,000 ventilators from China and 140 from Oregon.

"We're all in the same battle here," Cuomo said. "And the battle is stopping the spread of the virus."

Trump on Saturday continued to tout hydroxychloroquine, a drug long used to treat malaria, rheumatoid arthritis and lupus, after small preliminary studies suggested it might

help prevent the coronavirus from entering cells and possibly help patients clear the virus sooner.

But the drug has major potential side effects, especially for the heart, and large studies are underway to see if it is safe and effective for treating COVID-19.

Trump suggested he may consider whether he should start taking the drug, even though he's not been diagnosed. Some studies are testing whether hydroxychloroquine can help prevent infections in health care workers, but none has suggested that others, such as the president, should take it to prevent infection.

Before the briefing,

House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., criticized the decision by Trump to nominate "one of his own lawyers," as an inspector general overseeing federal aid during the coronavirus recovery.

Pelosi said the watchdog monitoring "this historic relief package for workers and families must be independent from politics."

Trump nominated Brian Miller to the Treasury Department watchdog post. He currently serves as a special assistant to the president and as senior associate counsel in the White House.

Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin is overseeing the government package that aims to shovel \$2.2 trillion into the economy over the next few weeks to try to cushion the fall. The assistance includes \$349 billion in loans for small businesses and a \$500 billion corporate rescue fund.

The legislation signed by Trump last week created the special inspector general position as well as a panel appointed by Congress to monitor how the aid is deployed.

Pelosi said Trump is disregarding provisions in the act that would hold the administration accountable. She said a new House committee on the virus response would work to ensure "taxpayer dollars are being used wisely and efficiently to help workers and not to be exploited by profiteers and price-gougers."

For most people, the new coronavirus causes mild or moderate symptoms that clear up in two to three weeks. But for others, it can cause more severe illness and death.



STEVE RUARK/AP

The Rev. Alvin J. Gwynn Sr. of Friendship Baptist Church in Baltimore said police tried to halt services March 29 even though he had limited in-person attendance to 10 people.

## Limits on gatherings spark clash over religious freedom

BY ELANA SCHOR  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Despite state and local limits on public gatherings, some faith leaders have persisted in holding in-person services — a matter of religious freedom, they say, as the nation observes its fourth Sunday battling the coronavirus pandemic.

The most high-profile clash over in-person worship — and crowd limits designed to stop the virus' spread — came in Florida, where Pastor Rodney Howard-Browne was arrested last week for violating a county order by hosting a large number of congregants at his Tampa church.

Howard-Browne said after his release he would move future worship online, but the county later ended its effort to apply limits on large gatherings to religious services after a statewide order described religious gatherings as essential.

Law enforcement officials in Louisiana and Maryland took separate actions last week against pastors who continue to hold in-person services in the face of stay-home orders in

most states.

But more than a half-dozen of those state orders provide a degree of exemption for religious activity, underscoring the political sensitivity of the decisions being made by states and localities.

Vice President Mike Pence said last week that churches should not host groups bigger than 10 people, and President Donald Trump said that "my biggest disappointment is that churches can't meet in a time of need."

But the application of guidance on the ground has raised questions for some faith leaders.

Pastor Alvin Gwynn Sr., of Baltimore's Friendship Baptist Church, said that police tried to halt services at his church last Sunday even though he had limited in-person attendance to 10 people.

Gwynn said he still plans to hold in-person Easter services, citing the First Amendment's protections for freedom of worship and assembly. Baltimore has "been through a lot" in recent years, said Gwynn, who leads a local ministers' group that criticized the city's police department

leadership in 2015 following the death of 25-year-old Freddie Gray.

"Which is safer, in the church with potential virus, or go out the door and catch a bullet?" Gwynn said.

Instructions for church gatherings in Maryland have been issued piecemeal. State guidance dated Monday described houses of worship as nonessential under a stay-home order issued by Maryland GOP Gov. Larry Hogan that allowing them only to conduct "minimal operations."

But follow-up guidance dated Wednesday states that "in-person services" can be held with 10 or fewer people.

In Florida, attorneys at the Christian legal nonprofit representing Howard-Browne tabled their plans to file a federal lawsuit challenging the constitutionality of the county order used against him after the county reversed course.

Elsewhere, Texas GOP Gov. Greg Abbott also described religious services as essential in his order to limit gatherings during the pandemic.

Most religious services across the country have already moved online.

## Spirit of Holy Week remains strong despite virus outbreak

BY DAVID CRARY AND  
LUIS ANDRES HENAO  
Associated Press

For Pope Francis at the Vatican, and for Christians worldwide from churches large and small, this will be an Easter like none other: The joyous message of Christ's resurrection will be delivered to empty pews.

Worries about the coronavirus outbreak have triggered widespread cancellations of Holy Week processions and in-person services. Many pastors will preach on TV or online, tailoring sermons to account for the pandemic. Many extended families will reunite via Face Time and Zoom rather than around a communal table laden with an Easter feast next Sunday.

"I'll miss Mass and the procession," said Aida Franco, 86, a retired teacher from Quito, Ecuador. "But God knows better."

Pope Francis, the first pontiff from Latin America, will be celebrating Mass for Palm Sunday, Holy Thursday and Easter in a near-empty St. Peter's Basilica, instead of in the huge square outside filled with Catholic faithful.

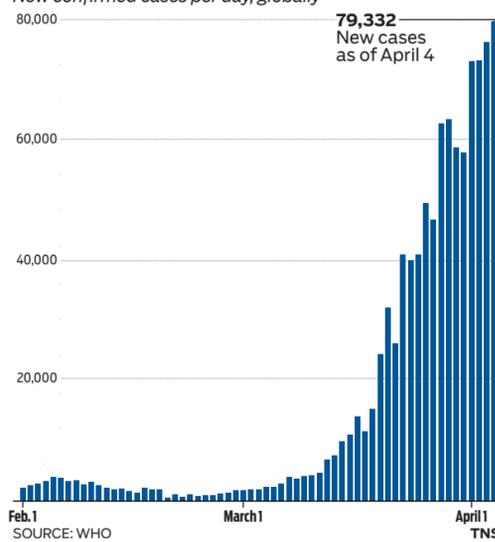
In the pope's native Argentina, the archbishopric of La Plata encouraged the faithful to use any type of plant at home for a "virtual" blessing that will be livestreamed during Palm Sunday services.

The pandemic has prompted cancellation of a renowned annual tradition of sawdust and handmade flower carpets coating the streets of Antigua, a colonial Guatemalan city, during its Holy Week procession. Instead, some residents will make smaller carpets to display outside their homes.

"We know this is happening because of some

### Coronavirus cases worldwide

New confirmed cases per day, globally



message from God," said Cesar Alvarez, who has been making the multicolored carpets with his family for 28 years. "But we're taking it with a lot of sadness."

In some communities, there are innovative efforts to boost Eastertime morale.

At Asbury United Methodist Church in Prairie Village, Kansas, family ministries director Heather Jackson is organizing an Easter egg hunt that embraces social distancing.

Parents and children are creating colorful images of Easter eggs to display in windows or on garage doors, and the "hunt" will entail families driving around in their cars, or strolling on foot, trying to spot as many eggs as possible.

"It's about keeping people safe while maintaining that sense of joy," Jackson said.

In Venezuela, Catholic officials said that after the Holy Week liturgies, some

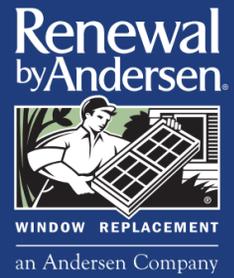
priests would try to take the Blessed Sacrament — the wine and bread of Holy Communion — on a vehicle and, using loudspeakers, invite congregants to join in spirit from their windows and balconies.

A similar used of priest-carrying vehicles was proposed in the Philippines, Asia's bastion of Catholicism.

In Brazil, the world's biggest Catholic country, Rio de Janeiro's huge Christ the Redeemer statue has been closed indefinitely. Large Holy Week gatherings are banned in several states after a federal court overruled a decree by President Jair Bolsonaro exempting religious services from quarantine measures.

Many faithful across Latin America say they'll miss Holy Week's observances, yet there is acceptance of the cancellations.

"It's sad because we can't be with our Lord in his Calvary, but it's fine," said Felipe Navarrete of Santiago, Chile. "The health of the population comes first, and we have to be responsible with older people who join these rituals the most."



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## Digital divide a hurdle for schools

Race is on to help students with no home internet

BY MEG KINNARD AND MARYCLAIRE DALE  
Associated Press

WINNSBORO, S.C. — Students struggling to get online in a rural South Carolina county received a boost recently with the arrival of six buses equipped with Wi-Fi, some of the hundreds the state has rolled out since schools were closed by the coronavirus outbreak.

With routers mounted inside, the buses broadcast enough bandwidth in an area the size of a small parking lot for parents to drive up and children to access the internet from inside their cars.

One of the buses set up outside the apartment complex of Lacheyle Moore, who had been limiting her own usage to leave enough data on her cellphone plan for her daughter's schoolwork.

"I have to put extra data on my phone to make sure her work gets done, so she can get graded for it," said Moore, who works as a cashier and shifted her schedule to help instruct her two children.

The pandemic that launched a massive, unplanned experiment with distance learning has created extraordinary hurdles for schoolchildren left behind by the digital divide. School districts and governments are now racing to give the millions of U.S. students without home internet a chance of keeping up.

Nationwide, nearly 3 million students make do without home internet because of the high costs of service and gaps in its availability. The disadvantaged students are more likely to be students of color, from low-income families or in



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Learning guides wait March 25 to be distributed to students at John H. Webster Elementary School in Philadelphia.

households with lower parental education levels.

The nation's largest school districts, including Los Angeles and New York, are spending millions of dollars to provide devices and internet connections for students. Smaller districts are finding ways to boost wireless internet in school parking lots and distribute hot spots. Still, others are sticking with paper assignments and books because the digital equity issues are too much to overcome.

"What we're seeing is a widening of the achievement gap, so that children who are in well-funded districts were able to immediately pivot to online learning strategies, because the infrastructure was already in place," said Maura McInerney, legal director of the Education Law Center, which advocates for disadvantaged students. "In sharp contrast, underfunded districts, who did not have these resources

and their children do not have access to Chromebooks, for example, are scrambling to address the educational needs of students."

In Fairfield County, South Carolina, 51% of households have no broadband internet access, according to an Associated Press analysis of census data. Nationwide, an estimated 18% of U.S. students do not have home access to broadband internet.

"Lots of mothers and fathers are really not equipped to be home school parents," said J.R. Green, the school superintendent.

Across South Carolina, hundreds of buses were requested by school districts in a program targeting low-income and rural areas, state education spokesman Ryan Brown said. The state was ready to equip thousands of buses, but Brown said that service providers' offers of low-cost and even free service plans has lessened the demand.

So deep are the equity challenges for the Philadelphia School District that it initially prohibited online instruction during the shutdown. Only about half the district's high school students have a laptop or tablet and home internet service. As schools now appear likely to be closed for longer than anticipated, the district plans to buy 50,000 Chromebooks and begin online instruction by mid-April.

Comcast, which is based in the city, has raised speeds on its \$10-a-month "Internet Essentials" plan for low-income families and offered two months of free service to new customers.

"We have the \$10 internet (plan). It's not for doing lessons, cause it's really slow. If we needed to do the Google classroom, we would need, I think, the regular internet, which I can't afford," parent Cecelia Thompson, 54, said earlier this month. Thompson, who cannot work because

of health issues, lives with her 21-year-old son, a district student with severe autism who attends Martin Luther King High School.

She believes they would also need a Chromebook and perhaps a printer, so her son, who has a full-time support person, can do worksheets.

For now, they rely on her cellphone and a 10-year-old tablet.

Some districts also are hoping for some help from the federal government.

Mike Looney, the superintendent of Fulton County schools in Georgia, said parents should take advantage of offers for reduced-cost internet from service providers. But he would also like the Federal Communications Commission to redeploy money used to subsidize school internet connections to instead pay to supply students with devices and internet at home — an idea that has been endorsed also by many U.S. senators.

In central Ohio, Hilliard City Schools sent students home with school-issued iPads they can use to download, complete and then upload assignments. The iPads allow them to do much of their work offline, according to district Superintendent John Marschhausen, though they'll need to connect to submit completed work and download new assignments.

The district's two dozen schools are extending their Wi-Fi into their parking lots so families can complete downloads from their vehicles. The superintendent said he thinks it will be a smooth transition for most, but he worries about a radical shift for the younger students who typically spend less than half an hour on their devices in the classroom.

"We're going to have to do a lot of adapting and adjusting and a lot of learning along with our families if this is truly something that will continue into the summer," he said.

In Columbus, Mississippi, Wi-Fi equipment installed on nine buses to allow children to do homework on the way to and from school was transferred to school and community buildings after officials discovered routers would only run for two hours after buses were shut off.

But Superintendent Cherie Labat said the district is giving out paper lesson packets at schools where meals are being picked up, as well as books that students can take home for independent reading. With 100% of students in the predominantly African American district eligible for free or reduced price lunches, Labat said she can't assume students have resources at home.

"That's why I'm working from the ground up," she said. "That's why I'm doing paper."

## Make your own mask?

Now that the CDC says there is a benefit to covering your face in public, it's time to take matters into your own hands

BY TARA PARKER-POPE  
The New York Times

To mask or not to mask? For the past few months, public health officials have advised that healthy people should not wear masks as a way to protect themselves from coronavirus. But on Friday, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommended that Americans use basic "non-medical, cloth" masks on a voluntary basis.

Commercially made masks are virtually impossible to find, and everyone agrees that any available supply of medical masks should be reserved for hospitals and emergency workers. That means if you want a mask, you have to make it yourself.

"Cover your face with cloth — however you want to do that," said Shan Soe-Lin, a lecturer at the Yale Jackson Institute for Global Affairs who was a co-author of a widely shared article about the need. "Cover your face pretty thoroughly from your mouth to your nose to prevent large aerosol droplets coming out or going in."

The highest quality, most expensive medical masks — N95 respirator masks —

should be reserved for hospital workers and emergency responders, the CDC said. The rest of us don't need that level of protection.

If you're staying home and nobody in your family is infected, you don't need a mask most of the time. But the CDC now says that wearing a nonmedical or homemade mask in public is a good idea. Studies of mask use to prevent the spread of respiratory illnesses, including SARS, another form of coronavirus, show a simple mask can lower risk of infection. The effect is greatest when masks are used along with hand hygiene and social distancing.

"I think the vast amount of data would suggest that the coronavirus is an airborne infection carried by respiratory droplets, and it also can be passed on by direct contact," said Dr. Siddhartha Mukherjee, assistant professor of medicine at Columbia University. "The mask works two ways — not only to protect you from me, but me from you."

While we don't have a lot of research on the effectiveness of homemade masks in preventing the spread of

infection, scientists who study airborne diseases can offer some guidance. A mask sewn from a pattern or an improvised face covering made with a T-shirt probably offer some protection. The thicker the fabric, the better: think heavy cotton T-shirt or a thick, felt-like fabric, said Linsey Marr, a Virginia Tech scientist and an expert in the transmission of viruses in the air. While some people have suggested using a bandana, the fabric is typically so thin and flimsy that it would likely offer little protection. Double or triple the bandana fabric if that's all you have.

"I've been saying some protection is better than none," said Marr, who noted that local health departments have been asking aerosol scientists for guidance on potential mask materials to deal with supply shortages. She said her team will have results soon with more specific recommendations for materials to use in masks.

Marr emphasized that most people do not need the high level of protection offered by a medical mask. "The potential for exposure is so much lower in a



TIM GRUBER/THE NEW YORK TIMES

Corrina Bakken, costume director for the Minnesota Opera, sews masks for hospital workers Wednesday at her office in Minneapolis. Experts now recommend mask use in public.

grocery store compared to working in a hospital close to patients," she said.

Soe-Lin said she believes an added benefit of a mask is that it serves as a constant reminder against touching your face, a major way that the virus is spread. But no face covering, whether it's homemade or a medical mask, makes you invincible. Pulling a mask on and off or fidgeting with it will lessen its effectiveness. And in theory, fiddling with your mask could contaminate it. Always remove a mask by the ear loops or the tie — never the part that covers your face. Soe-Lin said she has used cloth masks for three weeks and washes and dries them regularly.

Someone with only one mask can hand wash at night and let it air dry. If a mask gets wet or damp while you are wearing it, it's less effective, she said.

"I don't think there is any evidence that this is going to make things worse, but there is evidence that it provides some additional good," said Robert Hecht, professor at the Yale School of Public Health, who was the co-author of the face mask article with Soe-Lin.

Questions about durability, reuse and sanitizing masks, as well as the best fabric to use in a homemade mask, still need to be answered.

If you decide to start wearing a mask, you should

know that it takes some getting used to. A mask can be hot and uncomfortable and fog your glasses if you wear them. But pulling it up and down defeats the purpose of wearing it.

"I still believe that masks are primarily for health care workers and for those who are sick to help prevent spreading droplets to others," said Dr. Adit Ginde, a professor of emergency medicine at the University of Colorado School of Medicine. "However, I do believe that for limited circumstances when individuals must be in close quarters with others, a correctly positioned mask or other face cover for a short duration could be helpful."



LYNNE SLADKY/AP

The virus-stricken Coral Princess cruise ship arrives Saturday at PortMiami in Florida after spending days in limbo.

## Another virus-stricken ship docks in Fla.

BY CURT ANDERSON  
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ST. PETERSBURG, Fla. — Another cruise ship with coronavirus victims on board, including two fatalities, is docking in Florida.

Princess Cruises spokeswoman Negin Kamali said in an email Saturday the Coral Princess ship is docking in Miami. The ship with 1,020 passengers and 878 crew members has been in limbo for days awaiting permission.

As of Thursday, Kamali

said seven passengers and five crew members had tested positive for the coronavirus.

Anyone in need of hospitalization will disembark first, the cruise line said, although it wasn't immediately clear when that would happen. Those who are fit to fly will begin leaving Sunday, while others who have symptoms of respiratory illness will remain on board until cleared by ship doctors.

A day earlier, cruise ships Zaandam and Rotterdam

were permitted to dock at Port Everglades in Fort Lauderdale, with 14 critically ill people taken immediately to hospitals. The remaining passengers were slowly being allowed to board flights for home.

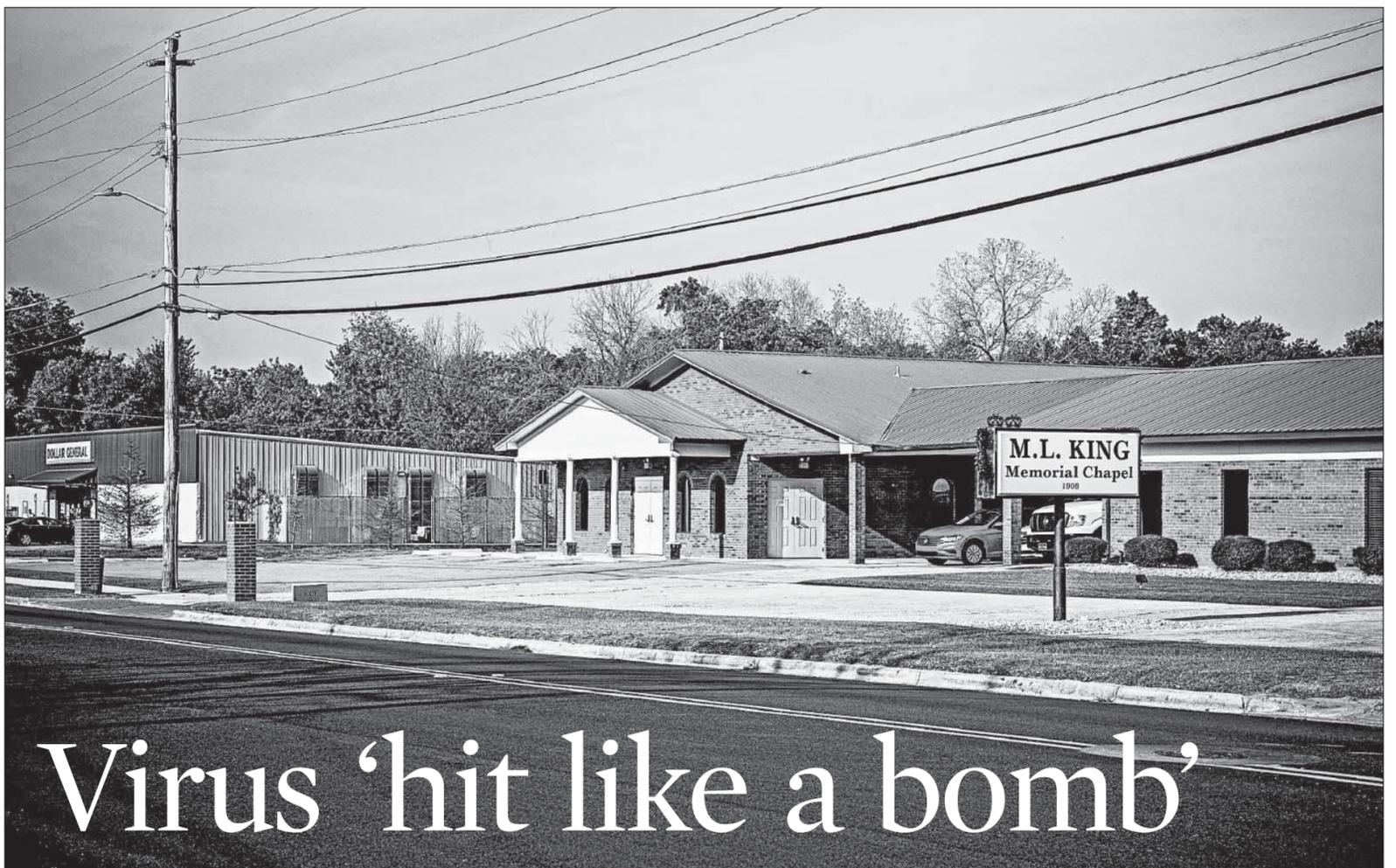
The Coral Princess had been on a South American cruise that was due to end March 19 in Buenos Aires. Since then, the ship has encountered obstacles to docking because of various port closures and cancellation of airline flights, the cruise line said.

Passengers have self-isolated in their staterooms and meals have been delivered by room service. Crew members also have remained in their quarters when they are not working.

The Coast Guard said in a news release it has been involved with processing about 120 vessels carrying some 250,000 passengers over the past three weeks because of the pandemic.

Princess Cruises is a brand of Miami-based Carnival Corp., the world's largest cruise company.

## CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK



# Virus 'hit like a bomb'

AUDRA MELTON/THE NEW YORK TIMES

MLK Memorial Chapel funeral home in Albany, Georgia, where one of the most intense clusters of coronavirus anywhere in the country resides.

## COVID-19 spread rampantly through Georgia town days after large funeral gathering

BY ELLEN BARRY  
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It was an old-fashioned Southern funeral.

There was a repast table crammed with hot dishes, Brunswick stew, fried chicken and Key lime cake. Andrew Jerome Mitchell, a retired janitor, was one of 10 siblings. They told stories, debated for the umpteenth time how he got the nickname Doorface.

People wiped tears away, and embraced, and blew their noses, and belted out hymns. They laughed, remembering. It was a big gathering, with upward of 200 mourners overflowing the memorial chapel, so people had to stand outside.

Dorothy Johnson has gone over the scene in her mind over the last month, asking herself who it was who brought the virus to her brother's funeral.

"We don't know who the person was," she said. "It would help me to know."

During the weeks that followed, illnesses linked to the coronavirus have torn through her hometown, Albany, Georgia, with about two dozen relatives falling ill, including six of her siblings. Johnson herself was released from an isolation ward to the news that her daughter, Tonya, was in grave condition, her heart rate dropping.

Like the Biogen conference in Boston and a 40th birthday party in Westport, Connecticut, the funeral of Andrew Jerome Mitchell on Feb. 29 will be recorded as what epidemiologists call a "super-spreading event" in which a small number of people propagate a huge number of infections.

This rural county in southwest Georgia, 40 miles from the nearest interstate, now has one of the most intense clusters of the coronavirus in the country.

**With a population of only 90,000**, Dougherty County has registered dozens of deaths, far more than any other county in the state, with several more possible coronavirus deaths under investigation, according to Michael Fowler, the local coroner. Ninety percent of the people who died were African American, he said.

The region's hospitals are overloaded with sick and dying patients, having registered nearly 600 positive cases. Nearly two weeks ago, Gov. Brian Kemp dispatched the National Guard to help stage additional intensive care beds and relieve exhausted doctors and nurses.

Johnson said that she assumed one of the guests had brought the virus to her brother's funeral, where "you hug and you kiss and you embrace." But she had no more information than that.

"Really, there is no face to what is going on in Albany," she said.

Whether the initial carrier — the whodunit of infectious disease — matters at all depends on who you ask. But the timing does matter. For 10 days the virus spread, invisibly, and no one knew it was there. By the time stringent social distancing was introduced, on March 22, it was everywhere.

"We're not blaming that one visitor, but potentially a community is one person away from something like this exploding," said Scott Steiner, chief executive of Phoebe Putney Health System, which has taken the brunt of the surge.

"If you get early delivery of it, it shows you what can happen," he said. "Had that person come in, had a barbecue, visited family and went home, that would have been a different story."

Mitchell died suddenly. Emell Murray, Mitchell's companion of 20 years, found him in the living room of their home on the morning of Feb. 24, said her daughter, Alice Bell. There was no autopsy, but it appeared to be natural causes, she said, possibly a heart attack.

"He had been up all night," said Johnson, his sister. "When she woke up to get the baby ready for school, she found him face down on the floor."

The night of the funeral, a 67-year-old man who had come to Albany to attend was admitted to Phoebe Putney Memorial Hospital, complaining of shortness of breath, Steiner said.

The man had chronic lung disease, and no history of travel that would suggest exposure to the coronavirus, and he was not put in isolation, Steiner said. Staff members figured that he had just run out of oxygen.

The man spent the next week in the hospital, attended by at least 50 employees, then was transferred on March 7 back to the Atlanta area, where he was tested for the coronavirus. Not until March 10 did the Albany hospital learn he had tested positive, Steiner said. He died on March 12, the state's first coronavirus death.

By then, the infection was quietly spreading through town. Mitchell's longtime companion, Murray, 75, found herself wracked with chills and fever, Bell, her daughter, said. She was told she had a urinary tract infection and admitted to an ordinary ward, where she was visited by three of her sisters, Bell said. All three have since become sick with the coronavirus, she said. One of them has died.

On March 10, word reached Albany that the Phoebe Putney patient had tested positive for the virus. A few days of relative quiet followed, and then, in the words of Fowler, the coroner, "it hit like a bomb."

"Some of them might have went to the funeral," Fowler said. "Some



JOHNSON FAMILY

Tonya Thomas, 51, contracted double pneumonia and died shortly after attending a family funeral. Her mother called her "a beautiful spirit."

may have been family members of people at the funeral. Every day after that, someone was dying."

The six-month stockpile of protective equipment that the hospital had prepared was gone, Steiner said, in seven days.

**At first the doctors and nurses** just tried to take in what they were seeing: A series of people — including young people in relatively good health — showing up with a cough and fever.

Then, alarmingly, their need for oxygen would sharply increase, and they would go into full-blown respiratory failure, their lungs filling with fluid, said Enrique Lopez, 41, a surgical intensivist, who specializes in treating the critically ill.

"All the units were full, all of them, and there would be days when we would be intubating five people in a row, back to back, room after room after room," he said. "It was one of the times in my career I truly felt overwhelmed."

The cases arrived in great waves, overwhelming each new effort to add beds.

The 14 medical intensive care unit beds were filled within two days of the first wave of coronavirus patients; they converted 12 cardiac ICU beds, but those, too, were filled two days later; 12 beds in the surgical ICU were filled three days after that, Steiner said.

For a few days, the hospital was so short of staff members that employees who had tested positive but did not yet have symptoms were asked to work.

"If I had 1,000 nurses sitting at home, and could send the ones testing positive out, I would, but we don't have that, and nobody has that," Steiner said. "You get to the point where you say, 'If I don't have the staff, I can't care for the

patients.'"

State directives changed last week, mandating a weeklong quarantine for health care workers who test positive.

Lopez, the surgeon, avoided contact with his family for two weeks, for fear of infecting them.

"I'm sleeping in the garage in one of our closets," he said. "I park the truck, strip down in the garage, wash myself off, my wife puts out a plate of food for me, I eat the food, and then I go back to the garage."

The funerals in Albany — of Mitchell, and then of a man named Johnny Carter, held at the funeral home a week later — quickly emerged as a source of infection.

Of the first 23 patients to test positive at Phoebe Putney, all had attended at least one of the two funerals, Steiner said. That was easy to figure out.

"This wasn't like a team of scientists in a bunch of suits," said Chris J. Cohilas, chairman of the Dougherty County Board of Commissioners. "We're a big small town where everybody knows everybody. We know who is in our hospital, and we know who went to what funeral."

Word went out "so quickly and so aggressively" that those who attended either of the funerals should get tested, Cohilas said. But not quickly enough to prevent an infected person from serving as a juror in a high-profile murder trial that ended March 12. That set off a new set of infections in the sheriff's office and the courthouse, he said.

The warnings drove a wedge between people in Albany, said the Rev. Daniel Simmons, senior pastor of Albany's Mt. Zion Baptist Church, who, like others interviewed, said he questioned whether the funerals were in fact

the sole source of the infections.

"It created fear: Who will be at the gathering that I'm going to on Sunday, that funeral, or that wedding? Do I go? Do I not go?" said Simmons, whose church was not connected to either funeral. "People began to say, were you at the funeral? That became a question."

**The city's churches, he said,** began to feel unfairly singled out.

"That is the focus: the church, the church," he said. "It has done damage because there is stigma. There is almost this wall of hostility that has been raised between certain parts of the community and the church."

Johnson, whose family hosted the Feb. 29 funeral, said the speculation had been painful.

"I have family members angry because people are saying that my brother was the culprit," she said. "He's a dead person. He's not even breathing. But they're angry because the rumor mill is saying that he was the spreader of the virus."

Eventually the question of how the virus had entered the county had been eclipsed by the number of people sick and dying.

Mitchell's companion, Murray, has been hospitalized and discharged twice, the last time on March 24, against her daughter's protests.

"I begged them not to let her come home, but they did it anyway," Bell said. "They brought her into this house like a sack of potatoes, on a stretcher."

Simmons said that many families are struggling to care for the sick at home, and that for some, a sense of panic has begun to set in.

"Part of the control in life is thinking, if you needed help, you've got somewhere to go," he said. "When that is taken off the table, all sense of control is gone, and hope starts fading."

He read aloud text messages he received over the weekend. "Please continue to pray," one said. "My mother, my grandmother and my grandfather have been admitted to the ER with coronavirus symptoms."

Then, later, "My mother has died."

For Johnson, only one person mattered as the outbreak became entrenched.

Her daughter, Tonya Thomas, was all she thought of while she was in the hospital.

The illness had hit them almost simultaneously, but unaccountably, her 51-year-old daughter was the worst hit, with double pneumonia.

"I was trying to feel better so I could come up here and take care of my daughter," said Johnson, a retired oncology nurse. "I felt like if I hadn't been in the hospital I could have advocated for her."

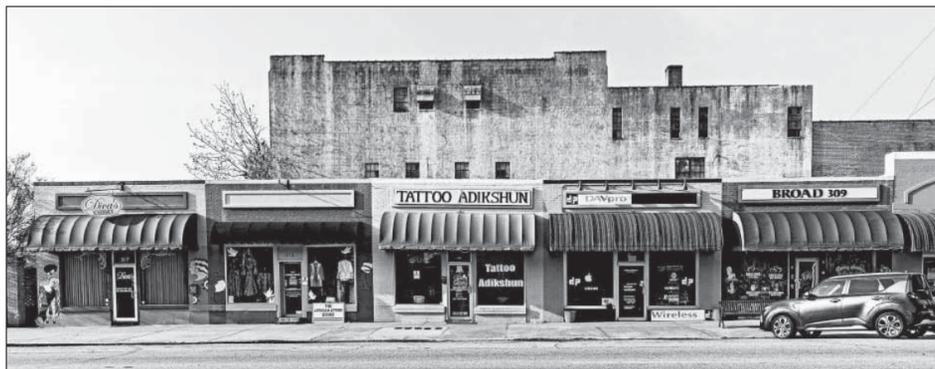
She arrived in time, at 5:45 on Friday afternoon, to be with Thomas as she died. She called her "a beautiful spirit," her family's center.

She unplugged her daughter's ventilators and removed the IV tubes from her body.

Thomas' husband, son and sister Abigail were in the room.

"It just hurts so bad, I just don't understand it," Johnson said. "We came together at a funeral of someone we love, and everyone came up and got sick."

Her daughter's funeral was scheduled to be at the graveside, with no more than 10 people present, in accordance with social distancing regulations.



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A normally busy strip in downtown Albany remains quiet following the rampant spread of the coronavirus.

CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

# Cracking down during lockdowns

Policing takes on a different look during pandemic

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SYDNEY — With much of the globe under stay-at-home orders, police officers are becoming the enforcers of a new coronavirus code that demands what humans naturally resist: complete isolation and obedience.

Empowered by tough new laws and public pressure, police forces are testing how far to go in punishing behavior that is ordinarily routine.

In Australia, authorities have threatened people sitting alone drinking coffee with six months in jail. In Britain, police came under fire for using a drone to film and shame a couple walking their dog on a secluded path.

But elsewhere, enforcement has been more aggressive and escalated into serious violence.

In Kenya, officers are under investigation in multiple cases, including the death of a teenager shot while standing on a balcony during a dusk-to-dawn curfew. Police also used tear gas and batons on passengers at a ferry terminal and are being investigated in at least two other deaths, leading President Uhuru Kenyatta to say he regretted the violence.

In the Philippines, President Rodrigo Duterte on Wednesday ordered police and the military to shoot anyone who “causes commotion,” after 20 protesters were arrested as they demanded food during the country’s lockdown.

There is a history of aggressive policing during pandemics and other crises, with officers guarding the sick, enforcing travel restrictions and issuing citations for spitting. What’s different now is that orders to stay home are more



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Police block a road Tuesday in Warsaw, Poland, to check the documents of a driver during the global pandemic.

widespread, forcing countries, states, cities and towns to grapple with how policing should work when it’s not entirely clear what activities are prohibited or why one might be riskier than another.

Defining law and order gets more complicated when people need to keep going outside to work — just to eat. Or, in less dire cases, when a few 20-somethings sitting in the grass might be harmless — or might be reckless spreaders of contagion. Or when the public is anxious and stir-crazy, and there can never be enough police to catch every perpetrator.

“People are writing a new playbook daily on how to deal with this thing,” said Chuck Wexler, executive director of the Police Executive Research Forum, a Washington-based organization of law enforcement officials and analysts

worldwide. “The key question is: How can the police serve in a reassuring role?”

Police officers in many hot spots seem to be acting cautiously. From San Francisco and New York to Bangkok and Milan, more people are complying with rules for social distancing. Traditional crime is down, and those who carry badges are learning to think like doctors in masks — focused on the health of the public and themselves.

It’s been a brutal learning curve.

More than 1,400 officers in New York City have tested positive for the virus. Several police chiefs, in Detroit and elsewhere, have also gotten sick, leading departments worldwide to change how officers interact with their colleagues and the public.

In London, commanding officers now work on alternate days to reduce the

chance that the virus will sideline the upper ranks. In Northern Ireland, spit and bite guards are being introduced so suspects won’t get saliva on arresting officers.

Patrol hours have also been extended in jurisdictions big and small to minimize interaction at stations, and more conversations with the public are taking place from squad cars.

A lot of the interactions focus on guiding people home.

In California, where the outbreak appears to be reaching a plateau after two weeks of lockdown, officers have rarely gone beyond verbal or written warnings, said Michael Rustigan, a professor of criminal justice at San Jose State University.

In parts of Florida and Canada, police officials have promised leniency.

“It’s only in the worst-

case scenario we’re going to do anything,” Sgt. Michael Elliott, president of the Edmonton Police Association, said last month after lawmakers in that Canadian city passed a law allowing for fines of \$1,000 to \$500,000 for failing to comply with public health orders. “We don’t want to stress out the citizens any more than we have to.”

But in some places, severe crackdowns suggest that the pandemic is magnifying policing problems that had already existed.

More than two dozen gay men and transgender women were arrested last month in Uganda for flouting rules on social distancing. Campaigners accuse police of targeting a group that has been demonized in the country for years.

In Kenya, where authorities are often accused of heavy-handed tactics, police officers fired tear gas,

beat commuters and made some lie face down on the ground at a ferry terminal in the coastal city of Mombasa, hours before an overnight curfew began March 27. Images and videos from the chaos showed passengers coughing, spitting and touching their faces to unblock their mouths and noses.

In a low-income neighborhood east of Nairobi, a 13-year-old boy was shot, apparently by police, as he stood on the balcony of his family’s apartment. He died the next morning. Police said he had been struck by a stray bullet.

Countries with more autocratic governments have been quicker to use antagonistic tactics.

Videos from India have shown police officers in masks using batons to beat and disperse large groups of people. Last month, Dubai police arrested a European man who posted videos on Instagram showing himself at a beach that had been closed.

And in the Philippines, where Duterte had unleashed the police and military to wage a bloody drug war long before the virus came, security forces are now being tasked with maintaining a lockdown order by any means necessary. After the protesters were arrested in Manila for demanding food, Duterte warned that security forces would kill or jail all “troublemakers.”

“Do not test me. Do not try to test it,” Duterte said in a recent address to the country.

But even in some of the world’s most liberal democracies, there are signs of a rush to sirens and action.

In Israel, 900 people were fined for going more than 110 yards from their homes. In England, besides cracking down on people walking dogs, police have told small local stores not to sell chocolate Easter eggs because they are not essential items.

## Extremists see global chaos from virus as opportunity

Looking to add to ranks, IS urged followers to attack

BY CARA ANNA  
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JOHANNESBURG — The Islamic State group and al-Qaida see the coronavirus as a threat, but some of their fighters also see the upheaval from the pandemic as an opportunity to win over more supporters and strike harder than before.

Messages from the Islamic extremist groups show concern about the virus mixed with bravado, asserting that it is punishment for non-Muslims while also urging followers to repent and take care of themselves.

Al-Qaida suggested in a statement this week that non-Muslims use their time in quarantine to learn about Islam. But in a sharp commentary in its al-Naba newsletter in mid-March, IS urged followers to show no mercy and launch attacks in this time of crisis.

In a commentary Tuesday, the International Crisis Group warned that the pandemic threatens the global

solidarity that is key to fighting extremists, “allowing the jihadists to better prepare spectacular terror attacks.”

Though analysts said it was too soon to say which attacks can be blamed on militants exploiting the coronavirus, Islamic extremists in late March carried out their deadliest assault yet against the military of Chad, a significant contributor to Africa’s growing counterterrorism efforts, killing at least 92 soldiers near the border with Nigeria and Niger.

In Egypt, two military officials reported a spike in IS attacks in March in the restive northern part of the Sinai Peninsula. They spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to brief the media.

While Syria and Iraq have seen no uptick in attacks by IS since the virus spread there, the pandemic has prompted the U.S.-led coalition to halt training activities in Iraq amid a planned pullout from several bases.

There are signs elsewhere that the U.S., British and other militaries are pulling back because of the virus, leaving a possible

opening for the extremists.

That’s a danger in Africa’s hot spots of the Sahel, the Lake Chad region and Somalia, where the U.S. military already worried allies in recent months by contemplating cuts to focus on threats from China and Russia.

“Any state that was interested in pulling back in Africa will take the opportunity to do so,” said Clionadh Raleigh, executive director of the Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project, which tracks extremists’ activities worldwide. “That will be unbelievably bad.”

A U.S. Africa Command spokeswoman, Lt. Christina Gibson, told The Associated Press that “while the size and scope of some AFRICOM activities have been adjusted to ensure the safety and protection of forces — both U.S. and partner nation — our commitment to Africa endures.” She did not give details but said about 5,200 forces are on the continent.

The British army mission in Kenya, which provides counterterrorism training and other skills, this week announced that all army families are returning to the



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Fighters from al-Shabab perform military exercises near Mogadishu, Somalia. The Islamic State group and al-Qaida see upheaval from the pandemic as a threat and an opportunity.

U.K. because of the virus.

But France’s largest overseas military mission, Barkhane in West Africa’s sprawling Sahel region south of the Sahara Desert, is keeping its 5,100 troops there, the French Defense Ministry said.

Four French soldiers with Barkhane have tested positive for the coronavirus, a spokesman said Thursday, adding that operations have not been affected. They were the first in the mission to be infected.

African military units, already stretched thin and under attack, are likely to take protective measures as the virus threatens their

ranks.

In Nigeria, which has struggled against the Boko Haram extremist group and an IS-linked offshoot, the military has called for suspending much of its activities including large gatherings and training.

A leaked memo signed by Nigerian army’s policy chief says its vehicles might have to be used for mass burials or transferring the sick to hospitals.

Their fighters are likely to exploit the pandemic by accusing governments of mismanaging the crisis to try to win popular support, he said.

Some extremist groups

are showing signs that, like the rest of the world, they are trying to understand the coronavirus and respond.

In Somalia, the al-Qaida-linked al-Shabab held a rare five-day meeting of its leaders in March that discussed the virus. In a communiqué, the group recognized its “emergency threat” to the world, including Muslims.

In Afghanistan, the Taliban have gone even further, putting out videos on disinfection and photos of its fighters handing out face masks and soap. It also has offered security guarantees to any aid group assisting victims of the virus or helping to stop its spread.



AP

The National Orchestra of France blended individual performances at home into a popular YouTube music video.

## Even lockdown not enough to stop the music

BY JOHN LEICESTER  
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LE PECQ, France — Look closely: The kettle drum player has a wooden spoon in one hand, a ladle in the other and doesn’t even have his drums.

But, hey, cutting a few corners can be forgiven of an orchestra that managed the remarkable feat of performing “Bolero” while its musicians are scattered far and wide under coronavirus lockdowns.

Why? To send this

message to music lovers: We are still here for you.

Like building a musical jigsaw puzzle, the National Orchestra of France used the magic of technology to weave together the sight and sounds of its musicians, who filmed themselves playing alone in their homes, into a seamless, rousing whole. Posting a video of their stitched-together performance on YouTube was a way of keeping in touch with each other and with audiences for whom they sorely miss

playing.

“For us, the public is essential,” said Didier Benetti, the kettle drum player. “Without the public, we don’t really exist.”

The video, posted March 29, has quickly racked up hundreds of thousands of views.

The performance starts with three musicians: a cellist, a violinist and a percussionist with “Stay home” written on his red drum. A flutist joins, haunting, bewitching, seemingly playing in his lounge. The musical

tension and power builds as more and more join, until they are an orchestra of 50.

Benetti rearranged French composer Maurice Ravel’s work, chopping it down from the usual 15 minutes to a more social media-friendly length of just under four minutes.

Dimitris Scapulan, a video producer and sound engineer, burned the midnight oil to stitch together the musicians’ self-shot footage into a remarkably coherent musical and visual patchwork.

## CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

## Hard choices made in viral hot spots

Age, hospital space are factors in who gets care in Spain

BY BERNAT ARMANGUE AND JOSEPH WILSON  
Associated Press

ZARZA DE TAJO, Spain — Raquel Fernández watched as cemetery workers lowered her grandmother's casket into the grave and placed it on top of the coffin of her grandfather, buried three days earlier.

Eusebio Fernández and Rosalía Mascaraque, both 86, are two of Spain's more than 11,000 fatalities during the coronavirus pandemic.

Like thousands of other elderly victims in Spain, their deaths last week illustrate one of the darkest realities of the crisis: Doctors at overburdened hospitals in need of more resources are having to make increasingly tough decisions on who gets the best care, and age appears to matter more than ever.

"Due to a lack of resources in this country, they won't put an 86-year-old person on an assisted breathing machine. It's simply that cruel," said Fernández, a nurse. "My grandparents fought all their lives to be happy and build their strength so they could grow old with dignity."

Her grandparents fell ill with a fever and cough. After staying home for several days as health authorities recommended, their son rushed them to a hospital in Torrejón, east of Madrid, on March 25.

Two days later, Eusebio died of respiratory failure after testing positive for coronavirus. Rosalía died two days after that but her test was inconclusive. Neither was put in an intensive care unit or on a ventilator, Fernández said.

She said her grandmother had a heart condition, but believed her grandfather was in excellent health and



BERNAT ARMANGUE/AP

An undertaker prepares Rosalía Mascaraque's grave Wednesday in Zarza de Tajo, Spain. She died in the pandemic.

should have been given more of a fighting chance.

"I understand that between someone who is 30 or 40 years old and my grandfather, they will not choose my grandfather, but if this had happened in another moment, in a health care system that claims to be among the best in the world, this would not have happened," she said.

Agonizing life and death decisions are being made in Madrid and northeast Catalonia, the main hot spots for the outbreak.

Spain's Health Minister Salvador Illa said care is being given "based on each patient's case profile, not their age."

But two weeks ago, workers in Madrid's hardest-hit hospitals said that patients over 80 were not given priority for ICU beds because of their lower chance of survival.

On Wednesday, guidelines of Catalonia's medical emergency response service distributed to hospitals

and seen by The Associated Press recommended that virus patients over 80 not be intubated.

The document said staff should "offer resources to those patients who can most benefit from them as far as years of life to be saved (and) avoid hospitalizations of people with scarce chances of survival."

Dr. Xavier Jiménez Fàbregas, medical director of Catalonia's medical emergency system that distributed the guidelines, told AP that age is just one of many factors. He said the guidelines were accepted ethical practices being applied to this crisis, "given the elevated number of patients with respiratory failure."

The Italian Society of Anesthesiology, Analgesia, Resuscitation and Intensive Care issued 15 ethical recommendations in deciding ICU admissions if beds were in short supply. They called for wartime, triage-type decisions to benefit

those with a better hope of survival, not on a first-come, first-served basis.

Guidelines previously developed by New York state's health department exclude some seriously ill people from receiving limited ventilators in major emergencies but note that making old age an automatic disqualifier would be discriminatory. The plans add, however, that given the "strong societal preference for saving children," age could be considered in a tiebreaker when a child's life is at stake.

Recommendations published last week by German medical associations in response to COVID-19 also say age alone shouldn't be a deciding factor. Among the situations where they said intensive care should not be provided if availability is in short supply: if the patient needs permanent intensive care to survive.

Experts also say hospitals must calculate how long a patient might need a hospi-

tal bed or ventilator and how many more lives the machine might otherwise save.

In hard-hit areas of France and Spain, patients "are hospitalized only when there is a chance to save them," said Marc Bourquin of the French Hospital Federation.

Spanish doctors and nurses say they do not dispute that they offer the best care possible to every patient, but they said lack of ventilators and ICU beds amid increased demand have forced them to raise the bar on who gets what treatment.

Dr. Olga Mediano of Spain's Society of Pulmonologists and Thoracic Surgeons said it is not just about saving the youngest.

"You always have to decide the ceiling of care for a patient. You don't want to put him or her through a treatment if it won't be good for them," Mediano said. "You would never intubate a patient who is 95 years old.

They wouldn't be able to take it."

She described the current situation as unique, "with extremely limited resources and a certain number of ventilators, and intensive care units that are overwhelmed." You have to prioritize and see which patients will most benefit from certain treatments."

She said nearly every hospital in Spain is doing so, "and we are probably being more restrictive in giving access to the ICU than before because we lack beds."

At her hospital in Guadalajara, Mediano said they are making up for the lack of ventilators by using oxygen masks, and that some patients are responding better than expected. Other hospitals also are doing this, she said.

Spain's public health care system is known for its efficiency and universal care, but it has seen significant budget cuts in the past decade.

One sign of hope in Spain is that it has recorded the second highest number of patients who have recovered from the virus with over 30,000. Only China, with 76,000, has more.

Health officials also say Spain's outbreak appears to be "stabilizing," as indicated by the steady slowdown of the growth rate for new infections. This appears to be due to the stay-at-home rules Spain has employed for over two weeks as part of a national state of emergency.

Hospitals also have rushed to increase capacity, and the number of intensive care beds have tripled in Madrid and in Catalonia.

But Lidia Perera, a nurse at Madrid's Hospital de la Paz, said the situation is still critical.

"Normal wards are starting to look like they are almost ICU," Perera said. "Now the ICU is only for people who are going to be intubated."

## NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

## Trump: Intelligence IG fired for 'terrible job' with complaint

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump said he fired the U.S. intelligence community's inspector general because Michael Atkinson did a "terrible job" when he raised alarm over a whistleblower's complaint that led to the president's impeachment.

"Not a big Trump fan, I can tell you," Trump told reporters Saturday. Trump faulted Atkinson for taking what he called a false report to Congress.

Atkinson alerted lawmakers about the complaint regarding Trump's demand that Ukraine investigate former Vice President Joe Biden and his son Hunter. He later testified in the House impeachment inquiry.

The dismissal marks Trump's latest act of reprisal against government officials who factored in his impeachment.

Trump made the announcement in a letter late Friday.

## PPE found in Puerto Rican hospital closed by hurricane

SAN JUAN, Puerto Rico — The suspected mismanagement of essential supplies during Hurricane Maria turned out to be a boon for Puerto Rico in its fight against as it fights a rise in coronavirus cases.

Health Secretary Lorenzo González said Saturday that officials discovered personal protective equipment at a hospital on the island of Vieques that remains closed since the

Category 4 storm hit the U.S. territory in 2017.

He said the equipment includes face masks, gloves, gowns and face shields that were in good condition and would be distributed to health institutions.

Puerto Rico has reported 18 deaths related to COVID-19.

González said he's ordered an investigation into why the supplies were abandoned in Vieques.

## At least 17 medics positive for virus in Egypt cancer hospital

CAIRO — At least 17 medics in Egypt's main cancer hospital have been quarantined after testing positive for the coronavirus, officials said Saturday, raising fears the pandemic could prey on health facilities in the Arab world's most populous country.

Dr. Hatem Abu el-Kassem, the director of the National Cancer Institute, said three doctors and 12 nurses tested positive

for the virus.

He said all other health workers at the facility, which is affiliated with Cairo University and treats hundreds of cancer patients every day, would be tested.

The university later said a total of 17 health workers tested positive.

The institute will be partially closed for three days to be sterilized, with only the emergency ward remaining open.



JEFF PACHOUD/GETTY-AFP

Police stand in a street Saturday in Romans-sur-Isere, France, after a man attacked several people with a knife. Two people were killed and five others were injured.

## Knife attack in locked-down France leaves 2 dead, 5 injured

PARIS — A man wielding a knife attacked residents of a French town while they ventured out to shop amid a nationwide coronavirus lockdown Saturday, killing two people and wounding five others in an act that led authorities to open a terrorism inquiry.

France's counterterrorism prosecutor's office said the assailant was arrested near the scene of the attack in the town of Romans-sur-Isere, south of Lyon, as he was kneeling on the sidewalk praying in Arabic.

The office said one of his acquaintances also was detained.

Prosecutors did not identify the suspect. They said he had no identifying

documents but claimed to be Sudanese and to have been born in 1987.

During a subsequent search of his home, authorities found handwritten documents that included arguments about religion and a complaint about living in a "country of unbelievers," officials said.

The prosecutor's office did not confirm reports that the man shouted "Allahu akbar" (God is great) as he stabbed and slashed people.

Like the entire population of France, Romans-sur-Isere's residents have been ordered to stay home save for a few exceptions. The victims were doing their food shopping, one of

the permitted outside activities, on the street that has bakeries and grocery stores, the prosecutor's office said.

There have been a number of knife attacks in France in recent months. In January, French police shot and injured a man in Metz who was waving a knife and shouting "Allahu akbar."

Two days earlier, another man was shot dead by police after he stabbed one person fatally and wounded two others in a Paris suburb.

It is unclear whether the suspect in Saturday's attack had psychological problems or any links to extremism.

## Uproar as France eyes Africa to test virus vaccine

JOHANNESBURG — The French Embassy in South Africa on Saturday expressed dismay at comments made by French doctors during a television interview in which they discussed testing a coronavirus vaccine in Africa.

"We are deeply shocked by these comments, that of course, do not reflect the position of the French authorities," the embassy said in a statement.

During Wednesday's program, Camille Loch, head of research at the National Institute of Health and Medical Research and Jean-Paul Mira, head of intensive care at Cochin

Hospital in Paris, discussed whether Africa could be a good test location.

The discussion caused an uproar with many, including Ivory Coast and international footballer Didier Drogba, taking to social media to express that "Africa isn't a testing lab." Mira has apologized.

## Canada: No retaliation against US in mask flap

TORONTO — Prime Minister Justin Trudeau said Saturday that Canada won't bring retaliatory or punitive measures against the United States after the Trump administration announced it would prevent the export of N95 protective masks.

Trudeau said his officials are having constructive conversations with American officials.

The prime minister said he'll tell Trump both countries are linked in ways that would hurt both nations if supply chains were cut.

"We are not looking at retaliatory measures or measures that are punitive," Trudeau said.

The prime minister noted Canada ships gloves and testing kits to the U.S. and said materials from the N95 masks originate in Canada. Canadian nurses also cross from Ontario to work in Detroit's medical system everyday.

**In Britain:** Lawyer and lawmaker Keir Starmer was elected leader of Britain's main opposition Labour Party on Saturday.

Starmer, 57, comes from Labour's center-left wing, and his election marks a shift from the more strongly socialist course set by his predecessor, Jeremy Corbyn.

Starmer faces the challenge of reuniting a party divided over the policies and legacy of Corbyn. The outgoing leader was elected party chief in 2015 on a wave of grassroots enthusiasm.

Starmer has been the party's spokesman on Brexit. Labour has been out of office for a decade that has brought the country three Conservative prime ministers — David Cameron, Theresa May and Boris Johnson.

OBITUARIES

REMEMBERING THE LIVES OF THOSE IN ILLINOIS WHO DIED FROM CORONAVIRUS

COVID-19 already has claimed the lives of dozens across Illinois. Behind the grim statistics, many of those lost were people who called the Chicago area home: members of local families caught up in a global pandemic. The Tribune is attempting to gather as many of their stories as possible, compiled by reporters from across the newsroom.

CHARLEY HILL, 78  
From Homewood. Died March 25.



FAMILY PHOTO

As daughter Monica Plaid remembered him two days after he died of pneumonia due to COVID-19, Charley Hill was a dedicated church trustee who “always had the key to the building, always checked in

on things.” A retired Cook County sheriff’s police department detective and negotiator, and a veteran of both the Army and Marine Corps, Hill attended South Suburban Church of God in Homewood. He and his second wife, Marie Gault, moved to a Homewood retirement community last year.

During his first marriage, to Eloise Hill, now a Bridgeton, Missouri, resident, Hill and his family bought a house in Harvey in 1975. Plaid was 4 at the time.

“We were the first African American family on the block,” she told the Tribune. “We had some really great neighbors. I remember all of it. I look back at my parents and see how much they sacrificed, and what they did to try to make our lives better than theirs. That’s what I see in my father. He was a generous person. A giving person.”

Hill joined the Army at age 18. Four years later he joined his brother in the Marines and served in the Vietnam War, and later enlisted in the Army Reserve. Plaid remembers her father attending community college shortly after the family moved to Harvey. He’d study at the kitchen table, Plaid recalled.

“These are the sacrifices some people make,” she said. “Some people don’t take care of their responsibilities. He wasn’t perfect but he forged his own path for his family and did the best that he could. I feel very grateful for him, and thankful.”

On March 19, Hill was taken by ambulance to Advocate South Suburban Hospital in Hazel Crest.

“It was like he’d had a stroke,” Plaid said. “He didn’t know his name, didn’t know where he was, wasn’t able to move, to use his lower body.” A few days after Hill’s transfer to Advocate Christ Medical Center in Oak Lawn, he was on a ventilator and sleeping much of the time.

Plaid said her father finally received a coronavirus test March 23. The results came back positive March 24. He died March 25.

“It hurts so badly,” she said. “We weren’t allowed to see him. I’ve done a lot of crying about that. I leaned on God and asked him to cover him and be with him, because we couldn’t.”

A few days before he died, a nurse at Christ Medical Center managed to arrange a telephone call with Plaid, placing a receiver up to Hill’s ear. “I was able to tell him I loved him,” she recalled through tears. “It was all of 30 seconds. But those 30 seconds meant a lot to me.” She added, quietly: “God bless the nurse who did that.”

The Cook County medical examiner’s office listed hypertension and atrial fibrillation as contributing factors to Hill’s death. In addition to Plaid, survivors include his wife and a son, Dr. Sean Hill.

Hill was also stepfather to four adult children by his second marriage and grandfather to a total of eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. His burial will be at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery in Elwood. Memorial services are pending.

— Michael Phillips

CAROLE BROOKINS, 76  
From Palm Beach, Fla. Died March 23.



AMERICAN FINANCIAL EXCHANGE

Carole Brookins, who started her career as one of the rare women to work in Chicago’s financial sector and went on to become a top World Bank official, died in Palm Beach, Florida, last week from complications related to co-

ronavirus. She was 76.

Brookins was born in Gary and attended the University of Oklahoma, where she majored in history. After graduating with honors in 1965, she came to Chicago and became a trainee underwriter of municipal bonds at A.G. Becker & Co. — earning less than half the salary of a male trainee.

She soon became a market reporter at the Chicago Board of Trade, and later left for New York to work for the E.F. Hutton brokerage firm. In 1980, she founded World Perspectives, a Washington, D.C.-based agricultural market analysis and consulting firm.

In 2001, she became the U.S. executive director of the World Bank, where she continued her focus on agriculture. She believed the private sector played a key role in fighting world hunger; a philosophy she explained in a 2002 speech to trade groups: “Governments are like coaches,” she said. “They have the playbooks and they talk a good game, but it’s the business community that puts the players on the field and makes things happen and delivers the goods.”

After resigning from the World Bank in 2005, she became a managing director at Public Capital Advisors, which helps governments access funding for infrastructure projects. A Francophile, she founded The First Alliance Foundation in 2018; it’s a nonprofit meant to strengthen strategic bonds between France and the U.S.

Brookins’ longtime friend Richard Sandor, founder of the Chicago-based American Financial Exchange, where Brookins served as a board member, said her personality played a large role in her success.

“She would never have risen to the heights she did if she didn’t have that combination of intellect and a sensitivity to human beings,” he said in an interview. “She had a rare combination of being very smart and being a people person.”

Brookins is survived by “many close friends and godchildren around the world,” the exchange said in a statement. A celebration of her life will follow.

— John Keilman



In Memoriam

Mary C Glorioso

Dear Mom—Today is 25 years since you left us. We think of you always and remember you fondly. It is a blessing knowing you are with Dad and the Lord. Please watch over us. Love always, your sons Nick and Mauro, daughter-in-law Pearl, Grandchildren Mary and Nicholas

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Death Notices

Ahsmann Sr., Charles W.

Charles W. Ahsmann Sr., 84, was born on May 24, 1935 and passed away peacefully on March 11, 2020. Charles is survived by his three sons, Charles Jr. (Ruth), Chris (Jolanda) and Steve (Dawn); his grandchildren, Will, Madi, Nate, Joe, Claudia, Annie and Craig; his sisters, Karen, Karole, Nancy and Phyllis; and several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, John and Emelia; his wife Barbara; and his brothers, Lee and John. Services will be held privately. Arrangements were entrusted to Davenport Family Funeral Home and Crematory, Crystal Lake. For full obituary, more information or to leave an online condolence message for the family, please visit [www.davenportfamily.com](http://www.davenportfamily.com) or call 815-459-3411.



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Andre, Richard I.

Andre, Richard I., 95, of Chicago, IL, passed away Sunday, March 29th. He was the loving father of Rich, Bob (Kathy) and Bill (Linda); cherished grandfather Jeffrey, Amanda (Sean) Young, Matthew, Eric, Natalie (Mick) Cusack, John, David, William and Michael; treasured great grandfather of Leana, Scarlett, Conor and Shea; beloved brother of the late Eleanor Andre Tobin and Norman (Roseann). In honor of Richard, memorial contributions appreciated sent to Alzheimer’s Research Organization <https://act.alz.org/donate> Memorial service at a future date. Arrangements under the care of Blake-Lamb Funeral Home, info 708-636-1193 or visit [www.blakelamboklaw.com](http://www.blakelamboklaw.com)

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Bangs, Thomas Joseph

Proud U.S. Army Veteran of Palos Heights, IL passed peacefully on 3/30/20. He was born in Chicago on November 6, 1944. He was the beloved husband of his loving wife the late JoAnne (Ringius/Gunnerson) Bangs. He is survived by his two loving children, Erica (Charles) Sutter and Todd (Kelly) Bangs. Tom was the proud grandfather of Abigail Sutter, Jenna Sutter and Miles Bangs. Tom was one of three children. He was preceded in death by his parents, Walter Bangs and Helen (Henrichs) Bangs. He is survived by his dear sisters, Barbara (James) Lewis and Lois (George) Masny. He was a fond uncle to James, Robert, Thomas and Jennifer Lewis. Tom worked for Tuthill Pump Corporation, Panduit and retired from the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District. He always enjoyed car shows with his ‘69 Camaro and loved to fix everything from bicycles to watches. Tom attended St. Basil’s Catholic School, graduated from Chicago Vocational High School. The family would like to express their love and gratitude to Tom’s extended family and close friends who have kept him busy in his retirement and checked in on him daily. Due to today’s environment the services will be private. Arrangements were entrusted to the KERRY FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION CARE CENTER in Palos Heights. [www.kerryfh.com](http://www.kerryfh.com) ~ (708) 361.4235 ~ [www.facebook.com/kerryfuneral](http://www.facebook.com/kerryfuneral)



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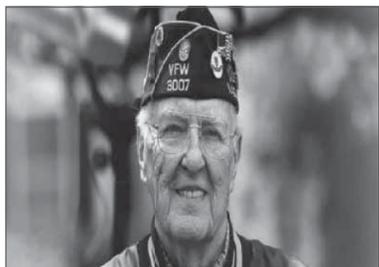
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Barry, Patricia Ann

Patricia Ann Barry (nee Hanlon) 88. Cherished wife of William P. Barry for 66 years. Loving mother of Nancy (Jerome) Graber, Maureen (Thomas) White and Joanne (James) Runke. Dear grandmother of Anne (Jesse) Blazek, Christopher (Briana) Graber, Madeline (Marty) Austin, Betsy (Brian) Rubin, Dan (Carolyn) White, Maggie (Dave) Civetti, Mike (Jenna) White, Jamie and Cara Runke (David Post). Great-grandmother of Penny and Lincoln Blazek, Colin, Liam and Declan Graber, Alice Austin, Theo Rubin, Tommaso Civetti, Jacqueline and Danny White and Quinn Post. Former Teacher at St. Barnabas School and retired from Chicago Bd. Of Ed. (O’Toole Elementary School). A Memorial Mass will be held at a later date. Memorials may be made to the Alzheimer’s Assn. 8340 W. Bryn Mawr, Suite 800, Chicago, IL 60631. Arrangements entrusted to **Donnellan Funeral Home** (773) 238-0075 or sign guestbook at [www.donnellanfuneralhome.com](http://www.donnellanfuneralhome.com)



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Bartholomay, William C.

William C. Bartholomay (“Bill”) Chicago, Illinois died peacefully on March 25, 2020 in New York City following a brief illness. Bill was an international icon in the insurance industry, a trailblazer in major league baseball, a respected civic leader, a loyal philanthropist, and a treasured patriarch.

Known affectionately as Bill, Dad, Daddy, Papa B, Billy B, WCB, and Mr. B by his loving family and countless friends, he was born in Evanston, Illinois on August 11, 1928 and raised in nearby Winnetka, spending summers at the family home in Lake Geneva, WI. He attended high school at North Shore Country Day School in Winnetka, where he was president of his class and captain of the basketball team. He spent his freshman year at Oberlin College (Oberlin, OH) where he played the trumpet, sang, and developed a lifelong love affair with music. Bill went on to receive his BA from Lake Forest College in 1955, which later honored him with a Doctor of Laws. During this time, he also served in the United States Navy Reserve.

Bill launched a chain of toy stores called the Surprise Shop, and a candy company, Mrs. Stevens Candy Company, which later became Candygram. He joined the family insurance brokerage firm, Bartholomay and Clarkson (Chicago, IL), beginning a 60-plus year career in the insurance industry. He served as a principal in Alexander & Alexander, former Olson & Bartholomay Insurance Brokerage, was Senior Vice President and Vice Chairman of Frank B. Hall & Co. and President of Near North National Group. When Bill joined Willis Group Holdings in 2003, Willis Chairman Joe Plumeri described him as “a man of unquestionable integrity and forthright leadership.” Bill was also Vice Chairman of Willis Towers Watson, Vice Chairman of Willis Group Holdings, and a member of the Willis Group’s Executive Committee. At the time of his death, Bill was the Legacy Vice Chairman and Senior Consultant of Willis Group Holdings.

While insurance was Bill’s profession, baseball was his absolute passion. In 1961, Bill became a director and shareholder of the Chicago White Sox. The following year, Bill and his partners in a Chicago-based group, purchased the Milwaukee Braves. In 1966, amidst great controversy, they moved the Braves to Atlanta, the first major league sport of any kind to locate in the Southeastern United States.

The Braves’ move to Atlanta is widely considered a catalyst for Atlanta’s multi-faceted development. This was one of Bill’s proudest accomplishments, and he continued to use baseball as a conduit to successfully build bridges and relationships, both professionally and personally, throughout his life.

With the Atlanta Braves, Bill served as Chairman of the Board and President and was Chairman Emeritus at the time of his death, winning 16 Division Championships (14 in a row), five National League Pennants and one World Series. Bill is believed to be the only man in baseball who met every Major League Baseball Commissioner dating back to the first one, Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis. Other highlights of his storied career include welcoming Braves right fielder and future Hall of Famer Hank Aaron as he crossed home plate breaking Babe Ruth’s longstanding, “unbreakable” home run record in 1974, and his 1968 signing of 62-year old Negro League and Major League pitching great Satchel Paige solely to ensure he qualified for a major league pension after 19 other teams turned him down.

In 1976 after he and his partners sold the Braves to Turner Broadcasting System (TBS) founder Ted Turner, Bill remained with the team as Chairman and joined TBS Board of Directors as Vice Chairman. Bill also held many positions in the operations of Major League Baseball including membership on its Executive Council, Ownership Committee (Chairman), Finance Committee (Chairman), Opportunity Committee, and Players Pension Committee.

His numerous awards and honors during his 68 years in baseball include the Anti-defamation League of Atlanta’s Human Rights Award (1968); The Braves 400 Club’s Ivan Allen, Jr. “Mr. Baseball” Award (1994); induction into the Braves Hall of Fame (2002); recognition for his 50 years in baseball at the Civil Rights Game (2011); and the Commissioner’s Historic Achievement Award (2019) awarded to him by Commissioner Rob Manfred and presented to him by former Commissioner and close friend “Bud” Selig.

While Bill spent a great deal of time in New York, Palm Beach and Atlanta, Chicago was his home. He was devoted to his community and strongly believed in giving back. He served as a director, trustee or member of many civic, business and educational institutions including: Commissioner and President of the Chicago Park District (serving under four mayors over 22 years), Commissioner of the Chicago Public Building Commission, Trustee of the Illinois Institute of Technology, Board of Directors of the Museum of Science and Industry, Adler Planetarium, Lincoln Park Zoo and Lake Forest College where he established two scholarships benefiting minorities and women.

A man of wit, integrity and unshakable loyalty, Bill’s diverse friend group encompassed political leaders, business executives, celebrities, and a broad generational cross-section of countless individuals from every walk of life. His favorite pastimes included most sports, reading, crossword puzzles, music, backgammon, and pleasure travel. His limitless curiosity and enthusiasm were infectious and kept him “ageless.” When asked on his 90th birthday what the single most memorable moment of his life was, Bill quickly responded, “I’m still waiting for it.”

A treasured patriarch, Bill was the epicenter of his large family’s universe as advisor, advocate, mentor, confidante, uncle, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. He was preceded in death by his father Henry C. Bartholomay, his mother Virginia (nee Graves), his older brother Henry Bartholomay III and grandson Trey Duffy. Bill is survived by his long-time companion, Bethine S. Whitney; his sister-in-law, Judy Bartholomay; his children, Ginny Bartholomay (Gary Butterfield); William T. Bartholomay (Cathy); Jamie B. Niemie (Russ); Betsy B. Benoit (Jim); Sally B. Downey (Tim); and Karen L. Baldwin; as well as 14 grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Trey Duffy Foundation, ATTN: Susan Bailey, 3309 N Whitney Avenue, Hapeville, GA 30354. A celebration of his life will be held later in the year.

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Benson, Sherwood

Sherwood Benson, age 95. Beloved husband for 65 years to Helga Stern Benson; cherished father of Dr. Leon (Karyn) Benson and the late Dr. Michael (survived by Bonnie) Benson; loving grandfather of Jordan Benson (fiancée Yelena), Arielle (Adam) Lipetz, Julia Benson, Naomi Benson, Jessica Benson and Rebecca Benson; dear brother of the late June (Rudy) Esses; fond brother-in-law of Dr. Mark and Renee Stern; special thanks to caregivers Anna & Ronald Ortega. Navy Veteran of World War II. A small private family funeral is necessary, but this may be viewed on Sherwood’s webpage at [www.mitvahfunerals.com](http://www.mitvahfunerals.com) on Monday April 6th at 11:30 AM live, or after the funeral. Info **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals** 630-MITZVAH 630-648-9824



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ON APRIL 5 ...

In 1614 American Indian princess Pocahontas married English colonist John Rolfe in Virginia.

In 1856 African-American

educator Booker T. Washington was born in Hales Ford, Va.

In 1887 in Tuscumbia, Ala., teacher Anne Sullivan taught her blind and deaf pupil, Helen Keller, the

word “water” as spelled out in sign language.

In 1951 Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were sentenced to death following their conviction in New York on charges of conspiring to commit espionage for the Soviet Union; co-defendant Morton Sobell was sentenced to 30 years in prison. (He was released in 1969).

In 1964 Army Gen. Douglas MacArthur died in Washington; he was 84.

In 1987 Fox Broadcasting Co. made its prime-time TV debut by airing the first episodes of “Married ... With Children” and “The Tracey Ullman Show” three times each.

In 1992 Wal-Mart founder Sam Walton died in Little Rock, Ark.; he was 74.

In 2006 Duke University’s lacrosse coach resigned and the school canceled the rest of the season amid a burgeoning scandal involving allegations that three players on the highly ranked team had raped a stripper at an off-campus party. (Charges in the case were later dropped.)

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Powerball jackpot: \$180M  
Lotto ..... 16 17 19 24 36 49 / 12  
Lotto jackpot: \$7.5M  
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Lucky Day Lotto midday ..... 07 18 29 40 42  
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Lucky Day Lotto evening ..... 02 09 10 16 36  
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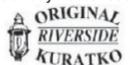
**Bogolub, Joyce**

Joyce Bogolub, nee Sirota, age 86, beloved wife of Harve; devoted mother of Phillip (Sheryl), David (Toni), and the late Helene (Edie) Bogolub; cherished grandmother of Carol, Joshua, Danielle, and Joel Bogolub; sister of Nathan (Ken) and the late Marvin (Lois surviving) Sirota. Due to the health crisis, services and shiva will be private. Remembrances may be made to Congregation Etz Chaim, 1710 S. Highland Ave., Lombard 60148. Info: **Chesed v'Emet Funeral Home**, Rudy Lerner, Funeral Director, 847-577-0856, www.chesedvetem.com.

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**Borkovec, Mary 'Sharon'**

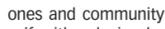
Mary "Sharon" Borkovec, nee O'Rourke, of Westchester, IL, Fennville, MI and former longtime resident of Riverside, IL, age 83. Beloved wife of Kent F. Borkovec, M.D.; loving mother of Mary Susan (Maury) Jones, Brian (Mary), John (Kathy), David (Moira) and Dan (Laura) Borkovec; proud grandmother of 15; great-grandmother of four; dear sister of Terry (Maureen) O'Rourke; cherished daughter of John M. and Genevieve (Peters) O'Rourke. Sharon was a devout catholic practicing her faith as a member of St. Basil Church, MI, St. John of the Cross, IL and St. Mary Church, Riverside. She loved caring for her family, picking blueberries; family parties, quilting, gardening and attending her "Book Bag" book club. **Due to the COVID-19 Virus services will be private. A memorial service will be held at a later date.** Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Saugatuck-Douglas Public Library, 137 E. Center St., Douglas, MI 49406 or the American Heart Association ([www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org)). Arrangements entrusted to the Original Kuratko Family, Brian D. Kuratko, Director. For info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L. [www.conboywestchesterfh.com](http://www.conboywestchesterfh.com)



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**Boyajian, Karney**

Karney Boyajian, 95, born in the West Pullman neighborhood of Chicago, died peacefully on Sunday, March 29, 2020. He was a man of great energy, compassion, child-like joy and resolute will, who deeply loved all his family, church and community with selfless passion. He took a sincere personal interest in helping his loved ones and community by generously giving of himself with a loving heart and fierce determination. The oldest son of Garabed and Aghavney Boyajian, Karney was born on November 22, 1924. He enjoyed an imaginative and somewhat mischievous childhood with his younger brother Sarkis and cousins Harch and Coke, who remained inextricably linked throughout their entire lives. While in the Army during WWII he was sent to Stanford University to study electrical engineering. After the war he received his engineering degree from IIT in Chicago. Karney headed the research and development laboratory at Delta Star for several years. He then, with his brother Sarkis, purchased Kleen Towne Cleaners, a laundromat with two self-serv dry cleaning machines. Together, they built the business into one of Chicago's largest full-service dry cleaners that was loved and supported by the Roseland community for over 40 years. Karney was a founding member, trustee and integral part of Sts. Joachim and Anne Church, centrally involved in establishing and building the Armenian churches in both the Roseland and Palos Heights communities. Singing in the choir with his friends and family was one of his great joys which he did devoutly each Sunday with his clear and rich bass voice. In 1954, Karney married Lucy Kurnalian, and they had two children together: Garo and Christine. In 1958, Lucy died of ovarian cancer. In 1962, Karney married Jill. They were married 57 years having one son together: Eric. Karney and Jill were a beautiful couple who enjoyed a full life. They had many traveling adventures and were great lovers and patrons of the arts. Along with family and friends they regularly attended the CSO, Lyric Opera, Goodman Theater, Art Institute and many smaller independent institutions. Karney is survived by his wife, Jill; brother, Sarkis; sister-in-law, Alice; children, Garo, Christine and Eric; son-in-law, Scott; daughter-in-law, Liz; and grandchildren, Greg and Laura. Due to COVID-19 restrictions there will be no public service. Burial will be attended by immediate family only. On a date yet to be determined, a memorial service and dinner will be held in Karney's memory. The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to Saints Joachim & Anne Armenian Apostolic Church in Palos Heights, IL. Arrangements entrusted to **Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Homes**. [www.sheehyfh.com](http://www.sheehyfh.com) 708-857-7878



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**Brimer, Sarah**  
Sarah Brimer nee Wasserman 103. Beloved wife of the late Moses Brimer. Loving mother of Arlene (Chris Mailing) Brimer and the late Dr. Elaine Brimer. Proud grandmother of Hope. Dear sister of the late Benjamin (the late Lillian) Wasserman, the late Hymie Wasserman and the late Eva (the late Julius) Silverman. Private graveside services were held at the Calverton National Cemetery, Calverton, NY. Memorial contributions may be made to Hadassah Chicago-North Shore, 60 Revere Drive, suite 800, Northbrook, IL 60062, [www.hadassah.org/regions/chicago-north-shore/](http://www.hadassah.org/regions/chicago-north-shore/) or Aitz Hayim Center for Jewish Living, 1185 Sheridan Road, Glencoe, IL 60022, [www.aitzhayim.org](http://www.aitzhayim.org). Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, [www.cjfnfo.com](http://www.cjfnfo.com)



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**Brosnan, Barbara C.**  
Barbara Collins Brosnan, Age 78, In God's Care on March 28, 2020. Beloved wife of the late Dr. James G. Brosnan. Loving mother of Dr. Pamela (Dr. Brett) Blacher, the late Nicholas, Bartholomew, and Phillip Brosnan. Dear grandmother of Brady and Shannon Blacher. Beloved daughter of the late Louise and Howard Collins. Devoted sister of H. Richard (Virginia) Collins. Alumna of Christ the King Grammar School (1955), Past President of Christ the King Women's Altar Guild (1985-1986), and former teacher at CK School. Through our tears we celebrate that Barb is together forever with Dr. Jim, Nick, Bart, and Phillip. Memorial Mass will be celebrated at Christ the King Church at a later date. Private Interment St. Mary Cemetery. Memorials to CK 2050 Campaign c/o Christ the King Parish, 9235 S. Hamilton Ave., Chicago, IL 60643 are most appreciated. Your prayers, love, and support are asked for the Brosnan-Blacher families and all those affected by the Covid-19 Pandemic. Funeral Info: **Heeney-Laughlin Funeral Directors**, 708-636-5500 or [www.heeneyfh.com](http://www.heeneyfh.com)

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**Bukowski, Richard S.**  
Richard S. Bukowski, 77, passed away March 17, 2020 after a long illness. He was a true gentleman, much loved by his family and friends and was a caring, inspirational teacher. He was strong of character, wise of mind and kind of heart. He traveled the world, spoke fluent German, enjoyed live theater, solving crossword puzzles and taking long walks observing the beauty of trees. Indeed, he was the Oak of our family - tall, dependable, resilient. Richard loved math for its order and precision. He taught for 36 years and shared this love of math with his students in Hamburg, Germany (teaching in German!) and at Whitney Young Magnet School in Chicago where he helped the Math Team to many victories. His recommendations helped seniors enter the college of their choice. Thank you notes written to 'Mr. B.' were abundant and always mentioned his gift of making learning enjoyable. As one student wrote "You have taught us self-discipline, perseverance and many other important values of life - as well as derivatives, integers and other components of calculus." Another student said that an accurate description of 'Mr. B.' was that of a candle - "someone who lights up the lives of others." He attended Tuley High School and earned his Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign. Throughout his career, he received recognition for his many academic and professional achievements. Richard was a devoted son to his parents, Eugenia and Stanley Bukowski. He is survived by his loving sister Eleanor Kulm and his nephews, David Kulm and Steven Kulm. With open arms he welcomed into the family Steven's wife Melissa and rejoiced when he became Great Uncle to their daughter, Elena, who he adored. Richard will be remembered for his firm handshake, warm smile, never-ending support and enthusiasm. As a colleague wrote, "I don't believe I'll ever meet anyone else like him." Richard was a generous supporter of St. Thecla Parish, Chicago, as well as organizations that feed the poor. Donations to such causes are appreciated. Due to world events services were private. Arrangements entrusted to COLONIAL-WOJCIECHOWSKI FUNERAL HOME. Info. 773-774-0366 or [www.colonialfuneral.com](http://www.colonialfuneral.com)

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**Del Priore, Nancy M.**  
Nancy M. Del Priore (nee Mastantuono), Age 93, Born into Eternal Life on March 31, 2020. Beloved wife of Anthony J. "Tony" Del Priore, Sr. for an incredible 71 years. Loving mother of Anthony J. Del Priore, Jr., and Denise (Michael) Heeney. Proud and loving grandma of Michael Heeney, Gina (Nick) McDonald, Matthew Heeney, and Lisa Rolek. Dear great-grandmother of Alyssa and Nicholas McDonald, and Anthony Garcia. Beloved daughter of the late Dan "Pop" and Rose "Nonnie" Mastantuono. Devoted sister of the late Antionette Adam Prack (Andy Adam), and Dan (Margaret) Mastantuono. "Aunt Nancy" was also dearly loved by her nieces and nephews: the late Andy (Kathy) Adam, Wayne (Nadine) Adam, Laura, Kathy, Mark (Debbie), and Craig (Yvonne) Mastantuono. Fond cousin of Joe (Cathie), and Bob (Virginia) Spinazzola. Dear sister-in-law of Dolores "Lovey" Boerst, and the late Rose Testa, Eva Donaldson, Michael Del Priore, Antoinette "Dune" Fragala Tully, Nicki Cozzi, Mary Guttilla, Adam Del Priore, Mildred Spear, Rocco Del Priore, Gertrude Ortiz, Carmen Del Priore and Yolanda Cole. Cherished lifelong friend to Louise Faretta and Mildred Disabato. Nancy and Tony were united in Matrimony on May 21, 1949 at St. Donatus Church in Blue Island. Her deep love and care of family and exceptional cooking skills will remain in our hearts forever. Nancy was the authoress of the 11th Commandment...Thou shalt eat dinner at grandma and grandpa's house on Sunday at 5pm. A private family visitation and burial at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery were held. A memorial mass and reception celebrating her life will take place at a later date. Memorials to Palos Hospice, 15295 E. 127th Street, Lemont, IL 60439, or the Tinley Park Food Pantry, 6875 173rd Pl., Tinley Park, IL 60477 are most appreciated. Funeral Info: **Heeney-Laughlin Funeral Directors**, 708-636-5500 or [heeneyfh.com](http://heeneyfh.com)

**Derosier, Daniel R.**  
Daniel R. Derosier age 62 of Tucson, Arizona formerly of Hoffman Estates, Illinois, passed away on March 23, 2020. He was the loving son of the late Robert J. DeRosier and the late Mary J. Szewczyk. Dan was also preceded in death by his siblings Thomas J. DeRosier; Barbara J.(Richard) Mruz and Donna M. DeRosier. He was a loving and wonderful father to his daughter, Jacquelyn Derosier; and a cherished brother to his surviving sisters Susan D. (the late Jack) Shea and Mary D. (Carol Fachini) DeRosier. Uncle Dan was a caring and loving uncle to many nieces and nephews, with a warm affection for his godchildren Joanna Mruz and Robert Daniel Aurilio. Dan's working career of 45 years was in the tire business primarily affiliated with Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company and its dealers. His outgoing and loving personality will be missed by everyone whose lives he touched. A "Celebration of Dan's Life" will be held in Downers Grove, Illinois at a later date. Condolences to the family please send to Susan Shea at 7090 N. Oracle Road 178-200 Tucson, Arizona 85704. Arrangements entrusted to Desert Sunset Funeral Home 520-297-9007.

