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Chicago's disparity

STATISTICS SHOW DISADVANTAGED COMMUNITIES HIT HARDER

BLACKS HAVE DIED AT NEARLY 6 TIMES THE RATE AS WHITES

THE SURVIVORS



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Michael Bane, 42, at home in Berwyn on Friday. He was treated for 10 days at Rush University Medical Center and went into isolation.

'IT WAS LIFE-ALTERING'

Even as patients recover, emotional scars linger

BY ANGIE LEVENTIS LOURGOS

As COVID-19 sickens thousands in Illinois, several Chicago-area survivors shared the stories of their illness and recovery, describing how the highly contagious new virus has altered their lives as well as the world around them.

Although their experiences and the severity of their symptoms vary, all of the recovering patients cautioned against minimizing or underestimating the threat of the pandemic.

"I hope this makes it more real and people take social distancing seriously," said one recuperating patient. "Because you don't want to have this."

PREGNANT AND PRAYING

Through sweat-soaked and feverish nights, the expectant

mother would sing to her unborn baby.

Katina Theodorou of southwest suburban Stickney was just past her first trimester when diagnosed with co-

ronavirus in late March.

"I literally felt like I would die," she said. "I couldn't breathe. I had shortness of breath. I would be sweating and have the chills and then I

would be soaked; my clothes were like I had just come out of the shower."

She recalled fervently praying, unsure how the new virus might impact her pregnancy. She was constantly on guard for cramping or spotting. Her obstetrician called to check in daily — "because of the unknown," she said. "There's not a lot of documentation of pregnant women who have it."

After learning she had the virus, Theodorou isolated herself in her room at home, unable to hold her 20-month-old son until Saturday.

A 34-year-old respiratory therapist, she hasn't gone back

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BY CECILIA REYES, NAUSHEEN HUSAIN, CHRISTY GUTOWSKI AND STACY ST. CLAIR

Black Chicagoans are dying from the coronavirus at a rate higher than any other racial demographic, public records show, a reflection of the deadly consequences that economically disadvantaged communities have faced for generations.

About 68% of the city's deaths have involved African Americans, who make up only about 30% of Chicago's total population, according to an examination of data from the Cook County medical examiner's office and the Chicago Department of Public Health. The sobering statistics suggest black Chicagoans are dying at a rate nearly six times greater than white residents.

"Those numbers take your breath away," Mayor Lori Lightfoot said Monday. "This is a call to action for all of us."

The Rev. Marshall Hatch, pastor of New Mount Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church in West Garfield Park, has borne witness to the coronavirus's deadly grasp on his community in recent days. His best friend, Larry Harris, died last week from COVID-19. A congregation member, a man who often

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HOSPITALS

Intensive care beds filling up

BY LISA SCHENCKER AND DAVID HEINZMANN

As the number of coronavirus patients in Illinois continues to grow, some Chicago-area hospitals have already filled all of the intensive care unit beds they had before the pandemic hit.

But because the hospitals have added capacity in recent weeks, there is still room for more patients needing intensive care.

Statewide, COVID-19 patients occupied 1,166 intensive care unit beds, out of a total of 2,709, the Illinois Department of Public Health said Monday. About 600 other patients also were receiving intensive care, leaving 949 beds open.

Mount Sinai Hospital, on the city's West Side, and Holy Cross Hospital, on the Southwest Side, usually have 41 regular intensive care unit beds, combined. As of Monday, all those beds were full, said

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GLOBAL PANDEMIC

Hot spots appear to be shifting

NY, Italy, Spain improve; France, Britain regress

BY COLLEEN LONG, JENNIFER PELTZ AND LORI HINNANT
Associated Press

NEW YORK — The steep rise in coronavirus deaths appeared to be leveling off Monday in hard-hit New York, echoing a trend underway in Italy and Spain, while the crisis escalated alarmingly in Britain.

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo announced the first, faint signs that the outbreak there might be at or near its peak, while warning that this is no time to relax restrictions aimed at keeping people from getting too close.

"The numbers look like it may be turning. 'Yay, it's over!' No, it's not. And other places have made

that mistake," he said as deaths in the U.S. climbed past 10,000, with more than 360,000 confirmed infections.

Outbreaks in other places, however, moved in the opposite direction: France recorded its highest 24-hour death toll since the epidemic began with 833. And Japan considered a state of emergency for Toyko and other areas because of soaring infections in the country with the world's third-largest economy and its oldest population.

Worldwide, more than 1.3 million people have been confirmed infected and more than 74,000 have died, according to Johns

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A man shops for groceries Monday in the Jackson Heights section of Queens, New York.

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College cooks, cashiers plead for lost wages

Union estimates hundreds of Chicago-area dining hall workers have been laid off as schools vacate campus and slash service hours.

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A woman wearing a mask walks past the Disney Store on Michigan Avenue (Magnificent Mile) in Chicago on March 31.

With pandemic, there's no 'normal' on the horizon



REX W. HUPPKE

Americans are day-dreaming a return to normal, eyeing the calendar — May? Maybe June? — as if a switch will get flicked and the coronavirus pandemic and its life-altering impact will fade to memory.

That's not happening. I don't say that to frighten — and I've never wished so hard to be proven wrong — but we're a culture easily sold false hope. We buy up optimism when reality is too much to bear.

Those tendencies don't position us well for a global pandemic.

What we need now is neither false hope nor optimism — it's pragmatism, and facts.

The coronavirus pandemic is going to shake America this week, and for weeks and months to come. The number of confirmed cases, the number of deaths, will hit like a fist to the country's gut.

It will become harder and harder to find anyone who doesn't know a friend, or a friend of a friend, who's sick. It will become harder and harder to find anyone who doesn't know someone who has lost a friend or loved one.

That somber news will transmit through Facebook posts and texts, emails and phone calls. It will hurt, even if you and your immediate family remain healthy.

It needs to hurt. It needs to worry people. Because I don't believe most Ameri-

cans have accepted the long haul that lies ahead.

Over the weekend I spoke with Gary Slutkin, an epidemiologist and infectious disease control specialist formerly with the World Health Organization and now head of the global anti-violence group Cure Violence, which is based in Chicago.

"We're going to be really shaken up," he said. "There hasn't been a hit this country has taken like this. 9/11 is nothing compared to this, really."

Slutkin has had a long career, working through a tuberculosis outbreak in San Francisco and the AIDS crisis in Africa before turning his attention to the disease-like spread of violence in Chicago and elsewhere. He's now spending much of his time working on the coronavirus outbreak, trying like so many experts in this field to get political leaders to see the seriousness of the issue and deliver a clear message.

That message would be: Shut everything that's nonessential down.

"What you have to do is overdo it," Slutkin said. "You have to overdo it in your own behavior. There isn't a compromise. If you feel like, 'Oh, I'll just go out this one time or we'll just get together for a couple hours,' that won't work. You have to really overdo it in terms of staying away from people other than those you live with. If you feel like you're overdoing it, that's the right feeling. If you feel like you're overdoing it, overdo it more, and you still won't be overdoing it."

That's because the only way to slow the spread of this virus is to stop its

transmission.

There is no miracle drug, despite what some are telling you. A vaccine isn't coming soon. And there remains no concrete evidence that the warmer months will halt the virus' spread.

Harvard University epidemiologist Marc Lipsitch recently wrote: "The short answer is that while we may expect modest declines in the contagiousness of (the novel coronavirus) in warmer, wetter weather and perhaps with the closing of schools in temperate regions of the Northern Hemisphere, it is not reasonable to expect these declines alone to slow transmission enough to make a big dent."

And remember, when infectious disease experts such as Anthony Fauci, director of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, talk about "flattening the curve," they're talking only about reducing the number of new cases of COVID-19 to a point the country's medical system can handle. The total number of cases is still increasing, just at a slower rate.

Asked whether the U.S. is getting the outbreak under control, Fauci told CBS News on Sunday: "That would be a false statement. We are struggling to get it under control, and that's the issue that's at hand right now."

An end to social distancing and shelter-in-place restrictions isn't coming anytime soon. For a splash of cold water to the face, I'll ask you this: "Given what we know already and what we're seeing each day, when do you think you'll

feel comfortable going to a restaurant or movie theater? When will you feel comfortable putting your child on a school bus?"

Slutkin put it this way: "At what point of there being new cases and new deaths per day are people going to feel like they're fine going to concerts or going to ballgames? If you're in Chicago and there were 20 cases a day or 50 cases, what is the point where you feel just fine? Right now, everything's going up everywhere. There isn't any place that's going down."

He said if everyone behaved perfectly nationwide — no contact with people you don't live with — for two weeks, the country could turn a corner. But even then, the problem isn't fixed. It's just stalled.

"The world is going to be different," Slutkin said. "Socially, we're going to be different, economically we're going to be different. I think there will be waves of things getting better and waves of things getting worse as we find our way."

And we will find our way. We will adapt, and overcome.

But now is not the time for sunny optimism. It's the time for science and pragmatism.

The sooner Americans accept that "normal" is nowhere in sight — and that normal may look quite different when we get there — the better we'll all be.

Again, I hope I'm proven wrong. But for now, better a pessimist who is pleasantly surprised than a fool who makes things worse.

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PEOPLE ARE STEPPING UP WHILE THE CITY IS SHUTTERED

A LOVE LETTER TO CHICAGO:



HEIDI STEVENS
Balancing Act

With your favorite places closed and your favorite people shut indoors and your favorite sites unseeable, how do you stay connected with the city you love?

When you can't walk next to the lake or bike along the 606 or duck into your favorite bookstore or grab fresh bread at that little bakery or people-watch from your stoop (no people to watch) or walk down the block and grab tacos from the place on the corner, the place where you hug the owner and know the bartenders by name and always leave too full but also so grateful?

When a morning commute on the Red Line — with its music and mosaics and crowds and characters — has been replaced by a morning shuffle to your kitchen table and you aren't seeing the parents you love at school drop-off and there's zero live music and it's been weeks since you stood at the window in your office building and watched the afternoon sun change the colors of the park below?

When all of the tangibles become necessarily intangible? When you stop doing the things you love to do together? When intimacy is replaced by distance?

That's hell on a relationship. Any expert will tell you. But so is sealing off your heart when things get tough. So is refusing to look for beauty in the new way because the old way suited you just fine.

Chicago is, like cities and towns across the United States and across the globe, suffering mightily. Our people are sick and dying.

Doctors and nurses and delivery drivers and grocery store workers and first responders are doing daily battle with a virus, often without proper protection. Businesses are shuttering. Artists



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12-year-old Rudy, a wirehaired dachshund, walks past a closed entrance to the Lakefront Trail near Navy Pier on Wednesday in Chicago.

are watching their dreams and their paychecks go poof.

We are grieving. For what's been lost. For who and what will never return.

And it feels like we're doing it alone. Without the comfort of our routines and the solace of our favorite sanctuaries and the embrace of our crowds.

We're not, of course. Not even close. And I find myself looking for little reminders of that, to get my head right and to find out where I can send help and to fall in love with my city, this quieter version, all over again.

Turns out they're everywhere, those reminders.

The neighborhood singalongs popping up from Rogers Park to the South Loop, filling the air with Bon Jovi and the Jackson 5 and Gloria Gaynor and Queen and Bing Crosby's "When Irish

Eyes Are Smiling," in honor of Bill Hession.

Bill Hession's neighbors stood outside his condo March 28 singing and holding up signs and paying tribute to their friend on his final days, knowing they wouldn't get to attend a wake or funeral for him because of the coronavirus. He passed away March 30.

An emergency fund for artists and the arts launched as a joint effort by Illinois and the city of Chicago.

The Chicago Community COVID-19 Response Fund launched less than a month ago to help the city's most vulnerable residents with rent and food and health care, and currently at more than \$20 million.

The Lori Lightfoot memes.

Lightfoot's "Stay home, save lives" PSA.

Our alleys, which make for great social distance walking.

Our boulevards, which are a trip to run down when there's hardly any traffic.

Our skyscrapers, lit up in red, white and blue March 27 in solidarity with medical staffs and first responders and other essential workers risking their lives for all of us.

The teachers from Dore Elementary on the Southwest Side who drove through the Clearing neighborhood on Thursday in a 30-car caravan, blasting music, honking horns, waving at their students stuck at home.

CPS high schooler Jessica Tansey, whose A Meal Today, A Meal Tomorrow campaign is up and running now. The Lincoln Park junior found a way to help feed hungry students and support local restaurants at the same time.

All of you sewing masks to donate.

All of you chalking the sidewalks.

All of you donating your re-funds back to the venues whose shows were canceled.

All of you pulling together, even when we are forced to stay apart. All of you helping. All of you calibrating and adjusting and giving and comforting and serving, even as you wonder what's next and fear for the future and long, a little bit, for the relative ease of the old life.

That's unconditional love, right? That's not going anywhere. It looks different than it did last spring, last month, last week. But it's alive and strong. And I've never been more grateful for it.

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'We just got laid off out of nowhere'

Cooks and cashiers at university dining halls plead for Chicago schools to pay lost wages amid job cuts

BY ELYSSA CHERNEY

In order to put food on the table for her four young children, Yasmin Vinalay helps get food on the plates of famished college students.

For nine years, Vinalay has worked as a cook in DePaul University dining halls, preparing buffet-style meals at the Lincoln Park campus. And as a single mother, she depends on her wages, which amount to about \$14 an hour, to support her family.

But Vinalay's sole source of income vanished last month when DePaul, joining colleges nationwide, closed the majority of its dining halls and dormitories for the rest of the academic year to slow the spread of COVID-19. While Vinalay was told she might be able to return to DePaul by September, she's bracing for the worst-case scenario that her job will be on hold for longer.

"I'm very worried. ... I have to pay rent and bills," said Vinalay, 30, who lives in the West Humboldt Park neighborhood with her children, all under the age of 12. "We just got laid off out of nowhere. Nobody was expecting this. But it really hurt us and our families."

Vinalay and her colleagues are among millions of Americans suddenly out of work as the coronavirus pandemic wreaks havoc on all sectors of the economy. On Thursday morning, the U.S. Department of Labor said that a record 6.6 million Americans had applied for unemployment benefits last week.

The union representing dining hall workers at Chicago-area colleges estimates that hundreds of people in this role — many of whom are subcontracted and hourly employees — have been laid off as schools vacated dormitories, slashed dining hall hours for the few students remaining on campus and began offering classes online. Some workers, including Vinalay, will receive health insurance coverage through the summer, though it's not clear if it will continue after that.

The union, UNITE HERE Local 1, is urging local universities to pay the workers lost wages during this unprecedented work stoppage. Though some schools, including the University of Chicago and Northwestern University, have publicly pledged to continue compensating workers, other institutions have not indicated they will take on the cost.

At Dominican University in suburban River Forest, 35 dining hall workers contracted through



TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Martha Cornejo, at the University of Chicago's Baker Dining Commons, remains on the job.



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Yasmin Vinalay, 30, has worked as a cook at DePaul dining halls for nine years but is suddenly out of work due to the coronavirus pandemic.

Quest Food Management Services have been furloughed, according to Jessica Mackinnon, a school spokeswoman.

Dominican, which has about 3,000 students, stopped in-person courses on March 16 and closed its campus to the public, according to its website. Students were urged to return to their permanent homes, but the school made arrangements for a small number who needed to stay.

"Given that faculty and staff are working remotely and less than 25 students remain in one residence hall, meals are now being provided on a limited carryout basis. ... Unfortunately, Dominican is not in a position to provide financial

help to Quest employees," MacKinnon said.

Citing school closures, Lombard-based Quest furloughed more than 830 employees — nearly its entire workforce — last month, including employees in its corporate office, according to the Quest website. Owner Mike McTaggart announced he was forgoing his salary and donating \$10,000 to support employees who need help with medical bills, rent or food. A GoFundMe campaign had raised nearly another \$10,000 as of Friday morning, and Quest rushed to open four food pantries for employees.

Nick Saccaro, president of Quest, said the company hired

lobbyists for the first time to push for legislation in Washington to help businesses survive the economic strife.

"We do not have the financial resources to keep our employees on payroll with only 5% to 10% of our regular revenue coming in on a daily basis," Saccaro said in an email. "Every single location of ours is either closed or is operating at a significantly diminished capacity. ... We are not a big company, and simply put, we would be out of business in a matter of mere months if we paid all of our team members as they normally would be paid with this loss of revenue and without government support."

Though dining hall workers are not directly hired by universities, some are stepping up to help staff they consider integral to campus operations.

On March 20, the University of Chicago said it would continue paying regular wages to 500 full-time and part-time dining hall employees. Ivan Samstein, vice president and chief financial officer, said in a campuswide message that contracted employees in maintenance and security will also keep working and receive their expected wages.

"The university is keenly aware of COVID-19's disruptive impact on the lives of the campus community, including contracted food service employees, many of whom are residents of the South Side,"

Samstein said in the message. "We are working with our food service contractors to establish new roles and responsibilities for their employees to meet pressing needs in our community."

At Northwestern, administrators announced Monday that dining hall workers will "continue to receive benefits and compensation equal to their current full-time status" for the rest of the academic year, which ends in June, according to a school message. Northwestern said it was working with Compass Group, which employs 600 dining hall workers, to ensure payment.

The plans were shared a day before UNITE HERE held a virtual rally singling out the school and delivered a petition with 1,790 signatures to Northwestern leaders, demanding better treatment for the workers.

A spokeswoman for Compass, which also contracts with DePaul, said making the decision to furlough employees or reduce working hours was "extremely difficult."

"Our associates who are temporarily furloughed retain their health care benefits and have the opportunity to apply for unemployment and to benefit from the financial aid that is part of the CARES Act," Meredith Rosenberg said in an email.

Compass CEO Gary Green said on the company website that workers were being furloughed now so they can be hired back as quickly as possible.

UNITE HERE is also urging DePaul, Dominican and Loyola to provide dining hall workers, including cooks and cashiers, regular wages through the remainder of their contracts. Loyola did not respond to requests for comment; DePaul referred questions to Compass.

Dan Abraham, director of organizing at UNITE HERE Local 1, said low-wage food service workers are at risk of suffering sustained financial damage if institutions don't heed the call to support them.

"Even in good times, these workers struggle to make ends meet," he said. "They do not have savings to rely on now."

Vinalay, who doesn't expect to receive additional payment from DePaul, said she filed for unemployment benefits last week, the first time she's ever needed to do so. "We're going day by day and being strong," she said. "We don't know when this is going to be over."

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Officials to step up stay-at-home enforcement as temps to rise to 70s

BY TONY BRISCOE AND SOPHIE SHERRY

On Tuesday, temperatures in Chicago will likely break into the 70s for the first time this year, sparking some concerns over whether residents will continue to abide by the governor's stay-at-home order to mitigate the spread of the coronavirus.

Under normal circumstances, this is a jubilant time for residents, who have braved months of bitter cold and snow to emerge from their homes and enjoy their favorite outdoor pastimes.

But in the middle of the deadly coronavirus outbreak that has infected a reported 5,067 people and killed at least 108 in the country's third largest city, the pleasant temperatures loom as temptation for Chicagoans who have been sequestered for more than two weeks — and directed to stay inside until at least April 30.

Tuesday, temperatures are forecast to reach the mid- to upper 70s — about 15 to 20 degrees above normal for this time of year, according to Jake Petr, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service.

There's a chance rain and thunderstorms could sweep over the area, possibly bringing large hailstones and strong wind gusts.

On Wednesday, it will be mostly sunny with a high near 65 degrees and a chance of showers in the afternoon. High temperatures will dip back into the 40s for the rest of the week as a cold front moves into the area, Petr said.

Severe weather and showers could tamp down outdoor activities this week. But by the end of April, temperatures are normally in the mid-60s, Petr said.

Some health officials and scientists have suggested that warm, humid weather could deter the spread of the virus, which may be more infectious in colder conditions, similar to the flu.

These researchers have suggested transmission may slow over the summer but could return in the fall and winter since there likely won't be a vaccine until next year.

However, parts of the South, including New Orleans and Miami, have reported a large number of coronavirus cases despite experiencing high temperatures consistently in the 70s and 80s, casting some doubt about how much heat may impede the spread.

Chicagoans were initially allowed to spend time in local parks, trails and along the lakefront. However, after some people continued to disregard social distancing guidelines, city officials have closed off many of those areas to the public.

The stay-at-home order urges residents to stay inside unless they are engaging in an essential business like grocery shopping. Those who don't adhere to these mandates will be warned by Chicago police the first time and may be cited or arrested the next time, according to a public safety notice.

The Chicago Police Department issued 1,584 group dispers-

als, 11 citations and three arrests between March 31 and Sunday to people in violation of the stay-at-home order.

"Given the number of dispersals we've had, compared to the number of citations and arrests, we've had an extremely high rate of compliance," CPD spokeswoman Maggie Huynh said in a statement Monday.

The 1,584 group dispersals were warnings issued without a citation. Although CPD has the authority to enforce the order, spokeswoman Kellie Bartoli emphasized the main goal is not issuing tickets.

"The department is primarily focusing on educating residents about the state order and providing warnings to individuals not abstaining from nonessential activities, and especially those congregating in large gatherings," Bartoli said.

In a news conference Monday, Mayor Lori Lightfoot said the city would step up enforcement efforts as the weather warmed.

"By and large, the vast majority of people have been complying, but we know that the parks continue to be an attraction. I want to be clear: It's not that people are going out, although we want people to really stay home. The issue is congregating, and that's what we can't tolerate," Lightfoot said. "So when we see that, the police have been very aggressive in issuing dispersal orders, citations where necessary, and luckily we've only had a small number of arrests, but people have



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Edmundo Alonso, 7, kicks a soccer ball while wearing a face mask at Harrison Park in Chicago on Monday.

to understand yes, it's a beautiful day, the weather's getting warmer, but we need people to continue to comply."

The city still allows people to take part in "outdoor activity," including walking, running and biking, but it prohibits gatherings of 10 or more people. Officials have also banned close-contact sports, such as basketball, soccer and football.

Lightfoot has become the face of the "Stay Home" movement to avoid spreading coronavirus. A stern-faced Lightfoot has been featured in a number of light-hearted memes, picturing her blocking entry to a park and serving as a lookout to ensure residents are obeying the stay-at-home rules.

Illinois Department of Public Health Director Dr. Ngozi Ezike also implored residents to stay home and maintain their distance when going outdoors.

"I assure you, if people congregate tomorrow, we will set the state back in the fight against COVID-19," Ezike said at Gov. J.B. Pritzker's daily news conference.

To this point, there hasn't been much incentive to go outside as the weather in Chicago mostly has been cold and wet.

In March, temperatures averaged 42 degrees, about 5 degrees above normal. But much of that was due to higher nighttime lows, Petr said.

Precipitation also may have kept people inside. According to Petr, there were at least 21 days in March when there was at least a trace of precipitation, including more than 3 inches of snowfall between March 22 and 23.

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CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Gov. Pritzker continues supply feud

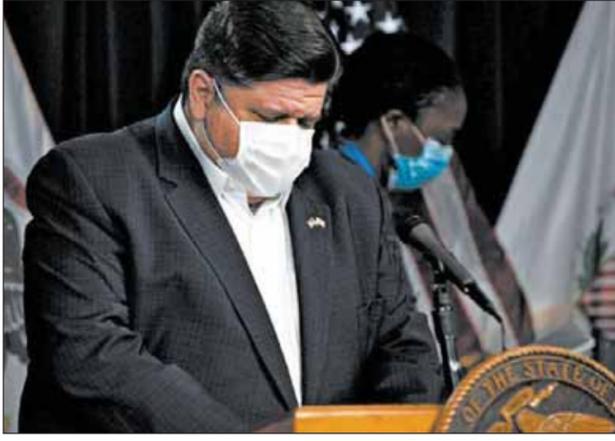
Sparrring with White House over supplies as deaths in state top 300

BY DAN PETRELLA AND JAMIE MUNKS

A day after President Donald Trump accused him of “always complaining,” Illinois Gov. J.B. Pritzker kept up his critique of federal efforts to provide states with the gear needed to protect health care workers and treat patients in a pandemic that has now claimed more than 300 lives in Illinois.

“To anyone who wants a response to some of the blame-shifting coming out of the White House, all I have to say is, ‘Look at the numbers here in Illinois,’ ” Pritzker said Monday at his daily coronavirus news conference in downtown Chicago.

The state has received only “a small fraction” of the masks, gowns, goggles and other gear it has requested from the federal government, Pritzker said. That includes 300 of the 4,000 ventilators Illinois has asked for and about 368,000 of the more than 10 million N95 respirator masks requested, according to figures provided by the state and the White House. The city of Chicago has received 150 additional ventilators



Gov. J.B. Pritzker enters his daily press briefing on COVID-19 on Monday at the Thompson Center in Chicago.

for its stockpile from the feds.

“If we had relied upon the White House and its obligation to fulfill our needs from the (Strategic National Stockpile), our state and nearly every state in the United States would come up short and could not protect our health care workers and our first responders,” Pritzker said. “But here’s the good news: We haven’t trusted what we were told by the White House.”

Instead, he said, his administration has been working on its

own to secure needed equipment. Pritzker said he’s spoken with the representatives of companies that are developing ventilators, including General Motors and Ford Motor Co., but that “today we’re doing OK with regard to ventilators.”

State officials on Monday announced 1,006 more cases of the new coronavirus and 33 additional deaths, bringing the number of known cases statewide to 12,262 and the death toll to 307 since the outbreak began.

As of Monday, 3,680 patients with COVID-19 were being hospitalized across the state, according to the Illinois Department of Public Health. Of those, 1,166 were in intensive care and 821 were on ventilators.

“We have to watch the number of hospitalizations, watch the number of people going to ICU beds, and that’s kind of a progression that ... if you see that increasing, you know that your ventilator needs are going to increase,” Pritzker said. “So we’re watching it every day and keeping count.”

As officials project Illinois to reach the peak of the coronavirus outbreak later this month, Pritzker said the masks and other disposable equipment Illinois has received from the federal government would last only days. While the state has received nearly 368,000 of the N95 masks from Washington, it is using up roughly 1.5 million every 10 days, according to the governor’s office.

“As you can see when you compare our federal shipments to our burn rate, the product that we’ve received from the federal stockpile will last only a handful of days in this multimonth battle,” Pritzker said.

Pritzker acknowledged the assistance Illinois is receiving from the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the U.S. Army Corps

of Engineers and other federal agencies, some of which have been involved with opening a field hospital at McCormick Place. The first 500 of 3,000 planned beds opened Friday. “These are all people who are fighting like hell for Illinois,” he said. “Even with one hand tied behind their backs by the White House.”

Pritzker said he received word Monday afternoon that some military medical staff would be assigned to assist Illinois, but the details were still being worked out. After saying Sunday that the federal government had to help Illinois with the McCormick Place hospital facility because Pritzker “couldn’t do his job,” Trump said at his daily White House briefing Monday that his administration has worked well with “all of the governors.”

Vice President Mike Pence had a nearly two-hour call Monday morning with governors from across the country and “there wasn’t a negative person on the call,” Trump said. “Even Gov. Pritzker from Illinois is happy.”

“He may not be happy when he talks to the press, but he’s happy. He’s a very happy man,” Trump said.

Chicago Tribune’s Lisa Schencker and Antonia Ayres-Brown contributed.

Disparity

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did handiwork around the church without seeking payment, died over the weekend from what Hatch said were related symptoms.

And on Saturday, the pastor lost to the virus his older sister Rhoda Hatch, a retired Chicago Public Schools teacher who helped raise him after his mother died. Hatch said his 73-year-old sister, who had asthma, started showing symptoms last month and declined rapidly.

“I prayed with her, but I had a feeling that was going to be our last communication, that she wasn’t going to come out of the intubation,” he said.

All three families are now planning memorial services in which everyone must keep a social distance. No extended families gathering, no consoling embraces from friends or churches crowded with mourners.

“The pain is real,” Hatch said. “As Dr. (Martin Luther) King said, ‘Of all of the disparities created by inequities in our society, health care may be the most inhumane.’ And I think this pandemic of 2020 magnifies that truth.”

Indeed, some of the hardest hit communities on the South and West sides have struggled with unemployment and health care access for generations. As a result, residents have higher baseline rates of diabetes, heart disease, lung disease and high blood pressure — the chronic conditions that make the coronavirus even more deadly.

Even before the pandemic, these chronic conditions attributed to a life-expectancy gap in the city. On average, white Chicagoans live nine years longer than black residents, with half of the disparity due to chronic illnesses and smoking rates in black communities, public health officials said.

Black Chicagoans also could be contracting the disease at higher rates, experts said, for socioeconomic reasons such as being unable to work from home, a reliance on public transportation or living in dwellings with multiple people.

“It does appear that there is a greater risk of infection or greater risk of death, but we don’t know what it is,” said Diane Lauderdale, an epidemiologist and chair of the Department of Public Health Sciences at the University of Chicago.

The racial disparity isn’t something unique to Chicago. Early data shows a disproportionate number of black residents in Milwaukee and Detroit have contracted and died from the coronavirus. Michigan public health officials released data last week showing that African Americans accounted for 35% of confirmed cases and 40% of the state’s deaths, though they make up little more than 14% of its population.

The problem in Chicago had been highlighted in recent days on social media and in a WBEZ-FM 91.5 report. On Monday, Lightfoot addressed the issue, saying that the city is ordering health care providers to collect total demographic information from patients. Some aren’t collecting and sharing that data, making it harder to determine just how wide the racial disparity gap truly is.

The city also will start using



Marshall Hatch poses for a portrait outside his home in the South Austin neighborhood Monday in Chicago. His sister Rhoda Hatch, 73, died.

bigger buses to promote social distancing and send inspectors into grocery stores and corner shops to ensure that they’re enforcing social distancing.

“If you do not, we will shut you down,” Lightfoot said at a news conference.

The city’s data shows confirmed COVID-19 cases in every age group and ZIP code across Chicago, and the numbers reinforce scientific studies showing that people who are older or have underlying medical conditions are more susceptible to severe illness or death. Almost one-third of Chicago coronavirus diagnoses and 71% of deaths have involved people older than 60, though that age group represents only 18% of Chicago’s population.

About 97% of the city’s COVID-19 deaths involved underlying conditions, according to city data.

As of Monday, 1,969 black Chicagoans, 891 white Chicagoans, 523 Latino Chicagoans and 134 Asian Chicagoans had been diagnosed with COVID-19. About 25% of diagnosed cases did not have race or ethnicity recorded, and officials have warned about underreporting among Hispanic residents, suggesting the virus’s impact on minority communities could be even greater.

Six of the 10 ZIP codes with the most coronavirus-related deaths in Cook County are in Chicago, the data shows. Deaths were concentrated in majority-black, South Side neighborhoods including Auburn Gresham, South Chicago, South Shore and Chatham.

“This is not just about racial and ethnic disparity and the outcomes,” Lightfoot said. “The distribution of this disease tells the story about resources and inequality. A story about unequal health care access, job access and community investment. Dynamics we know all too well here in the city of Chicago and something all of us have been talking about and fighting against for years.”

Longtime Auburn Gresham resident Carl Redd, an Army veteran, died from COVID-related complications on March 21



COVID-19 testing at Roseland Community Hospital, Friday, April 3, 2020. (E. Jason Wambsgans/Chicago Tribune)

at age 62. He had severe asthma and struggled to afford medical treatment for his chronic condition even though he qualified for care through Veterans Affairs.

Redd, who was a good-natured retired HVAC repairman and king of the backyard barbecue, had been in too poor of health to work and died without a life insurance policy, according to his family. Delloiah Redd said her father never fully recovered from a severe asthma attack in late October.

“I was under the impression if you’re a veteran you get better health care, but every time he had an asthma attack, they’d bill him,” she said. “A lot of times he wouldn’t go because he didn’t want another bill or they’d want him to stay overnight but he’d be ready to go (home) after the first treatment because he was worried (about the cost).”

Black Chicagoans have found it increasingly difficult to obtain medical care during the pandemic, as emergency rooms have discouraged people from coming in for minor ailments. Many hospitals are advising people to go see their primary care physicians instead, though some residents in economically challenged neighborhoods don’t have one.

More and more, illnesses are going untreated in these neighborhoods until they become life-threatening, said Dr. Oluwatoyin M. Adeyemi, an infectious disease specialist who has worked on the

West Side for two decades.

“When we got to the point where we told people to stay home, they couldn’t get the albuterol inhalers, they couldn’t get treatment for their conditions,” Adeyemi said. “They didn’t know who to call, how to reach anyone. ... We talked about doing drive-thru testing, people don’t have cars.”

The problem is being driven equally hard by economic disinvestment and other issues on the South and West sides, experts said. Social distancing, for example, is more easily accomplished by people who can work from home, drive their own vehicles and have multiple grocery stores from which to order delivery.

“There’s a saying, ‘When America has the cold, black America has the flu,’” said Lionel Allen, who works at University of Illinois at Chicago’s Department of Educational Policy Studies and is on the board of the black-majority Masjid at-Taqwa mosque in South Chicago. “You think about rates of diabetes, rates of obesity within our communities, the food deserts, all of these longstanding, institutionalized inequities continue to play in our communities.”

Allen said the community’s instinct has been to find a way to provide resources to those in need, rather than waiting on the government.

“You’re not necessarily going to

believe that this entity is going to help you,” he said. “There is rhetoric and there are press conferences where people say nice things, but when it comes to flooding those communities with resources, you don’t really see that.”

It’s against this backdrop that myths about the coronavirus began spreading in the black community last month, officials said. Some suggested that it was a white person’s disease to which young African American men were immune.

One organization that typically works primarily to prevent violence on the South Side has broadened its focus in recent weeks to also hand out literature about COVID-19.

Autry Phillips, executive director of Target Area Development Corp., said he wants to correct the inaccurate information before it costs more lives. He said older folks understand and have been taking heed, but the younger crowd had needed more convincing.

“Unfortunately, this particular virus doesn’t care how cool you are or how invincible you are,” Phillips said. “We have to hit them with statistics.”

Building awareness is another avenue to address the disparity. Gov. J.B. Pritzker said Monday that the state’s campaign includes social media and public service announcements about staying home, washing hands and taking other steps to slow the spread.

“Communities of color — and particularly black communities in the city of Chicago, suburban Cook County, and cities and towns all across our state — disproportionately shoulder the health care conditions that lead to worse outcomes with COVID-19,” Pritzker said. “And to put into words what often is left unsaid, that’s a product of generations of systemic disinvestment in communities of color, compounded by disparities in health care delivery systems and access.”

Chicago Tribune’s Gregory Pratt, Dan Petrella, John Byrne and Joe Mahr contributed.

CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Wisconsin election on for Tuesday

State Supreme Court overrules governor's order to postpone

BY BILL RUTHHART

In the span of four hours Monday, the whiplash saga of Wisconsin's election swung from one extreme to the other, with a Democratic governor postponing Tuesday's voting only to have the state's conservative Supreme Court majority overrule him.

To add to the drama, the U.S. Supreme Court ruled 5-4 Monday evening to overturn a lower court decision made last week to give Wisconsin voters more time to receive and send mail-in absentee ballots in the chaotic election. Under the ruling, ballots must be postmarked by Tuesday or dropped off in person by 8 p.m., despite the fact that election officials across the state were still mailing out thousands of the unprecedented 1.2 million ballots requested.

The result of it all: Thousands of voters will venture out to a dramatically reduced number of election sites Tuesday amid a statewide poll worker shortage and a coronavirus pandemic that had health officials warning that casting ballots in person could lead to more illness and death across Wisconsin. Plus, voters who requested the mail-in ballots but haven't received them will face a stark choice: Go to the polls amid a statewide stay-at-home-order or don't vote at all.

The court rulings, both falling along partisan lines, laid bare Wisconsin's often toxic political divide, with Democrats arguing Republicans were willfully putting people's lives at risk and the GOP contending the governor had made an unconstitutional overreach and cast aside the rights of voters.

The decisions marked back-to-back defeats for Tony Evers, the first-term Democratic governor of a battleground swing state that was key to President Donald Trump's election victory four years ago. Evers had been unable to convince the Republican-controlled state legislature to take any action to alter the election.

"Thousands will wake up and have to choose between exercising their right to vote and staying healthy and safe," Evers said in response to the ruling. "In this time of historic crisis, it is a shame that two branches of government in this state chose to pass the buck instead of taking responsibility for the health and safety of the people we were elected to serve."

An order overturned

The Wisconsin Supreme Court quickly ruled 4-2 late Monday afternoon to block Evers' executive order to postpone the election until June 9. In an expedited ruling, the court rejected the first-term governor's contention that it was his constitutional duty to protect the safety of the state's residents and thus postpone in-person voting.

Conservative Justice Dan Kelly, who is on the ballot for retention Tuesday, abstained from the decision but made his feelings known on Twitter prior to the ruling: "We can do two things at the same time," he wrote, "maintain the foundations of our democracy while taking reasonable precautions to keep people safe."

Late Monday, the court had yet to issue a written opinion on the decision, just a brief order. The state's Republican leaders, Assem-

bly Speaker Robin Vos, R-Rochester, and Senate Majority Leader Scott Fitzgerald, R-Juneau, lauded the decision.

"The state's highest court has spoken: the governor can't unilaterally move the date of the election," they said in a joint statement. "The safety and health of our citizens have always been our highest concern. That's why we advocated for everyone to vote absentee."

Evens Trump joined in the victory lap, tweeting, "The Wisconsin Supreme Court ruled that tomorrow's election will proceed as scheduled. VOTE for Justice Daniel Kelly tomorrow, and be safe!"

Democrats accused Republicans of pushing forward in a bid to suppress voter turnout to their advantage in the election, which includes a highly charged state Supreme Court contest between Kelly, whom former Republican Gov. Scott Walker appointed to finish a term, and Judge Jill Karofsky, who is backed by Evers.

"Republican leaders are putting an untold number of lives on the line so they can disenfranchise voters and win an election," said Courtney Beyer, spokeswoman for the Wisconsin Democratic Party. "They're morally bankrupt and unwilling to do what's right for our state."

Evers issued the executive order shortly before 1 p.m. Monday after he called a special session of the state legislature Saturday afternoon in an eleventh-hour bid to have state lawmakers move the election entirely to absentee vote-by-mail ballots. Republicans refused to take up Evers' proposal and insisted that the polls open as scheduled.

Given the continued uptick in COVID-19 cases and deaths in the state, Evers told the Tribune in an interview Monday that he had no choice but to issue the order.

"The people of the state deserve better than what they've been receiving, which has been on the path of the Republicans' unwillingness to do something," Evers said. "We've fought enough on this issue. We haven't reached a conclusion, unfortunately, and the majority of the people of Wisconsin don't care about political fighting, they're just scared and the governor has to stand up for them."

Wisconsin's Republican legislative leaders immediately challenged the order in Madison at the state Supreme Court, calling the governor's move "clearly an unconstitutional overreach."

The court's ruling to strike down the order came after 15 other states had moved to delay their elections because of the pandemic, either pushing back voting for several weeks or converting the election entirely to mail. Unlike most of those states, Wisconsin's election features far more than just a presidential primary between former Vice President Joe Biden and Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders.

On the ballot are general election races for 3,831 local offices — including Milwaukee mayor, Milwaukee County executive and the state Supreme Court seat — where elected officials' terms are set to expire in a matter of weeks. That's part of the reason Evers had been so hesitant to delay the election. His order would have extended those terms until after the June election.

As the impact of the pandemic became more widespread across the state, thousands of poll workers — many of them elderly and more at risk of dying from the highly contagious COVID-19 — have said they wouldn't work



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Plexiglass shields and plastic sheeting have been installed at the village hall in Bayside, Wis.

Tuesday, leading the governor to direct 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.

Milwaukee's typical 180 election sites have been cut to just five. Suburban Waukesha's 15 locations have been consolidated to one. Green Bay's 31 polling sites have been reduced to a pair of high school gymnasiums.

"You think about the city of Milwaukee being down to five polling places there, and there could be thousands of people at each polling place. That makes no sense," Evers told the Tribune. "I'm fearful of the possibility of the transmission of the virus at the polls."

State election commissioners tried to assuage some concerns by training poll workers in social distancing and other health precautions while acquiring supplies for the polling locations, including 6,000 liters of hand sanitizer, 10,000 spray bottles of sanitizer, 750,000 isopropyl wipes and 1 million ballpoint pens — enough for each voter to use their own.

The governor's executive order came after the Wisconsin Democratic Party, the Democratic National Committee and a host of civil rights groups had filed various lawsuits in federal court seeking changes and delay the election.

U.S. District Court Judge William Conley ruled to leave the election date in place but extended the amount of time voters had to receive and return mail-in absentee ballots by six days until April 13. Conley, who was appointed by former President Barack Obama, did not require the ballots have a postmark by Election Day as called for in state law.

Democrats lauded the decision as a victory for "thousands of Wisconsin voters who feared they would be silenced." Republican leaders appealed to the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Chicago, which late Friday declined to stay the lower court's ruling on the absentee ballots. That led GOP lawmakers to file an emergency request with the U.S. Supreme Court.

In the majority opinion, conservative Justice Brett Kavanaugh wrote that the question before the court was not whether the election should be held but a "narrow, technical question about the absentee ballot process."

Kavanaugh noted the lawsuits did not ask the lower court to allow ballots to be mailed and postmarked after the election. He contended that no evidence had been provided to suggest that this election would be "substantially different" with regard to the timeliness in which voters would receive their absentee ballots.

"Extending the date by which ballots may be cast by voters — not just received by municipal clerks but cast by voters — for an additional six days after the scheduled election day fundamentally alters the nature of the election," Kavanaugh wrote on behalf of the court's conservative majority.

In her dissenting opinion, liberal Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg pointed to data from the Wisconsin Elections Commission that showed 150,000 absentee ballots had been processed since Thursday and a backlog of 12,000 remained Sunday. The commission's data Monday morning showed a backlog of at least 11,000 ballots yet to be sent out.

"The court's suggestion that the current situation is not 'substantially different' from 'an ordinary election' boggles the mind," wrote Ginsburg. The decision, she warned, "will result in massive disenfranchisement. A voter cannot deliver for postmarking a ballot she has not received. Yet tens of thousands of voters who timely requested ballots are unlikely to receive them by April 7?"

Evers evolution

The governor's executive order marked the final step on whether to hold the election.

Initially, Evers agreed with Republican leaders that in-person voting should move forward Tuesday. Then he proposed every voter in the state be mailed an absentee ballot while maintaining in-person voting. When election officials deemed that unworkable, Evers followed with his call for the weekend special session to shutter polling places and extend the election into May.

After lawmakers ignored that proposal, Evers decided issued the executive order even though he had said last week, "I can't move this election on my own. My hands are tied."

On Monday, Fitzgerald and Vos seized on the governor's previous statements. The GOP leaders called it a "last-minute flip flop" and insisted "Gov. Evers can't unilaterally run the state."

In his executive order, however,

Evers wrote that "the Wisconsin Constitution establishes the purpose of state government is to insure domestic tranquillity and promote the general welfare, and, as governor, I made an oath to uphold the Wisconsin constitution."

The Tribune first reported Saturday that Evers had considered issuing an emergency order to close Wisconsin's polling places and delay the election. The governor, his top aides and attorneys remained concerned about the possible precedent of the order.

The attorneys had stressed that there was no state case law to suggest the governor's emergency powers superseded the legislature. They warned a Republican lawsuit before a friendly state Supreme Court could risk a precedent that would hamstring other future executive orders Evers might issue in response to the pandemic, said a source close to the governor who was not authorized to speak publicly about the deliberations.

In the end, Evers decided the risks to members of the public contracting COVID-19 was a greater concern than all others, with the state's number of known cases sharply increasing over the last five days to 2,267 and the number of deaths rising to 73.

"The public health outcomes kept getting worse over the weekend," said the source close to Evers. "The scales tipped to the point where which is worse, the court precedent or letting people die?"

Asked Monday whether he worried about his executive powers being struck down in court, Evers replied, "that's of no consequence to me."

"The people of Wisconsin are fearful around this election, and it's my job to take this on as governor of the state," Evers said. "The ramifications of other things happening to me or this office are irrelevant."

The governor also projected confidence he would win in court, noting the grave circumstances and that he first had tried to get the legislature to act. "We're on the strongest legal ground possible," Evers said. "We believe we have a good argument. We believe that no matter which court it's in front of, they will understand the uniqueness of this situation."

The justices may have understood, but they ruled against him.

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Hospitals

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spokesman Dan Regan. The system, however, has added 40 to 50 potential intensive care beds, so it still has additional space, he said.

Rush University Medical Center's normal intensive care unit is also nearly full with COVID-19 patients, but the hospital is in surge mode, meaning it can convert many more beds and spaces into places for intensive care patients, said spokesman Tobin Klinger. He declined to give specific numbers, saying they're constantly changing.

Glenbrook Hospital, in Glenview, has also exceeded its normal number of intensive care beds. The hospital usually has 21 intensive care beds but had 28 intensive care patients on Monday, said hospital President Jesse Peterson Hall. All of those patients were COVID-19 related.

Glenbrook has already set up additional intensive care beds and now has the ability to expand to about three times its previous number, if need be, he said. The

hospital had about 80 COVID-19 patients and about 20 potential COVID-19 patients as of Monday.