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**Doney, Sharon L.**  
Sharon L. Doney, 76, nee Kaplan, died March 29th, beloved by family, friends, co-workers and neighbors for her generosity, empathy, free spirit, sunny personality and sense of humor. She improved the lives of many residents of Lake County as a dedicated health educator and initiator of the Lake County Kids 1st Fair, benefiting thousands of families for decades. Daughter of the late Allen H. and Helen Kaplan. Graduated Evanston Township High School, earned her Bachelor's degree in Social Welfare from Mundelein College and MSW from Loyola University. Survivors include sons David Doney (Rana Hashemi) and Douglas Doney; sister, Susan Kaplan (Fred Allen) and baby grandson Nathan Doney. Sharon was the beloved companion of the late Bernie Ripstein and the late Norman Cooper. Donations to [www.pawshicago.org](http://www.pawshicago.org) and [www.afmda.org](http://www.afmda.org) are appreciated. A memorial tribute will be scheduled later.

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**Doney, Sharon L.**  
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**Crump, Margaret**  
Margaret Johnston Crump, 93, of Glenview, Illinois, died on Friday, March 20 at the Care Center at the Vi at the Glen. Beloved mother of Abigail Fasanella (Robert), Jennifer, grandmother to Elaine Buehler, Peter Coladarci, and Cecily Fasanella, and one great granddaughter, Emma. She was predeceased by her husband of 45 years, Charles, and her son Charles J. in 2012. Peggy was born on January 20, 1927 in St Louis, Missouri. She attended Nerinx Hall in Webster Groves, Missouri and graduated from St. Louis University, St. Louis, MO, and later received master's in education at Northeastern University in Chicago. Peggy married Charles L. Crump 1954 and they moved to Winnetka. She started working at New Trier East in the early 1970's in the special education department. She loved her years as a teacher and enjoyed the warm friendships with staff and students. Peggy and her husband took many wonderful vacations through the New Trier Extension, travelling all over Europe and China. She retired from New Trier in 1994 but continued as a substitute teacher and proctor for exams until just a few years ago. Peggy loved gardening and spending time with her sister Mary Jeanne travelling to gardens in Europe and all over the USA. She enjoyed tennis and golf and most recently playing bridge when she moved into the Vi. A memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: Sister Paulanne's Needy Family Fund, Please make checks payable to Our Lady of Perpetual Help (and note Sister Paulanne's Needy Family Fund in the memo line), and send donations to: OLPH, Parish Ministry Center, 1775 Grove Street, Glenview, IL 60025. Info: [www.donnellanfuneral.com](http://www.donnellanfuneral.com) or (847)675-1990.

**Cady, Victoria D. 'Vicki'**  
Victoria D. "Vicki" Cady, age 105, of Oak Park; beloved wife of the late H. Keith Cady; loving mother of Wendall C. (Carol) and the late Paul K. (Jeri); cherished grandmother of John and Scott Cady; devoted daughter of the late Paul and Frieda Dieball; sister of the late Ruth Strassberger. A memorial service will be held at a later date.

**Condry, Robert Stewart**  
Robert Condry, "Bob", 78, a 27-year resident of Carmel-by-the-Sea, CA, formerly of Glen Ellyn, IL, Richmond, VA, and Charleston, WV, died peacefully on March 30, 2020. He was a husband, father, grandpa, son, brother, uncle, devout Catholic, proud U.S. Army veteran, and friend to all. Bob is survived by his beloved wife of 53 years, Mary nee Heinzer; adored children John Stewart; Mary-Lynch (Michael Tarpey); cherished grandchildren Mikey, Annie, Bridget and Luke; brother, Michael (Katie Lam); sisters-in-law, Sandra Condry and Linda Condry; many nieces, nephews, and friends. He was preceded in death by his brothers John C. Condry and Patrick J. Condry. A Celebration of Life funeral Mass will be held in the future. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be sent to one of three Carmel Mission Basilica Ministries: Falge Farmworker Program, Carmel Mission Docent Association or Carmel Mission Organ Fund at the Carmel Mission Basilica, 3080 Rio Road, Carmel, CA 93921. Please indicate fund preference in memo portion of the check, or call 831-624-1271 x200. [www.bermudezfamilyfunerals.com/obituary/Robert-Condry](http://www.bermudezfamilyfunerals.com/obituary/Robert-Condry)

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**Devine, Joseph T. 'Coach'**  
Joseph T. Devine, age 83. Beloved son of the late Joseph and Mary. Dear brother of James Devine. Loving family friend of Mary DeWitt, Matthew DeWitt, Billy DeWitt, Christine Fuller, Megan Dusak, Norine Hanlon, Larry Hanlon and the late James and Norine Quinlan. Member of St. Rita and Brother Rice Fathers Club. Fondly referred to as "Coach" to many. His greatest pleasure was attending all sporting events in the area parks and neighborhood high schools. Due to CDC recommendations funeral services and interment for Joseph will be held privately. 773-779-4411

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**Donenberg, Beverly Evelyn**  
Beverly Evelyn Donenberg nee Friedberg, 88. Beloved wife of the late Bernard L. "Captain" Donenberg. Loving mother of Nancy (Mark) Zorfis, Barbara (Thomas) Harris and Randi (Bennett) Israel. Proud grandmother of Jennifer, Ilana, Joey, Maddie, David, Melanie and Seth. Dear sister of Rosalie (the late Sheldon Liebovich and the late Charles Hyman) and sister-in-law of the late Jerome (the late Joan) Donenberg. Cherished aunt of Michael and Jill Liebovich, Barbara and Steven Lirtzman, Janie and Craig Norby. Wonderful friend, cousin of many and devoted teacher known for helping so many overcome challenges. Due to the pandemic all services and shiva are private. Memorials in her memory to ASPCA, 424 E. 92nd St, New York, NY 10128-6804, [www.aspc.org](http://www.aspc.org) and Hadassah, 60 Revere Drive, Suite 800, Northbrook, Illinois 60062, [www.hadassah.org/ways-to-give](http://www.hadassah.org/ways-to-give) would be appreciated. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, [www.cjfnfo.com](http://www.cjfnfo.com)

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**Duda, James C.**

James C. Duda "Herbie", age 61, passed away March 24, 2020; Father of Beth; Beloved son of Marjorie, nee Apple and the late Charles Duda; Dear brother of Mike (Cheryl) Duda, Tom (Chris) Duda, Dave Duda and Laura (Dan) Stanek; Beloved nephew of Dorothy Martinesen; Uncle of Jackie (Chris) Fletcher, Michelle Duda, Matt (Katie) Duda, Dan Duda, Alexis Duda and Ryan and Matthew Stanek. Funeral Services will be private. A burial will be held at a later date. For information 708-430-5700.

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**Duffy, Dorothy Lawrenz Heber**

Dorothy Lawrenz Heber Duffy was born on October 13, 1929 in Chicago, the youngest of two girls born to Charles and Angeline Lawrenz. A beautiful blonde with blue eyes, Dorothy captured the hearts of all who knew her. Her warm smile and easy ways told everyone she met that the heart inside was full of love for everyone. As a mother of four, she encouraged her children to follow the light within themselves. As a friend, she shared the ease and resolve of her faith in God and the certainty that you would be fine and had her there to be your rock. As a wife, she loved deeply, dearly and was a true companion in life. Dorothy, aka Dee Dee the Clown or Grammie to her family, was a 1947 graduate of Taft High School. She was a former resident of Northbrook, Libertyville, and Vernon Hills, spending her last 24 years with her beloved husband Mike. Together they were active members of their church, symphony lovers and Mariott goers as well as dog rescuers. Dorothy worked for Illinois Bell as a phone operator and secretary. Her accomplishments in service were many. A Campfire Girls leader and Sunday school teacher when her kids were younger, holding many positions with the Telephone Pioneers of America, as well as a steadfast volunteer with the Lake County Haven and Meals on Wheels. One of her pet projects was Covers of Love bringing many homemade knitted afghans for those in need. Just days before her death on Sunday, March 29, 2020 of multiple myeloma, she was still knitting. Dorothy wants us all to celebrate her life. She was grateful for every day. She dearly loved her family and friends and let them know on a regular basis. The joy she had for life and doing service to others was remarkable. We laugh and smile as we remember her gift of gab. Dorothy is preceded in death by her first husband Joe Heber and sister Charlotte Sherman. Surviving are her husband Mike, daughters Cheryl Kerr (Tom), Debra Zare (David), Donna Buchholz (Tom) and son Barry Heber as well as 8 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren. Services are private with a celebration of life planned for the fall of 2020. We ask that in lieu of flowers donations be made to the Lake County Haven. Arrangements by **Burnett-Dane Funeral Home**, in Libertyville. For info: 847-362-3009 and please share a memory at [www.burnettdane.com](http://www.burnettdane.com).

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**Duhasek, Grace**

Grace Duhasek (nee Murman), age 100, passed away on Friday, April 3, 2020. She was born in Chicago on September 29, 1919 and raised in Berwyn. Grace attended J Sterling Morton High School. After marrying Jack, they raised their family in Berwyn and Westchester. In 2009, Grace moved to Lexington Square of Elmhurst where she enjoyed 10 active years.

She was the beloved wife of the late Jack Duhasek for 58 years. Loving mother of Jack Duhasek Jr and Jill (Jack) Cahill. Dearest grandmother of Jacquelyn (Scott) Rader, Elizabeth Cahill, Christopher Cahill, Johnathan Duhasek and Barry Duhasek. Great grandmother to Morgan Grace and Sydney Kate.

A graveside service will be live streamed at [facebook.com/RingaFH](http://facebook.com/RingaFH) at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, April 7, 2020. A memorial gathering is being planned for the future. **Ringa Funeral Home** is assisting the family.

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**Eberstein, Ralph**

Ralph Eberstein, age 96, of West Rogers Park, served honorably in the United States Navy during WWII, devoted son of the late Nathan and the late Sarah Eberstein; dear brother of Arthur (Marion) Eberstein and the late David (Charlene) Eberstein; adored uncle of Martin Eberstein, Maxine (Ricardo Woodson) Puchowitz, Laura Jacobs, and Sharon Heller; treasured great uncle of Kevin (Elyse Conklin) Hirn and Brandon Puchowitz. Due to the ongoing health crisis, the service and shiva will be private. The family is planning a memorial service at a later date. Contributions to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society would be appreciated, [www.donate.lls.org](http://www.donate.lls.org). Info: The **Goldman Funeral Group**, [www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com](http://www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com) (847) 478-1600.



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**Eichholz, Marylyn M.**

Marylyn Maria Eichholz (nee Minier), age 77, of Crown Point, Indiana (formerly Hodgkins, IL) lost her battle against the Coronavirus on Sunday, March 29, 2020.

It comforts her family to know that she is now wrapped in the arms of her beloved husband William Eichholz, who preceded her in death. Mary was born in Eau Claire, Wisconsin to Burt and Verna Minier and is survived by her sister Gae Rezin of York, PA. For the last seven years she has shared her home with her beloved daughter, Amy (Jamie) Green and her grandchildren Jillian and Jimmy. She was so happy the last three months of her life as she welcomed her beloved daughter Kimberly Glass and beloved son Aaron Loid into her home while they relocated to Crown Point.

She was taken from this earth way too early as she had so much more planned with family and friends. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, a celebration of her life will take place at later date. Pruzin & Little Funeral Service of Crown Point entrusted to her arrangements. Please visit [www.pruzinfuneralservice.com](http://www.pruzinfuneralservice.com) to express online condolences and view the full obituary.

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**Fox, Michael B.**

Michael Bruce Fox, age 69, spent a lifetime challenging and being challenged by his developmental disabilities and the systems that care for people with special needs.

Born July 10, 1950 in Indianapolis, IN, he was educated in the area's public school special education classes until almost age 16. He learned to read, print, and write in cursive script, do simple arithmetic and spell with an almost eighth-grade ability. When his slight speech impediment made it difficult for some people to comprehend what he was saying, he would spell the words they couldn't understand.

His parents, the late Joseph and the late Lillian Fox, worked tirelessly not only to augment his formal education, but also to teach him about the world he lived in. They always made him an active part of his family, but not the focus of the household that also included his sister, Brenda Fox Stone of Northbrook, and his grandmother, the late Kate Friedman. Fox died peacefully March 12 at Northwestern Medicine Lake Forest Hospital after a brief illness.

Incredible role models for how to raise a child, especially one with handicaps, his parents always maximized his abilities and opportunities and refused to dwell on his limitations. They gave him the freedom to explore, proudly handing him two-wheel bicycles that he raced down suburban streets with his sister. They allowed him to climb the steps of high diving boards, then happily jump into the deep water below and swim fearlessly.

Fox was a Cub Scout, with his mother as the den mother, just as she had led her daughter's Girl Scout troop. He loved going to the Indianapolis 500 auto races and rock concerts, especially the Beatles. He received a Jewish education in his synagogue's religious school, was able to recite basic prayers in Hebrew, and loudly sang Chanukah songs. He learned to stifle giggles when he heard the unique sounds of the shofar on Yom Kippur, but laughed out loud when he heard "Davy Crockett," "16 Tons," "The Purple People Eater," and "The Chipmunk Song" on his ever-present radios.

Many weekends and holidays of his youth were spent working in the family's small menswear store in Martinsville, IN, where Fox was the official greeter and in charge of putting Levi's back on the shelves in proper size order and folding sweaters.

Near his 16th birthday, when his father died suddenly, Fox began going to work in the Martinsville store everyday with his mother, giving her good company and conversation on the nearly 100-mile round trips they made each day between store and home. When a fire burned out the business a few years later, he entered the sheltered workshop system in Indianapolis, where he did tasks of daily living for the next 16 years.

By his early 30s, Fox and his aging mother moved to Northbrook to be near his sister. He did sheltered workshop work a few more years, often winning certificates of excellence. He became the cherished uncle to his sister's three children, changing them and feeding them, rocking them to sleep and playing with them on the floor. His kindness and tenderness towards them were reciprocated many times over as those children became adults, one even becoming a special education teacher.

Eventually it was no longer feasible for Fox to continue living with his elderly mother and he moved into residential care for the developmentally disabled, first into private facilities and for the last 21 years of his life in a state-operated developmental center.

Some 13 years ago, under medical care that was not the finest and in a population where psychotropic drugs, despite his family's strenuous objections, were often excessively used to maintain quiet and reduce certain behaviors, Fox lost all ability to walk, to talk, to feed himself and to keep his eyes open. Even to the end of his life he understood what was happening around him, but could communicate only by changes in facial expression, a sly smile, unintelligible babbling and uncoordinated body gestures. The diagnosis, medication-induced encephalopathy, robbed him of all his hard-won abilities and his family, especially his sister, lost his joyful companionship. Besides his sister Brenda (the late Dr. Lawrence A. Stone), a former reporter for the Chicago Tribune, Fox is survived by his niece Karen Stone Sussman (Adam), nephew Jason (Nieve) Stone and great-nephew Logan; niece Marnie Kate Price (David), great-nephew Lincoln, great-niece Makenzie and numerous cousins.

His family is extremely grateful to each and every person at Lake Forest Hospital who touched his life and theirs with the highest standards of medical care, kindness and compassion over the past several months and helped them all to reach a peaceful end.

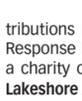
Services were held March 13, conducted by Rabbi Carl Wolkin, rabbi emeritus of Congregation Beth Shalom, Northbrook, under the direction of The Goldman Funeral Group, Buffalo Grove, with burial at Shalom Memorial Park, Arlington Heights.

Memorial contributions may be made to Congregation Beth Shalom, 3433 Walters Av., Northbrook, and Keshet, 600 Academy Dr., #130, Northbrook, IL 60062.

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**Freed, Howard Joseph**

Howard Joseph Freed, 88, passed away on April 3, 2020. Loving and devoted father of Dr. Mark Freed and Susan Melnick, cherished "Papa" of Bradley Melnick and dear brother of Barry Freed. Funeral Services are private. Memorial contributions may be made to the Illinois COVID-19 Response Fund [www.ilcovidresponsefund.org](http://www.ilcovidresponsefund.org) or to a charity of your choice. For information, contact **Lakeshore Jewish Funerals**, 773-625-8621



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**Gardner, Carole A.**

Carole A. Gardner, 94, of Mundelein. Beloved wife of the late Judge Sheldon Gardner; loving mother of Janet Gardner, Michael (Eve Gordon) Gardner and Miriam (James Ryan) Gardner-Ryan; proud grandmother of Adam, Joel and Julia Gardner, Brittany (Andreas Agrotis), Jillian (Kyle Gerber), Samantha (Gabe Von Letscher), Austin Ryan and great grandmother of four. Carole attended University of Chicago where she met Sheldon. Carole and Sheldon were active in independent politics and in political campaigns at the leadership level. Carole was a founder and leader of Project LEAP. She was one of the first paralegals, and Carole excelled in her profession. She will be missed by her family and friends. Due to current events, a public memorial service will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please contribute to Blind Service Association. Arrangements by **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home**. Information 847-256-5700.



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**Gemma, J. Finley**

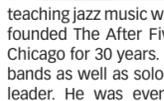
Gemma J. Finley nee Noone, 64. Beloved wife for 38 years of John 'Jake' Finley. Loving mother of John (Jamie) Finley and Eileen (Alex) Petrich. Proud grandmother 'Gigi' of Forrest Finley. Devoted daughter of the late Michael and Catherine. Dear sister of Mary (John) Doherty, Kathleen (Denis) Casey, Barbara (Chris) Nash and the late Kevin (the late Diane) Noone and the late Terrence (Carrie) Noone. Gemma was a dedicated nurse for over 40 years. She brought true love and compassion to the many patients she helped throughout her career. Those closest to her in nursing school and later in practice would become lifelong friends. Gemma was diagnosed with breast cancer two years ago, and its progression was unrelenting. We are grateful for the peace she now has. Memorial services will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the COVID-19 Relief Fund at Northwestern Medicine or help a frontline healthcare worker in your community.



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**Gessner, David John**

David John Gessner, 65, of Lemont, Illinois passed away March 24. David was born April 7, 1954 in Rockford to John and Jewel (Kemp) Gessner. He graduated from Rockford Lutheran High School and Northern Illinois University. David married Christine Ziebka on May 2, 1981. David was an accomplished pianist. Playing and teaching jazz music was his passion. David and Chris founded The After Five Orchestra which played in Chicago for 30 years. He played in his church, many bands as well as solo events and was a great band leader. He was even honored to lay with Dizzy Gillespie. He loved his fellow musician friends. David is survived by his loving wife Christine, siblings Judy (Steve) Davidson, Gary (Karen) Gessner, Kirk (Barb Zanis) Gessner, brother-in-law Mark Ziebka, sister-in-law Madeleine Cocomise, and many nieces and nephews. Memorial service to be held at a future date.



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**Giacomino, Linda M**

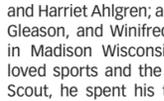
Linda Marie Giacomino, 73, a resident of Round Lake, IL, passed away April 1, 2020 at her home. She was born March 9, 1947 in Chicago to Jesse and Ann Nava. Linda is survived by her husband of 50 plus years, Michael, her sons Michael (Ginna) Giacomino Jr. and Patrick (Monica) Giacomino, her grandchildren Brianna, Alexis, Cierra, Giovanni, and Melissa Giacomino, her siblings Daniel (Nancy) Nava, Leon (Anna) Nava, Dorothy Nava, Antoinette (Tony) Ficarro, Frank Bussalacchi. She was preceded in death by her parents and her siblings Louis Nava Sr., Richard Nava Sr., Diane Larson, and Thomas Nava Sr. A memorial service will be held at a later date. All arrangements were entrusted to Strang Funeral Chapel & Crematorium 410 E. Belvidere Rd. Grayslake, IL 60030. For more information please contact (847)223-8122 or log onto [www.strangfuneral.org](http://www.strangfuneral.org).



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**Gleason, John**

John "Jack" Gleason, of Lake Barrington, passed away peacefully, on March 26, 2020 at his home. He was 99 years young. Jack, known affectionately as "Grandpa Jack", is survived by his children, Nancy Johnson, John Gleason, and Jeff Gleason; grandchildren, Tom Johnson, Chris (Kristin) Johnson, Tara (Matt) Laski, Jeffrey (Amy) Gleason, Randy (Michelle) Gleason, John Gleason, and Jeremy Gleason; and twelve great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife of 67 years, Helen Lee; his sisters, Margaret Gleason and Harriet Ahlgren; and his parents, Gilbert Monroe Gleason, and Winifred C (Kneeland) Gleason. Born in Madison Wisconsin October 30th, 1920; Jack loved sports and the great outdoors. As an Eagle Scout, he spent his time exploring the Wisconsin wilderness and canoeing the Flambeau River. As an adult, he enjoyed sailing, tennis, running 10ks, biking, and downhill skiing. He was an accomplished skier well into his nineties. None of his children or grandchildren could keep up with Grandpa Jack on the slopes! During WWII, Jack served proudly in the United States Air Force. A graduate of the University of Wisconsin Madison and Purdue University, Jack went on to enjoy a long successful career at Kraft Foods and Premark Corporation. After retiring Jack worked as a volunteer at the Barrington Library, the Barrington Historical Society and the Palatine Senior Center. He also enjoyed lots of travel and adventures with family and friends. Grandpa Jack was our rock. He was a remarkable man and a role model for his family. He will be dearly missed. A burial service will be held privately at Evergreen Cemetery in Barrington and a memorial service will take place at a later date. Arrangements were entrusted to Davenport Family Funeral Home, Barrington. Please visit [www.davenportfamily.com](http://www.davenportfamily.com) to view updated service information and leave condolences. In lieu of flowers memorial donations in Jack's name can be made to the Alzheimers Association, [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org)



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**Gunther, Seymour**

Seymour Gunther. Army Veteran of the Korean War. Beloved husband of the late Donna Gunther nee Lav. Loving father of Lynda Gunther and the late Steven Gunther. Dear brother of Libby Starr and the late Edith Marks. Darling son of the late Gabriel and Ida Gunther. Private family services were held. In lieu of flowers, contributions in Seymour's name to the Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave., Fl. 17, Chicago, IL 60601 would be appreciated. Info **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals**, 630-MITZVAH (630-648-9824) or [www.MitzvahFunerals.com](http://www.MitzvahFunerals.com).



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**Haderlein, Joyce M.**

Born on May 11, 1930 and passed away March 18, 2020. Beloved wife of the late John F. Haderlein; loving mother of Mike (Carole), Jim, Cathy (Jim Coen), Bill (Jeanne) and Bob (Laurie). Dear grandmother of 10 and great-grandmother of two. Daughter of the late Ray and Mabel Johnson.

She was a life-long Chicago Lakeview resident. A graduate of Lakeview H.S. 1948.

She was a proud member of American Turners Northwest Chicago and a good athlete, playing volleyball, golf and tennis. Mom was a devoted homemaker who was always there for her children. Her beautiful smile will be missed by all.

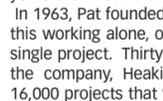
Donations to Alzheimer's Association in her name at [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org) would be greatly appreciated.

A private family service has already been held.

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**Heakin, Pat**

Pat Heakin, 98, of Venice, FL, formerly of Chicago and Michigan, passed away on March 29, 2020. Born in the Boston area, Pat Heakin was the second of four children of John Sullivan and Florence (Thonrton) Sullivan. Pat met her husband, Frank (d), in 1943 during WWII when his Navy ship pulled into New York for re-fitting. A whirlwind romance followed, and their seventh date was a marriage ceremony. They were married for 43 years and raised 3 children: John, Patti, and Kevin.



In 1963, Pat founded Heakin Research, Inc. She did this working alone, out of her laundry room with a single project. Thirty-six years later, when she sold the company, Heakin Research had completed 16,000 projects that year, employed 2,900 in 36 offices in 26 cities from coast to coast. The University of Illinois-Chicago selected Heakin Research as a winner of the "Chicago Small Business of the Year Award" six different times, until the company eventually outgrew the "small business" category. She was a pioneer in a new consumer interviewing concept - shopping center-based interviewing offices. Pat was also heavily involved in the Marketing Research Association. She chaired the National Convention in Chicago, won the prestigious MRA "Service to the Industry Award" twice and served as President of the Association. In 2000 she was appointed a Lifetime Honorary Member, a highly selective distinction based on a career of accomplishments. Pat also served on two White House Commissions promoting consumer education. And, importantly to her, Pat was a great mentor and role model, especially to women returning to the workforce after raising their families.

When she retired from Heakin Research, Pat went to work with SCORE and the SBA to support and guide the next generation of entrepreneurs. She also worked with Braveheart to successfully expand much needed Hospice services in Chicago's southern suburbs.

Pat loved to travel, whether it be to the top of Patagonia on the back of donkey or a five-star hotel in Hong Kong. She could throw a great dinner party, host a lively art show and make a mean margarita. She will be missed by many and for a whole lot of reasons.

Pat is succeeded by her brother, Bill, her 3 devoted children and their spouses, 4 brilliant grandchildren and spouses, and 2 gorgeous great granddaughters who will carry her spirit forward.

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**Herrmann, Patricia A**

Patricia Anne Herrmann age 86, nee Kurth, Beloved wife of the late Bill Herrmann; dearest mother of Bill (Gail) Herrmann, and Sharon (Carla) Herrmann; loving grandmother of Tea Jae (John) Glennon. Interment was private. Info 847-966-7302 or [www.skajafuneralhomes.com](http://www.skajafuneralhomes.com)

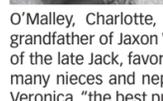
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**Hession, William P.**

83, died peacefully at his home in Chicago on March 30 surrounded by his family. Beloved husband of 63-years to Joan (Cliff), loving father of Nancy (Mark) Swanson, Bill (Nancy LaBreacht), Katie, Danny (Ann-Marie), the late baby Michael, cherished "Papa" of Anders (Teresa), Patrick, Ellen Swanson, Liam, Luke, Miles Hession, Michael O'Malley, Charlotte, Stella Hession, proud great-grandfather of Jaxon William Swanson, dear brother of the late Jack, favorite brother-in-law and uncle to many nieces and nephews, devoted dog walker to Veronica, "the best puppy in the whole wide world." Lifelong educator, counselor, and coach. Due to the pandemic, a private family funeral at Old St. Patrick's Church will be held. Memorial donations may be made to Leo High School at [leohighschool.org](http://leohighschool.org)

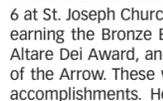


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**Hoffman, Ronald Norman**

A collector of friends, Ronald Norman Hoffman of Barrington, IL, passed away fittingly on April 1, 2020, at the age of 64 surrounded by his family. Growing up in Wilmette, IL, Ron attended Loyola Academy, and received his BA from the College of St. Thomas in Saint Paul, MN. A dedicated member of Boy Scout Troop 6 at St. Joseph Church, Ron became an Eagle Scout earning the Bronze Eagle Palm, along with the Ad Altare Dei Award, and was a member of the Order of the Arrow. These were some of his most prized accomplishments. He built a forty-year career in the Food and Beverage industry which exemplified his passion for hospitality. Calling her the "love of his life," Ron married his high school sweetheart, Joan (Schermerhorn) Hoffman. Predeceased by parents Norman and Lorraine (Alonzi) and brother Rob. Loving brother to Steve (Donna), Eve Smith (Stephen), and Cathy Dodge. A devoted family man, though not having any children, Ron treated his 15 nephews and nieces as his own. In the words of his nephew, Brad, uncle Ron was "the most charming, genuine and compassionate individual you could be lucky enough to receive a birthday card from. An old-souled romantic with a belly laugh like a little kid and an endearing tendency for mischief. A born storyteller, your friend 'till the end, and everybody's favorite goofball." An avid Chicago sports fan, fisherman, hunter, trumpet player, pyrotechnician and grill master, Ron found humor where there was none and lived life with abandonza. Fireworks are exploding in heaven; everybody's Best Man; he was one of the good guys. In lieu of flowers, please connect with a family member or old friend you haven't talked to in a while, find your favorite fishing hole and "wet a line," or fire up your BBQ and share what you grill with the people you love. Donations in Ron's memory may be made to hospice at [www.journeycare.org/donate](http://www.journeycare.org/donate). Please visit [www.caringbridge.org/visit/ronhoffman3](http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/ronhoffman3) for further information about Ron's beautiful life. Info: [www.donnellanfuneral.com](http://www.donnellanfuneral.com) or (847) 675-1990.



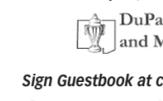
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**Johnson, Barbara**

Barbara Johnson nee Keegan, age 81 of Carol Stream. Formerly of West Chicago. Beloved wife of the late Merrold. Loving mother of Andrew Johnson and Deborah (John) Smith. Beloved daughter of the late Barbara and Thomas Keegan. Proud grandmother of Keegan, Kayley and Michael Johnson, Matthew, Alexander, Stephen and Nicholas Smith. Fond aunt of Scott Johnson. Services will be private. Arrangements by **DuPage Cremations, Ltd. and Memorial Chapel** (630) 293-5200.



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**Johnson, Genevieve A.**

Genevieve A. Johnson nee Lis age 84. Beloved wife of the late Howard. Loving mother of Marie and the late Robert. Devoted Grandmother of Robert and Theresa Johnson. Cherished sister, aunt, cousin and friend of many. Funeral service private. A memorial mass will be held at a later date. Arrangements by Matz Funeral Home 410 E. Rand Road, Mt. Prospect. 847-394-2336 or [www.matzfuneralhome.com](http://www.matzfuneralhome.com).

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**Jones, Nancy Brown**

Nancy Brown Jones, a lifelong resident of Winnetka, passed away at the age of 103 on 3-30-20. She was preceded in death by her husband of 54 years, Clarence Boyd Jones (1994). She was the daughter of Edward Vail Lapham Brown, a renowned ophthalmologist in Chicago and worldwide, and Frieda Kirchoff Brown. She attended North Shore Country Day School, and Graduated from Smith College in 1937, marrying in 1940. She leaves three children (Edward Boyd, Stuart Kirchoff, and Gwendolyn J. McConnaughy), six grandchildren (Christopher Boyd (Gail), Donald Boyd (Katie), Marilyn Elizabeth, and Peter Boyd (Pema) Jones; and Molly McConnaughy (Andrew) Patience, and Thomas (Taylor) McConnaughy), and seven great grandchildren (Cassidy, Connor, Cooper, Quinn, Lumen, and Astra Jones, and Andrew Patience Jr.) to mourn her loss. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hadley Institute for the Blind, 700 Elm St. Winnetka, IL 60093. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. For info: 847-251-8200



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**Justen, Mark Lenard**

Mark Lenard Justen, age 66, of McHenry, died suddenly Sunday morning, March 29, 2020, at his home. Born August 22, 1953 in Rockford, Mark was adopted by Robert and Collette (Lenard) Justen. Mark is survived by his wife of 33 years; sons, Robert and Alex; his sister Krista. A drive through viewing will be held at **Justen Funeral Home & Crematory** on Monday, April 6, 2020 from noon until 6 p.m. People paying their respects are asked to remain in their cars at all times while in line at the funeral home. A private funeral Mass will be held at 11:00 a.m. Tuesday at The Church of Holy Apostles, in McHenry. While this service is limited to Mark's immediate family, live streaming will be available with the link provided on the funeral home website, at [www.justenf.com/mark](http://www.justenf.com/mark). Burial will be in St. Mary's Cemetery, McHenry. Memorials in Mark's memory to the Mark Justen Tribute Fund. For further information, please contact the funeral home at 815-385-2400, or visit [justenf.com](http://justenf.com) for the full obituary

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**Katz, Marlene**

Marlene Katz nee Kagan, 87, beloved wife of the late Seymour for 65 years; loving mother of Gary (Julie) Katz and the late Caryn (David) Jacob, the late Sherry (Lanny) Waitzman and the late Jay (the late Venita) Katz; cherished Granny of Natasha, Mia, Michelle, Jessica, Jeremy (Whitney) and Rachel (James); adoring great grandmother of Zara and Yoni; dear brother of the late Allen (Sharon) Kagan. Owned "Parties by Marlene K" party planning. Due to the pandemic and out of concern for our extended family and friends, services and shiva are private. Memorial donations may be made to Orphans Of The Storm. 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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**Kayser, Joseph Roy**

Joseph Roy Kayser, 95, resident of Evanston, Illinois, passed away peacefully on March 13, 2020 at NorthShore University HealthSystems, Skokie, Illinois. Loving son of Joseph and Eunice Kayser, brother to Marion (Axley), deceased, and survived by sisters Rita (Noreen) and Julieanna (Bell). Loving Father to Gary Brooks Kayser deceased, Colleen Kayser Schalk, Gregory Roy Kayser and John Douglas Kayser and grandson Riley Schalk. Born in Rockford, Illinois and raised in Chicago, Joe attended high school at Lane Technological Institute in Chicago and upon graduation, immediately tested for, was trained and ultimately commissioned as a Lieutenant Junior Grade in Pensacola, Florida as a Naval Aviator at age 19. Joe remains our Nation's second youngest Naval Aviator, preceded only by President George H.W. Bush, commissioned on a date one month prior. Joe served in WWII in the Pacific Theater, stationed out of Guam the Philippines, flying, with his crew, multiple single plane B-24 Liberator missions into enemy territories. A man of significant entrepreneurial vision, Joe founded and established Teen Mail, Inc. in Northfield, Illinois, the country's first and ultimately largest, direct mail cosmetic company exclusively serving the needs of teen-aged women. This evolved into American Boutique, Inc., located in Northbrook, Illinois, serving the cosmetic needs of all women. Kayser Communications Corporation served as the parent company. Joe built a home in Northbrook, Illinois in 1957 and raised his family with his wife Joanne. Joe spent his retirement years in both Wilmette, Illinois and Evanston, Illinois. Burial services with Naval Military Honors were held at All Saint's Cemetery in Des Plaines Illinois. Services were private. Info: [www.donnellanfuneral.com](http://www.donnellanfuneral.com) or (847) 675-1990.

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**Langer, William C.**

William C. Langer "Bill", age 78 of Berwyn, passed away April 1st, 2020. He was a devoted husband to Phyllis (Zarazan) for 56 years. Loving father of Michael, Laurie and Brian; cherished grandfather of Lance, Erin, Kyle, Kelly and Luke; dear brother of Gary (Carolyn Norris). Son of the late Charles and Frances (Kozubik) and son-in-law of the late Stanley and Antonette (Zarazan). A memorial service and a celebration of William's life will be scheduled at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to Linhart Funeral Home. Info at 708-749-2255 or [www.linhartfuneralhome.com](http://www.linhartfuneralhome.com)



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**Lee, Sr., Melvin R.**

Melvin R. Lee, Sr. of Downers Grove, passed away peacefully on March 29, 2020. Beloved husband of Monica Lee. Proud and adoring father of Mel (Mary Lu) Lee, Jr; Nicole (Mike) Cochran. Mel was a highly respected, successful businessman in the food ingredient industry; proud member of Medinah Country Club, where he enjoyed golf and was club champion in trap and skeet. He was loved and will be deeply missed by several family and friends. Private services to be held at Chapel Hill Gardens in Oakbrook Terrace.

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**Levon, Dolores "Dee"**

Dolores "Dee" Genevieve Levon, born in Chicago on December 28, 1928 to Joseph and Sophie (nee Winklemann) Kryza. She died April 1, 2020 in Arlington Heights. Dolores' life was blessed from the very beginning. Born seven weeks premature, the nuns told her mother to take Dee home to die. 91 years later she leaves a legacy

of devoted children, Kathie (Paul), Joe (Joan), Mike (Sue), Marie (Mark), 15 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren. She served as a role model and inspiration to us all. Dolores met the love of her life on a Greyhound Bus and embarked on a "merry ride" that would last a lifetime. She was the wind beneath her husband's wings throughout their 65 years of marriage. Fearing she would die of a broken heart after her beloved Joe died in 2015, we asked her to give us six more months together. She granted us those six months plus four more years! Dolores successfully raised her family in St. Louis, Mo and then Arlington Hts, IL and subsequently partnered with her husband to create a successful family manufacturing business that is now in its third generation. Her support of her husband's dream and her generosity toward and love and support of her large family will be remembered forever. Dolores had a strong faith, natural intelligence, sharp wit and ironic sense of humor, and she created many "momisms" that we all still love and use today. She constantly kept us laughing. Her "don't suffer fools" philosophy and practical Depression-era frugality taught us the value of hard work, saving for a rainy day and enjoying life to its fullest. Dee and Joe spent many years traveling around the world; we rejoice in knowing they are reunited and traveling together once again. In this unprecedented time in the world, the family asks for donations to Northwest Community Hospital in Arlington Hts. to assist in the valiant efforts to fight COVID-19. Memorial service will be planned when it is safe to gather. Funeral information and condolences can be given at [www.GlueckertFuneralHome.com](http://www.GlueckertFuneralHome.com) or (847) 253-0168.



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**Leyden, Roger J**

Roger J. Leyden. Beloved husband of the late Paula Paschia Leyden. Loving brother of the late Lorraine Considine. Brother in law of John Considine. Fond uncle of Coleen (Glenn) Canale and Clare Considine. Great uncle of Sara (Blake) Nicholson.

Dear son of the late Joseph and Ethel Leyden. Funeral Services are private. Mass Of Christian Burial will be held at a later date. Expressions of sympathy may take the form of donations in his name to the American Cancer Society, PAWS, or ASPCA. Info **COGLIANESE FUNERAL HOME** 630 654 8484 or [www.coglianese.com](http://www.coglianese.com)

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**Long, Suellen**

Suellen Long, March 24, 2020

Born 1/17/42 to Walter and Margaret Glaub in Plymouth, Indiana Suellen Long was the second of seven children. She went on to graduate from Plymouth High School in 1959, attend St. Mary of the Woods and graduated from Ray Vogue College of Design in Chicago.

After graduation, Long sought out Chicago as her forever home – employed in the Advertising Department of Extension Magazine until her marriage to Chip Long in 1966. In addition to Chip, she leaves behind her son Douglas Long, her daughter Allison Madell, her grandchildren Veronica, Jack and Joe Madell and countless others for whom she was a friend and mentor. Long counted on these people to carry on her legacy of kindness and contribution. Her Uptown story really began over 55 years ago when she was employed to do a rehab of the Benjamin Marshall Building (aka, The Uptown Bank Building). She did the rehab along with local architectural firm, Damato Kapusta. This was the beginning of many transformational projects in Uptown over her decades of community involvement. During that time Long and her husband purchased numerous apartment and commercial buildings with strong architectural features to invest in their own community.

Her career in Uptown included leadership in the local Chamber of Commerce and being a founder of Uptown United, the current business organization. She served as President of Heartland Alliance for two terms and many years as a Board Member. Her leadership and fundraising efforts were focused at the McCormick Boys and Girls Club, Heartland Alliance and many Uptown start-up nonprofits as well. She always encouraged thoughtful economic and community development – improving services to benefit homeless individuals, historic preservation efforts, business attraction, CTA renovations, etc.

Long also developed Long Promotional Group, a public relations firm that served local businesses and many nonprofits, helping them structure fundraising and public relations plans. Her clients included countless companies that served the gay community and addressed the HIV AIDS crisis at the time. Long's contributions were endless – she never met a cause that she couldn't help with her creativity, energy and passion.

As the years passed, Long was asked by Bridgeview Bank, the purchasers of the Uptown National Bank, to become President of the bank. That role was natural for Long as she had done public relations for the community and for the bank and knew many businesses and nonprofits in Uptown. She was also living in the community; in the midst of the growth she had helped to generate. In 2004, the Business section of The Chicago Tribune featured Long on the front page in an article entitled, "The Uptown Girl." Her mission was to nurture a diverse, vibrant, thriving and strong Uptown. Some have said she put the UP in Uptown and it will definitely not be the same without her.

Harry Osterman, 48th Ward Alderman agrees, "Suellen Long was an amazing woman of vision, dedication and kindness to others. She brought people together with her magnetic charm and personality for the common goal of helping others and lifting up the Uptown community. From helping nonprofits to supporting small business owners, she worked tirelessly to help those around her. She left a lasting legacy on the Uptown community and its residents and she will be greatly missed."

At the age of 78 years old, Long retired from Bridgeview Bank Uptown. Long was a relationship-builder, collaborator and connector. She advised, guided and mentored many. She was an expert storyteller, a fabulous cook and wonderful entertainer. She was an elegant woman of style, a great wife, a wonderful mother, an amazing granny and a good friend to many. Celebrations will be held at a later date and donations would be appreciated in her honor at the Pedersen-McCormick Boys & Girls Club.



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**Mache, Jeanne A.**

Jeanne A. Mache, born on May 17, 1936, passed away on March 27, 2020. Jeanne of Lincolnshire, Illinois; daughter of Frederick and Elsie (nee Nordgren) Schroeder is survived by her loving husband Gerhard of 62 years; her children Bob (Anne) Mache, Pam (Mary O'Donnell) Mache, Leanne (Rick) Hillesland; her grandchildren Casi (Andrew) Finstad, Courtney (Brent) Miller, Margot Mache, Abigail (Phil) Wise, Max Mache, Jack O'Donnell-Mache, Tessa O'Donnell-Mache and Maddie O'Donnell-Mache; two great-grandchildren, and her Cairn Terrier, Isley. Jeanne was a lover of animals of all kinds. She enjoyed entertaining and gardening, and always had many beautiful flowers to brighten her home. Above all, the most important thing to Jeanne was her family and gathering them to celebrate life events together. She always advised her friends and family "Stay out of trouble!" Interment is private, in lieu of flowers, memorials may be given to Orphans of the Storm, 2200 Riverwoods Rd., Deerfield, Illinois 60015. Funeral information and condolences can be given at [www.GlueckertFuneralHome.com](http://www.GlueckertFuneralHome.com) or (847) 253-0168.



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**MacInnes, Sr., James Cameron 'Kim'**

James Cameron MacInnes, Sr. "Kim" .89, of Glen Ellyn, (formerly of Elmhurst) passed away peacefully at home on March 24, 2020 with his wife of 38 years, Sally Ackerman MacInnes, by his side. He was born on September 22, 1930 in Oak Park and raised in the Austin neighborhood. He was the son of the late Elise Reid and John MacInnes. Kim's wonderful children are James Jr, Judi (David) Gonzalez, Jill Taylor Golowach, and Jenna MacInnes, Todd Keenan (Kristin Whitehurst), Jennifer (Daniel) Mangel, Christopher (Kristen) Keenan and Daniel Keenan. He was a very loving husband, father and grandfather to his grandchildren Matthew, Daniel, Kelly, Billy, Stephanie, James, Samantha, Jonathan, Katie, Sarah, Caitlin, Conner, Finnigan, Ryan, Matthew, and Alliana. He has four great grandchildren.

Kim loved to be on the golf course at River Forest C.C. where he was a member for 20 years. Kim owned his company, Zenith Chemical Works, Inc retiring in 2015. The company was begun in Chicago by his stepfather Willard Reid. He operated his business for over 60 years. He graduated from Austin High School in 1948 and entered the Naval Air Corps for 4 years as a radio operator over Korea. Kim had expressed great fondness for the time he spent in the Navy often recalling places he was able to see and the men with whom he served. He was a barber shop quartet member for several years and was an active member of Redeemer Lutheran Church, Elmhurst serving in the choir for over 30 years. Kim was a member of Elmhurst Lions Club for ten years serving as song leader. Kim had an active life enjoying flying when he obtained his pilot's license, golfing vacations, vacations with his family, and being with his wonderful friends and family.

In lieu of flowers, donations would be appreciated to a memorial fund at Redeemer Lutheran Church, 123 E. St Charles Road, Elmhurst. A memorial service will be held at a later time. **Ahlgim Funeral Home** in Elmhurst will have updated service information as it becomes available (630) 834-3515 or [www.Ahlgim.com](http://www.Ahlgim.com)



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**Mack, Gertrude Irene**

Gertrude Irene Mack, 100, passed away peacefully on April 3, 2020. Funeral arrangements are being handled by **Michalik Funeral Home** in Chicago. Their website, [www.michalikfuneralhome.com](http://www.michalikfuneralhome.com), is available with an online photo album from Gertrude's life but also a guestbook where you may post a remembrance. Due to the Covid-19 situation, there will be no visitation. Burial will be at St. John's Cemetery in Viola, Illinois. Once the pandemic crisis subsides, a Mass of Christian Burial and a celebration of her life will be scheduled. Gertrude, daughter of Thomas Edward and Elizabeth Kelly Mack, was born June 19, 1919 in Viola, Illinois. Gertrude grew up on the family's farm that was first settled by her Irish ancestors in the 1850s. She was very close to her siblings, Don, Otie, and Mike, and her extended family all her life. Gertrude was positive, upbeat, religious, spiritual, and a cheerleader for the rest of us. From her upbringing, Gertrude developed strong faith, a moral compass, a desire for life-long learning, respect for hard work, a warm sense of humor, and the self-confidence to think independently. Gertrude had a particular gift for making others feel good about themselves through her infectious enthusiasm and unbounded confidence in them. Her life was an example of the independent spirit of the individual, and she was keenly interested in the inter-connectedness of religion, psychology, spirituality, morality, and an open and equitable society. Gertrude began college at Mount St. Clare in Clinton, Iowa and majored in music, polishing her piano skills during her two years there. Her love of the piano and daily habit of practicing would become one of her trademarks throughout her entire life. She played organ for masses at The Clare and could perform a flawless rendition of Clair du Lune into her late 90s. She transferred to St. Catherine's College in St. Paul, Minnesota and graduated with a bachelor's degree in sociology in 1940. At the age of 20, Gertrude moved to Chicago on a scholarship to pursue a graduate degree in social work. She was drawn to Loyola because of its focus on social justice, peace, truth, and charity. She said, "Loyola was always home for me. It is what brought me to and bonded me with Chicago and so many wonderful institutions and people throughout my life." She enjoyed the City of Chicago with its view of Lake Michigan, museums, the theater, symphony, and the Lyric Opera. She sang in the Holy Name Cathedral choir and was part of a weekly bridge group. She began her professional career with the Illinois Children's Home and Aid Society in 1941 where she began to learn about mental health and families. She worked at the Madden Mental Health Center, retiring in 1991. She was well-read in her field, particularly regarding Jungian psychology. Her interests prompted her to begin research in psychiatry and religion, with an "early retirement at the age of 72" to take a four-year course in which she received a certificate in the Rubenfeld Synergy Method, that integrates body, mind, spirit, and emotions. She continued to work part-time at the Family Service and Mental Health Center of Oak Park in the Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services. She finally retired again at the age of 90, 68 years after beginning her career. In 2017, two weeks prior to her 98th birthday, Gertrude received the Damen Award at the Founder's Dinner from Loyola University school of social work recognizing leadership in industry, community, and service to others. Previously, she also received the Siedenburg Award from the Loyola School of Social Work for being an outstanding and involved alumna. Gertrude received the Illinois Statewide Lifetime Achievement Award in 2001 from the National Association of Social Workers. In 2019, Gertrude received the outstanding alumni award from St. Catherine's College. Gertrude provided advice for today's students in a Loyola Magazine a few years ago, and that advice extends well to all of us. "Work hard. Have fun. Have good friends. Respect authority. Make a connection to yourself and to the community. Lead a healthy lifestyle. Eat good food. And keep the faith." Her life provides a guide not only to longevity, but to thriving and leading a life well-lived. Gertrude was preceded in death by her parents, her three brothers, and a nephew. She had 21 nieces and nephews, 51 grand-nieces and grand-nephews, and scores of their descendants. The family thanks the staff and her friends at The Clare for their care over the past 11 years when she was a resident. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the charity of choice or Loyola University in Gertrude's honor. For further info 312-421-0936.



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**Madden, Ruth V.**

Ruth V. Madden, nee Moisan, of Willowbrook, IL passed away peacefully on April 2, 2020 at the age of 89. Ruth was the beloved wife of 53 years of the late Jerome Madden; loving mother of Kathryn Madden, r.c., Dan (Julie) Madden, Maureen (Chris) Carr, Patricia (Neil) Rogers, Mary Fran (Tom) Farrell, Tom (Vicki) Madden, Colette (Keith) DeWolf and Tessie (Barry) Mokate; proud grandmother of Erin (Paulie) Gangichiodo and Kelly (Jake) Isley, Colleen (Dan) Duneske, Christopher (Shelby), Kathleen (Jared) Marcell, Paddy (Kelly) and Maura Carr, Therese (Ben) Edmiston, Elizabeth (Sean) Sartell, Michelle (Roy) Connors, Mary (fiancé John), Clare (Josh) Goodman and Margaret Rogers, Maureen (fiancé Mike), Mary Kate (Iggly) Blanco, Bridget (Scott) Farnan and Patrick O'Connell, Connor and Daniel Madden, Nick (Erika), Danny (Sara), Brian and Sarah DeWolf, Molly, Nora, Annie and Meghan Mokate; proud great-grandmother of Tommy and Annie Duneske, Margot and Grace Marcell, Kyleigh and Oliver Edmiston, Kian and Rory Sartell, Timothy and Michael Connors, Cecilia Goodman, Killian, Nora, and Grace Blanco, Kiera DeWolf, and the late Champe Marcell and special babies that Ruth will be able to meet in heaven; fond sister of the late William (Florence) Moisan; fond sister-in-law to the late Sr. Michael Mary, O.P., the late Joseph (Josephine) Madden, the late Sr. Colette Madden, O.P., the late Patricia (Patrick) O'Donnell, and the late Sr. Bernadette, R.S.M.; devoted aunt, friend and inspiration to many. Ruth was the true matriarch of the Madden family and shared her beauty, faith, love and happiness with all. Due to current circumstances, private (immediate family only) services for Visitation on Sunday, April 5, 2020 and Funeral on Monday, April 6, 2020 at **Modell Funeral Home**, 7710 South Cass Avenue, Darien, IL. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Chicago IL. A celebration of Ruth's life will be held at a later date once public gatherings are permitted. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation to Catholic Charities or to Feeding America at [www.feedingamerica.com](http://www.feedingamerica.com)



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**Magad, Eugene L. 'Gene'**

Eugene L. "Gene" Magad, age 92, of Boynton Beach, FL, formerly of Arlington Heights, Glenview, and Chicago; served honorably in the U.S. Navy during WWII and the Korean Conflict; beloved husband and best friend for 66 years of Janet, nee Sholl; loving father of Lisa (Scott Weiss) Magad and Tracy (Todd) Stillwell; adored Papa of Sami and Jenna Stillwell, Maddie and Logan Magad-Weiss; devoted son of the late Meyer and the late Leonor Magad; cherished brother of Beverly (late Russell) Baker and the late Melvin (late Anne) Magad; dear brother-in-law of David (Nancy) Sholl; treasured uncle and friend to many. Due to the pandemic virus and our concern for our extended family and friends the Wednesday graveside service and shiva will be private. The service will be live streamed at 1:30 p.m. CT at [www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com](http://www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com), then go to LIVE STREAM on the menu bar. Contributions to the American Heart Association, [www.heart.org](http://www.heart.org) would be appreciated. Info: The **Goldman Funeral Group** (847) 478-1600.



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**Mc Carren, Evelyn J.**

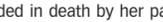
Known as Saint Evelyn long before it became official, Evelyn Craig McCarren was 92 when she was formally promoted on March 31, 2020 after a very brief illness. She loved the Green Bay Packers, crunchy Cheetos, Facebook, clean snow, and slot machines. Mom was famous for her potato salad, lime Jello, English muffin pizza and pineapple upsidedown cake. She was a late-in-life fashion icon, gardener and home decorator. She was self-taught in high finance and budgeting, and her bill-paying procedures involved a secret envelope and magic incantations. Mom had an impatient streak and "whenever you get a chance" was actually secret code for right now. She mentioned on more than one occasion that she didn't like her mispronunciations corrected, a fact that put her at occasional odds with her know-it-all kids. She had a wonderful sense of humor and a forgiving heart, attributes that surely helped with the big work of raising 6 kids with her late husband of 54 years, Larry. Mom had a high tolerance for the chaos that shadows a large family, and she was the only mother in the neighborhood to allow a pet rabbit in the living room and a duck in the bathtub. She worked for 25 years as the police dispatcher, a career that was perfect for her endless curiosity about human foibles. Mom had a deep sense of religion and was a lifelong churchgoer, but she also thought a few extra nudges in God's direction couldn't hurt. She sometimes bartered and had a long list of Novena causes; her relationship with God was up close and personal. Mom's greatest joy was family, and she is survived and deeply missed by her children Lynne (Bob) Hostetter, Kathy (Jim) Capone, Larry (Becky) McCarren, Barbara Goodrich, Eileen (Scott) Levy and Paul (Sue) McCarren; grandchildren Rachel, Michael, Sam, Lucy, Meghann, Marie, Amy, Allison, Elizabeth, Andrew, Erin, Elise and Julia, each of whom was her favorite; great grandchildren Ginger, Zeke, Jolee, Nori, Evie, Finn, Declan, Thayer, Daxton, Ethan, Oliver, Owen, Charlie and Wren, each of whom was the cutest, and almost everybody who crossed her path. She's predeceased and greeted by her loving husband Larry, favorite sister Eileen, dear friend Dorothy, and extended Reuter, Ulbrich, Baldwin and Cull families. A memorial Mass and celebration of her extraordinary life will be held at a later date. For updated information or to express your condolences, please visit [www.lain-sullivan.com](http://www.lain-sullivan.com). Arrangements entrusted to **Lain-Sullivan Funeral Home** 50 Westwood Drive, Park Forest, IL or call 708-747-3700.



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**McKeon, Mary Virginia**

Mary Virginia (Grotta) McKeon, age 65, passed away at University of Chicago Medical Center on March 26, 2020 due to knee surgery complications and ensuing COVID-19 infection. She was born in Chicago on November 17, 1954. She was a graduate of Mother of Sorrows High School in Blue Island, IL. Husband Thomas McKeon preceded her in death in 2010 after 27 years together. After raising her children, Mary returned to work for the Cook County Sheriff's Department until her retirement in 2019. In preparing for the next chapter of life, she would be taken far too soon. Mary was known and loved by all for her enormous heart, gentle soul, humility, and endless optimism. Her sardonic wit and ability to find laughter in all things, always finding good in the bad. She devoured art in every medium, most especially music and film. She found peace in nature, beauty in the mundane, and recognized God's presence in all people. A devoted animal lover, she was committed to the humane treatment of animals and provided her puppies, Sadie and Nessie, with a loving home. Most of all she was a wonderful mother who loved her children with all of her heart. Mary is preceded in death by her parents, Edward and Marie (Pulham) Grotta, husband, Thomas, and brother, John Grotta. Mary is survived by her three children, Thomas (Victoria), James, and Mary Rose, sister Joanne (James) Stankiewicz, brother Thomas (Dana) Grotta, and many nieces and nephews, for all of whom her love was immeasurable. In a different time, Mary would have died surrounded by her family, who are broken-hearted that they could not be with her when she passed and must wait to honor her memory and celebrate her life at a service to be planned and announced for a future time. May scores of angels carry her in peace to be reunited in eternal peace with her dearest family and friends. Burns-Kish Funeral Homes has been entrusted with her care (219-836-5000). Please visit [www.burnskish.com](http://www.burnskish.com).



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**Michalski, Richard George**

Richard George Michalski, age 78, died peacefully at home on March 25, 2020. He was born and raised in Chicago IL. His father, George Michalski and mother, Stephanie Brodzik, both died when Richard was very young. Also preceding him in death was his grandmother, Susanna Michalski, who raised him from infancy. Richard is survived by his loving wife of 30 years, Norma Miller, and cherished cousins and friends. Richard was a loving man with a wonderful sense of humor. He served in the Air Force for three years, doing remote duty in Alaska. He was very interested in art, had an art gallery, sold rock n roll posters and worked in his career as a mechanical draftsman, until his retirement at age 62. His passions included downhill skiing, sailing and wind surfing. Richard will be dearly missed by all who knew and loved him. A celebration of Richard's life will be held at a later date and time.

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**Mikrut, H. Bruno**

Loving husband of Jean, nee Katnich, for 65 years; Cherished father of Laura (Mark) Kearney, Linda (Brian) Kelly, Joseph (Tingfang), and Matthew; Proud papa and grandpa of Cara (Bob) Johnson, Tim, Daniel, John, and Hao; Dear great-grandpa of Maeve; Preceded in death by his siblings, Al (Anne), Caroline (Harry), Ted (Scottie), Wally (Edith), and Dorothy (Hank); Loving son of the late Bruno and Rose; Beloved brother-in-law, uncle, and friend to many; Longtime parishioner of St. Linus Parish; Past President of Sertoma and the Builders T Club; Member of St. Ambrose University Hall of Fame; Avid Bridge and tennis player, golfer, and lifelong Chicago Bear and White Sox fan; Proud U.S. Marine Corp Veteran; A Memorial Mass, in honor of Bruno, will take place at a later date; In lieu of flowers, gifts may be directed to: The Fighting Bee Fund at St. Ambrose University, 518 W. Locust St., Davenport, IA 52803, attn: Dan Haverkamp, in the memo line of your check, please write: In Memory of Bruno Mikrut; Arrangements entrusted to **Curley Funeral Home**, 6116 W. 111th Street, Chicago Ridge; For Funeral info 708-422-2700, or [www.curleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.curleyfuneralhome.com)



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**Miller, Doreen**

Doreen Miller, age 83, died March 31, 2020; beloved wife of the late Sidney; loving mother of Naomi (Marc) Gordon; proud grandmother of Daniel (fiancée Johanna Gordon); dear brother of Jerry (Dolli) Coe; devoted daughter of the late Sam and Dinah. She was a sweet, kind caring person who loved her friends and family. She enjoyed playing bridge, theater, opera and play reading. Private graveside services have been held. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to a charity of choice. Arrangements entrusted to **Lakeshore Jewish Funerals**, 773-625-8621

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**Mokate, Geraldine M.**

Geraldine M. Mokate was born July 8, 1926 in Chicago to the late William and Elsie (nee Bartz) Mokate and passed away on April 2, 2020. Gerrie is survived by her dear sister, Lorraine (late Robert) Pape, and loving aunt to Ruth (Larry) Martin, Julie (Nick) Demos, Karen (late Tony) Magnifico, Robert (Connie) Pape, Jr., William (Melanie) Pape, Richard Pape, Susan (Roy) Beatty, Tom (Meghan) Pape, Mark Pape, and many dear great-nieces and great-nephews and their children. Services are private.



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**Moles, Charles Francis**

Charles Francis Moles, 66, deeply loving and very loved, died Wednesday, April 1, at Northwestern Memorial Hospital in Chicago, Illinois, of multiple myeloma. He will be forever missed by Kathy Harrington, his wife of 42 years, their daughter Lila Moles, and all his family and many friends. Charlie was born in Detroit, Michigan and earned a BA in English from the Honors College at Michigan State University, where he developed lifelong passions for Shakespeare and the Spartans. He and Kathy shared a love of city life and its culture, balanced by weekends in Wisconsin, where he prided himself on never burning a fireplace log he hadn't split himself. Being a husband made him happy, being a dad made him deliciously so. He was the best hugger, a vocal presence at every game, the definition of a good father. He loved holidays, reunions and casual occasions with family and friends, old and new. As a board member, he helped make the Old Town School of Folk Music on Lincoln Avenue happen. Concerts there and plays at Chicago theaters were among his favorite evenings, and Stratford, Ontario was among his favorite places—world class theater, friends, ample wine—what more is needed? He was famously a fan of college basketball and tried hard not to miss Jeopardy. After earning a law degree from DePaul University, Charlie began a 41 year career with Ashcraft & Ashcraft, representing closely held family businesses with international partners and the families themselves, becoming a great personal friend of clients and counterpart advisors. An expert in trusts and estates, he set up family foundations that bring multiple generations together as philanthropists; he took enormous satisfaction in seeing these foundations grow and their ability to help support nonprofits increase. As the son of two teachers, Charles Moles and Rosalie (Francis) Moles, Charlie had a gift for asking questions that inspire thinking. As a warm, kind, generous and witty guy, he made people laugh. When the world reopens, we'll get together to toast him, his life, and the joy he brought to ours. In the meantime, if you want to do something in his memory, please donate to the COVID-19 Relief Fund of Northwestern Memorial Hospital. Thankfully Charlie did not have this virus, but he'd be all for defeating it.



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**Mraz, Edward S.**

Edward Smith Mraz, a resident of Schererville, Indiana, went to be with the Lord March 28, 2020. Ed was a good and righteous man, and a wonderful and caring husband, father and friend. He was very loved and respected by all who knew him. A native of Chicago, Edward graduated with Bachelor of Arts and Juris Doctor degrees from the University of Notre Dame in 1956. This is where he met and married his wife of almost 63 years, Lora Pagliari. They moved to the western suburb of Roselle where he opened his law practice. Active in local politics, St. Walter Parish, and their community, Ed and Lora raised their family of five. Edward was a well-regarded attorney who practiced in the areas of real estate, estates and municipal law until he retired in 1992. He was the long time attorney for the Village of Bartlett, the Schaumburg Park District and other Illinois Park Districts, and he represented many local businesses, farmers, and individual clients in the Roselle, Bartlett and Schaumburg areas before, and during the growth of those communities. He also served and continued to serve on several bank boards even into retirement. In retirement, Ed and Lora moved to Wisconsin, spending time between Lake Geneva and their tree farm up north. They traveled, enjoyed their family, and stayed active in their church. He is survived by his loving wife, Lora nee Pagliari and children Bryan (the late Jill) Mraz, Loren (Don) Matthes, Maria Mraz, Laurence (Julia) Mraz, and Melissa (David) Pietrzak; as well as 19 grandchildren, and 7 great-grandchildren. Arrangements are being handled by **The Oaks Funeral Home** in Itasca, Illinois. Services are private and a Funeral Mass and a Celebration of his life will be held at a later time when travel is possible. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to St. Joseph Catholic Church in Dyer, Indiana. [stjosephdyer.org](mailto:stjosephdyer.org) For funeral info 630-250-8588 or [oaksfh.com](http://oaksfh.com)

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**Murphy, Cecilia M. 'Ceil'**

Ceil Murphy (nee Hyman) of Lockport (Oak Lawn), IL passed peacefully on 4/03/20. She was born in Chicago on January 13, 1935. She was the loving wife of the late Gregory Murphy. She is survived by her two loving children, Karen (Dale) Peterson and Lisa (Mark) Thode. Ceil was the proud grandmother of Danielle (Joshua) DeBoer and Megan (Corey) Grove. A faithful parishioner at St. Dennis of Lockport and St. Germaine of Oak Lawn. She spent her final years at Lago Vista in Lockport playing cards and enjoying her many friends. The family would like to thank all of her friends for their care and compassion. Due to today's environment the services will be private. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Arrangements were entrusted to the **KERRY FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION CARE CENTER** IN PALOS HEIGHTS. [www.kerryfh.com](http://www.kerryfh.com) - (708) 361.4235 - [www.facebook.com/kerryfuneral](http://www.facebook.com/kerryfuneral)



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**Neff, Frank L.**

Frank L. Neff. Age 93. Beloved Husband of the late Christel. Loving Father of Ronald (Judith), Linda (Mike) Rea, and Michael (Cathy). Cherished Opa of Benjamin (Stephanie) Rea, Christy (Bill) Brown, Erica (Danny) Marzullo, Mikey Neff, and Great Opa of Trinity, Catie and Noah Rea. Beloved Brother of the late John Neff and Brother-in-law of Ernst (Mary Lou) Kohn. Loving Uncle of many nieces and nephews. Private interment was held at Mayhill Cemetery. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Memorial Contributions to the Society of the Danube Swabians 625 Seegers Rd. Des Plaines, IL 60016 would be appreciated. Funeral Arrangements by **Skaja Terrace Funeral Home**. Info. 847-966-7302.



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**Owsianiak, David Alan**

David Alan Owsianiak, Ret CFD, 56, formerly of Chicago, passed away suddenly in Ormond Beach, Florida on March 26, 2020 along with his wife of 33 years, Deanne M. Owsianiak, Ret. CPD. David was the devoted third son of Elizabeth Owsianiak (nee Mika) and the late Richard J. Owsianiak. He is also survived by his brothers, Richard (Nancy USPS), Mark Ret. CFD (Kathy) and sister, Lisa (Pedro) Owsianiak Miguel. He was a loving uncle to Jacklyn CPD (Mark CPD) Mueller, Crystal (Noel) Bunol, Myles, Jennifer (Daniel CFD) Nolan, Leonardo and Gabriel Owsianiak Miguel and a cherished great-uncle to Tyler, Addison, Alaina and Madelyn. He was predeceased by his baby brother, Eric. David retired from the Chicago Fire Department in 2018 where he was a member of the busiest fire companies including Squad 1 and Squad 5 before his promotion to Lieutenant. David volunteered in New York after the 9/11 attacks and in New Orleans after Hurricane Katrina. David's hobbies included motorcycles, hunting, scuba diving, camping and Da Bears. David will be missed by many friends and family from Chicago, Colorado and Florida. Due to the Covid-19 outbreak, services will be held at a later date.

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**Owsianiak, Deanne M.**

Deanne M. Owsianiak, nee Radziwon, 55, of Ormond Beach, FL, unexpectedly on March 26, 2020. The world has lost an extraordinary woman, a loving and devoted wife, sister, aunt, and friend. Dee was a retired nineteen-year member of the Chicago Police Department and served as a sergeant on the mass transit system, and prior to that served as a Cook County Sheriff's officer. She was blessed with marriage for thirty-three years to David A. Owsianiak, CFD. Dearest dog mom to her Gemma. Deanne was born to the late Ernest and Terese Radziwon, and is survived by sisters Debra (Joseph) Kobel, Denise (William) Grant, and Doreen (John) Spagnolo, and preceded in death by brothers Duane and David. Adored aunt to nieces and nephews: Nikki, Jenna, Maggie, Joe, Andrew, Lauren, Emily, Jeff, and Susan. Great aunt to sweet Liam, Morgan, Ellis, and Adley. Dee also leaves behind many cherished cousins and friends. Dee loved the beach, scuba diving, riding on their Harley's, months in Ouray, CO in the mountains hiking, cooking, gardening, and was a big fan of the Chicago Bears Football team. A memorial to honor and celebrate Deanne's life will be announced after the ongoing pandemic ceases.

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**Pagnano, Nicholas Joseph**

Nicholas Joseph Pagnano, age 76. Fondly known in the Western Springs and surrounding communities as "Mr. Nick," Nick Pagnano peacefully passed away on April 2nd after a courageous battle with lymphoma. Nick is survived by the love his life Rosemary Pagnano (nee LaRocco) of almost 53 years, daughter Stacey Bachara, Nicole (Jeff) Heavrin, loving grandchildren Tyler Bachara, Samantha Bachara, Abby Heavrin and Max Heavrin; son of the late Nicholas and Edith Pagnano, loving son-in-law, brother, brother-in-law, uncle and friend to many. Family meant everything to Nick who cherished his girls and gave them unconditional love and support throughout his beautiful life. His Western Springs business, Mr. Nick's, is a wonderful achievement that he dedicated so much of his life to and is adored by many in the community. He loved his Mr. Nick's "girls" who more than employees; they were an extension of his family. Many will remember Nick for his love, humility and incredible sense of humor who loved playing golf with wonderful friends. Due to these unprecedented times and the health/safety of his loved ones, a celebration of his beautiful life will be held at a future date when all can safely gather to celebrate the great Mr. Nick. Information: **Cappetta-DiCanio Funeral Directors** 708 222-T-O-N-Y (8669) or 708 222-F-R-E-D (3733) or [Cappetta-DiCanio.com](http://Cappetta-DiCanio.com)

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**PERSA, ANNETTE OLIVER**

Annette Oliver Persa, 73, of LaGrange. Beloved wife of Robert. Loving mother of Albert Oliver, Christopher, Michael and David (Susan) Persa. Devoted grandmother of Carter and Amelia Persa. Dear sister of Frank Vrba. Fond sister-in-law of Eileen (late Robert) Bunge. Dear aunt of Nichole. Memorial Visitation, Service and inurnment private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to Christopher and Dena Reeve Foundation, 636 Morris Turnpike, Suite 3A, Short Hills, NJ 07078 ([www.christopherreeve.org](http://www.christopherreeve.org)) or American Kidney Foundation appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to **Hallowell & James Funeral Home** at 708/352-6500 or [www.hjfunerals.com](http://www.hjfunerals.com)



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**Petrancosta, Norma M.**

Norma M. Petrancosta, age 93, of Indian Head Park, passed away peacefully at her home with her daughter at her side; loving mother of Luanne Petrancosta; proud & devoted grandmother of the late Andre Egle; predeceased by loving parents, Frank & Lucia DiBitetto, and her late siblings Aldo DiBitetto, Mary (the late Harry) Krzwicki, & Polly (the late Earl) Hanna; dear aunt and great-aunt of 10. Norma was devoted to helping her siblings. She was a fun-loving neighbor and enjoyed playing cards & traveling. She was a Senior Clerk and retired after a long career at the Electro Motive Division of McCook. A private service will be held. Interment at Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Hillside. Arrangements entrusted to **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, Countryside. Info: (708) 352-6500 or [hjfunerals.com](http://hjfunerals.com)

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**Pickard, Erwin**

Erwin Pickard, age 94, a resident of Wheeling, IL since 1992, passed away on April 3, 2020. Devoted and loving husband of Fay Pickard, nee Lerner for 67 years. Loving mother of Michael (Rheta Schwartz) Pickard and Cheryl Pickard. Caring brother of Frances (Nate) Bordo, Al (Goldie) Pickard, and Abraham Pickowsky. Grandfather of Samantha Pickard (Ron Peterson), great-grandfather of Madison Pickard-Spaulding, Lucas Peterson, and Kayla Peterson. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to the Alzheimer's Association. Private interment at Westlawn Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to **Lakeshore Jewish Funerals**, 773-625-8621



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**Regos, Susanna C.**

Susanna C. Regos, nee Collas, of Westchester, age 86. Beloved wife of the late George; loving mother of Elizabeth Regos, Michele (the late Chris) Triantafillou and the late Annette Regos; proud YiaYia of Mia, Dean and Susanna; dear sister of the late Nicoletta (late George) Anos; proud aunt of Patti (Bobby) Bertso, Margo (George) Andrews, Joanna Anos and John (Artemis) Anos. Due to the COVID-19 Virus, services were held privately. Arrangements entrusted to **Chris J. Balodimas, Funeral Director**. For info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.



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**Riley, Marianne Therese**

Marianne Therese Riley, 91, formerly of Niles, Illinois passed away peacefully on March 31, 2020, at The Cottages of Fox Lake. Marianne was born on December 21, 1928. She was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, Edward Robert Riley; her brother, Donald Rohrer; and her great-granddaughter, Ashley Parkinson. Marianne retired from Kraft Foods in Glenview. After retirement, Marianne and Edward enjoyed spending their winters on the island of Kauai. She was also a frequent patron of the Niles Park District Pool, the Niles Library, and loved to ride her bike or walk along the Forest Preserve bike path. Marianne is survived by her sister, Rita (Chet) McCaw of Bellevue, NE.; her children, Karen (John) Parkinson, Ellen (Terry) Cascino, Tim (Miyuki) Riley, Tom (Dorothy) Riley, Betsy (Chris) Seybert, and Dan (Lisa) Riley; 11 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Services will be private. Private interment at All Saints Cemetery in Des Plaines. A Celebration of Life will be scheduled at a later point in time. The Riley family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to the all the caregivers at Transitions Hospice in Huntley, Illinois. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to The Mesulam Center at Northwestern University ([brain.northwestern.edu](http://brain.northwestern.edu)) or your local Alzheimer's Association. You may leave online condolences at [www.HamsherLakeside.com](http://www.HamsherLakeside.com), or for information call, 847-587-2100.

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**Rosenfeld, Gene**

Gene Rosenfeld, age 92. Born January 18, 1928, passed away March 27, 2020. He was the beloved husband and best friend of Ruth; loving father of Paula Rosenfeld, Nancy (Howard) Clayman, and Julie (Dan) Dillon; devoted grandfather of Sivan (Zemach) Ben Moshe, Yael Sokol, Maddie Huzenits, Rose Dillon, and Thomas Dillon; and adoring great-grandfather of Elyah, Uriah, Romi, and Atai. Gene came from the Chicago neighborhood Logan Square, where his parents had a little grocery store. Coming out of the Great Depression, he set his sights high and with determination, realized his dreams. He married beautiful Ruthie, and after living out west for a while, they moved to the Chicago suburbs to raise the kids. He was a naturally talented carpenter who could design and build anything, including the homes the family lived in. He built desks for the girls, a bar to entertain friends and elaborate basement playroom. Gene was as solid as the wood he loved. He was the one you could count on. He took charge and seemed to know everything. He was an avid fisherman and also loved books; Gene was a leader of Great Books for 22 years. He gave his time, talents, and treasures generously. Beloved by many, a celebration of Gene's life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to American Friends of Magen David Adom at [www.afmda.org](http://www.afmda.org).



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**Rufa, Nancy E.**

Nancy E. Rufa, age 60, of Chicago, passed away March 27, 2020. Funeral services were held privately for family members in accordance with all current state and federal recommendations. A celebration of Nancy's life is being planned for later this year. Donations in Nancy's name can be made to the Rhine Post 2729 Auxiliary, 5858 S. Archer Ave., Chicago, IL 60638. For further info please visit [rjmodelh.com](http://rjmodelh.com). **RICHARD J MODELL FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES**, 708-301-3595

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**Sadler, John B. 'Pug'**

John B. Sadler Jr. (Pug) age 77 of Glenview. Beloved husband of Wendy Williams Sadler. Loving father of John B. Sadler III (Kelly), Chris Sadler (Anne), Samantha Borland (Ned). Proud grandfather of Hunter, Allie, Hayes, Jack, Haven Sarah, Scott, and Nate. During his life, he loved playing golf and traveling, when he traveled it was always around a top golf course that he wanted to play. John grew up in Evanston, attended Evanston Township Highschool (1960) and went on to the University of Wisconsin (Phi Delta Theta). After graduation, John went into the investment business and started trading on the floor of the CBOE in 1975. Upon retirement in 1987, he spent time at his ranch in Norwood Colorado until his illness brought him home last August to Evanston. Interment private.

Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847)675-1990.



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**Schirmang, Eva Mary**

Eva Mary Schirmang nee Bohn, 96, of Glenview, passed away March 30, 2020. Beloved wife of the late Michael Schirmang; loving mother of Fran (Hank), Michael, Margie; cherished grandmother of Hank (Casey), Chris (Sherry), Scott (Casey), Brittany (Patrick), Michael, Timothy (Brianna), Michael (Amanda), Katherine (Luke); proud great grandmother of Charlotte, Evan, Connor, Benjamin, Eva, Elijah, Zachary, Oliver, Marquette, Anna to be born in April; dear brother late Chris (Laurel) Bohn and she will be missed by all grand fur babies that loved her. Private family services will be held and a memorial service will be held at a later date. Interment St. Joseph Cemetery, River Grove. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to American Parkinson Disease Association ([www.apdaparkinson.org](http://www.apdaparkinson.org)) 1800 N. Main, Suite 215, Wheaton, IL 60187 or Shriners Hospitals for Children ([www.Shrinershospitalsforchildren.org](http://www.Shrinershospitalsforchildren.org)) 2211 N. Oak Park Ave., Chicago, IL 60707. Additional questions please call 847-998-1020.



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**Sieroslowski, Katherine S. 'Kay'**

Katherine "Kay" Sieroslowski, nee Salamone, 79, of Arlington Heights formerly a resident of Palatine for 45 years. Born September 29, 1940, passed away peacefully on April 2nd, 2020. Kay is survived by her loving children; daughters, Cindy (Scott) Miller of Boulder, CO, Lori (Doug) Mulderink of Chicago, IL and son Glen (Lisa) Sieroslowski of Boulder, CO; beloved grandchildren, Matthew and Anna Mulderink; brothers, Frank (Joan) Salamone and Sam (Karen) Salamone, brother and sister-in-laws, Gary & Marieann Sieroslowski and Chuck & Ilona Lund, and her many nieces and nephews. Kay is preceded in death by her loving husband Theodore Sieroslowski, and her parents Joseph and Elizabeth Salamone. Kay was dedicated to her family, friends and faith and always cared selflessly for others first. Her favorite times were hosting large family get-togethers and cooking her Italian meals. She will be deeply missed by all. A memorial service in Kay's honor will be held at a later date due to restrictions of social gatherings at this time. For information call 847-359-8020 or [www.smithcorcoran.com](http://www.smithcorcoran.com).



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**Silvetti, Aimee Romero**

Aimee Romero Silvetti passed away April 2, 2020 in Lake Zurich. She was born December 7, 1928 in Erath, Louisiana to Clomaire and Ella Romero. Aimee was the second youngest in a family of ten. She lived in Maryland and Texas before arriving in the Chicago area and eventually settling down in Morton Grove, where she proudly raised her six children as a single mother. She was dedicated to taking care of her family and was always available to offer a helping hand in the time of need. She placed family above all else and will be profoundly missed by them. Aimee took great pleasure in cooking and baking Christmas cookies, especially. She was trilingual and surprised many people throughout the years by her fluency in Spanish and French. Survivors include her children, Alex (Karen) Garcia, Jerry (Deborah) Silvetti, Perry (Christine) Silvetti, Chris (Joan) Silvetti, Tim (Jana) Silvetti, and Annette (Doug) Sielck; grandchildren, Michelle and Alexis Garcia, Rachel, Tim (Becca), Ted, Christopher, Ryan, Nicole, Lindsey, Carley and Michael Silvetti, Nick, Doug and Brett Sielck and great grandchildren, Vivian, Grace, Tony, Delilah, Emma, and Hudson. She was preceded in death by her brothers Lawrence, Dalton "Pete", and Larice Romero and four sisters Louise LeBouef, Lola Vallot, Nola Lopez, Anita LeBlanc, and grandson, Anthony C.P. (Tony) Silvetti. Services will be held at a later date. Visit [www.davenportfamily.com](http://www.davenportfamily.com) for updated service information and to send condolences to the family.



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**Smith, Dorothy L.**

Dorothy L. Smith, Age 97. Beloved mother of Joyce Smith and Nancy (Giuseppe) Buscarino. Cherished grandmother of Anthony & Nicholas Buscarino. Dear sister of John (late Joan) Franks. Devoted aunt of Colette (Michael) Coan and Lauren (Neil) Pollak and great aunt of Nicolette & Dylan Coan and Miles & Skyler Pollak. She is also survived by her good friends Maria Dworski & Jennie Lundman and her furry friend Kali. Private services were held on Wednesday April 1st at St. Joseph Cemetery in River Grove, IL. A public memorial Mass will be celebrated at a later date. For further information please call 708-456-8300 or visit [www.cumberlandchapels.com](http://www.cumberlandchapels.com)



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**Strauss, Lynn**

Lynn Strauss, 67, entered into eternal life on March 30, 2020. Beloved wife of Philip for 46 years. Loving mother of Leah Strauss, Casey Strauss, Amy (Justin) Strauss, and Stephanie Strauss. Cherished grandma of Cameron, with whom she shared countless ice cream treats. Dear sister of Susan DeVaty, JoAnn (Bob) Harbison, Jean DeVaty, and Christine (Don) Opitz. Fond aunt and friend to many. Lynn served as a faithful elder at Christ Church of Oak Brook and as a volunteer at the Art Institute of Chicago and Common Threads for many years. She was an avid tennis player, enjoyed many travel adventures, and was a dedicated practitioner of Iyengar yoga. Lynn was a bright light to all who crossed her path. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to [refugeeone.org](http://refugeeone.org). A celebration of her life will be held at a later date. Sign Guestbook at [chicagotribune.com/obituaries](http://chicagotribune.com/obituaries)

**Stuhlmacher, David A.**

David A. Stuhlmacher, 79, long-time resident of Highland Park, passed away peacefully on April 2, 2020. Beloved husband to Rae Kathleen Stuhlmacher for 58 years; cherished father of Jim Stuhlmacher (Alice) of Wheaton, IL and Lynette Stuhlmacher (David Goldin) of Evanston, IL; adored grandfather of Michelle Stuhlmacher, Anna Stuhlmacher, Tyler Goldin, and Sofia Goldin; dear brother of Joan Reilly of Oak Hill, VA and Faye Platt of Crown Point, IN. A celebration of David's life will be announced at a future date. For more information, please contact **Kelley & Spalding Funeral Home** at 847-831-4260 or [www.kelleyspaldingfuneralhome.com](http://www.kelleyspaldingfuneralhome.com)



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**Tamason, Sophie**

Sophie Tamason nee Novak, 94, formerly of Blue Island, beloved wife of the late Charles, loving mother of Gregory (Rebecca) Tamason, Dr. Patricia (Dr. Donald) Higgins and the late Susan Tamason, cherished grandmother of Charlotte (Erico Cañal Bruland) Tamason, Caitlin Higgins, Matthew Tamason and Donald (Alexandra) Higgins, proud great grandmother of Amaia Cañal Tamason, dear sister of the late Mary Germano, Josephine Dengler, Peter Novak, Pauline Mishkutz, Michael Novak, Nancy Pravda and Anne McGregor. Private interment will take place at St. Casimir Cemetery, Chicago. In lieu of flowers, donations to [www.misericordia.com](http://www.misericordia.com) Arrangements entrusted to **Krueger Funeral Home**, 13050 S. Greenwood Ave., Blue Island. [www.kruegerfuneral.com](http://www.kruegerfuneral.com) 708-388-1300

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**Thiel, Marjorie E.**

Marjorie E. Thiel nee Erickson, 86, of Oak Brook. Beloved wife of Wilbert "Bill" Thiel; loving mother of Elizabeth, Eric (Patrice) and Mary; cherished grandmother of Jenna and Gillian Engfer and Benjamin and Anna Thiel; sister of Warren (Norma) Erickson; aunt of four nieces and nephews. Services to be arranged. Private interment Mt. Emblem Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, Memorials are suggested for Lutheran Social Services of Illinois, 1001 E. Touhy Ave., Suite 50, Des Plaines, IL 60018. Arrangements by **Ahlgrim Funeral Home**. Info 630-834-3515 or [www.ahlgrim.com](http://www.ahlgrim.com).



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**Treguboff, Howard Irwin**

Howard Irwin Treguboff, age 81, beloved husband of the late Shulamith, nee Nettler; loving father of Philip Treguboff and Jeffrey Treguboff; cherished grandfather of Sean and Adam Treguboff; devoted son of the late Harold and the late Etta Treguboff; dear brother and brother-in-law of Alan and Arlene Treguboff. Howard was a sweet and strong man who took tremendous pride in his family, especially his two sons. Due to the ongoing health crisis, and concern for the health of our family and friends, the Monday graveside service and shiva will be private. Contributions to The Ark Chicago, 6450 N. California Ave., Chicago, IL 60645 [www.arkchicago.org](http://www.arkchicago.org) would be appreciated. Info: The **Goldman Funeral Group**, [www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com](http://www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com) (847) 478-1600.



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**Trolley, Lynn Ann**

Lynn Ann Trolley was born to Jane Kelly, nee Martin and Jack Kelly on September 21, 1943. Lynn's number one interest was her family. Her love for her family was fierce, and she demonstrated this with strength, fortitude and devotion. Lynn was an active member of St. Cletus Church and School; the place where she met and married her beloved, late husband, Dan. Lynn loved decorating for the holidays, and she was the hostess extraordinaire. Dan and Lynn were an example of true commitment. Dan took care of Lynn with unbounded patience for a decade after Lynn's diagnosis of dementia. Lynn is survived by her son, Dan (Julie) and daughter, Jane (Doug) Schroeder and her brother John (Mary) Kelly. Lynn was a beloved grandmother to Emma, Allison, Maggie, and Katherine and a proud aunt to Harry, Michelle, Meredith and Matthew. Lynn was dear friend to sister-in-law Rose Marie (Louis) Roseth and much loved niece and special cousin to many. A memorial celebration will be held at a later date. See full obit at [hfunerals.com](http://hfunerals.com)



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**Vaznonis, Daniel John**

Proud U.S. Army Veteran, age 79, died March 25 at his home in Riverside. He was a husband, father, father-in-law, papa, friend, veteran, neighbor, cheerleader, joker and quite possibly the nicest, friendliest and most thoughtful and patient man on the planet. He loved life and had a sense of humor second to none. You'd always find him in a good mood, except when the squirrels were infiltrating the bird feeder, when it rained after he washed his Caddy, and when the newspaper arrived past 7:00am. He loved to dance and play cards. He loved to laugh and be around people. An avid storyteller, he was frequently known for regaling listeners with the same story multiple times. At the age of 70, he took up golf and his greatest accomplishment was beating his sons-in-law. He is survived by his wife, children, grandchildren, sister, brother, nieces, nephews and countless relatives and friends. A memorial service to celebrate his life will be held at a later date. In the meantime, he'll be holding court up in heaven, wearing his ultra-suede jacket with a salsa stain on his shirt, drinking a Tito's on the rocks with a lemon twist, and telling larger-than-life-stories to a whole new audience of people. In lieu of flowers, please consider planting a tree in his honor. Arrangements were entrusted to the **KERRY FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION CARE CENTER** in Palos Heights. [www.kerryfh.com](http://www.kerryfh.com) ~ (708) 361.4235 ~ [www.facebook.com/kerryfuneral](http://www.facebook.com/kerryfuneral)

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**Virgiliio, Caroline**

Caroline Virgiliio (nee Tucci) at rest March 28, 2020, surrounded by her loving family. Loving wife of Theodore Virgiliio Jr. A Celebration of Her Life to be announced at a future date at Our Lady of Hope Church, Rosemont, Illinois. In lieu of flowers donations in her memory can be made to: Rainbow Hospice at [rainbowhospice.org](http://rainbowhospice.org) or calling (847)685-9900 or Alzheimer's Association at (800) 272-3900. Entrusted to the care of Donald A. Greene, Greene Funeral Directors. For info: (847) 343-1605. Sign Guestbook at [chicagotribune.com/obituaries](http://chicagotribune.com/obituaries)

**Viviano, Anna M.**

(nee Radetic) Beloved wife of the late Anthony "Bibs"; loving mother of the late David, and Dana (Gina) Viviano; beloved daughter of the late Joseph and Mary (nee Poncepicky) Radetic; fond grandmother of Anthony Viviano; dear sister of Anthony (Mary) Radetic, Josie (the late Mike) LaPorte, the late Mary Radetic, and the late Irene (the late Steve) Cica; fond aunt of Michael R., Michael L., and Dawn Cica. Private Services will be held in Phoenix, Arizona. Arrangements entrusted to **Michael Coletta Sons Funeral Home**

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**Vrbancic, Norman**

Norman Vrbancic, age 78; loving husband, father and grandfather, passed away peacefully on March 28, 2020 after a brief nursing and hospice stay at Palos Heights Rehab facility. He had been afflicted with Pick's Dementia, diagnosed in 2012. Norm and Diane, his wife of 55 years have three children, Paul (Patrice), Laura (Aaron) Lincoln, and Scott (Tami); and seven grandchildren: Cassandra, Zachary, Grayson, Jacob, Hannah, Ayden and Joshua. He was preceded in death by his father Steven, mother Mildred and youngest brother Albert. Much loved brother of Daniel (Virginia) and Steven (Marilyn) and many nieces and nephews. Interment will be at Resurrection Cemetery. Funeral/Memorial arrangements delayed until family and friends can get together to celebrate his life.



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**Weinstein, Martin**

It is with profound sadness that we announce Marty Weinstein's death. Marty will be remembered for living his life with intelligence, integrity, bravery, and humor.

Marty was born to Samuel and Meriam Weinstein on July 24, 1943 in Baltimore, MD. He attended the University of Iowa, and received his CPA and law degree from Catholic University, Washington, D.C. As a respected corporate tax attorney, his clients relied on his sage advice, and appreciated his integrity and kindness. Above all, he loved, cherished, and was proud of his family.

Before Marty began his esteemed career as an attorney, during which he was cited by the United States Supreme Court on three separate occasions, he had a plethora of diverse jobs: selling produce from the trunk of his car, working construction, a summer as a meat cutter, managing both a pizza parlor in Georgetown, and a Howard Johnson restaurant, where he indulged his love of ice cream sundaes every day. He taught at the University of Maryland, and was voted best professor of the year by his students. After law school, he began his career at the IRS, and later became a respected partner at two boutique Chicago law firms, was the editor of Mertens Law of Federal Tax, and was an adjunct professor at John Marshall Law School.

After Parkinson's disease forced him to retire from law, he found a new love: watercolor painting. His beautiful paintings were in two exhibits at the Evanston Art Center, where they occupied an entire wall and were the center of attention and comments. Until the end, Marty maintained his good spirits, lived bravely, and enjoyed his life. Marty leaves behind to grieve and cherish his memory his devoted wife, Renée Kalish, his adored children, Jeffrey and Andrea (Tim Verstyne) Weinstein, his precious granddaughter, Skylar, beloved sister, Sherry (Dave) Preusch, brother, Barry, his loving step-son, Joshua (Cae) Grubman, his dedicated brother-in-law, Michael (Vera) Kalish, and his nieces and caring friends.

There will be a celebration of Marty's life when the world is a safe place to gather. Until then, please perform a random act of kindness. Donations in his memory would be appreciated to the Michael J. Fox Foundation [www.michaeljfox.org/donate](http://www.michaeljfox.org/donate) or Council for the Jewish Elderly [CJE.net/donate](http://CJE.net/donate). Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals-Skokie Chapel**, 847.229.8822, [cjinfor.com](http://cjinfor.com)



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**Wheeler, Virginia J. 'Penny'**

On March 30, at 6:47 p.m. Virginia Juanita Wheeler (AKA Penny), 98 passed on at home. This art lover, international traveler, fancy hat wearer, and lady of savvy will be missed. Due to social distancing, services will be planned for a later date to celebrate a life well-lived. Virginia is preceded in death by her husband, Jesse and sister, Dorothy Conte. She is survived by her three children, Scott Wheeler (spouse, Emily Calvo) and Paul Wheeler (spouse, Anne) and Laura Wheeler (spouse, Arthur Cannell). Arrangements by **Cremation Society of Illinois**, 773-281-5058 or [www.cremation-society.com](http://www.cremation-society.com).

Jesse and sister, Dorothy Conte. She is survived by her three children, Scott Wheeler (spouse, Emily Calvo) and Paul Wheeler (spouse, Anne) and Laura Wheeler (spouse, Arthur Cannell). Arrangements by **Cremation Society of Illinois**, 773-281-5058 or [www.cremation-society.com](http://www.cremation-society.com).



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**Wideikis, Eleanore A.**

Eleanore A. Wideikis (Nee Matulioikas), age 103. Beloved wife of the late John. Loving mother of George (Lorraine) and the late John (Barbara) Wideikis. Dear grandmother of John (Karisa), James (Jamie), Nora (Aaron) Evans, Potter and Miles (Letitia) Wideikis. Great-grandmother of Angela, Molly, Joseph, Parker, Anna, Miles and Dean. Sister of Pauline Matulioikas. Longtime parishioner of Nativity B.V.M. Church. Services and interment are private. **RICHARD J. MODELL FUNERAL HOME** 708-301-3595 or [rjmodellfh.com](http://rjmodellfh.com)

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**Wigboldy, John K.**

John K. Wigboldy, age 80, entered his heavenly home on April 2, 2020. He was the loving husband of Beverly for 60 years. The devoted father of John (April), Valerie, Tom (Heidi) and Mark (Leana). Cherished grandfather of 17 and great-grandfather of 10. John was an active member of his church and served on many boards and committees. He was the retired owner of Wigboldy Excavating. Our family was blessed to have him as a Godly example as are all who knew him. A service to celebrate John's life will be held at a later date. Memorials to Southwest Chicago Christian Schools, 12001 S. Oak Park Ave., Palos Heights, IL 60463 or Jacob's Well Church Community, 3450 W. Maple St., Evergreen Park, IL 60805 are appreciated. Express your thoughts and condolences at [colonialchapel.com](http://colonialchapel.com) 708-532-5400



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**Williamson, Catherine M**

Catherine M. Williamson nee Moran, beloved wife of the late Thomas Williamson. Loving and devoted mother of Donna Williamson (Mark Donovan) and Dennis (Kathy) Williamson. Cherished grandmother of Kelly, Thomas, and Kristin Williamson. Loved daughter of the late John and the late Mary (nee Leahy) Moran. Dear sister of the late Margaret Moran, the late John Moran, the late James (late Sue) Moran, Mary (Kevin) Caufield, the late Patrick (Nancy) Moran, Michael (Eileen) Moran, and Thomas (Marguerite) Moran. Fond sister-in-law of the late James (late Margaret) Williamson, the late William (late Lillian) Williamson, and Mary Ann (Richard) Falcone. Adored aunt of many caring nieces and nephews. Charming friend to her dedicated caregivers Maria, Maxine, Julie, Diane, and Joe. Long-time CPS employee at Eli Whitney School. Graduate of St. Justin Martyr Grammar School and Mercy High School. Parishioner of St. Bede's Catholic Church. In consideration of health concerns and restrictions due to the Covid-19 virus, funeral services were private. A Celebration of Catherine's Life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers memorial donations to the Alzheimer's Association at [alz.org](http://alz.org) would be appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Home. [www.sheehyfh.com](http://www.sheehyfh.com) 708-857-7878

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**Wittler, Nancy McCosh**

Nancy, a few months short of her 91st birthday, passed away peacefully on April 1, 2020 at her Presbyterian Homes townhouse. As she was apt to tell you, Nancy was a lifelong resident of Cook County. She attended New Trier High School and Northwestern University, where she met her future husband Ken. Together they embarked on a wonderful life which included 5 children; Mark (Glenda), Andy (Zosia), Betsy (Brett), Matt (Robyn) and Peter, as well as a wealth of grandkids and great grandkids. A devoted member of St. Elisabeth's Episcopal Church in Glencoe, she was the first female warden of the vestry and served many years as head of the Altar Guild. Nancy will be fondly remembered for her grace, humor and kindness. Her family will miss her deeply, but find joy in the wonderful memories she gave to all. A memorial service is planned for a future date.

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SUNDAY, APRIL 5

NORMAL HIGH: 55°

NORMAL LOW: 35°

RECORD HIGH: 85° (1988)

RECORD LOW: 18° (1995)

## High pressure overhead – sunny skies, warmer

### LOCAL FORECAST

**HIGH** 56 **LOW** 38

■ Cool Canadian-source high pressure overhead during the day will drift off to the east Sunday night as low pressure develops in the central plains.

■ Mostly sunny skies.

■ Afternoon seasonal highs in the mid 50s inland, but easterly on-shore winds off Lake Michigan will keep readings at the lakefront in the 40s.

■ High and mid-level clouds increase overnight – low temps in the upper 30s inland and lower 40s near the lake with light SE winds.

### NATIONAL FORECAST



With a NE breeze Saturday's temps struggled to warm much above the middle 40s. Sunday with a modified high pressure overhead, mostly sunny skies and lighter winds out of the east will allow inland afternoon temps to be about 10 degrees higher.

This warming trend should continue even though there will be an increase in cloudiness and chances of showers and t-storms in the next 48 hours. Afternoon highs should reach the lower 60s on Monday before showers develop during the afternoon. There will be a good chance of showers and thunderstorms overnight into Tuesday with an increasing SW breeze boosting Tuesday's afternoon readings well into the 70s – which will be the highest so far this year.

Temps will dip a little but still be quite mild in the 60s on Wednesday.

### MONDAY, APRIL 6

**HIGH** 62 **LOW** 52

Thickening clouds with an increasing chance of showers or thunderstorms later in the afternoon. Highs 60 to 65 with cooler readings right along the lakefront. South to southeast winds. Showers and t-storms overnight.

### TUESDAY, APRIL 7

**HIGH** 76 **LOW** 52

A mix of clouds and sun, breezy SW winds and warmer; probably the warmest day of the year so far with highs in the mid/upper 70s. Showers/t-storms end from the west overnight with winds shifting to the northwest.

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

**HIGH** 65 **LOW** 43

Mostly sunny and mild – afternoon highs in the upper 50s north to upper 60s far south. Clouds and a chance of showers and t-storms overnight. Gusty NW winds.

### THURSDAY, APRIL 9

**HIGH** 46 **LOW** 34

More clouds than sun and much colder – afternoon highs in the mid to upper 40s. Scattered clouds overnight and chilly – lows 30 to 35. NW winds.

### FRIDAY, APRIL 10

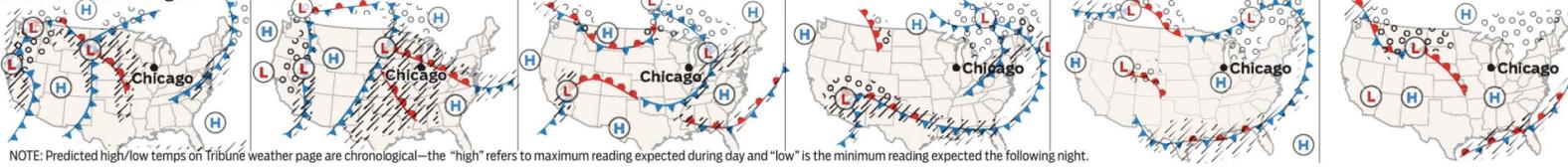
**HIGH** 48 **LOW** 33

Weak high pressure overhead gives mostly sunny skies. Still cool with highs 45 to 50. Clear skies at night with lows in the 30s. A NW breeze.

### SATURDAY, APRIL 11

**HIGH** 54 **LOW** 40

Morning sun but clouds increase during the day – highs in the upper 40s north to mid 50s south. Thickening and lowering clouds overnight. Southerly winds.



NOTE: Predicted high/low temps on Tribune weather page are chronological—the "high" refers to maximum reading expected during day and "low" is the minimum reading expected the following night.

### ASK TOM

Dear Tom,  
Why was the official Chicago weather reporting station moved from Midway Airport to O'Hare Airport?

Mark Anderson

Dear Mark,  
The switch of the official Chicago climate station from Midway to O'Hare took place Jan. 16, 1980, ending a nearly 38-year span at Midway.

The growth of commercial aviation in the 1950s warranted the opening of the city's second weather office at O'Hare, on Oct. 30, 1958, though Midway remained the official site. In the late 1970s, budget considerations made it impossible to staff two weather offices, and with aviation's future clearly at O'Hare, the Midway office was closed.

Weather observations have continued there with the help of contract observers, automated equipment and retired National Weather Service observer Frank Wachowski.

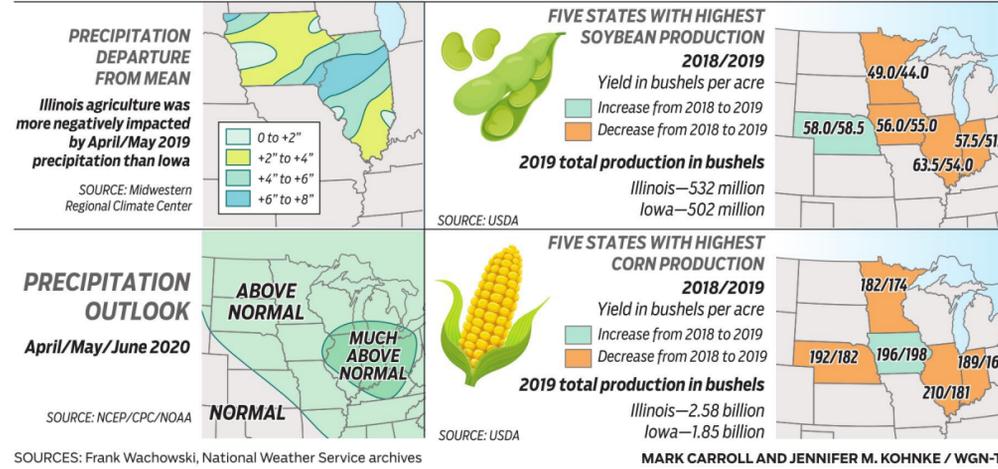
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WGN-TV meteorologists Mark Carroll, Steve Kahn, Richard Koeneman, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.

Hear Demetrius  
Ivory's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.

## Spring rain impacted Illinois crop yields. Spring 2020 outlook

2019 precipitation totals from April and May were the highest ever recorded in Chicago. Precipitation totals across the state of Illinois were above normal and made it difficult for farmers to plant crops. Although soybean production was lower in 2019 in Illinois when compared to 2018, Illinois was still the top producer of soybeans in the United States. 2019 corn production in Illinois was down approximately 25% from 2018 but Illinois still ranked second in corn-producing states behind Iowa.



MIDWEST CITIES					OTHER U.S. CITIES					WORLD CITIES							
SUN./MON.	FC	HI	LO	FC HI LO	SUN./MON.	FC	HI	LO	FC HI LO	SUN./MON.	FC	HI	LO	SUN./MON.	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	cl	60	46	pc	73	59	73	63	Fairbanks	sn	34	13	ss	18	8		
Carbondale	cl	57	37	pc	64	55	64	55	Fargo	pc	49	37	sh	54	40		
Champaign	pc	58	40	pc	67	57	67	57	Flagstaff	pc	55	33	pc	54	31		
Decatur	pc	58	40	pc	67	57	67	57	Fort Myers	sh	82	67	pc	84	68		
Moline	pc	59	39	ts	64	56	64	56	Fort Smith	sh	64	54	ts	75	62		
Peoria	su	59	40	pc	65	56	65	56	Fresno	rn	57	47	sh	59	44		
Quincy	pc	62	47	sh	70	60	62	60	Grand Junc.	pc	66	45	pc	69	45		
Rockford	pc	57	34	ts	59	53	57	53	Great Falls	pc	51	30	pc	59	38		
Springfield	pc	60	43	pc	70	58	60	58	Harrisburg	cl	68	46	pc	67	50		
Sterling	pc	57	37	ts	61	54	57	54	Hartford	cl	59	43	pc	64	42		
Indianapolis	cl	59	46	pc	68	57	59	57	Helena	pc	56	32	pc	59	37		
Bloomington	pc	60	47	pc	73	58	60	58	Honolulu	sh	82	70	sh	80	70		
Evansville	pc	60	47	pc	73	58	60	58	Houston	cl	79	68	ts	81	73		
Green Bay	pc	56	32	pc	65	54	56	54	Int'l Falls	pc	52	31	sh	51	35		
La Crosse	su	59	41	ts	57	51	59	51	Jackson	pc	80	61	cl	83	65		
Madison	pc	57	35	ts	55	50	57	50	Jacksonville	sh	79	65	pc	84	67		
Milwaukee	pc	47	32	cl	55	45	47	45	Janeau	rs	40	32	pc	38	26		
Wausau	su	54	35	sh	52	42	54	42	Kansas City	pc	63	53	sh	73	60		
Wisconsin	su	53	32	pc	54	41	53	41	Las Vegas	pc	75	53	sh	68	51		
Green Bay	pc	46	32	cl	54	45	46	45	Lincoln	cl	68	50	pc	70	55		
Kenosha	pc	56	32	cl	54	45	56	45	Lexington	pc	62	48	pc	76	52		
La Crosse	su	59	41	ts	57	51	59	51	Lincoln	cl	71	55	cl	76	62		
Madison	pc	57	35	ts	55	50	57	50	Los Angeles	cl	63	56	rn	59	50		
Milwaukee	pc	47	32	cl	55	45	47	45	Louisville	cl	67	48	pc	72	57		
Wausau	su	54	35	sh	52	42	54	42	Macon	pc	82	56	pc	85	61		
Michigan	pc	52	31	pc	56	43	52	43	Memphis	pc	73	56	pc	78	64		
Detroit	pc	52	31	pc	56	43	52	43	Miami	cl	81	72	sh	79	73		
Grand Rapids	pc	56	32	cl	59	47	56	47	Minneapolis	pc	57	41	sh	62	49		
Marquette	su	46	35	sh	49	36	46	36	Mobile	cl	62	42	pc	81	67		
St. Ste. Marie	pc	46	28	sh	49	33	46	33	Montgomery	cl	60	48	su	65	50		
Traverse City	pc	48	31	pc	55	40	48	40	Nashville	pc	76	53	pc	85	63		
Iowa	pc	59	44	sh	64	52	59	52	New Orleans	cl	81	66	sh	82	71		
Ames	pc	58	40	sh	60	53	58	53	New York	cl	60	48	su	65	50		
Cedar Rapids	pc	56	45	sh	66	54	56	54	Norfolk	pc	66	50	pc	69	51		
Des Moines	pc	56	45	sh	66	54	56	54	Oklahoma City	pc	66	56	sh	75	59		
Dubuque	pc	56	37	ts	55	52	56	52	Omaha	pc	61	48	pc	71	53		
Illinois	cl	60	46	pc	73	59	60	59	Orlando	sh	78	64	pc	83	65		

### CHICAGO DIGEST

**SATURDAY TEMPERATURES**

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	49	35	Midway	56	39
Gary	62	41	O'Hare	56	38
Kankakee	45	40	Romeoville	47	39
Lakefront	56	38	Valparaiso	57	38
Lansing	50	38	Waukegan	49	35

**CHICAGO PRECIPITATION**

PERIOD	2020	NORMAL
Sat. (through 4 p.m.)	0.06"	0.11"
April to date	0.06"	0.42"
Year to date	7.11"	6.11"

**CHICAGO SNOWFALL**

PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Sat. (through 4 p.m.)	0.0"	0.0"
Season to date	30.1"	30.2"
Normal to date	35.5"	36.4"

**LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS**

	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Wind	ENE 8-15 kts.	SSW 12-22 kts.
Waves	1-2 feet	2-3 feet
Sat. shore/crib water temps	48°/47°	

**LAST WEEK'S PEAK POLLEN LEVEL**

POLLEN	LEVEL
Tree	High
Grass	0
Mold	Low
Ragweed	Low
Weed	0

SOURCE: Loyola Medicine Allergy Count Dr. Rachna Shah

**ILLINOIS AIR QUALITY**

Saturday's reading	Good
Sunday's forecast	Good
Critical pollutant	Particulates

**SUNDAY RISE/SET TIMES**

	SUN	MOON
Sun	6:25 a.m.	7:21 p.m.
Moon	4:27 p.m.	5:25 a.m.

**SUNDAY PLANET WATCH**

PLANET	RISE	SET
Mercury	5:44 a.m.	5:07 p.m.
Venus	8:10 a.m.	11:27 p.m.
Mars	3:36 a.m.	1:06 p.m.
Jupiter	3:03 a.m.	12:26 p.m.
Saturn	3:23 a.m.	12:56 p.m.

SOURCE: Dan Joyce, Chicago Astronomical Society

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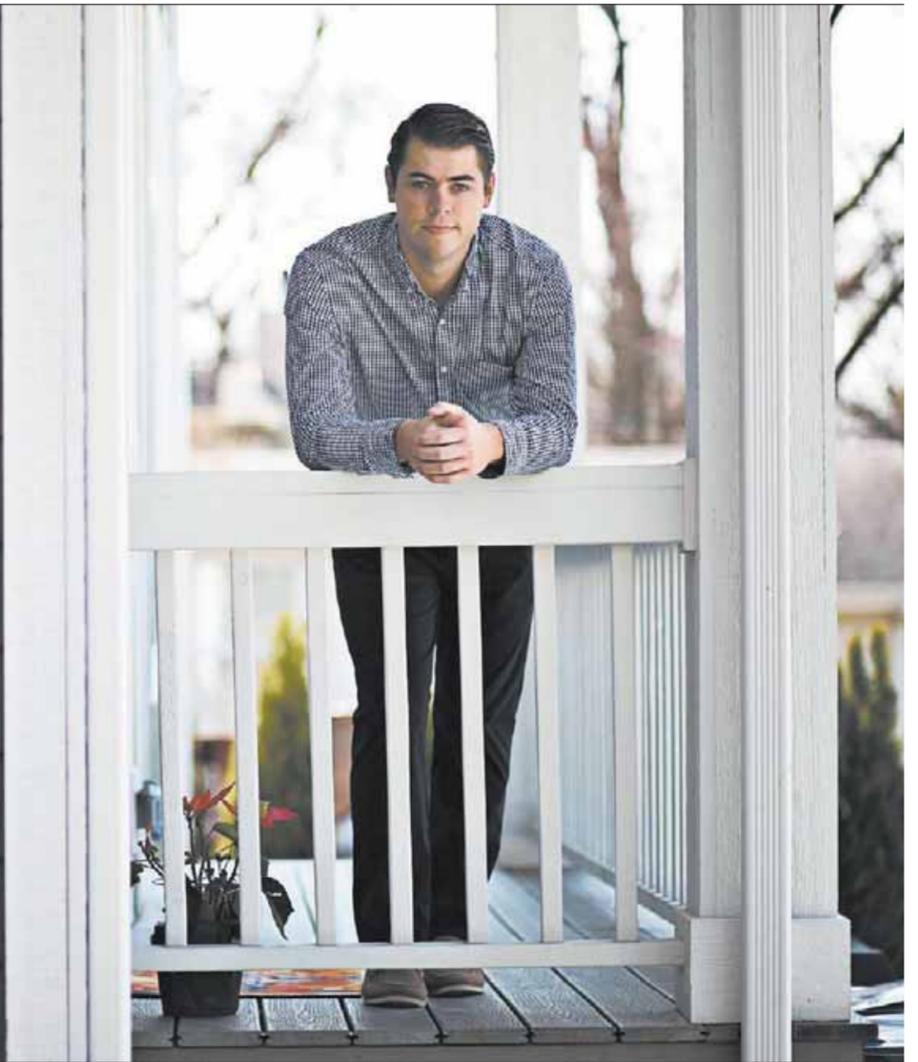
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**CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK**

# A CAREER PATH IN JEOPARDY

A generation of college grads may have slow starts as companies begin cutting internships



Austin Waeghe, 21, of Naperville, is a junior at Butler University and has a summer internship at Fifth Third Bank in Chicago.

STACEY WESCOTT/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

**W** BY ROBERT CHANNICK

When Austin Waeghe, a finance major at Butler University from Naperville, landed a paid 10-week internship with Fifth Third Bank in Chicago, he envisioned a career-boosting summer inside a bustling downtown office.

Instead, the college junior plans to work from a makeshift office in his parents' west suburban home, where the internship will begin next month, entirely online.

"I'm going to set up a little office in the basement and be by myself down there and kind of act like it's an actual office, separated from the house," said Waeghe, 21.

Given the economic disruption wrought by the COVID-19 pandemic, a virtual internship may be among the best possible outcomes for career-minded college students, who have scattered back to their homes across the country to complete the academic year online.

For many students entering the job market, the angst and disruption may not end with their remote graduations this spring.

More than 10 million Americans have filed unemployment insurance claims in the last two weeks as

companies large and small grapple with the unprecedented health crisis. In addition to furloughs, layoffs and salary cuts, many companies also have frozen hiring.

In Illinois alone, more than 178,000 residents applied for unemployment insurance benefits last week, the highest number of weekly claims in state history.

Some businesses already have canceled their summer internship programs while others are weighing

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Phillis Knight works on the production line of Easy Mac Macaroni & Cheese Cups at the Kraft Heinz manufacturing plant.

## 'We can't make enough mac and cheese'

Processed food is undergoing a renaissance as people settle in for a long stretch of cooking at home

BY ALEXIA ELEJALDE-RUIZ

If the coronavirus has brought much of the world to a standstill, you wouldn't know it inside the huge Kraft Heinz factory in Champaign, where production lines are running around the clock to meet surging demand for the company's legacy brands.

"We can't make enough mac and cheese right now," said Dilton "Dee" Gibbs, plant manager at the facility that

makes half of the Kraft Macaroni & Cheese sold in the U.S., as well as A-1 steak sauce, mayonnaise and salad dressings.

The packaged food giant, along with many of its peers, has had to ramp up production amid an abrupt reversal in consumer trends. Shoppers who in recent years shunned processed foods in favor of fresher, healthier and more premium products are now loading up on shelf-stable standbys as shelter-in-

place orders force vast swaths of the nation's population to prepare for a long stretch of cooking at home.

Food manufacturers are faced with the dual challenge of keeping retail shelves full while also ensuring their workers stay healthy — and motivated to keep showing up despite fears of COVID-19.

Gibbs, who oversees some 900 employees at the 32-acre Champaign plant, has imposed social distancing measures in the break room, where tables meant for four are now allowed

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## Airbnb refund policy leaving some confused

Customers say transparency an issue with cancellations

BY LORI RACKL

Airbnb's initial, no-questions-asked COVID-19 refund policy went over well with customers.

So did the home-rental company's recent move to extend the window for coronavirus refunds and travel credits on trips booked through May 31.

When it comes to getting money back under Airbnb's updated policy, plenty of guests have had no problem. Others, though, say there's been confusion about which reservations are eligible and what's needed to prove that guests are unable to travel because of the coronavirus — a requirement Airbnb can impose before it approves a cash refund.

"It's been a total hassle," said Derek Tucker of Edgewater.

Long before the coronavirus pandemic, Tucker booked a \$1,634 stay through Airbnb for an April 30 to May 4 vacation in Montreal, Canada, where the border has since closed to nonessential travel. When Airbnb announced that trips with check-in dates beyond the original April 14 cut-off qualified for potential refunds, he wasted no time putting the wheels in motion to get his money back. He canceled his reservation on the Airbnb app.

"The host rejected it, which I didn't realize was an option," Tucker said.

He called Airbnb and said he wanted the refund he was entitled to under the company's COVID-19 extenuating circumstances policy.

"They started asking me for documentation," said Tucker, who pointed to the closed U.S.-Canada border. Airbnb rejected that because the closure is currently set to expire April 20, before the start of his trip. He tried again, noting that the Canadian government requires anyone entering the country to self-isolate for 14 days. Rejected. He noted the recently extended White House guidelines for social distancing and avoiding nonessential travel through April.

"That wasn't accepted on the basis that it was merely a recommendation," Tucker said.

On Thursday, Tucker responded to an Airbnb message rejecting his extenuating circumstances claim by sending the

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**"This job we do day in and out is very important, especially because we make a product that people can afford."** — Dilton Gibbs, plant manager at the Kraft Heinz factory

## CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

## Coronavirus fight creates 'free-for-all' to find masks

By KEITH BRADSHAW  
The New York Times

SHANGHAI — Million-dollar wire transfers to strangers. Rumors of hidden supplies in forgotten warehouses. Wheeler-dealers trying to talk regulators and customs officials into letting that one precious shipment through.

Global desperation to protect front-line medical workers battling the coronavirus epidemic has spurred a mad international scramble for masks and other protective gear.

Governments, hospital chains, clinics and entrepreneurs are scouring the world for personal protective equipment they can buy or sell — and a new type of trader has sprung up to make that happen.



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Masks are in short supply around the world. Costs to produce and ship them keep rising during the pandemic. "It's a seller's market," the founder of one mask company says.

The stakes are high, and so are the prices.

Wholesale costs for N95 respirators, a crucial type of mask for protecting medical

workers, have quintupled. Trans-Pacific airfreight charges have tripled.

"It's a global free-for-all, trying to get capacity," said

Eric Jantzen, vice president for North America at Vertis Aviation, an aircraft and air cargo brokerage based in Zurich. "And the prices reflect that."

The hurdles keep rising. On Tuesday, after complaints from Europe about shoddy Chinese masks and ineffective test kits, China's Ministry of Commerce ordered manufacturers to provide further assurances that their products met standards.

China vacuumed up a big share of global supplies after the outbreak emerged in January. It imported 2 billion masks in a five-week period starting then, according to Chinese customs data, roughly equivalent to 2 1/2 months of global production. It also imported 400 million pieces of other

protective gear, from medical goggles to biohazard coveralls.

Now, China has become a major part of the solution.

Already a giant in mask manufacturing, it has ramped up production to nearly 12 times its earlier level of 10 million a day. It was a huge mobilization effort that involved re-designing freight train routes and sending large numbers of workers across the country in sealed buses.

Even though many hospitals in the United States are desperate for masks, selling to them isn't always easy. Deals have stalled because hospitals, accustomed to paying for supplies after they reach their loading docks, have balked at the stiff terms now being demanded by factories,

mask traders said.

They also fear fraud.

Producers of N95 respirators and surgical masks now insist that orders come with a 50% down payment, with the rest of the money due before the masks ever leave the factory gate, said Michael Crotty, the founder and president of Golden Pacific Fashion & Design in Shanghai.

The company has switched from manufacturing curtains to placing orders for respirators and masks with its Chinese fabric suppliers.

Factories sometime fill orders out of sequence, moving the highest-paying customers to the front of the line, he added.

"It's a seller's market," Crotty said. "You don't see this very often."

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to be occupied by just one. During a recent lunch break, as each worker ate alone, it looked as if everyone had been given a time-out.

Employees worry about contagion, Gibbs said. But he works to keep morale high at a time when he needs the plant to operate at maximum capacity.

"We talked about how this is the breadbox of the country here, and we should all be proud that we're helping," said Gibbs, a 30-year company veteran. "We should be proud that we're supporting the country now."

## Processed food renaissance

Kraft Heinz, co-headquartered in Chicago and Pittsburgh, said demand for numerous products, from ketchup to Kool-Aid, has been up sharply since pandemic fears sent consumers into a stockpiling frenzy.

Macaroni and cheese sales, which grew just 1.6% in 2019, were up 27% during the 13 weeks that ended March 21 compared with the same period last year, the company said. Sales of Heinz vinegar have been robust, perhaps because people are using it not only to cook but also to make cleaning solutions.

To be sure, all sorts of food has been flying off the shelves. Year-over-year sales of rice, beans and pasta more than tripled during the week that ended March 21, according to Nielsen. Fresh meat sales doubled and oranges, dense with immunity-boosting vitamin C, grew 57%.

But products that had fallen out of favor in recent years are making a fierce comeback. Packaged soup sales shot up 237%, according to Nielsen. Canned meat surged 282%.

"It's like we're in the '70s," said Nicholas Fereday, executive director for food and consumer trends at Rabobank, a bank focused on food and agriculture. "People are revisiting brands they haven't touched in a while."

Kroger, the nation's largest grocery chain and the owner of Mariano's, reported a 30% jump in March sales at stores open at least a year. Credit Suisse has projected that retail sales of packaged food companies will grow, on average, by as much as 15% to 30% during March through May. Some of the largest companies have announced production increases by as much as 40% to keep up with demand, it said.

Though the pantry-loading panic has subsided, shoppers continue to stock up on groceries amid a mass shift away from dining out, which used to eat up half of people's food budgets. More than 90% of the nation's population is under some kind of stay-at-home order, with Illinois' now extended through April 30.

That's been devastating to the restaurant industry, which the National Restaurant Association has forecast will lose up to 7 million jobs, but it's created optimism among some food manufacturers.



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Workers practice social distancing during their lunch break in March at the Kraft Heinz factory in Champaign.



Dillon "Dee" Gibbs, plant manager at the Kraft Heinz, talks about the facility's social distancing practices.

Chicago-based Conagra Brands, whose broad portfolio includes Healthy Choice, Slim Jim, Chef Boyardee and a big frozen foods business, raised its guidance for the year after seeing a significant bump in sales that it expects to continue through at least April.

The grocery shopping spree are likely to lessen once people head back to the office and restaurants open again, but many shoppers Conagra never anticipated attracting are trying its products for the first time, which is an opportunity to turn them into long-term customers, CEO Sean Connolly said.

Because people are consuming every meal at home, demand is up across categories, he said. Panicked shoppers first were buying canned goods, but then they moved to frozen vegetables and single-serve frozen meals that people can pop into the microwave for lunch. Snacks are now seeing the fastest daily sales growth, he said.

"The priority right now is producing the maximum amount of food that we can possibly produce," Connolly told investors on a conference call Tuesday.

The company has shifted employees from its food service production lines, where demand has dropped drastically because of mandated temporary restaurant closures, to the lines making products sold in grocery stores. Its planned rollouts of new products are being put on hold at some retailers that want to focus on core staples.

As a result, consumers might see less variety on shelves as companies focus on churning out the most in-demand products, said Geoff Freeman, CEO of the Consumer Brands Associ-

ation, an industry trade group. Unilever has said some variations of its products may be unavailable as it focuses on its most popular sizes of Hellman's mayonnaise and flavors of Knorr meal mixes.

"There will be no shortage of product," Freeman said. "Product will be there, but perhaps not some of our choice."

The adjustments have not been easy. Shifting production from food service to retail involves different packaging and distribution channels. The Food and Drug Administration relaxed labeling rules to remove some of the hurdles.

More challenges lie ahead given stretched supplies of sanitation and personal protective equipment, which are important for food production, Freeman said. There is also potential for supply chain disruptions if imported raw ingredients don't make it in or trucks can't get food to shelves fast enough.

So far, Conagra has been able to meet 90% of its orders, Connolly said, and he is keeping a close eye on the supply chain. His biggest concern "is always the unknown," he said, of which there is plenty in this unprecedented situation.

"We do our best to anticipate what is coming our way," he said. "But nobody understands what's coming our way."

## Keeping workers safe

One of the biggest unknowns food manufacturers are bracing for is what happens if employees contract COVID-19.

PepsiCo temporarily closed a Frito-Lay plant in California as a precaution after several employees

showed symptoms, and halted several production lines at a Quaker Oats plant in Iowa when a worker there tested positive.

Conagra had one plant employee who tested positive and is recovering, and another who is suspected to have the illness, Connolly said. The company followed Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines to quarantine the individuals and disinfect the premises.

Food manufacturers, which already have extensive sanitation policies, have instituted additional cleaning regimens to try to keep workers from getting sick. Tyson Foods, which employs 4,500 people across five meat production and distribution facilities in Illinois, is doing temperature checks as workers arrive for their shifts.

Proven Partners Group, an Elgin-based contract food manufacturer and packager with several large clients and about 250 employees, has staggered breaks so different crews don't mingle, said CEO Suley Muratoglu. As it shifts production to accommodate spiking demand for high-nutrition products for seniors, the plant also has reduced the number of people on the production floor at a time to create more distance between them.

Most large companies are relaxing attendance policies, so people aren't discouraged from staying home if they feel ill, and adding paid sick or quarantine leave. They also are promising perks to reward employees for continuing to come to work despite the risks.

Conagra and Tyson are each offering plant workers a \$500 one-time bonus. PepsiCo, which is trying to hire 6,000 workers, is paying \$100 more per week to 90,000 employees and guaranteeing 12 weeks of pay if a plant closes because of COVID-19.

Oreo-maker Mondelez International, which is trying to hire 1,000 workers, is offering a temporary \$2 per hour raise through May 2. Kraft Heinz is providing a \$100 weekly premium to nearly 19,000 full-time and temporary employees.

Concerns employers expressed at the inception of the health emergency that

employees wouldn't show up do not seem to be playing out, Freeman said. Muratoglu, who is hiring, said he has seen a spike in job applications, some from laid-off restaurant workers, whereas before the pandemic he struggled to find labor.

Bob O'Toole, president of the United Food and Commercial Workers Local 1546, said the concerns he hears most from workers are about finding child care amid school closures. In addition, a growing number of union members are being laid off from meat processing plants that supplied restaurants, conventions, airlines and cruise ships, and don't have the right licenses to pivot to retail.

Still, many food production employees are worried about going to work, especially at meat processing plants where they stand close together, O'Toole said. But companies are being careful about safety and "most people are showing up," he said. "These people are living paycheck to paycheck."

Gibbs, the plant manager in Champaign for two years, said it has taken some time for employees to get used to distancing.

That isn't usually a problem on the highly automated production floor, where a single person can staff a line that spits out 1,700 cartons of macaroni cheese or 450 bottles of salad dressing per minute. But elsewhere, "We have to remind people from time to time that you can't stand on top of each other," said Gibbs, 67.

Gibbs said he holds daily meetings to address employees' concerns and educate them about how to protect themselves.

"What I tell my teams is, if you think like you got it, you won't ever get it," he said.

Housekeeping staff is cleaning doorknobs and other commonly used surfaces every four hours, and employees have been asked to do the same at their stations.

Some employees don't feel comfortable despite the safety measures, Gibbs said. But to him, keeping the factory running through the pandemic is a duty.

"This job we do day in and out is very important,"

he said, "especially because we make a product that people can afford."

## Long-term impact

Whether the pandemic-driven shifts in consumer behavior are here to stay remains to be seen.

As layoffs continue and economic pressures mount, low-priced foods may continue to be enticing, Rabobank's Fereday said. But the experience also may make consumers particularly protective of their health and willing to invest in products that tout their nutritional value, he said.

Some long-term impacts on the food industry are starting to show. The share of Americans buying groceries online or using delivery services like Instacart or Amazon Fresh had risen to 39% as of this week, up from 18% four weeks earlier, according to a survey from the Consumer Brands Association.

And the lean, efficient supply chains companies have adopted to save money also are being reconsidered as manufacturers weigh the benefits of redundancies in the event of an emergency, Fereday said. There will likely be a move toward de-globalizing the supply chain in favor of local suppliers, he said.

Other consequences depend on how long COVID-19 upends peoples lives.

Smaller, emerging brands that have pitched themselves as premium products could be in for some difficult times if people go back to basics, Fereday said.

Big Food's focus in recent years on growing through innovation and new product launches could take a back seat if companies simplify their portfolios, reducing choice, said Bahige El-Rayes, a partner in the consumer practice at strategy and management consulting firm Kearney.

El-Rayes also wonders if the mass cooking-at-home experiment could change how often people dine out, returning restaurants to a once-in-a-while treat rather than the everyday occasion they had become. Even when life begins to move more normally again, he said, it's likely people's wariness to gather will linger for a while.

## CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

## BCBS of Illinois joins insurers waiving cost-sharing

Added to policy of covering COVID-19 testing costs

By ROBERT CHANNICK

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois has joined a growing list of health insurers waiving member costs for treatment of COVID-19.

The state's largest health

insurer announced Thursday that patients will not need to pay any deductible, co-payments and coinsurance for COVID-19 treatment received from April 1 through May 31.

The cost-sharing waiver applies to both in-network facilities and out-of-network emergency treatment.

"We want our members to have the security and the peace of mind that comes

with knowing they have access to the health care coverage they need when they need it most," Steve Hamman, president of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois, said in a news release.

Last month, Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois was among a number of health insurers to announce they would waive COVID-19 testing costs. Other previously announced measures

include expanded access to telehealth coverage, lifting restrictions on early prescription fills and launching a COVID-19 website.

Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois has more than 8.5 million members in the state.

The latest decision by a health insurer to waive cost-sharing comes as COVID-19 continues to spread, with about 261,000

confirmed cases and 6,600 deaths in the U.S. as of Friday afternoon, according to Johns Hopkins University, which is tracking the disease globally.

The state's second largest health insurer, UnitedHealthcare, announced Tuesday it was waiving patient out-of-pocket costs for COVID-19 treatment through May 31, covering it for all fully-insured com-

mercial, Medicare Advantage and Medicaid plans.

UnitedHealthcare has about 1.5 million members in Illinois, spokesman Tony Marusic said Friday.

Health insurers Cigna and Humana previously announced they would waive cost-sharing for COVID-19 treatments.

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## Reporting for duty: Laid-off flight crews to help hospitals

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STOCKHOLM — Filip Palmgren had wanted to work on planes since he was a child. Now, after just two years as a flight attendant, the 21-year-old has lost his job because of the coronavirus crisis and will be soon heading to work in a hospital instead to help save patients.

He is part of a first group of 30 laid-off employees of Scandinavian Airlines who have started training this week to learn basic skills to assist in nursing homes and hospitals overwhelmed by a surging number of patients and ill medical staff.

Scandinavian Airlines, known also as SAS, announced in mid-March the temporary layoff of up to 10,000 employees, or 90% of its workforce, amid a drop in demand for international travel as governments clamped down on public events to contain the virus outbreak.

With the help of a foundation, it is one of several airlines offering former staff the chance to work on the front line of the pandemic.

Palmgren says he signed up out of civic duty when he got the offer from his former employer.

"I immediately replied to the email," he said. "I felt this was a very huge opportunity for me to help and to contribute to society and help the health care, which I think is very important in these times."

In the United Kingdom, budget carrier easyJet and Virgin Atlantic have asked their laid-off employees to do the same, with the support of the British government.

Many airlines are laying off staff at a dizzying pace. Some are putting employees on temporary leave, in which they are paid with the help of government aid, or shorter hours. Germany's Lufthansa, for example, is doing that with 27,000 out of 35,000 employees.

In other cases, employees are losing their jobs outright, and those workers are being given priority for the medical training programs. The trend is less pronounced in the United States, where pas-

senger airlines are receiving \$50 billion in government aid conditioned on the promise not to cut jobs for the next six months.

Airline flight crews are considered good candidates to work in hospitals because they are required to complete medical training to serve aboard flights in case of an emergency. They are also trained in how to handle difficult interpersonal situations, such as unruly passengers on flights, that can help in stressful work places like hospitals. "We're really good at being around people and taking care of people," said Mathilda Malm, 23, a former flight attendant who was part of the training program in the Swedish capital. "And we're always prepared for every situation and we handle it in a calm way."

The program in Sweden is a joint initiative between the Sofiahemmet medical institution in Stockholm, the Novare recruitment firm and the Wallenberg Foundation, which is providing financing of about \$700,000.

Oscar Stege Unger is the director of the Wallenberg foundations, but also a board member of SAS who was involved in the decision to lay off the majority of staff.

"We had to make huge layoffs, temporary layoffs, and we know that there is a lot of really skilled cabin crew that could be of assistance going into the health care. So that's where the idea came," he said.

They secured financing for 300 trainees, and Unger believes this can be scaled up to help more people left unemployed by the virus outbreak.

He said he is looking to export the system and is in talks with other airlines in countries such as the U.S., U.K. and Australia, where the virus has spread more aggressively.

Stockholm Mayor Anna König Jerlmayr does not want to take chances and says that retrained airlines staff can relieve pressure on health care workers. "It is a way of optimizing our resources at a moment where the nurses are giving treatment and health care to the elderly and the students coming in to give assistance," she said.

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everything from a later start to a virtual internship. For graduating students, first-time job offers may be in jeopardy as employers cut back on new openings and announce hiring freezes.

"We're really in a holding pattern right now," said Karyn McCoy, assistant vice president of DePaul University's career center. "We're encouraging students, if they already have an offer, to reach out to the organization directly and stay in touch, so they know as soon as possible what's going on."

From Walgreens and Discover to Fifth Third Bank and Blue Cross Blue Shield of Illinois, about 400 companies recruit on DePaul's Lincoln Park campus each year for interns and full-time hires. About 60% of the school's 14,500 undergraduate students participate in internship programs, a "primary pipeline" for full-time employment, McCoy said.

McCoy said the school has yet to learn of an employer revoking a full-time job offer, but at least one has canceled its summer internship program, affecting several DePaul students.

US Foods, the giant Rosemont-based food service distributor, had about 50 paid internships for students from numerous schools slated to start in June, but decided last month to rescind the offers amid the growing COVID-19 pandemic.

"Welcoming talented young people to the intern program is something we look forward to each year," US Foods spokeswoman Sara Matheu said in an email. "It was a difficult decision, but there is too much uncertainty around when universities and our headquarters will resume normal schedules."

At Northwestern University, more than three-fourths of its 8,000 undergraduate students participate in internships, according to Geni Harclerode, director of employer recruitment for the school's career center.

While most employers are taking a "wait-and-see" approach, some in industries such as retail and hospitality have already made the decision to pull the plug, Harclerode said.

"We have heard from a very small number of organizations who have made the difficult decision to go ahead and cancel or postpone a summer internship," Harclerode said.

It's a similar situation at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, where nearly 70% of undergraduate students get internships.

"We have heard from students who had internships with a couple of employers who have indicated that their internship offers have been rescinded," said Jennifer Neef, director of the university's career center. "These were from employers in hard-hit industries such as travel and hospitality." Neef has yet to hear of a full-time job offer being revoked.

The school canceled its annual Illini Career & Internship Fair and in its place, 24 employers will participate in a virtual recruiting event next week, because "they're still looking to hire folks," Neef said.

A poll by the National Association of Colleges and Employers shows that as of Friday, one-fourth of employers were considering revoking offers to full-time



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Austin Waeghe plans to do his internship from a makeshift office in his parents' Naperville home.

recruits and interns, 35% are delaying the start of summer internships and 29% have moved to a virtual internship.

Some analysts believe those numbers may get dramatically worse in the weeks ahead.

"Certainly we're going to see more people lose their internships, their job offers," said Andrew Chalenger, senior vice president at Chicago-based outplacement firm Challenger, Gray & Christmas. "In a time of unbelievable uncertainty, it's an easy place to cut."

The number of job openings on Glassdoor fell by 8.8% between March 16 and 23, marking the biggest one-week drop since 2016, according to a monthly report by the job and recruiting website.

Glassdoor senior economist Daniel Zhao said for students entering the job market, the COVID-19 pandemic could set back their careers even further than the class of 2009, which graduated into the employment void of the Great Recession.

"After the Great Recession we've seen persistent impacts on people who graduated and entered the workforce at that time," Zhao said. "When you have a once-in-a-generation or even rarer event like this, it's going to have lasting impacts on folks who are entering the labor market at that time."

María Guerrero, 20, a sophomore journalism major at DePaul, was two months into a paid internship at WGN-TV in Chicago when the program was suspended March 13.

"It was a huge bummer just to see how this virus and pandemic has halted everyone's life in all aspects — from education to your career pursuits," said Guerrero, who has returned home to Miami to complete the spring quarter online.

Guerrero, whose duties included editing videos for the station's evening newscasts three days a week, said it was an "amazing experience" that helped her make connections and learn from experienced journalists in her field.

"WGN-TV has had a robust internship program for many years and we fully expect it to continue once the COVID-19 outbreak is over," Paul Rennie, the station's general manager, said in an email. "We have worked hard to enable as many employees as possible to work from home. At this time, we felt it was not prudent to have additional people in the building."

In addition to the "few" spring interns sent home early, WGN-TV has put its summer internship program on hold "until the coronavirus outbreak has abated," said Gary Weisman, spokesman for station owner Nexstar.

Guerrero has applied for an internship with the NBCUniversal-owned TV

quarters and is exploring a virtual format, spokesman Phil Caruso said.

"We're going to move forward with our internship program — we don't have any plans to cancel at this point," Caruso said.

Caruso also said the company, one of the nation's largest drugstore chains, has not revoked any job offers to graduates and is hiring for thousands of positions at its stores across the country. Walgreens stores remain open and are generating brisk sales as an essential business during the COVID-19 pandemic.

BMO Harris is exploring options to "balance safety with a good working experience" for its 77 Chicago-area interns this summer, bank spokeswoman Kathleen Szot said.

"We have no intention of canceling our 2020 class of interns," Szot said in an email.

Fifth Third Bank, where Waeghe will intern this summer, has hired nine other interns and 16 full-time employees in Chicago.

The interns are set to start May 18 and will work remotely, at least initially. The full-time hires are slated to begin June 15, but it is unclear if their careers will begin at home or in the bank's offices.

"Life goes on and you've got to try to develop new people," said Fifth Third spokesman Larry Magnesen. "They are the folks that have plenty of energy to help the economy rebound, once we're back to the new normal."

Waeghe will focus on commercial banking during his internship. Like any intern, he is hoping to gain experience, develop contacts and plant a seed that may grow into a full-time job offer when he graduates in 2021.

Until then, his career goals are far more modest.

"We'll have to see how it goes and take it step by step," Waeghe said. "Hopefully I'll be able to go into the office by the end of the summer to meet people in person."

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## BUSINESS BRIEFINGS

## EPA targets sellers of fake protection

WASHINGTON — The Environmental Protection Agency warned Friday that disinfectants and sanitizers falsely claiming to protect against the coronavirus are flooding the market and threatened legal action against retailers that sell unregistered products. A range of disinfectants, air purifiers and wipes falsely assert they prevent infection from the virus.

The EPA specifically targeted a Japanese-made product called Virus Shut Out, which is a card containing chlorine dioxide worn around the neck on a lanyard. Those and other so-called sanitization cards are on sale on eBay and by individual retailers on Facebook.

## Ex-manager loses paternity leave case

TOKYO — A Japanese court Friday rejected a request by a former brokerage manager to get his job back after he took paternity leave at Mitsubishi UFJ Morgan Stanley. The case of Glen Wood, a Canadian who has lived in Japan for three decades, has become a symbol of the fight against "paternity harassment," or "pata hara."

Working women have long complained about such treatment when they take leave. Wood is among a handful of fathers who have filed cases. Wood said he would appeal. Wood alleged in a 2017 petition that he was harassed and forced from his job after taking leave when his son was born in 2015.

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<b>Silver</b>	↓ -0.04	\$14.44
<b>Crude Oil</b>	↑ +6.83	\$28.34
<b>Natural Gas</b>	→ ...	\$1.62
<b>10-year T-note</b>	↓ -16	58%
<b>Euro</b>	↑ +0.255	to 9250/\$1
<b>Yen</b>	↑ +.50	to 108.26/\$1

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963.80	593.52	Dow Jones utilities	789.58	695.00	706.01	-52.92	-7.0	-19.7	-9.5
14183.26	8664.94	NYSE Comp.	10499.80	9766.80	9880.63	-306.58	-3.0	-29.0	-23.6
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2109.43	1181.96	S&P MidCap	1463.69	1322.82	1337.95	-84.97	-6.0	-35.2	-31.4
34616.78	21955.54	Wilshire 5000	26431.89	24461.29	24736.26	-764.30	-3.0	-24.8	-17.2
1715.08	966.22	Russell 2000	1164.63	1035.39	1052.05	-79.93	-7.1	-36.9	-33.5
433.90	268.57	Dow Jones Stoxx 600	321.49	303.38	309.06	-1.84	-0.6	-25.7	-20.4
7727.49	4898.79	FTSE 100	5702.66	5351.84	5415.50	-94.83	-1.7	-28.2	-27.3

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STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
Carnival Corp	8.49	-5.92
Ford Motor	4.24	-95
Gen Electric	6.73	-89
Chesapck Engy	.17	+0.00
Bank of America	20.03	-1.57
Marathon Oil	3.65	+1.13
Ocid Petl	13.00	+1.39
Exxon Mobil Corp	39.21	+2.26
AT&T Inc	27.46	-2.38
Macy's Inc	4.81	-72
Energy Transfer L.P.	5.47	+70
MFA Financial	1.09	-57
Boeing Co	124.52	-37.48

### NASDAQ STOCK MARKET

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
TOP Ships Inc	.19	-05
Av Micro Dev	42.59	-3.99
Lucikin Coffee Inc	5.38	-20.25
Microsoft Corp	153.83	+4.13
American Airlines Gp	9.39	-4.65
Taronis Technologies	.15	-01
Apple Inc	241.41	-6.33
ToughBuilt Inc	.16	+01
Micron Tech	41.22	-2.26
Intel Corp	54.13	+1.76
Sirius XM Hldgs Inc	4.48	-45
Cisco Syst	39.06	+60
Comcast Corp A	33.95	-39

### EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
Alps Alerian MLP	3.57	+33
Citigp Vel Long Crde	.16	-02
Direx S&P500Bear 3x	17.55	+65
iShares Emrg Mkts	33.13	-22
iShares Rus 2000	104.62	-7.94
Invesco QQQ Trust	183.37	-1.93
ProSh UltraPro QQQ	42.42	-1.92
ProSh Ultra Core	2.96	+1.16
ProSh Ultra ShtQQQ	21.46	+11
SPDR S&P500 ETF Tr	248.19	-5.23
SPDR Energy	29.83	+1.50
SPDR Financial	19.64	-1.37
US Oil Fund LP	5.90	+1.43

## Largest Companies

### Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
AT&T Inc	27.46	-2.38
Abbott Labs	79.45	+4.89
Adobe Inc	293.61	-12.22
Alibaba Group Hldg	187.11	-1.48
Alphabet Inc C	1097.88	-12.83
Alphabet Inc A	1092.70	-17.56
Amazon.com Inc	1906.59	+64.49
Apple Inc	241.41	-6.33
Bank of America	20.03	-1.57
Berkshire Hath A	267954.00	-172.00
Berkshire Hath B	178.34	-1.32
Chevron Corp	75.11	+6.33
China Mobile Ltd	39.11	+3.37
Cisco Syst	39.06	+60
CocaCola Co	43.83	+1.02
Comcast Corp A	33.95	-39
Costco Wholesale	288.65	+4.32
Disney	93.88	-2.52
Ell Lilly	139.66	+5.55
Exxon Mobil Corp	39.21	+2.26
Facebook Inc	154.18	-2.61
HSBC Holdings prA	24.34	-54
Home Depot	178.70	-11.82
Intel Corp	54.13	+1.76
JPMorgan Chase	84.05	-6.18
Johnson & Johnson	134.17	+11.01
MasterCard Inc	237.03	-10.62
Merck & Co	76.25	+4.52
Microsoft Corp	153.83	+4.13
Netflix Inc	361.76	+4.64
Novartis AG	83.64	+4.36
Novo Nordisk AS	59.84	+3.11
Nvidia Corporation	243.91	-8.82
Oracle Corp	49.40	-4.3
PepsiCo	124.59	+4.13
Pfizer Inc	33.64	+2.74
Procter & Gamble	115.08	+4.91
Royal Dutch Shell B	34.45	+4.68
Royal Dutch Shell A	36.24	+5.09
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Taiwan Semicon	47.06	+1.15
Toyota Mot	115.00	-12.24
Unilever PLC	49.80	+5.5
UnitedHealth Group	229.49	-12.96
Verizon Comm	54.70	+1.93
Visa Inc	151.85	-9.71
WalMart Strs	119.48	+9.90

## How the region's Top 100 companies fared

Ranks based on market capitalization of public companies headquartered in Illinois and north-west Indiana as of Friday, April 3, 2020

RANK/COMPANY	CAP	CLOSE	WEEK	1-YR
1 Abbott Labs	140,104	79.45	▲ +4.89	+1.4
2 McDonalds Corp	119,517	160.33	▼ -3.68	-11.7
3 AbbVie Inc	108,343	73.37	▲ +7.0	-4.3
4 Mondelez Intl	72,779	50.79	▲ +2.90	+3.7
5 Boeing Co	70,123	124.52	▼ -37.48	-66.4
6 Caterpillar Inc	63,078	114.67	▲ +9.23	-13.9
7 CME Group	62,281	173.74	▲ +2.40	+3.6
8 ITW	44,582	140.41	▼ -1.82	-2.0
9 Deere Co	42,501	135.52	▲ +1.17	-12.2
10 Baxter Intl	41,301	81.42	▲ +1.63	+1.9
11 Walgreen Boots Alli	36,072	40.72	▼ -3.28	-23.9
12 Exelon Corp	31,896	32.75	▼ -2.75	-28.1
13 Kraft Heinz Co	30,925	25.32	▲ +1.08	-18.2
14 Allstate Corp	27,241	85.96	▼ -2.50	-7.4
15 Motorola Solutions	21,722	126.62	▼ -8.45	-6.3
16 Equity Residential	20,183	54.26	▼ -8.42	-24.9
17 Arch Dan Mid	19,307	34.65	▲ +1.15	-15.4
18 Nthn Trust Cp	16,119	77.03	▲ +3.05	-14.6
19 ConAgra Brands Inc	15,193	31.21	▲ +3.29	+2.4
20 Gallagher AJ	14,459	76.26	▼ -3.91	-12.5
21 Grainger WW	12,814	238.76	▼ -8.39	-21.2
22 CDW Corp	12,405	86.89	▼ -6.86	-10.0
23 TransUnion	11,206	59.05	▼ -7.21	-8.6
24 Dover Corp	11,146	77.36	▼ -4.59	-13.9
25 IDEX Corp	10,559	138.51	▲ +7.33	-10.6
26 CBOE Global Markets	9,897	89.62	▼ -1.27	-2.8
27 Zebra Tech	9,617	178.08	▼ -6.49	-18.4
28 Equity Lifesty Prop	9,538	52.37	▼ -4.42	-6.7
29 Ultra Salon Cosmetics	8,825	156.74	▼ -17.71	-53.5
30 Discover Fin Svcs	7,996	28.53	▼ -9.88	-55.7
31 NiSource Inc	8,597	22.49	▼ -2.27	-13.9
32 Ventas Inc	8,396	22.52	▼ -7.08	-58.8
33 Packaging Corp Am	7,636	80.57	▼ -5.58	-14.2
34 ConAgra Food Svcs	7,497	27.64	▼ -4.35	-28.1
35 Hill-Rom Hldgs	7,034	105.00	▲ +5.47	+3.1
36 Aptargroup Inc	6,033	94.19	▲ +1.19	-9.0
37 United Airlines Hldg	5,674	22.89	▼ -9.96	-71.7
38 CF Industries	5,570	25.77	▲ +2.22	-35.5
39 LKQ Corporation	5,329	17.35	▼ -4.01	-36.5
40 Ingredd Inc	5,097	76.21	▲ +2.49	-14.6
41 Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	4,948	35.42	▼ -8.02	-17.2
42 Morningstar Inc	4,739	110.60	▼ -6.18	-11.6
43 Jones Lang LaSalle	4,457	86.45	▼ -13.28	-39.6
44 Kemper Corp	4,353	65.30	▼ -5.97	-9.5
45 Old Republic	4,256	14.01	▼ -1.01	-22.4
46 Paylocity Hldg	3,968	74.02	▼ -18.02	-10.7
47 Equity Commonwhl	3,942	32.31	▲ +4.1	+8.6
48 First Indl Tr	3,903	30.73	▼ -1.03	-10.3
49 Stericycle Inc	3,895	42.68	▲ +6.7	-20.6
50 RLI Corp	3,732	83.10	▼ -1.55	+22.9
51 CDK Global Inc	3,648	30.03	▼ -2.91	-47.9
52 IAA Inc	3,348	25.00	▼ -7.31	-
53 Littelfuse Inc	3,160	129.40	▲ +4.05	-29.2
54 GrubHub Inc	3,147	34.27	▼ -3.89	-50.7
55 US Foods Holding	3,092	14.06	▼ -4.96	-56.4
56 Anixter Intl	2,975	87.94	▲ +2.8	+51.6
57 Cabot Microelect	2,927	100.17	▼ -6.88	-8.2
58 Middleby Corp	2,737	48.71	▼ -9.22	-60.9
59 TreeHouse Foods	2,521	44.81	▲ +5.02	-29.2
60 Envestnet Inc	2,490	47.07	▼ -9.91	-27.3
61 Brunswick Corp	2,122	26.71	▼ -8.92	-39.8
62 John Bean Technol	2,067	64.96	▼ -9.56	-28.2
63 Stepan Co	2,027	90.06	▲ +11.51	+0
64 GATX	1,936	55.48	▼ -2.95	-23.3
65 Teleph Data	1,787	16.62	▼ -4.0	-47.3
66 Wintrust Financial	1,786	31.13	▼ -3.00	-53.4
67 Navistar Intl	1,518	15.30	▼ -2.80	-49.2
68 Federal Signal	1,504	24.78	▼ -1.86	-6
69 US Cellular	1,465	27.58	▼ -2.24	-41.1
70 Hub Group Inc	1,462	43.55	▲ +9.6	+3.9
71 Hyatt Hotels Corp	1,430	39.92	▼ -9.22	-45.2
72 Tootsie Roll	1,425	36.74	▲ +4.1	+1.6
73 Fst Midw Bcp	1,377	12.56	▼ -9.1	-34.2
74 Adtalem Global Educ	1,297	23.57	▼ -1.23	-46.3
75 Horace Mann	1,291	31.30	▼ -2.39	-4.4
76 Knowles Corp	1,187	12.86	▼ -1.51	-27.2
77 Addus HomeCare	1,112	71.53	▲ +4.77	+7.3
78 Allscripts Hlthcare	1,001	6.16	▼ -4.4	-32.1
79 Retail Pro Amer	988	4.22	▼ -4.5	-55.5
80 Huron Consulting Gp	969	42.47	▼ -3.23	-6.1
81 Methode Electronics	926	24.98	▼ -8.1	-8.0
82 First Bussey Corp	835	15.36	▼ -1.03	-31.9
83 Coeur Mining	758	3.12	▼ -2.7	-20.2
84 Sanfilippo John	742	84.23	▲ +9.13	+32.0
85 OneSpan Inc	671	16.67	▲ +3.0	-7.5
86 AAR Lakes	523	14.92	▼ -3.07	-46.8
87 Great Lakes Dredge	501	7.76	▼ -0.5	-13.1
88 ANI Pharma	462	38.22	▲ +4.6	-44.3
89 Acco Brands Corp	447	4.63	▼ -5.2	-42.0
90 Echo Global Logis	429	16.03	▲ +3.7	-35.4
91 Groupon Inc	411	7.3	▼ -5.5	-77.5
92 SP Plus Corp	401	17.46	▼ -4.46	-47.6
93 Heidrick & Struggles	396	20.67	▼ -1.11	-41.4
94 MYR Group	377	22.64	▼ -1.58	-37.0
95 Enova Intl Inc	368	11.35	▼ -3.20	-47.2
96 QCR Holdings Inc	364	22.95	▼ -4.10	-29.3
97 Heritage-Crystal Cln	359	15.02	▼ -9.9	-40.1
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# Work-from-home employees offer wall-to-wall advice on life outside the office

It won't be long before workers forced to do their jobs from home due to the COVID-19 outbreak will have a litany of complaints.