Glenbrook Hospital is an example of a Chicago-area facility that has made dramatic changes to accommodate a potential wave of COVID-19 patients. Some experts are predicting that the number of cases could peak this month in Illinois, though others say a peak might not happen until June.

The Glenbrook facility was officially converted into a COVID-19-focused hospital starting April 1. The emergency department is still open, but it is no longer admitting patients to the hospital other than those who test positive for the new coronavirus or who are under investigation as potential cases.

Patients who need to be hospitalized but don't have the coronavirus are being sent to other hospitals that are also part of NorthShore University HealthSystem, including Evanston and Highland Park hospitals, Peterson Hall said. In turn, most Evanston and Highland Park patients with COVID-19 or suspected cases of COVID-19 are being sent to Glenbrook for hospitalization. Some

cases remain at Evanston Hospital.

NorthShore decided to convert the Glenbrook facility into a COVID-19-focused hospital because Glenbrook already had the ability to turn its emergency department into a negative pressure environment. That means air from the emergency department is sent outside instead of recirculating throughout the hospital, to help prevent the spread of illness.

Glenbrook is prepared to turn its existing emergency department into space for intensive care patients. If that happens, the emergency department would be moved to the other end of the hospital campus, Peterson Hall said.

The hospital also underwent some "rapid" construction in recent weeks to turn other parts of the hospital into negative pressure environments, he said.

"We have done a number of things from a facility perspective to take care of the sickest of patients with COVID-19," Peterson Hall said.

Most people who get COVID-19 don't get severely ill, but older people and those with underlying health conditions are especially at

risk of developing serious cases that can require hospitalization or even intensive care.

In the western suburbs, Edward and Elmhurst hospitals have not yet needed to increase their intensive care bed capacity but are expecting their COVID-19 cases to at least triple over the next two weeks, said Dr. Sanjeeb Khatua, chief physician executive at Edward Elmhurst Health.

Edward has 46 intensive care beds with the ability to convert an additional 36 beds to intensive care if needed. Elmhurst, which is a newer facility, has 57 intensive care beds and will be able to add 23 more, Khatua said.

"Based on our modeling, we would be OK; we have enough to manage a surge," Khatua said.

Edward Elmhurst Health is caring for 94 COVID-19 patients across the two hospitals — not all of whom require intensive care — but expects 150 to 200 per hospital over the next 10 to 14 days, Khatua said.

Amita Health, which has 14 acute care hospitals in Illinois, has 400 intensive care beds across those hospitals, and, as of Friday, 199 of those were occupied, said

spokesman Tim Nelson.

"None of our hospitals are yet at or near ICU capacity and we have not added ICU beds, at this time," Nelson said in an email. Some Amita hospitals have created COVID-19 units, but those are for patients in less severe condition who don't need intensive care beds, he said.

Officials have also been working to expand the state's bed capacity. As of Monday, Illinois hospitals had 30,848 beds, including intensive care beds, according to the Illinois Department of Public Health. Of those, 12,942 beds were still open.

McCormick Place has been transformed into a medical center with 500 beds and has the potential to expand to 3,000 beds. The previously closed Westlake Hospital in Melrose Park, Advocate Sherman Hospital in Elgin and MetroSouth Medical Center in Blue Island will also offer additional beds should they be needed.

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CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Brookfield Zoo furloughs nearly third of staff

BY GRACE WONG

Two hours after receiving an initial alert about impending furloughs at Brookfield Zoo, Kerriann Ballanco received an official notice that her nearly two-year stint working with orangutans, gibbons, otters and pangolins was over until further notice.

Nearly a third of Brookfield Zoo employees were placed on furlough, effective April 4, according to the zoo, and Ballanco, a primate keeper, says she was one of them. Every department was affected.

"I'm mostly upset that I didn't get to say goodbye to the animals that I work with," said Ballanco, a primate keeper who was off the day she received the notice. "I have such a relationship and a bond with them. It's so sudden."

Brookfield Zoo closed March 19 because of COVID-19 and has had practically no earned revenue

since, according to a news release from the Chicago Zoological Society, which manages the zoo. Brookfield Zoo is keeping on "essential staff," like people who maintain the health and welfare of the animals, people who take care of the buildings and grounds, and "other critical support functions."

"This is a very challenging and difficult situation and the Society hopes it will be resolved soon," according to a news release. "However, CZS had to respond quickly to the tremendous unanticipated financial pressures it is facing in order to ensure the zoo's future sustainability."

To assist with its financial difficulties, the zoological society applied for loans through the federal stimulus bill and moved its largest fundraising event of the year, The Whirl, to a virtual format. The zoo is also asking zoo members to renew now and ask-

ing those considering a membership to join as soon as possible.

"We very much regret the need to take this action," the email said. "Given the sudden impact this pandemic has had on our organization, it is the only prudent and responsible decision given our responsibility as stewards of the organization to protect and ensure its future sustainability."

The duration of the furlough is unknown.

"Current plans are to re-open the Zoo as soon as feasible, but this is dependent on the progress made in reducing the spread of the COVID-19 virus, the lifting of mandated state and local business closures, and CZS finances," the email said.

Furloughed workers can use accrued vacation and personal time until it's exhausted and also have the option of reserving one week of vacation time if they

choose, the email said.

Once the personal or vacation time is used up, employees will no longer be paid and the zoological society will no longer make contributions to benefits. Employees can then apply for unemployment benefits.

Like many of her co-workers, Ballanco was worried about furloughs when the zoo first closed, but she was told animal keeper staff were considered essential. She thought that union workers, including maintenance, grounds and custodial workers and animal keepers, would stay on because machinery would still need upkeep and animals would still need care.

But more than half of the people furloughed were union workers belonging to Teamsters Local 727, Ballanco said. Four people on the primate keeper team, including Ballanco, were

subject to the temporary layoff; the team is now down from 15 to 11 keepers.

"Everyone cares about the animals and they will be doing their best, but the little things that help contribute to animal care will be cut and the level of enrichment they receive will be cut," Ballanco said.

The exhibits won't be cleaned as much, which means the animals won't be able to go into them every day, Ballanco said. Animal training will be the most affected. While it's not an issue short term, it's crucial to veterinary care because it allows people to get close to the animals — lack of training could mean consequences down the line, she said.

For now, Ballanco hopes to find some temporary work and is looking at driving for Instacart.

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Survivors

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to work yet, feeling torn between the need to care for her patients and a desire to protect her family.

Her expertise is in particularly high demand amid the outbreak, from managing ventilators and administering oxygen to assisting with intubating patients in respiratory distress.

"There's a mental challenge for me," she said. "I want to be helping. But I'm also making a baby. And I have a child I have to take care of."

The job requires intimate proximity to the virus, and she suspects she contracted it while caring for a patient who later tested positive for COVID-19. "You're at a huge risk being at the head of the bed," she said.

Theodorou said she always wore personal protective equipment — face masks, gloves — while treating patients, but had not been using the full protective gear recommended for people treating COVID-19 because it wasn't known that her patient was infected.

She recently watched a patient die of coronavirus. Next-of-kin weren't permitted at the bedside for fear of contagion.

"I saw a son and a daughter say goodbye to their mother from a hospital window," she said. "They couldn't let them in the room because she had COVID-19."

Yet Theodorou has also been struck by the profound sense of shared responsibility that's emerged in combating the health crisis.

"At least in my lifetime, this is the first time the whole world is experiencing the exact same thing," she said. "The fear and the camaraderie — it's almost like 9/11 was here — it's a global thing now. And that's astonishing."

ANXIETY, GUILT, FEAR

Struggling to get some air in his lungs, lying in a hospital bed on a COVID-19 isolation unit, the young father confronted his own mortality.

The oxygen saturation monitor dipped dangerously low. Each gasp of breath was immediately pushed out by a burning cough that wouldn't relent.

Michael Bane, 42, of west suburban Berwyn recalled fearing that these moments would be his last.

"I felt like I had no air," he said, his words interspersed by a dry, racking cough. "I don't know what drowning is like, but I imagine it's something like this — just a struggle to breathe. I mean, the air is right there."

After 10 days at Rush University Medical Center, Bane returned home at the end of March and is slowly recuperating. Yet the emotional scars of COVID-19 linger.

He worries that he might infect his loved ones as he continues to shed the virus. He's unsure whether that angst will subside even after he's no longer contagious.

Self-isolated in his basement, he hears the voices and movements of his wife and 2-year-old daughter upstairs but sees them only on a screen, through FaceTime.

It has been three weeks since he has been able to touch the people he loves most.

"There was always this sense of guilt that I could put them in some sort of danger," he said. "I don't know if I can mentally handle if my wife or my child, or any close family member or friend, were to become sick ... knowing what I went through and how bad this is."

Coming out of isolation might be scarier than the peak of the illness, he said.

"You want to be around people, but you feel like you might kill



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Katina Theodorou, shown April 5, the day after being allowed to finally see her 20-month-old son, Theo Nickels, since March 17 after testing positive.



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Mic Reich, a Rogers Park resident, believes she contracted COVID-19 in early March at a social event and was diagnosed on March 16.

them," he said. "I don't know how else to say it. The thought of coming into proximity with anyone ... there's that anxiety, guilt."

He stressed that he was generally healthy, not in any of the classic risk groups identified by the medical experts.

"I'm not an elderly person, I'm not immunocompromised," he said. "It's so scary. Especially when you think it's not going to be you."

HOPING FOR A TREATMENT

His symptoms were consistent with COVID-19, and he had likely been exposed to other people who had tested positive.

Stuart Nissenbaum, 28, of north suburban Long Grove was approved in mid-March to be tested for the new virus, meeting strict screening guidelines implemented due to a shortage of test kits across the country.

A bit delirious with fever, he drove himself on March 18 to a drive-thru coronavirus screening site at a north suburban hospital. That testing station would suspend operations two days later, citing a national dearth of testing supplies.

Then Nissenbaum faced a lengthy wait for results: It took 11 days before he received a phone alert that he was COVID-19 positive. Many patients locally and across the country have described similar delays, as overwhelmed labs face a backlog of tests.

While awaiting results, Nissenbaum quarantined himself in part to avoid infecting his parents who live in the same home. He wonders, though, if everyone acts the same way before getting a definitive diagnosis.

"I was certainly anxious and frustrated," he said. "I did not think it was going to take that long at all. I understand just how

and the immunity it's suspected to provide — might help others fight COVID-19. The Food and Drug Administration last week announced a national study allowing hospitals to offer experimental plasma therapy and track outcomes.

"I'm obviously lucky to have had as relatively mild symptoms as I've had," Nissenbaum said. "Now I can use it for good. ... I just want to contribute what I can to society."

LOOKING FORWARD

The first signs of illness mirrored a sinus infection, with debilitating muscle aches. The painful, vicious cough didn't come until later.

Under different circumstances, Mic Reich of Chicago's Rogers Park neighborhood doesn't know if she would have sought coronavirus testing in early March. But the 36-year-old tends to pay close attention to her body after years of managing ulcerative colitis, an autoimmune disease that put her in a higher risk category for COVID-19.

She was taken aback by how quickly the virus became debilitating, and she was hospitalized for a night while medical providers monitored her condition.

"The best way I can describe it is it's like wearing a corset that's too tight, while walking through the polar vortex," she said.

Reich is now on the mend, though her stamina hasn't fully returned. The nonprofit consultant has begun working again, marveling at how quickly much of the nation has acclimated to telecommuting and performing tasks remotely — the kind of job accommodations long championed by many people with disabilities or medical concerns. She hopes these work from home adaptations will persist beyond the pandemic.

"I'm hoping we as a society can go forward with this change," she said. "Hopefully, the revolution has started."

Reich lives alone and is used to caring for herself, yet was touched by how many friends and loved ones went out of their way to help her through the illness. Groceries were brought to her door. Phone calls cut through the loneliness of isolation. A friend even risked exposure by driving her home from the hospital.

Once fully recovered, Reich said she intends to pay forward these acts of kindness. Since medical experts think that people already infected will have immunity to coronavirus, she anticipates caring for others who are

sick or volunteering at a food bank — the kind of in-person support few others can provide.

"I am very much looking forward to when I have more energy, being the person who is out and about," she said.

NEW PERSPECTIVE

The mother of three felt scared and alone as she was taken by ambulance to an Evanston hospital last month. Her husband and children were barred from riding along to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Terri Chaseley, 45, of north suburban Highland Park recalled that the negative-pressure isolation unit was a little eerie. Medical providers would scrub down and don full protective equipment in a decontamination area before entering. Nurses would call first to see if she needed anything, to avoid unnecessary trips that waste limited protective gear.

"I would say it was life-altering," she said. "I was very concerned that I was never going to see my family again. I at one point told my husband to make sure the will was up to date. That was how sick I felt."

She worries about medical providers — particularly those who risked exposure to treat her — amid reports of strained hospital resources such as ventilators, beds and protective equipment.

"When they would come in my room, I felt extreme guilt and disbelief," she said. "They knew that I had a disease that could potentially be fatal to them. And they were still coming in my room and treating me, and I'm so grateful."

After weeks of isolation, Chaseley said she's excited to be reunited with her husband and children. One upside of social distancing guidelines and school closures is a slower lifestyle, she said, leaving more time to spend with family.

"Everyone is having more time to relax and enjoy each other's company," she said. "All five of us are having dinner together; we're eating every meal together. It's heartwarming. It feels right."

Priorities have changed, she said. While she knows typical routines will return once the outbreak subsides, she doesn't want to fully reintroduce the packed schedules and back-to-back school activities of the past.

"I'm not sure I want to go back to that," she said. "I think it's put into perspective family time and what's important. That's one of the silver linings; that's where the perspective shifts."

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Stuart Nissenbaum, 28, said it took 11 days before he received an alert that he tested positive.



TERRI CHASELEY PHOTO

Terri Chaseley, a mother of 3 from Highland Park, was diagnosed with COVID-19 on March 25.

bombarded the medical system has been with the whole COVID-19 outbreak."

While he said he has great faith in physicians and nurses, Nissenbaum said he's always had trepidation about barriers to health care in the United States.

"People not having access is an issue," he said. "I am a proponent of universal health care and making sure everyone has access to it. I think (the pandemic) certainly has exposed the problem."

While enduring the disease was grueling, Nissenbaum believes something positive might emerge from his infection. He's eager to donate convalescent plasma, hoping that infusions of his blood —

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CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

White House still touts unproven drug

Medical experts fear lack of testing, severe side effects

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WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump and his administration kept up their outsized promotion Monday of a malaria drug not yet officially approved for fighting the new coronavirus, even though scientists say more testing is needed before it's proven safe and effective against COVID-19.

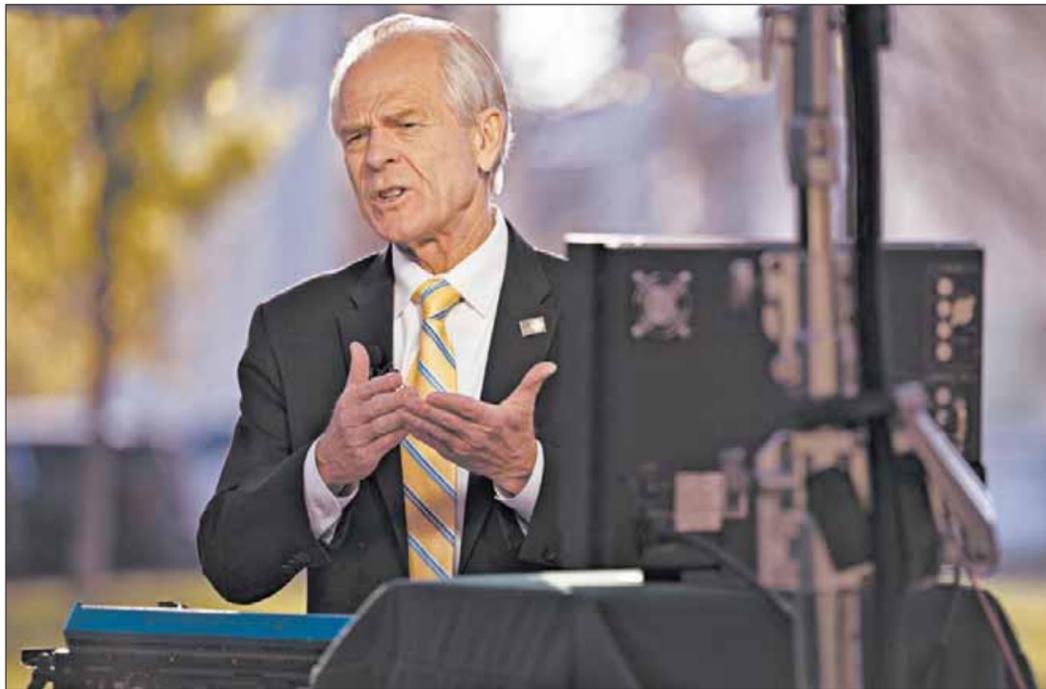
Trump trade adviser Peter Navarro championed hydroxychloroquine in television interviews a day after the president publicly put his faith in the medication to lessen the toll of the coronavirus pandemic.

"What do I know, I'm not a doctor," Trump said Sunday. "But I have common sense."

Trump held out promise for the drug as he grasps for ways to sound hopeful in the face of a mounting death toll and with the worst weeks yet to come for the U.S. The virus has killed more than 10,000 in the U.S., and measures meant to contain its spread have taken a painful economic toll and all but frozen life in large swathes of the country.

But medical officials warn that it's dangerous to be hawking unproven remedies, and even Trump's own experts have cautioned against it.

The American Medical Association's president, Dr. Patrice Harris, said she per-



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White House trade adviser Peter Navarro is one of the most vocal proponents of using the anti-malaria drug hydroxychloroquine to help fight the new coronavirus.

sonally would not prescribe the drug for a coronavirus patient, saying the risks of severe side effects were "great and too significant to downplay" without large studies showing the drug is safe and effective.

Harris pointed to the drug's high risk of causing heart rhythm problems. "People have their health to lose," she said. "Your heart could stop."

In a heated Situation Room meeting of the White House's coronavirus task force Saturday, Navarro challenged the top U.S. infectious disease expert, Dr.

Anthony Fauci, over his concerns about recommending the drug based only on unscientific anecdotal evidence.

Navarro, who has no formal medical training, erupted at Fauci, raising his voice and claiming the reports of studies he had collected were enough to recommend the drug widely, according to a person familiar with the exchange who spoke on the condition of anonymity to describe the blowup.

Fauci has repeatedly said current studies provide only anecdotal findings that the

drug works. In response, Navarro told CNN on Monday: "I would have two words for you: 'second opinion.'"

Hydroxychloroquine is officially approved for treating malaria, rheumatoid arthritis and lupus, not COVID-19. Small, preliminary studies have suggested it might help prevent the new coronavirus from entering cells and possibly help patients clear the virus sooner. But those have shown mixed results.

Doctors are already prescribing the malaria drug to patients with COVID-19, a

practice known as off-label prescribing. Research studies are now beginning to test if the drugs truly help COVID-19 patients, and the Food and Drug Administration has allowed the medication into the national stockpile as an option for doctors to consider for patients who cannot get into one of the studies.

But the drug has major potential side effects, especially for the heart, and Fauci has said more testing is needed before it's clear that the drug works against the virus and is safe for use.

Navarro told Fox News

Channel's "Fox & Friends" that doctors in New York hospitals are already distributing the drug to COVID-19 patients and that health care workers are taking it in hopes of being protected from infection. Though he acknowledged the debate with Fauci, Navarro said the focus was on whether the administration should send 29 million doses of the drug in Federal Emergency Management Agency warehouses to hard-hit cities.

"The media is trying to blow it up as a big, big debate, but I can tell you that within the room the decision was a sound one, and it was unanimous," Navarro said.

Asked about his credentials for pushing the drug, Navarro cited his doctorate in social science and said that "in the fog of war, we might take more risks than we otherwise would." "I'd bet on President Trump's intuition on this one," he added.

Some limited studies have been conducted on the use of hydroxychloroquine and the antibiotic azithromycin in concert to treat COVID-19, but they have not included control groups that scientists use to validate the conclusions.

Trump's interest in the drug was piqued in part by coverage on conservative media. Among the loudest voices in the president's ear has been his personal attorney Rudy Giuliani.

"I discussed it with the president after he talked about it," Giuliani said. "I told him what I had on the drugs. Others around him believe it too."



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Health care workers protest Monday in New York. A federal report warned Monday that the nation's hospitals expect to be overwhelmed as coronavirus cases continue to surge.

3 out of 4 US hospitals already treating COVID-19

BY RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR
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WASHINGTON — Three out of four U.S. hospitals surveyed are already treating patients with confirmed or suspected COVID-19, according to a federal report that finds hospitals expect to be overwhelmed as cases rocket toward their projected peak.

A report Monday from a federal watchdog agency warns that different, widely reported problems are feeding off each other in a vicious cycle. Such problems include insufficient tests, slow results, scarcity of protective gear, the shortage of breathing machines for seriously ill patients and burned-out staffs anxious about their own safety.

"There's this sort of domino effect," said Ann Maxwell, an assistant inspector general at the Department of Health and Human Services. "These challenges play off each other and exacerbate the situation. There's a cascade effect."

The inspector general's

report is based on a telephone survey of 323 hospitals around the U.S., from March 23-27. With hundreds of new coronavirus cases daily, the situation is becoming more dire for many of the nation's 6,000 hospitals. Others can still scramble to prepare.

"Hospitals reported that their most significant challenges centered on testing and caring for patients with known or suspected COVID-19, and keeping staff safe," the report concluded.

"It's likely that every hospital in America is going to have to deal with this," Maxwell said.

Maxwell said the key insight from the report is that different problems — usually addressed individually — are building on each other to entangle the whole system.

For example, a lack of testing and slow results means hospitals must keep patients with unconfirmed coronavirus disease longer.

That takes up precious beds and uses up protective equipment like gowns, masks and face shields, since doctors and nurses have to assume that pa-

tients with symptoms of respiratory distress may be positive.

The increased workload raises stress on clinical staff, who are also concerned they may be unable to properly protect themselves.

"Health care workers feel like they're at war right now," a hospital administrator in New York City told the inspector general's investigators. They "are seeing people in their 30s, 40s, 50s dying. This takes a large emotional toll." The inspector general's office did not identify survey respondents due to privacy concerns.

Overtime hours and increased use of supplies are raising costs at the same time that many hospitals experience a revenue crunch because elective surgeries have been canceled. The recently passed federal stimulus bill pumps money to hospitals.

"It is in fact a national challenge, not just from the hot spots, but from all over the country," Maxwell said. Rural hospitals are vulnerable because they have fewer beds and smaller staffs.