"It's too noisy."  
"My computer is so slow."  
"Who keeps making cookies ... and why do I keep eating them?"

Of course, there will be others singing the praises of their new work environment.

"I can work in my PJs!"  
"No one interrupts me to talk about their cats"

"Who keeps making cookies ... and why do I keep eating them?"

For many, this new approach to work may take some time to settle in. But to help speed the process, we went to the experts for advice. And by experts, we mean BQ remote worker, as in Before Quarantine. After all, who better to offer advice on working from home for the first time than people who actually work from home? **We asked and they answered. Here's what they had to say:**

"Tell your family that you're working and ask that they leave you alone. Have a visual cue, like if you have the door closed or if you're wearing headphones, that makes it clear to others that you are really busy at a particular time and can't be bothered."

-Rebecca R., medical records specialist, Conshohocken, Pennsylvania

"Find what works for you. For me, I like to have CNN on in the background at a low volume or play calming music in the background. Force yourself to take a few breaks. Don't forget to drink water. And find a comfortable space. For me, it's my couch but I know many folks prefer an actual desk set-up."

-Erik Hale, learning & development specialist, Alameda, California

"Mute your phone when you're not speaking because even your typing/ keystrokes can be loud on a conference call when you're unmuted. If you're in a video hangout, keep your camera on and look presentable, at least from the chest up. Better feel for folks to see you live rather than the image or letter that displays when your camera is turned off. It lets them know that even though you're remote, you're available and "there."

-R.S., sales account manager, Gurnee, Illinois

"Give yourself structure and space dedicated to working as if you were at an office full of co-workers and stick to it. Also, use video chat."

-Name withheld by request

"Check in with your co-workers even when you don't have to. I think constant communication, especially over the phone, is a good thing. Just checking in to say hello or ask about what they're working on can keep those of us who work from home connected. It doesn't feel like you're on an island, working all alone."

-Sharon N., accountant, Chicago

"Plan your day like you are working in the office. Have a set lunchtime. Try to have a real desk/table to work at. Working from the couch or easy chair is asking for poor posture and RSI type pains."

-Norm Dziedzic, engineering manager, Park Ridge, Illinois

"Have a good Bluetooth connection. It's hard to do work while you're holding a phone to your ear and I think putting someone on speaker is rude so for me, the best way to communicate is via Bluetooth. Check out various headsets, earbuds, headphones and earpieces to make sure you can hear and be heard when you're working from home. And don't assume your reception is going to be good from every room of your house. I worked in an upstairs den until I realized it was a dead zone for cell service and getting one of those cellular extenders didn't work. If you're using a Wi-Fi-based service for your phone calls, the same rules apply but you have to be careful. I went back to 4G because the Wi-Fi connection I was using created a two- or three-second lag, which was really annoying."

-Aaron T., Chicago

"Go all digital. Anything you do should be digital. No Post-It notes all over the place because depending on where you're working in the house, you're just creating an eyesore. And it's not effective. Find a good app that keeps track of your tasks, deadlines and appointments and use that, and only that."

-D.B., sales director, Grand Rapids, Michigan

"Stay focused but realize your approach to work can change. If you start working as soon as you wake up, say 6:30 a.m. instead of 8:30 when you'd normally get to the office, it's OK to take a 20-minute power nap at some point during the day. And take a little extra time for lunch. Or take a walk. You can still do the same amount of work each day but working from home sometimes requires that you do things differently. Accept that and make the best of your situation."

-Dean M., graphic designer, San Jose, California

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# Wrong answer

## Don't give these responses during your phone interview

After receiving a call from an employer for a phone interview, it's common to feel simultaneously ecstatic, relieved and nervous. One of the best ways to calm those nerves is to be prepared for the interview. To do so, try and anticipate what questions the employer might ask. While at times questions can get tricky, for the most part employers ask straightforward questions that help them get to know your personality as well as your ability to think on your feet.

Yet even if a job seeker is prepared, nerves can still cause stumbles. To help, here are common interview questions:

### 'So, tell me a little about yourself'

When answering this question, don't go off on a tangent. Prepare your two to three minute career summary and rehearse it out loud. "Make sure that whatever you share is relevant and makes sense given the job you're interviewing for," says career counselor and author Roy Cohen. "Too much information will be lost in translation and your interviewer will tune you out."

### 'What are your biggest strengths and weaknesses?'

Stop saying, "I'm a perfectionist." It's trite and overdone. Name a strength that makes you stand out for the position to which you are applying. When naming a weakness, pick something that's realistic, and acknowledge that you're constantly working on improving in that area. Ensure that your weakness isn't directly associated with one of the prospective job responsibilities, but do be honest.

### 'Let's talk about salary. What are your expectations?'

If possible, avoid addressing compensation until toward the end of the hiring process. Once you get to the negotiation process, you'll be in a better position to give and take on salary and other benefits.



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# Getting a handle on anxiety

**F**ear haunts us all at some point. Conjuring up terms like fright, horror, panic, alarm, anxiety, dread and terror, fear is universally understood as one of the most basic and powerful of human emotions.

And, unfortunately, it can rear its head often throughout the working years — especially during these uncertain times. “These are confusing times for all of us, with uncertainty and turmoil increasing daily,” says executive coach Leila Bulling Towne.

## New challenges

Jumping into unfamiliar or uncomfortable tasks can be one of the most nerve-racking experiences of any job. But if you constantly avoid taking on new challenges because of fear, you’ll never know what you’re capable of achieving.

If you know you have a big talk to give online tomorrow but call it off, you will feel a rush of relief as the anxiety goes away — but also you will never get to test out whether your negative predictions would have actually come true, which will only make the fear live on.

Conquering new and unexpected challenges is part of achieving success in any career, and not being afraid to make a mistake will build your self-confidence. You’ll also show your co-workers and boss that you can be relied upon at critical times.

“If your expectation is that you must handle everything perfectly, lower those expectations now,” says author Robin Blakely. “Perfection is not the standard by which success is measured. Showing up and enduring whatever comes your way is what gets the passing grade.”

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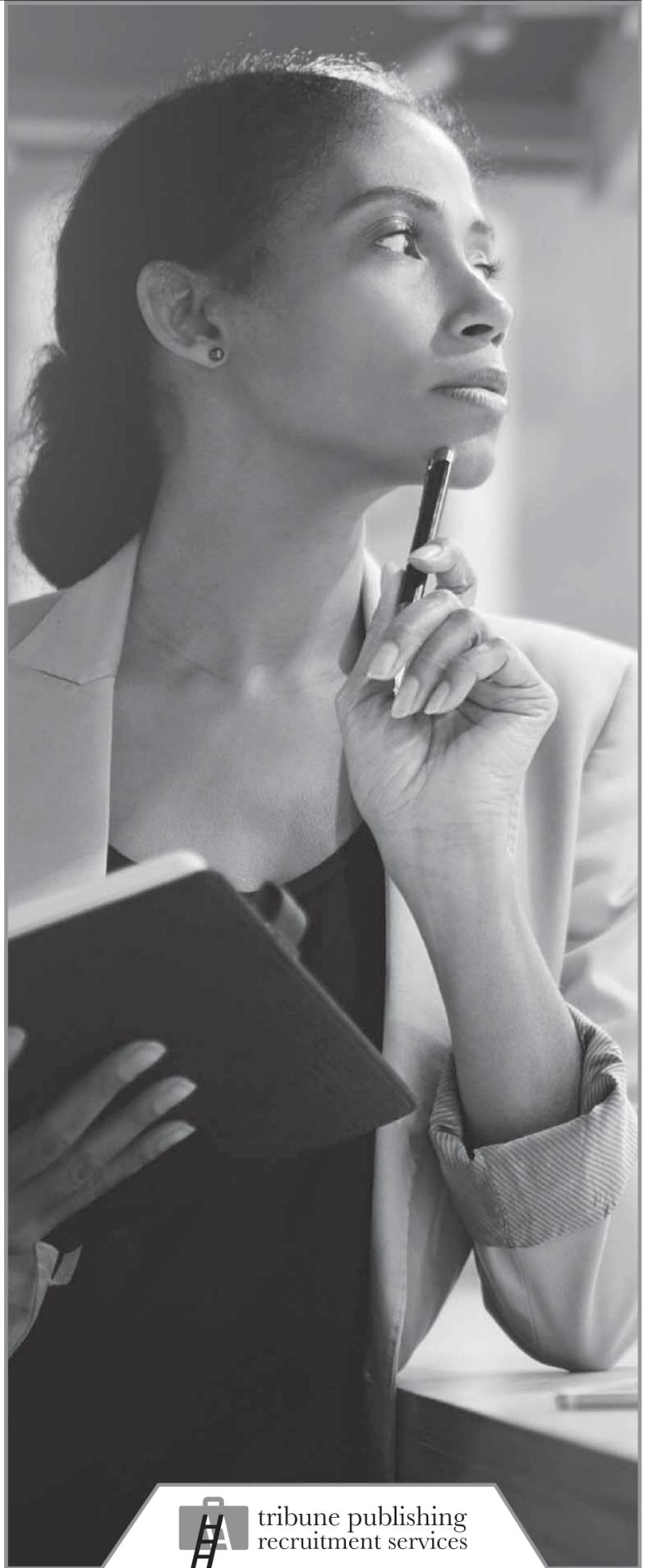
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## A new normal?

### Companies may alter approach to work in post-pandemic world

As employers and employees continue to navigate a world of shutdowns, layoffs and lock-ins in this COVID-19 environment, it's human nature to want to look beyond the here-and-now and focus on the what-could-be. While what happens next to both businesses and workers is still in flux, it's fair to say that the postscript to the current chapter won't be all that pleasant.

For starters, when we get to the other side of this pandemic, the U.S. workforce will be altered for quite some time, if not for good. Erica Groshen, Ph.D., a senior extension faculty member at the Cornell University School of Industrial and Labor Relations in Ithaca, New York, says the biggest change in the workforce will be its size.

"Many fewer will be employed, many more will be unemployed and more will be out of the labor force as they pick up care of family members — children, disabled and seniors," says Groshen, who was commissioner of the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics from 2013-2017. "I expect the unemployment rate to rise steeply over the next three months and stay elevated for a long time after that."

#### Economic realities

Matt Sigelman, CEO of Burning Glass Technologies, a labor market analytics firm in Boston, says the pandemic is creating an economic experience that's much different than previous slowdowns, and one that will especially impact select groups of workers. "It's possible that the economy will just bounce back once the coronavirus crisis is over, but I doubt it," Sigelman says. "I think it's more likely to accelerate the trends we were already seeing in the job market. One of those trends is the gutting of opportunity for those without college degrees or advanced technical skills."

Older workers will bear the brunt of the economic downturn as well. "After the Great Recession, we saw a lot of workers, particularly older ones, drop out of the workforce precisely because their skills were no longer in demand," Sigelman says. "We had only recently recovered from that problem thanks to the booming job market of the past year or two, and now we may be plunged back into the same situation."

Groshen says when the economy begins to recover, companies who furloughed employees or cut their hours could bounce back more rapidly than those companies that terminated their workers. "The quicker the return of jobs, the more likely that the restored jobs will look like they did before the recession. In particular, the more that employers choose to furlough their workers or cut hours, rather than terminating them, the more quickly jobs can return — and be like they were before," says Groshen. "But recessions always have some element of structural change, so some things will change. Vulnerable employers will close down. New ones will be established."

Sigelman thinks employers will be cautious about adding workers after the pandemic passes, just as they have been during previous economic recoveries. "It's the old adage 'slow to hire, quick to fire' in reverse. But, more than that, as companies add people back they evaluate these additions just like any new hires. So the workers who are let go today are not automatically the workers a company will want in the future," he says.

"When companies eventually do hire, they hire for where their business is going, not for where it has been — and that often means a very different mix of skills from those they have hired for in the past."

Sigelman predicts companies will look to hire workers with "digital skills, data skills and other disruptive skills as these increasingly core to a broad range of 21st-century work."

### A few takes and advice on working from home, with more inside ...

• "Shut the door and allow no other household activities during the designated hours, i.e., no 'I'll just pop this one load of laundry in.' Also, no snacking." -*Joanne, New York*

• "Have a set routine." -*Mark Des Biens, Crystal Lake, Illinois*

• "Find a good soundtrack for your work. I have music I listen to first thing in the morning to wake up, music I listen to when I really need to concentrate and music I can listen to when I'm doing meaningless but necessary tasks." -*Paula E., Sarasota, Florida*

#### Changing structure

Josh Calder, a futurist with Foresight Alliance, a consulting firm, says the realities of a COVID-19 workplace call into question the idea of the traditional workday. "This will awaken more people to how we still structure work based on old factory and manufacturing rhythms when this is no longer necessary," Calder says. "This could speed up the move away from being in an office nine-to-five, toward work being managed by deadlines and check-ins."

The current forced workday model will ultimately lead to a broader realization that companies can work together in new ways, as more workplaces will work to enable easier inclusion of employees from other regions and countries, says Calder.

Albert Goldson, executive director of Indo-Brazilian Associates, a global advisory service, agrees that companies will explore staggered work hours as they embrace online efficiencies. "Because of the enhanced technology, one can easily imagine a white-collar workforce in the New York international division almost never having to travel," Goldson says. "Instead, they'd maintain foreign time zone hours locally while utilizing virtual teleconferencing capability to work with their foreign counterparts."

#### Increased technology

Businesses will rely more heavily on technology to help modify some of their existing practices. "I believe this pandemic is forcing many companies and organizations to reflect on their ability to deliver their products and services in an environment without direct human contact. This doesn't mean that universities will cease on-campus instruction or that industries will abandon all in-person activities, but I suspect that the use of available technologies to ensure business continuity is going to grow in importance in the coming months," says Scott Pulsipher, President of Western Governors University, Salt Lake City, Utah.

"For the sake of the business and of their employees, it's a critical exercise every leader should be contemplating right now. And sure, things could go back to normal, but I think it'd be awfully naive to carry on business as usual assuming this pandemic will be the only of its kind in our lifetimes. Leaders cannot responsibly care for their organization without preparing for another massive disruption."

#### Management evolves

Rick Gibbs, a performance specialist with Houston-based Insperty, which provides human resources solutions for more than 100,000 companies, says employee management will have to adjust to the post-pandemic world. "For instance, micro-managers, who may typically monitor employees and their productivity closely, will have to take a more relaxed approach as staffers prove their effectiveness without constant observation," says Gibbs. "Leadership will likely become more focused on guiding employees towards objectives and setting personalized goals."

Considering the potential reduction in face-to-face interaction between supervisors and staff, employee evaluations could change as well. "Performance reviews could become more useful as they move from observational to goals-oriented," Gibbs says.

Calder acknowledges that movement toward a more flexible workplace, even one prompted by the COVID-19 pandemic, will have its share of growing pains. "There will be workplace conflicts between and among managers and workers over how normal things should be and what is prudent and safe," Calder says.

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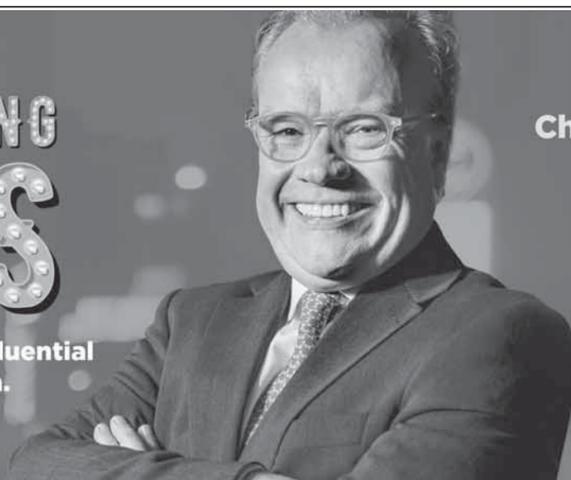


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## WHEN SPORTS STOOD STILL

Keeping an eye on the impact of the coronavirus crisis:

### Trump wants sports back soon

President Donald Trump met by phone with many U.S. pro sports leaders Saturday to discuss how that industry has been affected by the global coronavirus pandemic, saying he was looking forward to the resumption of competitions "as soon as we can."

"I want fans back in the arenas," Trump said later in a briefing at the White House. "I think it's whenever we're ready. As soon as we can, obviously. And the fans want to be back, too. They want to see basketball and baseball and football and hockey. They want to see their sports. They want to go out onto the golf courses and breathe nice, clean, beautiful fresh air."

A person with direct knowledge of what was discussed on the call said Trump believes the NFL season — scheduled to begin Sept. 10 — will start on time with fans in seats. But that seemed too optimistic for California Gov. Gavin Newsom, who was asked if he thought the NFL season would start on time.

"I'm not anticipating that happening in this state," said Newsom, whose state has three NFL franchises.

The NBA, NHL, NFL and Major League Baseball were all represented on the call by their commissioners — Adam Silver, Gary Bettman, Roger Goodell and Rob Manfred, respectively. None of the leagues released public comment about the call.

Others on the call included PGA Tour Commissioner Jay Monahan, Indianapolis Motor Speedway owner Roger Penske, UFC President Dana White, World Wrestling Entertainment owner Vince McMahon, MLS Commissioner Don Garber, WNBA Commissioner Cathy Englebert, LPGA Commissioner Mike Whan and Breeders' Cup President Drew Fleming.

— Associated Press

## THE QUOTE

**"The truth is that the effects of the coronavirus have hit us so hard that we have to question our future existence."**

— Charlie Baker, president of Sweden soccer club Helsingborg on the two-month delay to Allsvenskan season due to the coronavirus pandemic



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Others: PGA Tour suspended through the PGA Championship. NASCAR suspended until at least May 9. WTA, ATP suspended through at least July 13.



# A snap judgment

They say it'll be an 'open competition' at QB, but figure on Foles starting ahead of Trubisky

The Bears spent the early part of the offseason selling the public on another chance for quarterback Mitch Trubisky.

They took 45 minutes during a Friday morning conference call selling the idea of a fair competition with newcomer Nick Foles, right down to saying Trubisky will take the first snap whenever NFL teams can get on the field again.

As thorough as general manager Ryan Pace and coach Matt Nagy were in explaining the situation in these uncertain times with the coronavirus pandemic delaying offseason workout programs indefinitely, it's difficult to



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buy the idea of a true battle for the starting position.

An impressive Foles, who delicately discussed the dynamic of an open competition, sure sounded as if he's the starter during his own 30-minute call. Short of the 31-year-old falling on his face or being injured, it's

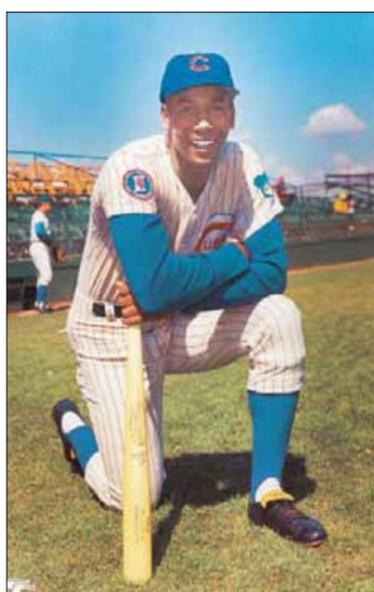
his job to lose.

After all, Pace again pushed off discussion of the fifth-year option in Trubisky's contract for 2021. A decision is due next month, and it's hard to imagine the Bears would be inclined to pick up the option with the

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Quarterback Nick Foles is saying all the right things as he gears up for "open competition" at QB.

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Baseball Digest had a June 1969 cover story headlined "The 'Real' Ernie Banks."

## Hop on, take a nostalgic trip courtesy of Baseball Digest

OK, Boomers, this one's for you.

All you Generation Xers have my permission to leave the room so you can watch "Tiger King" on Netflix or come up with a pop culture list on Facebook.

All you Millennials, feel free to go stream video war games on your Xbox or PlayStation.

And all you Gen Z kids, it's time to TikTok or something.

Thanks for your patience, and please come back later when the old folks aren't busy.

Now that they're gone, I have some good news for my fellow Baby Boomers, the generation that allegedly yells at clouds and is painfully aware of the number of people congregating on the front lawn.

It recently has come to my attention that a treasure trove of glorious baseball content is available for your reading



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pleasure, and at no cost through July 15.

Baseball Digest, a 78-year-old monthly magazine published in Gurnee, has decided to unlock its online archives for the next 3½ months for fans searching for something to do during the sports shutdown caused by the coronavirus pandemic.

Publisher Norman Jacobs, a limited owner of the Bulls, said in a news release he decided to make the archives available to one and all to "help fill the void until we can all return to the ballpark."

All you have to do is register at [www.baseballdigest.com/free](http://www.baseballdigest.com/free).

For those unfamiliar with the magazine, Baseball Digest isn't Sports Illustrated. It's compact in size and doesn't have the poetic, 8,000-word essays or glossy photos

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## 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:

# Almost famous

(APRIL 5, 2010)

This story was published when Duke got past Butler 61-59 in the 2010 NCAA title game, narrowly avoiding defeat when the Bulldogs' Gordon Hayward almost connected on a half-court heave at the buzzer.

By SHANNON RYAN  
Chicago Tribune

Butler had the adorable Bulldog mascot, the type-casted good-guy players and a Hollywood script three-fourths written.

But the NCAA championship game isn't a movie and sometimes the quarterback gets the girl, the rich guy wins the lottery and Duke wins.

When Gordon Hayward's half-court heave hit the rim and bounced off, the Blue Devils avoided an epic upset by beating Butler 61-59 on Monday night in the NCAA championship game in Lucas Oil Stadium for its fourth national title.

While Duke has celebrated under reigning confetti before, don't think that this one didn't mean something. Yes, they were favored, but few thought Duke would live to see the title day.

Many didn't even think the Blue Devils deserved a No. 1 seed.

But there they stood as victors, ending the storybook tale that Butler had captivated basketball fans everywhere with throughout the tournament.

After starting 1 of 9, Butler fell behind 6-1. But the Bulldogs never panicked, sticking to their trademark 1-dare-you-to-shoot defense and finding some unlikely heroes to emerge along the way.

Gordon Hayward led Butler with 12 points and eight rebounds but shot just 2-for-11. Avery Jukes filled in soundly for 6-9 Matt Howard off the bench with 10 first-half points, but both suffered foul trouble. Howard started after suffering a mild concussion in Saturday night's victory against Michigan State.

Howard was critical in the end. Down 60-55 with 3:16 remaining, he scored consecutively for Butler, coming up with a rebound and putback to cut it to one with 49.4 seconds left.



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Butler's Gordon Hayward launches a half-court shot at the buzzer over Duke's Nolan Smith in the NCAA title game April 5, 2010, at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis.

A 3-pointer by Duke's Kyle Singler missed and the ball went out off of Brian Zoubek with 33.7 seconds left.

After Butler worked the ball around, it was deflected out of bounds by Duke with 13 seconds left.

Howard inbounded to Hayward, who went up for a fadeaway jumper that hit off the rim with about 7 seconds left. Duke's Brian Zoubek corralled his game-high 11th rebound and was fouled with 3.6 seconds remaining.

He made the first and missed the second before Hayward's heave bounced off the rim

at the buzzer.

Duke's big three showed up big as always. Singler, Jon Scheyer and Nolan Smith, who have made up the bulk of Duke's scoring all season, each scored in double figures.

Glenbrook North's Scheyer played in his final game for the Blue Devils, scoring 15.

Singler led the Blue Devils with 19 on 7-of-13 shooting and added nine rebounds.

Butler's players always talk about team effort and they needed it more than ever on Monday night.

Hayward, the team's best known and

## OTHER APRIL 5 MOMENTS

**1967:** Wilt Chamberlain sets an NBA record with 41 rebounds to lead the Philadelphia 76ers to a 115-104 victory over the Boston Celtics and a 3-0 lead in the Eastern Division playoffs.

**1984:** Kareem Abdul-Jabbar hits a sky hook with 8:53 left to play in the Los Angeles Lakers' 129-115 victory over the Utah Jazz to become the NBA's top career scorer. Wilt Chamberlain, with 31,419 points, held the record since his retirement in 1973.

**2011:** Danielle Adams scores 22 of her 30 points in a dominating second half to help Texas A&M win its first NCAA women's basketball championship with a thrilling 76-70 victory over Notre Dame.

**2016:** UConn wins an unprecedented fourth straight women's national championship, capping another perfect season by routing Syracuse 82-51. Geno Auriemma passes UCLA's John Wooden with his 11th national title and a sixth undefeated season.

**2017:** Golden State holds off Phoenix 120-111 for their season-high 13th straight win, clinching the best record in the NBA for the third straight season. The Warriors are the first team have the NBA's best record for three consecutive seasons since the Boston Celtics did it in 1983-84, '84-'85 and '85-'86. The Warriors also are the first team to win at least 65 games in three straight seasons.

most talented offensive player, started out shooting just 2 of 7 in the first half and attempted only one shot in the first 15 minutes of the second half.

He received some more encouragement from the already pro-Butler crowd, in the Bulldogs' hometown. He was fouled hard under the basket by Duke's Lance Thomas with 5:07 remaining and connected on both free throws to cut Duke's five-point lead to 56-55.

Much like it did in its victory against Michigan State, Butler went a long stretch without making a field goal in the second half.

Earlier, Duke used a 7-0 run to build a 26-20 lead with 5:08 remaining in the first half after Butler had built a 20-18 lead.

## Sullivan

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that made SI the crown jewel of sports magazines for decades — until recent changes in ownership.

Baseball Digest was all baseball, all the time and included many sportswriters who wound up in the Baseball Hall of Fame. Famous names such as Grantland Rice, Red Smith, Shirley Povich and former Tribune baseball columnist Jerome Holtzman contributed articles, as did local legends David Condon, John P. Carmichael and George Vass. (Disclaimer: I freelanced a few articles for the publication a decade or so ago and was friends with two former editors, the late John Kuenster and his replacement, Bob Kuenster, John's son.)

When going to the Baseball Digest website, you'll find a library of issues divided into eight decades, from the 1940s through 2019. It's easy to go to the era of your choice. The hard part is choosing which stories to read.

If you've ever gone up into your attic looking for something and wound up sitting there for hours sifting through old photo albums, you'll enjoy digging in and searching for stories that bring you back to your childhood or teenage years.

Just remember to put on your readers, because the print is a little small for the vision-challenged.

One night last week I turned off the TV, opened up the laptop and dived right in. I immediately clicked to June 1969, which had a cover story headlined "The 'Real' Ernie Banks" and included the first of a new series called "The Game I'll Never Forget," with Cubs announcer Jack Brickhouse telling his story to former Sun-Times columnist Ray Soss.

The Banks article, written by former Tribune sports writer and editor George Langford, focused on his complicated relationship with manager Leo Durocher, and Banks' feeling he had to perform down the stretch on a 1969 team that finally had become a contender after two-plus decades of losing.

"This is my biggest opportunity in baseball," Banks said. "When you look at this club, you can see it has the ability to win it all. If I failed to do the things this year that I really wanted to do to help the Cubs win the Eastern Division

title and then the league championship, I would be a most unhappy person the rest of my life."

From there I jumped to October 1974, when White Sox slugger Dick Allen was featured on the cover with the headline: "Baseball's Most Feared Power Hitter." The article referred to Allen's 40-ounce bat, his "love-hate affair with baseball" and his theory that too much emphasis was being placed on individual statistics and not a player's overall game.

"Like in basketball, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar is great, but to me Dave DeBusschere is just as great," Allen said. "He's the man who won those championships for the Knicks because he did everything. He scored, but he also played defense, he got rebounds. Some people see that, but not most people. Most people just see the peaches and cream of the game."

From then on I was hooked. I began opening every issue that included a Cubs or White Sox player on the cover or another player I loved to watch growing up. There was a July 1976 cover story by late Tribune writer John Husar on Cubs third baseman Bill Madlock, with the teasing headline: "The Batting Champ Who Almost Quit." Then it was on to an April 1977 cover story on Tigers pitcher Mark Fidrych asking the question: "Will Fidrych Defy the Sophomore Jinx?"

Sure, we already know the answer. But who cares?

After carbo-loading on the 1970s, I fast-forwarded to the '80s, perusing a July 1980 cover story by John Kuenster on three promising Sox left-handers — Britt Burns, Steve Trout and Ross Baumgarten. Cubs first baseman Leon Durham was profiled in August 1984, where I also found an interesting Holtzman story on the biggest issue of the day: "The Shrinking Strike Zone."

Sound familiar?

After spending a few hours reading about the game I grew up loving, I finally had to close the laptop or risk staying up all night.

It was a refreshing escape from the grim news of the day and a nice reminder that reading about old-school baseball is every bit as satisfying as watching a rerun of a classic game of which I already know the ending.

So thanks, Baseball Digest, for providing baseball lovers with a nostalgic trip they can take from their couch.

Staying at home was never so fun.

## Biggs

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price tag about \$24 million. So if the Bears can't commit to Trubisky a year from now, are they truly devoted to seeing a competition unfold?

"What's important, and what y'all are going to find out in this process is it's going to be real simple — it's going to be very transparent and very honest," Nagy said. "We're not there yet — you guys will have questions — but we'll have a great plan of how to evaluate it. Ultimately what it really comes down to is winning, scoring points, physical and mental toughness. And then obviously command and leadership with some other things."

From the standpoint that the Bears could need Trubisky this season, it is smart to present the depth-chart decision as a competition. They don't want to lose him in the event something happens to Foles, who last season with the Jaguars suffered a broken left clavicle on the second series of the opener. Foles never has started more than 11 games in a regular season and has only 13 regular-season starts over the last four years.

"Mitch is a competitor," Pace said. "When you're built that way, competition brings out the best in you. Matt and I had that discussion with him, and you could feel that in him right away — kind of that, 'OK, let's go. What's best for the team and this is going to bring out the best in all of us.' The key word is just that he embraced the competition."

As much as the anticipated loss of an offseason program affects Foles and his need to learn the intricacies of an offense very similar to what he experienced with the Eagles and Chiefs, it's a blow to Trubisky, who needs to be in the classroom and on the field improving.

The Bears were 29th in scoring last season (17.5 points per game), 31st in yards per play (4.7) and 27th in first downs (18.6). Trubisky's passer rating was 28th (83.0), and he was 32nd in yards per attempt (6.1). The offense had a critical shortage of explosive plays, and without maximized practice time, how realistic is it he can show evidence of true gains?

What Foles provides is a comfort level for the coaches — Nagy, offensive coordinator Bill Lazor and quarterbacks coach John DeFilippo all have previous experience with him. If the Bears had a comfort level with Trubisky, they would have been

content re-signing Chase Daniel or identifying some other clear No. 2-type and moving forward.

Instead, the team traded a fourth-round pick, leaving the Bears with two selections (Nos. 43 and 50) in the first 162 picks, and guaranteed Foles more than \$20 million to breathe life into an offense that was broken all season.

This is the opposite of the 2017 scenario in which Pace identified a veteran the club believed had upside and guaranteed Mike Glennon \$18.5 million with the idea he would stabilize the position after Jay Cutler's departure and before trading up to draft Trubisky at No. 2 with the belief he would become the answer to the organization's quarterback dilemma.

Lauded as a consummate teammate akin to Josh McCown by one source, Foles reached out to Trubisky after the trade was announced.

"We had met when we played against each other, but that's different than this situation," Foles said. "The big thing was just to introduce myself, just to say that I wanted to introduce (myself) and I'm excited to be your teammate, I'm excited to work with you. Obviously heard great things about him. Just looking forward to the opportunity. Really just starting on the right foot."

"Competition and all that is great, but it can be unhealthy with a team that's filled with a bunch of egos. Trust me, I get the situation. Mitch has been there for a couple years, Mitch has been the quarterback, and I'm respectful to that situation. I'm going to go there and just be the best support system I can for him, whatever we're doing. But when I'm playing, I'm going to be me in the huddle, I'm going to do what I have to do in the huddle to execute that play that Nagy called at that moment. Ultimately our goal is to help the Bears be the best team."

"But I thought it was important to have that conversation, just to get started on the right foot."

I don't doubt the Bears were serious about raising the level of performance at every position coming off a disappointing 8-8 season despite a defense that is playoff-caliber. Maybe there wasn't enough competition last summer when Nagy held the starters out of preseason almost completely. He talked about sending a different message to the team whenever it can get together for the first time.

But it's not a stretch to think the first snap Trubisky takes with the first-team offense will be one of the last times he goes first at the position.



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## SPORTS

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Since the sports world went mainly dark



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Former Lakers star Kobe Bryant, who died Jan. 26 in a helicopter crash, headlines the 2020 class of the Basketball Hall of Fame.

## BASKETBALL

## Kobe heads class

Bryant, Duncan, Garnett set to enter Hall of Fame

BY TIM REYNOLDS  
Associated Press

Kobe Bryant's resume has yet another entry to validate his greatness: He's now, officially, a Hall of Famer.

And he's got plenty of elite company in the 2020 class, one that may be as glitzy as any.

Bryant, who died in a helicopter crash on Jan. 26, and fellow NBA greats Tim Duncan and Kevin Garnett headlined a nine-person group announced Saturday as this year's class of enshrinees into the Naismith Memorial Basketball Hall of Fame.

"An amazing class," Duncan said.

They all got into the Hall in their first year as finalists, as did WNBA great Tamika Catchings. Others had to wait a bit longer for the good news: Two-time NBA champion coach Rudy Tomjanovich finally got his call, as did longtime Baylor women's coach Kim Mulkey, 1,000-game winner Barbara Stevens of Bentley and three-time Final

Four coach Eddie Sutton.

They were the eight finalists who were announced in February, and the panel of 24 voters who were tasked to decide who merited selection wound up choosing them all.

Also headed to the Hall this year: former FIBA Secretary General Patrick Baumann, selected as a direct-elect by the international committee.

Bryant died about three weeks before the Hall of Fame said — as if there was going to be any doubt — that he was a finalist. Duncan and Garnett were also widely perceived to be locks to be part of this class; they were both 15-time NBA All-Stars, and Bryant was an 18-time selection.

"Obviously, we wish that he was here with us to celebrate," Vanessa Bryant, Kobe's wife, said on the ESPN broadcast of the class announcement. "But it's definitely the peak of his NBA career and every accomplishment that he had as an athlete was a steppingstone to be here. So we're incredibly proud of him."

Bryant was also a five-time champion with the Lakers, just as Duncan was with the Spurs.

Garnett is the only player in NBA history with at least 25,000 points, 10,000 rebounds, 5,000 assists, 1,500 blocks and 1,500 steals. He also was part of Boston's 2008 NBA title.

"This is the culmination," Garnett said. "All those hours this is what you do it for, right here. To be able to be called 'Hall of Famer' is everything."

Duncan spent the entirety of his career with the Spurs, and is now back with the team as an assistant coach under Gregg Popovich.

"It's kind of the end of the journey here," Duncan, on the broadcast, said of his enshrinement. "It was an incredible career that I enjoyed so much. To call it a dream come true isn't even doing any justice to it. I never dreamt I'd be at this point."

Duncan, Garnett and Bryant were similar in many ways as players: The longevity of their careers, the eye-popping numbers, almost perennial inclusion on award lists. They also shared a dislike for touting personal accomplishments.

But even the Hall would have touched Bryant, those closest to him said.

"No one deserves it more," Lakers Governor Jeanie Buss said.

## BASEBALL

## No games, but fields green

Mild winter, coronavirus stoppage aid ballpark grass

BY STEPHEN HAWKINS  
Associated Press

Nicole Sherry poked some holes in the turf at Camden Yards, cut the grass and then left the ballpark about the same time the Orioles should have been wrapping up their season opener.

"What a beautiful day it would have been for a ballgame," said Sherry, the head groundskeeper for the Orioles. "It was kind of surreal because I was thinking, 'Technically, this is opening day.'"

Camden Yards was all green and would have been ready for what was going to be MLB's earliest start, March 26. Then the season was put on hold indefinitely because of the coronavirus pandemic.

A mild winter was beneficial to Oriole Park, and many other ballparks often battered by brutally cold temperatures, snow and ice. Now the grass has even longer to grow, get greener and strengthen before there will be any games.

A decade into the Twins playing home games outside, the Target Field natural turf was in really good shape after an earlier-than-usual thaw.

"There was no rot or disease or anything that we could see that had damaged

anything," said Matt Hoy, the team's senior vice president of operations. "When you look at it from up in the upper level and look down at the field, it looked gorgeous."

When preparing for what would have been their home opener Thursday, the Twins split their grounds crew into two groups, working at different times, to maximize social distancing on the field.

"Somebody will be there pretty much every day dealing with the grass and making sure that we'll be ready to go at a moment's notice, or when players are here, they'll be able to go out and do long toss on the field, should they need it," Hoy said.

Roger Bossard, in his 54th season as a groundskeeper with the White Sox, usually returns from spring training in Arizona to inches of snow on the home field in Chicago. Only four years ago, his crew was using jackhammers to get ice off the infield.

"The weather has been really lenient this year," Bossard said. "If they were to play baseball in four days, I personally would be ready. The majority of times, I can't say that when I come back."

"The Sodfather" is a third-generation groundskeeper, having started working with his dad, Gene, in 1967, and becoming head groundskeeper in 1983. Bossard's grandfather, Emil, was the longtime groundskeeper for the Indians.

Six months after winning the World Series, the Nationals were also supposed to



NICK WASS/AP

Orioles groundskeeper Nicole Sherry said Oriole Park would've been ready for play.

play their home opener Thursday. New turf was installed in February at Nationals Park after an offseason event there from late November to early January that included an ice-skating rink.

A skeleton crew is now maintaining the field, cutting it periodically and checking the moisture content of the new turf.

"If there was a game tomorrow, they would have been cutting the grass every single day," said Frank Gambino, the Nationals' senior vice president of ballpark operations. "Until a game is scheduled, they'll probably just do it maybe two to three times a week."

AP Sports Writers Dave Campbell, David Ginsburg, Howard Fendrich, Andrew Seligman, Dave Skretta and Steven Wine contributed to this report.

## IN BRIEF

## Enigmatic WR Brown facing assault charges

News services

Authorities have formally charged former Steelers wide receiver Antonio Brown in connection with a January assault outside of his South Florida home, ESPN reported Friday night.

Brown, 31, faces three charges, including misdemeanor battery, misdemeanor criminal mischief and felony burglary conveyance — the most serious charge.

The Miami native turned himself in to authorities on Jan. 23 after a delivery truck driver accused Brown and his trainer, former NFL player Glenn Holt, of assaulting him outside of Brown's Broward County home two days earlier. According to the criminal complaint, the driver was delivering Brown's household items from California.

ESPN reported the misdemeanor battery charge states that Brown was "actually and intentionally striking" the driver. The criminal mischief charge says Brown maliciously injured the driver's property of \$200 or less.

The felony burglary charge isn't included in the state filing from March 20.

The latest charges will likely be reviewed by the NFL, ESPN reported.

Brown, one of the most prolific receivers in Steelers history, played in one NFL game last season after his trade from the Steelers and subsequent release by the Raiders on the eve of the season. He was let go by the Patriots when a former personal trainer, Britney Taylor, filed a civil lawsuit accusing Brown of sexual assault on three occasions.

**Auto racing:** Scott McLaughlin won IndyCar's virtual race from virtual Barber Motorsports Park in Alabama, the second race in the series' attempt to create content during the worldwide shutdown of sports. McLaughlin drives for Roger Penske in Australia and the team owner had planned to give McLaughlin his series debut in May on the road course at Indianapolis Motor Speedway.

**NBA:** The NBA and ESPN are working on televising a H-O-R-S-E competition involving several high-profile players in isolation, sources told ESPN. Current NBA protocols would not allow players to compete together in the same place.

**NHL:** A hacker posted a racial slur hundreds of times in an online fan video chat Friday with a black Rangers prospect. The NHL team scrambled to disable the hacker on the Zoom chat with K'Andre Miller, the 20-year-old former Wisconsin defenseman drafted No. 22 overall in 2018. "A vile individual hijacked the chat to post racial slurs, which we disabled as soon as possible," the Rangers said in a statement. "We were incredibly appalled by this behavior, which has no place online, on the ice, or anywhere, and we are investigating the matter."

**Soccer:** English Premier League players rejected a move by clubs to cut their wages by 30% during the coronavirus pandemic, escalating a bitter public row as their union claimed the government would lose out on more than 200 million pounds (around \$245 million) in tax. "This would be detrimental to our NHS (National Health Service) and other government-funded services," the Professional Footballers' Association said in a statement. Taking on the Premier League as a whole, the PFA said the 20 million pounds being given to the NHS by the world's richest soccer competition was "welcome, but we believe it could be far bigger." The union's strident stance came after further talks Saturday involving clubs and the league as Liverpool became the latest Premier League side defying political anger by using a government bailout scheme to furlough some non-playing staff.

## ON THE CLOCK

18 Days until the NFL draft, which is still scheduled for April 23-25.

## The top 5



## Complete first-round order

1. Bengals	12. Raiders	23. Patriots
2. Redskins	13. 49ers	24. Saints
3. Lions	14. Bucs	25. Vikings
4. Giants	15. Broncos	26. Dolphins
5. Dolphins	16. Falcons	27. Seahawks
6. Chargers	17. Cowboys	28. Ravens
7. Panthers	18. Dolphins	29. Titans
8. Cardinals	19. Raiders	30. Packers
9. Jaguars	20. Jaguars	31. 49ers
10. Browns	21. Eagles	32. Chiefs
11. Jets	22. Vikings	

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

# Jayhawks take home title

BY SHANNON RYAN | Chicago Tribune

Imagine the scene: Snoop Dogg on the court throwing bills into the air. The NCAA president grimacing through a handshake with Kansas coach Bill Self during the trophy presentation. ■ The spectacle would have been something to behold had the top-seeded Jayhawks won the NCAA Tournament. They surely would have had much of the nation rooting against them as a program embroiled in scandal, but their die-hard loyalists would have loved seeing the blue bloods win their first national title since 2008. ■ Kansas had the best shot to win it all. ■ We'll never know, of course. The tournament was canceled as a response to help limit the spread of the coronavirus, and there will be no 2020 champion. ■ But let's continue our pretend march through March Madness and finish with the Final Four in Atlanta.



## Final Four

After an unpredictable season, the tournament ended predictably. Kansas, the No. 1 overall seed, lived up to its billing with a 75-66 victory against No. 3 seed Michigan State.

The Spartans, who advanced to their first championship game since 2010, throttled No. 3 Seton Hall 72-60 in the Final Four. They outrebounded the Pirates by 10, and Cassius Winston poured in 28 points in an intriguing battle against Myles Powell.

Kansas received a test from No. 2 seed Florida State. A strong performance from guard Devon Dotson, who scored 15 of his 19 points in the second half, led to a 74-67 Jayhawks victory.

The final showdown was delectable. When the title game features teams with passionate fan bases and well-known coaches, it makes for an unforgettable, goose bump-creating atmosphere, which was the case at Mercedes-Benz Stadium.

Michigan State took a 50-47 lead with eight minutes remaining, thanks to a 10-0 run, but the best one-two punch in college basketball — Udoka Azubuike and Dotson — was too much for the Spartans. Azubuike finished with 16 points and 11 rebounds. Dotson added 14 points.

Kansas players rejoiced in winning the program's first title in 12 years. The Jayhawks didn't need a miracle shot this time — like they got from Mario Chalmers in that game.

There was, of course, a pall over the excitement: Self was forced to defend the program in his postgame news conference amid NCAA accusations that Kansas committed five Level 1 violations, the most severe.

Afterward, Self and his players walked off the podium holding a trophy.

It would have been quite the sight.

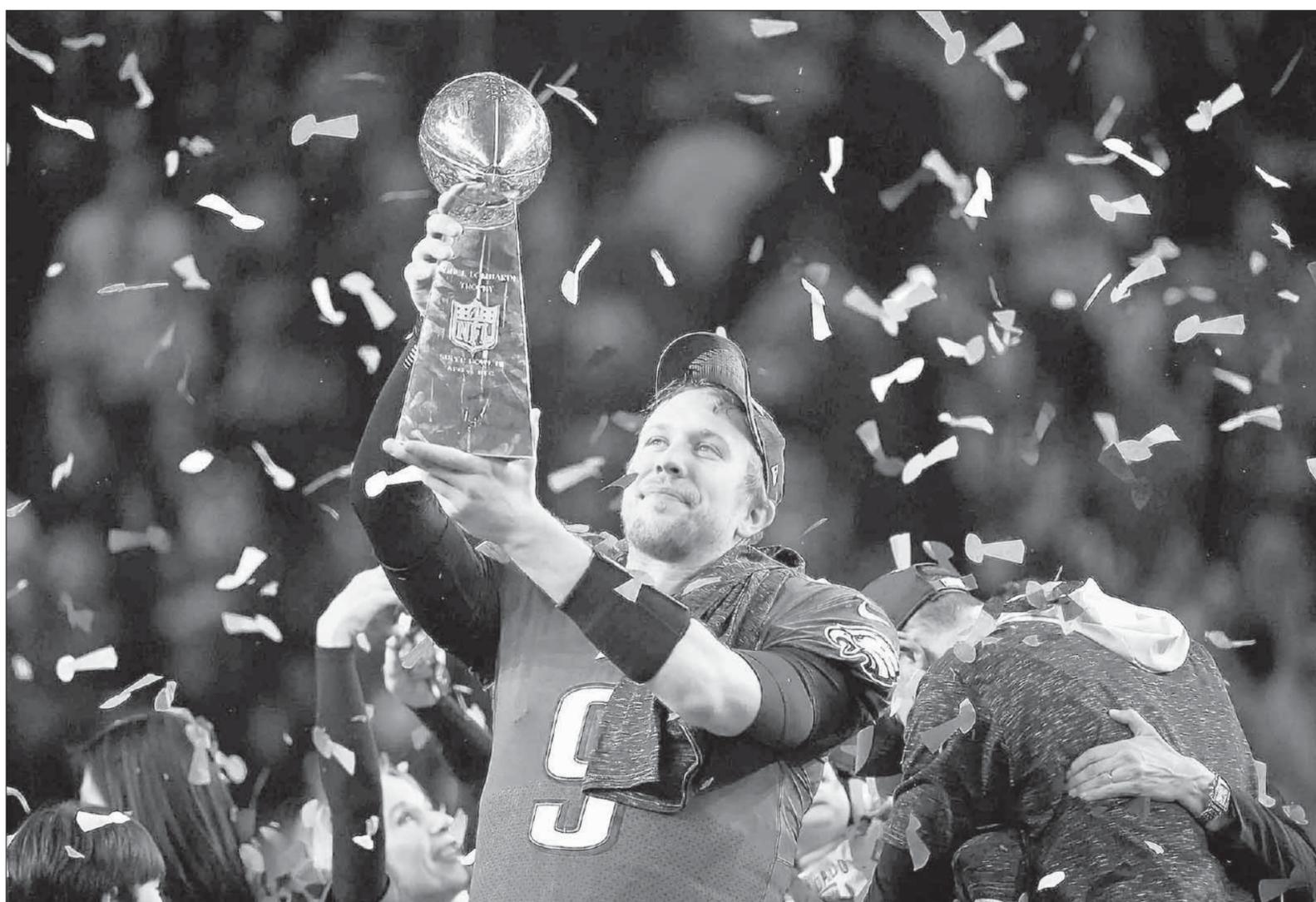
Until next season.



JAMIE SQUIRE/GETTY-AFF

Udoka Azubuike, center, and Kansas would have been one of the favorites to win the national championship.

## SPORTS



TIMOTHY A. CLARY/GETTY-AFP

# All about culture, club

Make no mistake, Foles arrives in Chicago driven to be decisive winner of Bears' quarterback competition



**DAN WIEDERER**  
On the Bears

Nick Foles believes he knows exactly why his football career didn't die when he was absolutely ready to let it. Foles is certain he understands why the flame barely flickering inside him never went out but instead became a roaring fire again.

When his one and only season with the Rams came to an end in 2015, Foles was seriously considering walking away. He was battered and fatigued by his on-field struggles. And that one year in St. Louis had been emotionally taxing to boot.

Foles had struggled to adapt to a new offense and, in retrospect, never asserted himself enough to persuade coaches to cater the system to his strengths. He played poorly. He was benched late in the season in favor of Case Keenum. And when the Rams finished 7-9 — the franchise's ninth consecutive losing season — Foles felt the full drain of an organization that had a shaken culture and too much of a losing vibe.

In so many ways, when Foles requested his release just before training camp in 2016, the 26-year-old quarterback was ready for his retirement. He felt worn down by feelings that he was no longer playing a game but trying to survive in a business. He was bothered by a sense that so few people around him truly cared about his well-being.

Still, when Chiefs coach Andy Reid, who had brought him into the league with the Eagles four years earlier, offered a life raft, Foles took a leap of faith. One more shot at this.

Said Foles: "I just told Andy during that time, 'There's a little spark inside me that might still be there that loves playing football. But I've got to be in the right culture to make that happen.'"

It's that 2016 season in Kansas City, Mo., that was truly the revival. Sure, it was a year in which Foles threw only 55 passes and made only one emergency November start in place of Alex Smith. But it was the year in which Foles fell in love with football again, a season in which he developed strong bonds with coaches and teammates and was reminded what makes him tick.

With Reid providing the positive energy and Chiefs quarterbacks coach Matt Nagy challenging and stimulating Foles daily, the quarterback felt his flickering flame getting its oxygen and growing day after day.

"It had nothing to do with football," Foles said Friday afternoon. "It had to do with the culture and the energy from the human beings within the organization that allowed me to (enjoy everything)."

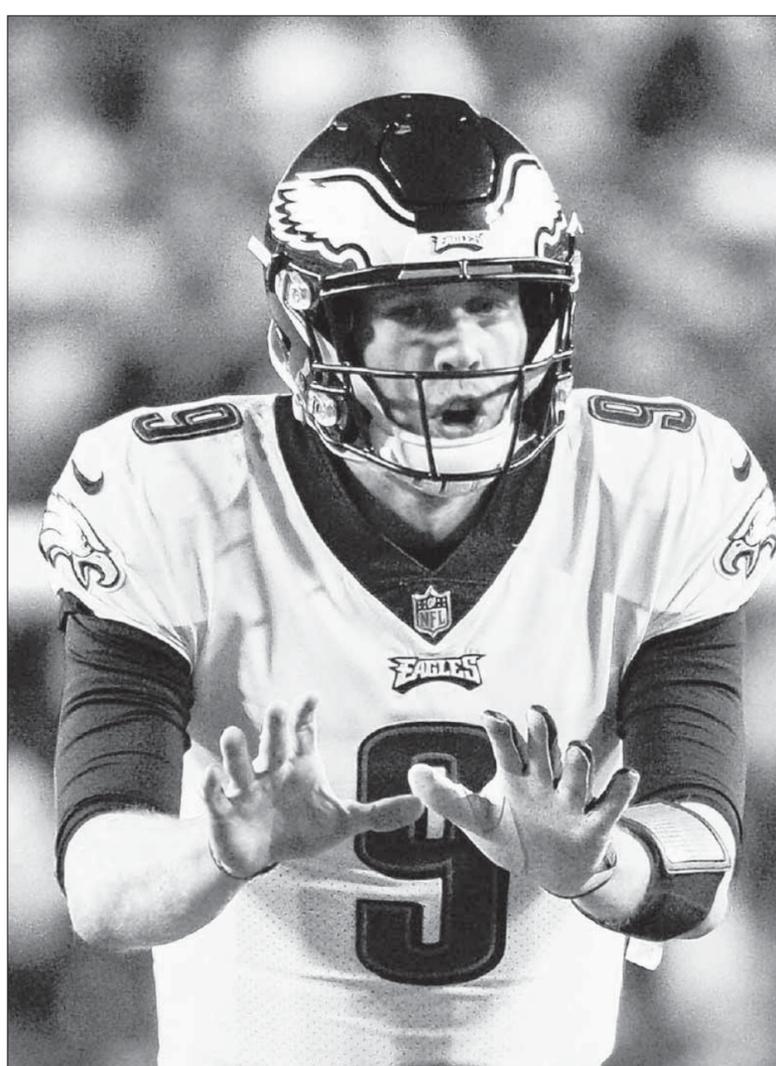
"Four days into training camp I started loving the game. This love of the game poured back in. The way I play the game, the way I look at the game, has changed forever."

In short, Foles said, he rediscovered a brotherhood where "everyone was in it together."

"The love of football came back because of the people that I was stepping into the huddle with and going to work with every day."

Now, as he begins this next leg of his football odyssey with the Bears as his fifth team and Nagy as his new head coach, Foles is convinced a similar vibe awaits.

"I'm excited to once again have this opportunity," Foles said. "It's amazing that it's happening."



MARK TENALLY/AP

Nick Foles, who hoisted the Vince Lombardi Trophy, top, when his Eagles beat the Patriots in Super Bowl LII in 2018, will compete with Mitch Trubisky for the Bears' starting job.

## 'He's very aware'

Make no mistake. Foles will arrive in Chicago intent on becoming the Bears' Week 1 starting quarterback and never letting that role go. Sure, he called incumbent starter Mitch Trubisky shortly after the Jaguars traded him last month, wanting to "get started on the right foot." Foles quickly wanted to cut through any awkwardness and connect to let Trubisky know he would be supportive in every way possible at every step along the way.

But with what the bosses at Halas Hall have declared "an open competition" at quarterback, the driven side of Foles will come out quickly. Foles wants to prove he can be a successful full-time starter in the NFL, something he hasn't really done over the first eight years of his career.

"Obviously," Foles said, "going through my career, it's been an interesting curve. It's been all over the place. Which has honestly allowed me to go through a lot of different things and gain a lot of wisdom from it. But the opportunity to be a full-time starter and make it through a season is something any player would love to do in the right situation. So this opportunity to have that? I'm excited for it. I really am."

Foles has seen the highest peaks and lowest valleys as an NFL quarterback. He has been a Super Bowl MVP and an

unwanted castoff.

In Chicago, quite naturally, there's already an intense debate over which version of Foles the Bears are getting.

But for Nagy and Bears general manager Ryan Pace, Foles' entry into the quarterback competition is exciting. For one thing, they know there will be no phobia of the big stage in the big city.

"He's a talented player," Pace said. "And the fact that he's played in some big games and performed well in those big games? That carries a lot of weight."

Added Nagy: "The one thing that you guys will realize about Nick Foles is that he's very aware. He understands what's going on. He understands the situation. And that's another part of this. ... I can promise you this: It's going to be completely fair and it's going to be extremely competitive in a good way. It's going to be a healthy competitiveness."

## Time will tell

Foles has no idea when the first time he'll set foot on a practice field at Halas Hall might be. He has no idea when he'll be allowed to sit in a meeting with his new coaches and teammates for the first time or when he'll be allowed to just hang out and immerse himself in the Bears locker room.

No one knows.

In an uncertain time when the nation's coronavirus emergency has postponed life as everyone once knew it, Foles' football future hangs in a necessary state of limbo.

The veteran quarterback understands that will bring challenges as he tries to learn the Bears offense without on-field practice time to develop chemistry and timing.

His experience working in similar offenses with the Eagles and Chiefs should help. So, too, will his relationships from previous stops with Nagy, offensive coordinator Bill Lazor and quarterbacks coach John DeFilippo.

But that process of connecting?

"The big thing is you always want to be around people," Foles said. "The thing I thrive in is a great culture with good people, understanding the relationships and building those relationships. And honestly the offseason training time is a huge part of that. ... So that'll be different (right now). Those are the times we're in."

For now, that means Foles will be left alone mostly, with cut-ups of the Bears offense to study and digest and later review. He's already jotting down his list of questions for coaches so he can fully understand the concepts and terminology.

He also feels optimistic that the high-energy, think-big environment Nagy has established over the past two seasons at Halas Hall is conducive to chasing a championship.

"I've seen what cultures can create," Foles said. "It just makes people better. It makes them want to be in the facility and makes it about more than just themselves. That is a huge excitement (for me)."

The bond with Nagy, Foles said, will also be valuable if and when it's his turn to play. Having that direct connection between play-caller and quarterback can be energizing. And, Foles said, with the additional support of Lazor, DeFilippo and passing-game coordinator Dave Ragone, he's hopeful to experience something similar to what fueled the Eagles' 2017 run to the Super Bowl.

In Philadelphia, the unselfish cohesion between coach Doug Pederson, offensive coordinator Frank Reich and DeFilippo was ever-present. They sparked a breakthrough for Carson Wentz to become an MVP front-runner. And after Wentz suffered a season-ending left knee injury late in the year, the coaches gracefully pivoted to bring out the best in Foles.

"We were able to develop a game plan I loved," Foles said, "and I could go out there and play with my eyes closed. That was a huge part of it because there weren't egos. It wasn't like, 'Hey, he's going to run this version of the offense.' It was 'What can we do to put Nick in a position to succeed with his teammates?'"

In Chicago, the stage is set for a true quarterback competition with Foles and Trubisky battling it out on equal footing and trying to win the job for the regular season. When Halas Hall fully reopens and players are allowed to again hit the field together, the city's spotlight will immediately move toward the competitors in the orange practice jerseys.

Foles understands the intrigue and is eager for whatever is ahead.

"Once again," he said, "it's not about me. Everyone is excited — quarterback this, quarterback that. But it's about the Chicago Bears. It's about helping this team and this city being successful. I'm truly grateful to be here."

## SPORTS

# No games ... time for fun

Need a sports shutdown pick-me-up? Here are the best Chicago athletes and broadcasters on Cameo.

Unsettling times like these call for the nation to come together like never before.

And unprecedented times like these require sports media entities to show creativity like never before.

ESPN radio debated: What athlete, past or present, would you choose if you needed to go to the store to snag the last roll of toilet paper?

DITKA!!

My editor asked: If you needed some cheer, which Chicago athlete or broadcaster on Cameo would be worth your dime?

Cameo is the West Loop-based company that connects celebrities and, um, "celebrities" with fans. For between \$5 and \$2,500, you can enlist one of 25,000 athletes/celebrities to record a personalized greeting that lasts from about 10 seconds to four minutes.

## Bears

The wonderfully grumpy **Dick Butkus** (\$251) is a natural performer. He made me laugh out loud with this message: "I heard from some of your college friends that they're a little concerned about your habit of displaying photographs. ... I understand your pleasure of having a photo of me and you — when you were 4. But Jesus, get over it. Start putting up some pictures of your friends — if you have any! And especially your fiancée, for Chrissakes."

How does that performance compare with other legendary linebackers?

A pep talk from **Lance Briggs** will set you back his uniform number (\$55). A sample: "I would much rather have some of your pizza than have anything to do with one of Cody Parkey's missed field goals."

**Mike Singletary** charges \$200 but is expressive with lots of hand motions: "Go, Bears. Go, Bears. Not Packers. Boo!!"

If you want more of **Brian Urlacher** than highway billboards, he'll make you a short message for \$540.

**Matt Forte** commands \$350.

**Devin Hester** (\$120) closes out with: "Bear down, baby."

**Dave Wannstedt** (\$50) seems to enjoy doing Cameos as much as his WSCR-AM 670 hits. A recent message lasted more than 2½ minutes and included: "I really believe: If you use Mitch Trubisky correctly, he will do some things to give you a chance to definitely get into the playoffs. And once you get in, who knows what happens?"

WGN-TV's **Jarrett Payton** will fire you up for a mere \$20. Knowing him, he'd do it for free.

A recent message included a tour of framed Walter Payton photos in his home and the message: "Happy 40th birthday, man. Another amazing year on this amazing Earth. It gives you another opportunity to keep impacting kids."

## Blackhawks

There are not many choices, but **Bryan Bickell** (\$50) did one from Mexico while wearing his Team Canada fishing jersey: "I'm pretty sure Canada is taking gold in the Pan-Am fishing games. ... Shoutout for making this happen. Keep truckin'. Enjoy. Go, Hawks."

He also concluded one birthday greeting with a technological question: "Oh, I'm supposed to stop it?"

Yes, the red button. Not as much fun as the red light.

Radio analyst **Troy Murray** (\$40) is available and joked of a fan coming to a game on her birthday: "Happy 20 hat tricks ... have a lot of fun. I'm going to warn everyone that you're coming because I know you're a lot of trouble."

Legends **Jeremy Roenick** and **Denis Savard** both command \$200. Savard recently wished someone a happy 60th with: "Hockey players, you know, don't really age."

Roenick looks like a bouncer and sounds like a comedian: "Happy 33rd birthday. You're getting old, big man. You have a long way to go to catch up to me. I just turned 50. Holy smokes. I don't feel it. I might look it."

Roenick masters the art of personalization with messages sweet and salty: "Stay calm because you've got a baby girl coming. In a couple weeks! Life changes, man. She will have you wrapped around her finger. You're going to be one of those suck dads. ... She will run your business like crazy, which is exactly how you want."

## Bulls

**Ryan Arcidiacono** looks like the kid who snowblows your driveway and charges about the same (\$25): "I understand you wear No. 15 because of me. ... Thank you so much ... I saw you hit that 3 at the buzzer to win the game. Take care, have a good one and, yup, have a good one."

I'm not sure **Ben Gordon** has a good grasp of the Cameo concept. He charges \$700 but says in reference to a good Jim Calhoun anecdote: "Gotta pay for the story." There's another one of him, shirtless, doing pushups. It's easily the best of the bunch.

**Wendell Carter Jr.** charges \$200, **Daniel Gafford** \$90, and **Denzel Valentine** asks for \$20, and one of his videos lasted as long as a free-throw routine.

**Eddy Curry** is a solid play at \$35: "I heard you might be having a tough time. ... Take it from the king of the tough times! I've been through a lot and I can tell you the tough times don't define you. It's the bounce-back."

**Tyrus Thomas**, who was fined \$10,000 for saying his only motivation to win the slam-dunk contest was "free money," charges \$35.



**TEDDY GREENSTEIN**

A Jan. 14 Chicago magazine story called Cameo "the Most American Startup Ever."

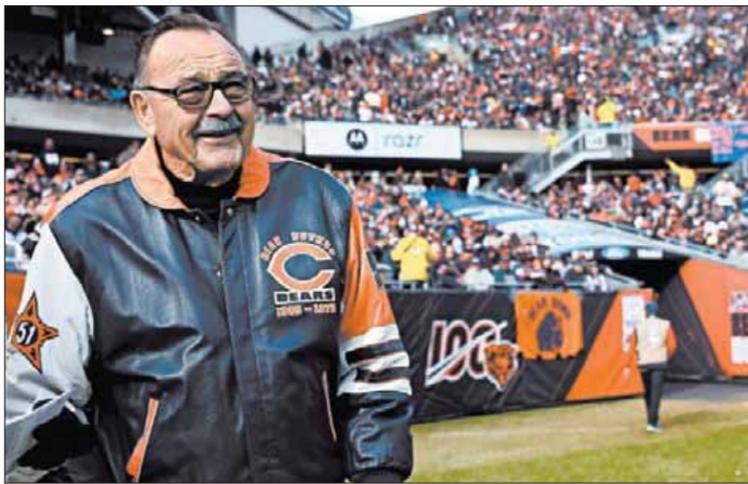
Celebs set their adjustable fees and keep 75%. Sarah Jessica Parker's asking price surged from \$300 to \$2,500. And even at that whopper, she's currently unavailable.

Rod Blagojevich is charging \$100. I'd only pay to see him make a video back in his prison cell.

College basketball analyst Seth Davis waived his fee after the coronavirus hit, offering to boost downtrodden hoops junkies. He got more than 500 requests and knocked out 175.

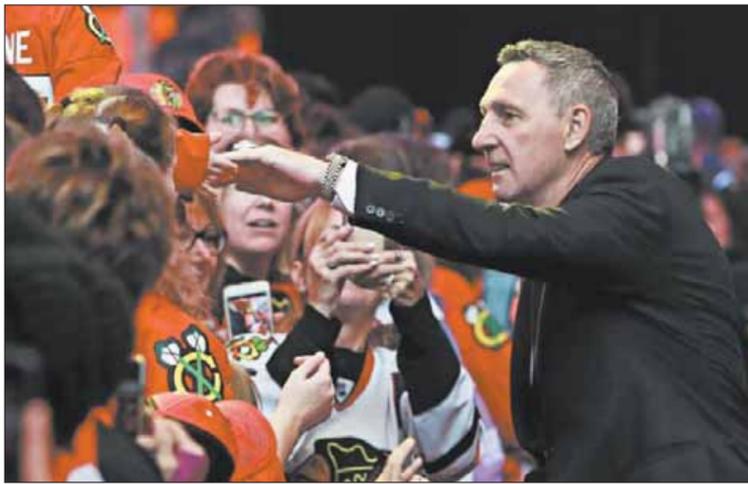
There are intriguing offers and great bargains out there for Chicago athletes and broadcasters.

Need advice on a pick-me-up? Read on.



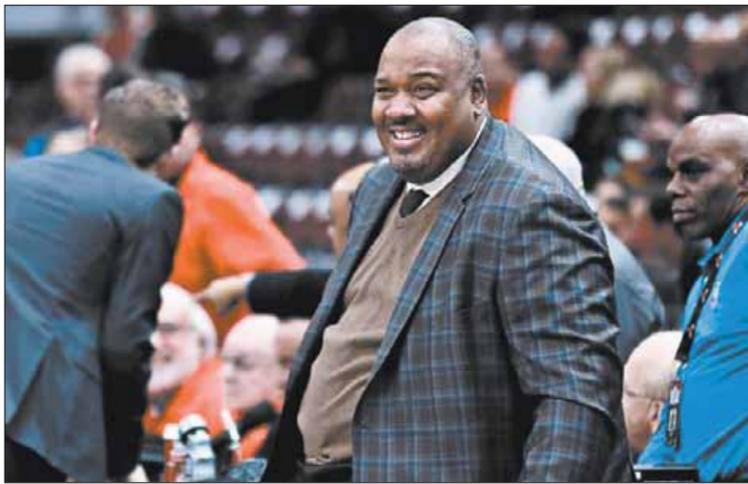
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Naturally, Bears legend Dick Butkus tackles his grumpy role perfectly during his Cameo.



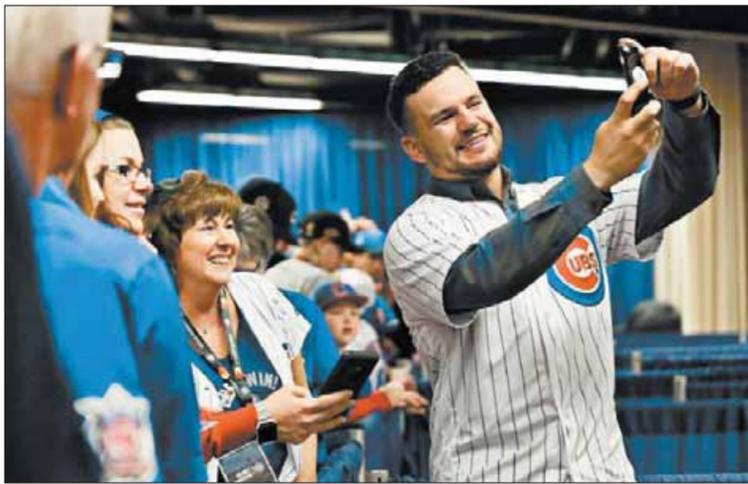
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For \$200, former Blackhawks star and coach Denis Savard offers his words of wisdom.



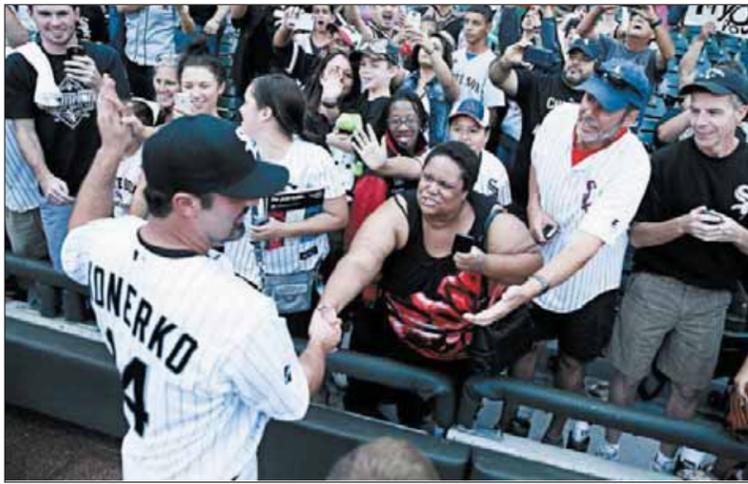
CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Bulls TV color commentator Stacey King shows off his Australian accent in his Cameo.



ABEL URIBE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Eileen Geary, center, gets "radio-quality voice guy" Kyle Schwarber to take her selfie.



NUCCIO DINUZZO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

For \$100, Paul Konerko offers good advice for all you young White Sox fans out there.

**Will Perdue** (\$50) is available, and **Stacey King** (\$50) lasts four-plus minutes and will attempt an Australian accent: "I understand you're in from Australia so: 'G'day mate.'"

Shockingly, the affable and loquacious **Chuck Swirsky** is nowhere to be found.

## Cubs

You'll pay a premium (\$200) for **Kyle Schwarber**, but you get a radio-quality voice. And besides, the closest you can get to Anthony Rizzo is Dodgers reporter Alanna Rizzo (\$20) and a TikTok rapper named Rizzy (\$5).

Side note: Kris Bryant is not on Cameo, but there's a New York City radio host named Cubby Bryant (\$15). What the ... ?

**Andre Dawson** (\$60), always in Cubs gear, can attest to this greeting: "You know if this birthday sucks, there's always next year."

Radio play-by-play man **Pat Hughes** is a strong value at \$50, with messages averaging nearly three minutes. His advice to a broadcasting hopeful: "You can learn only so much in a classroom or by listening to others. ... You'll have to do hundreds of games before you really feel like you can develop your own style. ... Go, Cubs. Stay healthy. And peace on Earth."

**Fergie Jenkins** operates at the pace of 1960s games, banging out messages between 11 and 19 seconds. But he announced on Twitter that for the next week he's donating his Cameo income (from a \$60 fee) to out-of-luck Sloan Park employees.

**Jon Lieber** (\$25), the king of getaway day, knocked one out last year from Yankee Stadium: "I just wanted to say: You dominate me every year in the Iowa poker tournament. I'm telling you, buddy, you're going down next year."

Another of Lieber's: "You need to go set up that IRA account and stop being so freakin' lazy."

**Aramis Ramirez** charges just \$15, and you get what you pay for. If you know a young pitcher who is hobbled and looking for inspiration, former Cubs reliever **Pedro Strop** (\$25) is your guy.

Call on ESPN's **Jesse Rogers** (\$15) to announce your softball lineup or fantasy team.

Not sure if **Rafael Palmeiro** (\$75) charges extra for a finger wag.

**David Kaplan** pumps up his Instagram followers for free, but if you want a personalized message ("Listen here, Sparkles ... I know you're all-in on life"), it will set you back \$50. Call on the Kapman if you want to burn your favorite (or most despised) Cardinals fan.

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## White Sox

**Paul Konerko** goes deep for his \$100 fee, stretching past 1 minute, 40 seconds and offering advice for youth baseball and hockey players: "I think kids your age should be playing more than one sport. ... Work hard. There is no substitute."

At \$60, **Joe Crede** sells solid Midwest reliability, if not relatability.

**Jermaine Dye** (\$75) looks terrific and records videos from idyllic locations, with palm trees. The 2005 World Series MVP salutes one admirer with: "You're the real MVP of the family."

**Adam Engel** (\$20) is a bargain for a current player and recorded a recent message with: "Hope this quarantine goes well for you and your family. ... Good health and happiness and enjoy this time off. Go Sox."

There's no Steve Stone or Jason Benetti, but **Chuck Garfien** (\$20) offers Lucas Giolito-like value.

A subdued **Ozzie Guillen** (\$50) tried to cheer someone up by saying: "Matt, unfortunately this virus is killing everyone. ... Mentally, it's tough for everyone. ... It's a long summer, and you will see the White Sox play a lot. Love you, buddy."

(I want to buy a Guillen Cameo to send to Jay Mariotti.)

Says **Geoff Blum** (\$30): "Just like I was the hero in Game 3 of the 2005 World Series, he is the hero you need in this tournament. ... Vote for Matt."

**Bobby Jenks** (\$30), who won exactly three games in 2006, '07, '08 and '09, is the model of consistency. His three posted videos all last 12 seconds.

**Michael Kopech** is not on Cameo, but wife/actress **Vanessa Morgan** charges \$125. She's listed as temporarily unavailable. (Honeymoon?)

**Ron Kittle** (\$42) used his booming voice to say: "Your boys ... wanted me to wish you Mazel Tov on your 47th birthday."

What a mensch. If you want to splurge, **Bo Jackson** (\$400) stays on brand: "Take care of your mother and sister and don't even think about breaking a bat over your knees. Always climb the wall for those you care about."



ALEX DE LA OSA/AP

Chris Sutherland waited nearly five years to play college basketball. He worked his way onto Florida's bench in January after time as an arena worker, a practice player and a manager.

# Sutherland's long journey

Hoops dream: Florida walk-on relishes moment that was years in making

BY MARK LONG  
Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Chris Sutherland was sitting near the end of Florida's bench, sandwiched between teammates, when he heard the chants. They were faint at first, growing louder and clearer by the second.

"We want Chris! We want Chris!" Sutherland had waited years for this moment, a chance to finally play college basketball and complete a journey that started as a kid in Queens, New York, and continued through high school in Fort Myers and well into college.

He should have been ready. After all, he was no stranger to game, the O'Connell Center or even the program. But what should have been Sutherland's career achievement ended up feeling more like "One Stumbling Moment."

His warm-up jacket got caught on his arm as he hustled to the scorer's table. An official had to tell him to tuck in his No. 34 jersey, which was the only one without a name on the back. He stood in the wrong spot on the free-throw line, drawing a dirty look from an opponent. If that wasn't bad enough, his wrist band snapped into pieces all over the court and delayed the game.

"Why in the world was I so nervous?" Sutherland recalled last week. "There was just so much going on."

More than most outsiders knew, Sutherland was a graduate student who worked his way onto Florida's bench in January after serving as an arena worker, a practice player for the women's team and a team manager for the men's program. Gaining NCAA eligibility was an equally daunting task that required him to pay back scholarship money and remove his name and likeness from a website he created last year to sell streetwear he designed.

"What a unique story," coach Mike White said. "What a great story. He brings as much positive energy as any player or manager I've ever been around. It is unbelievable. As soon as you walk into the gym, you hear him. It's crazy."

"You want guys like that in your program." Sutherland was hoping for a few more weeks with the Gators. But his college career was cut short by the coronavirus pandemic. He lost out on what was his first — and likely only shot — at playing in the NCAA Tournament.

"It's good to understand that there's more important things than basketball," Sutherland said.

Sutherland seemed to have that figured out long before COVID-19 wiped out college athletics for the spring and summer. He turned down several scholarship offers to play college basketball, including one to Division II Belmont Abbey near Charlotte, North Carolina. He instead chose to stay closer to his mom, a diabetic in Fort Myers.

He had hoped to get a walk-on spot with Florida's track and field team after finishing



COURTNEY CULBREATH/AP

**"When you're passionate about something, you just have to try and see what happens."**

— Florida basketball walk-on Chris Sutherland

fifth in the 2015 Class 2A state high jump finals. But there was nothing available, so he settled into life as a regular student.

He became a Rowdy Reptile, a member of the raucous student section at men's basketball games. Little did he know the group would one day be cheering for him.

Still, being in the stands quickly made him realize he wanted more to do with hoops. He became a recreation sports referee as a freshman, but eventually moved on because he couldn't get enough hours. He then landed a job working events at the on-campus O'Connell Center in the spring and was promoted to supervisor the following year.

That proved to be a turning point. Working a late-night security shift, Sutherland met a fellow student who happened to be a graduate assistant for the women's basketball team.

They chatted about hoops, of course, and she told him the team was always looking for practice players — regular students good enough to get on the court and pose a challenge for the women. Sutherland showed up a few days later and had a side gig.

That got him in the door, but it took adding something else on his plate to get him to the 6-foot-3 Sutherland joined a fraternity as a junior, and one of his frat brothers was a team manager for the men's team.

"He gave me the blueprint for how you get in, which was to work summer camps," Sutherland said.

Sutherland volunteered to work camps in 2017, but didn't get one of the manager spots. No surprise since there were dozens of applicants and only a few opportunities. He tried again the following year and got

the call.

"It was surreal," he said.

He was around the team 24-7, becoming close friends with freshmen Andrew Nemphard, Keyontae Johnson and Noah Locke, and creating lasting memories on the road with a team that made the NCAA Tournament. He quickly developed a reputation as a hype guy, someone who always brings energy in practice and before games. His post-victory dances were legendary.

He also became a regular in "noon ball," a pickup game involving coaches, managers and staff.

"The first time I met him, he was blocking my shots with his elbows, talking my basketball and talking trash to me," White said. "I quickly learned I didn't want him guarding me. He's a good player."