Navy leader labels fired captain 'naive' or 'stupid'

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WASHINGTON — In an extraordinary broadside punctuated with profanity, the Navy's top leader accused the fired commander of the COVID-stricken USS Theodore Roosevelt of being "too naive or too stupid" to be in charge of an aircraft carrier. He delivered the criticism to sailors who had cheered the departing skipper last week.

Acting Navy Secretary Thomas Modly harshly criticized Capt. Brett Crozier — and by implication those among the crew who had vocally supported him — in a lengthy and passionate speech aboard the ship, which is pier-side at Guam.

Crew members are being taken off the ship to be tested for the coronavirus. At least 173 sailors aboard the ship have tested positive as of Monday, and about 2,000 of the 4,865 crew members had been taken off. The Navy has offered no estimate of when the ship might return to duty.

While skewering Crozier, Modly also admonished the crew. He suggested that by cheering Crozier when he departed the carrier last week, they were overlooking their most basic duty to defend U.S. interests.

"So think about that when you cheer the man off the ship who exposed you to that," he said. "I understand you love the guy. It's good that you love him. But you're not required to love him."

Modly urged the crew to stop complaining about their predicament, which he said made the Navy look weak. He suggested that some aboard the Roosevelt, including Crozier, had forgotten what matters most.

"It is the mission of the ship that matters," he said.



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Acting Navy leader Modly urged the USS Roosevelt crew not to complain.

"You all know this, but in my view your Captain lost sight of this and he compromised critical information about your status intentionally to draw greater attention to your situation."

Modly relieved Crozier of command of the ship last week, saying he had lost confidence in him for having shown "extremely poor judgment" in widely distributing a letter pleading for an accelerated evacuation of the crew. The dismissal turned into a hot political issue, with Democrats saying Crozier was wrongly fired for defending his sailors, and President Donald Trump denouncing Crozier and backing Modly.

The Sunday comments by Modly added fuel to the political fire, with at least one member of Congress urging he be fired.

An unofficial transcript of Modly's remarks, as well as an audio recording, circulated on the internet Monday — demonstrating the slippery landscape that Modly accused Crozier of failing to navigate.

Hours after the latest furor erupted, Modly issued a brief statement saying he stood behind his remarks but had not heard a recording and therefore could not confirm every

detail in the transcript.

"The spoken words were from the heart, and meant for them," Modly said, referring to the crew. "I stand by every word I said, even, regrettably any profanity that may have been used for emphasis. Anyone who has served on a Navy ship would understand. I ask, but don't expect, that people read them in their entirety."

Modly, a 1983 Naval Academy graduate, became the acting Navy secretary last November after Richard Spencer was ousted from the position. Spencer got entangled in a struggle over the war crimes case of a Navy SEAL, Eddie Gallagher, whose bid to restore his SEAL status became an issue championed by Trump.

In remarks aboard the Roosevelt, Modly raised issues likely to please Trump. He accused the news media of manipulating a political agenda to divide the country and embarrass the Navy. He said China "was not forthcoming" about coronavirus when it began spreading there, echoing Trump's oft-repeated statement that China could have done more to prevent a pandemic.

Modly invoked the name of Trump's chief Democratic challenger, Joe Biden, noting the former vice president had said Modly's decision to fire Crozier was almost criminal.

"I assure you it was not," Modly said.

Modly said Crozier should have known his letter would leak to the media, allowing information about the ship's compromised condition to be published. If Crozier didn't think this would be the result, he was "too naive or too stupid to be a commanding officer of a ship like this."

Modly also accused Crozier of betraying his duty as an officer.

CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Fake cops using virus crisis to exploit

Impersonators look to shake down some, harass others

By MICHAEL LEVENSON
The New York Times

In Lodi, California, a man wearing a “tactical-type vest” stopped a man in a park and told him he was violating curfew and needed to hand over \$1,000 or go to jail.

In Erie, Colorado, a man with flashing lights in his car pulled over a woman driving to work and told her she was violating a stay-at-home order. He followed her back to her house and drove off.

In Jackson County, Georgia, a man with a blue light on his dashboard who was sporting a pin-on badge pulled over the driver of a dump truck, identified himself as a deputy sheriff and told the driver to get off the road because he was a nonessential employee.

Across the country, police impersonators are exploiting the restrictions imposed during the coronavirus pandemic to conduct illegal traffic stops. Some have harassed women and others have tried to steal money or personal information, according to law enforcement officials.

“They’re wannabe police officers, and the coronavirus is making it easier for them to do it,” said Janis Mangum, the sheriff in Jackson County, north-east of Atlanta. “They’re up to no good, and it bothers me a lot.”

In many cases, the perpetrators are preying on the vulnerability and the fear people feel as the virus continues to spread rapidly, said Marcus Felton, a professor of criminal justice at Texas State University.

“I argue strongly for opportunity being the driving force in crime, and this is a crime of opportunity,” Felton said.

Academic research has



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A police car patrols a beach Thursday in Miami Beach, Florida. During the pandemic, more fake cops are on the prowl.

“They’re wannabe police officers, and the coronavirus is making it easier for them to do it.”

— Sheriff Janis Mangum of Jackson County, Georgia

also indicated that the increasing regulation of civilian life and greater police powers — like those enacted after the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks — make it easier for police impersonators to operate.

“The more we regulate, the more opportunity it opens for people who want to capitalize on it for their own selfish purposes,” said Robert Gellately, a historian at Florida State University who has written about police impersonators in Nazi Germany. “It’s disgusting.”

In some cases where drivers were allowed to leave after being stopped briefly, there appears to have been no clear motive other than a desire to wield

the power of the badge for personal satisfaction, police said.

In Jackson County, for example, the man who identified himself as a deputy sheriff let the driver of the dump truck go without asking for his ID or demanding any money, Mangum said.

She said police were investigating whether the bogus traffic stop might be linked to at least two similar incidents of police impersonation in nearby Gainesville, Georgia, and Dawson County, Georgia.

A 2012 study of 56 incidents of police impersonation found that perpetrators fell into three general categories: Many were “common crooks” looking

for a quick shakedown; a few were “cop wannabes” attracted to the authority and ego of policing; and several were driven by “uncommon compulsions” — impersonating officers to engage in sexual misconduct.

Callie Rennison, a professor at the University of Colorado Denver, who helped to conduct the study, said impersonating a police officer was easy because it required little more than a few basic tools of law enforcement, like a flashing blue light or a Ford Crown Victoria.

“It all came down to power and control — having those symbols and people obeying it,” she said. “It’s terrible for legitimate police officers because it undermines their authority.”

Police recommend that drivers call 911 if they fear they’ve been stopped by a bogus law enforcement officer because dispatchers can determine if the stop is legitimate. They also rec-

ommend stopping in a well-lit, public area and turning on the hazard lights to draw the attention of passing motorists. Drivers can also ask to see a badge or an identification card.

Officer Hettie Stillman, a spokeswoman for the Lodi Police Department in California’s Central Valley, said the victim who was approached in a park refused to pay the police impersonator \$1,000. The victim was Latino, she said, which made her concerned that the city’s large Pakistani and Latino populations could be targeted by fake officers claiming to enforce coronavirus restrictions.

“Anybody and anyone that would be vulnerable in these times can be taken advantage of, especially if their country of origin doesn’t have a strong relationship with law enforcement,” Stillman said.

Several of the recent incidents took place in Colorado, and police there said it was too early to deter-

mine whether they might be linked.

Around midnight March 25 in Aurora, Colorado, a woman was pulled over by a Ford Crown Victoria with red and blue lights. Police said the driver, a young man wearing a dark blue uniform, walked up to the woman’s car and “asked why she was out during the stay-at-home order due to COVID-19,” the disease caused by the coronavirus. She noticed he didn’t have a badge and, after a brief conversation, the man told her she could leave.

A day later in Fort Collins, Colorado, a woman was pulled over by a man wearing a blue police uniform and driving a pickup with red and blue lights. He told the woman he was performing a “stay-home compliance check” and ordered her to hand over her driver’s license, proof of insurance and registration, which he took back to his truck and then returned to her several minutes later, police said.

The following day in Greeley, Colorado, a police impersonator pulled drivers into an area blocked off by yellow traffic cones. The man, who was wearing a dark uniform with a traffic vest, had a baton and pepper spray and was asking for driver’s licenses, insurance and registration. He demanded that one driver explain why he was “violating the COVID-19 law,” according to police.

John Feyen, the assistant chief in Fort Collins, said that while officers were still enforcing traffic laws, they were not stopping cars solely for restrictions related to the coronavirus.

“Unfortunately, criminals around the country are using COVID-19 concerns to their advantage in many ways,” he said. “We will hold these people accountable for their illegal activities and encourage our community members to report any suspicious behaviors.”

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Hopkins University. The true numbers are certainly much higher, because of limited testing, different ways nations count the dead and deliberate under-reporting by some governments. About 275,000 people have recovered worldwide.

The latest data suggests that social distancing appears to be working in some countries, and better than expected.

One of the main models on the outbreak, the University of Washington’s, is projecting about 82,000 U.S. deaths through early August, or 12% fewer than previously forecast, with the highest number of daily deaths occurring April 16. The model relies on much more robust data from Italy and Spain and from hospitals.

The number of dead in New York state rose past 4,700, and the death toll in New York City closed in on the 2,753 lives lost at the World Trade Center on 9/11.

The state has been averaging just under 600 deaths per day for the past four days. As horrific as that number is, the roughly steady daily totals were seen a positive sign. Cuomo



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A woman sits with her dog Monday in New York City, where there appears to be a leveling-off of coronavirus deaths.

also reported that the number of new people entering hospitals daily has dropped, as has the number of critically ill patients who require ventilators.

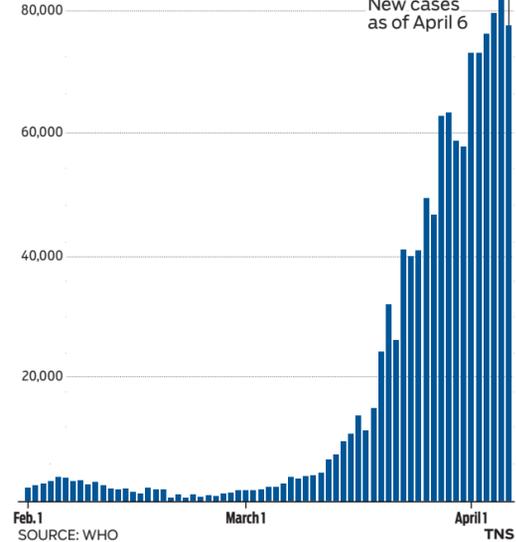
At the same time, he ordered schools and nonessential businesses to remain closed until the end of the

month, announced he is doubling the fines for rule breakers to \$1,000, and lambasted New Yorkers for being out in parks over the weekend, calling it “wholly unacceptable.”

Even as he announced the positive signs, he warned that hospitals are

Coronavirus cases worldwide

New confirmed cases per day, globally



under extreme pressure.

“If we are plateauing, we are plateauing at a very high level, and there is tremendous stress on the health care system,” Cuomo said. “This is a hospital system where we have the foot to the floor and the engine is at red line and you can’t go any faster.”

Meanwhile, President Donald Trump said he had a “really wonderful, warm conversation” with Joe Biden on Monday about the coronavirus outbreak.

“He gave me his point of view, and I fully understood

that, and we just had a very friendly conversation,” Trump said at his daily press briefing.

The president said he and Biden agreed not to share the details of their conversation, but confirmed an earlier statement from the Biden campaign that the Democrat offered “suggestions” on how to address the pandemic.

But Trump added: “It doesn’t mean that I agree with those suggestions.”

In a conference call Monday with House Democrats, Speaker Nancy Pelosi, D-

Calif., said another \$1 trillion is needed for the next coronavirus rescue package because the current aid package of \$2.2 trillion approved last month is not enough, according to a person unauthorized to discuss the call and granted anonymity.

Elsewhere around the world, Austria and the Czech Republic both began discussing how to ease some of the crippling restrictions, starting with reopening some small shops and garden centers next week.

Deaths in Britain climbed by more than 400 on Monday, for a total of nearly 5,400 dead. Sunday was especially bleak, with more than 600 deaths.

Italy’s day-to-day count of new COVID-19 cases dipped again, for the smallest one-day increase in early three weeks. The country, ravaged by the virus, also saw a drop for the third straight day in intensive care beds occupied by infected patients.

Italy has, by far, the world’s highest death toll — more than 16,500 — but the pressure on intensive care units in the north has eased.

In Spain, the Health Ministry reported 637 new deaths, the lowest toll in 13 days, for a total of over 13,000 dead. New infections were also the lowest in two weeks.



TWITTER FEED

British Prime Minister Boris Johnson speaks from self-isolation Friday via Twitter.

Boris Johnson moved to ICU as health worsens

By DANICA KIRKA AND JILL LAWLESS
Associated Press

LONDON — British Prime Minister Boris Johnson was moved to the intensive care unit of a London hospital after his coronavirus symptoms dramatically worsened Monday, just a day after he was admitted for what were said to be routine tests.

Johnson was admitted to St. Thomas’ Hospital late Sunday, 10 days after he was diagnosed with COVID-19,

the first major world leader to be confirmed to have the virus.

Downing Street said Johnson was conscious and did not require ventilation, but he was moved into intensive care in case he needs it later, his office said in a statement.

Britain has no official post of deputy prime minister, but Foreign Secretary Dominic Raab has been designated to take over should Johnson become incapacitated.

A somber-looking Raab

said Johnson was “in safe hands” at the hospital.

“The government’s business will continue,” Raab said. He said Johnson had asked him “to deputize for him where needed in driving forward the government’s plans to defeat coronavirus.”

The deterioration of Johnson’s health took many in Britain by surprise. Hours earlier, he had tweeted that he was in good spirits and thanked the National Health Service for taking care of him and

others with the disease.

“On the advice of my doctor, I went into hospital for some routine tests as I’m still experiencing coronavirus symptoms,” Johnson said in the tweet. He said he was keeping in touch with his team “as we work together to fight this virus and keep everyone safe.”

Johnson’s spokesman, James Slack, refused to say what kind of tests Johnson was undergoing.

The 55-year-old leader had been quarantined in

his Downing Street residence since being diagnosed with COVID-19 on March 26.

He continued to preside at daily meetings on the outbreak until Sunday. He released several video messages during his 10 days in isolation urging Britons to stay home and observe social distancing measures to help slow the spread of the virus.

Johnson’s fiancée, Carrie Symonds, who is pregnant, is herself recovering from coronavirus symptoms.

Ultrationalists named a terrorist group by US

BY TRACY WILKINSON
Los Angeles Times

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration on Monday designated a Russian white supremacist group as a terrorist organization, calling it the first time the label had been applied to such a racially motivated movement.

The Russian Imperial Movement is an ultranationalist group based in St. Petersburg and is believed to be responsible for training neo-Nazi militants in Western Europe, recruiting separatists to attack Ukraine and supporting election interference in the United States.

"These designations are unprecedented," Nathan Sales, State Department coordinator for counterterrorism, said in a statement he read to a briefing room all but emptied by coronavirus restrictions.

"This is the first time the United States has ever designated white supremacist terrorists, illustrating how seriously this administration takes the threat," Sales added. "This group has innocent blood on its hands."

He cited a string of 2016 bombings in Sweden that targeted immigrants. The attacks were allegedly com-

mitted by two Swedes who received 11 days of paramilitary training from the Russian Imperial Movement.

Designating the group as terrorists — a tactic most frequently used for Islamic militant groups — allows the Treasury Department to blacklist the Russian Imperial Movement, seize any assets it has in the U.S., prohibit U.S. citizens from financial transactions with it and possibly bar its members from travel to the United States. It also denies members access to the U.S. financial system worldwide, which would make it difficult to move money, Sales said in a later telephone conference call.

The action taken Monday was authorized under an executive order President Donald Trump signed last year that expanded the power to sanction foreign entities. Trump has been criticized for downplaying the gravity of white nationalist violence in the U.S.

In 2017 he declared there were good people "on both sides" of a neo-Nazi march in Charlottesville, Va., that left one counterprotester dead.

In addition to the organization, its three top leaders were also sanctioned: Stanislav Anatolyevich Vorobyev,

Denis Valliullovich Gariev and Nikolay Nikolayevich Trushchalov.

They run at least two paramilitary camps in St. Petersburg, Sales said, "which likely are being used for woodland and urban assault, tactical weapons and hand-to-hand combat training."

Sales declined to comment in detail on reports of the Russian Imperial Movement's possible ties to Russian President Vladimir Putin, the Russian government or its military, except to say he hoped Moscow took the threat posed by the group "as seriously as we take it."

Activists in Russia and human rights experts contend that Putin and his government at the minimum tolerate the paramilitary activities of the group because they further many of the Russian president's foreign policy goals, namely sowing dissension, confusion and fear in Western democracies.

"We are calling on the Russian Federation to live up to their commitments ... in counterterrorism efforts," Sales said. "We want to make sure that (this group) can't commit deadly attacks in the homeland."

Sales declined to present



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Dmitry Gaydun, right, and Sergei Zinchenko, members of the Russian Imperial Movement, pose with weapons.

evidence of actions inside the United States by the movement, noting that news reports have indicated the group may have contacted like-minded white supremacist organizations

in the U.S. He said there were growing indications that ultranationalists "interrelate and inspire" one another around the world.

The London-based Institute of Race Relations has

reported that Russian fascists have been active in recruiting and proselytizing in several neighboring countries, such as Ukraine and Latvia, and elsewhere in Europe.



ALEX WONG/GETTY

Flowers bloom Monday near the U.S. Supreme Court. Arguments scheduled for spring are postponed indefinitely.

Justices rule for fed employee in ageism case

BY MARK SHERMAN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court made it easier Monday for federal employees 40 and older to sue for age discrimination.

The justices ruled 8-1 that federal workers have a lower hurdle to overcome than counterparts in the private sector. The decision came in the case in which Chief Justice John Roberts, a 65-year-old baby boomer, invoked the "OK, boomer" meme during arguments in

January for the first time in high-court records.

The court issued the opinion without taking the bench for the third straight week because of the coronavirus. Arguments set for spring have been postponed indefinitely.

An employee can win a lawsuit by showing that age discrimination was part of the process, even if the people who were selected were better qualified, the court held in an opinion by another boomer, 70-year-old Justice Samuel Alito.

The ruling came in the case of a Veterans Affairs Department employee who was in her early 50s when she sued for age discrimination after being denied promotions and training opportunities.

The outcome stands in contrast to a 2009 decision in which the court said age has to be the key factor in a private sector employment decision. The language of the law's provisions covering private and federal employees is different. Alito wrote that, "if Con-

gress had wanted to impose the same standard on all employers, it could have easily done so."

■ In a separate opinion Monday, the justices ruled that police can pull over a car when they know only that its owner's license is invalid, even if they don't know who's behind the wheel.

The court said in an 8-1 decision that unless there's reason to believe otherwise, it's common sense for an officer to think the car's owner will be driving.

NEWS BRIEFING

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Millions added for agencies that aid Holocaust survivors

BERLIN — Millions of dollars in additional funds are being made available to agencies around the world that provide aid to Holocaust survivors, whose advanced age and health issues makes them particularly vulnerable to the new coronavirus, the organization that handles claims on behalf of Jewish victims of the Nazis announced Monday.

The New York-based Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against

Germany said the \$4.3 million in initial funding would be available to agencies around the world providing care for about 120,000 survivors.

The funding \$215,000 from the Alfred Landecker Foundation, established last year by one of Germany's richest families, whose assets include Krispy Kreme Doughnuts, as a way to help atone for its use of forced laborers during the Nazi era and support of Adolf Hitler.

Virus-stricken Calif. to loan ventilators to national stockpile

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — California Gov. Gavin Newsom announced Monday the state would loan 500 ventilators to the national stockpile for use by New York and other states experiencing a crush of coronavirus-related hospitalizations, even as he said the nation's most populous state needs to find more ventilators of its own.

The loan comes after California's hospitals add-

ed more than 3,000 ventilators to their supplies through refurbishing old or broken ones and buying some new.

In total, California hospitals have more than 11,000 ventilators, a boost that Newsom said made the state comfortable to share its supply.

Newsom's decision follows Oregon and Washington committing to transfer over 540 ventilators to New York.

Australian court dismisses cardinal's sex abuse convictions

CANBERRA, Australia — Australia's highest court has dismissed the convictions of the most senior Catholic found guilty of child sex abuse.

High Court Chief Justice Susan Kiefel announced the decision of the seven judges on Tuesday in the appeal of Cardinal George Pell. The decision means he will be released from Barwon Prison outside Melbourne after serving 13 months of

a six-year sentence.

Pope Francis' former finance minister was convicted by a Victoria state jury in 2018 of sexually abusing two 13-year-old choirboys in a backroom of St. Patrick's Cathedral in Melbourne in December 1996 while he was archbishop.

Pell was also convicted of indecently assaulting one of the boys by painfully squeezing his genitals after a Mass in 1997.



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Confection goes viral: A worker shows off candy based on the novel coronavirus Monday in Kolkata, India. Display of the confection comes amid a government-imposed national lockdown of the South Asian nation of more than 1.3 billion people.

Fired IG encourages others not to let ouster silence them

WASHINGTON — The ousted inspector general of the intelligence community says he is "disappointed and saddened" that President Donald Trump fired him, but encouraged other inspectors general to continue to speak out when they are aware of wrongdoing.

Trump notified Congress late Friday that he intended to fire Michael Atkinson, a pivotal figure in his impeachment last year, because he had lost confidence in him. On Saturday, Trump said the move had been retaliatory, telling reporters Atkinson was a

"disgrace" and had done "a terrible job" because he had provided an anonymous whistleblower complaint to Congress — a move required by law.

Atkinson said in the statement, sent to reporters late Sunday, that "it is hard not to think that the president's loss of confidence in me derives from my having faithfully discharged my legal obligations as an independent and impartial inspector general, and from my commitment to continue to do so."

Atkinson said he was legally obligated to "ensure that whistleblowers had an

effective and authorized means to disclose urgent matters involving classified information to the congressional intelligence committees," and that such whistleblowers were protected against reprisal. Trump repeatedly called for the whistle-blower's name to be revealed.

Atkinson also directed his message to other inspectors general, saying that he knows they will "continue to do everything in their power" to continue to protect whistleblowers.

"Please do not allow recent events to silence your voices," Atkinson wrote.

Body of Kennedy relative recovered in Maryland

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — The body of the daughter of former Lt. Gov. Kathleen Kennedy Townsend was located in about 25 feet of water and recovered, authorities said Monday, and they will keep searching for her son, after the two went missing following a canoeing accident last week.