Good enough that fellow coaches approached White about possibly getting Sutherland to transfer. But Sutherland was content in his role, especially since he was getting ready to graduate with a sports management degree.

He got accepted to graduate school and signed on for another year as a team manager. Little did he know his bench role would change dramatically.

Once freshman walk-on Alex Klatsky decided to focus on academics and big man Gorjok Gak decided to transfer, the Gators were in need of an extra body.

White and his staff turned to Sutherland. It was an easy decision and a complicated process. His parents had to pay back \$5,000 he had received from a student-manager scholarship because walk-ons can't get any funding from the sports program. His father had a good enough job in New York that he stayed there, even after the family moved to

Florida. Still, scraping together five stacks isn't trouble-free for most working-class families.

Sutherland had a pile of NCAA compliance paperwork to do, as well as various physicals. He also had to remove his name and image from his apparel website, WavyTings.com, which he launched last year.

"He had to jump through a bunch of hoops for him to become cleared by the NCAA," White said. "He had to backtrack and make a lot of personal sacrifice just to be able to wear the jersey."

The process took several weeks, and Sutherland was finally cleared to play in mid-January, just a few days before the Gators hosted then-No. 4 Auburn. He was in uniform and on the bench for a nationally televised game that took place inside a packed O'Dome.

Sutherland never expected to play. After all, the Tigers were good and he didn't even have his name on the back of his jersey. But the game turned into a rout, a 22-point beatdown that was Auburn's worst loss of the virus-shortened season.

With 25 seconds remaining and the student section clamoring for one of their own, White turned and called on the last guy on his bench. Even though Sutherland blundered his way through his collegiate debut, he won't forget that feeling.

"Having the announcer call my name and being able to talk to my family and send them the video, that was something," he said. "The amount of support I received from the campus was just unbelievable. Seeing that there are so many people are just happy for you to succeed in the world we live in, where it's not common, I appreciated that. That really stuck with me."

Sutherland waited a month to get off the bench again. This time, it was a much smoother outing.

With the Gators leading Vanderbilt by 20 on the night they officially unveiled "Billy Donovan Court," Sutherland got the call with 1:40 to play. This time, his name was on the jersey.

He missed his first opportunity to score, but he got a rebound at the other end and got fouled. He stepped to the line amid more chants and missed the first free throw.

"I was like, 'This is crazy. I might not get the opportunity to score again,'" he said. "I took my time, breathed and knocked down the next one."

One point in two games over five years. It might not seem like much to everyone else, but it's everything to him.

"The lifelong dream was just to play college basketball," he said. "I find joy in that."

After the season ended abruptly, Sutherland quarantined himself for a few weeks in hopes of making sure he didn't spread COVID-19 to his mother. He got back into the kitchen and started cooking again — something he hadn't had the time to do in years — and spent countless hours working on new designs for his website.

"When you're passionate about something, you just have to try and see what happens," he said.

Nothing sums up his college basketball career better.

**NBA**

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
ATLANTIC	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	W	L	PCT	GB
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

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**CAREER HIGHLIGHTS**

**NBA championships:** 5 (2000-2002, 2009-2010); **MVP:** 1 (2007-08); **Finals MVP:** 2 (2008-09, 2009-10); **All-Star Games:** 18 (1998, 2000-2016); **All-Star Game MVP:** 4 (2001-02, 2006-07, 2008-09, 2010-11); **All-NBA First Team:** 11 (2001-02, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08, 2009-10, 2010-11, 2011-12, 2012-13); **All-NBA Second Team:** 2 (1999-00, 2000-01); **All-NBA Third Team:** 2 (1998-99, 2004-05); **All-Defensive First Team:** 9 (1999-00, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2005-06, 2006-07, 2007-08, 2008-09, 2009-10, 2010-11); **All-Defensive Second Team:** 3 (2000-01, 2001-02, 2011-12); **81 Points Scored:** against Toronto on Jan. 22, 2006. Second-highest total in NBA history behind Wilt Chamberlain's 100-point game in 1962.

**TIM DUNCAN, PLAYER**  
**CAREER HIGHLIGHTS**  
**NBA MVP Awards:** 2 (2001-02 and 2002-03); **NBA Finals MVP Awards:** 3 (1999, 2003 and 2005); **NBA Championships:** 5 (1999, 2003, 2005, 2007 and 2014); **NBA Rookie of the Year:** (1997-98); **All-Star Games:** 15 (1997-1998, 2000-11, 2012-13, 2014-15); **All-Star MVP:** 1 (2000); **All-NBA First Team:** 10 (1998-2005, 2006-07, 2012-13); **All-NBA Second Team:** 3 (2005-06, 2007-08, 2008-09); **All-NBA Third Team:** 2 (2009-10, 2014-15); **NBA All-Defensive First Team:** 8 (1999-2003, 2004-05, 2006-07, 2007-08); **NBA All-Defensive Second Team:** 7 (1997-98, 2003-04, 2005-06, 2008-09, 2009-10, 2012-13, 2014-15).

**KEVIN GARNETT, PLAYER**  
**CAREER HIGHLIGHTS**  
**NBA championships:** 1 (2007-08); **MVP:** 1 (2003-04); **NBA Defensive Player of the Year:** 1 (1997-98); **All-Star Games:** 15 (1997-1998, 2000-2011, 2013); **All-Star Game MVP:** 1 (2002-03); **All-NBA First Team:** 4 (1999-00, 2002-03, 2003-04, 2007-08); **All-NBA Second Team:** 3 (2000-01, 2001-02, 2004-05); **All-NBA Third Team:** 2 (1998-99, 2006-07); **All-Defensive First Team:** 9 (2000-2005, 2007-09, 2010-11); **All-Defensive Second Team:** 3 (2005-06, 2006-07, 2011-12).



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**PHOTO OF THE DAY**

# Down the (simulated) stretch they come

Lois Copley-Jones, 5, who is the photographer's daughter, watches the virtual Grand National sweepstakes Saturday in Newcastle Under Lyme, England. The 173rd running of the Grand National horse race, was canceled because of the coronavirus, being replaced instead by a virtual televised race. Potters Corner a 16-1 shot, won the virtual race, finishing ahead of Walk in the Mill, also a 16-1 shot. Any Second Now, at 10-1, finished third while 5-1 favorite Tiger Roll took fourth. The event was a fundraiser for the UK's National Health Service.

**RUDY TOMJANOVICH**

Only player in NBA history to score 10,000 points as a player and win 500 career games with two championships as coach. He spent 34 consecutive seasons with the Rockets as a player (1970-82), assistant coach (1983-92) and head coach (1992-2003). *The Sporting News* NBA Coach of the Year in 1993. He led the Rockets to NBA championships in 1994, and 1995 and is one of three coaches to win an NBA championship and an Olympic gold medal. He led USA Basketball to a gold medal in the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia.

**EDDIE SUTTON, COACH**  
 Four-time national coach of the year (1977, 1978, 1986, 1995), eight-time conference coach of the year (1975, 1977, 1979, 1981, 1986, 1993, 1998, 2004) and the first coach in NCAA history to lead four different schools (Creighton, Arkansas Kentucky, Oklahoma State) in the NCAA Tournament. Sutton ranks in the top ten among Division I coaches in all-time victories and has recorded only one losing season in 37 years of coaching. Collectively, Sutton guided his teams to three Final Fours, six Elite Eights and 12 Sweet Sixteen appearances.

**WOMEN'S COMMITTEE**  
**TAMIKA CATCHINGS, PLAYER**  
**Career Highlights**  
**WNBA championships:** 1 (2012); **MVP:** 1

**(2011); Finals MVP:** 1 (2012); **All-Star Games:** 10 (2002, 2003, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2014, 2015); **All-WNBA First Team:** 7 (2002-2003, 2006, 2009-2012); **All-WNBA Second Team:** 5 (2004-2005, 2007, 2013, 2015); **WNBA Rookie of the Year:** 2002; **WNBA Defensive Player of the Year:** 2002; **WNBA All-Defensive Team:** 12 (2005-2016)

**KIM MULKEY, COACH**  
 Mulkey has led the Baylor Bears to three NCAA National championships (2005, 2012, 2019) and ranks third all-time among head coaches in win percentage. In 2012, Mulkey was named the Consensus National College Coach of the Year earning the Naismith Coach of the Year, Associated Press College Basketball Coach of the Year, WBCA National Coach of the Year and USBWA National Coach of the Year. As the head coach of Baylor since 2000, she has guided her team to 17 NCAA Tournament appearances including 13 Sweet Sixteens, eight Elite Eights and four Final Four appearances. Her Baylor squad has also won 10 Big 12 regular season championships (2005, 2009, 2011-2016, 2018), earning her Big 12 Coach of the Year honors seven times (2005, 2011- 2013, 2015, 2018-2019). Mulkey is the first person, male or female, to win a national championship as

a player, assistant coach and head coach.

**BARBARA STEVENS, COACH**  
 Coaching in the collegiate ranks for over 40 years, Stevens is the fifth coach in NCAA women's basketball history to reach 1,000 career wins. She has been named the Russell Athletic / WBCA Division II National Coach of the Year five times (1992, 1999, 2001, 2013, 2014) and Northeast-10 Coach of the Year 15 times (1988, 1989, 1991-1993, 1996-2001, 2003, 2011, 2014, 2018). As the head coach of Bentley University since 1986, she has guided her team to 22 25-win seasons and 10 trips to the Division II Fab Four, including a national championship in 2014. Stevens has been inducted into the New England Basketball Hall of Fame (2002) and Women's Basketball Hall of Fame (2006).

**DIRECT ELECT MEMBERS**  
**INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE**  
**PATRICK BAUMANN, CONTRIBUTOR**  
 Recognized posthumously, he greatly contributed to the game as a longtime FIBA executive and a member of the International Olympic Committee for more than 10 years. He initially joined FIBA in 1994, rising through the ranks and earning the title of Secretary General in 2002, a title he held until his untimely passing in 2018.  
*Associated Press and nba.com*

**SOCCER**

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER						
Eastern	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	1	2	2
Philadelphia	0	1	1	3	5	5
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	4	3
Seattle	1	0	1	4	3	2
Portland	1	1	0	3	2	3
Vancouver	1	1	0	3	2	3
Real Salt Lake	0	0	2	2	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

**NHL**

EASTERN CONFERENCE						
ATLANTIC	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	222
New Jersey	28	29	12	68	189	230

WESTERN CONFERENCE						
CENTRAL	W	L	OT Pts	GF	GA	
St. Louis	42	19	10	94	225	193
Colorado	42	20	8	92	237	191
Dallas	37	24	8	82	180	177
Winnipeg	37	28	6	80	216	203
Nashville	35	26	8	78	215	217
Minnesota	35	27	7	77	220	220
Chicago	32	30	8	72	212	218
PACIFIC						
Vegas	39	24	8	86	227	211
Edmonton	37	25	9	83	225	217
Calgary	36	27	7	79	210	215
Vancouver	36	27	6	78	228	217
Arizona	33	29	8	74	195	187
Anaheim	29	33	9	67	187	226
Los Angeles	29	35	6	64	178	212
San Jose	29	36	5	63	182	226

2 points for win, 1 for shootout/OT loss

**POWER PLAY GOALS**

RK TEAM	GP	PPG	PPG	PPG	PCT
1 Edmonton	71	59	200	29.5	
2 Boston	70	57	226	25.2	
3 Vancouver	69	57	236	24.2	
4 NY Rangers	70	52	227	22.5	
5 St. Louis	71	49	202	24.3	
6 Tampa Bay	70	49	211	23.2	
7 Philadelphia	69	47	226	20.8	
8 Carolina	68	46	206	22.3	
9 Minnesota	69	46	216	21.3	
10 Colorado	70	46	241	19.1	
11 Toronto	70	45	195	23.1	
12 Florida	69	45	211	21.3	
13 Vegas	71	42	191	22.0	
14 Dallas	69	42	199	21.1	
15 Winnipeg	71	42	205	20.5	
16 Pittsburgh	69	42	211	19.9	
17 Washington	69	42	216	19.4	
18 New Jersey	69	42	234	17.9	
19 Calgary	70	41	193	21.2	
20 Arizona	70	41	214	19.2	
21 Nashville	69	39	226	17.3	
22 Buffalo	69	37	196	18.9	
23 Montreal	71	33	186	17.7	
23 San Jose	70	33	189	17.5	
24 Los Angeles	70	33	193	17.1	
25 Chicago	70	33	217	15.2	
27 Detroit	71	32	215	14.9	
28 Columbus	70	31	189	16.4	
29 Ottawa	71	30	211	14.2	
30 NY Islanders	68	29	168	13.7	
31 Anaheim	71	27	184	14.7	

PLAYER	TM	GP	G	A	PT
David Pastrnak	Bos	70	20	18	38
Leon Draisaitl	Edm	71	16	28	44
Mika Zibanejad	NYR	57	15	12	27
Evander Kane	SJ	64	14	4	18
Alex Ovechkin	Was	68	13	5	18
Auston Matthews	Tor	70	12	13	25
Nathan MacKinnon	Col	69	12	19	31
Zach Parise	Min	69	12	6	18
Bo Horvat	Van	69	12	4	16
James Neal	Edm	55	12	5	17
Kyle Eichel	Buf	68	11	16	27
Connor McDavid	Edm	64	11	32	43
Patrice Bergeron	Bos	61	11	9	20
Mike Hoffman	Fla	69	11	10	21
Evgenii Dadonov	Fla	69	11	6	17
Kyle Palmieri	NJ	65	11	7	18
Victor Olofinwa	Buf	54	11	6	17
Mark Scheffl	Wpg	71	10	10	20
Steven Stamkos	TB	57	10	9	19
T.J. Oshie	Was	69	10	2	12
Brayden Schenn	STL	71	10	11	21
Alex DeBrincat	Chi	70	10	6	16

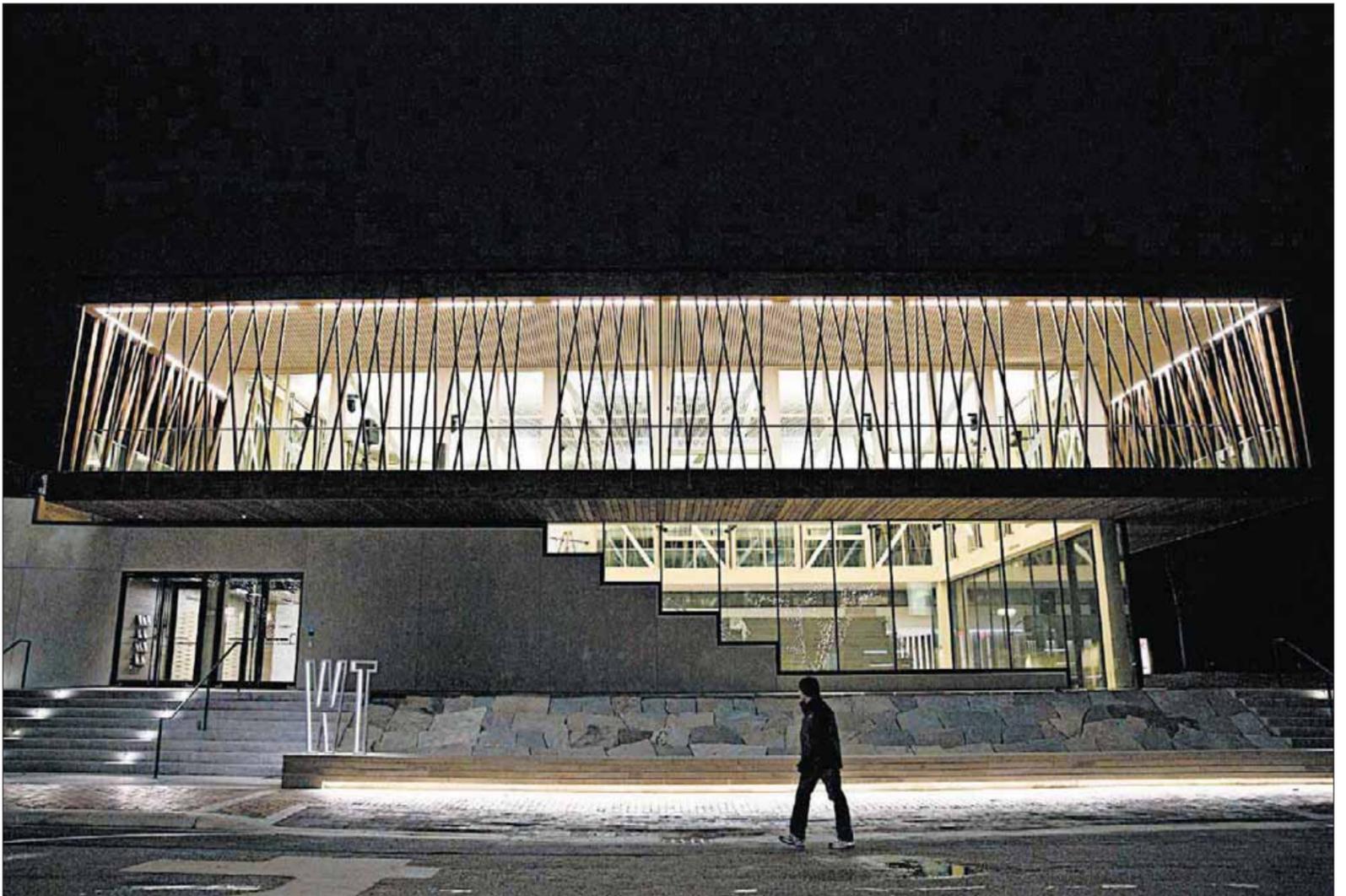
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The Writers Theatre stands empty in Glencoe. Chicago actors, crew, musicians and front-of-house workers were laid off or saw contracts canceled after the coronavirus shutdown.

# Where do theaters stand?

As weight of the coronavirus shutdown sinks in, some in Chicago might not make it



CHRIS JONES

On March 13, Terry James, the longtime executive producer of the Marriott Theatre in Lincolnshire, prepared himself for a loathsome task: His theater's hit production of "Grease" was required to close by the authorities.

And even though "Kiss Me Kate" was simultaneously ending its rehearsal process in a room nearby, it was clear that show would not now be able to open on schedule, if at all. Thus a theater with productions running 52

weeks a year would go dark.

So James picked up the phone to begin the agonizing process of telling 140 actors, running-crew members and musicians, along with another 70 ushers, bartenders and other front-of-house workers at the theater — many of them friends for decades — either that their contracts were canceled or they were going to be laid off.

He had just finished doing that when a message came through from his bosses, the Bricton Group, the owners of the Marriott Lincolnshire Resort.

James himself was being laid off.

And thus, mere days later, the Marriott Theatre in Lincolnshire had no working employees at all. Its host hotel was shuttered. And, worse, there was no clear sense of

when any of this might change.

"It was Friday the 13th all right," James said dryly, even as he continued to work.

Situations vary at different theaters.

Some have tried to maintain small staffs or pay contracted artists for at least a week or two; others have found that impossible or inadvisable. Some are fighting to pay rent; others own their buildings. Some operate with endowments or deep-pocketed board members who can be tapped for this rainiest of days; most do not.

But without any clear sense of an end to the COVID-19 pandemic, Chicago's storied theaters all are stuck in the same bind: It is against the law to do shows. They cannot do what they are set up to do and have no box office income. And they have no idea when any of this will end.

A series of interviews over the last several days reveals that contingency plans made on Zoom conference calls Monday were being ripped up by Tuesday.

April is gone, May looks dicey, and, increasingly so does June, though some optimists hold out hope. And as news comes in daily of summer cancellations across the globe — Wimbledon, the Edinburgh Festival, the Stratford Festival of Canada, the Olympic Games — it is looking more and more like: see you in the fall, Chicago theaters, preferably with a vaccination station in the lobby.

And that is not a happy scenario for theaters still hoping to preserve at least their summer offerings.

"Sometimes you see a path," said Kate Lipuma, the executive director of Writers Theatre in Glencoe. "Sometimes you feel like a hamster on a wheel."

"Everything keeps getting pushed back," said Kyle DeSantis, the CEO of the Drury Lane Theatre in Oakbrook Terrace, a long-standing family business that is not just losing its shows but a thriving wedding, restaurant and convention business. Every one of Drury Lane's enterprises involves people coming together and, well,

people cannot come together.

"I just never thought I'd live through anything like this," said DeSantis, who has laid off several hundred employees and is down to a skeleton staff.

"As you know, many of these people have worked for my family for 40 or 50 years."

"We have pivoted a lot as an institution over the years, but never against this kind of devastating global landscape," said Criss Henderson, the longtime executive director of Chicago Shakespeare Theater and the overseer of its phenomenal growth.

Lost shows, whether they are "King James" at Steppenwolf Theatre or the first Chicago visit of the Royal Shakespeare Company in 25 years, are no longer making much news. Still, their announcements have been tense and sporadic, mostly because theaters are trying to avoid being liable for refunds. Wherever possible, they are trying to move

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# How NBC's 'Chicago' actors shelter in place

BY NINA METZ

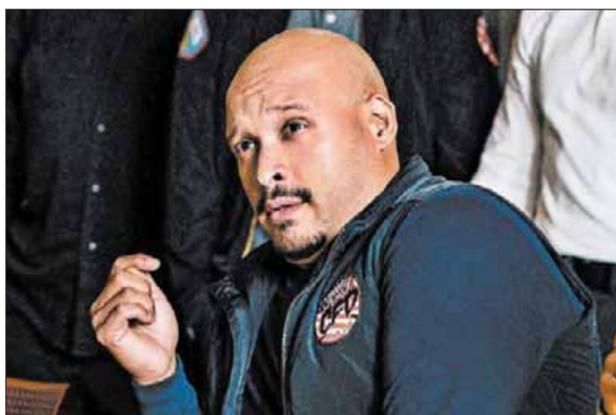
New episodes of "Chicago Fire," "Chicago P.D." and "Chicago Med" will continue to air through early April, but like so many other people across various professions, the actors on these shows have been self-quarantining at home for the last couple of weeks with unexpected free time on their hands.

What are their days like? How are they keeping themselves occupied and fulfilling their creative sides? I checked in earlier this week. Here's an edited transcript of what they told me.

## Joe Minoso (Joe Cruz on 'Chicago Fire')

**Where are you?** Chicago  
**Do you share your home with anyone?** I live with my wife, my sister-in-law and our two dogs.

**What is your daily routine?** Well, it's been a lot of establishing a daily routine and then not doing it. So (laughs) I'll make a plan and then I'll end up watching an episode of "The Tiger King" on Netflix, and the next thing I know it's eight hours later and I com-



MATT DINERSTEIN/NBC

Joe Minoso as Joe Cruz on NBC's "Chicago Fire," part of the One Chicago franchise.

pletely wasted the day. Or I'll do a really great workout one day and be like, "I'm going to do this every morning!" And then ... I don't.

**Are you planning meals or improvising?** My wife's a stir-fry expert and we usually use frozen vegetables, and those have been impossible to find. I'm a bigger guy, so I keep telling myself I'm going to take this opportunity to do a cleanse or something, but

I've been saying that for four days now, so we'll see.

**How are you staying creative?** I'll sit down with my writing partner and we'll Skype for three or four hours on this pilot we're trying to put together.

Me and Christian Stolte (Mouch on "Chicago Fire") have actually been working on another project, turning a play by Brett Neveu called "Do the Hustle" into

a film that I was going to direct and he was going to star in this summer. ... This situation obviously not only makes it more difficult to get a crew in place, but it definitely doesn't ease the minds of people who were interested in putting money into it and are perhaps now more on the fence now — because who wouldn't be in these times?

So right now we're just in waiting mode to get a sense of where the world is in a few weeks and how long it is before Gov. Pritzker tells us we can start to gather in groups again. The goal is to solely hire Chicago talent, with the exception of Eamonn Walker (who plays Chief Boden on the show), but I feel like he's been adopted by this city so I can get away with that.

**We could all use his calming baritone right now telling us everything will be OK.** Oh my God, yes. You should try one of his hugs; it's the best thing you'll experience. Especially as a big guy myself, to feel kind of small in someone's arms? I feel like a 6-year-old boy when I'm in Eamonn's arms.

**Are there ways you've been able to help others?** We try to

order in at least once a day in an effort to help support the restaurants and the people who work there. We order from Bar Siena, Prime & Provisions, Bar Cargo and Mad Social.

I was someone who came up through the Chicago theater scene and I know what it is to book a storefront theater show where you're making \$75 or \$150 a week. Usually the only way you can survive off that is by also working as a server or being someone in the hospitality industry, which is really nonexistent right now. I'm worried for people and it's all I can think about.

**What have you been watching on TV?** I'm obsessed with YouTube, so I've been watching a ton of Cinefix and the other is Cooke Optics — a lot of how-to videos and great moments in filming and editing and blocking — just to bone up on ideas. If you're a cinephile, you could get lost in that for hours. I also signed up for the website MasterClass.

My wife isn't so easily entertained by television, so we've tried to entertain ourselves in other ways. We have a lot of board

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# Actors

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games. We pulled out Parcheesi the other day and read the rules for the first time and realized that we had been missing like 15 different rules. And once you play it with all the rules it's like, this is insanity! It's a far more interesting game when you actually play by the rules.

And we recently (*laughs*) spent six hours putting together this puzzle until 2 in the morning. It's not like we had to get up early for anything. She loves getting up early when she can and I usually do too, but lately it's been like, well, who cares?

## Daniel Kyri (Darren Ritter on 'Chicago Fire')

**Where are you?** Chicago  
**Do you share your home with anyone?** My partner.  
**Do you have a daily routine?** I do. The first few days after filming ended, I was just catching up on sleep, but there was a sense after that of: OK, I don't want to let these days get away from me. So that's been enough of a motivator for me to just get up and do something.

I have a friend who does live meditation on Instagram, so I usually do that. Her name is Kristen Gutoskie and she's a guest star on the show — she plays Joe Cruz's fiancée — and she'll have different people come on and lead the meditation. She usually goes live around 1 p.m. Chicago time.

Then I'll journal a little bit. Then I'll cook. Then I'll work out with my trainer online pretty much every day.

**Are you planning meals or improvising?** It's a mix of both. Lunch is kind of every man for himself and then dinners we do try to plan out. The other night we made our own pizza from scratch. That was really fun. It was slightly a disaster — I don't mind telling you that — but it was fun.

**How are you staying creative?** I've been writing a lot, and that's been helpful in keeping my sanity. I've been working with my writing partner Bea Cordelia on scripts for Season 2 of my web series ("The T," in which they also star as best friends — one a white trans woman from the North Side, the other a black queer man from the South Side), and that's really exciting for me.

I signed up online for MasterClass, where you can watch Helen Mirren talk about acting or whoever for directing and so forth. Thank God for technology at the time like this because it's a window to the outside world, even if you can't be there physically. That's been really helpful.

**Are there ways you've been able to help others?** There's a huge community here in Chicago that I want to support any way that I can, and that includes all my theater friends who have had shows shut down. I contacted some theaters just to be, like, what are you guys doing to support your artists? And I've gotten some really positive responses. And some theaters haven't responded at all.

For me, it's just reaching out to people and making sure there's a community where, if there's something that someone needs, we can all come together to make sure that that person has it.

**What have you been watching on TV?** I'll watch "Avatar: The Last Airbender" or whatever at the end of the day. If I'm being totally honest, I'm watching TikTok and I also do a lot of TikTok (*laughs*), so if I want to be silly I'll learn a quick dance. I know it's ridiculous.

## Marina Squerciati (Kim Burgess on 'Chicago P.D.')

**Where are you?** Chicago  
**Do you share your home with anyone?** My husband, my daughter and my mom — my mom doesn't normally live here.

**Do you have a daily routine?** What is it called when you look at Instagram and see everybody's lives looking better than your own? Insta-envy? I see all these parents or influencers who are like, "Make a plan! Wake up at 6! Work out! Make a healthy shake! Do arts and crafts with your kid!"

I have not found that possible. In the beginning of the quarantine I was like, absolutely! And I made a schedule — and my kid was like, "What's happening? No." (*Laughs*)

I'm so grateful because before the season ended I had a big episode coming up, and my mom flew in to help me out with my kid. So luckily she's here at the moment and not in New York.

We have a neighbor kid who is close to my kid, and it was his birthday yesterday and I just love the ingenuity of parents: His mom took the luggage cart in our building and made it into a little



ADRIAN BURROWS/NBC

Daniel Kyri as Darren Ritter in "Chicago Fire." Kyri is a longtime Chicago theater actor.



MATT DINERSTEIN/NBC

Marina Squerciati as Officer Kim Burgess on NBC's "Chicago P.D."

train and then gave him a train ride around the block with everybody yelling, "Happy birthday," from their balconies. My daughter turns 3 next month, so I'm just trying to think of something cool like that to do for her birthday, although if I give her a pink cake she'll probably be happy.

My husband has been working from home. He takes his briefcase every day and we say goodbye to him at the door, and he goes upstairs and goes to work.

"Where's Dada?" "He's at work." "No, he's upstairs." "No, he's at work."

**Are you planning meals or improvising?** I feel like right now my main joy is cooking and baking. Even though the government says we're not going to run out of food, I think it's very hard as a human under quarantine not to have that underlying fear. So we're not as callous about wasting food and we compost.

We're trying to be supportive of restaurants in order to keep their employees working, so we'll make it like a night out and get dressed up. Last night we got food from Shaw's Crab House. It was an amazing meal: four pieces of fish, clam chowder, mac and cheese, Caesar salad, key lime pie, chocolate cake — and it was only \$50. We felt like we were treating ourselves.

**How are you staying creative?** I don't want to brag, but if you know the book "Should I Share My Ice Cream?" by Mo Willems, I do an excellent Gerald and Piggie voice. I've been recording them and sending them to friends that have kids. So I have to say, that's been a hit with those four friends.

I'm also writing a Hallmark script. And with my comedy partner, we're writing a sitcom. I'm trying to stay busy, but it's really hard with the kid.

**Are there ways you've been able to help others?** The people that I'm most concerned about are the first responders who are putting themselves on the front lines. When I was pregnant three years ago, my mom came to help me and she had a cold, so she brought face masks, and at the time I put the extras away.

I remembered that I had them in storage, so I had them delivered to Rush (University Medical Center). It's a small thing, but I think it helps to find the little things you can do, whether you chip into GoFundMe or finding an errand you can donate.

**What have you been watching on TV?** We've been watching "Babylon Berlin" on Netflix, but to be honest I don't have a lot of time to watch TV. Am I stir-crazy? Yes. Do I feel like I want to

put crayon marks on the wall for every day that I've been in quarantine? Yes. But there's always something to do with the kid or read or write. And I've been using a workout app called obé fitness; that's my one thing that I've been doing for myself.

## LaRoyce Hawkins (Kevin Atwater on 'Chicago P.D.')

**Where are you?** Chicago  
**Do you share your home with anyone?** I live by myself, but right now, under these special circumstances, I'm with a little homie of mine that I met on my first comedy tour last year. His name is Tommy Yola, and he's a musician from West Philadelphia, and we've kind of found ourselves a little stuck with each other for this quarantine.

**Do you have a daily routine?** Yeah, I am one that definitely needs a regime. I have an apparatus at the crib called the Iron Chest Master 5000, so I'll do pushup and situp super sets. I do increments of 12, and that number is important to me because my son, Roman, is named after the Bible verse Romans 12 and he was born with 12 fingers.

So for me, one of the best ways to keep a dad bod is to think about my son while I do my workout. So if I wake up and I do 60 pushups straight, that means I really knocked out five Romans.

**Are you planning meals or improvising?** In the morning I make some tea and I put in turmeric, ginger and sea moss. I stocked up on a lot of meals that we would eat back at the job, like vegan lasagna, eggplant, macaroni and cheese. And I've been ordering food from S.K.Y. (in W. 18th) in the Pilsen area. ... You've got to get the cornbread madeleines and the organic fried chicken.

**How are you staying creative?** Very recently I became the voice of the White Sox. They called me up and said they want to do a video that would show compassion during this crisis, so I'm at home completing the voiceover for that video.

I'm also running an independent music label from my company, Be Powerful, and me and Tommy Yola are working on a project for that.

I've also been sneaking out here and there to see my son. I've got to be able to see him; he's going to be 3 in April. He caught me in a moment when we were playing with Nerf guns and I saw him framed up; he looked so dope — just like Atwater — and I took my phone out to take a picture because I thought it was adorable. And my son looked at me and



MATT DINERSTEIN/NBC

LaRoyce Hawkins as Officer Kevin Atwater in "Chicago P.D." Hawkins is a Harvey native.



ADRIAN BURROWS/NBC

After filming ended early for the season, S. Epatha Merkerson returned to her apartment in New York.

said, "Put your phone in your pocket, Daddy." And I kept on trying to take pictures of him because I thought I was capturing the moment. But the more he looked at me, it was like, "Daddy, don't be that guy." And since that moment I've honestly been a lot more conscientious about, even when I'm just by myself in quarantine, of not pulling my phone out and trying to document everything.

**Are there ways you've been able to help others?** The first people that I think about are the people from my hometown of Harvey, Illinois. When I went to go help my grandma stock up, I noticed there's definitely a need there. Naturally with whatever extra cash I have, I make sure I pour into those people as the spirit leads me.

But what I'm trying to cook up through Be Powerful is a way that we can immediately touch the students that are missing out, especially the student-athletes that might have missed important scholarship opportunities because they weren't able to play high school games. Or students that were probably on the brink of a certain GPA or getting into a certain college, their rhythm might have been interrupted. And what me and my team are trying to cook up are ways that we can add relief to those young minds. I'm tapped into some of the families that have been affected, so the situation will dictate how we try to meet the needs for people in Harvey, Riverdale, Dixmoor.

**What have you been watching on TV?** Yesterday I just started watching "For Life" on ABC, and I dig it. I'm also watching some of the classics, like "The Wire" and "Luther." Those are the shows I like to connect to because they have an authentic darkness to them. I also watched the Madam C.J. Walker show ("Self Made") on Netflix.

And I'm teaching Tommy Yola how to play chess right now. I have this really dope chess board that my barber on the show, P. Scott, made. He's also an artist, and all the pieces are made out of repurposed tools like hammers, screwdrivers — it's really rustic looking. My grandfather taught me to play chess back in the day, so I figured this would be a good time to teach Tommy. But outside of that we're just making a lot of music.

## S. Epatha Merkerson (Sharon Goodwin on 'Chicago Med')

**Where are you?** New York City

**Do you share your home**

**with anyone?** My partner, Steven.

**Do you have a daily routine?** I've never been one for a serious routine, but the one thing I've done during this is I get up and I make my bed (*laughs*). That comes from my home training from my mother; we used to have to keep our bedroom doors open and that meant your bed was made.

By nature I'm a homebody, so this is an excuse for me to stay at home and not feel guilty. I'll tell you, I'm above the age of 65 and I'm diabetic, so literally when the show was shut down I came home and haven't been out of the house since. My partner, Steven, works in Seattle, and I work in Chicago, but both of us came home to New York, and it makes a difference that we can be together.

**How have you been spending your days?** I have this huge room in the apartment that's sort of like an office space and a craft place; there's also a television in there, so I have torn that room apart and each day I discard something. I have been hoarding stuff for years (*laughs*), things I'll never use.

There's a big cedar closet in that room, so I'm taking out clothes and preparing bags. At some point I will donate. I have a computer in there I'm not using anymore, and I'm shredding like mad. So that's what I'm doing. I'm starting in that room and then I'm going to go through the apartment and do a spring clean.

**Are you planning meals or improvising?** We're sort of planning it out. When I got home, Steven was already here, so he had done a lot of shopping.

But we realized the one thing he could not find — because he's the one who is venturing outside — are disinfecting wipes. I happened to mention that to a friend who lives in SoHo, and on Saturday he came up here with some because everything that comes in the house has to be cleaned.

I'll tell you, I've always been a stickler about hand washing, and it's amazing to me to realize that people have *not* really been washing their hands. I'm one of those people, if I'm in the bathroom and people walk out without washing their hands, I say something loud enough so that they can hear me!

My mother — who is still living and will be 94 this year — that's what she always taught us: If you use something, you clean it. She's still in Detroit (where Merkerson grew up) and she calls me every day.

I'm the youngest of four — I'll be 68 this year — and she had me laughing the other day. She said,

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## WATCH THIS: SUNDAY



Kim Kardashian West

**“Kim Kardashian West: The Justice Project”** (6 p.m., 8 p.m., 5 a.m., OXY): This new documentary follows Kim Kardashian West as she undertakes a passion project: fighting to secure freedom for Americans she believes have been wronged by the U.S. justice system. She became an advocate for such prison inmates after learning of Alice Marie Johnson, an elderly black woman serving a draconian life-plus-25-years sentence as a first-time non-violent offender. The film follows Kardashian West as she undertakes other, similar cases that appear to reflect miscarriages of justice.

**“ACM Presents: Our Country”** (7 p.m., CBS): Tonight CBS originally planned to air the Academy of Country Music Awards, but a pandemic changed those plans. Even though they’re “socially distancing” in their homes, some of country music’s biggest stars invite fans to join them in this unique entertainment special as they perform acoustic versions of their songs.

**“Atlanta’s Missing and Murdered: The Lost Children”** (7 p.m., 9 p.m., 12:05 a.m., HBO): This new five-part docuseries takes a fresh look at the abduction and murder of at least 30 black children and young adults in Atlanta between 1979 and 1981. Nearly 40 years later, as Atlanta mayor Keisha Lance Bottoms orders the case reopened, this series uses interviews with those closest to the victims and the investigation to shed new light on these slayings. Part 1 opens in 1970s-era Atlanta, where “the city too busy to hate” is enjoying a boom.

**“Black Hearted Killer”** (7 p.m., 11:01 p.m., Lifetime): After the tragic death of their daughter, grieving parents Julie and Dennis donate her organs, stipulating that they don’t want to meet the recipients unless one of them happens to reach out. A young woman named Vera does just that, telling them how grateful she is for the gift of their late daughter’s heart. The more time Dennis and Julie spend with her, though, the more Vera keeps crossing uncomfortable boundaries.

**“The Favourite”** (7 p.m., Cinemax): Ten Academy Award nominations went to director Yorgos Lanthimos’ critically acclaimed 2018 black comedy set in early 18th-century England, where cousins Sarah and Abigail (Rachel Weisz, Emma Stone) compete feverishly to become the court favorites of the eccentric Queen Anne (Olivia Colman, who took home the Oscar and a Golden Globe Award as best actress). Both Weisz and Stone earned Oscar nods as best supporting actress.

**“Ruby Herring Mysteries”** (8 p.m., HMM): Almost as soon as she is named the TV crime reporter at Seattle 57 News, Ruby Herring (Taylor Cole) starts getting anonymous tips after police reopen an investigation into the unsolved murder of a psychic in the new mystery “Prediction Murder.” Ruby’s father, retired detective John Herring (John Wesley Shipp), encourages her to follow her instincts as she teams up with Seattle Police Detective Jake Killian (Stephen Huszar) to find the killer. Their investigation uncovers a plot to frame an innocent person.

**“The Rookie”** (9 p.m., ABC): Synergistic episode crossover alert! Officer Chen (Melissa O’Neil) finds herself facing host Ryan Seacrest and judges Katy Perry, Luke Bryan and Lionel Richie (all guest starring as themselves) when Chen and Bradford (Eric Winter) respond to a call at the Los Angeles auditions of “American Idol” in a new episode called “The Overnight.” Later, Chen makes friends with reporter Valerie Castillo (Roselyn Sanchez), whose motives are murky at best.

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## SUNDAY EVENING, APR. 5

## MOVIES

	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	ACM Presents: Our Country (N) ©				NCIS: New Orleans: “Boom-Boom-Boom-Boom.”		News (N) ★
	NBC 5	The Wall: “Essence and Valencia.” (N) ©		Zoey’s Extraordinary Playlist (N) ©		Good Girls: “Nana.” (N) ©		NBC 5 News (N) ★
	ABC 7	American Idol: “310 (Hawaii Showcase and Final Judgment Part 2).” (N) ©				The Rookie: “The Overnight.” (N) ©		News at 10pm (N) ★
	WGN 9	black-ish: “Stuff.” ©	black-ish ©	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN Weekend News at Nine (N) (Live) ©		WGN News (N)
	Antenna 9.2	Bunker	Bunker	Bunker	Bunker	Bunker	Bunker	Bunker
	Court 9.3	OJ25 ©		OJ25: “A Plaintive Wail.”		Deep Under.	Deep Under.	Murderous
	PBS 11	Call the Midwife (N) ©		World on Fire on Masterpiece (N) ©		The Windermere Children (N) ©		
	CW 26.1	Batwoman ©		Supergirl ©		Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©
	The U 26.2	Did You Hear About the Morgans? (PG-13, ’09) ★				Bridget Jones: The Edge of Reason ★		
	MeTV 26.3	Columbo: “Lovely but Lethal.” ©		Collector (N)		Flintstones	Honeymoon.	D. Van Dyke
	H&I 26.4	Star Trek ©		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9		Star Trek ★
	Bounce 26.5	★ (6) Maid in Manhattan ★★		Parker (R, ’13) ★★		Jason Statham, Jennifer Lopez. © ★		
	FOX 32	The Simpsons	Duncanville: “Witch Day.”	Bob’s Burgers ©	Family Guy: “Cat Fight.”	Fox 32 News at Nine Sunday (N) ©		Inside the Bears ★
Ion 38	NCIS: Los Angeles		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago ★	
TeleM 44	★ (6) The Expendables ★★		Kidnap (R, ’17) ★★		Halle Berry, Sage Correa. ©		Noticiero	
MNT 50	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Family Feud	Family Feud	Dateline ★	
UniMas 60	★ Kingsman: Serv		Clash of the Titans (PG-13, ’10) ★★		Sam Worthington.		Damage ★	
WJVS 62	Ever Increasing Faith		Truth of God		Pol-News			
Univ 66	Pequeños gigantes (N) ©				Sal (N)	Noticias (N)		
CABLE	AE	S.W.A.T. (PG-13, ’03) ★★		Samuel L. Jackson, Colin Farrell. ©		The Mummy (’99) ★★		Walk:Dead ★
	AMC	★ (6:54) The Walking Dead		The Walking Dead (Season Finale) (N) ©		(9:02) Talking Dead (N)		Walk:Dead ★
	ANIM	The Aquarium (N)		The Aquarium (N)		North Woods Law: Uncuffed (N) ★		
	BBCA	The Hunger Games (PG-13, ’12) ★★			Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson. ©		Catch Fire ★	
	BET	Tyler Perry’s Why Did I Get Married? (PG-13, ’07) ★★			Tyler Perry. ©		Martin ©	
	BIGTEN	The Journey   BTN Football in 60 ©		Football		The Journey   BTN Football in 60 ©		
	BRAVO	Housewives-Atlanta (N)		Family Karma (N) ©		Watch (N)		Housewives-Atlanta
	CNN	CNN Tonight (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		Coronavirus: Facts and Fears ★		
	COM	Shrek (PG, ’01) ★★		Voices of Mike Myers. ©		Tommy Boy (PG-13, ’95) ★★		
	DISC	Naked and Afraid: “Biting Back At Africa.” (N) ©				Naked and Afraid (N)		Afraid ★
	DISN	Raven (N)		Fam Jam (N)		Just Roll (N)		Fam Jam   Sydney-Max   Raven
	EI	★ (6:30) Fifty Shades Freed (R, ’18) ★		Dakota Johnson.		Coyote Ugly (PG-13, ’00) ★		
	ESPN	★ Wm. Basketball		Women’s College Basketball		SportCtr (N)		
	ESPN2	eSports				UFC Unleashed (N) ©		Games (N) ★
	FNC	Life, Liberty & Levin (N)		The Next Revolution (N)		Watters’ World ©		Life ★
	FOOD	Guy’s Grocery Games		Buddy vs. Duff (N) ©		Beat Play (N)		Beat Bobby   Beat Play ★
	FREE	★ Pitch Perfect! (7:45) How to Be Single (R, ’16) ★★			Dakota Johnson, Rebel Wilson. © (SAP)			
	FX	Deadpool (R, ’16) ★★		Ryan Reynolds, Morena Baccarin. ©		Deadpool (R, ’16) ★★		
	HALL	When Calls the Heart (N)		When Hope Calls (N) ©		Golden Girls		Golden Girls
	HGTV	Extreme Makeover (N)		House (N)		House-Hurry		100 Day Dream Home (N)   Beach (N)
	HIST	The Jesus Strand: A Search for DNA ©					(9:05) God Code © ★	
	HLN	Forensic		Forensic		Forensic (N)		Forensic (N)
	IFC	★ (6:30) Caddyshack (R, ’80) ★★		© (8:45) Caddyshack (R, ’80) ★★		Chevy Chase. © ★		
	LIFE	Black Hearted Killer (NR, ’20) Julie McNiven. ©					(9:03) My Husband’s Secret Wife ★	
	MSNBC	(6:00) Kasie DC (N) ©		Dateline Extra ©		Dateline Extra: “In the Bedroom.” © ★		
	MTV	Ridiculous.   Ridiculous.		Ridiculous.   Ridiculous.		Ridiculous.   Ridiculous.		Ridiculous.
	NATGEO	Wicked Tuna ©		Wicked Tuna (N) ©		Extreme Rescues (N) ©   W. Tuna ★		
NBCSCH	Chicago Bulls Classic					White Sox Rewind From May 5, 2005. ★		
NICK	The SpongeBob Musical: Live on Stage! ©					Friends ©   Friends ©   Friends ©		
OVATION	★ (6) Eat Pray Love (PG-13, ’10) ★★		Julia Roberts.		Doc Hollywood (PG-13, ’91) ★★			
OWN	20/20: Homicide		20/20: Homicide		20/20: Homicide		Homicide ★	
OXY	★ Kim Kardashian West (N)			Kim Kardashian West: The Justice Project ©		Cold ★		
PARMT	Bar Rescue ©		Bar Rescue ©		Bar Rescue (N) ©		Rescue ★	
SYFY	Sharknado (NR, ’13) ★		Tara Reid, Ian Ziering. ©		Sharknado 2: The Second One (’14) ★★			
TBS	★ (6) Central Intelligence		Last O.G.   Last O.G.		Last O.G.   Last O.G.   Last O.G.			
TCM	Move Over, Darling (NR, ’63) ★★		Doris Day. ©		The Thrill of It All (NR, ’63) ★★			
TLC	90 Day Fiance: Before the 90 Days (N)					(9:04) Sister Wives (N)		
TLN	IMPACT   Manna Rest		In Grace   Turning Point ©		Prayer		King	
TNT	Black Panther (PG-13, ’18) ★★			Chadwick Boseman, Michael B. Jordan. ©		Wolverine ★		
TOON	Final Space   Final Space		Amer. Dad   Amer. Dad		Family Guy   Family Guy		Rick, Morty   Paranorm. ★	
TRAV	Paranormal Ca.			Paranormal Caught on Camera (N) ©				
TVL	Raymond   Raymond		Raymond   Raymond		Two Men   Two Men		Two Men	
USA	Law & Order   Law & Order: SVU		SVU   Law & Order		Law & Order: SVU		Law-SVU   Law-SVU	
VH1	Wild ‘n Out   Wild ‘n Out		Wild ‘n Out   Wild ‘n Out		Wild ‘n Out   Wild ‘n Out		Wild ‘n Out	
WE	Law & Order ©		Law & Order: “Born Bad.”		Law & Order ©		Law ★	
WGN America	Last Man   Last Man		Last Man   Last Man		Last Man   Last Man		Married	
PREMIUM	HBO	Atlanta’s Missing (Series Premiere) (N)		Westworld (N) ©		Atlanta’s Missing		Last Week
	HBO2	★ (6:45) Hall Pass (R, ’11) ★★		© True Lies (R, ’94) ★★		Arnold Schwarzenegger. © ★		
	MAX	The Favourite (R, ’18) ★★			★ ★ ★ Olivia Colman.		American Dreamz (PG-13, ’06) ★★	
	SHO	VICE (N) ©   VICE ©		(8:05) Homeland (N) ©		Black Mon   Black Mon		Homeland ★
	STARZ	Outlander ©		(7:57) Outlander ©		(8:56) Outlander ©		Outlander ★
STZNC	★ (6:06) The River Wild		The Accused (R, ’88) ★★		★ ★ ★ Kelly McGillis. ©			

## Actors, from Previous Page

“It dawned on me, none of my children can leave the house because you’re all senior citizens.” (Laughs) So she still has her sense of humor about things.

**How are you staying creative?** Well, I think it’s totally creative to go through a room and throw away (crap) you don’t need! (Laughs)

I actually was going to do a play in upstate New York at Vassar during my hiatus and I don’t know what’s happening with that. It’s a two-character piece with Charlayne Woodard and it’s a lovely play that she wrote called “The Garden.”

So I don’t know if that’s going to happen with everything going on. It was supposed to be in June. Hopefully things will work out.

**Are there ways you’ve been able to help others?** I’m ashamed to say I haven’t just yet.

When I pay my dues for the Screen Actors Guild and Actors Equity, I put an extra donation in with that. But I’m not much of a delivery person, especially because I have underlying conditions, so I don’t want a lot of things coming into the house that have been touched by others.

I’m really just sort of getting myself regulated and figuring out how to be helpful. I do sew as well, so I’m thinking maybe I’ll sew some masks.

**What have you been watching on TV?** I’m bingeing shows that friends of mine are in, like “Queen Sugar,” which is on Hulu. I’ll watch maybe two or three episodes a day and I’ll do that while I’m cleaning up.

## Brian Tee (Ethan Choi on ‘Chicago Med’)

**Where are you?** I’m at home in Valley Village, California, which is Los Angeles.

**Do you share your home with anyone?** My wife, my 4 1/2-year-old daughter and my parents, who are 75 and 85.

**Do you have a daily routine?** The only routine that I have is I feel like I have to do something physical every day. On a normal day I would go to the gym or go on a hike, so being at home I’ve had to be a lot more self-sufficient — a lot more pushups, a lot more things like that. But as far as routine goes, it’s almost nice *not* to have a routine. It’s nice to be spontaneous.



Brian Tee as Ethan Choi on “Chicago Med.”

But I will say we recently added puppy to the mix, so that occupies a lot of my time. I’ve never had a dog as an adult, and from what I’ve read schedule is a big deal. So we’re trying to create a schedule for the puppy, which inevitably creates a schedule for us.

And there’s some structure to the day for the toddler. She’s in pre-K, so the school system has been great in offering online schoolwork. Sometimes they all get online together and have activities to do. That’s from about 10:30 to noon, then lunch, a nap and then playtime.

**Because you have older parents, are you being extra careful?** My father has a little bit of a respiratory problem, and my mother had quadruple bypass not too long ago. So that, plus the age, means they are definitely immunocompromised, so we’re super hyper-aware. So much so that we’ve sort of packed up for the long haul in terms of necessities and we’ve scheduled ourselves to be in quarantine for about a month straight.

We’re not leaving the house. Luckily we’re all together. My heart goes out to the elderly who aren’t with their kin or children.

But for my daughter, this is the greatest thing on earth because Dad works in Chicago, and now we’re all together as a family. This is like Disneyland for my daughter.

**Are you planning meals or improvising?** We’re improvising each day. A lot of soups, oddly.

Soups are time-consuming to make — we’re cutting a lot of vegetables — so it’s something to do that fills your day. It brings the family together. And if you make a big pot, soups last for a while. So we definitely do a dinner ritual where we’re cooking together.

Before this, we didn’t have a structured dinner — everyone was doing their own thing, so we kind of would eat on the run. But now there’s nowhere to run; we’re all here. So it’s created this amazing unity of sorts. My mom is an exceptional cook. Back in the day, she and my grandmother owned a restaurant.

**Are there ways you’ve been able to help others?** I’ve thought about that a lot. One of things I’m going to do is a PSA for the Illinois Broadcasters Association. I did one two years ago about the Zika virus, and we’re going to do another one for corona: Here’s what it is, here’s what it isn’t, stay informed. It’s not even because I play a doctor on TV, but as someone in the entertainment industry, if I’m going to vocalize something, I want to help spread awareness.

**How are you staying creative?** I have been writing some television and film projects. Being an ethnic minority, Asian American, I feel like the industry has started to open the doors, at the very least, to hear our stories and I feel like I have a particularly distinct one. So I’ve been working on some projects, and now is a time to hone them.

**What have you been**



Nick Gehlfuss as Will Halstead on “Chicago Med.” Originally from Ohio, Gehlfuss has made Chicago his home.

**watching on TV?** I haven’t been watching much. I mean, I’ve been watching “Chicago Fire,” “Med” and “P.D.” of course. But I’m more of a doer, and when you’re home, there’s always something you’ve been putting off that needs doing, whether it’s cleaning out the garage or working in the yard. I’m very lucky that within my own home I have people to connect with and a lot of things to do, both physically and creatively.

## Nick Gehlfuss (Will Halstead on ‘Chicago Med’)

**Where are you?** Chicago  
**Do you share your home with anyone?** I live with my wife and two dogs. And a lot of plants.

**Do you have a daily routine?** I do think it’s important to establish a routine and I think deep down we all need one, especially depending on how long this is going to go on. Even if it’s just keeping to a bedtime and making sure you’re eating a balanced diet. And because gyms are closed, I’ve been really creative in terms of how I work out at home.

This is an extremely challenging time period, and it goes against our instincts because we’re social creatures. My family lives in Ohio, and that’s hard. But FaceTime is amazing. I’ll call my brother and say, “Hey, do you want to have a drink tonight?” And we’ll just sit in our chairs and toast.

I fought the urge to go home to

Ohio because my mom is still working. She works at the Cleveland Clinic, and my father is a plumber and he’s still doing some emergency jobs, so they’re still around other people. My mom works in the oncology ward, so what she’s dealing with is terminal illness and those that need their chemo. That’s just hard in itself.

**Are there ways you’ve been able to help others?** I’m part of Big Brothers Big Sisters, and I mentor a boy named Mekhi, so I’m going to FaceTime him in a little bit. He’s 13, and I want to check and see how he’s feeling about all of this and check in with his mom. I’ve been able to lay roots in Chicago and I’m proud to feel like I’m part of the community.

I know how difficult this is for people who are living paycheck to paycheck, and maybe they don’t have people to talk to in their homes, and I would just stress that mental health needs to be a priority. Therapists are doing a lot of telehealth right now — I have a therapist and just spoke with them on Zoom — and I think everyone could benefit from it a little bit.

You don’t have to feel socially isolated just because you are physically. There was a birthday for my uncle with all my family over Zoom. It was 20 videos going at once; no one could hear a word from anybody. So it wasn’t too far off from what it’s like when we actually get together in person (laughs).

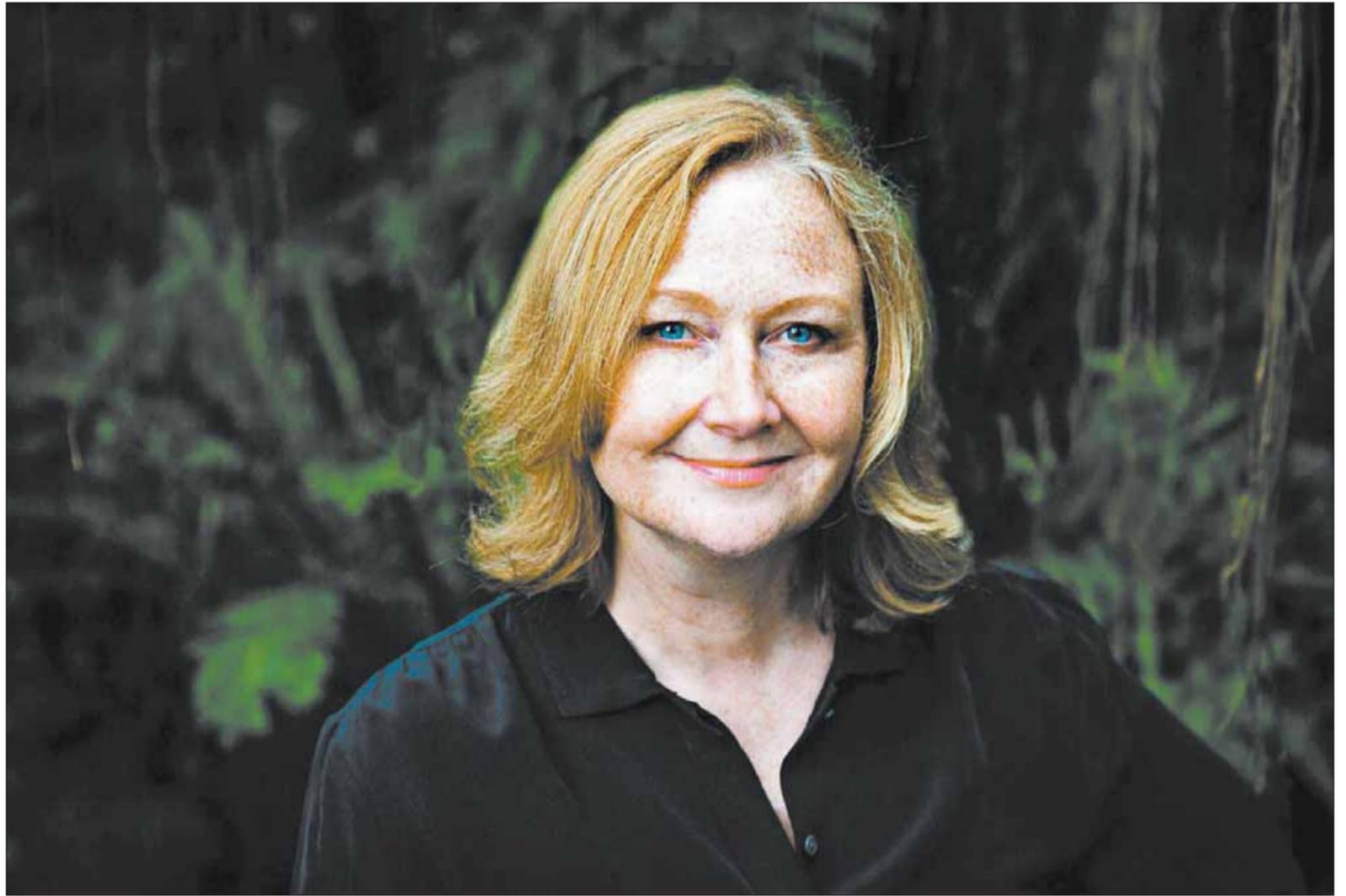
**How are you staying creative?** I love music. I taught myself how to play guitar, and it’s been a medicinal and therapeutic thing. A new skill I’m teaching myself is how to record and produce, since I’ve got some equipment at home that I’ve gathered over the years.

**What have you been watching on TV?** I’ve been watching these MasterClasses: Hans Zimmer on music; David Mamet on dramatic writing and also Aaron Sorkin. I also started watching “Glow” on Netflix, and that’s really fun. I watched a movie called “The Lighthouse” directed by Robert Eggers with Willem Dafoe and Robert Pattinson. I really liked that, though it may not be everyone’s cup of tea.

And I do find that I need to go toward comedy, so I’ll rewatch episodes of “The Office” or I actually love “Cheers.”

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## BOOKS



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Elizabeth Wetmore is the author of "Valentine," which is set in Odessa, Texas, in the 1970s. Wetmore is a West Texas native who now lives in Chicago.

# Powerful portrait of West Texas

Wetmore's debut novel has deeply realized characters

BY KATHLEEN ROONEY

Situated in the heart of oil country, Odessa, Texas, is said to have been named after Odessa, Ukraine, because of the short-grass prairie's resemblance to the desolate, flat and unforested steppes. In her gripping and complex debut novel, "Valentine," set in the West Texas city in the 1970s, Elizabeth Wetmore evokes that landscape's rugged isolation as well as the power that terrain holds over its inhabitants.

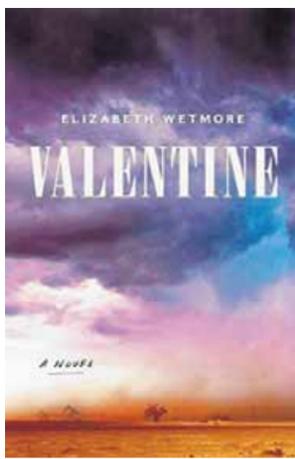
This is a place where "daylight reveals miles of pumpjacks and oil-field litter, jackrabbits and barbed-wire fences, clumps of mesquite trees and buffalo grass," and where the night sky is "uninterrupted by anything except the occasional glow of red or blue when casinghead gases are being flared off."

The action opens in February 1976, the morning after Valentine's Day, when 14-year-old Gloria Ramirez has been beaten and raped by an oil-rig worker named Dale Strickland. The brutal crime fractures the town, calling race,

class and gender resentments to the surface. For years to come, Gloria's name "will hover like a swarm of yellow jackets over the local girls, her story a warning about what not to do, what never to do."

After opening forcefully in Gloria's perspective, Wetmore's kaleidoscopic narration rotates among several other area women, revealing the town and its tensions from an array of perspectives. First, there's Mary Rose, the 26-year-old rancher's wife whose farmhouse is the one Gloria comes to in the wake of her assault, and who becomes a key witness in the prosecution of Strickland. Next, there's Corinne Shephard, a tough old ex-schoolteacher whose beloved husband, Potter, has just taken his own life in the face of his terminal diagnosis with a rare form of cancer. Having taught countless young women like Gloria and Mary Rose, Corinne observes, gazing at the Bunny Club, "a strip club sharing a parking lot with the mobile library" that "it is a damned miracle (...) that any girl in Odessa makes it out alive."

Then, there's Corinne's neighbor on Larkspur Lane: 10-year-old Debra Ann Pierce, who goes by D.A. — a precocious kid and voracious reader with a sophis-



## 'Valentine'

By Elizabeth Wetmore, Harper, 320 pages, \$26.99

ticated moral compass, neglected and underestimated by the grown-ups around her. Everybody, she notes, "is talking about the girl who was kidnapped and attacked. She was raped — the adults think D.A. doesn't understand, but she's no dummy." So too is there Ginny, D.A.'s mother who has left her husband and

daughter — at least temporarily — taking "five hundred dollars from their joint account and one of the road atlases from the family bookcase" in order to drive "out of West Texas as if her life depends upon it."

Additionally, Wetmore — a West Texas native who now lives in Chicago — weaves in the voices of Suzanne Ledbetter, a holier-than-thou housewife and busybody who strives for financial independence by selling Avon and Tupperware, and last but not least, the first-person-plural voices of the waitress co-workers of Karla, the ex-bartender at the country club where Corinne sometimes drinks.

Each of these women is up against inequalities and injustices, and Wetmore treats their struggles with the gravitas they deserve. But so too is her narration lively and comic, interjecting her characters' perspectives with humor that serves to underscore their anger and sadness. Of the alcoholism she's developed in her husband's absence, for instance, "Corinne would gladly explain to anybody who cared to ask, 'I am not a drunk, I'm just drinking all the time. There is a world of difference between the two.'"

Wetmore's delight in language enlivens every page. Her similes

would give Raymond Chandler a run for his money, as when she writes that to the hungover Corinne, "the day is lit up like an interrogation room, the sun a fierce bulb in an otherwise empty sky," or that "outside of Ginny's windshield, the I-20 lies stretched out like a dead body." Or, more earthily, that the gas-fume stink of the region is "like every cow in West Texas farted at the same time."

As Gloria's case goes to trial and reaches a disappointing but unsurprising conclusion, Wetmore delivers not merely a condemnation of one unusually bad man, but rather a scalding critique of a racist, patriarchal and capitalist system that excuses male rapaciousness and greed at the expense of women, immigrants and the planet itself.

"Every book has at least one good thing," D. A. tells her misfit friend Jesse, a generous idea for a reader to hold. With its deeply realized characters, moral intricacy, brilliant writing and a page-turning plot, "Valentine" rewards its readers' generosity with innumerable good things in glorious abundance.

Kathleen Rooney's latest novel, "Cher Ami and Major Whittlesey," is forthcoming in August.

## REVIEW

# N.K. Jemisin comes down to earth in new novel

BY GARY K. WOLFE

After becoming the first African American writer to win the coveted Hugo Award for best novel, the first writer ever to win three consecutive best novel Hugos, and the subject of a long profile in *The New Yorker*, N.K. Jemisin is arguably the most prominent science-fiction writer to emerge so far in the 21st century. Set on an imaginary planet facing catastrophic climate changes, Jemisin's award-sweeping "Broken Earth" trilogy was impressive in part because of its complex characterization and its meticulously detailed world-building, as were her earlier fantasy novels.

The world she portrays in her new novel is a lot closer to home. "The City We Became" is partly a spectacular love letter to New York City in all its diversity, partly the beginning of a new fantasy trilogy, and partly a horror story with roots that go back as far as H.P. Lovecraft. The central notion is that at some point in its history, each great city achieves consciousness and becomes a living being, embodied in an avatar who may otherwise be an ordinary, anonymous citizen.

This moment of awakening

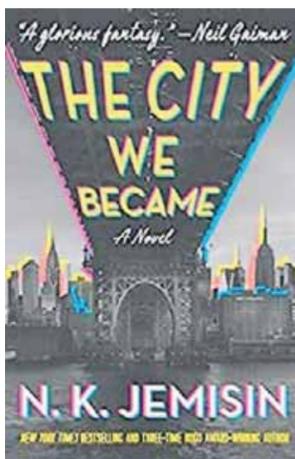


N.K. JEMISIN

Fantasy author N.K. Jemisin

doesn't seem to depend on such mundane matters as population or geographical size, which may explain why Paris or Lagos got there before New York. The most recently awakened city, Sao Paulo, sends its avatar (named Paulo, of course) to help the New Yorkers through the change, because this moment of transformation is also a hazardous moment of vulnerability, during which ancient evil forces may try to swoop in and remake the city in their own image.

New York, however, is a city made up of other cities, so it gets six avatars — one for each of the five boroughs and one for the city as a whole. Jemisin doesn't try to be subtle about the names of the avatars: Bronca is director of the Bronx Art Center, Brooklyn is the



## 'The City We Became'

By N.K. Jemisin, Orbit, 448 pages, \$28

actual name of a once-famous rapper who later became political, an immigrant Tamil mathematician named Padmini becomes the "Queen of Queens," a grad student who shows up in Manhattan having lost his memory becomes Manny, and Staten Island is a rather sheltered young Irish

American girl named Aislyn.

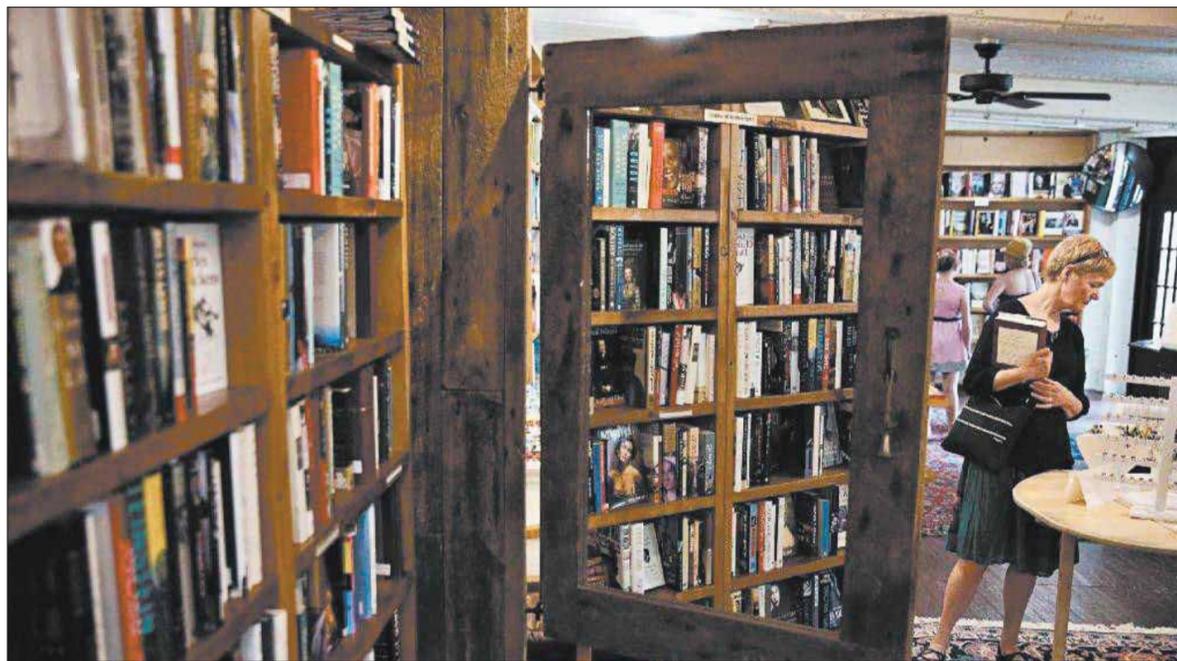
The first avatar we meet, though, is a homeless young man who turns out to be "the primary," representing the whole city, as he's being pursued by a monstrous, many-legged creature he calls the Mega-Cop. The other avatars also are plagued by visions only they can see, usually involving sickly white tendrils or growths that can emerge from cars, buildings or even people. These are associated with a terrifying villain called the Woman in White, the main embodiment of the Lovecraftian horrors infiltrating the city as it comes alive.

What is most remarkable, given the pulp energy of this classic struggle against eldritch evils, is that "The City We Became" is also an astute interrogation of the realities of New York life. The city Jemisin portrays is not a generic comic-book metropolis like — well, Metropolis — but rather a living, breathing portrait of the actual city where Jemisin has lived for years. Some of the challenges its characters face are all too recognizable, from political corruption to real estate chicanery to racism and white supremacy. Bronca, for example, is faced with a dilemma when a representative of a shady founda-

tion offers to contribute millions of dollars to her art center on the condition that they mount an exhibit of a racist art collective. The offer is made by a Dr. White — clearly a version of the Woman in White, and a reminder that the forces that might destroy a city's culture aren't always supernatural monsters.

Jemisin's characters are far more than allegories, although each rather cleverly reflects their respective boroughs. Aislyn shares Staten Island's feeling of being a stepchild to the rest of the city — which she says "can go hang" — while Bronca reminds us that "the Bronx don't trust nobody but the Bronx." As these characters find each other and become aware of their own individual powers, they form a kind of fellowship to protect the city from the forces represented by the Woman in White, setting up what promises to be even more momentous challenges in subsequent volumes.

For readers who might find the complex alien worlds of Jemisin's earlier novels daunting, "The City We Became" is meticulously grounded in the familiar, but is just as wildly imaginative and thought-provoking — and a lot of fun along the way.



A customer browses at Bookends &amp; Beginnings bookstore in 2014 in Evanston.

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They need us, and we'll need them when the virus lockdown is finally over

BY JOHN WARNER

When it became clear that I would be sheltering in place for an extended period of time I knew I needed three things:

■ Baskin-Robbins mint chocolate chip ice cream.

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■ Books.

Baskin-Robbins ice cream has been one of my chief comfort foods ever since I can remember. I recognize there is higher quality ice cream in the world, but there is none better. I don't even eat it every day. I need to have it just in case.

Just like books.

The closing of nonessential retail stores is a necessity as we try to work collectively to minimize the hardship and death from the coronavirus pandemic, and as much as I believe books are essential, they aren't.

However, our independent bookstores are essential to the long-term health of our communities, and just like all local businesses, the current crisis is a threat.

We are currently living through an object lesson in how important institutions

are to the well-being of our communities and what happens when our most important institutions (like the presidency) don't uphold their responsibilities.

This is why I believe it is vital that those of us who are capable do what we can to help support our local businesses through this crisis. We're going to need them when we get the all-clear signal, and very few of them have the cushion to survive without revenue for weeks or months. Imagine leaving your home after a month inside and not having your favorite shop waiting for you.

The way to do that is to keep buying books. We've all got some extra time on our hands that needs occupying, so consider it a win-win.

Lots of Chicago bookstores are offering varieties of curbside pickup and home delivery.

For those who still prefer shopping online, now is a particularly great time to break any Amazon habit and switch to Bookshop.org. As I wrote previously, Bookshop is the Rebel Alliance to Amazon's Empire, and each purchase funnels proceeds to independent bookstores.

Because of the crisis, Amazon has deprioritized the shipping of nonessential items, leading to potential monthlong delays for books. For the time being, it is not the most timely and efficient way to get books shipped to your door. And sadly, Amazon

workers are falling ill with the coronavirus, working in conditions that are likely not conducive to social distancing and infection prevention.

But Bookshop is filled with independent booksellers selling books. That's what they're there for.

To help encourage this transition and kick things off, I've opened the official The Biblioracle Recommends Bookstore at Bookshop.org. I'll have running lists of my most recent four weeks of recommended books from this space, as well as my steadily accruing books of the year.

I'll be adding more special lists as we go as I realize my dream of being a (virtual) bookseller. All the affiliate income I earn through The Biblioracle Recommends Bookstore will be donated to Chicago's Open Books, a nonprofit literacy organization.

If you're anything like me, even if you are healthy and safe (knock on wood), you've been feeling uncertain and overwhelmed about what's going on in the world, with more weeks of the unknown to come.

I know I feel better when I do what I can to help others. Helping our bookstores is something I can do.

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## Book recommendations from the Biblioracle

John Warner tells you what to read based on the last five books you've read.

1. "The Rainbow" by D.H. Lawrence
  2. "As I Lay Dying" by William Faulkner
  3. "1984" by George Orwell
  4. "The Age of Surveillance Capitalism: The Fight for a Human Future at the New Frontier of Power" by Shoshana Zuboff
  5. "Cry, The Beloved Country" by Alan Paton
- Lucy D., Wheaton

Yaa Gyasi has a new book coming out in the fall, which is exciting news for us fans of "Homegoing" — which I believe will appeal to Lucy.

1. "The Western Wind" by Samantha Harvey
  2. "Frankenstein" by Jeanette Winter-son
  3. "Nothing to See Here" by Kevin Wilson
  4. "The Bear" by Andrew Krivak
  5. "The Dutch House" by Ann Patchett
- Julie G., Chicago

I think Julie will run with the combination of psychological suspense and straight-up delightful weirdness of Lydia Millet's "Sweet Lamb of Heaven."

1. "The Cold Way Home" by Julia Keller
  2. "The Tennis Partner" by Abraham Verghese
  3. "Disappearing Earth" by Julia Phillips
  4. "Safe Houses" by Dan Fesperman
  5. "Thirteen Ways of Looking" by Colum McCann
- Mary G., Rockford

How nice to see Julia Keller, former cultural critic for this here newspaper and a Pulitzer Prize winner, in this list. Seeing the television adaptation of Philip Roth's "The Plot Against America" unfold has reminded me how fine the book is. I think Mary will take to it as well.

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## Feeding momentum for foreign films

US exhibitors hope success of 'Parasite' translates into openness to subtitles

BY AKIVA GOTTLIEB  
Variety

Driven by excellent reviews, steady word-of-mouth and an energetic marketing campaign, Bong Joon Ho's "Parasite" was, by many measures, 2019's most surprising success story. The class-conscious South Korean thriller earned more than \$50 million at the U.S. box office and became the first foreign-language film to win the Oscar for best picture.

As the film concludes its theatrical run, the question remains: Was "Parasite" a fluke, driven by a deliciously suspenseful storyline and director Bong's brand-name auteur status? Or are American audiences primed to continue turning subtitled films into blockbusters?

Specialty exhibitors across the country would love nothing more than to keep the momentum going.

"I think we're always a bit surprised when something breaks through to the extent that 'Parasite' did," says Greg Laemmle, president of the 81-year-old Los Angeles art house chain Laemmle Theatres. "We've never seen a film from (South) Korea do over \$2 (million) or \$3 million at the U.S. box office, and to see something move that by a whole order of magnitude is really impressive."

Russ Collins, CEO/executive director of the Michigan Theater in Ann Arbor says, "Parasite" caught on with college students as well as mainstream art house audiences. It jumped when we first opened it and was very well-attended. It was right up there with 'Star Wars' in our particular case."

Collins' theaters are just steps from the University of Michigan campus, and over the past couple of decades, he's worked with foreign-

language departments to build attendance for international programs and festivals. As a curator, he's tried to broaden horizons, introducing French films to high school students and anime classics to college freshmen.

For Laemmle, whose theaters' slogan is "Not Afraid of Subtitles," the LA audience has never been resistant to international programming, and he says that the breadth of foreign options on streaming services has helped expand tastes further.

"We've been operating for 80 years with the premise that Americans should enjoy subtitled films, that it shouldn't be a barrier. And in many respects, the barrier, at least from a commercial standpoint, was access."

Looking from the distribution side, Tom Bernard, co-president and co-founder of Sony Pictures Classics — one of the most significant players in foreign-language cinema — says a current "disaster" facing subtitled films is the collapse of newspapers, the death of alt-weeklies and the diminished sway of film critics.

"This is the biggest problem I see in exhibition today," Bernard says. "It's a huge problem for any specialized product that's not Marvel or 'Star Wars.' You (used to have) the newspapers and the critics, you had all that media that you read on a weekly basis that informs you when the movie was opening."

In other ways, though, Bernard feels the terrain is getting friendlier. The previous touchstone in terms of a foreign-language blockbuster was Ang Lee's martial-arts epic "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon," which grossed \$128 million at the U.S. box office after Sony Classics released it in



"Parasite," which earned more than \$50 million at the U.S. box office, turned director Bong Joon Ho into a household name.