The body of Maeve Kennedy Townsend McKean, 40, was located about 2 1/2 miles south of her mother's residence, where the canoe was launched, Maryland Natural Resources Police said.

Authorities will resume searching Tuesday for her son, 8-year-old Gideon

McKean. The search started Thursday.

Kennedy Townsend, who served two terms as Maryland's lieutenant governor, is the eldest daughter of the late U.S. Attorney General and U.S. Sen. Robert F. Kennedy, and niece of the late President John F. Kennedy.

Israel going into lockdown during Passover

JERUSALEM — Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu announced on Monday a complete lockdown over the upcoming Passover holiday to control the country's coronavirus outbreak. He offered citizens some hope, saying he expects to lift widespread restrictions after the weeklong festival.

Netanyahu's announcement came as leaders of the Coptic Orthodox Church in neighboring Egypt said they were suspending Easter celebrations because of the coronavirus.

Israel has restricted movement in the pandemic, allowing people to leave their homes to buy food or for key activities.

Beginning Tuesday afternoon, Israel will ban movement between cities. From Wednesday evening until Thursday morning, Israelis will not be allowed to leave their homes.

Fire near Chernobyl: Emergency teams Monday in Ukraine continued battling a forest fire in the contaminated area around the Chernobyl nuclear power plant that has raised radiation fears.

Two blazes erupted Saturday around Chernobyl, which was sealed after the 1986 explosion at the plant.

Police said they tracked down a person suspected of starting the blaze by setting grass on fire. The 27-year-old man said he did so "for fun" and then failed to extinguish the fire when the wind caused it to expand quickly.

Firefighters said they put out the smaller of the two fires, which engulfed about 12 acres, but the second one, covering about 50 acres, continued burning.

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EDITORIALS

CORONAVIRUS 101

What's not social distancing? Congregating at parks

After a string of gray, cold days that felt nothing like spring, Friday brought the idyll of a breezy, sun-warmed afternoon. At Jackson Park on the South Side, a group of about 15 young men tossed a football around, some of them huddled together and chatting. Nearby, a group of teenage girls ran sprint workouts, panting and smiling in a cluster after each dash.

On the North Side at Henry Horner Park, kids played soccer while groups of runners jogged nearby. On one side of the park, a group of women went through a series of lunges and squats together.

City parks on a sun-splashed day. What's wrong with this picture?

Well, what we observed Friday afternoon and again Sunday: groups of Chicagoans ignoring elected officials' instructions to not congregate, clustered together at parks around the city.

We saw it at Lincoln Park's Wrightwood Park (kids playing pickup games of basketball) and Jonquil Park (teens playing football and soccer), and Lakeview's Hamlin Park (children and their parents playing T-ball). At North Center's Welles Park, kids played baseball while other teens strolled through the park in groups. At Warren Park on the Far North Side, we observed pickup games of soccer and basketball, and even what appeared to be a makeshift street vendor serving food to parkgoers.

No doubt it's hard to resist the urge to get together with friends and lap up



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Police watch people play soccer at Haas Park on March 25.

some sun, especially at a time when we're all sequestered in our homes and our favorite restaurants and movie houses are shut down. We're only connecting with colleagues via Zoom. We're getting antsy.

But it has been clear for some time now that coronavirus isn't a faraway threat. If you haven't been infected, it's likely that you know someone who has.

And as the number of cases and deaths grows, the need to abide by stay-home orders and practice consistent social distancing becomes increasingly urgent.

On Monday, Illinois Department of Public Health Director Ngozi Ezike announced that the number of COVID-19 cases in Illinois had reached 12,262, and that the number of deaths was now at 307. Consider that only a

week ago, Illinois reported 5,057 cases and 73 deaths. In the meantime, while spring hasn't felt like spring so far, soon it will. Temperatures will climb, days will get sunnier, and the temptation to flock to parks in droves will burgeon — just as COVID-19 cases in Illinois are expected to peak.

The danger lies not in going to a park, but congregating in parks. As the mayor has said repeatedly, going for a run, walking your dog or heading out for a stroll isn't a problem. In fact, during these claustrophobic times, it's probably therapeutic. But playing team sports or huddling in groups ramps up the chances of transmission.

While Lightfoot has shut down the Lakefront Trail and the popular 606 trail, she hasn't closed green space at parks yet. Yet. We've already seen law enforcement step in; on Sunday a couple of Chicago cops walked through Jonquil Park in the Lincoln Park neighborhood and dispersed groups of teens hanging out. In a tweet posted Monday, Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle encouraged people to call the forest preserves' nonemergency public safety number to report "real-time information on overcrowding."

That sounds a bit like snitching, which makes us a bit uneasy. But it doesn't have to come to that. Surmounting this crisis demands patience, common sense and above all, social distancing. So Chicago, exercise a bit of common sense. Don't congregate.

Hot mess in Wis. shows why elections need to modernize

The timing of Illinois' March 17 primary could hardly have been worse. It took place the day after the state recorded its first death from the new coronavirus and the same day schools were closed statewide by order of Gov. J.B. Pritzker. But he declined to postpone the election, citing uncertainty about arranging a later date.

Some poll workers didn't show up out of fear of contagion, and voter turnout was low. It was probably the best that could have been done under the unexpected and unfamiliar circumstances, but it was less than ideal.

Wisconsin, with an additional three weeks to figure out a solution, made poor use of the time. Democratic Gov. Tony Evers waited until Friday before proposing to move the election to May and make it vote-by-mail — and got nowhere with the GOP-controlled legislature. On Monday, citing the public health risk, he issued an executive order postponing the election until June 9. Then the Wisconsin Supreme Court hours later reversed his order. The U.S. Supreme Court then blocked an extension on absentee voting.

The hot mess confirmed what the head of Milwaukee's board of elections had said earlier: "We are over our heads in chaos right now." The confusion could have been avoided had elected officials not dithered so long.

Other states have acted with greater speed and forethought. They recognized that this is no time to stick blindly to how things have been done in the past. Several have postponed their primaries, with six switching to June 2 and two waiting until



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People are turned away at the Zeidler Municipal Building to cast their ballots Monday.

June 23. In Hawaii, Wyoming and Alaska, all votes will be cast by mail.

More than primaries have been affected. Last week, partly at the urging of Joe Biden, the Democratic National Committee rescheduled its national convention in Milwaukee from mid-July to mid-August, a

week before the GOP affair in Charlotte, North Carolina. On Sunday, Biden raised the possibility of an even more drastic step: a "virtual convention" conducted online.

That step would rob the event of its usual spectacle and atmosphere, which serve to fuel enthusiasm for the fall cam-

paign. But it's hard to justify bringing tens of thousands of people from all across the country to the Fiserv Forum during a lethal pandemic.

Democrats might be wise to cancel the in-person convention now and move on to figuring out how to make the online version work. President Donald Trump mocked Biden's suggestion Monday, but if Democrats do the responsible thing, Republicans would be under heavy pressure to follow suit. Is a giant political bash worth the risk of spreading COVID-19? Not a chance.

The next question is an even more important one: how to conduct a national general election in November. The same dangers that have prompted the postponement of primaries are likely to remain. But to postpone a presidential election would be nearly unthinkable. Americans, after all, held one during the Civil War.

Every state needs to consider making voting by mail easier and more accessible — and with integrity. The simplest method would be to mail an absentee ballot to every registered voter, rather than require voters to request them. If in-person voting is going to remain an option, states should furnish plenty of places for early voting, which would limit the number of people showing up at any given time.

Making such changes may require special legislative sessions and a spirit of bipartisan cooperation that has been hard to come by lately. But all Americans have an interest in making the 2020 election as credible, efficient and safe as possible. If we're going to achieve that vital goal, there is no time to waste.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

Aspects of America's identity may need rethinking after COVID-19. Many of the country's values have seemed to work against it during the pandemic. Its individualism, exceptionalism, and tendency to equate doing whatever you want with an act of resistance meant that when it came time to save lives and stay indoors, some people flocked to bars and clubs. Having internalized years of anti-terrorism messaging following 9/11, Americans resolved to not live in fear. But the coronavirus has no interest in their terror, only their cells. ...

The other major epidemics of recent decades either barely affected the United States (SARS, MERS, Ebola), were milder than expected (H1N1 flu in 2009), or were mostly limited to specific groups of people (Zika, HIV). The COVID-19 pandemic, by contrast, is affecting everyone directly, changing the nature of their everyday lives. ...

"The countries that had lived through SARS had a public consciousness about this that allowed them to leap into action," said Ron Klain, the former Ebola czar. "The most commonly uttered sentence in America at the moment is, 'I've never seen something like this before.' That wasn't a sentence anyone in Hong Kong uttered."

For the U.S., and for the world, it's abundantly, viscerally clear what a pandemic can do.

Ed Yong, *The Atlantic*



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Dr. Carrie Mendoza and her husband, Myles, play with their family dogs Shamus and Rocky after she arrived home from work on April 3 in Glencoe.

ER doctor: Next COVID-19 fight is to flatten the bureaucracy

By **CARRIE MENDOZA**

For most people, the sacrifice is clear — stay at home. By practicing social distancing to slow the spread of the novel coronavirus, each resident of Illinois and other states under stay-at-home orders is doing a service to society, even if it feels like you're just sitting on your couch.

The sacrifice from our medical community, however, requires the exact opposite. We are being asked to run toward the problem, toward personal risk and toward a deadly enemy. When duty calls, we who are emergency medical professionals show up, work hard and save lives. We work in emergency departments that are overwhelmed and running out of space, where the luxury of even a moment of silence to process the emotional toll of what we are experiencing doesn't exist.

Then after these long, exhausting shifts, our health care teams go home, too.

I come home to my sequestered and working-from-home husband, Myles, who now juggles overseeing remote learning with our three teenage boys, while still leading a statewide non-profit.

This daily routine would be far less stressful if we knew that all physicians had the tools and equipment needed to fight this invisible killer. Unfortunately, that is not always the case. I have been fortunate to have the per-

sonal protective equipment needed after some confusion and shortages, but other clinicians around the country are still struggling to stay safe.

In the last few weeks, I have treated dozens of patients with COVID-19. Unlike your average day in the emergency department, I'm now paranoid of my every move, worried not only of contracting the virus, but of bringing it home. I live with the invisible potential that follows me — coronavirus on my shoe, or on my hair, under my nail. Just a few weeks ago, these thoughts would've seemed crazy.

I come home, race to put my clothes in the washing machine and rush to the shower, feeling the panic of Karen Silkwood and worrying about being contaminated myself — and being concerned for our family's safety. We live with the invisible risks. We avoid hugs, even when the kids need them most. We keep space when they need reassurance and love.

So, what needs to happen to ensure we are never caught off guard like this again? It's simple: Flatten the bureaucracy. The term "flatten the curve" has become the new national mantra on containing the spread of coronavirus. On the health care front lines, it would make sense to flatten the bureaucracy. Modern health care has developed into a giant bureaucracy filled with nonclinical people often out of touch with clinicians and patients.

Those on the front lines know the

During this crisis, managers and algorithms can't save people. Medical professionals can. Commonsense operational changes physicians have wanted for years are finally being implemented.

bureaucracy of medicine has gotten in the way of the sacred doctor-patient relationship. During this crisis, managers and algorithms can't save people. Medical professionals can. Commonsense operational changes physicians have wanted for years are finally being implemented.

Due to the crisis, the government has suspended hospital reporting requirements that have little to do with emergency care, allowed licensed physicians to practice across state lines, expanded telemedicine and provided commonsense malpractice relief. But it shouldn't take a crisis to reduce bureaucracy in health care. We should apply this same mantra

to manufacturing, so we aren't caught without critical supplies in the future.

America has outsourced its manufacturing capacity, purchasing from other countries the things we rely on for basic survival. Does that make long-term sense for our health care system, economy or national security? This COVID-19 pandemic answers that question without ambiguity. No. We need to reestablish advanced manufacturing at home and secure our supply chain for critical needs.

That means partnering education with the trades. Our craftsmen, supply chain operators and manufacturers can bring their expertise in training upstream to high school students and prepare them for stable careers. Illinois, let's learn the lessons this crisis is trying to teach us.

Some of my patients are business owners and manufacturers, while some work in the factories to assemble goods. They all have the same fear in their eyes worrying about how sick they may become. Supply chain preparedness and health care safety are shared common goals along the entire socioeconomic spectrum.

Let's continue to flatten the bureaucracy in health care so patients and health care professionals can safely fight this battle.

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A woman whose cousin was killed on Sept. 11, 2001, pauses at the memorial in New York City during a 2019 commemoration ceremony.

On turning 30 during a pandemic — just another crisis for our generation

BY TRAVIS GIDADO

When New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo (who has become as inspirational a figure as any in my lifetime) described the COVID-19 pandemic as his children's "first experience with a crisis," I admitted I had to look up their ages. For the approximately 4 million Americans who will turn 30 between Jan. 1 and Dec. 31, 2020, this is not our initial foray into catastrophe; instead, it seems the last two decades, particularly, have been rife with constant upheaval.

Born just before the fall of the Soviet Union at the end of 1991, we 30-year-olds enjoyed a decade of international peace. Those years were defined by fiscal surplus, boy bands and the growing belief that the United States had become a hyperpower unparalleled in economic, political or cultural might.

By the time we turned 10, those rosy images quickly came crashing down. Our first brush with a constitutional crisis came in 2000 with Bush v. Gore, and it thrust us into political consciousness for the first time. Less than a year later, we watched Sept. 11, 2001, unfold from our middle school classrooms. From then on, our generation became defined by wars: the global "war on terror," wars in the Middle East, culture wars and so on. Our fate was to blossom into young adulthood in the midst of perpetual conflict.

There was also the worst economic recession since the Great Depression. I will never forget how the euphoria of witnessing President Barack Obama's historic presidential run was met with whiplash when he was immediately thrust into saving the financial system. I watched his speeches from my freshman-year dormitory as the seniors tasked with

ensuring my well-being were losing their prestigious finance jobs. Above all, I nervously wondered if my parents would lose their home in Florida like so many families did. This, yet again, was a crisis.

But the future 30-year-olds of America were lucky enough to graduate around 2012, just as the markets were stabilizing and a new hope descended upon the world.

Of course, that relative calm would quickly evaporate as we reached our mid-20s. The cracks in the economic pavement were laid bare as unfettered neoliberalism gave way to unprecedented income inequality.

Growing acceptance of racial diversity, increasing gender equity and expanding definitions of sexual orientation also were met with clear reminders that our society was far from ideal.

To top it off, a reality television star became the 45th president of the United States, riding into office by capitalizing on flaws in the American experiment. The hyperspecialized media platforms leading to misinformation and mistrust. The cloistered communities of elites on the coasts and "real Americans" in the middle whose interests and perspectives had rapidly diverged. The growing sense that far too many Americans were being left behind on several dimensions.

And then, months before his reelection campaign began in full swing, the wave crashed, and President Donald Trump had his first crisis.

None of this is to speak of the personal crises many 30-year-olds have already experienced. Less than a month after my 20th birthday, an unexpected medical emergency kept me bedridden for nearly two weeks. And four days after my 25th birthday, I lost my youngest brother in a

car accident (he was only 20). For me, it seems like personal upheaval has a five-year gestation period. But these tragedies sit alongside myriad incredible moments that have defined my progression toward 30, not to mention the privilege I have known by virtue of being born at this particular point in human history.

So why am I so hopeful as my 30th birthday nears? For the same reason other 30-year-olds who have seen at least two decades of twists and turns also should be hopeful: we have been given the tools to overcome all of these crises.

Our technological savvy has allowed us to become the engine of entrepreneurial endeavors unequaled in their ambition or scale. Our interconnectedness has been used to mobilize some of the most important social movements of our time, from Black Lives Matter to Freedom to Marry. And our creativity is shaping American popular culture, redefining work in the 21st century and thrusting us into positions of influence earlier than we ever thought possible.

The novel coronavirus is not our first descent into an unknown future we neither asked for nor deserved, and it will not be our last. But for those of us turning 30 in 2020, we should take heart. We are as well-positioned as any group in society to define the post-pandemic future, and we should do everything in our power to shape the present. Gov. Cuomo said his children were "taking it all in," learning and growing from this experience. So should we — as has been the case after every crisis we have been thrust into — only to emerge stronger, wiser and ready to lead.

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

When we unite, we survive

I've been a community leader for six years. When people are in need, I get calls and messages with questions and requests for support. It's my favorite part of the job.

When the COVID-19 crisis hit, I was part of the response committee for our school district. We discussed how to get meals to families in need, remote learning and more. I participated in calls with other district leaders giving and receiving information about how to somehow hold public meetings using virtual tools.

My husband and I were diagnosed with COVID-19 by our doctor over the phone. We were told that test kits were reserved for those who were at high risk. We should recover at home, and we should call back if we experienced extreme symptoms.

Over several feverish days, we experienced an outpouring of support. It was humbling and moving and gave me a deeper appreciation of how, when things get really bad, our community pulls together.

Saturday was my first day without fever in several days, and my husband recovered two days before.

So far, we seem to be two of the lucky ones.

My heart is with our community members who are high risk, those who are essential workers, especially our health workers, my fellow community leaders who are working day and night, and those who are fighting for their lives right now. I look forward to contributing, once I'm well.

When we emerge from this, I hope we'll remember the community ties that brought us to overcome it. Leading in the time of COVID-19 is not at all what I expected. For me, it's been an important reminder that the fabric that binds us is stronger than any one of us, alone.

— Carissa Casbon, Lake Villa

Release high-risk elderly inmates

One of the things that binds humans together during challenging times is our ability to look beyond immediate self-interest and extend our care to those in need, like those serving time in our prisons and jails. While prisoners pay their debt to society, the Constitution prohibits cruel and unusual punishment. This easily describes sitting in a cell watching a deadly illness spread, with no ability to protect oneself.

A society is judged by how it treats its most vulnerable members.

In Matthew 25, Jesus said what you do for the least of these, you do for me. As decent, faithful and compassionate people, we must stand up now for those entrusted to our care. We know that our elderly are most at risk and also that elderly inmates have near zero recidivism rates upon release.

Please contact your representatives and urge them to release those whose lives are endangered right now.

— The Rev. Pamela Rumancik, Riverside

Work together, don't bicker

My wife and I appreciate our elected officials' coronavirus briefings, but we feel much more would be accomplished in solving problems and bringing all Americans together if our leaders at all levels engaged in more positive, constructive communications.

Let's put politics aside, stop working so hard to point out flaws in the performances of others and work together to combat the real enemy — COVID-19!

— James and Doreen Vogt, Western Springs

No time for petty squabbles

Talk about fiddling while Rome burns. We were woefully unprepared to combat the coronavirus, and Gov. J.B. Pritzker blames President Donald Trump for the mess. Trump, in turn, calls Pritzker a chronic complainer.

These two big shots are our top elected officials, and during this crisis they are locked up in a juvenile debate.

Sad, sad, sad.

— R. Conrad Stein, Chicago

The next White Sox announcer

When I was a kid, I wanted to be a baseball announcer.

When the Chicago Bulls were first organized, I applied for the radio announcing job. I didn't get it. There is hardly a job more in demand than in supply than sports announcing. Most sports broadcasters today have been at it for years.

With the death of White Sox announcer Ed Farmer, I am sure that the White Sox and WGN are being flooded with resumes. I would like to respectfully nominate Andy Masur for the job. He is experienced, bright and knowledgeable and has paid his dues, having moved up the ranks.

Please consider this from a long-time baseball listener at age 88.

— Philip Schwimmer, Chicago

Food insecurity adds to vulnerability for too many

BY MONICA PEEK

An elderly patient in my practice recently ran out of food. Completely. The COVID-19 policy of "sheltering in place" left her unable to shop for simple groceries as she was accustomed to doing, and now her cupboards were entirely bare.

What followed was an urgent scuttle among providers and social workers trying to quickly find food for her over the weekend. The woman had never required food assistance before and couldn't be enrolled in any food programs until early the following week.

She also has diabetes, hypertension and heart failure, medical problems that require not just food, but *healthy food* (a low-carbohydrate, low-salt, high-potassium diet) as part of her medical treatment plan.

Unfortunately, the story of this African American woman is not new. It is, however, becoming more common in the "new normal" that is the pandemic of COVID-19. In Chicago and other cities, African Americans are already disproportionately bearing the burden of disease and death from COVID-19.

A pandemic such as this novel coronavirus compounds the burden of existing structural inequities and social needs. For example, residential segregation makes "social isolation" less feasible for African Americans who have historically been redlined into more crowded neighborhoods with fewer resources.

Having less mobility and fewer resources in this pandemic can be a recipe for immense hardship. Studies have shown that chronic hunger and food insecurity are associated with worse out-



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A box is loaded with nonperishable food at the Greater Chicago Food Depository in Chicago in March.

comes for chronic conditions like diabetes and hypertension.

For example, among people with diabetes, being food insecure is associated with nearly twice the odds of having the disease poorly controlled. This difference can translate into an increased risk of diabetes complications by up to 60% — life-altering complications like blindness, kidney failure and leg amputations.

Given the challenges of living with chronic diseases like diabetes, especially among vulnerable populations, it's easy to see how an additional factor, like the novel coronavirus, can be the tipping point to cause a rapid and destructive cascade that affects the health of people and communities already living at the margins.

A person with Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program benefits cannot order food online and may risk infection exposure by taking public transportation to the grocery store.

A low-wage worker without sick leave cannot afford a loss in wages and may continue working, amplifying risk to themselves and others.

COVID-19 already has tested Chicago's social safety net and the surge is not yet fully upon us. In my lifetime, there has never been a more urgent need for individual and collective acts of sustained sacrifice, humanity and giving.

And I have been moved by the beauty of kindness and love during this pandemic.

For the woman described earlier, our social worker hand-delivered a hearty supply of enough food to last the weekend, and she is now enrolled in Meals on Wheels.

The Greater Chicago Food Depository is also ramping up its response to this crisis, which includes packing thousands of food boxes for families in need each day, and supporting food pantries and other partners throughout Chicago and Cook County.

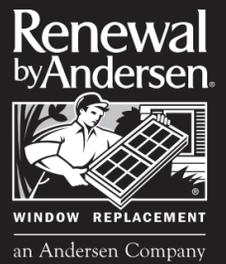
I am proud that the University of Chicago is now collaborating with the food depository to increase the number of hot meals we serve to our surrounding community.

I am convinced that we will survive this pandemic as a more humble, empathetic and collaborative city and nation. One that is more attune and responsive to the daily struggles and lived experiences of our residents.

Indeed, we have no other choice.

Dr. Monica Peek is an internist and medical ethicist at the University of Chicago. She is also a board member of the Greater Chicago Food Depository.