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On Feb. 9, Bong Joon Ho accepts the Oscar for Best International Feature Film for "Parasite," which won four awards.

2000.

"If you look at 'Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon,' it was in the same position as 'Parasite' in terms of the awards season," Bernard says. "It was going up against 'Gladiator,' and there was lots of talk of it winning best picture. But the demographics of the Academy have changed dramatically since that

day."

In addition, exhibitors no longer shy away from foreign-language films. "That was a problem back in the day," he says. "And they've come around. All the major circuits now have an outlet for specialized product."

For Jeff Bock, an analyst with Exhibitor Relations, it's telling that "Crouching

Tiger," a 20-year-old film, is the nearest available comparison for the success of "Parasite."

"Parasite" is a massive outlier," Bock says. "I don't think even [the distributor] Neon was expecting this kind of box office performance, much less the attention. When we look at the historical box office of foreign films, there are certain peaks, but they're very few and far between. We can go back to 'Like Water for Chocolate' and 'Il Postino' in the early '90s, and, obviously, 'Life Is Beautiful.' But we're talking years apart and sometimes decades apart."

Now that "Parasite" has turned its director into a household name, it's possible that his next film could match its success. Bong has worked in English before ("Snowpiercer," "Okja"), and he could do so again.

"If Bong decides to keep working out of Korea and

keep doing the films that he does that would be phenomenal for the foreign-language film," Bock says. "That said, there's going to be a lot of money thrown at him by Hollywood to get him to do his next film in English."

Neon was already trying to parlay its "Parasite" success into the release of another well-reviewed subtitled film, Celine Sciamma's "Portrait of a Lady on Fire." The French period piece had already grossed \$3.7 million in the U.S. until its climb was halted by theater closures.

"Yes, ('Lady') made it into multiplexes and mostly because of the success of 'Parasite.' You will see exhibitors give these films more of a chance, but unless there's another hit like 'Parasite,' that window is going to dwindle quickly. And that's how it's always been, at least over the last 30 years, for subtitled films."



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From left, Bobby Lewis holds his trumpets at his Wilmette home March 30; jazz singer Frieda Lee stands in the lobby of The Breakers, a Chicago independent living residence, March 30; pianist Erwin Helfer, 84, who is quarantining himself, sits on the steps of his Chicago home March 27.

# Chicago's elder jazz musicians

They play not just for money, but for time — and yearn to return to the stage



HOWARD REICH

In jazz, it's all about the gig. Getting it, getting ready for it, playing it, taking a bow, doing it again tomorrow night.

That all ended in mid-March, when Gov. J.B. Pritzker shut down clubs and concert halls in order to slow the spread of the coronavirus. And though that essential move inevitably posed financial and emotional stresses for jazz musicians, the elders have faced a unique set of circumstances.

Because when you're in your 80s and 90s, you're playing not just for money but for time. There are only so many gigs left to go, and each one is precious.

So though the senior Chicago jazz musicians I spoke with wholly support the shutdown and said they were comfortable at home, they yearn to get back onstage, now more than ever.

"Playing adds a dimension to my life ... it adds years to my life," said 84-year-old Chicago blues and boogie piano master Erwin Helfer, who until the shutdown played weekly gigs at the Hungry Brain and periodically elsewhere. "Otherwise, I'd be sitting around here (goofing) around and doing nothing."

"When I get there, I realize the meaningfulness of it. ... I really would like to play again, so that

people will become happier and sadder, because there's so much emotion and music. The joy and deep sadness are all part of our being."

Revered Chicago guitarist George Freeman was to have marked his 93rd birthday with his annual celebration April 10-11 at the Green Mill Jazz Club. For him, that canceled engagement would have been more than a chance to play for the public: It was an opportunity to expand his art.

"I was looking forward to the Green Mill, that's the truth," Freeman said. "I was going to play these low notes. It was going to be something new and different!"

"In all this trouble, I'm doing fine. I've got people bringing me food over. Lots of people help me out. The musicians help me out. It's been just great. You never know how great it is until you get into a position like this."

"But I miss playing jazz clubs, sure I do. ... I'm very anxious to play in the clubs and very anxious to play with other musicians."

The widely admired 84-year-old Chicago jazz trumpeter Bobby Lewis lost several major gigs he'd been booked to play in March and April, meaning he has lost moments that never will be recaptured. Among them was a four-night run at the Jazz Showcase, which he considers "one of the greatest jazz rooms in the world," and a performance with Orbert Davis' enormous Chicago Jazz Philharmonic, which would have enabled Lewis to savor "all the beautiful sounds coming from

in back of you."

Those shows "were important in my life — and just about any gig I play now is important," Lewis said.

"When players get older, a lot of them don't have any place to play, so they kind of give up their instruments. Then the endurance isn't there. But I just love to play."

"You have great nights and you have good nights. Hopefully you don't have bad nights. But you can say, after you play a solo: 'Wow, I played that pretty well.'"

"It's just reassuring to play for an audience. That's why I like playing gigs. It's a thrill for me to still be able to play at a level that I want, that's still agreeable to me."

Meaning that even a musician as accomplished and seasoned as Lewis — who has performed with Tony Bennett, Ella Fitzgerald, Sarah Vaughan, Peggy Lee, Lena Horne and other legends — needs to know he still can do it when the pressure is on. All the more when gigs are fewer than in the old days.

For to go onstage is to conduct a very public battle with your instrument, at a time of life when your stamina, physical strength and technical nimbleness typically are not what they were half a century ago. Anyone who's still working in their 80s and 90s already transcends expectations, but that doesn't mean the struggle gets any easier. Quite the contrary.

"Dizzy Gillespie said sometimes you put the horn to your chops, and it feels good, and you win," said Lewis, quoting one of the 20th century's most brilliant jazz trumpeters. "And then some-

times you put your horn up there, and nothing happens, and the horn wins."

"And you go through life: You win, the horn wins. And in the end you die, and the horn wins."

Until that moment, though, the elders want to squeeze as much music out of their instruments — whether horn, piano, voice or others — as humanly possible. For though casual listeners might not realize it, the old masters are sweating to hone their art every bit as much as their younger counterparts, if not more.

"I have even seen an improvement in tonality," said the superb 80-year-old jazz singer Frieda Lee, who played her last show before the shutdown on March 13 and had gigs lined up for March 19, 21, 22, 23, 27 and 30.

"I said: 'Wow.' It's kind of scary, because you look at the number of years. And I think, wow, I'm still holding in there pretty good!"

"I'm still nervous," before performing, added Lee. "Nervous as if I were going to go in front of Carnegie Hall. It doesn't make any difference what the venue is."

"When it's time to perform for something big, I have to have my cheat sheet. I don't necessarily have to use it. I just have to have my lyrics somewhere, so I can keep peeping at them."

Even with all these gigs canceled, however, the musicians remain optimistic about their art and their future prospects.

Some, such as Lewis, find solace simply by practicing in solitude.

"That's my enjoyment," Lewis said. "I like to associate it as a

world that's all mine, that nobody can come into while I'm playing, and I immerse myself in that."

Nonagenarian guitarist Freeman practices every day "on ballads, standards," he said, in addition to writing original compositions.

Being at home "is not hard at all," he added. "When you've got the guitar, you can practice. Something new comes to your mind, I'm telling you it's wonderful. It's wonderful to have something to look forward to doing every day, because these are hard times, as you know, terrible times."

Vocalist Lee doesn't rehearse every day but sings whenever she's working toward a project or a specific concert. Otherwise she scours YouTube for clips of musicians she admires and watches "old movies — movies of the '30s, '40s and '50s, especially the film noir," which reflect much of her repertoire's era.

As for trumpeter Lewis, "I don't practice jazz — I practice the technique required to play jazz," he said.

All look forward to the next time someone says: show time. For even in the winter of their years, they desire to lift up their listeners as only musicians can.

"I used to have an instructor in college who said, 'Applause is your ham sandwich,'" Lewis said.

"In other words, that's what you live for — playing for people and having them hear you and making them happy."

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## Jones

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shows into the future rather than nix them entirely.

Semantics are important. And it's a tricky scheduling job.

Most theaters have moved into cash-preservation mode, which means minimizing expenses, most of which are personnel-based, and trying to hold on to crucial subscription income, which means still trying to deliver to audiences everything that has been paid for in advance.

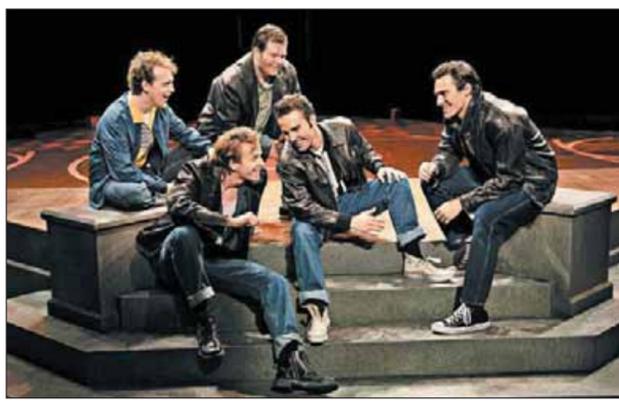
Tim Rater, the CEO of the Paramount Theatre in Aurora, says that it costs at least \$250,000 a week to maintain the empty theater's operations, even with a greatly reduced staff. A healthy nonprofit like Paramount can tolerate that for a while, he said, especially with government or philanthropic relief, but if weeks turn into months without shows, that could mean millions of dollars on the wrong side of the ledger for an institution with an annual budget of \$23 million.

"People are just not going to come back unless they feel safe," Rater said. "The real endgame here is a vaccine."

Already, Paramount has postponed its fall plans for a new "bold" series of plays in the renovated Copley Theatre across the street, and Rater is worrying about Aurora's outdoor summer concert series, which the Paramount programs.

"It broke my heart to postpone those plays," he said. "But the bottom line is that we just don't think we can sell new subscriptions in this environment."

All theaters can do is move online, and some, such as Time-



LIZ LAUREN

The cast of the now-shuttered "Grease" at the Marriott Theatre in suburban Lincolnshire.

Line Theatre, 16th Street Theater and Theater Wit, have been streaming previously filmed performances or other material from their archives.

But while those endeavors keep a theater in the public eye and give staffers work from home, the space is growing crowded and it is increasingly difficult to get media attention for, say, a show from the archives, especially when that throws theatrical content into a losing battle with movies and television. It is a situation akin to a high-end restaurant offering takeout. It is something, and it keeps a business connected to its most loyal customers, but it is not the core and it won't be enough over the long term.

So where are the proverbial shoots of green?

Many theaters say that their longtime supporters are, in Rater's words, "hanging in there with us," generously tolerating schedule changes and accepting credits for future performances rather than demanding coffer-depleting

refunds. Lipuma says that the crisis has brought her theater in closer communication with its community. And PJ Powers, the artistic director of Timeline, says his theater is determined to weather this crisis, even though Timeline is in the midst of trying to fundraise for a new home in Uptown that it already has purchased.

Several theaters, including Steppenwolf Theatre Company and Northlight Theatre, are having to deal with the complication of real-estate expansion plans, proceeding at what has turned out to be the worst possible moment.

"But we are still going ahead," Powers said.

Some theaters say they will be able to ramp up quickly as soon as they get the go-ahead to bring back shows. The Goodman Theatre's executive director, Roche Schulfer, says that his theater has at least two rehearsed shows in the wings that could be brought up to speed quickly once it's safe

to do so, thus avoiding the long runway time that has been a factor in the decision of many summer operations to cancel their season.

"I do think that when it is safe for us to start gathering we will be able to start up sooner rather than later," Schulfer said.

The Goodman's board of directors, he said, has made a commitment to retain all its full-time staffers through at least the middle of April, as have several other theaters. Schulfer has also been talking to banks about taking on debt as well as sorting through the various governmental aid packages that are rolling out, especially for organizations trying to retain employees. But there is a lot, he admits, that he cannot predict when spring rolls inexorably into early summer.

When will audiences, especially the older demographic that dominates theatergoers, feel comfortable? When will politicians feel it right to loosen restrictions enough to support mass gatherings? How can theaters even contemplate rehearsals requiring intimate behavior without assurances of actor safety?

These are the questions that float in the air as staffers talk into their laptops.

Will the more vulnerable institutions be able to survive this crisis? Or will Chicago see a painful culling of its cultural mainstays? It is impossible to know, but danger signs abound.

On the other hand, Schulfer says, there is likely to be massive demand for live entertainment once a cooped-up populace is finally freed from basements, apartments and family rooms.

"We do not appreciate what we have until we lose it," he said. "And we have now lost our ability

to come together. At the end of this, screens won't cut it anymore."

It does indeed seem a fair bet that few people will be saying, "I don't want to go out tonight; I am staying home to watch Netflix." The issue, though, is that no one knows when that decision will be available to those with the desire.

Even without a crystal ball, it seems likely people will emerge from their cocoons gradually and that restrictions then will come and go. Theaters might well have a hard time even then, since they aren't viable with just a few well-spaced patrons, as might be possible at a restaurant with well-spaced tables or even at Wrigley Field.

Most likely, outdoor spaces will open first, and small gatherings will be allowed before packed crowds. Henderson says he's hoping that his theater's annual Shakespeare in the Parks shows might turn out to be a viable interim step, since families will be able to sit on their blankets and watch from a distance. Then again, there is no social distancing for actors.

Unless that craft is rethought for a new era. Anything is possible in the middle of April, the cruelest month of 2020.

One thing is for sure: Theaters most certainly will be depending for many weeks on the kindness of strangers. And friends.

James said he filed for unemployment the other day. He encountered a very nice lady on the phone. He gave out details and she told him her aunt and uncle were subscribers at the Marriott, and that they were determined to come back to the theater.

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A Note from Brett Williams 6 Generation owner of Williams Ski and Patio.  
 "During these trying times, we are all looking for some hope. We are all looking for something to do. We are all trying to look towards a day when things seem to go back to normal.

Much is still unclear about what the future holds. How long will social distancing need to be practiced? Our family has been taking the same recommended precautions that experts have been giving.

With all of that said, my family and I are looking forward to the weather warm up in Chicagoland. The prospects of warm weather to get outside after being cooped up for quite a while is what we are hoping for. Not only have the kids gotten restless, but us adults have too.

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mental health. As we navigate through this uncertain time, we plan to take things one day at a time. We want to also be there as much as we can for people who want to create their own backyard retreat and safe-space.

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### In-law learns perils of financial loan

**Dear Amy:** I have loaned an in-law a significant amount of money. While it is not a lot to some people, it is to us.

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If the loan date extended later (like a year beyond that), the interest would be increased.

I decided about three months ago to email them. I got no response. Since then, I have emailed two more times. I finally received a response.

This person is an independent businessperson who is always chasing the first million.

They said that basically the sky is falling. You know — "my car died," "I had to relocate some of my inventory" — one hard luck story after another. While I am sympathetic to their situation, it is not my problem.

My wife is stressing out about this, as she is a very caring woman, much more than I. But I have explained to her that we made the loan together as a family.

I am not sure how to respond to their email, other than to say, "I'm sorry about your current situation, but when can you pay us back?"

I have already explained in detail to the in-law that we moved, and we also had car troubles and issues with our new house and that we needed the money. What should we do?

— Owed

**Dear Owed:** Unfortunately, I think you should prepare yourself for the fact that you are unlikely to

be repaid. You seem to have discussed financing terms with your in-law, but the terms are vague, and you don't mention having any signed agreement.

Also, asking, "When can you pay us back?" invites the answer, "Never." You should convey, "We expect you to begin repaying this loan on [specify a date]. Your monthly payment should be [specify an amount]. If you don't make payments, we have no other choice but to contact a lawyer."

Please — this is an expensive lesson, but in the future — never loan money that you cannot afford to lose.

**Dear Amy:** I was friends with a group of around a dozen women that I met during college 20 years ago. We all stayed friends over the years after graduating, taking trips together, gathering for baby showers and enjoying an annual holiday gathering. I traveled out of town to attend many of their weddings.

Presently, many of these women are married with families. While the planned gatherings lessened over the years (family commitments started to take precedence), the group continued to vacation each summer.

A few years ago, I realized I had been left off the invite list. I know this because pictures are posted on social media.

Another friend has also been ostracized. We aren't sure what happened or what prompted this exclusion. Seeing everyone smiling together on vacation feels like salt in the wound. I long for the days when

I was included. Yet I also think, "Why be friends with a crowd that is no longer welcoming?"

Should I say something to one of the ladies?  
 — Salty Situation

**Dear Salty:** Because you are already being excluded, you don't have much to lose by inquiring about what factors might have led up to it.

I believe the chances of you receiving a straight answer are fairly small, but judicious honesty would open up a conversation — and give you the opportunity you deserve to express yourself. You should email or call the person in this group you are closest to. Say, "I realize this is awkward, but I'm hoping you can explain why I'm no longer included in the group reunion. I really miss this gathering, and if there is a problem, I'd like the opportunity to try to clear it up."

**Dear Amy:** I'd like to add my voice to other readers who were charmed by your recent column, entirely devoted to testimonials from adults about their stuffed animals! Given all the uncertainty we are all currently experiencing, this column brought tears to my eyes!  
 — Trying to Stay Calm

**Dear Trying:** Me, too. But remember — those of us who no longer have our stuffed animals still have each other.

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# BALANCING ACT

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## Lincoln Park couple switches gears, gets married on Zoom

The bride wore white. The cat wore a bowtie. The guests wore pretty much whatever they wanted to wear.

Lincoln Park couple Rachel Jacobs and Aron Croft were scheduled to join in holy matrimony March 28 in an elegant ceremony at the University Club, followed by a Sunday morning celebration at Revolution Brewing in Logan Square.

But the coronavirus put the kibosh on those plans, so they nailed down a new set of dates, reconfigured their various contracts (flowers, music, photographer) and emailed their guests to tell them the wedding was postponed until August. (Surely the world would feel normal by August?)

A few days after establishing the new plan, Jacobs and Croft took a walk through Lincoln Park. The world around them was feeling increasingly chaotic. Schools and restaurants and businesses and parks were closing. The future grew harder by the hour to predict.

Two things they knew for sure: They wanted to spend the rest of their lives together. And they wanted as many of their relatives as possible — especially Croft's 92-year-old grandfather — to witness their vows.

So they emailed all of their guests (plus a few more friends who didn't make the original guest list) with an unconventional ask: Join us, won't you, for a wedding via Zoom webinar?

"People are so cooped up and feeling like lots of things have been canceled, so there was probably even more excitement about doing it this way," Jacobs said. "People would get to see other family members on the Zoom and actually have something to look forward to."

They moved the ceremony back to the original wedding date (March 28). They made sure their officiant (Croft's uncle Dan, internet-ordained for the occasion) was still available. They spent six days trouble-shooting technology.

And then the big day arrived. Guests joined the Zoom webinar, which was also live-streamed to YouTube, from Utah, New York, Washington, D.C., Nevada and Florida. Croft's 92-year-old grandfather watched from Northbrook. A childhood friend of Jacobs tuned in from London.

"It was really cute because, you know, British people wear hats to weddings," Jacobs said. "And it must have been midnight there."

Croft earned his master's degree from the University of Sydney, and some of his friends from Australia were even able to witness the ceremony.

"Our parents and some others got dressed up," Croft said. "The other half wore sort of casual, hanging-out-at-home gear."

Jacobs wore her wedding gown and Croft wore a formal suit. They pulled every lamp they own into one room to get the lighting just so. The couple's cats, Winston and Jazzy (Winston in a bowtie), stood watch.

And when it was time to exchange vows (which the couple wrote themselves), Uncle Dan officiated from his house in Riverwoods, Illinois.

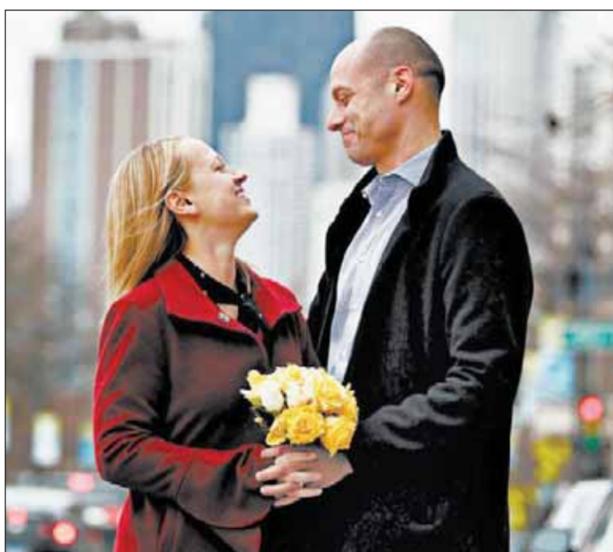
Toward the end, when guests were asked to speak now or forever hold their peace about the union they were witnessing, an online poll popped up on each person's screen.

"We didn't give them a 'no' to choose," Jacobs said. "The choices were like, 'yes,' 'double yes' or 'all of the above.' There were some jokes in the comments



RACHEL JACOBS

Aron Croft and Rachel Jacobs' wedding on March 28 was held over Zoom. The couple's friends and family members tuned in from all over the United States as well as London and Australia.



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Jacobs, left, and Croft, shown in Lincoln Park on March 30, had planned on getting married in an elegant ceremony at the University Club.

about demanding a recount and voting twice in Illinois."

The whole thing lasted about 30 minutes.

"We switched over to family-only for toasts at the end," Jacobs

said. "Everyone did a great job with the technology. One of my friends said, 'I can't even get my parents to use a cordless phone.'"

Jacobs and Croft, both 38, met on the dating app Hinge in July

2016. Their first date was at the Oak Street Beach bar, where they ordered drinks and chatted until a thunderstorm rolled in, forcing them to take shelter and continue the date at a second location.

Sounds like you guys are good at improvising under duress, I told them.

"We roll with whatever the universe throws at us," Jacobs said.

They were supposed to be in Puerto Rico this week on their honeymoon. That can wait. They'll host a reception with family and friends eventually, when the world gets back to semi-normal, though they don't have a date for that either.

In the meantime, they're officially husband and wife now, which is a beautiful certainty in a world where things don't make a lot of sense these days.

Congratulations, Croft-Jacobs family. May your love and improv skills sustain you for a long, joyous, healthy life together.

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

# Get Set to Worry Less.

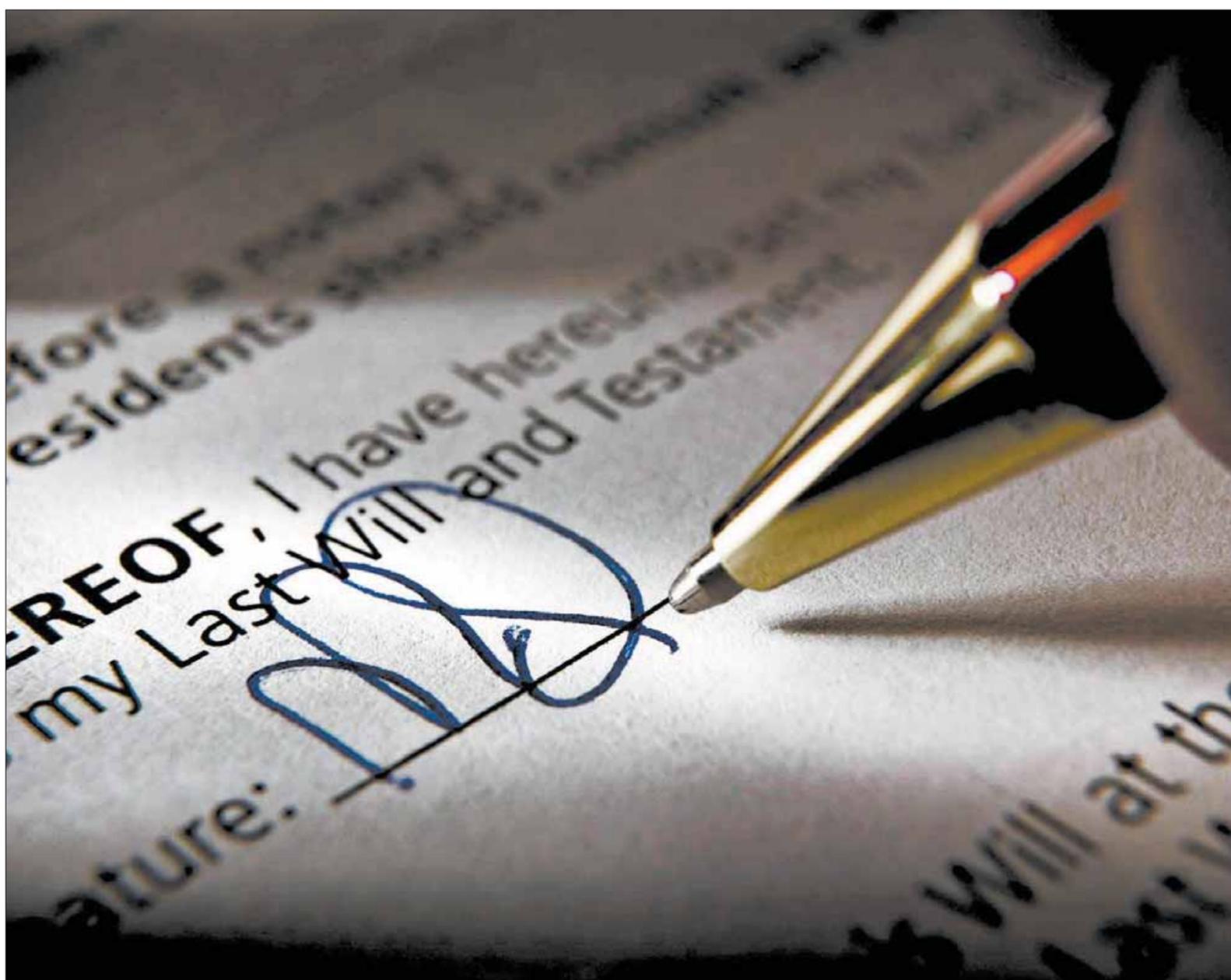
  
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Procrastination the reason you haven't done your will or estate planning? With a shelter in place order in effect, now is a good time.

# ESTATE PLANNING IN THE TIME OF CORONAVIRUS

'For most people, they're off busy living, and not thinking about dying'

BY DARCEL ROCKETT

Legal services were deemed an essential service as part of Gov. J.B. Pritzker's stay-at-home order, which means attorneys are still working during the coronavirus pandemic. Attorney Michael Overmann, who has offices in Darien and Homer Glen, said his one-man firm is carrying on. Just this week, he had a couple come in to sign their will and while he said he's not inundated with calls from prospective clients during this pandemic, he has seen an increase in calls.

"I met with an elderly woman who lives with her daughters who both work in the health care services industry," he said. "She was terrified that one of her daughters is going to contract it through one of the patients and bring it home. So, it was sort of a wake-up call to put her will in place."

With more time behind closed doors, attorneys are saying estate planning "might be something that people want to turn their attention to" after figuring out how to get toilet paper and keeping their kids from driving them crazy while they're working from home.

A recent survey by Caring.com, a caregiving resource, found that the number of American adults

that have a will or another type of estate planning document has decreased by almost 25% since 2017 and the number of older and middle-aged adults with estate planning documents dropped by 20% and 25% since 2019, respectively. When asked why they have put off estate planning, many cite a lack of knowledge or the cost of tackling it as their main reason.

"We're all sitting at home, and we need things to occupy us, so it's a great time to ask your attorney to send over copies of your current documents, update your financial statements, to help your attorney review your current plan," said Susan Bart, partner at the Chicago-based law firm of Schiff Hardin. "Because there are only so many cakes and cookies that we can bake and eat when we're all sitting at home."

Ted Froum of the Evanston-based Froum Law Group says he's getting more calls from existing clients who may have been "dillydallying" about getting their wills completed, who are now calling him wanting to get them finished.

"The estate planning process is often one characterized by fits and starts, like somebody knows they have to do it, but for most people, it's the last thing on their list because they're off busy

Ready to give this planning a go?

Here are some basic documents to consider:

**Will:** A document that ensures assets are passed to designated beneficiaries, in accordance with your wishes. In the drafting process, you name an executor, the person or institution that oversees the distribution of your assets. If you have minor children, you need to name a guardian for them.

**Letter of instruction:** This may contain appointment of someone who will ensure the proper disposition of your remains, which is important if you are choosing a method that is contrary to your family's tradition.

**Power of attorney:** Appointment of someone to act as your agent in a variety of circumstances, such as withdrawing money from a bank.

**Health care proxy:** Appointment of someone to make health care decisions on your behalf if you lose the ability to do so.

**Trusts:** Revocable (changeable) or irrevocable (not changeable) trusts may be useful, depending on family and tax situations. According to Bart, a will is effective only at death and has to go through probate (court proceedings). An advantage of a revocable trust is avoiding probate. "If I have a great amount of confidence in the people that I'm naming as successive trustees then I can simplify the whole process for them by using the revocable trust," she said.

living, and not thinking about dying," he said. "Now we have this mass health crisis going on ... the big challenge hitting estate planning lawyers is how do we get our documents signed without killing somebody?"

Froum said a number of people have to be in the same room to sign, notarize and witness the signing of a legal document. Right now, that is less feasible, and he doesn't want to cause harm to a client or staff member.

Christine Quigley, a partner at Schiff Hardin, is hoping that things like electronic witnessing and notarization will exist in

Illinois soon, for reasons such as this. She said it wouldn't surprise her if this becomes a permanent change that comes out of this pandemic.

"We're kind of in uncharted territory about how to get things signed," Froum said. "We're all trying to figure it out. We're hoping that maybe there can be some government action that would say, whether its permanent or temporary, we can do e-notarization and e-witnessing because right now we can't."

Amid coronavirus concerns, people may be thinking about their mortality, but attorneys say

don't rush when getting it done. Bart recommends finding a proper estate planner by going through an established firm like Schiff Hardin or finding one through the American College of Trust and Estate Counsel. Quigley suggests people go through their existing networks — bankers, accountants, etc. — to find a planner.

According to wealth professionals like Robert Westley, vice president and wealth adviser at Northern Trust in the greater New York region, estate planning isn't only about money. If you have assets that you want to go to certain people, you should create a document that specifies who gets what, Westley said. Specifically, for those with young children, a will is necessary because "it names the guardians of minor children, and you will want to ensure that you, and not the courts, are naming their guardians."

"Estate planning is something that people tend to procrastinate and put off, but a pandemic or a national disaster, it kind of wakes people up that they really need to get something in place," Overmann said. "But they should be deliberate and careful about it. Instead of just trying to do a DIY will, they really should meet with a professional."

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## SOCIAL GRACES

### Here's what to do if you misgender someone

BY HANNAH HERRERA GREENSPAN

**Q: What should you do if you misgender someone?**

**A:** If you are already in a position where you know you have misgendered someone: Apologize immediately; be brief and sincere. Correct yourself immediately, and continue on.

If you are in a position to check in with the person you misgendered at a later time (and you have this person's consent to talk with them about the mis-

gendering), you can offer a more extended apology, hold space for anything they would like to share and offer solutions for how to avoid misgendering them in the future and for holding yourself and others accountable.

If someone notifies you that you have misgendered them: Apologize immediately, notice and claim responsibility for how you are feeling/reacting, and commit to remembering by holding yourself and others accountable.

— Lucas Garcia (they/them), writer, dramaturg

and gender adventurer in Chicago from Albuquerque, New Mexico

**A:** Yikes. It happens to the best of us. Even those of us who use pronouns outside our perceived gender.

What I'm working on right now is shifting my brain pattern to assign "they" to everyone I meet. Even if it's a person I know through other people or if it's someone I've met a few times. I'm re-conditioning my brain to use "they" until I know for sure what someone's pronouns are.

When I mess up, I'll say "pardon," correct myself and continue the conversation.

Ultimately, when you misgender someone, it's not about you and your error. It's about honoring the way the other person wants to be seen in the world. It's about being mindful about how they're empowered to hold their identity.

— Kelsey McGrath, gender nonbinary actor and producer

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## THE KIDS

HOW TO KEEP THEM BUSY THIS WEEK

## Teens love TikTok. Do they love it too much?

Concerns raised about censorship, security and lewd images on Chinese-owned service

BY TALI ARBEL  
Associated Press

From the perspective of teens, TikTok is a major new outlet for self-expression, one proudly home to the silly, the loud and the weird.

To others, the Chinese-owned online video service is an unnerving black box that could be sharing information with the Chinese government, facilitating espionage or just promoting videos and songs some parents consider lewd. (TikTok denies the first two concerns and says it's working on the third.)

Welcome to the bifurcated world of TikTok, an emerging social media powerhouse that lets users create and share short videos, many no longer than 15 seconds. "That's where the Gen Z party is," says Kory Marchisotto, chief marketer for e.l.f. Cosmetics. "That's where they're all hanging out."

There's little doubt that TikTok users find it irresistible. But TikTok is also the subject of a U.S. national-security review and a Pentagon ban. U.S. lawmakers are worried about national security and censorship risks posed by TikTok's Chinese ownership.

TikTok draws so much attention because it's the first China-owned social media service to make serious inroads in the West. It's a smash in the U.S. and other countries, attracting celebrities and companies eager to reach kids and young adults disconnected from traditional media. The NFL has an account. So do Chipotle, Reese Witherspoon and The Washington Post. The U.S. Army previously used it to recruit soldiers.

People have downloaded TikTok 1.65 billion times, the analysis firm Sensor Tower estimates. In 2019, it was the second-most downloaded app in the Apple and

Google app stores, trailing only WhatsApp. Research firm eMarketer estimates that TikTok roughly doubled its U.S. user base to 37.2 million in 2019.

To many users, what's special is TikTok's goofiness and sense of genuine fun. To use, just download the app and start swiping through videos. You don't have to friend anyone or search for anything to watch. If you don't go looking for it, you might not ever come across angry political discussions, much less envy-generating vacation shots from friends. Instead, you're likely to encounter a barrage of funny, meme-y videos from total strangers that TikTok spools up for you, personalizing the feed as you go.

Politics, of course, is still there; so is the social media plague of misinformation. TikTok says it prohibits harmful misinformation.

TikTok makes money from ads, and sometimes the campaigns aren't readily identifiable as ads. Companies can start hashtag-based "challenges" that invite users to participate by posting their own videos, often incorporating a particular dance or dance move. E.l.f. Cosmetics' "eyeslips-face" campaign, for example, had people wink and purse their lips to go with the lyrics of an original song. Users created 3 million videos, with 4 billion views.

The service has helped launch musical stars such as Lil Nas X, whose "Old Town Road" is the longest-running No. 1 song in the history of Billboard's charts. There are pranksters, funny skits, behind-the-scenes of fast food operations and "glow-ups" — before-and-after shots of someone making themselves look cuter. Some are more random: Kim Kardashian cooking parodies?

Some users say TikTok is more authentic than the self-consciously pretty and polished Insta-

gram. Emilie Richer, a 19-year-old from Simcoe, Ontario, says she uses Instagram for "photos that look nice, or the good things I'm doing" and TikTok to "get loose, make jokes, pull pranks and stuff, dress up weird." A TikTok video of Richer catching a pickle thrown into her mouth went viral in November.

A Chinese startup, ByteDance, launched TikTok internationally over two years ago. It then bought Musical.ly, another Chinese video service popular with teens in the U.S. and Europe. ByteDance combined the two, but kept TikTok separate from a twin service called Douyin, which it offers only in China. Until recently, Chinese social media services, built in a country hemmed in by censorship, have largely been confined to a domestic audience.

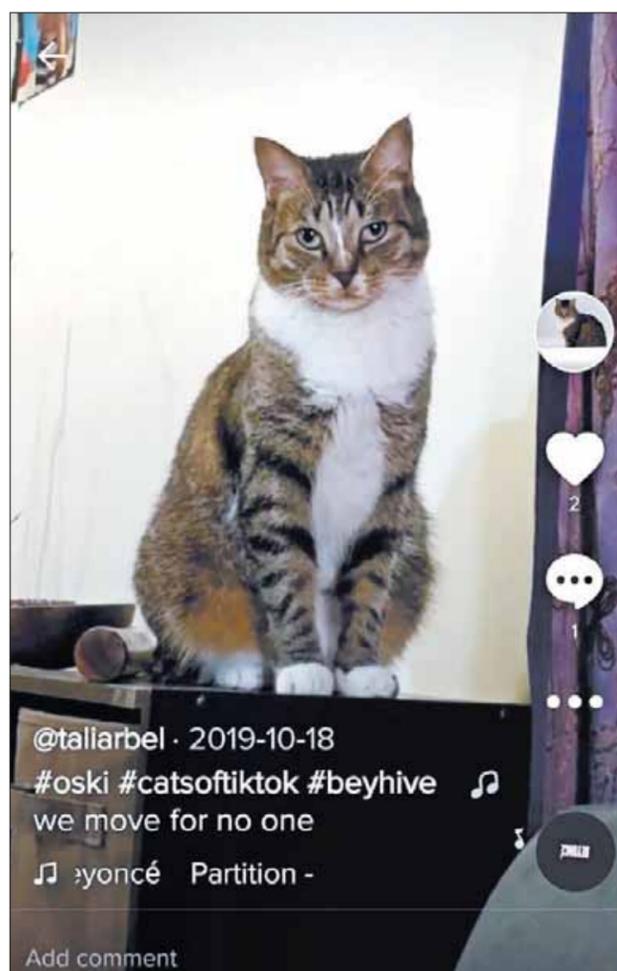
TikTok's rise, fueled in part by ads on Facebook, Instagram and Snapchat, has in turn shaken those U.S. services. The company behind Snapchat started listing TikTok as a competitor in 2019. Facebook, which famously copies features of its rivals, launched a knockoff called Lasso in 2018 and added TikTok-ian video-editing features to Instagram.

Beyond rivalries, concerns range from the sexual nature of some videos to censorship by China's communist government.

India and Indonesia temporarily banned TikTok because of worries about children. Anastasia Basil, a Los Angeles writer whose children are 10 and 12, says she was upset by the explicit lyrics in songs and "extremes of sexualized content" she saw. Her 10-year-old's best friend loves TikTok, she says; she told the friend's mother not to let Basil's daughter use it during sleepovers.

TikTok is working hard to ensure that it's a "safe and positive environment," says Kudzi Chikumbu, the company's head of creator partnerships.

Many security experts worry about the information sucked up by the service. People's social



TALI ARBEL

TikTok users create and share short videos, such as this one of a cat, many no longer than 15 seconds.

connections, biometric data and interests that would be useful to an advertiser could also assist a hostile government in cultivating spies or tracking dissidents, says John Dermody, a former official with the National Security Council and Department of Homeland Security.

These national security worries parallel a broader U.S. security crackdown on Chinese companies and President Donald Trump's trade war with China. A U.S. national security agency is reviewing ByteDance's Musical.ly deal, while the Army, Navy and Marine Corps recently banned service members and personnel from installing TikTok on government-issued phones.

Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg has criticized TikTok for allegedly censoring protests. News reports have asserted that TikTok has banned videos and topics in line with Beijing's own censorship rules.

TikTok now insists that it doesn't do so, nor would it even if the Chinese government asked it to. As for spying, the company denies it and says it stores U.S. user data in the U.S. and Singapore, not China.

Not everyone buys that. The Chinese government "can exert a fair amount of soft pressure" and get what it wants, says Chris Calabrese of the U.S. tech watchdog group Center for Democracy & Technology.

## Online spring break camps running during the pandemic

BY HANNAH HERRERA GREENSPAN

Just when we thought one more thing couldn't be canceled by the coronavirus.

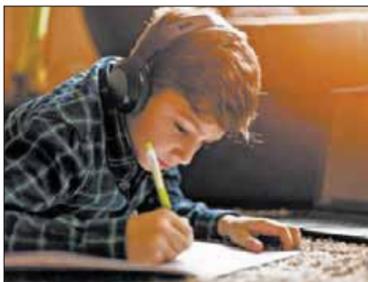
Spring break — supposedly a time of relaxation and rejuvenation after the brutal winter cold — has now transitioned into social distancing and quarantining at home.

But kids can still have fun at online camps.

**Chicago Children's Theatre** will offer two virtual camps, Cabin Fever and Camp Red Kite. At Cabin Fever, kids ages 5-7 (morning session, 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.) and 8-12 (afternoon session 12:30 to 4:30 p.m.) will use the frameworks of legends and fairy tales to learn the basics of acting, songwriting, singing, dance choreography, collaborative story development, and scene and prop construction to create an original story. Camp Red Kite is an arts camp tailored specifically to the interests and needs of young people on the autism spectrum. For one week, campers will engage in drama, art, music and movement classes. The program is led by a team of specialized artists and educators dedicated to creating a safe, welcoming and comfortable environment for children affected by autism. The only equipment needed is a device downloaded with Zoom, a video communication platform. Cabin Fever, April 6-10, \$300. Camp Red Kite, \$200 or \$50 a day (limited financial aid is available). For more information, visit [www.chicagochildrenstheatre.org](http://www.chicagochildrenstheatre.org)

**Music House School of Performing Arts** says it's offering two to four arts-related workshops — for all ages and experience levels — per day. Workshops include music, dance and movement, yoga, theater and visual arts. Materials needed for the workshops are access to Zoom, and paper, markers and other materials found around home. All workshops will take place April 6-10 and are pay-what-you-can, with a \$5-\$10 suggested donation. Workshops are free to students enrolled in classes at Music House and students who are part of the organization's CPS outreach programming. For more information, visit [www.musichouseinc.com](http://www.musichouseinc.com)

**Power Up Tech Academy** is offering four-day coding camps for all experience levels for kids ages 8 and up. Each camp will have a maximum of four students to one instructor. The materials needed to participate are access to Zoom, a computer with a keyboard and mouse, or a laptop, a Web browser, speakers and a microphone or a headset. New camps and classes are released every Friday for the following week. The camps are \$119 per



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Spring break plans are canceled. We have some ideas for the kids.

student; limited discount codes for 20% or 40% off are also available. For more information, visit [www.powerupta.com](http://www.powerupta.com)

**Hi-Five Sports Zone**, based in Northbrook, is offering free online classes every day. Hi-Five Sports Zone says online classes will continue until the kids are back in school. All classes will be live and are available to kids ages 3-10 on Facebook, Instagram and YouTube. Be sure to check the Facebook page for the daily schedule of activities. For more information, visit [www.hifivesportsclubs.com](http://www.hifivesportsclubs.com)

**BitSpace** is currently offering one week-long camp, Inter-Act Live, and one two-hour daily workshop, Daily Maker Workshop for kids age 10-15. In Inter-Act Live, kids will learn how to use 3D design software, video game design and graphic illustration. In the Daily Maker Workshop, at 2-4:30 p.m., kids will get step-by-step instructions for making their own projects, led by BitSpace's expert guides. BitSpace will soon offer livestream demos from 10-11 a.m. each weekday, exploring a variety of design software and video game design programs, all on YouTube. Inter-Act Live, \$150 introductory price and \$200 regular. Daily Maker Workshop, \$24 introductory price and \$40 regular. For more information, visit [www.bitspacechicago.com](http://www.bitspacechicago.com)

**ComedySportz** will be taking the curriculum for its summer camp and modifying it for a virtual camp. Camp Kah-Mah-Dee is three weeks of comedy and improv for kids ages 8-18. The first week will teach campers the building blocks of improv. The second week will teach campers to play improv games included in ComedySportz matches. The third week will teach campers the beginnings and principles of joke writing and stand-up comedy. For more information, visit [www.cszchicago.com](http://www.cszchicago.com)

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# Chicago-area lupus patients face shortages

The life-prolonging drug Plaquenil is now in demand as a possible treatment for the coronavirus

BY NARA SCHOENBERG

The lupus drug Plaquenil helps protect Julianne Taylor's kidneys and heart from her overactive immune system, and it beats back the fevers and exhaustion that once plagued her.

"It's made a huge difference in my life," she said. But when Taylor, 49, of Crystal Lake, called around for a routine prescription refill March 23, her local Meijer, Jewel and Walmart stores all turned her down, saying the manufacturer was out of stock. She couldn't even get a 30-day supply of the popular lupus and rheumatoid arthritis medication, which is being snapped up as a potential treatment for the novel coronavirus.

"I'm angry and I'm scared," said Taylor, noting that the director of the National Institute of All-

ergy and Infectious Diseases, Dr. Anthony Fauci, has said the evidence for Plaquenil's effectiveness against the coronavirus is only "anecdotal." President



Taylor

Donald Trump has fanned interest by calling the medication — also known as hydroxychloroquine — a potential game-changer in the war against the coronavirus.

Illinois is now experiencing a Plaquenil shortage, although it's hard to know to what extent, according to Illinois Pharmacists Association Executive Director Garth Reynolds. The investigative nonprofit ProPublica reported March 24 that some doc-



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Plaquenil (hydroxychloroquine) is the only drug shown to increase survival for lupus patients, advocacy groups say.

tors were prescribing Plaquenil and a similar drug, chloroquine, for personal use, apparently stockpiling it in case they or their loved ones become ill with the coronavirus.

There have also been reports of hospitals buying up the drug as a potential weapon against the coronavirus.

Reynolds was among those who told ProPublica

of doctors and other health care providers trying to fill questionable Plaquenil prescriptions, apparently for personal use.

"I was getting emails, texts and calls from pharmacies all weekend," Reynolds said in an interview with the Tribune. Pharmacists were getting prescriptions for unusual quantities, he said, and for multiple people within one family.

He said that out-of-state medical professionals were among those calling Illinois pharmacists, trying to get questionable prescriptions filled.

"That's where we were like, this is getting out of hand very quickly," Reynolds said.

A pharmacist can refuse to fill a prescription that he or she believes is not in the best interest of the patient, he said.

In addition, Reynolds has asked the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation to look into the issue of questionable Plaquenil prescriptions.

"The conduct of a few is very selfish and unethical," he said. "It's putting patients who need this medication to stay healthy at severe risk."

Calling Plaquenil the only drug shown to increase survival for lupus patients, the Lupus Foundation of America and the Arthritis Foundation have called on the White House and the nation's governors to ensure access to Plaquenil and chloroquine for lupus and rheumatoid arthritis patients.

Joining the call for access to the medications were the American College of Rheumatology and the American Academy of Dermatology.

Taylor said that she was completely out of Plaquenil. Among her concerns: In her case, the drug took six months to become fully effective.

"If I'm off it and get sick, how long will it take before it builds up in my system again?" she said.

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# How one man salvaged a ruined proposal

BY ALISON BOWEN

The lakefront's role remained the same.

Matt Gorski had an entire plan. He had organized people flying in from all over the country, hoping to surprise his girlfriend, Erica Swanson. They had flights, they had hotels; he had booked a trolley to take them all over Chicago to celebrate after he proposed.

But when the coronavirus pandemic began shutting down each part of his idea, he had to improvise.

Initially, Gorski had planned to start with a proposal on the lakefront path. All of the family members and friends who traveled to Chicago would

arrive in a trolley to surprise Swanson; they would celebrate with dinner at Girl and the Goat, and enjoy brunch and March Madness the next day.

He decided it would be too complicated to keep the plan; people canceled their flights and hotels.

"I could only laugh about it, honestly," he said.

But Gorski, 29, still wanted to go through with the proposal.

"Her mom made it clear that it still needed to happen," he said, laughing. "I said, 'Don't worry, it's still going to happen.'"

So on March 21, he suggested that he and Swanson go on a run. It was, after all, "a nice 25 degrees out," he said.

The Gold Coast couple ran down the lakefront, chatting as they made their way to North Avenue Beach.

There, "I was like, 'Matt, this spot always makes me think of you,'" said Swanson, 31.

Gorski stopped, knelt and proposed. They got in a limo that family members had organized for them.

A photographer he'd hired — easy to spot as the only other person on the beach — captured the moment.

There was no trolley to meet them with family and friends, but when they got to their hotel room at the Waldorf Astoria to celebrate, he showed her a video of well wishes from

everyone, peppered with photos of them throughout their courtship. They ordered celebratory Pizano's pizza.

The two met as students in 2017 at the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.

"It took a while for me to convince her to date," Gorski said as Swanson laughed. They began dating that year and grew close as they traveled to Tanzania for a school project, living in close quarters and without proper showers.

"You know they really like you if you can just make it through that," Swanson said.

The couple moved to Chicago last year. Gorski



PETER GUBERNAT

Matt Gorski and Erica Swanson got engaged March 21.

had lived in Chicago before business school; Swanson grew up in California but has grown to love the city.

Now, they are planning to plan a wedding, possibly

for next year. "As soon as the quarantine's over," he said.

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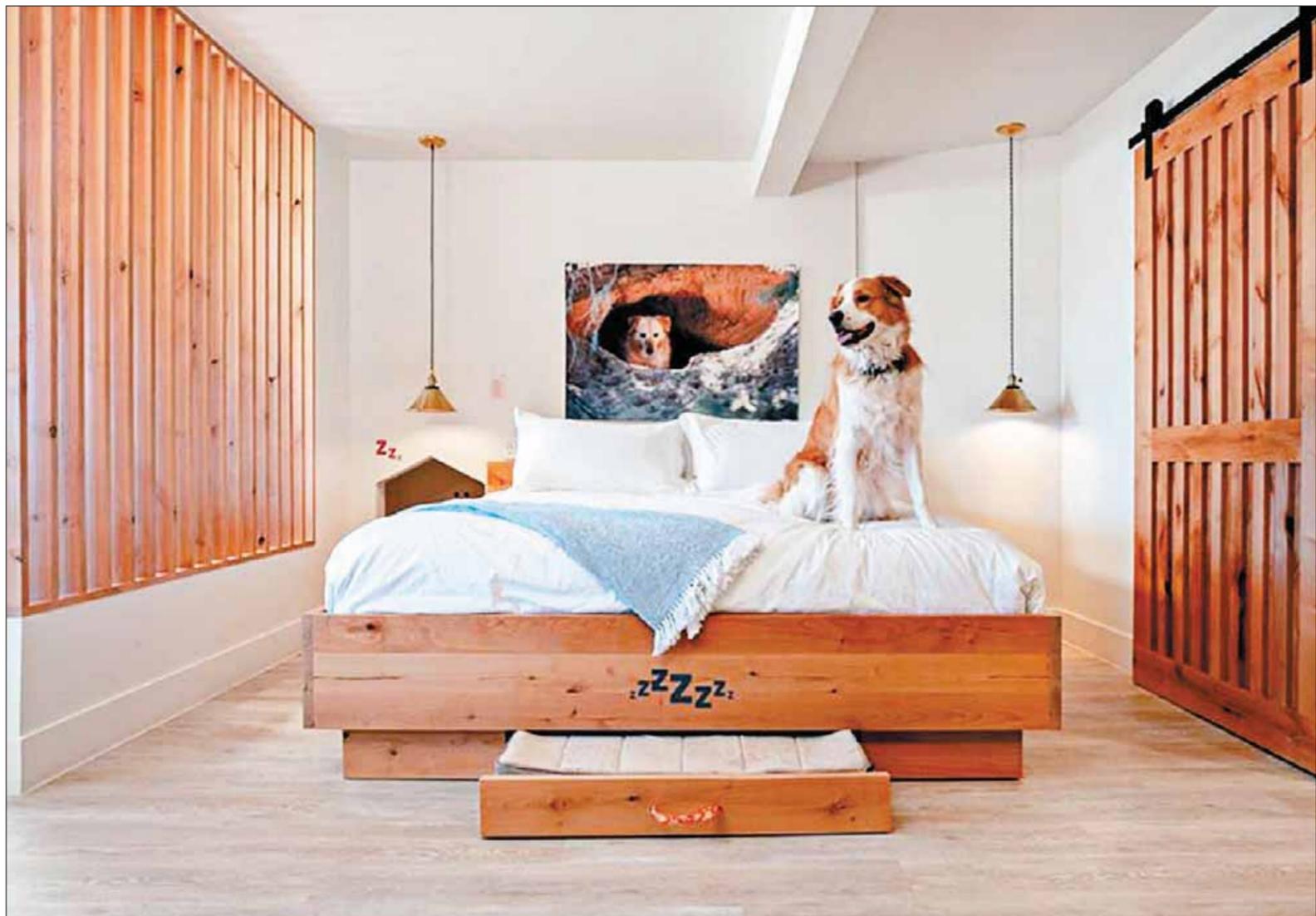
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# Travel



BEST FRIENDS ROADHOUSE AND MERCANTILE

Dogs are never told to stay off the bed at Best Friends Roadhouse and Mercantile.

## Volunteer vacation

Utah animal sanctuary draws travelers looking for something different

BY PATTI NICKELL  
Tribune News Service

KANAB, Utah — During my three decades as a travel writer, this was the first time I had found myself in the doghouse. Literally. I was in the Puppy Pre-school at Best Friends Animal Sanctuary's Dogtown, cuddling an affectionate pit bull mix named Challah. She was the last of her litter, and if there is any justice in the world, this adorable mutt has already found or will soon find her forever home.

In the meantime, she — and others like her — receive lots of TLC from the passionate staff at Best Friends. Let me amend that — Challah and others both like and unlike her. Here, in this sprawling 3,700-acre sanctuary in Angel Canyon nestled among the red rocks of southern Utah, cats, bunnies, horses, birds, pigs, goats and even the occasional turtle join their canine companions in living the good life until they can be adopted. If, in the rare case, they never are, this is their safe haven for life.

Recently, another animal species has become part of the Best Friends landscape — humans, in the form of intrepid travelers who are looking for a different kind of vacation.

According to Cyrus Mejia, one of the founders of Best Friends in 1984, some 35,000 visitors arrive annually at the sanctuary. Some come to sightsee, but about a third come for the express purpose of volunteering. (Like many places, Best Friends is closed to visitors until further notice due to the coronavirus pandemic.)

They come to feed the equines stabled at Horse Haven; grab a leash and take the residents of Dogtown for their daily walk and coax a shy feline to come out and play at Cat World. At the end of the day, it's hard to tell which species — animal or human — has benefited most from the encounter.

"Volunteers, many who come from as far away as Europe, Africa and Australia, are a great help to our staff in caring for the animals," says Mejia, "but we feel they get something in return that is positive, uplifting and sometimes, life-changing." Life-changing is a good way to describe a visit to Best Friends, not only in seeing the staff's genuine devotion to these neglected animals — you have to love a place that rescued 22 pit bulls from Michael Vick's dog-fighting ring — but in the majesty of the setting itself.

On a morning walk with Mejia, he explained that prior to starting work on the sanctuary, the founders met with a Paiute elder to ask for the tribe's blessing on the land (they got it) and to ask for his advice on how to be respectful in their stew-

ardship (they got that too). This was important, says Mejia, as the canyon was where Paiute leaders came to seek guidance from Mother Earth.

You can't help but feel close to Mother Earth in this serene setting, but it's her most vulnerable creatures that are the real draw. Volunteers can choose from three-hour morning or afternoon shifts. Advance registration is required, and the staff will do their best to match potential volunteers with the species of their choice.

If they want to continue canoodling with canines, frolicking with felines and bonding with bunnies, and if they happen to be staying at the Best Friends Roadhouse and Mercantile, they can arrange with the sanctuary for a dog, cat or bunny to join them on a sleepover.

The sanctuary opened Best Friends Roadhouse in 2019 as a way to both accommodate visitors to Kanab and generate more revenue for its animal rescue efforts. Surrounded by the starkly beautiful Vermillion Cliffs, the Roadhouse is located just five miles from the sanctuary.

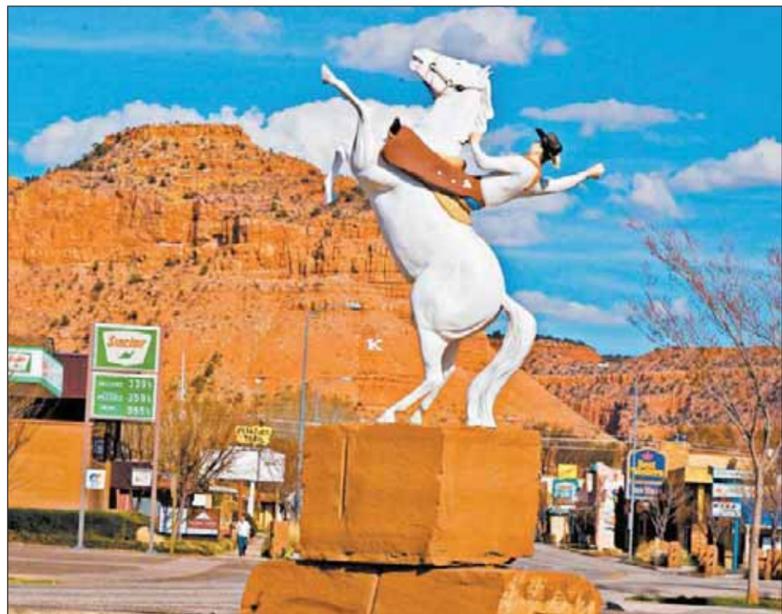
The 40 rooms are designed with pet-friendly touches such as built-in cubbies for your dog or cat, while the grounds feature dog-washing stations and a fenced dog park with a splash zone.

The Roadhouse has a friendly staff who always seem to have treats in hand. Just so you won't feel left out, they offer freshly baked chocolate chip or oatmeal raisin cookies at bedtime, and a continental breakfast in the Mercantile to get your day started.

The Old West is alive and well in these parts. Hollywood's interest was initially piqued in 1924 with the first in a long line of Westerns filmed here. The film was "Deadwood Coach" and its star, Tom Mix, is one of 104 Western stars who have been honored over the years with a plaque on the Kanab Walk of Fame.

In between volunteer sessions, there's plenty to do in Kanab and its environs. For a small town, Kanab has a surprisingly robust restaurant scene. For starters, there's the Rocking V Café, situated in an old mercantile building from 1892, and Wild Thyme, known for organic ingredients from their own garden. Sego is the place to go for upscale cuisine, especially fine cuts of beef. However, vegetarians and vegans need not worry about going hungry here in cattle country.

Angels Village on the grounds of Best Friends Sanctuary is, in keeping with their animals-first philosophy, vegan only. Peek A Boo Canyon Wood Fired Kitchen, across the street from the Best Friends Roadhouse, offers vegan and vegetarian versions



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Kanab is known as "Little Hollywood" as some 100 movies and TV series have filmed here.



BEST FRIENDS ANIMAL SANCTUARY

Volunteers play with one of the resident dogs at Best Friends Animal Sanctuary.

of favorite dishes.

Save a day for a trip to one of the nearby national parks. Zion National Park, Utah's first national park, has the massive red sandstone cliffs common throughout the area, while Bryce Canyon National Park, smaller in size but occupying a higher elevation (9,000 feet) than Zion, is not really a canyon. Rather it's a series of natural amphitheaters whose tall, cylindrical columns are known as hoodoos. Both parks are nothing short of spectacular.

It's a favorite activity with visitors to see how many plaques they can find. They're scattered throughout the town, seemingly without rhyme or reason. I found Dale

Evans' plaque, but not that of Roy Rogers, although I was assured he had one.

While it's true that you won't find the kind of night life here that you do in big cities, there's one thing Kanab offers that you won't find in any city.

This part of Utah is a dark-sky destination and Adventure Tour Company can arrange an evening visit to a red rock canyon with the ruins of an old movie fort as a backdrop. Here, you can toast s'mores over a campfire and marvel at more stars than you thought possible. Off in the distance, you can even see the outline of the North Rim of the Grand Canyon. Take that, city dwellers.

# Hot Springs an ideal spot for exploring

**STORY AND PHOTOS BY MARY ANN ANDERSON**  
Tribune News Service

That Hernando de Soto, he sure got around.

The intrepid Spaniard commenced to explore and trade in the West Indies and Central America before trundling down to Peru to conquer it over the Incans. After a quick return to Spain, he set out for North America, stopping first in Cuba before landing at Tampa Bay, where he and his band of soldiers then marched through the South hunting for gold before zigzagging across Arkansas and stopping in what is now Hot Springs about 1541.

Hot Springs honored the well-traveled explorer with a life-size statue at the Fordyce Bathhouse on Bathhouse Row in Hot Springs National Park.

The unquestionable showstopper of Hot Springs is, well, its hot springs.

The near-mythical water for thousands of years has been attracting the likes of explorers such as de Soto plus, according to some accounts, Ponce de Leon, Native Americans, presidents including Truman and both Roosevelts, baseball greats such as Babe Ruth and Honus Wagner, and notorious gangsters such as Alphonse Gabriel Capone and Salvatore Lucania, whom you may know better as Al Capone and Lucky Luciano.

## Geology meets geography

The genesis of Hot Springs is plain ol' rain-water that fell more than 4,000 years ago.

After seeping deep into the earth, there it percolates and heats up in the fiery furnace of rock that lies thousands of feet beneath this small patch of Arkansas real estate, its unseen energy then rising and venting to the surface



Garvan Woodland Gardens, originally a native pine and hardwood forest, is now a lush 210-acre botanical garden.

in fricative bursts of steam.

The 147-degree thermal water is then gathered for all sorts of things such as bathing and drinking but more notably for submerging, soaking and massaging your cares away at one of the spas, new and old, dotting Bathhouse Row in Hot Springs National Park.

Hot Springs, set amid the wooded hills of the Ouachita Mountains, is the oldest park in the national park system. It is a unique place certainly, sort of like its more famous cousin, Yellowstone, with its thermal yet volcanically heated water.

The allure of the healing powers of the springs was the catalyst that brought the first bathhouses to Hot Springs during America's grand resort era of the late 19th and early 20th centuries and for Hot Springs National Park to be formally created in 1921. Several of those great stone buildings remain on Bathhouse Row, all lined up



Former President Bill Clinton grew up in Hot Springs. Visitors can take a self-guided tour that takes them past landmarks such as his onetime home at 1011 Park Avenue.

along Central Avenue in a mishmash of architectural styles, among them Neoclassical, Renaissance Revival and Spanish Colonial Revival.

Underneath the sidewalks and bathhouses, the hot springs simmer away and eventually reach the Earth's surface. Some of the approximately 700,000 gallons that the National Park Service states flows from the springs in a single day supports "jug foun-

tains" scattered around town, which is where locals come to fill their water jugs with the steamy elixir to take home.

"It's the only national park where you're allowed to take anything," said Miguel Marquez, a park ranger at the time of my visit but who has since moved on.

"People pull up and get jugs and jugs of it. It's water from the beginning of time."

## Delve into the town

The cool thing about Hot Springs is that not only can you drench yourself in the healing waters and history of the bathhouses, but you can also immerse yourself into the town and its array of things to do.

The bathhouse experience is, of course, not to be missed. You can "take the waters," as the folks say down Hot Springs way, at either Buckstaff Bathhouse or Quapaw Baths and Spa, the only operational bathhouses fed by the springs that are within the park.

The other historic bathhouses have been restored and transformed into other purposes. The Fordyce is the national park's visitors center, the Superior metamorphosed into a brewery, the Hale is a luxury boutique hotel and the Ozark is a cultural center.

Hot Springs is also the boyhood home of Bill Clinton, the 42nd president of

## If you go

Information is available at Visit Hot Springs by visiting [www.hot springs.org](http://www.hot springs.org) or calling toll-free 800-543-2284. Bill and Hillary Clinton National Airport at Little Rock, about a 60-minute drive, is the closest major airport and is served by Allegiant, American, Delta, Frontier, Southwest and United.

the United States and former governor of Arkansas.

Clinton moved to Hot Springs from Hope, his birthplace about a 90-minute drive to the southwest, when he was 7 years old and lived here until he was 18. He is still beloved here, and plenty of folks know and are still in touch with him.

Clinton tourism is still big in this town. A self-guided tour of Clinton's Hot Springs features, among other places, the schools he attended, two of the homes where he grew up, hangouts where he ate hamburgers and watched movies, and Park Place Baptist Church, where he was baptized.

Hot Springs isn't all bathhouses, Bill Clinton and Hernando de Soto. I walked the very colorful and pretty paths of Garvan Woodland Gardens, originally a native pine and hardwood forest, but now a lush botanical garden that's home to dozens of bird species.

At Hot Springs Mountain Tower, where our small tour group first met Marquez, we were afforded grand views of Hot Springs Mountain, the Ouachita and the glittering jewel of Diamond Lake that's a popular summer spot for boating, skiing and swimming.

While de Soto may not have found the gold he was seeking as he crisscrossed the South, he did find the treasure of magical water in Hot Springs.

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# Google Street View: travel from a distance

BY REIF LARSEN  
The New York Times

The other day, anxious in my desk chair, I became a virtual traveler, staring at photos of public spaces abandoned in the wake of the coronavirus global pandemic: a soccer game in Germany, played in front of thousands of empty seats; the Piazza San Marco in Venice, vacant save for a few confused pigeons; the huge empty courtyard at the Great Mosque of Mecca, usually filled to the brim with worshippers circumnavigating the Ka'bah.

These are places built for humans, but there were no humans. It was like peering into what a future might look like after we are gone, a disaster movie without the movie part.

Our country is slowly wrapping its head around this disaster in slow motion. It is clear that life cannot go on as normal, at least for the foreseeable future. We are entering a wartime of solitude. All must do their part.

We are all learning a new vocabulary of inoculation: self-quarantine, shedding period, flattening the curve, inflection point. We are learning the exact dimensions of close contact.

We are shaking elbows; we are singing "Happy Birthday" twice while washing our hands; we are working remotely; we are awkwardly conducting our classes online; we are (for reasons I still don't understand) buying ridiculous amounts of toilet paper.

We are also canceling our travel plans, at rates not seen since 9/11; hence the photos of empty places. Our family was supposed to travel to Charleston, South Carolina, in mid-March for a short break, but we made the wise decision not to go. Like many U.S. families with young children, we are hunkering down in a voluntary quarantine cocoon, with a pantry full of beans, a shelf full of Roald Dahl, the Hungry Hungry Hippos board game and a whole bunch of uncertainty.

Over the past year, as the climate crisis has consumed my head and most of my writing projects, I've been traveling less and less to *there*. I've been forced to wrestle with the question of whether flying for pleasure can really be ethically justified anymore. As you can imagine, this is deep existential territory for a travel writer.



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Even if you're quarantined, you can still go on a journey. Google Street View can offer sights unseen.

After much fretting, weighing the culpability of the fossil fuel industry versus that of the individual, I've ended up at a tenuous philosophical balance point where I will minimize my air travel, choosing my trips carefully, but I won't categorically say no to all travel. I will try to plan more trips locally, and I will look for alternate ways to find the magic.

Such a mindset, it turns out, is also useful in the time of pandemics and self-quarantines. Right after we canceled our trip to South Carolina, Max, my 3-year-old, and I attempted to recreate the trip virtually, using one of my favorite tools in the world: Google Street View.

On my computer screen, we pretended to land at the Charleston airport. I provided the narration. We rented our car, which smelled like Twizzlers and a damp pack of cigarettes. On our way out of the airport, Max spotted a TSA agent dangerously reading and walking by the side of the road.

We grabbed some fresh grouper at Crosby's Fish & Shrimp Co., to be grilled later. Max threw stones into the water. After a bit of wandering, we stumbled across a crazy dance party on the beach.

We gazed at Morris Island Lighthouse from the shores of Rat Island. Then we got sidetracked looking at people's weirdly long walkways to their personal piers and wondered: How long was too long?

In short, I was traveling, discovering. I've been fascinated with the beguiling world of Google Street View for a decade now. I often turn to it as a research tool when I'm writing a novel, but more often than not I simply use it to practice being a curious human.

What an unbelievable resource! An endless fountain for little details. You can traipse down almost any street in the world, unbothered by snow, rain or gloom of night, completely safe, eating your Cheetos, and if you grow weary of your traipsing, you can teleport to a completely new

place on a new continent.

Try it with your own block. Street View has an uncanny way of making the familiar unfamiliar. How many times have I gone and viewed my childhood home from various angles? Or my old school?

There is something tantalizing about being there but not being there, about being everywhere and nowhere at once. The geospatial distance leaves us wanting more. I'm enamored of the glitchiness of these human landscapes, the way people's legs are sometimes separated from their bodies and everyone's faces are blurred out, as if they no longer exist. This is our world, but it is not our world.

In 2015, London-based publisher Visual Editions approached me to make a digital book for its series "Editions at Play." The idea was to make a "book" that could be read only on a smartphone.

I composed "Entrances and Exits," a short story told through Google Street View, about a lovesick man who possesses a key that

could open any door in the world. The story, like Street View itself, has no end.

But I will also be the first to tell you that Google Street View is no replacement for the real thing. Traveling in the real world is about contact: body contact, surface contact, contact with new foods, new waters, new smells, new light, new languages.

Strange that at this moment in time, surrounded by the invisible threat of infection, we are supposed to be denying all contact, to retreat, to barricade our bodies from the world.

So what to do when we cannot travel ourselves, when we cannot lay our hands upon the there, how can we virtually re-create that sense of wonder and discovery?

Recently, with the advent of virtual reality headsets that don't make you throw up everywhere, there has been an explosion in VR travel apps. Google Earth VR has its own version, while others claim to take you to the Grand Canyon or swim with sharks. Not to diminish the educational value of some of these experiences, but strapping a contraption to your head still seems like a form of retreat, not a form of contact.

In the meantime, maybe the answer is simply to read more books, still the most beautifully curated art form and an activity that is perfectly suited for small group quarantines. I just read C.S. Lewis' "The Voyage of the Dawn Treader" to my 6-year-old son, Holt. Reading such books aloud and sharing in the story-contact seems important at a time like this.

"The Voyage of the Dawn Treader" is a bonkers sea expedition in the tradition of the Old Norse sagas, following the good ship Dawn Treader as it navigates magical archipelagoes filled with slave traders and dragons and merpeople on the way to the edge of the world. Holt and I had many discussions about whether there was an edge to our own world.

It was a journey I will remember more vividly than most of the real trips I've ever taken.

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## TRAVEL TROUBLESHOOTER

### Can I get a refund on my Airbnb after the outbreak?

BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT  
King Features

I recently rented a home in Washington, D.C., through Airbnb for April. The museums have been closed in Washington and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention is telling people my age not to fly or travel.

I feel these are extenuating circumstances that warrant a refund. But the host refuses to return our money, and I can't seem to contact Airbnb. I have sent them questions on their website but there's been no reply. I prepaid \$8,457 for the rental, so this would be a huge hit for me. Can you help?

— Laureen McCluen, Santa Maria, California

A: I agree that these are extraordinary circumstances and that you should get a refund. But at the time you contacted me, Airbnb's policy was clear. Although it had a clause that allowed customers to cancel for "extenuating" circumstances, it didn't apply to reservations in the nation's capital. There were only a few coronavirus cases in the United States, but that was changing quickly.

Your case is an important reminder to read the cancellation terms before you click the "book" button. If you think you might need to cancel, then consider buying a travel insurance policy. A "cancel for any reason" policy would have allowed you to do that and recover between 50% and 75% of your money. But at the time, you had no reason to believe you'd

need to cancel.

Airbnb is a platform that connects owners and renters. It can't force new cancellation terms on owners without serious consequences. So, unless Airbnb wanted to pay you \$8,457, it had to leave the refund up to the owner.

There are ways around the system. You could have contacted a manager at Airbnb to plead your case. I think you would have prevailed since you have a strong case. I list the names, numbers and email addresses of the Airbnb customer service executives on my consumer advocacy site, [elliott.org](http://elliott.org). I would have recommended sending a brief, polite email to one of them.

But when you asked me about the cancellation, I could already see other travel companies loosening their refund policies. So I

advised you to wait a few days. I was pretty sure that Airbnb would eventually broaden its definition of "extenuating" circumstances to cover you. And it did. (Here's the latest version of the Airbnb policy: [tinyurl.com/qkyn4f5](http://tinyurl.com/qkyn4f5).)

Airbnb contacted you and promised a refund within 15 working days. By the way, if you're reading this and you need help with a coronavirus-related refund, please contact me directly. You can send me details of your problem on my consumer advocacy site or email me at [chris@elliott.org](mailto:chris@elliott.org).

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## CELEBRITY TRAVELER

### Alaska rainforest inspired his writing

BY JAE-HA KIM  
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A former chief deputy U.S. marshal, author Marc Cameron was selected in 2016 to continue the Tom Clancy series of Jack Ryan thrillers. The New York Times bestseller's latest novel is "Stone Cross (An Arliss Cutter Novel)" (Kensington, \$26).

Splitting his time between Eagle River, Alaska, and Rarotonga in the Cook Islands, Cameron says some of his fondest travel memories are of those with his family.

"My youngest son and I rode our motorcycles from Texas to Alaska a few years ago," he says. "That trip will always be one of the high points of my life. I'd love to take a motorcycle journey around Australia, factoring in enough time to wander down side roads and meet people along the way."

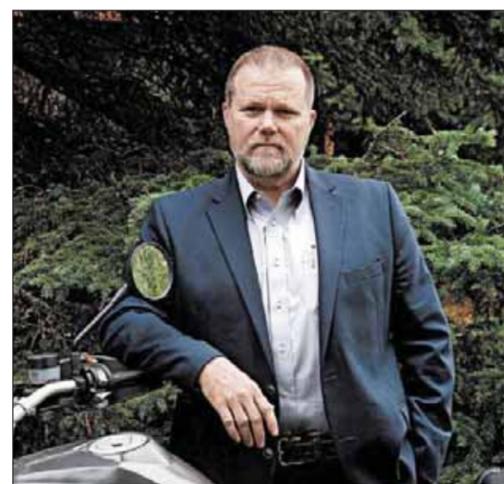
An edited version of our conversation follows.

**Q: Have your travels impacted the settings in your books?**

A: Travel often impacts where I set the books. I was in Juneau, Alaska, researching an upcoming Arliss Cutter thriller. I spent five days hiking in the Tongass National Forest and exploring abandoned gold mines.

I've lived in Alaska for 21 years, but there are elements of those mines and the expansive rainforest that were completely new to me. Many of the places I've visited with my Yupik and Inupiat friends ended up as setting and plot in "Stone Cross."

I used to travel a lot when I was with the U.S.



MARC CAMERON PHOTO

Marc Cameron

Marshals. I've spent a good deal of time in D.C. and New York and love to set scenes in areas just outside where tourists usually go. Recent trips to Japan and Buenos Aires both changed the way I'd imagined the plot and setting and sent me in entirely new directions in the books.

**Q: What was the first trip you took as a child?**

A: My parents took my sister and me on a long road trip from Texas through Yellowstone National Park and the Pacific Northwest when I was about 8. That's the first time I remember going on a trip that was not strictly to visit family. I could not get enough of the ocean, even then, and it has been calling me back ever since.

Incidentally, I also started to write on that trip. My dad was not much for listening to music while he drove, so I entertained myself in the back seat by writing little stories.

**Q: What is your guilty pleasure when you're on the road?**

A: Those gut-bomb fried burritos at gas stations. My eldest son and I trailered a couple of horses from Texas to Idaho one spring when he was 9 years old. We camped along the way.

He's a healthy guy now, super fit and in med school, but on that trip one

of his favorite meals was a ginormous 44-ounce Dr Pepper and a fried gas-station burrito. Sometimes I stop for a burrito just to think about that trip. Good times.

**Q: What is your best vacation memory?**

A: Several years ago, my wife and I were in the little town of Fujinomiya, near Mt. Fuji. We'd eaten ramen at a mountainside cafe, bought a bag of giant white peaches and stopped at a little store to buy some ice cream before returning to Tokyo.

On our way out, I pointed to a sign by the door that said the store also sold hachimitsu — honey. My wife is an avid beekeeper, so she started looking around for hives behind the building while I studied the peach trees.

Before I knew it, my wife, who speaks zero Japanese, was engaged in a long conversation of pantomimed hand signals, grunts and buzzing sounds about honey production with a man beside the store. Neither one could speak the other's language, but each understood bees — and that was enough for them to communicate very well. It was a cool lesson on common ground.

For more from the reporter, visit [www.jaehakim.com](http://www.jaehakim.com).

## STYLE

WHAT TO WEAR NOW

## Should we still go shopping (online)?

BY VANESSA FRIEDMAN  
The New York Times

Every day, since late last week, the emails have been landing in my inbox. “New Sale Markdowns!” “Enjoy an additional 20% off!” “Flash 40% Off Sale!”

They are discomfiting and tempting, catnip to boredom and cabin fever. I’d rather look longingly at clothes I am no longer wearing, imagining a time when they are once again a part of my life (parties! work events! restaurants!) than face reality (stories of trauma, hospital shortages, businesses on the brink of bankruptcy).

I’d rather consider the allure of a fleece and silk knit — so much cheaper than normal! — and how they make me feel swaddled and safe (maybe they’re worth it?) than consider the stock market plunges and the fact I probably should be saving everything I can right now.

Yet shopping during a pandemic seems just the other side of wrong.

There are people who are terribly sick and dying because of the new coronavirus. People losing family members. People losing jobs. Shopping is so ... self-indulgent. So unnecessary. So, as one reader wrote to me, “shameful.”

Maybe. But it is also an essential part of our economy; retail an enormous source of employment and creative expression. In some ways, the state of shopping is a sign of the times.

When you see “25% off,” instead of seeing “DEAL,” you should actually see “WARNING.”

And also “HELP!”

It’s easy to lose track of where we are on the calendar when we are cooped up and weekends bleed into workdays, day into night, but we all know this is not sale time.

This should be peak merch time. This should be the time of year when, as Michael Kors once fantasized, sales assistants call their favorite clients and crow, “New stuff is here!” And because the magnolias are blooming, and everyone is feeling just a little tired of their winter wardrobe, it would be the time we run off to the stores to shop.

This is not 25-40-60% off time.

Except it is, because this is crisis time. The stores are closed. Any retailers with an online presence are desperate to move inventory so that they are not stuck with out-of-season



The state of shopping is a sign of the times.

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stock no one will want in two months when — if — the curve flattens and the doors reopen. And because online sales are the only source of revenue they have to keep their employees paid and their business afloat.

The last time there was a retail situation like this — and it was not really like this but may be the only comparable time — was after 9/11, when life in New York ground to a halt, and shopping did, too.

Then, department stores, desperate to get people back into spending mode and make their holiday numbers (or anything that could be considered a number), began to put all of their stock on sale in

November instead of after Christmas as usual.

To stay competitive, brands with their own stores had to drop their prices, too. It started a race to the bottom. And it set a precedent that stores and designers still bemoan all these years later.

We’re in the same dangerous place now. The big department stores and online sites have started selling new products at 20% off, marked down as soon as they arrive. They are also sending products back to designers without payment, refusing to accept new stock.

Designers with their own sites are dropping prices to keep up.

And yet, as Sacha Rose,

chief executive of the British pajama brand Derek Rose, wrote in a recent email to clients, “Our online business is keeping us alive right now.”

They are not the only ones. Any small designer with a direct-to-consumer digital platform is clinging to it with their fingernails.

After 9/11, George W. Bush urged everyone to go shopping. At first it seemed silly. But what he was really saying was: Redistribute the wealth. Get the economy going again.

Shopping now is as much a moral as a consumer question. Where you spend your money matters. Before you buy, think: What is this about? It could be about helping save a generation of

small designers and independent businesses.

Buying directly from a designer, as opposed to through a big multibrand chain or behemoth, means the profit (if any) goes directly to the designer, and their employees. Buying from an independent multibrand boutique is a way to keep this part of the ecosystem alive. Stand-alone stores with a singular point of view are often the key to finding and nurturing new talent.

Even liking them on Instagram helps. It’s the beginning of a consumer base, which is the beginning of an argument for credit.

I am not saying forsake the department stores.

They have thousands of employees, who need to be paid. They also have a bigger cushion of liquidity. The luxury groups are in an even stronger position. And Amazon is experiencing a boom time.

But I am saying, consider the provenance and make an informed choice. That work-from-home loungewear that is being dangled so temptingly, so surprisingly affordably, before your screen-weary eyes? Those sweats and sneakers? That potholder? They represent labor and ideas, not just stuff.

Sometimes a fleece is only a fleece. And sometimes it can be a creative rescue line, and a bet on the future.

## Dye your hair without leaving home



ELLEN WARREN  
Answer Angel

**Dear Answer Angel**  
**Ellen:** I’ll cut to the chase. How do I dye my gray roots myself?

Since I’m in quarantine, I can’t go to the salon and every time I pass a mirror — like washing my hands in the bathroom — the gray stripe down my hair part and at my hairline seems to be more noticeable. Even though nobody but my husband and kids are looking at me, I’m looking at me and I don’t like what I see. But since I’ve never colored my own hair before, any tips would be welcome. Please, please help.  
— Tricia T.

**Dear Tricia:** It’s messy. And if you’re not careful you’re going to stain something (in my case, a beautiful white shower curtain) and you’ll be kicking yourself. To put these instructions together, I talked to two salon experts. I know they’re good at their job because they’ve colored my hair: Mark Rudnick at Chicago’s Nancy Angelair Salon (nancyangelairsalon.com) and Maritza Brig-

anti-Armstead at Hair by Maritza in Fort Myers, Florida. Mark says, if possible, call your stylist and ask what level number coloring they use.

You’re probably going to buy a kit at the drugstore or online made by a familiar name such as Clairol, Garnier or L’Oreal. You can buy based on the number or color description (“medium brown”) written on the box. It will have most of the stuff you need to do the job. Both stylists say to go one shade lighter than you think you need. It’s easier to fix a mistake on too-light hair than too dark.

**Your equipment:** The coloring kit (make sure it comes with gloves, a brush, mixing tray and plastic cap), an old towel and ratty clothes you’re willing to wreck. One option is to apply Vaseline on your skin at the hairline to prevent the dye from staining your skin. Hair dye is the devil to get off your face (and you will have this problem), so you’ll find yourself madly rubbing with soap and water, alcohol or special liquid sold for this purpose, which doesn’t work all that well.

Maritza suggests Windex to remove dye from your skin. Also try this Maritza tack: cut holes for your arms and neck in a big black garbage bag as extra protection and secure the

old towel around your neck.

■ Follow directions on the box. I leave it on longer — five, 10, 15 minutes more — but don’t do that if your scalp is sensitive.

■ Apply dye to your hair part and your hairline. Remember this stuff will wreck anything it touches, including counters and walls. “Nobody’s going to see the back,” says Mark, so forget dyeing your roots at the back of your head. It’s nearly impossible without help as it’s almost impossible to do a good job there.

And if you have to wear your glasses while doing this, be sure to cover the temples with saran wrap or foil. (My white prescription sunglasses have a brown sheen now.)

■ Rinse thoroughly over the sink or bathtub or in the shower. In the shower, the dye sometimes will briefly cascade down your body but it’s no big deal. It doesn’t stick. Shampoo and condition as normal.

Dyeing your own hair is much harder than the ads would lead you to believe. If it seems overwhelming, you can spray or powder grays at the hairline and hair part for a quick but very temporary fix.

My go-to for these temporary touch-ups is a powder that stays put and resembles eye shadow, Style Edit root touch-up (ama-

zon.com, \$33.99). Color Wow has a cover-up powder that’s popular with stylists between appointments (amazon.com, \$34.50). Amazon and some drugstores have cover-ups that spray on, but they’re harder to control than the powder.

One more thing: To get rid of eyebrow grays, add a very small amount of dye on them, but use great care to not get it on your skin

**Dear Answer Angel:**  
When working at home I do a lot of video meetings. I look terrible on the screen. How do I improve that?  
— Candace O.

**Dear Candace:** Good lighting, especially real daylight, can help. If your company is not super casual, wear office attire from the waist up. If you usually wear makeup, wear makeup. If possible, create a neutral backdrop. At least it should be tidy and not distracting.

Zoom has a “Touch Up My Appearance” option to “help smooth out the skin tone ... to present a more polished looking appearance.” (support.zoom.us for instructions.)

## Angelic Readers

**From Margie B:** I had my mom’s wedding dress cut to tea length to wear. Had the



DREAMSTIME

Dyeing your hair at home is messy, and if you’re not careful, you might risk staining counters or walls.

same seamstress make a christening gown, bonnet and booties that 17 grandchildren have worn from the leftover satin fabric. Easy to hand wash and delighted my mom!

## Reader Rant 1

**Jan writes:** When are fake eyelashes (big ones) gonna be gone?! They are so fake!! Just like blunt haircut and beards!! When are they going away?!

## Reader Rant 2

**Mary W. confesses:** I am guilty of what reader Jeanne S. referred to in her recent rant about ragged cuffs on pants. I am one of those people whose legs are too short for regular sizes

and too long for petite length. Yes, I could have the hems altered, and I have in some cases, but I am resentful I have to pay extra on every pair of pants to do so. I usually just turn them up and hope for the best.

## Reader Rant 3

**Joanie G. says:** What’s with the “I’m-so-cool-I’m-only-going-to-tuck-my-shirt-in-halfway” look? Please commit to the shirt either being in or out.

## Now it’s your turn

Send your questions, rants, tips, favorite finds — on style, shopping, makeup, fashion and beauty — to [answerangel@lenn.com](mailto:answerangel@lenn.com).

# THE GOODS

YOUR HUNT IS OVER

## Guys, meet your new WFH wardrobe

BY DAVID SYREK  
Chicago Tribune

If you're working from home like just about everyone else these days, you're probably discovering that one of the biggest challenges is keeping structure in your day.

Your new routine includes raiding the fridge every hour on the hour, you haven't shaved in two weeks and you've been living in sweats. Yes, working from home requires restraint.

You might think that getting dressed is pointless, since chances are you're only going to be seen from the waist up for a video conference or weekly team check-in, but don't let social isolation prevent you from making the effort to add some focus to your workday.

Jesse Garza and Joe Lupo, co-founders of New York and Chicago wardrobe styling firm Visual Therapy, offer tips on pulling yourself together with a cool but casual WFH wardrobe.

**Q: What do you wear when you work from home?**

Joe: When I am ready to begin work, I always change into a comfortable but presentable "uniform." For me right now, it has been a long-sleeve knit, typically crew neck. I also steer clear of wearing sweatpants because

while I am working, I like to feel dressed. I put on either a rubber sole slip-on or a cool pair of sneakers. Wearing only socks or going shoeless affects your way of being — you become sluggish.

**Q: Why should a guy care what he wears when he works from home?**

Joe: A guy should care what he wears while working from home because it definitely affects your level of productivity, your posture and your delivery. Do it for yourself and give yourself some structure to your workday.

**Q: What are wardrobe essentials for working from home?**

Joe: Knit tops such as a button-up polo or a nice button-down shirt in white or blue. Try to avoid small or tight patterns that will look distorted on a video chat. Have comfortable pants such as cotton chinos in basic colors — you can repeat obviously. There are a lot of options in the athletic leisure category such as an easy pant with stretch. Just avoid sweats or workout clothes.

Jesse: Keep it simple, but always have a work "capsule" ready. Put aside a few pieces that are comfortable and presentable for a video chat.

Sometimes it's worth it to step it up for dinner and have a stay-at-home date night. Putting on something that makes you feel good can dramatically change your mood.



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FRED PERRY



TODD SNYDER

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END

Wear comfy socks that make a statement. Hikerdelic's Smoothie Socks have a reinforced heel and toe, and come in Elderberry, Blueberry Banana, Satsuma and Green Apple. \$15 each pair, endclothing.com



TODD SNYDER

Yes, you are wearing shorts to the "office." Todd Snyder's tailored navy Traveler Shorts, paired with a crisp button-down, will be your new go-to look. \$118, toddsnyder.com



UNIQLO

Uniqlo has teamed up with British designer JW Anderson to create a video-conference-ready collection, including a cozy chambray shirt. \$29.90, uniqlo.com

## Reprimanding mother-in-law who overshares can be tricky



JUDITH MARTIN  
Miss Manners

**Dear Miss Manners:** My mother-in-law, Harriet, is the matriarch of a large extended family. She prides herself on close relationships with many of her nieces and nephews, and keeps in frequent touch with them via email. However, she feels it is appropriate to forward email correspondence she receives from these relations to other members of her family. At least once a week, she forwards an email from a cousin or other relative to eight or 10 of her sons, daughters-in-law and occasionally grandchildren.

Frequently, these are missives from relatives my husband and I do not know well, if at all. And although I am not especially interested in the details of Cousin Jenna's hip replacement, or her sister-in-law's cousin's daughter's wedding, or the 49 photos of her most recent vacation, they are easy enough to delete.

More troubling, however, is that Harriet also forwards letters from cousins that we do care about, but who clearly did not imagine the contents of their note would be shared. I am quite certain that when Cousin Mara pours her heart out to her favorite Aunt Harriet, confiding the details of her recent bout with cancer, her divorce or her financial woes, she is not imagining that those private sentiments will be shared with anyone else.

I believe that Harriet does this with the best of intentions and genuinely believes that we all want to stay apprised of family

news; however, her lack of discretion makes me extremely uncomfortable.

Could Miss Manners suggest a way for me to convey to Harriet that email habits require some boundaries?

**Gentle reader:** Surely it is cousins Jenna and Mara to whom this information should be conveyed, so perhaps another mass email is necessary. Miss Manners has observed that chastising an in-law rarely helps, and often creates more trouble, but you could write Harriet to ask whether she intended to distribute the rather personal messages she may have been sent in confidence. And then CC the rest of the family.

**Dear Miss Manners:** I am a teacher looking for a polite way to respond when people tell me that "it must be nice," in reference to not working and receiving pay for July and August.

The fact that two months of our salary is held back to preclude filing for unemployment is lost on most people. Similarly, people also say that teachers work a half-day. Most schools have teachers on site for seven hours, with less than an hour for lunch. I am contractually "at work" for seven hours. Most jobs are eight. And no one wants to think about the hours spent at home working.

I've tried to be polite and explain. I've been snippy. I've just rolled with it. After 28 years, it is enough. What comment might get through to people?

**Gentle reader:** "Oh, I'm not sure you understand how the teacher's day and school year work. So tell me, do you actually get to pick when you have lunch and go on vacation? That must be heaven!"

**Dear Miss Manners:** How does one respond to someone rejecting a gift?

My boss has been instrumental in starting and advancing my career. After several years, I am now in an established position, thanks to the opportunities he has provided me.

For his birthday, I purchased a food item I know he indulges in, and presented it to him with a card expressing my gratitude for his help over the years. The item was not exorbitantly expensive but was likely a few dozen more dollars than my colleagues chipped in for a gift card. It is a nice example of this food he enjoys, and has a neat little history, which I anticipate he is aware of.

He returned it to me, stating it was too generous and that he could not accept it. I was not sure how to respond, though I was certainly a little hurt, and simply accepted it back, muttering a simple, "Oh, I'm sorry." Would you mind sharing your insights on the most polite way to have responded?

**Gentle reader:** "I truly hoped that you would enjoy this. You were so kind to me all those years and I took such pleasure in picking it out and thanking you. If you feel that it is too much, perhaps you could share it with your office."

However, since it is food and likely perishable, Miss Manners fears it might not survive another trip back. In that case, you might add, "I suppose I can share it with my co-workers and regale them with the stories of their generosity."

To send a question to the Miss Manners team of Judith Martin, Nicholas Ivor Martin and Jacobina Martin, go to [missmanner.com](http://missmanner.com) or write them c/o Universal Uclick, 1130 Walnut St., Kansas City, MO 64106.



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Chicago Tribune

# REAL ESTATE



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BY RONDA KAYSEN  
The New York Times

From Farah Merhi's vantage point, a home can be as shimmery as a crystal chandelier and as cozy as a velvet throw pillow. This glamorous, decadent aesthetic has delivered Merhi an Instagram empire, with nearly 6 million followers to her Instagram account @Inspire Me Home Decor.

In the eight years since Merhi started Inspire Me! Home Decor on a whim — she was remodeling her four-bedroom house in Grand Rapids, Michigan, and turned to Instagram as a creative outlet — she has built a multimillion-dollar design and furniture business on the idea that with the right tufted bench and metallic mirrored coffee table, anyone can achieve her distinct brand of elegance.

"You can make a statement and you can go all out, but you can also have a home that is warm and cozy," Merhi said.

Despite having no formal training in design, she now has a team of 17 employees who help manage her brand, which includes an exclusive line on QVC, selling accessories, rugs, bedding and furniture that she designs.

Her other home furnishings sell on sites such as Wayfair and Overstock. She also sells merchandise on her Inspire Me! Home Decor website, shipped from her Grand Rapids warehouse. Last year, she published "Inspire Your Home: Easy, Affordable Ideas to Make Every Room Glamorous" (Tiller Press), a book

that offers guidance on how to work with materials such as shag ottomans, gold trays and mirrored buffet tables.

Merhi, 36, credits a childhood spent in Kinshasa in the Democratic Republic of Congo for her sense of style. Her parents, both Lebanese, moved frequently because of political upheaval, and when they'd resettle in a new house, her mother would hire local craftsmen to build the furniture she designed for their home.

"I learned at a young age how to achieve a look by doing it yourself because there's no Home Goods there, there's no Wayfair," Merhi said.

Merhi moved to the United States in 2001 to study political science. In 2012, when she and her husband, William Merhi, a cardiologist, began remodeling their 5,000-square-foot home, she turned to Instagram for inspiration but couldn't find the look she wanted. No one had the right bling.

"It was all very modern or very traditional," she said. "At the time, anybody who would think of glam

would think, 'Ooh, not for me. I've got kids, I've got pets. It's just not something I can achieve.'"

So Merhi, who now has three children, began posting images she liked — rooms that did not have the clean, white palettes that have come to define Instagram. Instead, she found spaces that shimmered, like a bedroom with a silver duvet, sequin throw pillows and a picture window strung with fairy lights. She quickly amassed a large following and brands took notice. She dropped out of college to focus her full attention on her fledgling social media business.

"Here I was coming in and telling people you can have a glamorous home, you can make a statement, and it can be very elegant and doesn't have to feel untouchable. It doesn't have to feel unlivable," she said. "Here's the pictures, here's the proof, here's what other people have done, here's the inspiration. It resonated."

Inspire Me! Home Decor is now the most popular home decorating and decor account on Instagram, according to Traackr,

an influencer marketing platform. At a time when a large following does not necessarily mean an active one — influencers have been known to buy followers or have accounts full of people who no longer pay attention — Merhi's fan base is legitimate, with 80% of her following made up of real people and other influencers who interact with her posts.

"Farah has an excellent audience quality," said Evy Lyons, a vice president for marketing at Traackr. Lyons estimates that Merhi's account could charge around \$2,290 per post for sponsored content. Her products target a modest to midrange market.

Her Yara pleated sofa, for example, was listed on Wayfair for less than \$1,200, and her abstract charcoal area rug for less than \$100. Since 2017, Inspire Me! Home Decor has generated \$15 million in retail sales across its platforms, according to Merhi.

The secret sauce to Merhi's signature look lies in the balance between soft and dramatic materials. She looks for furniture pieces that make a statement —

## Glam brand

### How to bring the vision of an Instagram decor influencer into your home

sofas with high backs and deep seating — but that are also comfortable. Choose furniture with neutral colors, and you can add drama with the smaller, less expensive items, swapping them out as your tastes change.

She softens the look with throw pillows and blankets, selecting materials such as velvet and faux fur and maybe some sequins for a little sparkle. Lighting fixtures such as crystal chandeliers and accessories such as gold vases, ornate candle holders and marble trays "bring in the glam," she says. Often, Merhi hears from frustrated homeowners who impulsively buy an entire living room set at once without planning out the details or considering the textures.

"Most of the time, that's a mistake," she said. It's best to "think about it as a layering process."

Of course, it's possible to have too much of a glittery thing.

"You can go overboard with a glamorous look if you're not careful," Merhi said.

Overdo it and you risk ending up with a space that feels stuffy, cluttered and overwhelming. To avoid such a design fail, hold back and "sprinkle glam elements throughout the room," she said, selecting items that complement rather than compete with one another. You know you're done when the space feels like home.

"Trust your instincts and your vision," she said. "Home is a feeling."

And for Merhi, that feeling is glamorous.

## ELITE STREET

# Cubs infielder buys \$2.8M mansion in Old Town

BY BOB GOLDSBOROUGH

Chicago Cubs infielder Jason Kipnis, a Northbrook native who faced off against the Cubs in the 2016 World Series while he was a member of the Cleveland Indians, paid \$2.8 million on Jan. 31 for a five-bedroom, 7,000-square-foot mansion in Old Town.

Kipnis' new house in Old Town was built in 2002 and has 4 1/2 baths, three fireplaces, six outdoor decks and exposed Chicago brick and wood beams. Recently renovated, the mansion also has an open living room with two-story, floor-to-ceiling windows and a wet bar.

Its kitchen features Scavolini cabinets and Sub-Zero and Miele appliances, while the master suite touts a private deck and a master bath. A rooftop terrace and a three-

car garage with 14-foot ceilings complete the home.

The mansion was first listed for sale in September for \$3.15 million and later was reduced to just under \$3 million.

Hayley Westhoff of Compass represented Kipnis in the deal. She declined to comment on the transaction. Ronda Fish of Jameson Sotheby's represented the seller.

Kipnis played baseball at Glenbrook North High School before becoming an All-American athlete in college. Cleveland drafted him in 2009, and he played for the Indians from 2011 until last year, when he became a free agent. Kipnis signed a minor-league contract with the Cubs in February.

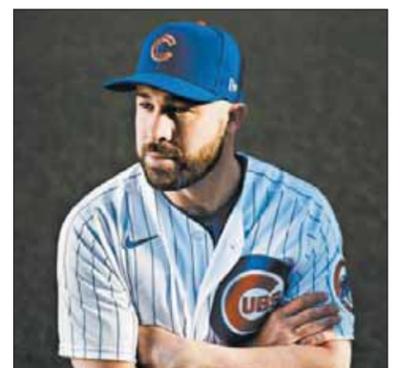
The mansion is the third home that Kipnis has bought in the Chicago area. In 2016, he paid \$1.23 million for a four-bed-

room, 3,200-square-foot traditional-style house in his hometown of Northbrook.

In 2018, he paid \$1.53 million for a four-bedroom, 6,000-square-foot house in Northbrook. Neither of those homes is on the market.

**Former Bears offensive coordinator Mark Helfrich sells 5-bedroom Lake Bluff mansion for \$1.65 million:** Former Chicago Bears offensive coordinator Mark Helfrich and his wife, Megan, sold their five-bedroom Cape Cod-style house in Lake Bluff on March 23 for \$1.65 million.

The Helfriches paid \$1.63 million in March 2018 for the 15-room house, which was built in 1970 and has five full baths and two half baths. The 6,806-square-foot



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Cubs infielder Jason Kipnis bought his third Chicago-area home on Jan. 31.

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REAL ESTATE MATTERS

# How will COVID-19 impact real estate market?

BY ILYCE GLINK AND SAMUEL J. TAMKIN  
Tribune Content Agency

We're only getting one question this week although it comes in many forms: How will the coronavirus, COVID-19, impact the real estate market?

At this point, buyers are still buying homes and sellers are still selling. Sam has received several contracts in the last few days, although his office phone isn't ringing as much as normal. Ilyce has been talking to would-be buyers and sellers (and getting plenty of email), suggesting that people want to buy or sell, but they're nervous. So are brokers, title companies and everyone else involved in real estate transactions.

And when the real estate market gets nervous, everything slows down. A lot.

What's happening now? The Department of Housing and Urban Development recently announced that the Federal Housing Administration has been authorized to implement an immediate foreclosure and eviction moratorium for single-family homeowners with FHA-insured mortgages for the next 60 days. The hope is that the world will be a little less chaotic, and if not, then HUD has 60 days to make some new rules.

Settlement agents, closing agents and title companies are all working hard to get the closings/settlements that were already underway completed. They are limiting the number of people that are at closing in order to comply with new guidelines from the federal government and the World Health Organization.

Normally, buyers, sellers, their real estate agents and, in states where attorneys are used in residential or commercial real estate closings, real estate attorneys meet at closing; so, the closing table can get pretty crowded. New guidelines



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Problems with the global economy due to COVID-19 could directly affect even the most local of real estate markets.

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indicate that sellers and their agents and attorneys should take a pass and sign closing documents by electronic signature. The settlement agent and other parties will probably (hopefully!) wipe down surfaces, limit all contact between people, use disposable pens and even limit the paperwork exchange.

What about would-be sellers? Agents are, for now, taking listings, but open houses are (or should be)

off the table. Sellers don't want strangers trekking through their homes, touching surfaces and possibly spreading germs. Agents are trying to reassure sellers that they will only bring through qualified buyers, instructing them not to touch anything and escorting them the entire time they are in the home.

Buyers are plenty nervous too. Those that left assets in what was, until a

few short weeks ago, a high-flying stock market, may wind up with a lot less cash to use to buy homes. While interest rates are now at rock-bottom lows, that may not make up the difference. Sales will slow. Prices will come down, as the economy quickly flips to from a strong seller's market to a buyer's market.

How much will the market slow? The National Association of Realtors suggested a 10% reduction in sales for 2020. We think the true number could be a lot higher, depending on how fast unemployment skyrockets and how quickly people find new jobs (if indeed they do).

We also see technology

taking an even bigger role. We expect that electronic signing of documents will become more widespread. Paper copies may become a thing of the past as copies of loan documents are now legally required to be sent to the buyer by electronic means in advance of the closing. We expect more closings will be done remotely, especially where documents are signed in advance, electronically in some cases.

For now, it appears that closings and settlements will be bare bones, so don't expect too many happy faces, but rather hard-working real estate professionals doing the best they can to get a closing

completed quickly with as little personal interaction as possible. For now, closings can proceed, but we'll have to see for how much longer. If the banking system shuts down, closings will likely be suspended.

During the Great Recession 10 years ago, the housing market took huge blows and market values plummeted. Over the last decade, real estate values in many markets recovered and then soared. But not everywhere. And, that was in a good economy (at least over the last few years).

Unfortunately, there are dark clouds on the horizon. With businesses closed, employees will be laid off, those unemployed will have bills to pay and no income to pay those bills. The government payouts won't be enough to cover everything.

In this downturn, which you should expect to be severe, everyone is getting hurt: Big business, small business, families and individuals. We're in uncharted territory, with some billionaires calling for a complete halt to the global economy for 30 days, in order to help COVID-19 die down.

No one even knows if something that drastic would work. Can we force everyone to stop and stay at home? Indeed, until Miami shut its beaches, college students were enjoying an extended spring break, cavorting as usual.

Unless COVID-19 is controlled, the problems with the global economy will directly affect even the most local of real estate markets. And if the worst comes to pass, you might well see your local real estate market freeze up along with the rest of the economy.

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CDs have much stricter rules than savings or money market accounts, in exchange for earning a higher interest rate than these other accounts pay. Because of this, savvy CD savers employ a handful of best practices before they open any new CD.

The first is simply shopping around, including among online banks and credit unions, as these two institution types often pay very competitive rates. Shopping for the best rate is critical as you can earn about 20 times more from a top-paying CD versus one paying the national average.

After narrowing your list, check the early withdrawal policy of any institution you're consider-

ing, since the penalties vary widely. Even if you don't expect you'll need to cash out early, it's best to compare how mild or onerous a bank's penalties are, and to avoid any policy that allows the penalty to eat into your CD's principal.

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 Listed on March 2, 2020

This 6,200-square-foot Lincoln Park home has six bedrooms, 5.5 bathrooms and an elevator. The kitchen is made up of Gaggenau, Wolf and Miele stainless steel appliances, Caesar stone countertops, and custom teak cabinets. The home also includes an attached garage, elevator, a wine room, snow melt system, second-floor laundry, radiant heat in the lower level and 10-foot ceilings on the first and second floors. The outdoor area includes 1,500 square feet of space with more than three decks, two fireplaces and a pergola.  
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ALISSA MCNICHOLAS

Former Chicago Bears offensive coordinator Mark Helfrich sold his Lake Bluff mansion for \$1.65 million.

## Elite

Continued from Page 1

house has had numerous owners over the years and was updated in 2014 and 2015.

Features include five fireplaces, an open floor plan and hardwood floors. The first-floor master bedroom includes a sitting area, while the kitchen touts quartz countertops and a new Thermador refrigerator.

Additions to the house range from a mud room, a laundry room with two new washers and dryers, and a basement with new water heaters and a newly installed dry bar with a fridge.

Helfrich was the Bears' offensive coordinator for the 2018 and 2019 seasons. After the team finished 2019 with the NFL's 29th-ranked offense, the Bears fired Helfrich on Dec. 31.

The couple listed the house Jan. 13 for \$1.7 million and signed a sale contract with a buyer just four days later.

Listing agent Alissa McNicholas of Caldwell Banker said the house "has always been one of my favorites."

"It was a pleasure to represent them in selling it," McNicholas said. "It had everything that most



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WGN radio sports personality Chris Boden listed his Tinley Park five-bedroom house for \$419,900.



Helfrich

buyers want today. It is an absolute awesome house." McNicholas listed the house with co-listing agent Lori Baker.

**WGN radio's Chris Boden lists Tinley Park home for \$419,900:** WGN-AM sports personality Chris Boden and his wife, Natalie, listed their four-bedroom, 4,167-square-foot house in Tinley Park on March 16 for \$419,900.

The Bodens paid \$252,000 in 1996 for the house, which was newly built. It has 3 1/2 baths, Pella energy-efficient windows and a family room with a fireplace.

The master bedroom features tray ceilings and a large walk-in closet, while a finished lower level has an exercise room and a kitchenette, two furnaces

and two water heaters.

The Bodens also own a condo on the 14th floor of a South Loop high-rise that they bought for \$580,000 in 2013.

Boden, 57, hosts Chicago Blackhawks pregame and postgame coverage for WGN-AM.

He worked from 2007 until 2017 at Comcast SportsNet Chicago — which now is NBC Sports Chicago — hosting numerous shows. Prior to that, he worked at several other Chicago TV and radio stations, including at WBBM-AM from 1990 to 1998.

Boden declined to comment on the Tinley Park listing.

Bob Goldsborough is a freelance writer.

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## Mortgage lenders providing struggling borrowers options

By NATALIE CAMPISI  
Bankrate.com

The U.S. battle with the coronavirus has left some Americans struggling to pay their bills, including mortgage payments. As state and local governments continue to order business closures, lockdowns and curfews, out-of-work homeowners are wondering how they'll afford housing costs.

Some workers are more vulnerable than others, including roughly 15 million Americans who work in hospitality and leisure, a sector that has been virtually shut down as the coronavirus continues to spread.

Across the country, moratoriums are in place to stop evictions in an effort to lessen the financial burden created by COVID-19.

Fortunately, lenders are proactively offering to help borrowers in trouble by providing hardship forbearance options.

During this stressful time, keep in mind mortgage servicers would rather work with existing customers (even if they can't currently make payments) than start collection or foreclosure proceedings. Here are steps you should take if you can't afford your

home loan payments.

**Talk to your lender or mortgage servicer.** It's important to get in touch with your lender immediately if you expect to be late or unable to make your monthly mortgage payment. The worst thing you can do, says Bill Halldin, a spokesperson for Bank of America, is to not communicate with your lender.

"We (at Bank of America) want to work with our customers affected by the coronavirus, so please get in touch with us," Halldin adds.

There are programs in place for folks who are experiencing hardship.

**Be prepared to repay what you owe.** It's important to note that mortgage forbearance is not mortgage forgiveness, meaning you still have to pay back what you owe.

"Be aware, however, that you will need to repay the amount that was reduced or suspended, either as a lump sum or by adding to your normal monthly payment," says Leslie Tayne, founder and attorney at Tayne Law Group.

A mortgage forbearance is an agreement between you and your mortgage servicer that lets you either stop making

payments or lower your payments to an affordable level on a temporary basis during your hardship. This can be helpful during times like these when your job isn't terminated, just suspended indefinitely.

For people who will lose wages during the time they're not working, it's important to communicate that information to your lender. You should also make a plan for how you will repay the suspended amount when your forbearance ends. Making a budget now could save you stress later, so when the time comes to repay, you'll be ready.

**File for unemployment.**

Workers whose jobs were halted because of COVID-19 are likely to be eligible for unemployment benefits. Many states have measures in place to help people who are not being compensated while their job is suspended. Check your state's employment department to see what options are available to you.

Finally, be sure to verify the legitimacy of anyone you talk to before sharing personal information or identification. During times of crisis, scammers run rampant and prey on people looking for assistance.



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# Buying in uncertain times

Should fear of a recession keep you from purchasing a home?

BY KELLY ANNE SMITH AND R.H. BIERCK  
Bankrate.com

In the last two months, some economists were predicting a likely recession by 2021. But now that the coronavirus is crimping consumer spending, closing businesses, halting wages and sending workers home, some economists say the economy has got to be in recession now.

For many, the lasting impact of the Great Recession of 2007-09 has left memories of losing a home or watching one's neighbors or parents lose theirs. This in itself may be enough to have you second-guessing a home purchase in uncertain economic times.

But now that the effects of the coronavirus are besetting the economy more with each passing day, this fear is doubtless heightened for many.

Since 2009, underwriting standards have toughened and regulations governing lenders are far stricter. And now, the coronavirus is pushing interest rates down — a trend that usually increases demand. Yet business interruptions and closings of whole industries are lowering earnings for many workers and laying off others, lessening their ability to buy homes. Money saved for down payments will go toward paying rent and buying groceries.

Greg McBride, chief

financial analyst at Bankrate, says that it's important to take a long view.

"Despite fear and uncertainty, investors should think to the future, beyond the economic pause and when business and life resumes normalcy. The short-term disruption is unprecedented, but the long-term viability of the economy is not," he adds.

A home is not just an investment, but a place to live. And with super-low mortgage rates and better deals to be negotiated with sellers, this may be a good time to buy.

Job security — at its lowest for individuals out of work, a category that's growing daily — affects not only demand but the ability to qualify for a mortgage loan. So many buyers who would be looking at homes now are probably holding off, waiting to see what happens with their incomes.

### Pros of buying a home during a recession

For those who are confident in their future incomes, this period of historically rock-bottom interest rates may be a great time to buy. Every day, it's becoming more of a buyer's market, though this could level off with the rate of infections, possibly in a few months. In the meantime, the economic impact could suppress demand, lowering prices.

Generally, for people struggling financially,



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selling their home might be a last option before facing foreclosure. Because of this, turnaround on a home purchase could be quick — and, potentially, at a good price for the buyer. "Most homeowners would rather trade their equity in their home to sell quickly than to go through foreclosure and ruin their credit for seven years," says Shawn Breyer, owner of Breyer Home Buyers in Atlanta.

### Cons of buying a home during a recession

You may have to wait a long time for appreciation on a home purchased during a recession.

If you buy a short-sale or foreclosed home, you may get a deal, but there are additional disadvantages.

**■ Less room for negotiation:** Jessica Whiffen, licensed Realtor with Premier Sotheby's Interna-

tional Realty in Naples, Florida, says buying during a recession can bring the opportunity to snag a great bargain — but warns that it also brings financial risks. One is less wiggle room with negotiation.

"You are not in a traditional negotiating situation, where the buyer is on one side of the table and the seller is on the other," says Whiffen. "It is more like a triangle, in which the seller is the middle man, and doesn't have much say. You are essentially only negotiating with the bank."

Whiffen recommends you do your research beforehand — comparing the price of the home with other recent sales in the neighborhood can be a good indicator of property values.

During a short sale or foreclosure, Whiffen says most banks are selling

properties "as-is," meaning they are unlikely to offer additional credits or make repairs for problems that may arise during inspection.

"Very rarely will the financial institution who has sanctioned a short sale or who is facilitating a foreclosure give you any help when it comes to materially defective items," Whiffen says. "Buyers are always out there, properties are not."

**■ Harder time securing financing:** When economic times are tough, it can be more difficult to obtain a mortgage.

Lenders may have stricter requirements for approval, such as higher credit score requirements or larger down payments.

**■ Competing with investors:** In declining markets, more investors look to purchase homes and use

them as rental property, hoping to sell when prices recover. Breyer notes that it's hard to compete with these investors because they usually pay in cash.

"Homeowners know that selling to someone who needs lender approval could take months, while selling to an investor for cash could get them out of a property in weeks," says Breyer. "Know that it's not always about the money. Talk to the selling agent and see if you can offer any other terms that would make the sellers consider your offer over an investor."

You might be thinking now could be an opportune moment to purchase a house and rent it for passive income. McBride warns that it won't be easy.

Rentals can be "capital intensive," meaning they require cash for transaction costs, down payment, taxes, insurance, upgrades, maintenance, repairs and allowing for the occasional vacancy. If you don't have those funds on hand, it'll be hard to maintain your investment.

### Who benefits the most buying a home during a recession?

McBride notes that buying a home during a recession depends on how much risk you're willing to take.

"It takes nerves of steel to sign up for the largest financial commitment you've ever had at a time when the economic outlook is bleak, unemployment is rising, and fear and pessimism are rampant," says McBride.

Of course, those who work in industries that are most vulnerable to economic downturn should think twice before buying a home during a recession. Getting laid off and being unable to afford a monthly mortgage jeopardizes your financial future.

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The 2021 Chrysler Pacifica minivan features a new top-of-the-line Pinnacle model.

# Pacifica elevates minivan to sophisticated heights

BY LARRY PRINTZ  
Tribune News Service

When an ordinary object of the Clark Kent variety turns out to be Superman, you want to admire it.

That certainly holds true for the 2021 Chrysler Pacifica Hybrid minivan.

Considering its utilitarian mission, the Pacifica proves to be quite fetching, even distinctive. Its new front grille, headlamps, fog lamps and tail lamps and the reverse slanted rear pillars make for a sophisticated schleppler. Chrysler would prefer you consider it a crossover, but the sliding side doors say otherwise. Nevertheless, it gets a host of changes for 2021.

Aside from the updated wardrobe, the Pacifica gets a fully automatic all-wheel-drive system and a new top-of-the-line Pinnacle model. There's an all-new Uconnect 5 system, which features a 10.1-inch touchscreen, Amazon Alexa, wireless Apple CarPlay and Android Auto and a home screen that can be personalized for six different users.

There are more tech niceties, such as Bluetooth that allows two phones to connect simultaneously, and up to 12 USB Type A and Type C ports. Parents

## 2021 CHRYSLER PACIFICA HYBRID LIMITED

Base price:

**\$45,845**

Engine: 3.6-liter V6 and dual electric motors

Cargo capacity: 32.3-140.5 cubic feet

will appreciate the new FamCAM interior camera that gives the driver a high-definition view of rear-facing child seats in the second row, and it can zoom in for a closer view.

Of course, given the choice, most of us would really rather drive a posh SUV or a thrilling sports car than a minivan, which is why Chrysler now offers a posh Pinnacle trim at the top of the line, featuring caramel Nappa leather seats in all three rows and matching quilted lumbar pillows in the second-row captain's chairs.

That said, the lineup has been simplified for the new model year. Whereas the 2020 Pacifica had eight trim levels, there are four this year: Touring, Touring L, Limited and Pinnacle. Chrysler is the world's

only manufacturer of a hybrid minivan, and like the standard minivan it uses the corporate 3.6-liter V-6, albeit modified for hybrid duties, working in concert with two electric motors to deliver 260 horsepower to the front wheels through an electrically variable transmission developed by Chrysler.

Electric power is supplied by a 16.0-kWh battery pack housed in the underfloor bins where the second-row seats normally stow.

That supplies enough juice to run 33 miles solely on electric power. Once that point is reached, the Pacifica acts like a conventional hybrid, with the electric motor working in tandem with the gas engine to deliver 30 mpg in combined city/highway driving, 10 mpg more than the standard Pacifica.

The driveline is smooth and responsive, with the Hybrid driveline obediently delivering a smooth surge of power. It never feels overtaxed, even with a hefty amount of luggage and seats filled with family.

Quiet, comfy, powerful, fuel efficient, filled with safety features and useful for so many things, it looks more beautiful the longer you use it.

# Keyless ignition makes it easy to forget engine is on



BOB WEBER  
Motormouth

**Q: I find it strange that I can get out of my car and lock it while it still is running. This is a safety factor. I have stated this to GM but have heard nothing. My car is a Buick Encore. What do you think?**

—C.L., Chicago

A: Yes, it is indeed a safety factor. If you park in an attached garage and forget to shut off the engine, your home could fill with deadly carbon monoxide.

Many cars, especially hybrids, run so quietly that people have neglected to press the stop button, locked them and walked away. Keyless ignition systems make it easy to forget to turn off the car, so keep your key fob close at hand and check to ensure the engine is off before you get out of your car and lock it.

Carmakers have attempted to fix this problem by having some of their vehicles try to warn drivers that they've left the engine running. They sound an external chime or horn beep if drivers leave the engine idling and walk away with the fob.

**Q: In 2016 I purchased a 2016 Scion tC. A car-guy friend suggested it when I wanted to replace my Monte Carlo SS. I wanted another two-door sporty car, only smaller. I love it. Does the tC stand for "too cute"? I never read anything about the tC and never see one for sale.**

—C.J., Douglassville, Pennsylvania



CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Ensure you press the stop button inside your car before exiting and locking the car with your key fob.

A: Toyota (Scion's parent company) chose the letters to signify touring coupe. Designed to attract young buyers, it was the best-selling Scion.

The Scion division lasted from 2004 to 2016 and, as sales dropped and young folks became attracted to Toyotas, Scion was killed. If you do a little shopping, you can still find them at places like CarMax and car dealerships.

**Q: I have a 2016 Hyundai Santa Fe Sport with all the bells and whistles. Sometimes when I travel on highway I-65 and/or I-465, my front windshield gets cracked by stones or rocks. This has happened three times already. My daughter lives in Indiana, so I have no choice but to use these highways when I visit. Is this just bad luck or something else?**

—L.K., Park Ridge, Illinois

A: Has a black cat (or black Cadillac) crossed the road in front of you? Though you may have some bad luck, you may not be the only motorist with glass issues.

Due to the road construction around Indianapolis, there is likely a lot of stuff being slung from the tires of vehicles ahead of you, especially trucks with wider tire treads. I hope

your insurance comprehensive coverage takes care of the damage.

**Q: A car issue that's very often ignored and not written about is the car title. I'm a loner and have my 2018 Mazda titled in just my name. This is my only asset that doesn't have a beneficiary when I pass on. Wouldn't it be better to have the car titled in two names?**

—S.B., Delray Beach, Florida

A: On the Investopedia website, it states that joint tenancy with rights of survivorship (JTWROS) is a type of account that is owned by at least two people. In this arrangement, tenants have an equal right to the account's assets. They are also afforded survivorship rights in the event of the death of another account holder.

When one partner or spouse dies, the other receives all of the money or property. That is why many married couples and business partners choose this option. It makes a lot of sense for married couples, but I would be careful who I chose otherwise.

Consult your lawyer, not a newspaper columnist.

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# Chicago Tribune RIDES



NISSAN

The Versa SR comes with Nissan's Safety Shield 360 suite of safety features.

BY REX  
TOKESHI-TORRES  
Edmunds

If you want high-tech safety and convenience features in your vehicle, you don't have to blow your budget to get them.

Every year brings new technology features in vehicles. Most of them enhance a vehicle's modern appeal and safety, such as widescreen infotainment displays and safety systems that can help prevent or mitigate accidents.

But these high-tech features also come with a higher price tag. The average national transaction price of a new vehicle in February was a little more than \$37,000, an increase of about \$5,700 in the past five years, according to Edmunds data.

Some of that price creep is due to the popularity of SUVs, which typically cost more than sedans. But if you want a high-tech car today, it can quickly get expensive. With that in mind, the experts at Edmunds have picked their favorite high-tech vehicles for under \$36,000. These models get you the most for your money and still come in under the average transaction price.

To get on the list, a vehicle needed to have the following features: traffic-adaptive cruise control, a 7-inch infotainment screen or bigger, Android Auto and Apple CarPlay smartphone compatibility and a collection of advanced driver safety aids. The latter included an automatic

## High tech, low cost

### Affordable vehicles filled with cutting-edge safety, convenience features



KIA

The Kia Forte GT features lane-keeping assistance and automatic high beams.

braking system to help avoid a front collision, a blind-spot warning system to monitor the vehicle's sides, rear cross-traffic alert to help when backing out of driveways and a system to warn about unintended lane departures.

Because options can vary, we've also recommended the trim level and equipment package that get you the tech we mentioned.

#### 2020 Nissan Versa SR with Convenience package

MSRP: \$19,465

The redesigned Versa sedan is small but packed with the latest tech. Nissan's Safety Shield 360 suite of safety aids comes standard with the Versa. LED headlights with automatic

high beams also come standard, as well as a 7-inch infotainment display along with Android Auto and Apple CarPlay integration. The Convenience package we recommend adds a traffic-adaptive cruise control system.

Other advantages to the Versa include a roomy trunk and high fuel economy. Sluggish acceleration is the car's main drawback.

#### 2020 Kia Forte GT with GT2 package

MSRP: \$25,655

The Kia Forte small sedan comes with a majority of features on our list, along with an 8-inch display, lane-keeping assist and automatic high beams. The Forte GT trim's optional GT2 package adds



MAZDA

The Mazda CX-30 Premium has a system that can help steer to keep drivers in their lane.

missing elements, such as the blind-spot monitor, adaptive cruise control, rear cross-traffic alert and a pedestrian detection upgrade to the standard forward collision mitigation system.

We like that the Forte provides so many features for a very reasonable price. Fuel economy is also high. On the downside, the Forte has a slightly uncomfortable ride.

#### 2020 Mazda CX-30 with Premium package

MSRP: \$29,300

The all-new CX-30 is a stylish addition to Mazda's small SUV lineup. Get a CX-30 with its optional Premium package, and it will come loaded with everything in our criteria

and more. You get a system that can help steer to keep you in your lane, headlights that automatically adjust when you turn, a head-up display that shows important information on the windshield, and an 8.8-inch infotainment screen.

In addition to its technology, the CX-30 has an upscale interior and poised handling. The rear seats are a little snug, however, so try them out if you have tall or large passengers.

#### 2020 Hyundai Tucson Ultimate

MSRP: \$33,020

The Hyundai Tucson small SUV is comfortable and loaded with easy-to-use tech. It comes standard with nearly all of our required features. LED

headlights with automatic high beams are also standard. You'll have to step up to the Ultimate to get traffic-adaptive cruise control, but when you do, you'll also get a wealth of other technology-oriented features. These include a surround-view camera system to help see what is around you when you're parking, pedestrian detection, an 8-inch display and wireless device charging.

Hyundai's Tucson has less cargo space and lower fuel economy numbers than its competitors, but overall, it's a smart pick for a tech-loaded small SUV.

#### 2020 Subaru Forester Touring

MSRP: \$35,605

The Subaru Forester small SUV meets most of our criteria in its base configuration. But it's lacking a big enough touch screen and blind-spot monitoring with rear cross-traffic alert. For those, you'll need to get the Limited or top-level Touring trim. Going with the Touring gets you a Forester with tech extras, such as steering-responsive headlights, a driver distraction monitor and reverse automatic braking.

Other positive attributes include standard all-wheel drive and a comfortable ride quality. Compared to other small SUVs, however, the Forester's engine is underpowered.

While modern vehicle technology has made new cars more expensive, the good news is that the best tech is no longer reserved only for high-end cars.

## Ford pivots, gets creative to manufacture ventilators, PPE

BY BREANA NOBLE  
Detroit News

It took less than a week for a group of Ford Motor Co. employees to leverage the Dearborn, Michigan, automaker's manufacturing expertise and legacy of innovation to address the new coronavirus pandemic. Among their tools: seat cooling fans and batteries for cordless drills.

The company and a few hundred employees are answering the call to help boost production of ventila-

tors and personal protection equipment, such as respirators and masks for first responders and health care workers.

"We have to be creative and scrappy," Jim Baumbick, Ford's vice president of enterprise product line management, said. "The fundamental challenge is that time is the enemy."

The automaker last week said it had partnered with medical equipment manufacturers — Minnesota-based 3M Co. and Chicago-



DAVID ZALUBOWSKI/AP

based GE Healthcare — to scale up production by as much as tenfold of their powered air-purifying respirators and ventilators, respectively. General Mo-

tors Co. and Fiat Chrysler Automobiles NV are taking similar actions.

Shortages of health care equipment led President Donald Trump to invoke

the Defense Production Act, opening the way for the government to call on private business to help.

By then, Ford already was exploring the possibility of partnering with 3M and GE Healthcare. Inspired by the work of Ford, GM and the Chrysler Corp. to power Detroit's Arsenal of Democracy during World War II, Baumbick said, a group of Ford employees floated their idea and kicked off discussions with health care officials, equipment manufacturers and

the White House's medical consultant.

The effort installed Ford engineers in 3M and GE plants to unleash the full potential of their assembly lines, Baumbick said.

This work includes opening supply channels, identifying the devices and simplifying high-volume components to use, such as the fans for cooling seats in F-150 pickups — parts in greater stock because the company has suspended production in North America amid the outbreak.

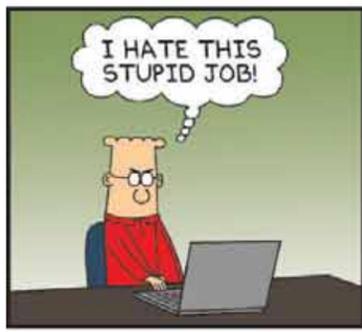
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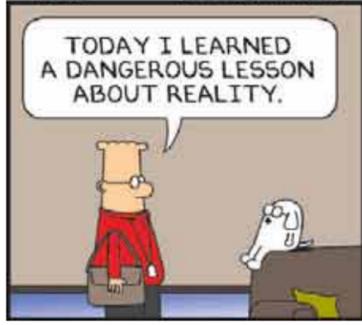
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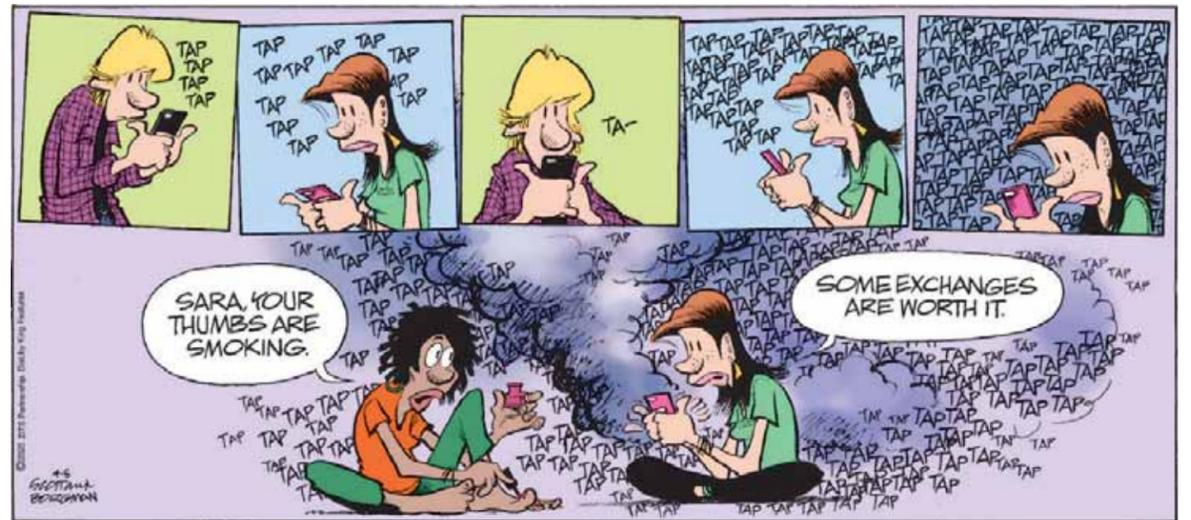
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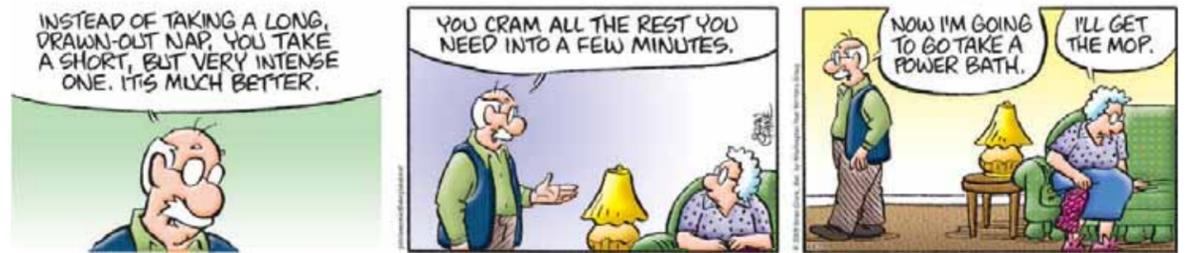
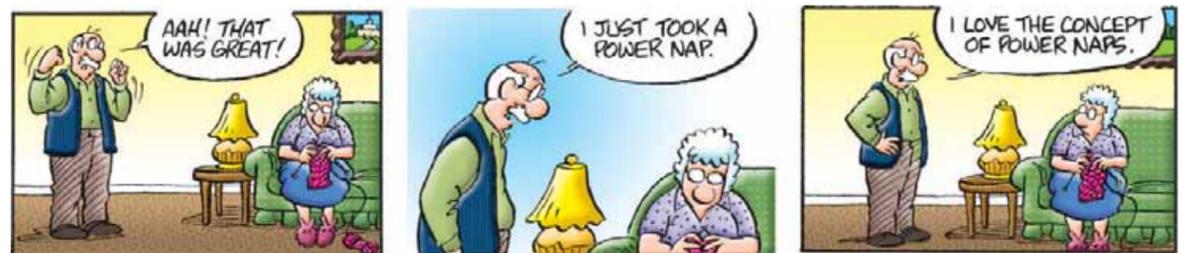
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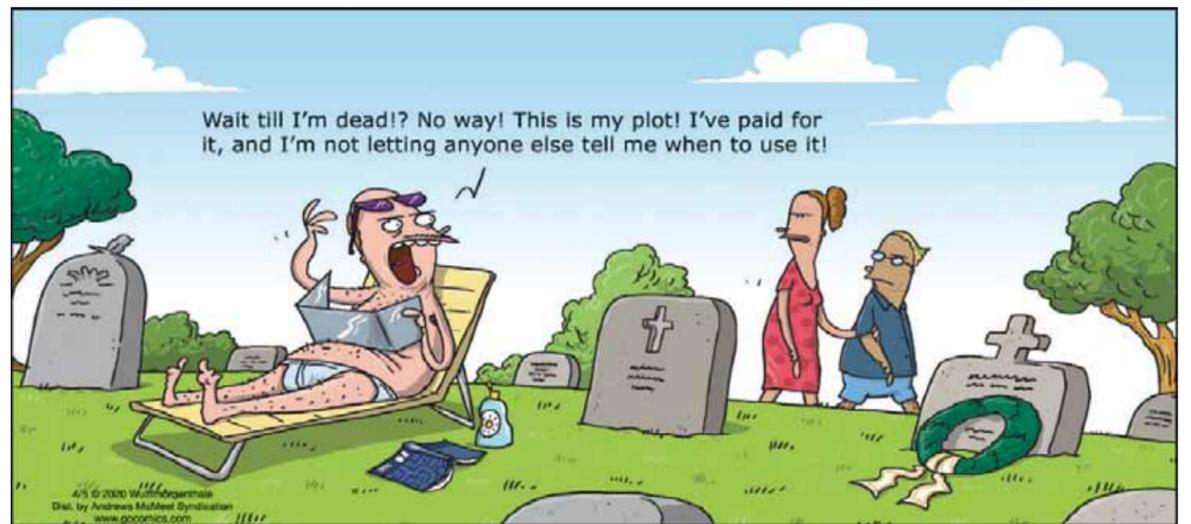
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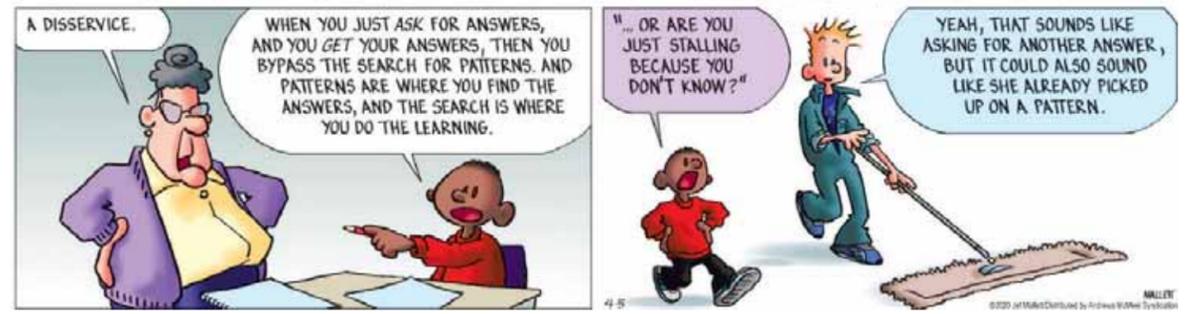
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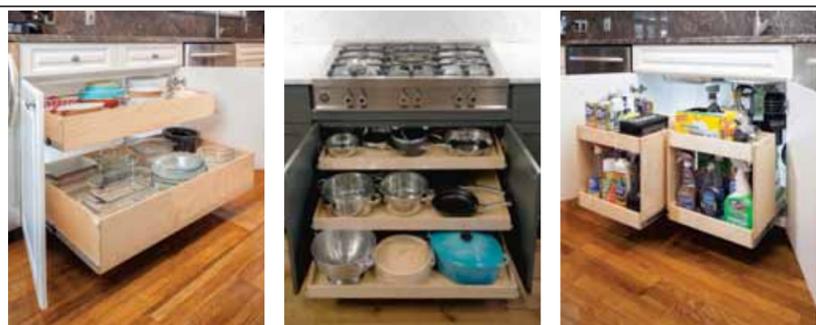
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By Lynn Fitzsimon

LISTEN, MICHAEL...

IT SOUNDS LIKE SHE'S AWAKE!

HERE'S YOUR BABY, ELLY... SHE'S ALL CLEAN.

IT'S OK, MICHAEL, YOU CAN COME IN!

BOY, SHE SURE HAS A RED FACE.

AN' HER HEAD LOOKS SORTA STRANGE...

AND HER SKIN IS KIND OF POWDERY AND WRINKLED!

...ISN'T SHE BEAUTIFUL??!

### MISTER BOFFO

"AL'S INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY AND FOOD WAREHOUSE" - YOUR HEADQUARTERS FOR STEEL-CUT OATMEAL.

AND HIS "WALTER'S" (NEEDS MAN)

By Joe Martin

THERE WAS ONE ON ALMOST EVERY BLOCK..

USUALLY RIGHT ON THE CORNER, IN ITS OWN SPECIAL LITTLE BOOTH

IS HE WILD OR WHAT?!

WHERE DOES HE COME UP WITH THIS STUFF?!

### BREWSTER ROCKIT

Space Guy!

Tim Rickard

ARTHUR C. CLARKE ONCE SAID, "MAGIC'S JUST SCIENCE WE DON'T UNDERSTAND YET."

HMMM ...

WHAT IS IT, DR. MEL?

THINK THIS WILL WORK, DR. MEL?

QUIET, WINKY! I'M DOING SCIENCE!

### Half Full

4/5 by Maria Scrivan

### Take It From the Tinkersons

By Bill Bettwy

I CAN'T BELIEVE WE'RE DOING THIS

CAN WE REALLY PULL THIS OFF?

WE HAVE TO!

THINK OF THE MONEY.

I KNOW, IT'S A LOT OF MONEY.

OK, LET'S DO THIS!

STUFF THESE DRINKS AND SNACKS IN YOUR JACKETS

### FoxTrot

By Bill Amend

WE'RE REHEARSING FOR LIFE AFTER CLIMATE CHANGE.

SHOULD I RELEASE THE KRAKEN?

### KNITTING IS THE PERFECT SIDE HUSTLE

Maria Scrivan

### Dogs of C-Kennel

By Mick and Mason Mastroianni

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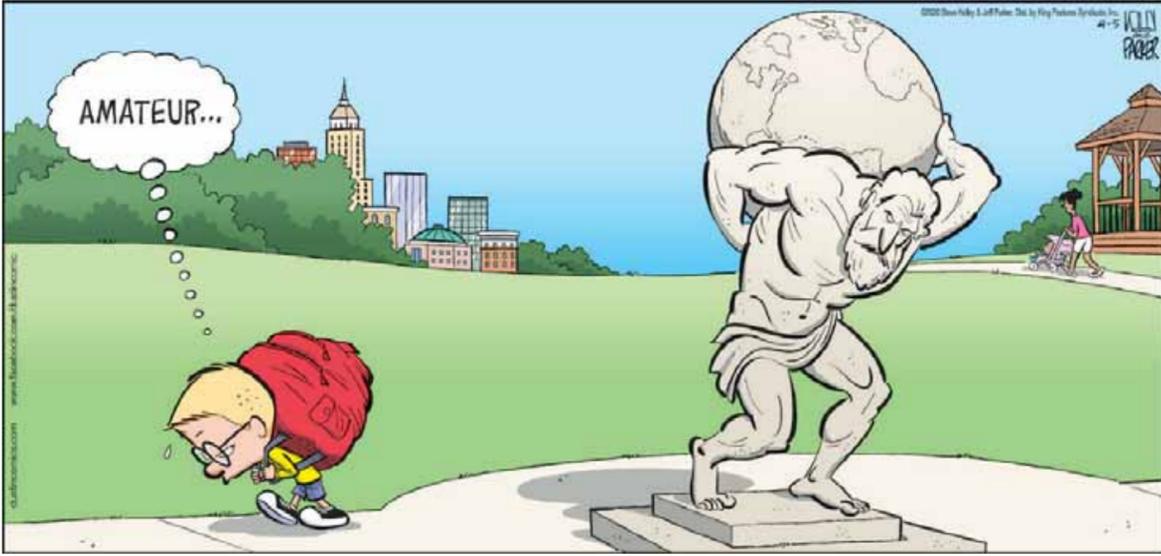
SNAP

VIDEO GAMES ARE HOW I RELAX.

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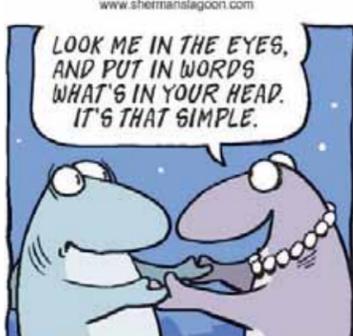
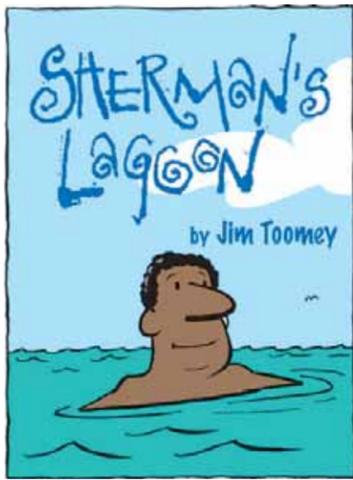


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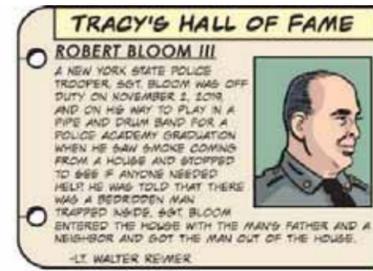




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## PEAK PERFORMANCE: A quintet of superlatives

BY GAIL GRABOWSKI | EDITED BY STANLEY NEWMAN  
(stanxwords.com)

### Across

- 1 Snakes seen by Indiana Jones  
5 Journey segment  
8 Speed test  
12 Outpourings  
18 "Tall" yarn  
19 Gel-yielding plant  
21 Very much  
22 Neighbor of Lithuania  
23 Extended family  
24 Part of speech  
25 Connection point  
26 Value highly  
27 Voice-over Emmy Award  
31 Rodeo bovine  
32 Multicolored mineral  
33 Silent signals of approval  
34 Remarkable thing  
37 Danson of TV  
38 Suffix for social  
41 Erstwhile space station  
42 — Baba  
43 Delicate trim  
44 Postseason award in many sports  
49 Hunter's garb, for short  
52 Polished off  
53 Outback bird  
54 Inventor Howe  
55 Audibly  
57 Bear in constellations  
60 ID on a dust jacket  
63 *Dancing With the Stars* step  
64 Fossil site in Los Angeles  
66 "Encore!"  
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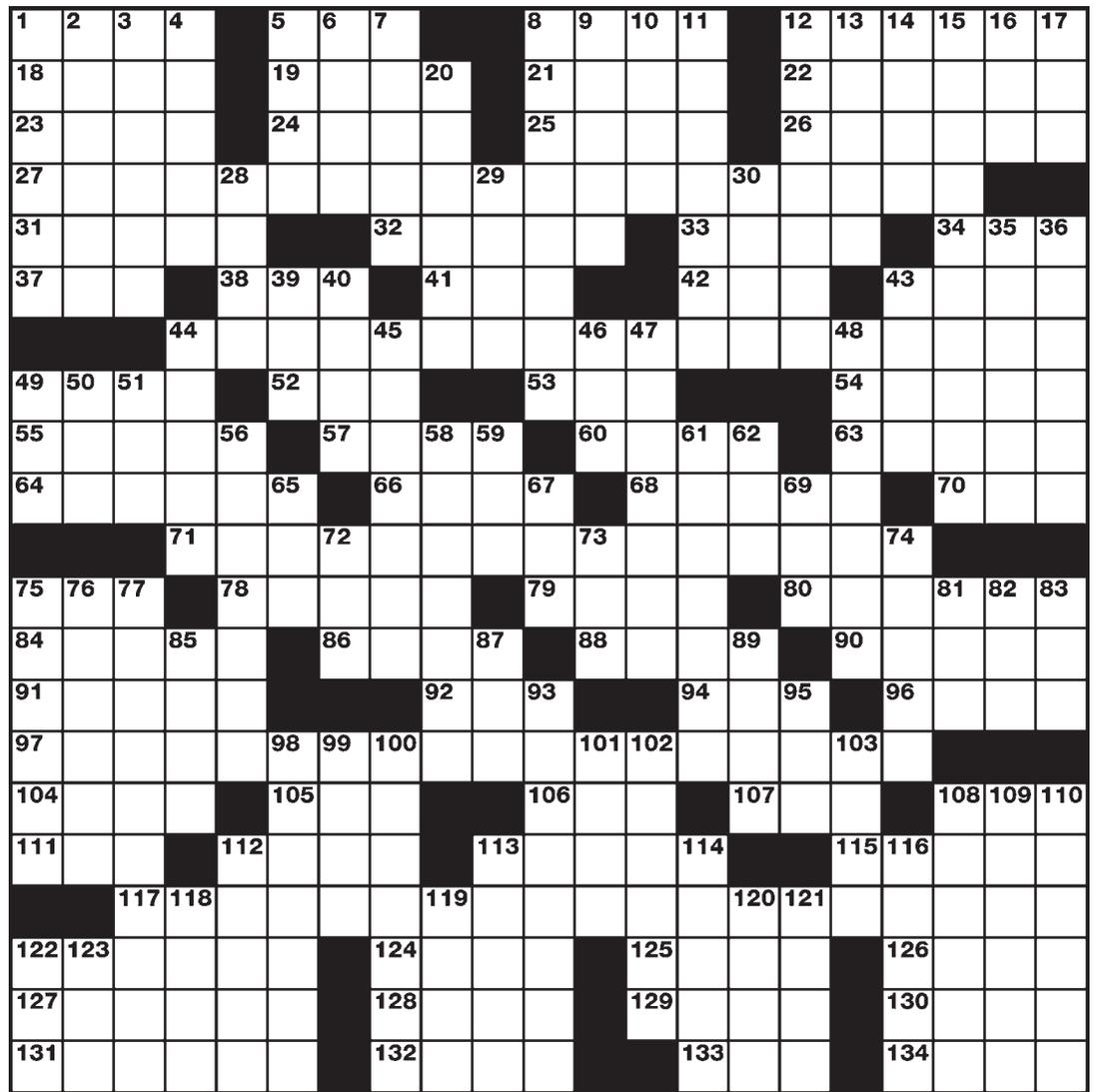
- 70 Demographic cohort, for short  
71 Big Apple's firefighters

- 75 Seat for a toddler  
78 Wood-shop shaver  
79 Part of a full house  
80 Considers with care  
84 Fill with joy  
86 Grade school support grps.  
88 Animal rights org.  
90 Long-legged wader  
91 Name on a *Rocketman* poster  
92 Mr. Van Winkle  
94 1-800-\_\_\_-RAIL (Amtrak's number)  
96 Makes a blunder  
97 Top heavyweight, e.g.  
104 AFB truant  
105 Owned by us  
106 I love: Lat.  
107 Swampy ground  
108 Mule's sire  
111 High fashion monogram  
112 Avid about  
113 Watchdog's warning  
115 Regatta racer  
117 Brad Pitt award for 2019  
122 Curly-haired pet  
124 Former rival of Volvo  
125 Avocado-shaped  
126 Restore to health  
127 Wise sayings  
128 Hawkeye Pierce portrayer  
129 Evening, in ads  
130 Charlie Brown lament  
131 Loathe  
132 Impolite stare

- 133 Female rabbit  
134 "What a shame!"

### Down

- 1 Without a markup  
2 Military greeting  
3 Covered, as with gold  
4 Smell, for one  
5 Pop singer Del Rey  
6 Musk of Tesla  
7 Dutch cheese  
8 Sounded reasonable  
9 Without peer  
10 Musical postscript  
11 Ceaseless  
12 Dog groomer's treatment  
13 Has staying power  
14 Comics canine  
15 Getting soaked, in a way  
16 Casino cube  
17 Finger-pointing uncle  
20 Something baffling  
28 Small jazz group  
29 Catch red-handed  
30 Cast portrayal  
35 Glacial period  
36 Word in the definition of "anyone"  
39 Federal inspection agcy.  
40 Caesar's rebuke  
43 Tra-\_\_  
44 Feel sorrow  
45 Quebec neighbor  
46 Parisian pal  
47 Class outing, often  
48 "Hmm..."  
49 Baseball great  
50 Emulating  
51 Crowd around  
56 Diving board's spot



Last week's answers appear on the last page of Puzzle Island

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- 58 Pitcher's woe  
59 Genesis 6 construction  
61 Forest youngster  
62 The Silver St.  
65 Hole-punching tool  
67 Clairvoyance, for short  
69 Kitten sound  
72 Talk too much  
73 Undergrad degs.  
74 Fierce fighter  
75 Wiggle room  
76 Authorizes  
77 Coast guard vehicle  
81 Exclamation of frustration  
82 What pirates call their vessels  
83 Some GPS lines  
85 Turnpike charge  
87 Sort of small swallow  
89 Beginning from  
93 After-work hangout  
95 Trunk chopper  
98 Competition  
99 Modest dwellings  
100 Excitement  
101 Actor Epps or Sharif  
102 Antivirus software brand  
103 Irish New Age singer  
108 Not simulated  
109 Vowel sound in "stand"  
110 Underline or italicize  
112 Maui and Kauai  
113 Small shovel  
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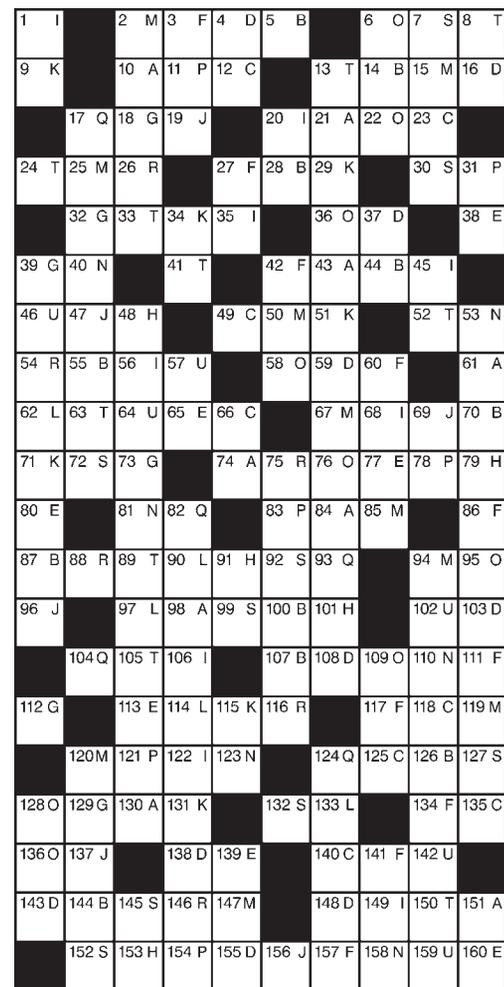
## Quote-Acrostic

1. Define clues, writing in Words column over numbered dashes.
2. Transfer letters to numbered squares in diagram.
3. When pattern is completed, quotation can be read left to right. The first letters of the filled-in words reading down form an acrostic yielding the speaker's name and the topic of the quotation.

## Clues

- A. American folk hero  
61 21 84 43 98 130 151 74 10
- B. Boozing again: 3 wds.  
44 107 126 5 14 144 100 70 55 28 87
- C. Highly secret: hyph.  
118 125 66 49 135 12 23 140
- D. Only: 2 wds.  
143 103 37 59 138 4 155 148 108 16
- E. In the interval  
38 77 139 113 65 80 160
- F. 'C'est Si Bon' singer  
60 3 111 117 27 141 42 86 157 134
- G. Steering structure  
129 39 32 73 112 18
- H. Proceed: 2 wds.  
79 91 48 153 101
- I. Alpine plant  
56 20 106 68 45 149 1 35 122
- J. Decayed  
47 156 19 137 69 96

- K. Walked like a duck  
29 115 51 131 9 34 71
- L. Deceive  
114 133 90 62 97
- M. Mien  
94 67 120 119 15 147 50 25 2 85
- N. Expression of gentle disapproval: hyph.  
40 53 81 158 110 123
- O. Considerate  
136 109 58 128 95 6 36 76 22
- P. Long-tailed rodent  
154 121 31 83 11 78
- Q. Salute  
104 82 17 124 93
- R. Damaged, like a fender  
26 146 88 116 75 54
- S. Unpleasant or insulting  
99 127 152 7 92 132 30 145 72
- T. Frodo Baggins in 'Lord of the Rings'  
150 8 41 52 24 105  
13 33 89 63
- U. Contrived  
142 102 46 64 159 57



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## Cinema

BY CHARLES PRESTON

## Across

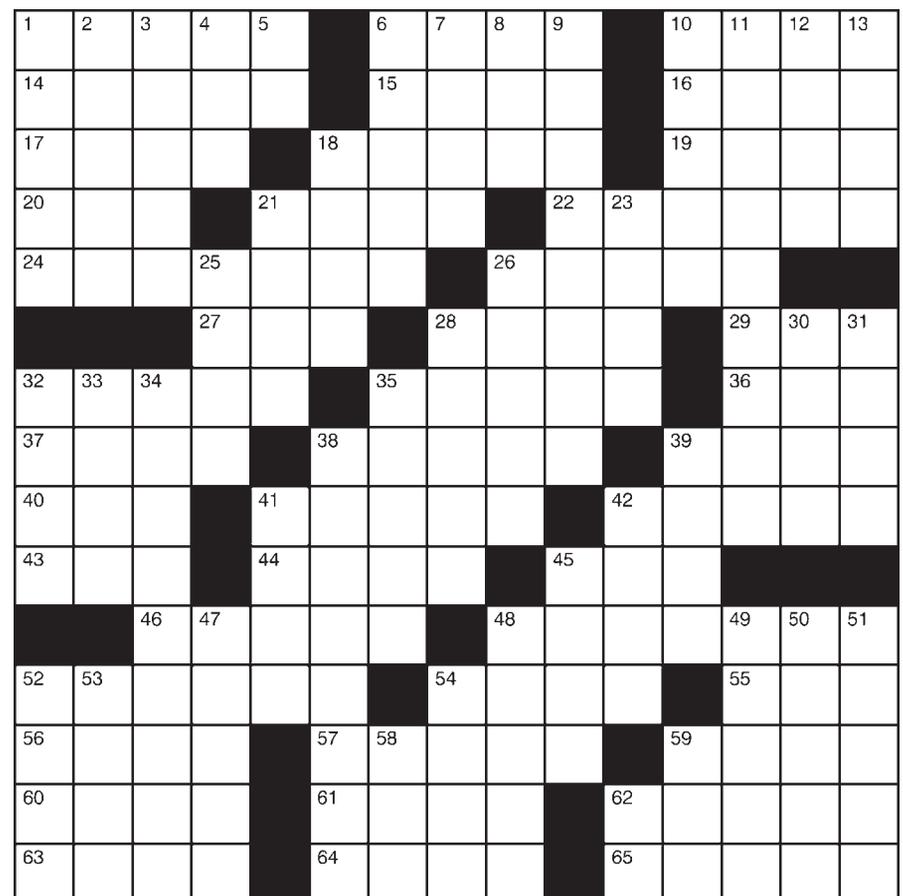
- 1 Concord is one  
6 Ooze  
10 Armadillo  
14 Was rampant  
15 Ancient language  
16 Skid  
17 Hebrew month  
18 Kind of lens  
19 Dispatch  
20 Family nickname  
21 Blessing  
22 Picks up the tab  
24 Accompaniment at 9 Down  
26 Songs for two  
27 Unit  
28 Civil wrong  
29 Our country  
32 Avocation  
35 Martinique volcano  
36 West Indian liquor  
37 Ages  
38 A queen made some  
39 Leander's love  
40 Bad, in Bordeaux  
41 Dilutes  
42 Powerful beam  
43 Under the weather  
44 Fish  
45 Patriotic org.