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Allstate to return \$600M in premiums

Coronavirus keeps drivers, customers in park, off roads

BY ABDEL JIMENEZ

Allstate announced Monday that it will return \$600 million in auto insurance premiums to customers because fewer motorists are on the road as a result of the new coronavirus.

The Northbrook-based insurer will offer a “shelter-in-place payback” to its Allstate, Esurance and Encom-

pass customers. Most policyholders will receive 15% of their monthly premium in April and May.

Bloomington-based State Farm is also considering a rebate plan.

“We are closely monitoring our automobile insurance loss and premium trends and are considering how best to take this into account and return value to our auto insurance policyholders,” State Farm spokeswoman Gina Morss-Fischer said in an emailed statement. “We expect a decision

in this regard by the end of the week.”

Most states now have some type of shelter-at-home order to quell the spread of COVID-19, the disease caused by the new coronavirus. Most Americans are staying home and restaurants, schools, nail salons and other nonessential businesses are closed.

“We have access to data from over 23 million cars, and we can see the drop in driving by day,” Allstate CEO Tom Wilson said on a call with reporters Monday. “In

most states, driving mileage is down 35% to 50%. And this has happened even in states that don’t have shelter-in-place restrictions.”

Allstate uses data from Arity, its mobility data and analytics arm, which tracks 23 million drivers, including Allstate customers with car tracking devices and other drivers using certain driving-related apps.

Allstate customers will receive the rebate through a credit to their bank account,

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The Michigan Avenue bridge is nearly empty during the 5 p.m. rush hour March 17 in Chicago’s Loop.



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People look at Rivian’s RIS SUV last year during an open house and hiring event hosted by the electric startup company in Normal.

Electric truck startup Rivian stalls launch

COVID-19 delays Normal factory retooling to 2021

BY ROBERT CHANNICK

Rivian, the electric truck startup looking to bring vehicle manufacturing back to downstate Normal, will have to wait until next year to begin production.

The nascent automaker’s inaugural offerings — a pricey, high-performance electric truck and SUV — were slated to roll off the line at a converted Mitsubishi plant later this year, but the massive retooling project has ground to a halt amid the coronavirus outbreak.

Rivian planned to make the first deliveries of pre-ordered trucks and SUVs this year. The temporary shutdown of the facility has delayed construction at the plant, and the launch date.

“It will be 2021,” Rivian spokeswoman Amy Mast said Monday.

While Detroit’s Big Three automakers have shut down vehicle production and begun gearing up to make ventilators instead, Rivian is sidelined, and most of its 300



Rivian’s RIS SUV is on display at the company in Normal.

workers idled.

Founded 10 years ago, Plymouth, Michigan-based Rivian started 2020 with plenty of momentum, drawing more than \$2.8 billion in investments last year from Ford, Cox Automotive and Amazon, among others. It received an order to build 100,000 custom electric delivery vehicles for Amazon alongside its consumer-focused truck and SUV.

Rivian anticipated hiring

thousands of employees for the Normal plant, located about two hours southwest of Chicago, but only a skeleton maintenance crew remains after workers were sent home during the statewide COVID-19 shutdown.

“There are 11 Rivian employees there in 2.6 million square feet,” Mast said.

About 60 contractors also are working in the building, keeping their distance from one another and mostly doing

electrical work, Mast said.

Mast said all Rivian employees — including hourly workers — are being paid in full during the hiatus.

Chicago’s other auto plants also are idled by the COVID-19 crisis.

On the city’s Southeast Side, Ford’s Chicago Assembly Plant, which makes the Ford Explorer, Lincoln Aviator and Police Interceptor SUVs, temporarily closed last month and about 5,600 workers were laid off, Ford spokeswoman Kelli Felker said Monday.

Hourly workers with at least one year on the job are eligible to receive roughly 75% of their pay through a combination of government unemployment benefits and supplementary benefits from Ford.

“We are continuing to assess public health conditions, government guidelines and supplier readiness to determine when the time is right to resume production in our

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McDonald’s to donate 1M N95 masks to Illinois

Health care workers getting aid as shortages fuel concern

BY ALEXIA ELEJALDE-QUIZ

McDonald’s plans to donate 1 million N95 masks to health care workers in Chicago and Illinois as concerns mount that hospitals will run out of safety gear to protect those on the front lines fighting COVID-19.

The Chicago-based fast-food giant said it came across and purchased the stash of coveted N95 masks as it searched for nonmedical-grade masks to distribute to McDonald’s workers nationwide. The company plans to donate 750,000 of them to the city of Chicago and 250,000 to the state of Illinois.

Local and state authorities across the country have been hunting for N95 masks amid reports that hospital workers are reusing them for days to preserve a dwindling supply. Unlike regular, loose-fitting surgical masks, which help prevent the wearer’s respiratory emissions from getting out, tight-fitting N95 respirators form a seal around the nose and mouth and block airborne particles from getting in.

McDonald’s said it has been coordinating with its global network of suppliers to help local communities and was able to procure the masks from a Chinese supplier. The company previously donated \$1 million and 400,000 KF94 masks, the Korean equivalent of N95s, to Illinois’ COVID-19 relief fund.

Gov. J.B. Pritzker, in a statement, said he was grateful for the company’s contribution of masks “as we continue to track down every piece of protective gear we can find for the brave health care workers and first responders fighting COVID-19.”

Pritzker has pressed the White House for help in securing personal protective equipment and ventilators as the state dips into its stockpile, and last week he said a recent shipment of masks from the federal government didn’t contain the 300,000 N95s he requested, but basic surgical masks.

Mayor Lori Lightfoot, in a news release, also expressed her gratitude. The masks will go to first responders and health care workers and the city will determine a delivery plan to address locations where the greatest need for masks exists, the release said.

Other companies also have stepped up to help the N95 mask cause, to varying degrees. Goldman Sachs said it has donated 600,000 N95 masks that it had accumulated in the wake of previous flu epidemics, Mastercard committed 25,000 and Nasdaq pledged 12,000, though those efforts targeted hospitals in the New York City area. Facebook said it donated 750,000 masks it obtained in preparation for more California wildfires. And Washington, D.C.-area hospitals got 5,000 masks that had been stashed in the crypt in the National Cathedral.

McDonald’s mask find came as the company sought additional protection for its own workers that continue to serve the public amid the coronavirus pandemic. Most McDonald’s restaurants remain open for drive-thru, takeout and delivery, and the company has been criticized by some for not doing enough to keep its workers or the public from getting sick.

Infrared thermometers are in the process of being shipped to its restaurants across the country so that workers can undergo temperature checks when they clock in, Dave Tovar, vice president of U.S. communications, said Friday. The thermometers will arrive first in markets authorities have designated as hot zones for the virus — New York City, Seattle and San Francisco — and will roll out nationally as supplies become available. Chicago is not currently considered a hot spot.

The company also is sending nonmedical grade masks to restaurants across the country for workers to wear if they wish,

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Powdered drink maker shuts temporarily

Six COVID-19 cases cause Jel Sert to close plant until April 13

BY CORILYN SHROPSHIRE

The Jel Sert Co., the maker of powdered drinks and foods such as Wyler’s, Hi-C and Flavor Aid, has temporarily shuttered its manufacturing division in West Chicago after six employees tested positive for COVID-19, the disease caused by the new coronavirus.

The manufacturing facility shut down Friday and will remain closed

until April 13, said company spokeswoman Jennie Peters. The company’s corporate and distribution divisions will continue to operate, she said.

After the third employee was found to have coronavirus late last month, the company closed its manufacturing facilities March 27-30 “to sanitize and deep clean all production and communal areas within production,” said a notice on Jel Sert’s website.

Jel Sert has about 1,000 employees in West Chicago, Peters said.

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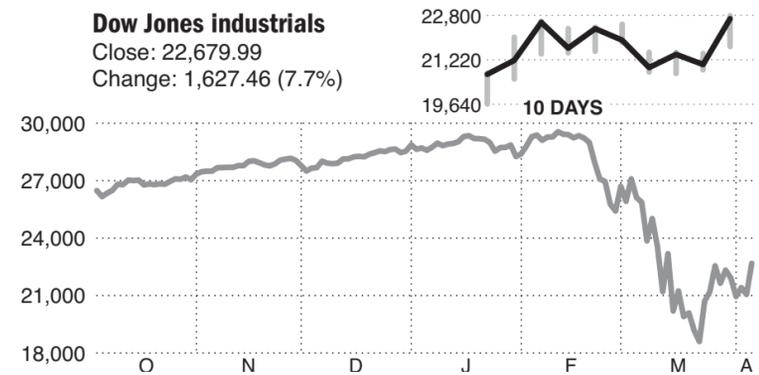


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A truck driver stands in the delivery bay of Jel Sert Co. on Friday in West Chicago.

MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 22,783.45 Low: 21,693.63 Previous: 21,052.53



Summary table for Nasdaq (+540.16), S&P 500 (+175.03), and Russell 2000 (+86.73) with close, high, low, and previous values.

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credit card or on their Allstate account. The company is encouraging customers to use the mobile app to receive the money.

"American Family Insurance is doing this out of responsibility to our customers. They are driving less and experiencing fewer claims. Because of these results, they deserve premium relief," American Family Chief Operating Officer Telisa Yancy said in a news release.

The Madison-based insurer will return \$50 for each vehicle insured. American Family is issuing checks to Wisconsin customers starting this week.

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North American plants," Felker said in an email. Fiat Chrysler Automobiles temporarily closed its Belvidere Assembly Plant near Rockford, laying off about 3,800 workers until production resumes.

designating plants to produce ventilators to supplement a dwindling supply as hospitals treat a growing number of COVID-19 patients with severe respiratory issues.

On April 1, Rivian sent an email to customers who have preordered vehicles, explaining the shutdown would mean "some level of delay," but vowing to minimize the disruption to the launch schedule.

The email included a video showing progress on the plant before the shutdown.

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The company has taken several steps recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the DuPage County Health Department, including providing free box lunches to workers so they don't have to stand in line for food and tripling the number of staff dedicated to cleaning and sanitizing manufacturing areas, Peters said.

and the Illinois Legislative Latino Caucus called on Gov. J.B. Pritzker, the Illinois Manufacturers' Association and the state's On-Site Safety and Health Consultation Program to require all Illinois manufacturers to immediately shut down for at least 24 hours and deep clean their facilities if they have employees with confirmed cases of COVID-19.

"We cannot let what happened at Jel Sert continue to happen at manufacturing facilities in my community or in any community in this state," Villa said in a statement.

Villa, who has more than 350 manufacturing facilities in her district, said she and other members of the Latino Caucus have received reports of workplaces, particularly those "where immigrants make up a large share of the workforce," continuing to operate in ways that do not meet CDC guidelines.

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United, American slash flights to New York City, New Jersey airports

Associated Press

NEW YORK — New York City is largely an island, and seems even more so each day as the number of flights in and out of the city plunge.

American Airlines is the latest to announce it is suspending more flights at the city's three major airports, JFK, LaGuardia and Newark Liberty International Airport in New Jersey.

American said late Sunday that it will run 13 flights daily from the three airports beginning this week, down from an average of 271 flights per day last April.

United Airlines over the weekend said that its 157 daily flights to the city would be reduced to 17. Spirit Airlines has completely cut off service to the city and JetBlue, which is based in New York City, has slashed operations in the city by about 80%.

United told employees Saturday

that it will be cutting nearly 90% of flights at LaGuardia and Newark for three weeks, according to a message to workers by Greg Hart, the airline's chief operations officer. Affected employees will continue to receive pay and benefits, he wrote.

"As the situation in New York and New Jersey worsens, we are taking another major step at Newark and LaGuardia to help keep our employees safe and play our part in helping to mitigate the spread of the outbreak in the Tri-State area," Hart wrote.

United will be decreasing daily flights at LaGuardia from 18 to two and at Newark from 139 to 15, Hart said.

The move comes as major airlines have seen a dramatic decrease in passengers, reduced flights and grounded half their passenger jets because of the outbreak. Union leaders of the Association of Flight Attendants

said in a statement that United's move was a good decision because it protects flight attendants, other airline employees and the public from exposure to the coronavirus.

The Transportation Security Administration screened 32% fewer passengers nationwide Sunday than just a week ago, and 95% fewer than the same day a year ago. TSA says 122,029 people went through its checkpoints Sunday, the second-lowest day yet, and just above Saturday's 118,302.

Delta Air Lines, American Airlines, United Airlines and JetBlue applied for a share of the \$25 billion in federal grants designed to cover airline payrolls for the next six months. None disclosed the amount they are seeking. The grant money was part of the \$2.2 trillion federal stimulus package. Delta's CEO says his airline is burning more than \$60 million in cash per day, and United's president puts it at \$100 million a day.

Virus shrinking lottery jackpots

Associated Press

DES MOINES, Iowa — Winning a Mega Millions lottery prize worth hundreds of millions of dollars was always a long, long shot, but soon it will be nearly impossible.

The group that oversees the lottery game announced Friday it was following the lead of Powerball, the other national lottery game, and reducing its future jackpots.

Blame both decisions on the new coronavirus, which has kept people at home and away from convenience stores and other spots where they typically buy lottery tickets.

"The value of the Mega Millions jackpot is based on projected sales, and typical sales patterns have been altered because the current health crisis has required people to stay home," said Gordon Medenica, lead director of the Mega Millions Consortium and director of the Maryland lottery.

People still have a shot at the current big jackpot, now valued at \$121 million, but once there is a winner, don't look for such a massive prize for a long time.

That's because after there is a winner, the game previously would start at \$40 million and then grow by at least \$5 million after each drawing. Under the new rules, if the jackpot is won Friday

night the prize will start at \$20 million.

In the future, the starting jackpots and rate of increase will be determined based on sales and interest rates.

On Thursday, Powerball made a similar change.

Even if the prizes are smaller, the odds of winning jackpots won't change.

For Mega Millions the odds are one in 302.6 million, and for Powerball they're one in 292.2 million.

Powerball and Mega Millions are played in 45 states plus Washington, D.C., and the U.S. Virgin Islands. Powerball also is offered in Puerto Rico.

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prioritizing hot zones. The thermometers and masks will be sent to franchisees as well as company-owned stores, Tovar said. More than 90% of McDonald's nearly 14,000 U.S. restaurants are franchisees.

McDonald's last week also announced workers will undergo wellness checks at the start of their

shifts in which they are asked a series of questions about their health. Workers will be permitted to wear gloves, which the company had previously advised against because guidelines from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention had said washing hands is better, Tovar said.

"Our mission on a lot of this has evolved over the last couple of weeks," Tovar said. "We are listening to employees, we are listening to public health community for guid-

ance."

Employees at a Los Angeles McDonald's went on strike Sunday after a worker tested positive for COVID-19, calling for a two-week quarantine period with full pay. Other strikes took place last week in Memphis, Tennessee; St. Louis; and Tampa, Florida, to demand personal protective equipment, hazard pay and paid sick leave, according to organizers with the Fight for \$15, a movement to organize fast-food workers.

Hopes over virus spur worldwide markets rally

Wall Street up 7%; S&P has best day in nearly 2 weeks

By **STAN CHOE AND ALEX VEIGA**
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Investors grabbed a few glimmers of hope Monday that the coronavirus pandemic could be slowing and sent stocks surging in a worldwide rally, capped by a 7% leap for the U.S. market.

The number of new coronavirus cases is dropping in the European hot spots of Italy and Spain. The center of the U.S. outbreak, New York, also reported its number of daily deaths has been effectively flat for two days. Even though the U.S. is still bracing for a surge of deaths due to COVID-19 and New York's governor said restrictions should stay in place to slow its spread, the sparks of confidence were enough to launch the S&P 500 to its best day in nearly two weeks.

The gains accelerated throughout the day, and markets in Europe and Asia rose nearly as much. In another sign that investors are feeling a bit less pessimistic about the economy's path, they sold bonds. The yield on the 10-year Treasury rose for the first time in four days.

"We're running on raw optimism, maybe

that's the best way to put it," said Randy Frederick, vice president of trading and derivatives at Schwab Center for Financial Research.

The S&P 500 climbed 175.03, or 7%, to 2,663.68, and nearly all the stocks in the index were higher. It more than recovered all its losses from the prior week, when the government reported a record number of layoffs sweeping the economy.

The Dow Jones Industrial Average shot up 1,627.46 points, or 7.7%, to 22,679.99, and the Nasdaq rose 540.15, or 7.3%, to 7,913.24.

The latest gains are not likely to have much staying power, given how much uncertainty remains about when the pandemic will subside significantly and how much harm will have been inflicted to the economy, said Nela Richardson, investment strategist at Edward Jones.

"It's not unusual, if you look back historically, within bear markets to have rallies," Richardson said. "I wouldn't take the uptick over the last two weeks as a sign of a bottoming or a sign of upside recovery from here on out."

The S&P 500 is still down more than 21%

since its record set in February, but the losses have been slowing since Washington promised massive amounts of aid to prop up the economy.

In Japan, the prime minister said he's preparing to announce a \$1 trillion package to bolster the world's third-largest economy. It would be Japan's largest-ever package for the economy and nearly twice as much as expected.

The announcement pushed Japan's Nikkei 225 index to surge 4.2%. Elsewhere in Asia, South Korea's Kospi jumped 3.9%, and Hong Kong's Hang Seng rose 2.2%.

In Europe, Germany's DAX rose 5.8% and France's CAC 40 jumped 4.6%. The FTSE 100 in London rose 3.1%.

Crude oil fell, giving up some of its huge gains from the prior week when expectations rose that Saudi Arabia and Russia may cut back on some of their production.

Benchmark U.S. crude fell \$2.26, or 8%, to settle at \$26.08 a barrel after surging nearly \$7 last week. It started the year above \$60 per barrel. Brent crude, the international standard, lost \$1.06, or 3.1%, to \$33.05 a barrel.

Coronavirus patients rush to join drug studies

By **MARILYNN MARCHIONE**
Associated Press

The new coronavirus made Dr. Jag Singh a patient at his own hospital. His alarm grew as he saw an X-ray of his pneumonia-choked lungs and colleagues asked his wishes about life support while wheeling him into Massachusetts General's intensive care unit.

When they offered him a chance to help test remdesivir, an experimental drug that's shown promise against some other coronaviruses, "it did not even cross my mind once to say 'no,'" said Singh, a heart specialist.

Coronavirus patients around the world have been rushing to join remdesivir studies that opened in hospitals in the last few weeks.

Interest has been so great that the U.S. National Institutes of Health is expanding its study, which has nearly reached its initial goal of 440 patients. The drug's maker, California-based Gilead Sciences, is quickly ramping up its own studies, too.

"I would enroll my family in a heartbeat" if the need arose, said Dr. Libby Hohmann, who placed Singh and nearly 30 others in the NIH study at Mass General. To have no approved medicines for COVID-19 now is "kind of terrifying," she said.

Remdesivir is designed to interfere with an enzyme that reproduces viral genetic material. In animal tests against SARS and MERS, diseases caused by similar coronaviruses, the drug helped prevent infection and reduced the severity of symptoms when given early enough in the course of illness. It's farther along in testing than many other potential therapies.

Gilead has given remdesivir to more than 1,700 patients on a case-by-case emergency basis, but more people will be helped if the company does the needed studies to prove safety and effectiveness, Chief Executive Dan O'Day wrote in a recent letter to the public.

BUSINESS BRIEFING

2nd vaccine safety test ready to start

A second U.S. company is poised to begin a small safety test of a vaccine against the new coronavirus.

Inovio Pharmaceuticals said Monday that it has Food and Drug Administration permission for the study in 40 healthy volunteers in Philadelphia and Kansas City, Missouri.

The study is a first step to see if the vaccine appears safe enough for larger tests needed to prove whether it will protect. Even if the research goes well, it is expected to take over a year before any vaccine could be widely available.

Last month, the first safety test in people for a different vaccine candidate began in Seattle. It was developed by the National Institutes of Health and Moderna Inc.

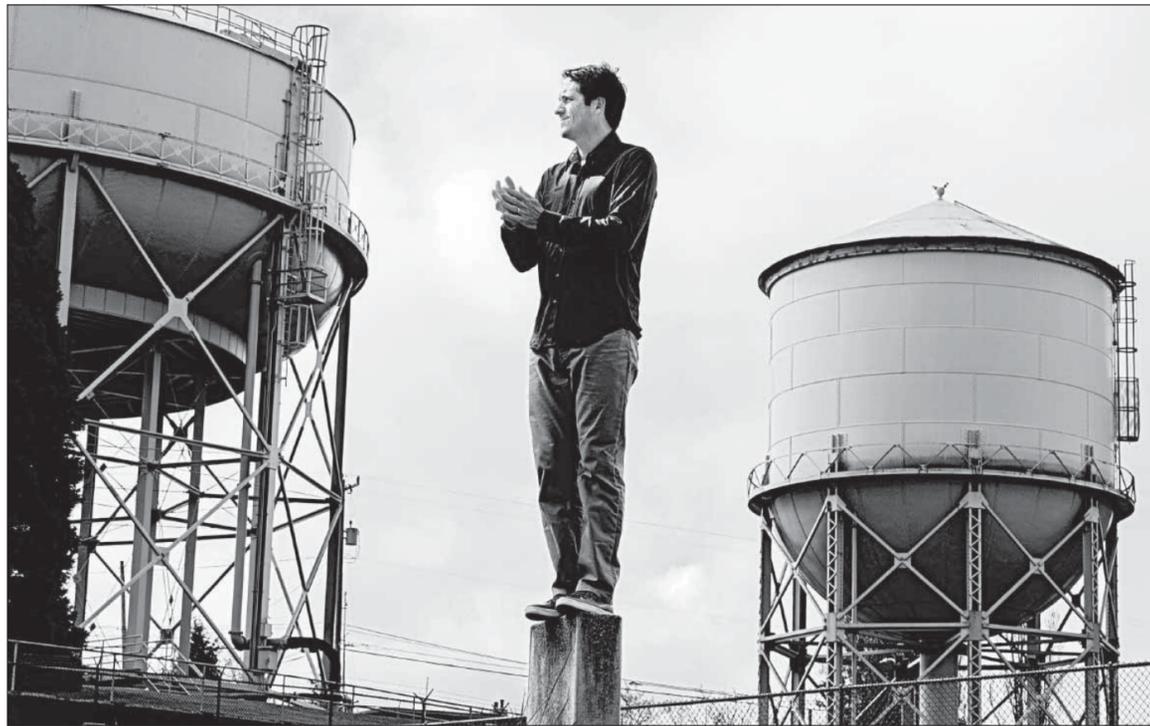
Court OKs Dean Foods asset sale

NEW YORK — A bankruptcy court has approved the asset sale of one of the U.S.'s biggest dairy companies, Dean Foods.

Dean Foods Co. got the go-ahead to sell \$433 million worth of properties and interests to the Dairy Farmers of America. Dean filed for bankruptcy protection in November of last year. Another major milk producer, Borden Dairy Co., filed for bankruptcy protection earlier this year.

The dairy industry has been struggling for decades as consumers shun milk for juice, soda and an array of nondairy milk substitutes made from soy, almonds or oats.

In addition to the sale of several production facilities and distribution branches, Dallas-based Dean has also lined up buyers for several of its brands.



CHRISTIAN SORENSEN HANSEN/THE NEW YORK TIMES

Mike Frazzini is the driving force behind the video games strategy as internet titan Amazon moves deeper into digital entertainment.

Amazon has new deliverable

Internet titan moving into distribution and creation of video games

By **SETH SCHIESEL**
The New York Times

Opening a new front in the campaign to dominate digital entertainment, Amazon is investing hundreds of millions of dollars into becoming a leading creator and distributor of video games.

The internet giant said it intended to release its first original big-budget game, an ambitious science-fiction shooter called "Crucible" in May after several coronavirus-related delays. It is also developing a full-fledged cloud gaming platform under the code name Project Tempo. And it is working on new casual games that broadcasters on its popular Twitch streaming service can play alongside viewers in real time.

The push is Amazon's most significant investment in original entertainment since it became a major producer of streaming series and films over the past decade. Amazon is also aiming at strategic rivals like Google and Microsoft, which have expanded their video game offerings.

In a demonstration of Amazon's commit-

ment to video games, the company has bestowed the name Relentless Studios on its flagship game operation in Seattle. Founder Jeff Bezos originally considered naming his company Relentless.com and personally registered the domain, which still points to Amazon.

"The big picture is about trying to take the best of Amazon and bringing it to games," said Mike Frazzini, Amazon's vice president for game services and studios, who is largely directing the games strategy. "We have been working for a while, but it takes a long time to make games, and we're bringing a lot of Amazon practices to making games."

The potential prize: attracting millions more people to Amazon's ecosystem of services. Over the past decade, video games have blossomed into one of the world's most popular and lucrative forms of entertainment.

Gaming is expected to generate more than \$160 billion in revenue in 2020, making the business more than twice the size of the global recorded music industry (around \$19 billion) and worldwide film box office (around \$43 billion) combined. With much of the world staying home in the pandemic, video games are becoming even more popular.

Next month, Amazon plans to ship not only "Crucible" but also "New World," a

"massively multiplayer online" game in which thousands of players occupy a persistent fantasy realm based on an alternate 17th century. "Crucible" was developed by Relentless in Seattle, but "New World" was created by a separate Amazon game studio in Irvine, California, built after the company acquired Double Helix Games in 2014.

The Irvine studio is also developing a massively multiplayer game based on the "Lord of the Rings" franchise. John Smedley, a former president of Sony Online Entertainment, joined Amazon in 2017 to start a third internal Amazon game studio in San Diego, but his new project has not been revealed.

With these in-depth online games, Amazon is going after hard-core players, who are typically the most demanding in the world.

If "Crucible" and "New World" succeed, Amazon will also show the potential of its technology tools. The company has developed a game processing engine called Lumberyard and hopes to harness the power of its cloud computing services to deliver innovative online experiences.

"Crucible," a team-based combat game, borrows elements from "battle arena" games like "League of Legends" and "Dota 2" to give the typical shooter formula more strategic depth.

SeaWorld CEO resigns five months into job

By **MIKE SCHNEIDER**
Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — SeaWorld Entertainment's chief executive has resigned only five months into his job, becoming the third leader of the theme park company to depart in just over two years, according to a company filing released Monday.

Sergio Rivera cited his disagreement with the board of directors' involvement in decision-making at the company, according to a filing with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission.

His predecessor, Gustavo "Gus" Antorcha, cited a similar reason for his leaving last September.

Rivera handed in his resignation Saturday. He was named the CEO of the

company last November.

"The board remains united in guiding the company through the tough but necessary decisions to best position the business for long-term success," board chairman Scott Ross said in a statement.

The spread of the novel coronavirus has paralyzed the theme park industry. Like most other theme park companies operating in the U.S., SeaWorld's 12 theme parks have been closed since mid-March.

The company said more than a week ago that it was furloughing 90% of its workers.

SeaWorld employs 4,700 full-time employees and 12,000 part-time employees. During peak season in 2018, the company hired more than 4,000 additional seasonal workers, many of whom are high school

and college students. None of the company's employees are covered by a collective bargaining agreement.

The pandemic also has forced the closures of SeaWorld's crosstown rivals, Walt Disney World and Universal Orlando, as well as their California counterparts.

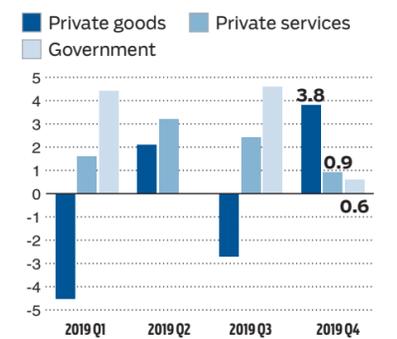
Disney World said last week it would start furloughing executive, salaried and hourly nonunion employees in mid-April, as it didn't know when its parks would reopen.

Universal Orlando had previously aimed to reopen its parks in mid-April, but a spokesman said that the closures likely will be extended.

Marc Swanson, SeaWorld's chief financial officer and treasurer, was named interim CEO.

GDP by industry

Value added to the national gross domestic product, in percentage change from previous quarter



SOURCE: Bureau of Economic Analysis

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OBITUARIES

BILLY JOHNSTON 1935-2020

Leader of once thriving Illinois harness racing scene

By NEIL MILBERT

Starting in the mid-1960s, Billy Johnston presided over harness meetings at Sportsman's Park at a time when the Cubs didn't play home games at night and the Blackhawks didn't televise their home games.

Johnston filled the void by making his track one of Chicago's most popular after dark sports and entertainment destinations.

His father, William Johnston Sr., became president of Sportsman's National Jockey Club (NJ) in 1947 when it was a thoroughbred track and in 1949 added harness racing, which had made its parimutuel wagering debut in Illinois three years earlier at Maywood Park. Overnight Sportsman's became one of the nation's top harness tracks.

Johnston built on the harness racing foundation laid by his father, who retired as NJC president in 1967. Stormy Bidwill took over as president and focused on the thoroughbreds, while Johnston was president of the Fox Valley and Chicago Downs harness meetings and went on to win recognition as the most influential and innovative individual in Illinois harness racing and a national leader in the sport.

Johnston, 84, died March 27 at his winter home in Key Largo, Florida. A longtime resident of Hinsdale and Burr Ridge, he had been diagnosed with brain cancer late last fall.

In 1977, Johnston put together the ownership group that secured a long-term lease at Maywood. That group joined with the family of New York Yankees owner George Steinbrenner to buy Balmoral Park in 1987. Johnston's management team also was the longtime overseer of the Illinois State Fair harness meetings at DuQuoin and Springfield after they launched parimutuel betting.

"Billy probably was as smart a businessman as anybody I ran into in the horse racing business and I always found him to be a good person to have in racing," said former Gov. Jim Edgar, a standardbred and thoroughbred owner and breeder before and after he became the state's chief executive.

"Billy was pragmatic. If he was dealing with the other tracks or horsemen you knew up front that he wasn't going to give away money but you also knew he'd be willing to compromise."

Although the advent of nonstop sports telecasts and



FAMILY PHOTO

Billy Johnston 84, died March 27 at his winter home in Key Largo, Florida.

the introduction of riverboat casino gambling caused harness attendance and betting to significantly decline following its heyday in the 1960s and '70s, Johnston's emphasis on high quality racing remained steadfast.

Every year the American-National series of races lured North America's finest horses to Sportsman's until it terminated harness racing after the 1997 meeting, and then to Balmoral from 1998 until the cessation of racing there after the 2015 meeting. The same was true of Maywood's Windy City Pace that he inaugurated in 1983.

"Billy always was a huge personality and always was searching for ways to improve his tracks and the experience for the fans," said Cook County Circuit Judge Lorna Propes, a member of the Illinois Racing Board for 17 years and its chairman for three years.

"I can't think of anyone who can take his place," Racing Board member Tom McCauley said. "No question, he was very, very good for Illinois racing. He was an innovator, always thinking ahead of the curve. He did an awful lot."

En route to the top of Sportsman's harness hierarchy, Johnston dabbled in owning, training and driving before and after his 1957 graduation from the University of Miami in Florida and completion of Coast Guard service in 1961.

The record book has him winning 20 of 153 races between 1958 and 1966 but he probably drove earlier because prior to 1958 only drivers with 25 or more starts had their results published. For most of his life he continued to own and breed standardbreds and he also owned thoroughbreds, partnering with Phil Langley in many of these ventures.

"I started working with Billy in 1965 and for the next 50 years we had a sometimes contentious but very successful relationship," Langley said. "In my opin-

ion, the success of harness racing in Illinois was due to Billy's promotional instincts and time after time coming up with new ideas. He brought the trifecta, superfecta and other exotic bets to Chicago. When he went to national meetings he was outspoken but he got along with all the big names in racing."

Indicative of the role they played nationally, Johnston served 45 years as a United States Trotting Association director and Langley was the organization's president for 13 years.

Perhaps their most significant Illinois achievement was introducing inter-track betting and making it a gateway to off-track betting.

They also brought world class racing events to Sportsman's, Maywood and Balmoral. In 1984 Maywood was the site of the inaugural Breeders Crown 2-year-old filly pace; in 1985 Sportsman's was the site of the inaugural Breeders Crown aged trot; in 1988 Balmoral became the first North American track to host the World Driving Championship — luring top drivers from 14 countries — and in 1996 again was the host track.

At DuQuoin, they inaugurated the state's richest harness race, the World Trotting Derby in 1981, to replace the Hambletonian, after it moved to the Meadowlands. The \$700,000 purse for the 1991 World Trotting Derby is an Illinois record for harness racing.

Before "entertainment" became a sports world buzzword Johnston was holding prerace concerts at Sportsman's starring the likes of The Captain and Tenille, Ike and Tina Turner and Blood Sweat and Tears. In 1979 Muhammad Ali came to Maywood to win a charity exhibition race. In 1988 the Great Midwest Fair was reinaugurated at Balmoral.

Johnston stepped back from daily operations at his tracks during the past 10 years but remained atop the chain of command. Earlier his sons, John, and William III (Duke), had succeeded him as presidents of Balmoral and Maywood, respectively.

In addition to his sons, Johnston is survived by his wife, Jane; a daughter, Heather; a sister, Jewell Howell; seven grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Because of the COVID-19 pandemic no services are planned.

Neil Milbert is a former Tribune sports writer.

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Death Notices

Brower, Marcy

Marcy Brower, nee Gordon, 91, died of heart failure on Friday, April 3. Loving wife of Bob Brower for 71 years, cherished mother of Todd (Steve MacIsaac) Brower, Aaron (Nancy) Brower and Adam Brower, adored grandmother of Jake (Katya Tepper) Brower and Nat Brower, dear sister of Sheldon (Danna) Gordon, fond aunt of many nieces and nephews.

Beyond her deep love for her family, Marcy had three passions, her love for children, her love for equality and her love of painting. Marcy taught elementary school in Chicago; La Mesa, Calif.; and Wheeling, Ill. She and Bob founded and operated Circle M Day Camp in Wheeling for 45 years, one of the first private camps to hire minority staff and enroll minority children. Her interest in opportunities for children eventually influenced the whole of private camping in the national organization of private camps. Marcy was active in the civil rights movement and in the struggle for the rights of the LGBTQ community. She raised funds for civil rights groups and labor unions by sponsoring folk music concerts on the campgrounds during the 1960s, and marched with Martin Luther King Jr. in Washington in 1963. She was a gifted artist, and painting was one of her lifelong passions. She started painting at the age of 12 under the direction of teachers at Hull House in Chicago and at the Art Institute of Chicago. She had a natural eye for bold color, design and composition and was a master in non-objective painting. Private burial was held on April 5th at Memorial Park, Skokie. In lieu of flowers, memorials in her honor can be made to the American Camp Association - Illinois Section, 5 S. Wabash, Suite 1406, Chicago, IL 60603. Specify: Marcy and Bob Brower Campership Fund on the memo line.

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Cardinale, Rose 'Grandma Rose'

DELAVAN, WI — Rose "Grandma Rose" J. Cardinale, age 96, of Delavan formerly of Chicago passed away peacefully on Sunday, April 5, 2020 at home. She was born in Chicago on January 12, 1924 to Ralph and Mary (Pepe) Ruggiero. Rose was united in marriage to John Cardinale. She was a member at St. Jerome's Catholic Church in Chicago for many years.

Rose is survived by her three daughters, Ann Dutch, of Worth, IL, Johanna (Joseph) Russo, of Delavan, WI, and Therese (Peter) Caruso, of Chicago; grandchildren, grandchildren, James Caruso, Joseph (Kim) Russo, Sam (Lauren) Dutch, John (Meghan) Caruso, and Anthony Russo; great grandchildren, Dominick, Elizabeth, Joseph, Jack, Samantha, and Lucas; and many nieces and nephews.

Rose is preceded in death by her parents; her husband, John; a daughter, Marilyn Cardinale; a son-in-law, Robert Dutch; and grandchildren, James and John Caruso.

Private Family Burial will be held at St. Mary's Catholic Cemetery in Evergreen Park, IL. MONROE FUNERAL HOME in Delavan, WI is assisting the family. Please visit us at delavanfuneralhome.com

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Fick, Vivian J.

Vivian J. Fick, 83 of Lake Zurich, Illinois was born June 17, 1936 in Chicago to the late Rev. Hearty and Rachel (nee Ausbrooks) Stoltz and passed away April 5, 2020. Vivian was the beloved wife of Donald Fick for 56 years; loving mother of April (Craig) Matter and Nancy (David) Lynn, cherished grandmother of Samantha and Rebecca Matter and Nicolas Tow. Step grandmother of Rachel (Eric) Tracy, Kevin Matter, Cathleen and Robert Lynn; dear sister of the late Marjorie Robertson, late Rachel Imogene (Ed) Egan, late Carol (Tom) Marsala, late Hearty B. Jr. (Peggy) Stoltz, and Suda (Roy) Fitzsimmons; fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. A private ceremony for immediate family only will be held on April 9, 2020 at the **Oehler Funeral Home** in Des Plaines, Illinois. Interment will be at Ridgewood Memorial Park, 9900 N. Milwaukee Ave., Des Plaines, Illinois. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation. For more information call (847) 824-5155 or go to OehlerFuneralHome.com

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Friedman, MD, Franklin

Dr. Franklin Friedman, MD, age 93; beloved husband of the late Eunice "Fran" nee Ceasar and the late Barbara Aven; loving father of Deborah (Richard) Greenswag, Susan Nitzkin and William (Krista) Friedman; adored grandpa of Jeffrey, Sarah (Travis), Amy, Zach, Erica, Ilana, Wyatt and Cole; proud great-grandpa of Henry; dear brother of the late Ross (the late Jill) Friedman; treasured uncle of many; fond companion of Joyce Rebell. Due to the pandemic and out of concern for our extended family and friends, services and shiva will be private. Donations in his memory may be made to the Wounded Warrior Project, 230 W. Monroe - Suite 200, Chicago, IL 60606. For information and to leave condolences: **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home** (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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Kopulos, Mary T.

Mary T. Kopulos, nee Foley; Devoted Wife of the late Robert; Loving Mother of Robert (Elizabeth), Terry Kopulos Freeman, Cathy (John) Hojek and Mary (Tom) Coughlin; Proud Grandma of seven, and Gigi of eight; Cherished Daughter of the late Patrick and Helen Foley; Dear Sister of the late Patrick; Beloved Aunt and Friend to many; Longtime parishioner of St. Bernadette Parish; All Funeral Services are Private and a Memorial Mass, in honor of Mary, will take place at a later date; Please omit flowers and in lieu of flowers, donations to Joliet Area Community Hospice, 250 Water Stone Circle, Joliet, IL 60431, or www.joliethospice.org would be appreciated; Arrangements entrusted to **Curley Funeral Home**, 6116 W. 111th Street, Chicago Ridge; For Funeral info 708-422-2700, or www.curleyfuneralhome.com



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Mandakas, Constantine 'Taki'

Constantine "Taki" Mandakas, US Army Airborne veteran; passed away peacefully Saturday April 4th. Devoted Father of Mike, Dolly and Spero (Courtney Flannigan); Loving son of the late Emmanuel & Helen Mandakas. Fond Grandfather of Alexa, Demi, and Ryan. Dear Brother of Cookie (Nick) Gryfakis. Loving uncle to Helene (Stephen), Paul (Valerie), and Stephanie (Michael); Cousin to many. Longtime husband to Janie Mandakas. Taki served one deployment in Vietnam as an Airborne Paratrooper and most recently served as Vice President of the Elite Forces, Chapter VI, 173d Airborne Brigade Association. In keeping in compliance with the current CDC and IDPH recommendations regarding gathering size (Not to exceed 10 people), all Funeral Services for Taki will be private. Please visit Taki's personal tribute website at info@PedersenRyberg.com or legacy.com and sign his guestbook. If you wish to send a Sympathy Card, Mass Card or donations in lieu of flowers to Elite Forces, Chapter VI for Taki's Family, send it to Constantine Mandakas c/o **Pedersen Ryberg Funeral Home** 435 N. York St. Elmhurst, IL 60126. The family will be hosting a memorial for everyone to attend once it is safe to do so. Info: 630-834-1133

Mueller, James H.

James H. Mueller, age 78, beloved son of the late Florence and Harold; loving brother of Barbara (Donald) Yara. He was a proud chef for Northwestern University fraternity, world traveler and exquisite singer. Visitation and Funeral Service private. Interment Oak Woods Cemetery. For information www.nelsonfunerals.com or (847) 823-5122.



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MUELLER, JANICE DAWN

Janice Dawn Mueller, 78, of Plainfield, formerly of Burr Ridge. Beloved wife of Arnold "Arnie." Loving mother of Dina (Michael) Gnat and Lisa (Scott) Reinhart. Devoted grandmother of Bradley Reinhart. Dear sister of the late Robert (Carol) Roegner. Also survived by several nieces and nephews. Visitation, Service and Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to Trinity Lutheran Church, 11500 German Church Rd., Burr Ridge, IL 60527 appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to **Hallowell & James Funeral Home** at 630/964-6500 or www.hjfunerals.com.



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Nast, Jr, OD, Dr. Daniel

Dr. Daniel Nast, Jr, OD, 101, WWII Vet, beloved husband of Darlene "Dolly" nee Yaffe and the late Phyllis nee Wertheimer; loving father of Judy (Paul) Cole and Richard Nast, and step-father of Alan Howard; cherished grandfather of Andrew, Jason and Dana Nast, Ben and David Cole, Bari and Michelle Howard; great grandfather of Talulah, Declan and Nolan Nast, Danielle and Lailee Dacks; brother of the late Ruth Kiesler and the late Marvin Nast; fond uncle of Dael and Allan Kiesler. All services will be private. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Illinois College of Optometry or North Suburban Synagogue Beth El, Highland Park, IL. Info: **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home**, 847-256-5700.



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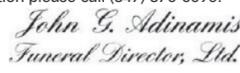
Nykiel, Frank T.

Frank T. Nykiel Jr., Proud Army Veteran, passed away after a short illness. Original owner of the Korner Shrimp House on Archer Avenue. Beloved Husband of the late Beverly, nee Palus. Loving and Devoted Father to Keith (late Karen) Nykiel, Kathleen Furgala, Kimberly (Gino) DiNardo, Kevin Nykiel and Kenneth (Lisa) Nykiel. Proud "Grumpa" of 15 and great Grand "Grumpa" of 2. Fond Brother of Lucille (Charles) Gibbs. Dear Uncle of many Nieces, Nephews, Cousins and Best Friend to many. Frank will be dearly missed by all that knew and loved him. Frank was a life long member of St. Camillus Church. Due to the circumstances with the COVID-19 virus, burial will be private. A Memorial Mass and Military Honors and a Celebration to honor Frank's life will be scheduled for a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations to your favorite charity would be greatly appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to Foran Funeral Home. Condolences may be sent to Frank's family on his personal tribute website at: www.foranfuneralhome.com. 708-458-0208.

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Panagos, Michael

Michael Panagos, age 88, passed away on Saturday, April 4, 2020. Beloved husband of the late Helen G. Panagos. Loving father of Alexander, Adriana and Michael (Jennifer) Panagos; devoted son of the late Alexandros and Eugenia Panagos; proud Grandfather of Benjamin, Sabrina and Nicholas Panagos. Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews and their families. Funeral and Interment private. Memorial tributes may be made in Mr. Panagos' name to Annunciation Cathedral, 1017 N. LaSalle, Chicago, IL 60610. Arrangements made by **John G. Adinamis Funeral Director, Ltd.** For more information please call (847) 375-0095.



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Pappas, Elaine

Elaine Pappas, nee Korompilas, of Oak Brook. Beloved wife of the late Steven; loving father of Dr. Pat (Lara) and Gigi Pappas; proud Yiayia of Dean, Steven, Steven, and Clara. She was a great wife, mother, and grandmother. A kind and generous woman to all. **Due to the COVID-19 crisis all services are private.** In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church, 2501 S. Wolf Rd., Westchester, IL 60154 would be appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to Chris J. Balodimas, Funeral Director. For info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.



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ON APRIL 7 ...

In 1860 W.K. Kellogg, industrialist and founder of the W.K. Kellogg Co., was born in Battle Creek, Michigan.

In 1862 Union forces led by Gen. Ulysses S. Grant defeated the Confederates at the Battle of Shiloh in Tennessee.

In 1927 an audience in New York saw an image of Commerce Secretary Herbert Hoover in the first successful long-distance demonstration of television.

In 1945, during World War II, American planes intercepted a Japanese fleet that was headed for Okinawa on a suicide mission.

In 1957 the last of New York's electric trolleys completed its final run from Queens to Manhattan.

In 1966 the United States recovered a hydrogen bomb it had lost off the coast of Spain.

In 1969 the Supreme Court unanimously struck down laws prohibiting private

possession of obscene material.

In 1987 Harold Washington won a second mayoral term handily, making him the first Chicago mayor since the late Richard J. Daley to win reelection.

In 1994 civil war erupted in Rwanda, a day after a mysterious plane crash claimed the lives of the presidents of Rwanda and Burundi. In the months that followed, hundreds of thousands of minority Tutsi and Hutu intellectuals were slaughtered.