- 46 Fetes  
48 Popular stage offering  
52 Tie  
54 Elan  
55 *Corrida* cheer  
56 One of the world's oldest cities  
57 Expunge  
59 Heard at the Metropolitan  
60 Mimic  
61 City with many entertainment spots  
62 Across: prefix  
63 With 9 Down, Oscars for these  
64 Bridge  
65 Type of parking

## Down

- 1 Understand  
2 Entertainment medium  
3 Panting  
4 Each  
5 Newspaper VIP  
6 Golf club  
7 Merit  
8 OT high priest  
9 The cinema  
10 Valuable possession  
11 Enjoyments  
12 Broadway's Mame

- 13 Scarlet, and others  
18 Rushed  
21 Thin and angular  
23 Nerve network  
25 Male swans  
26 Oafs  
28 Sea birds  
30 Convinced  
31 God of love  
32 Half: prefix  
33 Kind of examination  
34 Seasonal attraction  
35 Seashore sights  
38 Showplaces  
39 Mata \_\_\_\_  
41 Tissue: anat.  
42 Cilium  
45 Eleanora, of stage fame  
47 Prevent  
48 James \_\_\_\_, actor  
49 Kind of island  
50 Form into a row  
51 Minimum  
52 Disagreeable person  
53 Hawser  
54 *Two Years Before the Mast* author  
58 Ribbed fabric  
59 Constellation  
62 Home entertainment, for short



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# The Other Half

BY PAUL COULTER

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## Across

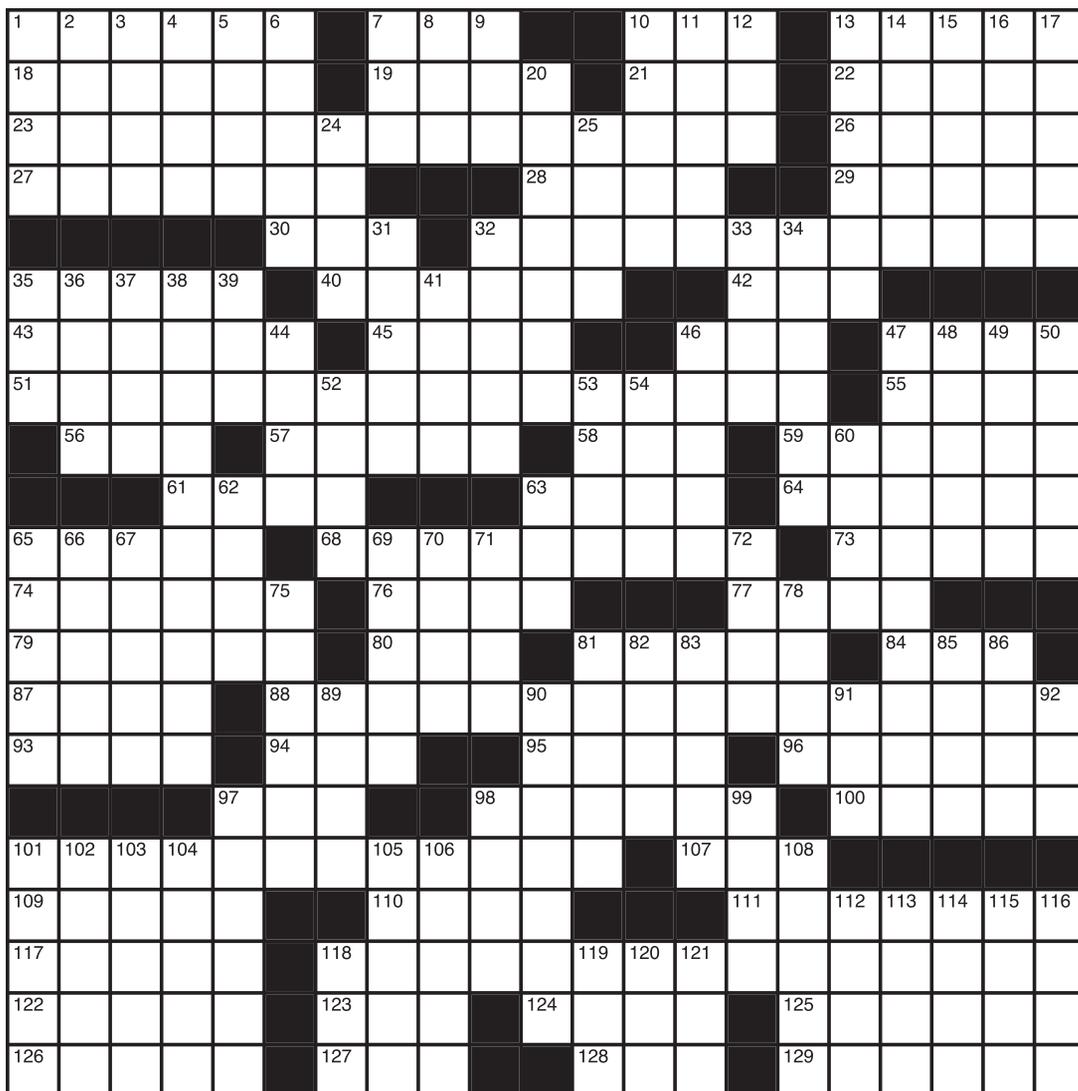
- 1 Haunt  
7 Mountain geography feature  
10 Calypso offshoot  
13 Pond buildup  
18 Arrive onshore, perhaps  
19 Slate or Salon  
21 Plop or plunk preceder  
22 Nobelist Bohr  
23 Pasta on the barbie?  
26 Bill with billions  
27 Brother of Andrew the Apostle  
28 Detective's aid  
29 Chilled  
30 Churchill's "so few": Abbr.  
32 Like the club that Sinatra, Zappa and Capra belonged to?  
35 Like Stout's Wolfe  
40 Buxom  
42 Hawaiian for "long"  
43 Some summer shows

- 45 Each  
46 Defense gp. since 1948  
47 Give or take, say  
51 "Don't forget we're having omelets"?  
55 Sea of troubles  
56 On the job, for short  
57 Havens  
58 Au pair's subj.  
59 How early LPs were recorded  
61 Roswell sightings, briefly  
63 Johnson of "Laugh-In"  
64 Peke or Pom  
65 Angry reaction  
68 Town group that decides what kinds of lawns are allowed?  
73 Legal claims  
74 Court contest  
76 Ravel's "Gaspard de la \_\_\_"  
77 Banned fruit spray  
79 Kiwi or rhea  
80 "Anderson Cooper 360°" channel  
81 Facebook option  
84 "The Gold-Bug" monogram  
87 School near Windsor  
88 Unexpected eccentric skydiver?  
93 Basic video game  
94 "Saving Private Ryan" craft: Abbr.  
95 "I, Claudius" role

## Down

- 1 Assns.  
2 Diamond used as an abrasive  
3 Tongue trouble?  
4 W competitor  
5 Bank deposit  
6 Contemptuous look  
7 Beauty  
8 Doc bloc  
9 \_\_\_-12 Conference  
10 "Cheers!"  
11 Martial art with bamboo swords  
12 "Exodus" hero  
13 Sweater material  
14 Jungle climber  
15 Arrive  
16 Smart follower  
17 Saint-Saëns trio  
20 Walk clumsily, like the Jabberwock slayer  
24 Blah  
25 Bank (on)  
31 Features of beer and sponges  
32 Pays  
33 June 14 honoree  
34 Fuddy-duddy  
35 Uranus, e.g.  
36 Ernie's pal  
37 Obama attorney general Holder  
38 Getting too many rays  
39 Coll. major  
41 WWI battleship Graf \_\_\_  
44 "Beat it!"  
46 Leering sort

- 47 Colonial bloodsucker  
48 Wear down  
49 Wouldn't stop talking  
50 Modern sources of reflections  
52 Brewer's oven  
53 Architect Saarinen  
54 This, in Toledo  
60 Kiara's mother in "The Lion King"  
62 Dart  
63 NYC dance troupe  
65 Throat problem  
66 "Cool beans!"  
67 Austrian composer Webern  
69 Full-length  
70 "Babe" in the 1995 film, e.g.  
71 Dry Spanish sherry  
72 Sticker in a bar  
75 Undercoat  
78 Mormon prophet, or the Utah city named for him  
81 One in a roundup  
82 Pedestrian startler  
83 In conflict with, with "of"  
85 "Crimes and Misdemeanors" actor  
86 Short stroke  
89 Brief warning about the links?  
90 Shows for the first time  
91 "How's that again?" words  
92 Help-wanted ad abbr.  
97 Luther's crime, per the Diet of Worms  
98 Carbon compound  
99 Splendor  
101 It's enough for Juan  
102 WWII sub  
103 Hitching aid  
104 Where mariners go  
105 Poetic feet  
106 Bikini blast  
108 Iona College athletes  
112 Asian genre influenced by The Beatles  
113 Australian export  
114 Debussy's dream  
115 Hudson Bay nation  
116 NBA part: Abbr.  
118 Canonized Mlle.  
119 "At Seventeen" singer Janis  
120 2019 MLB World Series champs' division  
121 Some appliances



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## Jumble

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

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SERUUP  
 WHGORT  
 CURPES  
 FCLIEK  
 AMENOB  
 HNIWIT

Happiness is anyone and anything that's loved by you. Charlie Brown, Snoopy and the whole gang make me happy. It's not about the money. I love drawing Snoopy too!

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## Sudoku

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Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Level: **1 2 3 4**

9						4		
						6		7 2
			3		2	9		
6 1						7		4
				6				
4 3 7								5 9
			3	1		5		
8 6			9					
			9					8

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## Horoscopes

**Today's birthday** (April 5): Ride a professional rocket ship this year. With disciplined team collaboration, the world is your oyster. Summer travel and study challenges inspire a home renovation period. Adjusting communication strategies next winter leads to amazing discoveries. Align your work with your passions.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. Trust a hunch. Mental alertness is key. Rest when you need to. You could feel sluggish or distracted. Exercise, sleep and good food can help.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 7. You're itching for romance and fun. Public obligations could interfere with private time. Family comes first. New possibilities stretch old boundaries. Follow your heart.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 8. Focus on practical domestic priorities. Home renovation projects promise a dreamy result while delivering a temporary mess. Forward the action for a family matter.

**Cancer** (June 21-July 22): 8. Listen for fundamen-

tal truths. Tangled words and miscommunications can befuddle or confuse the situation. Lies get revealed. Dig deeper into the story.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. A lucrative endeavor could get stalled in pursuit of ephemeral fantasies. Focus on the basics. Meet deadlines on budget and on time. Make necessary preparations.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 9. You're a diamond in the rough. Polish your presentation. Dress to impress and for success. Distractions and misunderstandings abound. Get clear on what you want.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 7. Postpone crowds, travel or fuss. Avoid expensive pursuits and stick to low-risk fun. You can get a lot done in private. Enjoy peaceful rituals.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 8. Great ideas flow through friends. Go for substance over symbolism. Schedule carefully to avoid double-booking. Confusion can blur your view in chaotic moments.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 7. Navigate

professional challenges with grace. Wait for better conditions to make a move. Allow chaos or distractions to dissipate. Patience and humor serve you well.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 7. The road ahead may seem obscured. Advance when conditions allow. Check lists carefully. Avoid risky business and dark alleys. Disagree persuasively. Learn new tricks.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Tackle financial management tasks you've been procrastinating about, like taxes, legal matters, applications, insurance and paperwork. Get clear on the facts and banish ambiguity.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Collaborate with someone who believes in you. Intuition helps you work smarter. Develop a brilliant idea together. Have patience. Find the hidden gold.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

## Word Game

This game challenges you to find as many words as you can, as quickly as you can, in one master word.

**IDENTITY (eye-DEN-tih-tee):** The set of characteristics by which a thing is recognized or known.

Can you find 21 or more words in IDENTITY?

**Average mark:** 16 words  
**Time limit:** 30 minutes

**Here are the rules:**

1. Words must be four or more letters. 2. Words that acquire four letters by the addition of an "s," such as "bats" and "cats," are not used. 3. Use only one form of a verb — either "pose" or "posed," not both. 4. Proper nouns and slang terms are not used.

**Answers to the word game:**

yetl  
tidy; tied; time; tint; tiny; tity;  
edit; entity; tend; tent; tide;  
tso; snitch; resale;  
vide; slots; oleg; della;  
ices; aero; olav; oles;  
santa; weld; numberline;  
anvils; stupid; toa;  
steelie; zeal; gest; foe;  
rrated; enlist; spars;  
geo; yuriga; garin; ilks;  
lumps; isis; exactas;  
idea; unsated; panels;  
toll; teen; seed; capital;  
cree; isnt; playa; astro;  
hat; lsts; niter; stoke

— Kathleen Saxe,  
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## Bridge

**Q.1**—Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:  
♠ AK J 7 ♥ J 10 8 2 ♦ AK 6 3 ♣ 5

With the opponents passing, you open 1D and partner responds 1NT. What call would you make?

**Q.2**—North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:  
♠ Q 2 ♥ Q 10 6 3 2 ♦ A 9 6 ♣ K 10 5

North	East	South	West
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
2♥	Pass	?	

What call would you make?

**Q.3**—East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:  
♠ Q J 10 6 5 4 ♥ A J 3 ♦ 10 ♣ 10 5 4

West	North	East	South
2♥	3♦	Pass	?

What call would you make?

**Q.4**—Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:  
♠ Q 6 4 ♥ A Q 9 8 6 3 ♦ 7 4 ♣ 8 5

North	East	South	West
1♦	Pass	1♥	Pass
3NT	Pass	?	

What call would you make?

Answers in Monday's comics pages.

— Bob Jones  
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## Last week's crosswords

### "CHANGE OF CLOTHES"

CHEWS	PECS	SELMA	CLIP
RIVET	ARIA	ETAILED	LENO
TRENCHCOAT	CAPRIPANTS		
SENTRIES	WATTS	TUSSLE	
OPS	FINIS	BAGS	
TENNIS	DITTO	ALLEYWAY	
ICEAX	BATHINGSUIT	EGO	
LACY	SIRI	OKRA	FDNY
TSK	RIDINGHABIT	VIDEO	
SHERATON	RODAN	MAXIS	
RISEN	EELLED	PYLON	
SCOTS	SLEEP	BELONGED	
MEHTA	DEERSTALKER	GEO	
IRIS	DANG	BIOS	MORT
LIE	MIDDYBLOUSE	BOWIE	
OFFLOADS	ROUTS	CRANED	
AIRY	SEATS	THU	
AGASSI	SCAMP	EWESMILK	
NIGHTSHIRT	LEDERHOSEN		
TREE	TORAH	AREA	UNITE
SLRS	STEMS	YANK	POSSE

### "By the Numbers"

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F	I	F	T	Y		B	A	C	K	F	O	R	T	Y			
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### "Inner Cities"

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## Last week's Quote-Acrossic

ADAM GOPNIK: HEAVEN'S GAITS: Up-right bipedalism seems such an obvious advantage. ... Walking on two legs frees up your hands to throw rocks at what might become your food — or at other bipedal creatures who are throwing rocks at you.

## Last week's Sudoku

3	2	8	6	9	1	4	7	5
1	5	9	7	4	8	3	2	6
6	4	7	2	5	3	1	8	9
5	3	4	9	1	2	7	6	8
8	6	2	4	3	7	5	9	1
7	9	1	5	8	6	2	3	4
2	8	6	1	7	4	9	5	3
9	1	3	8	2	5	6	4	7
4	7	5	3	6	9	8	1	2

## This week's Jumble

PURSUE SPRUCE BEMOAN  
GROWTH FICKLE WITHIN

Cartoonist Charles M. Schulz was able to earn a good living by —

## WORKING FOR PEANUTS

Chicago Tribune



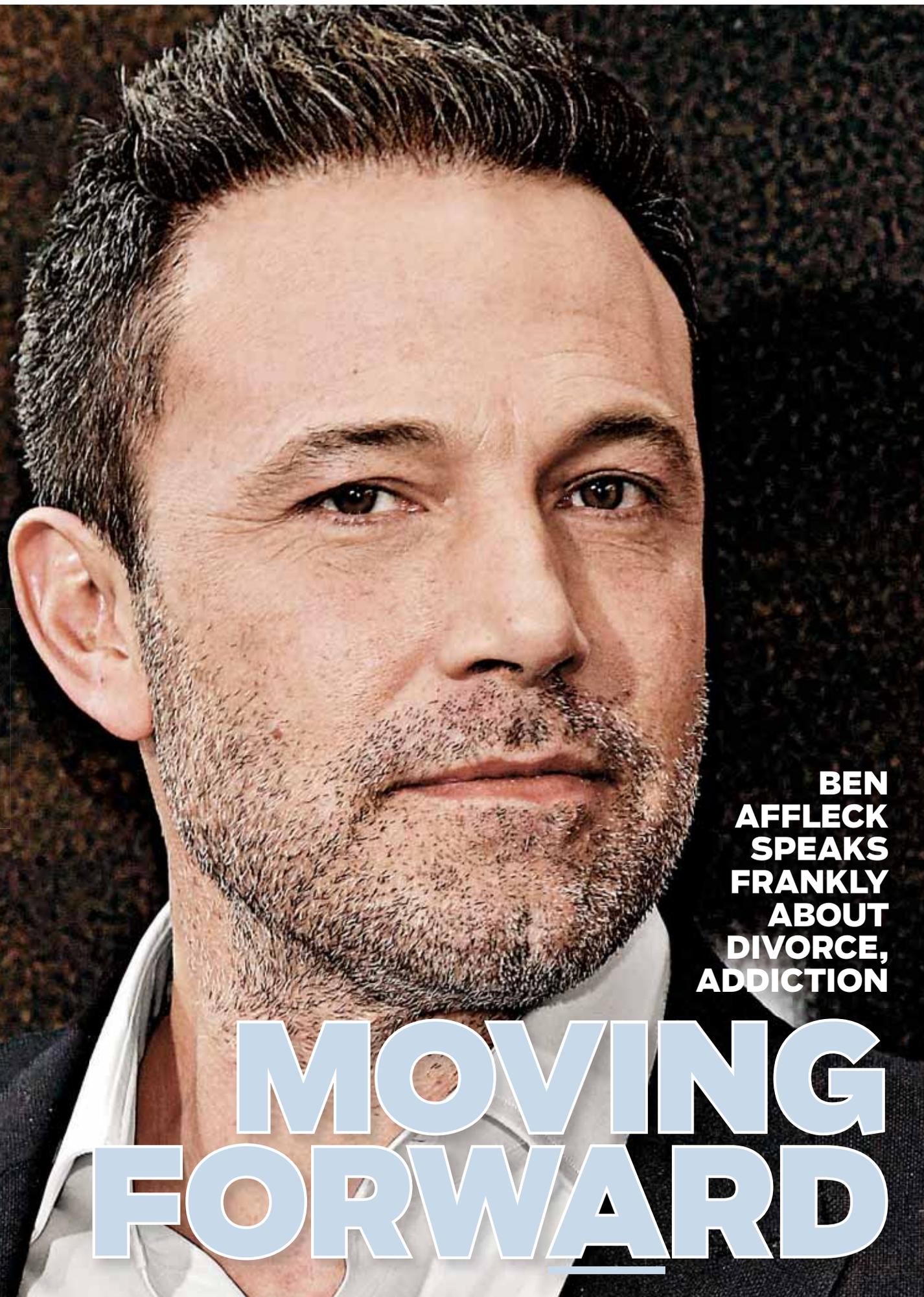
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THE  
GOODS

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FOR SPRING



**BEN  
AFFLECK  
SPEAKS  
FRANKLY  
ABOUT  
DIVORCE,  
ADDICTION**

**MOVING  
FORWARD**

# Breaking down Ben Affleck

Actor speaks frankly about dealing with addiction and divorce and moving past shame

BY BROOKS BARNES  
The New York Times

Ben Affleck, Oscar-winning writer, director of the Oscar-winning “Argo,” better actor than you remember — and, yes, alcoholic divorcé — has four movies coming out this year.

Dad Bod Batman has been banished, and actual films are back on his docket, including his first all-on-him movie in four years: “The Way Back,” a poignant sports drama that arrived in theaters March 6. Affleck plays a reluctant high school basketball coach with big problems — he’s a puffy, willful, fall-down drunk who blows up his marriage and lands in rehab.

You read that correctly. “People with compulsive behavior, and I am one, have this kind of basic discomfort all the time that they’re trying to make go away,” Affleck said. “You’re trying to make yourself feel better with eating or drinking or sex or gambling or shopping or whatever. But that ends up making your life worse. Then you do more of it to make *that* discomfort go away. Then the real pain starts. It becomes a vicious cycle you can’t break. That’s at least what happened to me.

“I drank relatively normally for a long time. What happened was that I started drinking more and more when my marriage was falling apart. This was 2015, 2016. My drinking, of course, created more marital problems.”

Affleck’s marriage to Jennifer Garner, with whom he has three children, ended in 2018 after a long separation. He said he still felt guilt but had moved past shame.

“The biggest regret of my life is this divorce,” he said. “Shame is really toxic. There is no positive by-product of shame. It’s just stewing in a toxic, hideous feeling of low self-worth and self-loathing.

“It’s not particularly healthy for me to obsess over the failures — the relapses — and beat myself up,” he said. “I have certainly made mistakes. I have certainly done things that I regret. But you’ve got to pick yourself up, learn from it, learn some more, try to move forward.”

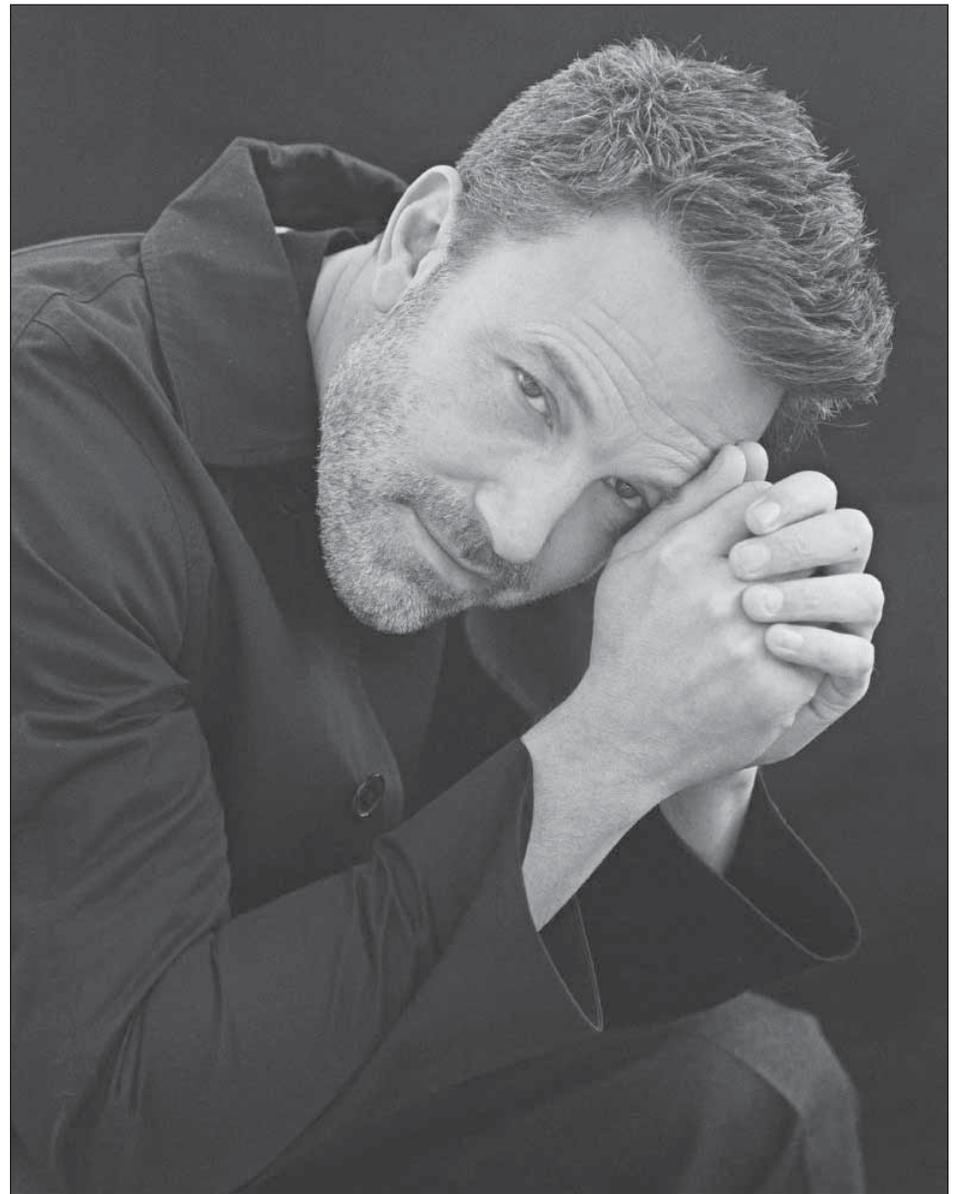
“The Way Back” was originally called “The Has-Been.” That downer of a title was dropped during development as the film became less focused on what a basketball talent the main character had been in high school, Affleck said. Suffice it to say, no star wants to appear on a poster next to the words “The Has-Been,” especially not after two box office disappointments. “Justice League” (2017) took in \$658 million, a puny sum by superhero standards, and “Live by Night” (2016), a period gangster drama that he also directed, flatlined with \$23 million.

Affleck, 47, has been working like a madman to get his career back on track. The hard truth is that the outcome is not guaranteed. Moviegoers, women in

particular, will ultimately decide: Is forgiveness for transgressions still something that society in all of its Twitter-fied polarization allows? To some, Affleck is still the guy who broke Garner’s heart and who was accused of groping a talk-show host in 2013. “I acted inappropriately,” he said of that incident in 2017, as the #MeToo era dawned, “and I sincerely apologize.”

Hollywood has certainly granted Affleck clemency. He just finished acting in “Deep Water,” a psychological thriller co-starring Ana de Armas (“Knives Out”) that’s due in theaters in November. He’s on Netflix this month in “The Last Thing He Wanted,” an abysmally reviewed mystery anchored by Anne Hathaway and directed by Dee Rees. Affleck has also been working with the Oscar-nominated Nicole Holofcener and Matt Damon on the script for “The Last Duel,” which begins filming in France this month. Set in the 14th century, “The Last Duel” re-teams Affleck and Damon as screenwriters for the first time since “Good Will Hunting” in 1997; Ridley Scott is directing.

**Affleck has not** talked much about his alcoholism since completing a third stint in rehab in 2018. (The first two were in 2001 and 2017.) But the arrival of “The Way Back” has made the subject impossible to avoid. Affleck has also accepted that the second word in Alcoholics Anonymous does not apply to him



MAGDALENA WOSINSKA/THE NEW YORK TIMES

Ben Affleck on his public relapse last year: “I wish it didn’t happen. I really wish it wasn’t on the internet for my kids to see.”

— certainly not after he (briefly) relapsed in the fall, turning up smashed on TMZ a few months after making it known that he had achieved one year of continuous sobriety.

“Relapse is embarrassing, obviously,” he said. “I wish it didn’t happen. I really wish it wasn’t on the internet for my kids to see.”

Growing up in Massachusetts, Affleck saw his own father drunk almost every day.

“My dad didn’t really get sober until I was 19,” Affleck said.

“The older I’ve gotten,

the more I recognize that my dad did the best he could,” he said. “There’s a lot of alcoholism and mental illness in my family. The legacy of that is quite powerful and sometimes hard to shake.”

Affleck’s younger brother, Casey, 44, has spoken about his own alcoholism and sobriety. Their paternal grandmother took her own life in a motel when she was 46. An uncle killed himself with a shotgun. An aunt was a heroin addict.

“It took me a long time to fundamentally, deeply,

without a hint of doubt, admit to myself that I am an alcoholic,” Ben Affleck said. “The next drink will not be different.”

Affleck cited the sober A-listers Bradley Cooper and Robert Downey Jr. as “guys who have been very supportive and to whom I feel a great sense of gratitude.”

“One of the things about recovery that I think people sometimes overlook is the fact that it inculcates certain values. Be honest. Be accountable. Help other people. Apologize when you’re wrong.”

# Widow stuck with well-meaning 'friends'



ELLEN WARREN

## Dear Answer Angel

**Ellen:** I've got a beautiful ring that I want to continue to wear. But, it is my engagement ring given to me by my late husband who died a few years ago. Several of my friends have suggested I shouldn't wear it at all, or that I should wear it on my right hand instead of my left, which is where I've always worn it since I received it years ago. I did stop wearing my wedding ring some months after my husband died — when, out of nowhere I came down with a bad rash under the ring. So that ring is not an issue but I'm not sure how to respond to my friends who have given me advice on the engagement ring.

— Kathryn L.

**Dear Kathryn:** You've endured the death of your husband. Isn't that enough? Now come your well-meaning friends telling you what to do with one of the symbols of your marriage. There's no point in bluntly telling them, "It's none of your damn business." But, it is none of their damn business. You do exactly what you want about wearing that ring. If the friends comment, simply tell them this is how you feel most comfortable and leave it at that. It also is entirely up to the widow or widower to decide when or if they want to stop wearing a wedding ring. Losing a spouse is an enormous calamity. Unwanted advice from friends is piling on more heartache. You deserve better!



DREAMSTIME

It is entirely up to the widow or widower to decide when or if they want to stop wearing their wedding or engagement ring.

## Dear Answer Angel

**Ellen:** I have a small protrusion on the upper area of my right foot. As a result, shoes often feel tight on my right foot and usually uncomfortable. I have bought shoes with wide toe boxes, such as Keen brand, but these don't work for all fashions. So I try to buy a half-size larger, which usually helps, but then the shoe is too big on my left foot. I'd love to be able to wear whatever shoes I want. Do you know if there's a way to stretch out a shoe in the width to accommodate for the extra

width of my foot?

— Mariya P.

**Dear Mariya:** There are a number of at-home DIY methods for you to try. I've used most of them with little success, but I'm not very patient. Perhaps you'll have better luck. I go straight to the full-service shoe repair shop for professional stretching. You shouldn't have to spend more than \$20 for this service and the pros have equipment to target specific areas (like that spot on your right foot), to widen or lengthen and even correct

boots that rub the top of your foot.

But, here are some remedies to try at home:

- Fill a Ziploc bag with water, jam it into the area of the shoe that troubles you and stick the shoe in the freezer overnight. (Best on synthetics and canvas, not leather.)

- Put on a thick sock, wear the shoe and heat the area with a hair dryer for 10-20 seconds. Repeat if necessary. (Test the heat first on an inconspicuous spot on the shoe, especially if it's leather.) Spray the shoe and sock lightly with rubbing

alcohol to aid this heat stretching process.

- Peel a potato, wipe it dry and stick it in the shoe where you need stretch (test on fabric shoe lining first to avoid damage there). Leave overnight.
- Apply liquid or spray shoe stretch products (many varieties on amazon.com) or use them along with the methods above.

- Buy shoe stretchers — some of which have movable bunion knobs to target small problem areas. Amazon.com has many brands.

**Dear Answer Angel**

**Ellen:** I'm going to a wedding in May. I have found a fabulous deal on a pale pastel green dress that's perfect. I normally wear pants, tights or long skirts for dressing up. However the hem on this dress is just below my knees, which unfortunately shows a bit of my lower leg. I have a great deal of scarring on both legs, which normally does not cause a problem. That is until this dress showed up. I need to find pantyhose that will hide the scars while still keeping a dressed-up look and not appearing like support hose. Any ideas?

— Ruby P.

**Dear Ruby:** Try tights made by dancewear/skater companies. Both Capezio (capezio.com) and Danskin (danskin.com) have tights in an array of nude colors to match skin tones. Women who need to cover leg tattoos use these with good results, so they also should conceal your scarring and they're not as heavy or oddly colored as support pantyhose.

## Angelic Readers 1

**Bill F. to the rescue for the reader seeking advice on cleaning her leather gloves:** "By far the best leather cleaner and conditioner out there is Bickmore Bick 4 (amazon.com, \$7.88 and up).

**From Ellen:** My friend Mary L. took your advice on a discolored, faded spot on a black leather jacket and she says it was a miracle worker.

## Now it's your turn

Send your questions, rants, tips, favorite finds — on style, shopping, makeup, fashion and beauty — to [answerangel@ gmail.com](mailto:answerangel@ gmail.com).

## THE GOODS

# Go bold and go home

By DAVID SYREK | Chicago Tribune

If you have a flair for the dramatic, you're in luck. This spring, designers have turned up the volume with bold colors, edgy patterns and statement-making designs.

On the runway, Marc Jacobs' joyful collection included chic suits drenched in vibrant yellow, purple and green or covered in explosions of spring flowers — the perfect antidote to a gray winter.

In home design, bright, mood-lifting colors that used to be reserved for accents are now taking center stage. Bertazzoni's sunny yellow range will surely give your kitchen the kick that it needs, or transform a room into a magical space with Gucci's edgy collection of wall coverings all in patterns taken from their fashion line.

If subtlety isn't your thing, get ready to express yourself.

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Marc Jacobs' floral three-piece suit for spring. [marcjacobs.com](http://marcjacobs.com)

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GUCCI

Transform a room with bold wallpaper. Gucci's Thistles and Birds and Pearl Eyes wallpaper patterns. [gucci.com](http://gucci.com)



ABC HOME

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Look for statement-making accessories, such as Gucci's Kingsnake metal tray. [gucci.com](http://gucci.com)



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Bold patterns are showing up in unexpected places. Prime example: Dolce & Gabbana x SMEG Majolica refrigerator. [neimanmarcus.com](http://neimanmarcus.com)



Create a bold focal point in your kitchen with the Bertazzoni Professional Series 36-inch Yellow Gas Range. [abt.com](http://abt.com)

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Neon colors add punch even in small doses with Rose In April's neon painted beechwood Alice stools. [abchome.com](http://abchome.com)

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CAROLINE TOMPKINS/THE NEW YORK TIMES

## These skin-care products offer luxury, low price

BY CRYSTAL MARTIN  
The New York Times

Remember the heyday of high-end miracle moisturizers?

Creams could promise beautiful skin via proprietary elixirs and secret blends.

For a long time, luxury skin care put a big price on mystery — ingredients that spurred hope and wonder in a pretty jar.

Well, the meaning of luxury is broader now. Products are changing because we have changed.

Victoria Fu and Gloria Lu used to be product formulators for big beauty conglomerates.

In 2017, they founded Chemist Confessions, a blog and now a podcast sharing their insider view on the industry, with a focus on how ingredients work.

“We want people to think about those fancy extracts,” Lu said. “Brands don’t have to tell you how much of them is in a product, and some companies abuse that.”

Chemist Confessions and its much more contentious counterpart, the Instagram account Estée Laundry, which is known for calling out brands on dubious claims and environmental carelessness, have increased the beauty enthusiast’s understanding of the industry.

And that, in turn, has increased the value consumers place on brand transparency.

Whether the new luxury is characterized by rigorous effi-

cacy, transparency when it comes to ingredients and environmental impact, or a cute social-media-friendly aesthetic, it is about choice.

It is about consumers making those choices based on their own values.

And, what’s more, it needn’t be expensive.

### The Inkey List Tranexamic Acid Hyperpigmentation Treatment

The Inkey List, a company in Britain, makes trying out trending ingredients accessible. Tranexamic acid has long been used to promote blood clotting and has only recently bubbled up as a topical treatment for hyperpigmentation.

The Inkey List version is \$14.99; other formulas featuring the acid can cost as much as \$100. “I love the idea of taking something that’s new and only really available at the high-end, then offering it quicker than anyone else to the masses,” said Mark Curry, a founder of Inkey List.

### Graffiti Collective Mixtape Mask Set

This mask set makes masking fun and customizable. Each color is a different formula — blue exfoliates, pink soothes irritation, gold hydrates and green deep cleans — so you can, say, treat an oily T-zone while moisturizing drier areas.

The masks, \$20 for four, go on

bright and opaque, and they are selfie-perfect.

### Face Rx Skin Regeneration Treatment

Prescription-strength retinoids are still the gold standard in at-home treatment to boost cell turnover, which reduces fine lines. Yet because of their high cost, along with requiring a visit to the doctor, they’re inaccessible for many of us.

Face Rx makes the process easier. You meet with a doctor online, then receive a retinoid at a strength that suits your needs. The initial setup will cost \$102, but after that, refills are \$82.

### Versed Vacation Eyes Brightening Eye Gel

The vitamin C and niacinamide in this eye gel, \$17.99, are known skin lighteners that help reduce excess under-eye pigment. Ginseng root extract, which can help treat photo-aging, rounds out the active ingredients.

The well-designed collection is worthy of a bathroom shelfie, but you can find it at your local Target.

### Cocokind Golden Elixir

Face oils often reach cult-favorite status, and with that cachet comes stubbornly expensive pricing. Cocokind Golden Elixir, at \$25 for 4 ounces, is a multipurpose organic oil for all skin types.

The main ingredient, plukenetia volubilis seed oil, is high in antioxidants and fatty acid, which

aid in skin barrier repair and reduce inflammation.

### Kinship Super Mello and Insta Swipe

Kinship, a company with a Gen Z focus, combines care for skin and care for the planet. Alpha hydroxy acid powers the Insta Swipe peel pads, \$22, which are compostable and biodegradable.

The pads and Super Mello, a vanilla-scented moisturizer, \$22, are packaged in recycled plastic jars. Half of that plastic comes from oceans; it’s recycled trash collected by fishermen in waters around Indonesia.

### Beauty Pie Jeju AM/PM Moisture Superinfusion

Industry watchdogs like Estée Laundry have alerted us to the high markups (your \$150 serum may have cost \$20 to make), and this knowledge is foundational to Beauty Pie, which is based on a membership structure.

For a monthly fee (\$10 to \$30), you get to shop for cleverly formulated, prettily packaged skin care (and makeup too) at drug-store prices.

The Jeju moisturizer, \$9.52 (member price), delivers hydration without excessive shine thanks to oil-absorbing volcanic micro-sand from Jeju, an island off mainland South Korea.

### Glow Recipe Watermelon Glow Sleeping Mask

This translucent hybrid gel-

cream, \$22 for 30 milliliters, is a sleeping mask, which amounts to a moisturizer used as nighttime skin care.

Some of its appeal is sensory — the watermelon scent is delightful as is its cool gel texture — but you will wake up with hydrated skin because of its hyaluronic acid and glycerin.

### Chemist Confessions Aquafix

In 2018, Chemist Confessions introduced a collection of skin-care basics: hydrators, an exfoliator, a cleanser and an oil. You won’t find any hot new extracts in their formulations, just time-tested ingredients at high concentrations.

And the percentage of each of the actives is listed on the packaging. Aquafix, \$35, contains glycerin and provitamin B5, a skin soother and humectant.

### The Ordinary Buffet and EUK 134 0.1%

Beauty buffs get an undeniable feeling of delight from finding, trying and witnessing the effect of a new product with cool ingredients. The Ordinary delivers that hit with inexpensive products.

Buffet, \$14.80, is one of its staples, a serum with peptides, antioxidants and amino acids that even out skin tone and hydrate the skin. EUK 134 0.1%, \$8.80, is made with just one active ingredient: a potent, and virtually unknown, antioxidant (ethylbisiminomethyl-guaiacol manganese chloride).

# Jigsaw puzzles as stylish escape

BY TRACEE M. HERBAUGH  
Associated Press

There are jigsaw puzzle nights at coffee shops and libraries. Puzzle groups and puzzle games online. Hand-cut wooden puzzles that cost thousands of dollars. And puzzle designs that range from edgy, original artwork to your own, custom-ordered family photos.

Jigsaw puzzles for grown-ups are in vogue.

"I was not as passionate about jigsaw puzzles at first, but once I started doing them, I saw the loveliness of these puzzles," said A.J. Jacobs, a writer working on a book about puzzles, including jigsaws and crosswords. "Puzzles are a very soothing and joyous way to spend a couple of hours. They're physical, tactile pieces and you get an endorphin rush when pieces snap into place."

Fans say jigsaws provided respite from daily stress, a chance to step away from the screens and be in the moment.

Abby Matson, 37, found them therapeutic after the unexpected death of her dog three years ago.

"The puzzle was the only thing I could do to keep from crying," she said.

Matson's friend, Abby McDaniel, 38, joined her. "We stayed up so late drinking wine and doing this puzzle," Matson said.

They started a puzzle group that now has six members. It's informal. Members send photos of a completed puzzle before mailing it to the next person.

"It brings out an inner competition," McDaniel said.

Jacobs, author of books including "The Know It-All" and "The Year of Living Biblically," enjoys immersing himself in an activity and then writing about



SHELBY COMSTOCK BRITTEN/AP

People work on a Jiggy jigsaw puzzle at the trendy SoHo House hotel in New York. Jiggy Puzzles, founded in 2018, sells puzzles featuring original drawings by female artists.

it. Part of his research into puzzles took him to the World Jigsaw Puzzle Championship in Spain, a timed competition with teams representing 40 countries.

While many puzzlers are happy with cardboard puzzles, there's also a market for wooden and artisanal ones. Inspired artwork has replaced campy photos. Some enthusiasts buy special frames, glue and other tools for preserving finished jigsaw puzzles.

Vermont-based Stave Puzzles makes a wide range

of wooden puzzles, from "Tidbits" to "Tormentors"; they sell for hundreds, even thousands of dollars.

"Our sales are up 25% in the last decade," said company founder Steve Richardson. "We are now seeing orders from the children and grandchildren of some of our original customers, so it is definitely a generational activity."

In addition to getting nicer, jigsaw puzzles have become specialized too. There are 3-D and two-sided puzzles. Stave's "trick puzzle" can be solved in

multiple ways, rated on a scale of 1 (easy) to 5 (difficult). Customers cannot buy a 5-trick puzzle without successfully completing a level 4 first.

Other people prefer a simple jigsaw that reminds them of childhood — but one that's worthy of social media, of course.

Walking home after work one day, Kaylin Marcotte, 29, stopped at a toy store in New York City to buy a puzzle for the evening. "I ended up purchasing one of puppies jumping out of a basket," she said.



GEOFF COTA/STAVE PUZZLES

Stave Puzzles' "The Mane Event" sells for \$1,695. Stave Puzzles are said to be a favorite of Bill and Melinda Gates.



DAVID GALCHUTT/STAVE PUZZLES

A Stave Puzzles jigsaw puzzle titled "Ocean Sunset."

Seeing a gap in the market for sophisticated puzzles, she founded Jiggy Puzzles in 2018.

Jiggy's puzzles are packaged in an elegant glass container and feature original drawings by female artists. They come in two sizes, 450 and 800 pieces, and many sell for about \$40. The art ranges from New York City scenes to whimsical, feel-good drawings. One puzzle shows women's breasts in varying shapes, including some with mastectomy scars.

To launch Jiggy, Marcotte hosted a puzzle night at the Soho House in New York City. About 50 young professionals arrived dressed for an evening of drinks and jigsaws.

Shelby Comstock Britten, 29, attended the launch. A grown-up puzzle night with drinks sounded perfect, she said.

"I've always loved puzzles and will occasionally get a CVS puzzle, but it's kind of a bummer because it's made for an 8-year-old," she said. "I can't Instagram that."

## Travel in style with Target's new luggage brand

BY SARA BAUKNECHT  
Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

With spring break season around the corner, Target has a new luggage and accessories brand that will help you jet set in style.

The Target-owned label called Open Story features nearly 40 options, including hard-side carry-on luggage, hard-side checked suitcases, backpacks, cosmetic cases, garment bags, totes, duffels, weekender bags, travel wallets and more. They come in rich jewel tones and sleek neutrals.

These are no ordinary suitcases, though. Select pieces come with built-in USB ports and extra-quiet 360 Hinomoto silent run spinner wheels. Plus, they expand to include 20% more storage space — that means buy the souvenirs.

“Our guests find a lot of joy in traveling, and we’re thrilled that our new luggage ... brand offers them a high-quality assortment at Target-only prices, helping us fill a white space within the category,” Julie Guggemos, Target’s senior vice president and chief design officer, said in a statement.

The line is in stores now and for sale online at target.com for \$19.99 to \$179.99.

**Aerie swimwear made from recycled plastic bottles:** Spring is coming early this year. That means it won’t be long until we’re swapping snow boots for swimwear.

Aerie has launched its first eco-friendly capsule collection called Real Good Swim. But these are no ordinary swimsuits. Not only do they come in 10 styles with 35 color options, but the collection is made from more than 1 million recycled plastic bottles.

The brand teamed with REPREEVE, a leader in performance fibers made from recycled materials, including recycled polyethylene terephthalate (more commonly known as plastic bottles). Plus, pieces include UPF50 sun protection and use high chlorine-resistant yarns to preserve the stretch of the fabric.

Beyond being environmentally conscious, the swimsuits are trendy and cater to a range of body types. Choose from longline silhouettes, hi-cut cheeky bottoms, one-piece styles, scoop necklines and more in vibrant shades of purple, orange, yellow and turquoise.

Shop the collection online and in stores for \$19 to \$54. More styles will be released throughout the spring. The goal is for 35% of Aerie’s total swimwear assortment to be eco-friendly by this summer.

Aerie is American Eagle Outfitters’ intimates brand.



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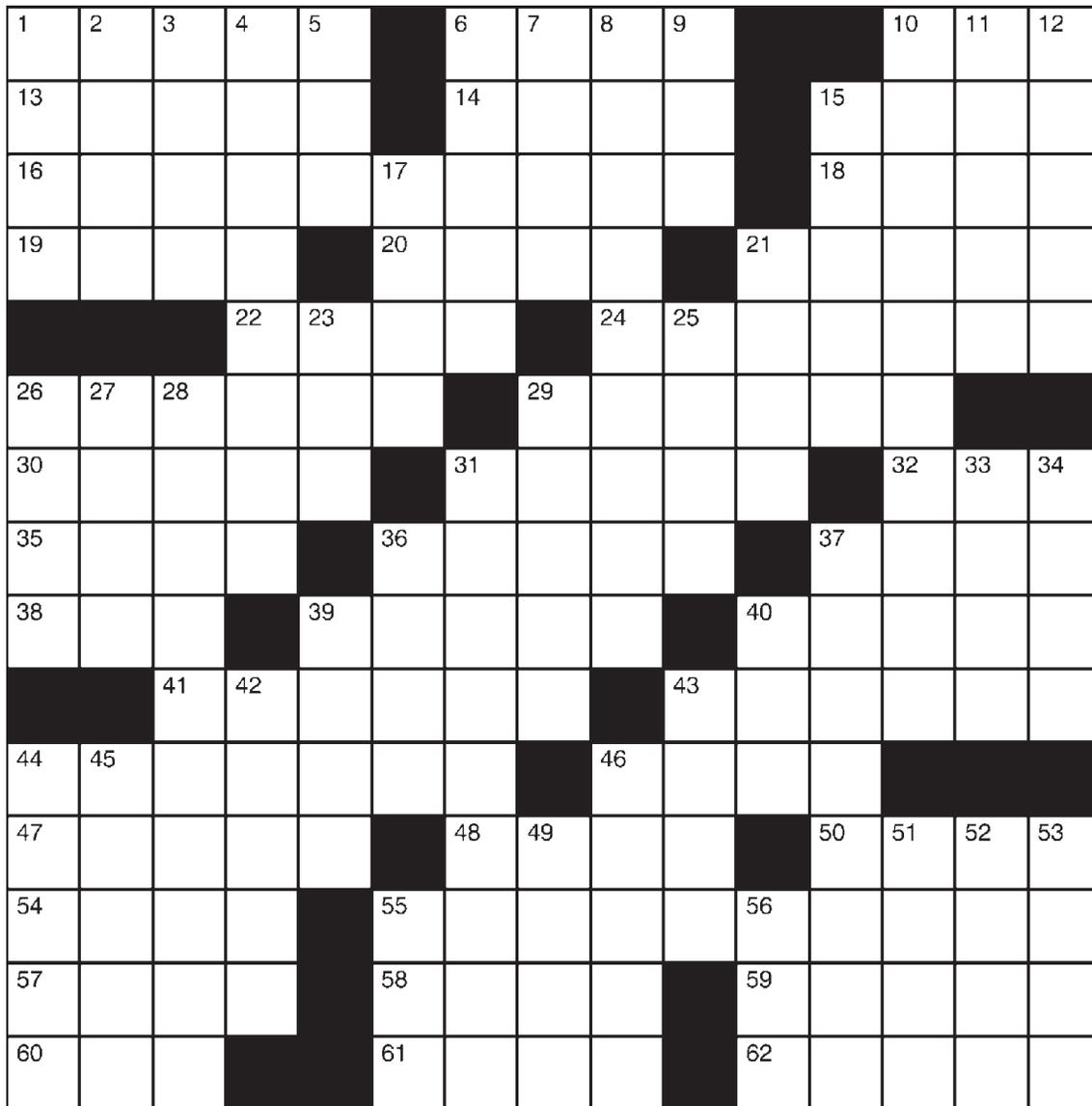
A selection of pieces from Target's new luggage line.



ANDREW BUDA/AERIE

Swimwear from Aerie's first eco-friendly capsule collection is called Real Good Swim.

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**ACROSS**

- 1. Star man
- 6. Timber wolf
- 10. Health haven
- 13. Teheran native
- 14. Finished
- 15. Gyrate
- 16. Galax
- 18. Humming place
- 19. Mercantile attraction
- 20. Outlet
- 21. Waiting for \_\_\_
- 22. Not up
- 24. Charlotte hoopsters
- 26. Turkeys, en masse
- 29. More skeletal
- 30. Cheers Golden Globe winner
- 31. Mystic number
- 32. Arcing throw
- 35. Row
- 36. Farm spread
- 37. Beget
- 38. Greek letter
- 39. Out of this world
- 40. Brilliance
- 41. Tapering cigar
- 43. London insurers
- 44. Good sportsmanship
- 46. Writer of nonsense verse
- 47. Hounds' quarries
- 48. Object of worship
- 50. US military concern
- 54. Former Peruvian
- 55. Transitory
- 57. Part of speech
- 58. Opposite windward

- 59. Water wheel
- 60. Ques. follower
- 61. Erstwhile Soviet news agency
- 62. Not a friend

- 26. Grade
- 27. Came to rest
- 28. Entertainment, of sorts
- 29. Southern college
- 31. Trace
- 33. Toward the mouth
- 34. Tout's business
- 36. Medicinal herb
- 37. Constellation figure
- 39. Large boats
- 40. Guido's note
- 42. Vast amount
- 43. Dutch painter
- 44. Sevres, e.g.
- 45. Babbled
- 46. Auricular projections
- 49. Stains
- 51. Legendary monster
- 52. Fancy
- 53. Remain
- 55. Cholesterol raiser
- 56. Dir. from Texas to Maine

**DOWN**

- 1. Family members
- 2. Kind of rug
- 3. Scottish Highlander
- 4. Aardvark
- 5. Nothing
- 6. Mooed
- 7. Heat chamber
- 8. Fidelio composer
- 9. Australian mountain
- 10. Tropical American plant
- 11. Rotation hub
- 12. Dill weeds
- 15. Excelled
- 17. At any time
- 21. Engaging smile
- 23. Turkish title
- 25. Some bills

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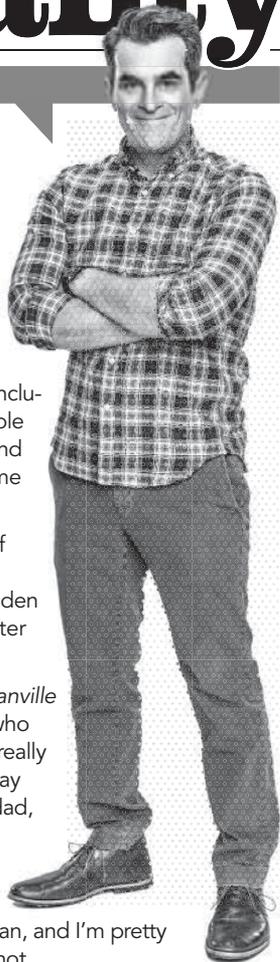
It will be the end of an era for the two-time Emmy-winning actor when *Modern Family* airs its finale (April 8 on ABC) and Burrell, 52, wraps up his role as Phil Dunphy. The groundbreaking comedy that follows the lives of the large and blended Pritchett-Dunphy-Tucker clan ran for 11 seasons.

**What are you most proud of about the show?** There's an inclusive quality. It brings people together. When we started, people actually watched it on Wednesday nights with their family—and that, hopefully, contributed to stronger families. That makes me really proud.

**What was most fun about playing Phil?** I really liked all of the physical things that I've gotten to do. I learned to ride a motorcycle. I've walked a tightrope, been on the trapeze, ridden a jet pack. I've just had one amazing physical experience after another. I was very lucky that that's part of who Phil is.

**Tell us about the animated sitcom you're in on Fox.** *Duncanville* is about this spectacularly average 15-year-old kid, Duncan, who is willing to do anything to achieve his dreams, except try. He really believes that he should be famous, but without the effort. I play Jack, his dad, who is trying everything he can to be a better dad, and Amy Poehler plays the mom.

**Now that *Modern Family* is over, how will you spend any extra downtime?** I anticipate spending the first part of my downtime with my kids. Then a lot of fishing. I'm a fly fisherman, and I'm pretty obsessed with it. And after, we'll see if I'm going stir-crazy or not.



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## QUEEN LATIFAH GETS SOULFUL

*The Clark Sisters: The First Ladies of Gospel* (April 11 on Lifetime) tells the true story of Detroit's Mattie Moss Clark (Aunjanue Ellis, 51), who did whatever it took to help her five daughters—Twinkie, Karen, Dorinda, Denise and Jacky—become the top-selling female gospel group in history. "I remember being a young kid and my mother playing the Clark Sisters' 'You Brought the Sunshine,'" says Latifah, 50, one of the producers of the film. "Their harmonies always bring me to an emotional place."

## KIMMEL WANTS TO BE A MILLIONAIRE

To celebrate *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire's* 20th anniversary, late-night personality **Jimmy Kimmel** will host a special celebrity edition of the iconic game show beginning April 8 on ABC. The celebs will be playing for charity, and to help maximize their winnings, they'll be able to invite guests to join them in the hot seat to help them answer questions. "Regis [Philbin] came to me in a dream, asked me to do this and promised my own line of neckties. I had little choice but to say yes," jokes Kimmel, 52. A new interactive feature will allow viewers to play along from home.



## YES, YOU CAN WATCH TV ON YOUR PHONE!

Quibi—short for "quick bites"—is the first short-form streaming-video platform for your smartphone. The new service (launching April 6 commercial-free for \$7.99 a month or \$4.99 with ads) features original programs with episodes lasting 10 minutes or less. Here's a preview.

**FLIPPED** (April 6) A couple of self-proclaimed home renovation "experts" (Will Forte and Kaitlin Olson) have their plans of becoming TV's next celebrity home-design duo derailed when they're kidnapped by a drug cartel (Eva Longoria, Andy Garcia and Arturo Castro) and forced to renovate their sprawling homes.



**THANKS A MILLION** (April 6) Jennifer Lopez is a producer of this inspiring series that has public figures—including Kristen Bell, Nick Jonas and Kevin Hart—kick-start a chain of kindness by gifting \$100,000 to an unsuspecting individual who must pay it forward.



**50 STATES OF FRIGHT** (April 13) Rachel Brosnahan (*The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel*) and others each star in episodes of this horror anthology exploring stories based on urban legends from across the U.S.

**THE FUGITIVE** (May) After a bomb rips through a Los Angeles subway station, Mike Ferro (Boyd Holbrook) becomes a suspect.

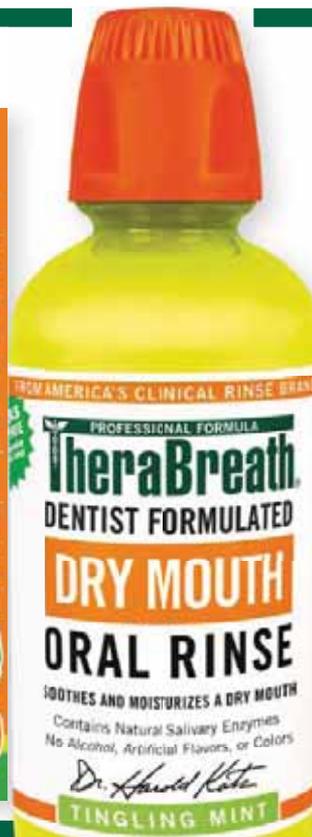
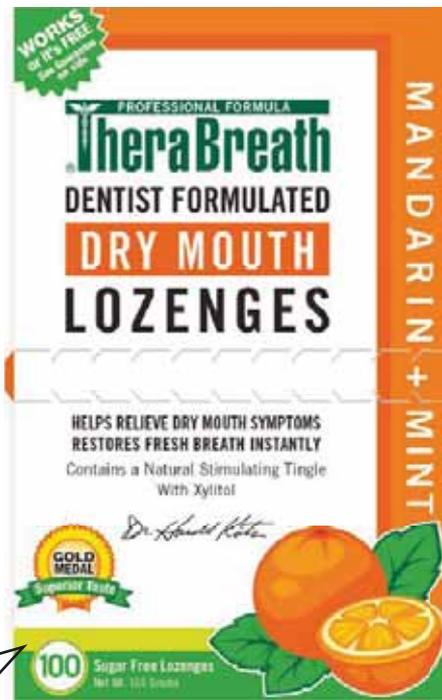
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## YOUR STAY-AT-HOME SURVIVAL GUIDE

Whatever is keeping you at home, we've got what it takes to make social distancing more enjoyable.

—Megan O'Neill Melle

Improve your air quality at home (recommends Mehmet Oz, M.D.) with a humidifier like the Crane Ultrasonic Cool Mist Humidifier. It has more than 10,000 positive Amazon reviews and comes in eight colors. (Caveat: Clean any humidifier often!) \$40, [amazon.com](http://amazon.com)



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**FOR HISTORY BUFFS:** *World on Fire* follows civilians in five countries during World War II (England, France, Germany, Poland and the United States). The seven-part *Masterpiece* drama stars Helen Hunt, Sean Bean, Lesley Manville, Blake Harrison, Zofia Wichlacz and Jonah Hauer-King. April 5 at 9 p.m. ET on PBS



**FOR LAUGHS:** *Brews Brothers:* A pair of estranged brothers (Mike Castle and Alan Aisenberg) team up to run a brewery in a new comedy from real-life brothers Jeff (*The League*) and Greg (*That '70s Show*) Schaffer. April 10 on Netflix



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## Books We Love

### Staycation Reads

You'll find greed, guilt and white-collar crime in ***The Glass Hotel*** (Knopf) by Emily St. John Mandel, a mystery-meets-ghost-story that follows the unraveling of a wealthy financier's Ponzi scheme. **\$27**



It's "*Steel Magnolias* meets *Dracula*" in ***The Southern Book Club's Guide to Slaying Vampires*** (April 7, Quirk), a supernatural '90s-set thriller by Grady Hendrix in which wine-drinking Charleston housewives must deal with darkness to bravely protect their community from a handsome, mysterious stranger. **\$23**



A study of music, imagination and the power of a mother's love, Jennifer Rosner's ***The Yellow Bird Sings*** (Flatiron) finds Róza and her child-prodigy daughter hiding in Nazi-occupied Poland. **\$26**



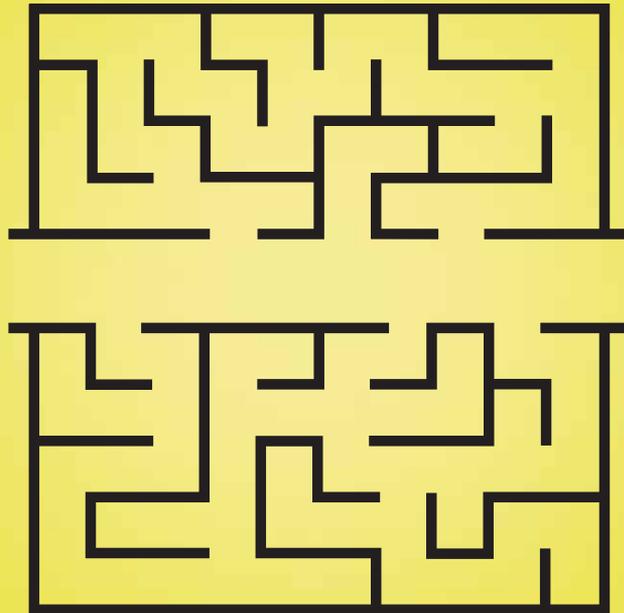
Russian-born Boris Morros was a Cold War-era Hollywood big-timer at the heart of American politics and culture, but it was all a front. Jonathan Gill's ***Hollywood Double Agent*** (April 7, Abrams) explores Morros' extraordinary life as a KGB spy and eventual counterspy. **\$27**



Check out ***Stories of the Saints*** (Workman) by Carey Wallace for illustrated tales of grace and courage. It's designed for kids 8 and up, but who doesn't want to read the origin stories for 60 saints, including Francis, Teresa and Thomas Becket. **\$25**



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# Stay Healthy

## Eat for Your Eyes

A vitamin-rich diet can help preserve your peepers. *By Sheryl Kraft*

Did you roll your eyes when your mother insisted you “eat your carrots for good eyesight”? Turns out, she was right. Carrots are rich in beta carotene, which the body converts to vitamin A, an essential nutrient for overall eye health. In fact, there’s new proof to support the “your eyes are what you eat” argument: A landmark study by the National Eye Institute revealed a link between nutrition and age-related macular degeneration (AMD). What nutrients should you add to your daily diet? Add these foods to your shopping list.

### Vitamin C

C is an antioxidant that helps protect the body from free radicals (molecules that can damage and kill cells) and aids in the growth and repair of new tissue cells, says registered dietitian and nutritionist Bonnie Taub-Dix, author of *Read It Before You Eat It: Taking You From Label to Table*. Free radicals are found in fried foods, tobacco smoke and the sun’s rays. Vitamin C’s antioxidant actions might prevent or delay conditions like AMD, cataracts and glaucoma.

**EAT THIS** Focus on citrus fruits (like oranges, grapefruits, lemons and tangerines). Other foods rich in C are peaches, red bell peppers, tomatoes and strawberries.



### Vitamin E

E can help keep cells healthy and protect them from oxidative damage, says ophthalmologist Rebecca J. Taylor, M.D. Some studies suggest that vitamin E can help slow the progression of AMD and cataracts.

Since your body doesn’t produce enough vitamin E, adding it to your plate is smart.



**EAT THIS** Find vitamin E in foods like avocados, nuts, seeds and vegetable oils.

### Vitamin A

This vitamin helps your retina absorb light and convert it into the images you see. It also contributes to keeping your eyes moist. “Lack of vita-

min A can cause very severe dry eyes, as well as retinal changes that make seeing at night difficult,” says Cleveland Clinic ophthalmologist and retinal specialist Aleksandra Rachitskaya, M.D. Foods rich in A may also help reduce glaucoma risk, according to the Glaucoma Research Foundation.



**EAT THIS** In addition to carrots, vitamin A can be found in butternut squash, cantaloupe, beef liver, milk and eggs.

### Zinc

Considered a “helper molecule,” zinc transports vitamin A from the liver to the retina to help it manufacture the protective pigment melanin. Zinc helps promote retinal health and may protect the eyes from the damaging effects of light. If you have early-stage AMD or are at high risk for developing it, zinc supplements may help slow its progression. But experts at Cleveland Clinic say it’s best to take a supplement with a mix of nutrients rather than just zinc alone.

**EAT THIS** Find zinc in red meat, poultry, eggs, raw oysters, wheat germ, mixed nuts, black-eyed peas, beans and



tofu. Zinc is also in some fortified cereals.

### Lutein and Zeaxanthin

These antioxidants filter damaging wavelengths of blue light. They help protect and support healthy cells in the eye and may reduce the risk of chronic eye diseases like AMD and cataracts.



**EAT THIS** Look for green, leafy vegetables like kale, romaine lettuce, collards, turnip greens and spinach. Broccoli, peas and eggs are also rich in lutein and zeaxanthin.

### Omega-3 Fatty Acids

Diets rich in omega-3 fatty acids from cold-water fish may help reduce the risk of developing AMD later in life, research suggests. And since omega-3s help tear function, consuming other foods rich in these healthy oils may help ease dry eye too.

**EAT THIS** Find omega-3s in cold-water fish like tuna, salmon, mackerel, herring and sardines and in nuts, seeds and

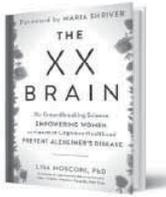


plant oils (flaxseed, soybean and canola). Some eggs, yogurt, juices, milk and soy beverages come fortified with omega-3s.

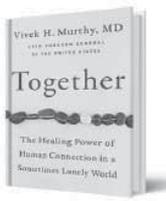
## Books We Love

### Read for your HEALTH!

Why are women more likely to suffer from anxiety, depression, migraines and strokes? Lisa Mosconi, Ph.D., director of the Women's Brain Initiative at Weill Cornell Medical College, discusses the female brain in ***The XX Brain: The Groundbreaking Science Empowering Women to Maximize Cognitive Health and Prevent Alzheimer's Disease*** (Avery). \$27



In ***Together: The Healing Power of Human Connection in a Sometimes Lonely World*** (April 28, Harper Wave), former U.S. Surgeon General Vivek H. Murthy tackles an often-overlooked crisis in America: loneliness. He explores its unintended consequences and suggests how to create more connected lives. \$30



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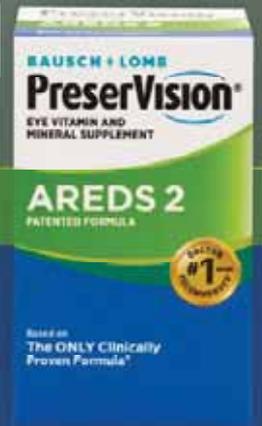
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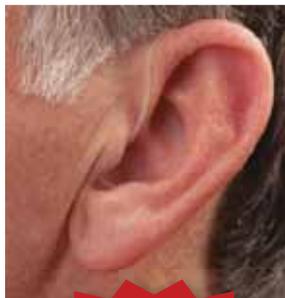
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—Candy Welty, Baltimore, Md.

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Restaurant owner  
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Chicago  
Bridal stylist and group fitness instructor  
\$20,000



**AISHA HERRING-MILLER, 45**  
Philadelphia  
Director of economic development zones  
\$79,623

"I work with business owners located in distressed neighborhoods, assisting them with accessing grants and services to improve their business sustainability. What I enjoy most is assisting women and minority-owned businesses with their unique challenges and helping them prosper. It is hard work, but the reward is helping business owners live their dreams and making the city of Philadelphia more economically viable."

# What PEOPLE EARN 2020

Welcome back to our most popular *Parade* issue of the year: our annual look at salaries and job trends. This year we showcase the highest-paying opportunities out there for folks without a four-year degree and shine a light on how climate change is creating new jobs. Plus, we peek into the paychecks of everybody from shock jock Howard Stern and the stars of *Outlander* to regular people like you and me.

By **Kathleen McCleary**

Salary research and reporting by Kaylen Ralph and Dillon Dodson



**HOWARD STERN, 66**  
Manhattan, N.Y.  
Radio host  
\$93 million (est.)

## HOT SPOT: INFRASTRUCTURE

America has a demand for workers who can build, repair, maintain and oversee our nation's many construction projects.



**MOLLIE CURRID, 23**  
Las Vegas  
Project engineer  
\$63,000

"I oversee every scope of work, such as electrical, plumbing, site utilities, drywall, concrete, etc. People are very surprised to hear that I have a degree in construction. I love being that 'outlier' and being a face for many young girls who are at that point in their life where they are trying to decide what career field is right for them."

Visit [Parade.com/salaries](https://www.parade.com/salaries) to read about more real-people and celebrity jobs.



**JEFF NAPSHIN, 50**  
Los Angeles  
Hollywood tour guide  
\$45,000

"I love the excitement of the tour group when we see a real star. Recently, we were pulling up outside of actor Al Pacino's Beverly Hills home when the gate suddenly opened and out drove Mr. Pacino. Moments like these make the job so much fun."



**ALLYN BAILEY, 26**  
Oxford, Miss.  
Nurse practitioner  
\$110,000



**ANNAMARIE RUSSOW, 34**  
Wheaton, Ill.  
NICU lead clinical research coordinator  
\$69,000

"I work in the department of neonatology at a children's hospital. We study outcomes of babies who were in the NICU. This job lets me work on fascinating research studies with other health care professionals, but I'm in the wings keeping everything organized, something I'm incredibly good at."



**VICKI SAMPSON, 63**  
Nitro, W.Va.  
Gas chart integrator  
\$21,910



**KRIS LARSON, 54**  
Los Angeles  
Battalion chief,  
firefighter  
\$244,000

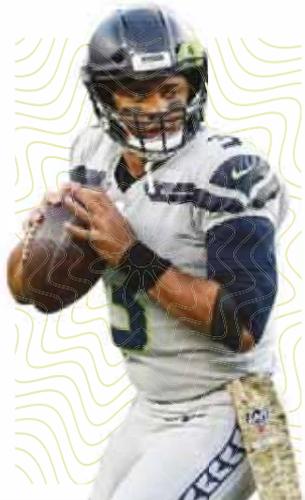
"My job is to help people and assist the community in times of need. I am in charge of the recruitment of new firefighters, the Fire Cadet Program, Youth F.I.R.E. programs, high school magnet programs and Girls Camp. I like being a role model for young girls who might want to pursue nontraditional jobs."

## HOT SPOT: INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Opportunities are booming for physicians and health care personnel who study infectious diseases, which were the third leading cause of death (170,000 each year—a figure that has nearly doubled since the early 1980s) in the U.S.—and that was before the coronavirus.



**ROBERT REDFIELD, M.D., 68**  
Atlanta  
Virologist/director, Centers for  
Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)  
\$209,700



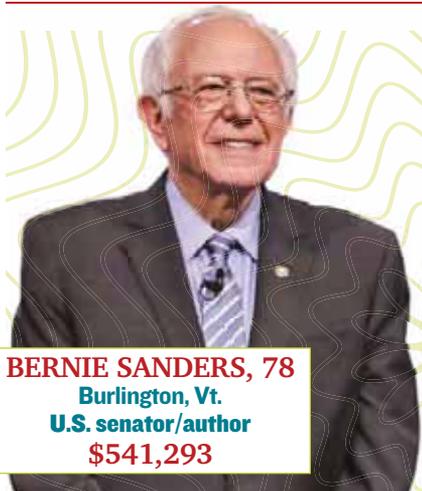
**RUSSELL WILSON, 31**  
Seattle  
Seattle Seahawks quarterback  
\$89.5 million (est.)\*

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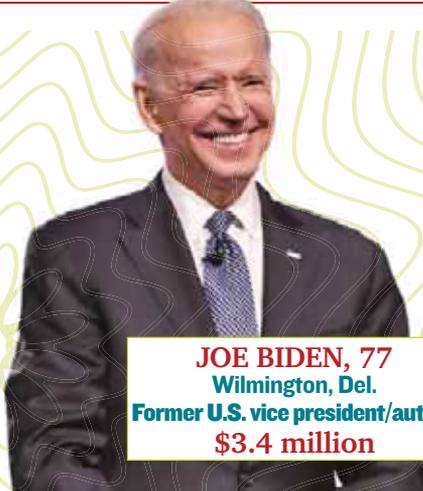


**JAMES JOE, 42**  
Bronx, N.Y.  
Fire and life safety director  
\$105,000

"My duties include making sure the building I work in is up to fire code, and as a life director I must execute procedures necessary to address any natural disasters, terrorist attacks and active shooter situations in a safe and timely manner. It is a tough job that takes intelligence and courage to do, but I enjoy it."



**BERNIE SANDERS, 78**  
Burlington, Vt.  
U.S. senator/author  
\$541,293



**JOE BIDEN, 77**  
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Former U.S. vice president/author  
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With a tight labor market, more workers are able to negotiate better salaries in jobs that don't require four years of college. In fact, middle-skill jobs—think more education than a high school diploma, but less than a BA—grew by 29 percent between 1991 and 2016.



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Electrical power  
line installer



**\$94,350**

Nuclear power reactor  
operator

**\$86,410**

Power distributor and  
dispatcher



**\$82,240**

Commercial pilot

**\$79,780**

Elevator installer and  
repairer



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Detective and  
criminal investigator

**\$53,910**

Plumber



**\$60,220**

Occupational therapy  
assistant

**\$83,020**

Power plant operator



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**EMILY SHEN, 30**  
Los Angeles  
Senior creative producer  
\$95,000

"I manage the entire life cycle of a creative project as well as coordinate with clients and help grow business opportunities. It's a super dynamic and interesting position that exposes me to both traditional advertising and branded storytelling, which I think is where advertising and marketing are headed."



**SURYA PATEL, 27**  
Manhattan, N.Y.  
Graphic designer  
\$55,000

"I work as an editorial designer on publications for various clients."



**SEAN McCONNAUGHY, 26**  
Temple Terrace, Fla.  
High school social studies teacher  
\$38,000

"I teach economics and financial literacy to seniors at a Title 1 high school. I teach the same students every day, and yet there is barely a day where I feel bored or unchallenged. It's one of the joys of working with teenagers: They keep you on your toes."

## HOT SPOT: ENVIRONMENT

Jobs related to protecting the environment and public health are expected to grow 8 percent.



**CHRISTA RODGERS, 47**  
Charlotte, N.C.  
Forester  
\$92,000

"I manage 8,000 acres of urban forestland for drinking water and biodiversity protection. It feels good to know that the forest management I do (timber management, prescribed fire, invasive-species control) makes a long-term difference to forest health and sustainability. Healthy forests mean healthy people!"



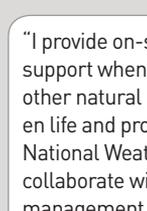
**MICHAEL BOYKO, 48**  
Phoenix  
CEO, water treatment company  
\$134,000

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**FERNANDO RENZO SALAS, 33**  
Tuscaloosa, Ala.  
Hydrologist  
\$108,316

"I work for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association, where I build computer models that predict when and where it will flood. We are evolving the nation's water prediction capabilities to inform the public about dangerous water hazards."



**MARY WISTER, 49**  
Pendleton, Ore.  
Incident meteorologist  
\$83,840

"I provide on-site weather support when wildfires or other natural hazards threaten life and property. At the National Weather Service, we collaborate with emergency management, school districts, departments of transportation and law enforcement on a unified public message to increase public awareness and response to weather hazards."



**LOREAL TORRES, 32**  
Brooklyn, N.Y.  
Chief people officer  
\$120,000

"I manage all things human resources and people for an agency. I work on people development, support learning and development initiatives and recruiting our talent. I like that I get to help guide employees during their career growth and support the business to create a place that's diverse and inclusive for all of our employees."



**LUCY RUSHANOVA, 35**  
San Francisco  
Higher education account executive  
\$75,000

"I sell custom digital learning solutions in the higher education (edtech) space with the goal of enhancing learning experiences for students."



**KEVIN GEORGES, 64**  
Albuquerque, N.M.  
Principal architect  
\$140,000

"I help people solve their problems with an aesthetically pleasing solution."

**EAGLES**  
Rock band  
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**JAIME IBANEZ, 19**

Fort Worth, Texas  
YouTuber/  
vending machine owner  
**\$144,000**

"I have 30 vending machines in public businesses, which I restock weekly. The goal is to have 100 by the end of the year. My favorite part is always having snacks in my house! I also film [YouTube videos] of myself collecting money from the machines and restocking them. I make about \$10,000 a month from that."



**BRITTANY SWEENEY-LAWSON, 32**

Phoenix  
Resource facilitation manager,  
certified brain injury specialist  
(CBIS)  
**\$55,000**



**SHELISA DEMUTH, 31**

St. Paul, Minn.  
Director of administration  
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"My job combines the things I love most: corporate anthropology, implementing structural organization and developing best-fit solutions."

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Aurora, Colo.  
Emergency medicine physician  
assistant  
**\$105,000**



**JENNIFER ANISTON, 51**  
Los Angeles  
Actress  
**\$28 million (est.)**



**ROBIN O'CONNOR, 57**  
Kewanee, Ill.  
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Hadley, Mass.  
Soil scientist  
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**NEITH LITTLE, 32**  
Baltimore  
Urban agronomist  
\$56,520

"I help urban farmers in Baltimore be more successful. That can mean teaching a class on soil science or visiting a farm to troubleshoot why tomatoes are not growing well. I meet and support amazing people who are working hard to improve their communities."



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Lutherville, Md.  
Certified parent coach  
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# What America Eats

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## Chicken Dinner

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### CHICKEN FLORENTINE

In a large skillet over medium-high, heat 2 Tbsp olive oil. Sprinkle 4 (6-oz) skinless, boneless chicken breast halves with 2 tsp kosher salt and 1 tsp freshly ground black pepper. Dredge in ½ cup all-purpose flour, shaking off excess. Working in batches, if needed, place chicken in pan. Cook 7–8 minutes per side, turning once, or until golden brown and an instant-read thermometer inserted into thickest part registers 165°F. Transfer to a plate; keep warm.

Reduce heat to medium; add 2 Tbsp butter to melt. Add ½ cup minced shallots (about 2 large) and 3 cloves garlic, minced; cook 1–2 minutes, stirring often, or just until softened. Add 1 cup dry white wine, scraping up any browned bits on the bottom of the pan. Simmer 5–7 minutes or until liquid is reduced by half. Add 1 cup heavy cream. Cook 5 minutes, stirring often, or until mixture is thick enough to coat the back of a spoon. Remove pan from heat. Add 4 cups baby spinach (about 3 oz) and ¾ tsp kosher salt. Stir until spinach is wilted. Cut chicken diagonally across grain into 1-inch strips. Return to skillet. Sprinkle with 1 Tbsp chopped parsley and serve with ½ lemon, cut into 4 wedges. Serves 4.

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