In 2000 Attorney General Janet Reno met in Washington with the father of Elian Gonzalez; Reno later told reporters that officials would arrange for Juan Miguel Gonzalez to reclaim his son, but she gave Elian's Miami relatives one more chance to drop their resistance and join in a peaceful transfer.

In 2003 U.S. troops in more than 100 U.S. armored vehicles rumbled through downtown Baghdad, seizing one of Saddam Hussein's opulent palaces and toppling a 40-foot statue of the Iraqi ruler.

WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

ILLINOIS	
April 6	
Lotto	01 03 06 23 24 35 / 7
Lotto jackpot:	\$7.75M
Pick 3 midday	432 / 0
Pick 4 midday	7337 / 1
Lucky Day Lotto midday	01 13 21 40 44
Pick 3 evening	259 / 6
Pick 4 evening	3183 / 1
Lucky Day Lotto evening	02 11 13 25 34
April 7 Mega Millions:	\$127M
April 8 Powerball:	\$190M

WISCONSIN	
April 6	
Pick 3	779
Pick 4	2952
Badger 5	04 20 26 29 31
SuperCash	01 06 18 24 29 37

INDIANA	
April 6	
Daily 3 midday	899 / 4
Daily 4 midday	9048 / 4
Daily 3 evening	328 / 3
Daily 4 evening	2488 / 3
Cash 5	08 14 26 29 31

MICHIGAN	
April 6	
Daily 3 midday	267
Daily 4 midday	6956
Daily 3 evening	818
Daily 4 evening	5718
Fantasy 5	05 18 22 29 39
Keno	02 06 07 08 12 15
	16 18 21 32 39 40 44 49
	54 59 66 68 70 73 76 77

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Pavloski, Victoria M.

Victoria M. Pavloski (nee Kobylarczyk) age 87. Beloved wife of the late John. Devoted mother of Mary (Jim) Ryan, Therese (the late Jim) Dale, the late Andrea (David) Scott and the late David (Sharon Pielemeier) Pavloski. Loving grandmother of Brendan, Derek, John, Weston, Kevin, Corrine and great grandmother of Hunter, Andrew, Maxwell and Cole. Funeral services private. Express your thoughts and memories in the online Guest Book at www.palosgaidasfh.com (708) 974 4410

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Proctor, Marjorie

Marjorie "Honey" Proctor, nee Kessler, age 98. Beloved wife of the late Meyer. Loving mother of Cathy (Ignacio Tejeda) Burnett, Elizabeth (John Chiera) Proctor, and Michael Proctor. Proud grandmother of Chip (Victoria) Burnett, Jacqueline Burnett, Matthew (Jacquelyn) Chiera, Michelle Chiera, Emma Proctor, Benjamin (Akiko) Loth, Gregory Tejeda, and the late Christopher Tejeda. Cherished great grandmother of Caylon Gwinn, Tyler, Meira, and Aaron Burnett. Dear sister of the late Leonard Kessler. Private graveside services will be held and a memorial service will be held at a future date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Shir Tikvah General Fund, 1424 W. 183rd Street, Homewood, IL 60430, www.shirtikvah-homewood.org. Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfinfo.com

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Siegal, Brett Warren

Brett Warren Siegal, age 38, of Fort Myers, FL, formerly of Arlington Heights. Beloved husband of Rachael, nee Wellington; devoted son of Alyn, nee Wisbrod and Jay Siegal; cherished brother of Bari (Eric) Bagby and Chad (Kari) Siegal; loving uncle of Kara, Lauren, Tanner and Braylin; dear cousin to Jodi, Scott and Kari; Loved by cousins and Uncle Brett to Crosby, Reef, Eleni Ugent and Sami & Brady Copersmet!! A private family graveside funeral is necessary, however the service may be viewed Wednesday 10 AM at www.mitzvahfunerals.com live, or any time after the funeral. Contributions in Brett's name to the charity of your choice would be appreciated. Info Mitzvah Memorial Funerals, 630-MITZVAH (630-648-9824)

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Sodaro, Phyllis J.

Phyllis J. Sodaro nee Hansen. Beloved wife of the late Vincent C. Sodaro, Sr. Loving mother of Deborah (Doug) Freerksen, Vincent (Carol) Sodaro, Jr., Scott (Mary) Sodaro, Randy Sodaro & Charles Sodaro. Cherished grandmother of Spring, Danielle, Nicholas, Ryan, Tyler, Kaitlyn & Anna. Proud great grandmother of many. Dear sister of Carolyn "Ann" (John) Cabay & the late Betty Wheeler, Earl Dean Hansen & Alfred Hansen. Fond aunt of many nieces & nephews. Private Entombment at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home. thompsonkuensterfuneralhome.com 708-425-0500

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Stahurski, Ruth J.

Ruth J. Stahurski, nee Erzig, 91, beloved wife of the late Peter Stahurski; devoted mother of James (Barbara); proud grandmother of Lauren (Michael) Neville; Andrew and Mitchell Stahurski; great-grandmother of Jackson Neville; loving sister of William (the late Connie) and late Elaine (the late John) Braeckman; also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Interment Private Fairview Memorial Park, Northlake, IL. Arrangements entrusted to Chapel Hill Gardens West Funeral Home. Info. 630-941-5860.

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630-941-5860

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Tully, Michael D.

Michael D. Tully, age 85, of Oak Lawn. Loving husband of Maureen (nee Cummins) for 63 years. Proud dad of Mike (Sue), Dave (Kayla) and Laurie (Randy) Spears. Loving grandfather of 6 and great grandfather of 4. Dear brother of Dennis (Rosemary) Tully and the late Joan (the late Mike) Dolehide. Memorial at a later date. Express your thoughts and memories in the online Guest Book at www.palosgaidasfh.com (708) 974 4410

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Wilcox, Robert E.

Army Veteran Robert (Bob) Wilcox, age 95, of Oak Lawn, formerly of Chicago, passed away April 2, 2020. Beloved husband of 64 years to the late Marie Wilcox (nee Pauline Herbert). Loving father of Robert (Christine) Wilcox and Jeanine (Vincent) Shotas. Cherished Grandfather ("Papa") of Kevin Shotas, Scott (Kristine) Wilcox, Matthew (Megan) Wilcox and Carolyn (Kevin) Climack. Great Grandfather of John Robert Wilcox. Bob fought during the Normandy D-Day invasion on Omaha Beach, 1944. After the war, Bob spent 44 years as an Optician in downtown Chicago & retired as owner of Mahoney-Wilcox Opticians on North Michigan Avenue. He was a Life member of The Purple Heart, The Disabled American Veterans and Life member of Johnson-Phelps VFW Post 5220 in Oak Lawn. He served over 50 years as a leader in the Boy Scouts of America and a Member of St. Rita of Cascia & St. Germaine Church. Bob will join his wife Marie for eternal interment at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL. In lieu of flowers/memorial donations can be made to either Honor Flight Chicago or Scouts USA. A private service is being entrusted to Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home in Oak Lawn. thompsonkuensterfuneralhome.com

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Witt, Robert L.

Robert L. Witt, age 89, beloved husband of Ruth Stevens Witt. Loving father of Luann (Steve) Addis, Alan (Pam) Witt and Kurt (Julie Holman) Witt. Adoring grandfather of David (Gwen) Gola, Melissa (Matt) LaPointe, Caryn Witt, Kenny (Emily) Witt, Taylor (Mike Smolka) Witt, Amy (Mitch) Perkal, Tara (Jeff Roeske) Witt and Jaron Witt. Proud great-grandfather of 9. Loyal companion of Fairway. Services are private. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Michael J Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, P.O. Box 5014, Hagerstown, MD 21741-5014, www.michaeljfox.org Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfinfo.com

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JOHN SMITH
June 10, 1928 - May 17, 2018

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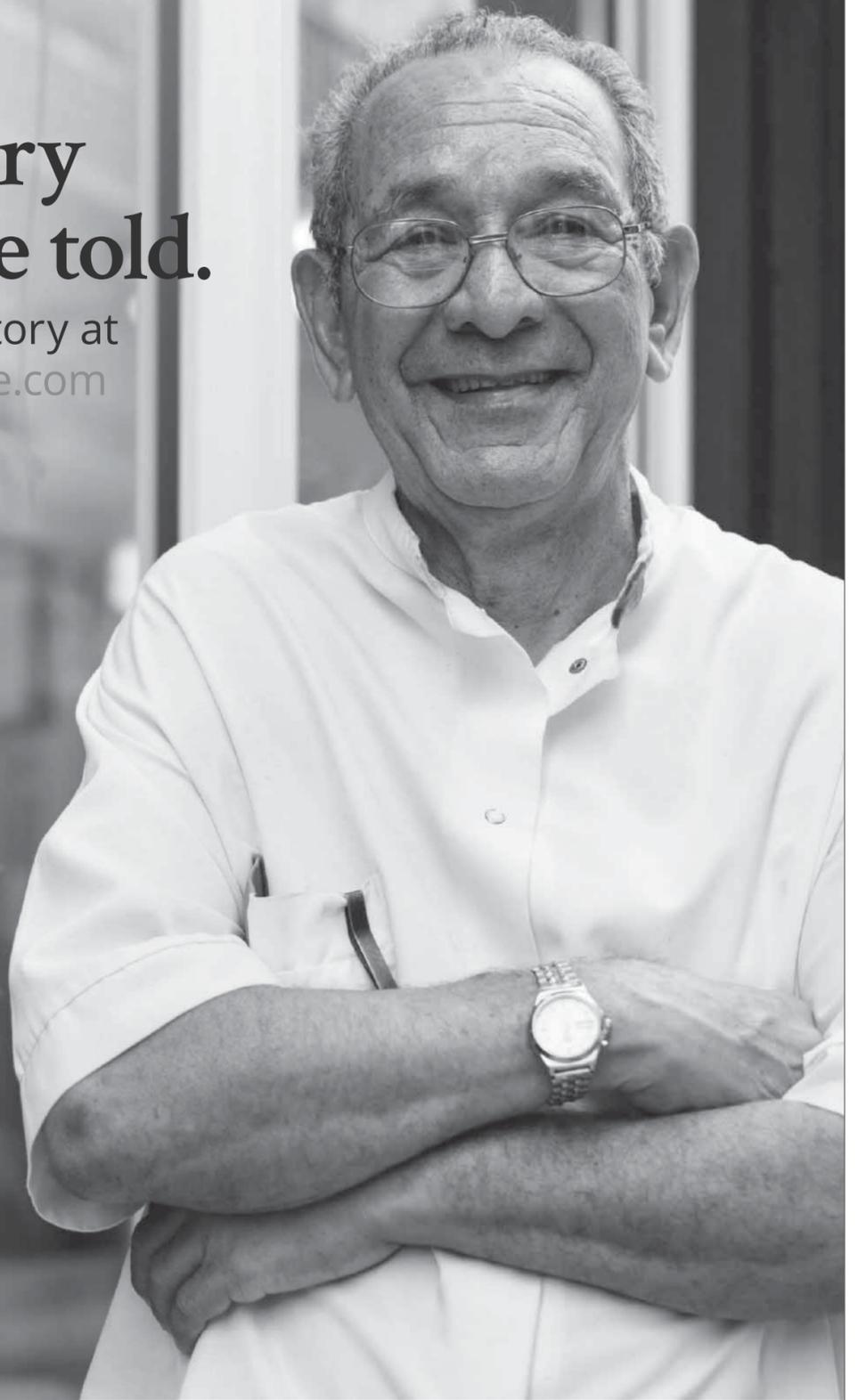
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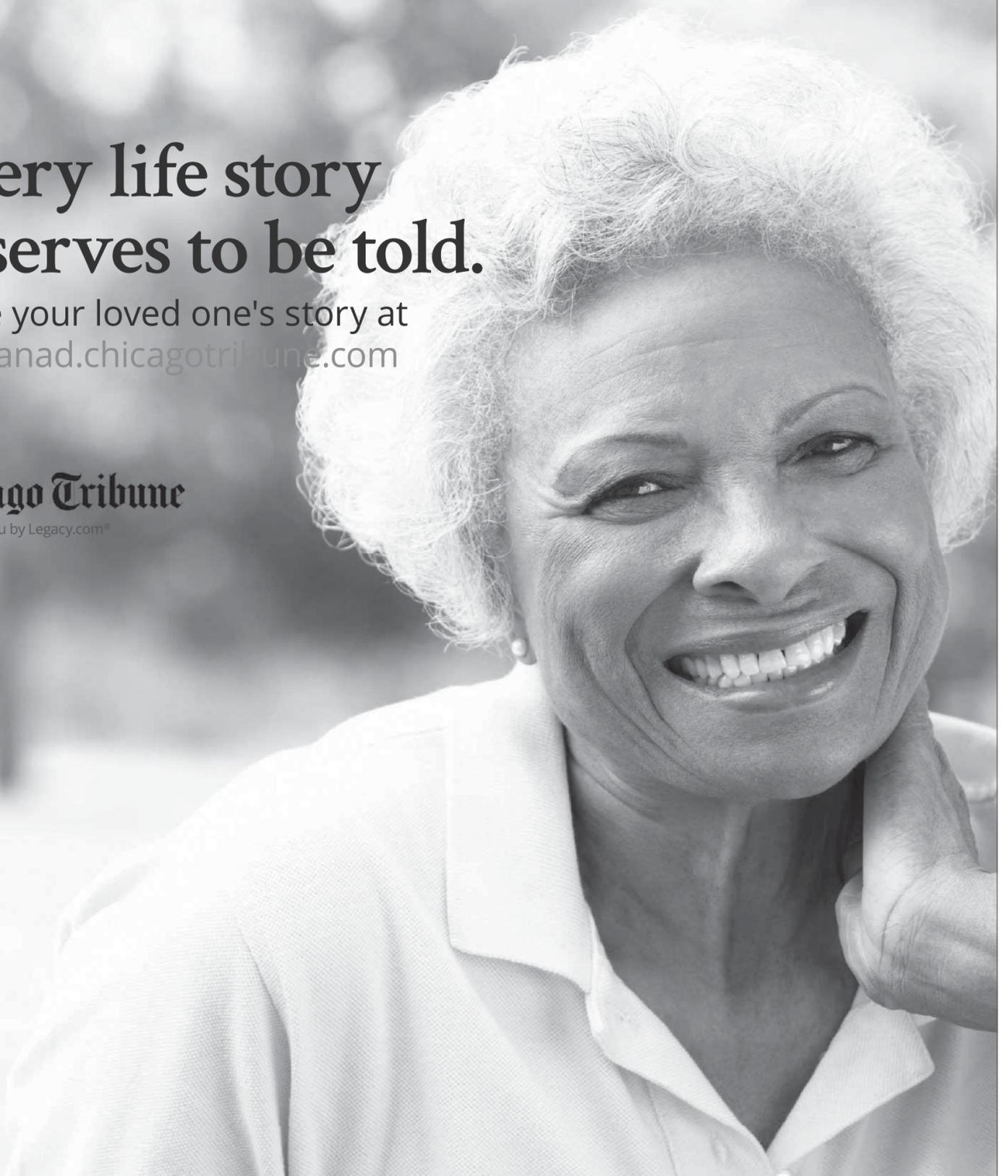


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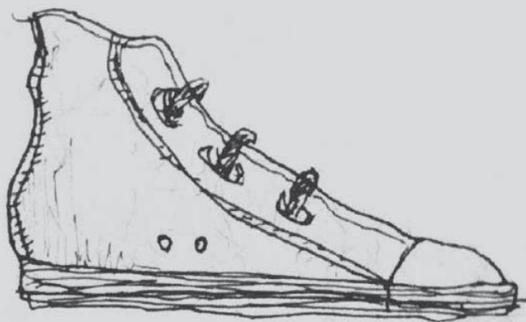
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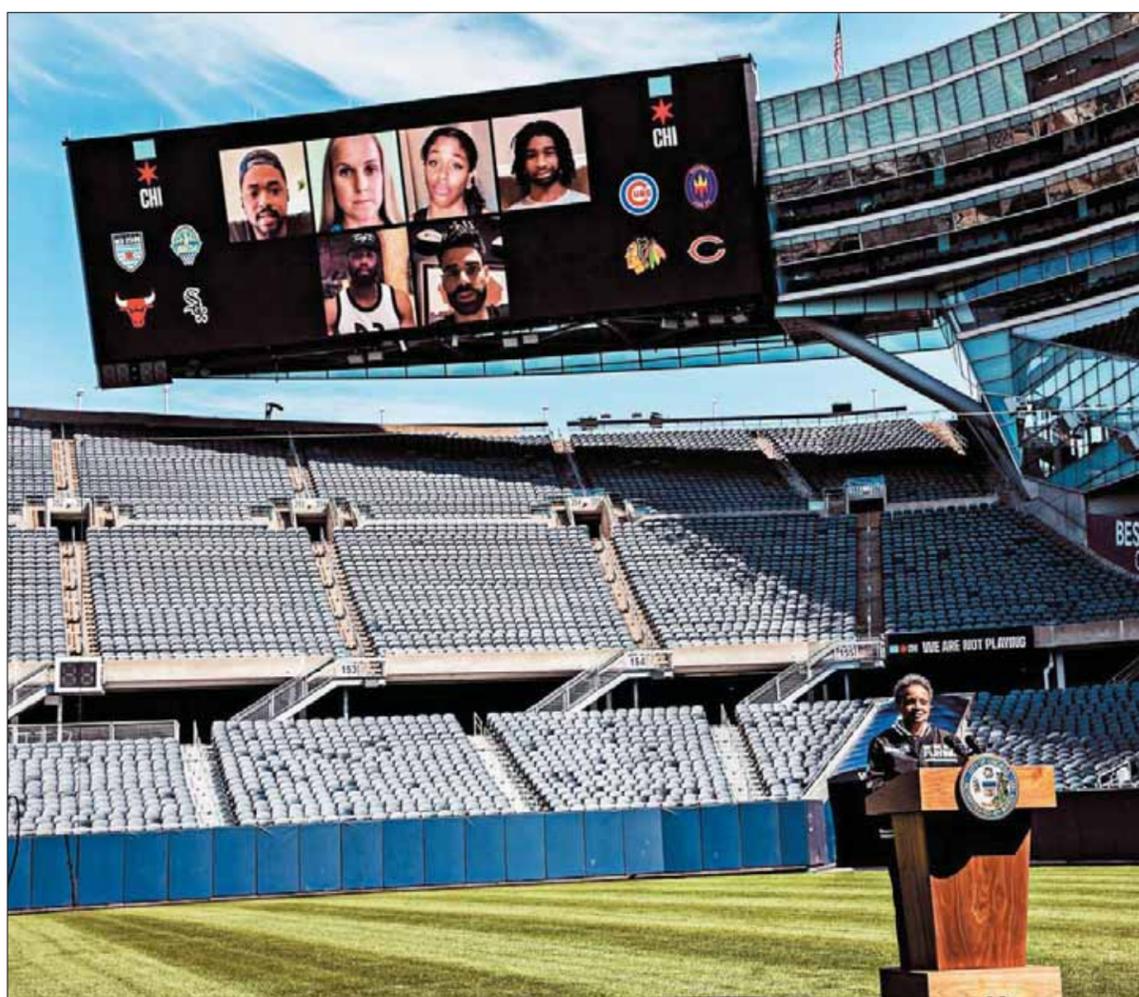
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Spread the word

Mayor Lightfoot joins eight Chicago sports teams in a new 'We Are Not Playing' ad campaign to help slow coronavirus

BY COLLEEN KANE

Mayor Lori Lightfoot is enlisting the help of Chicago's sports teams to urge residents to stay home as the city works to stop the spread of coronavirus.

Lightfoot walked onto Soldier Field with a backdrop of empty seats behind her Monday morning to launch an ad campaign called "We Are Not Playing" in conjunction with the Bears, Blackhawks, Bulls, Cubs, Fire, Red Stars, Sky and White Sox.

The campaign will start with digital ads and public billboards and include social media messages and videos from players encouraging people to comply with the state's stay-at-home order. It comes on top of Lightfoot's humorous "Stay Home, Save Lives" public service announcements last week.

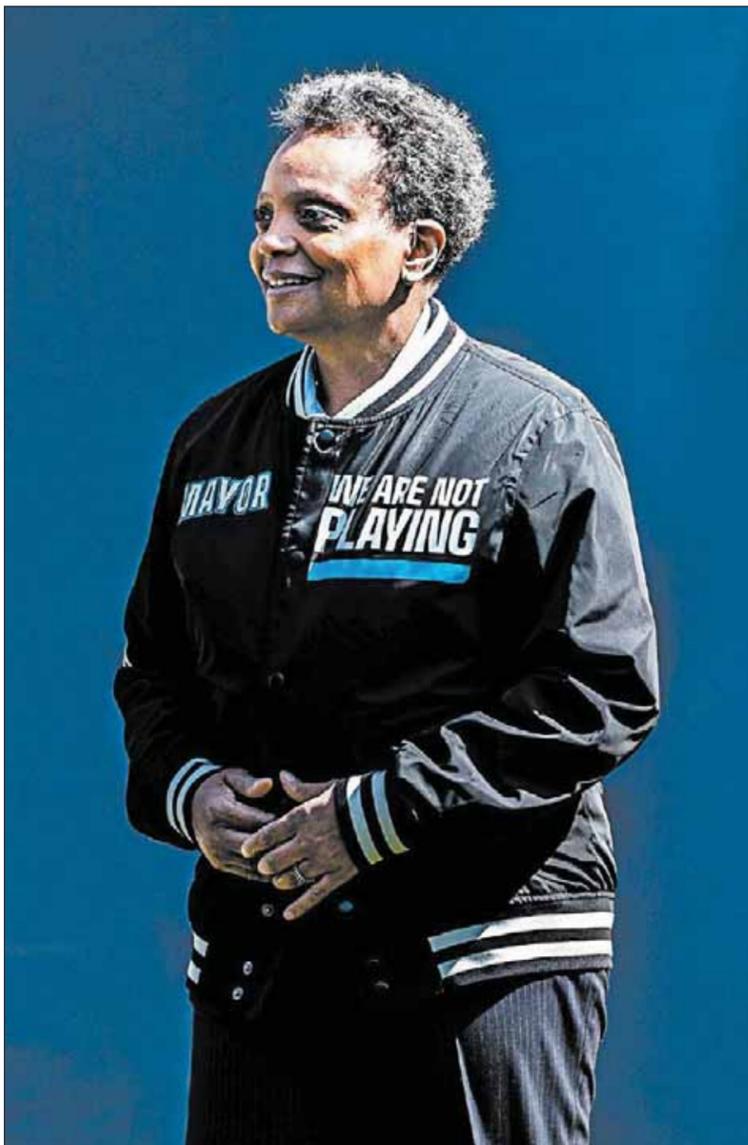
"We love our sports in Chicago, and we'd rather be here in Soldier Field or Wrigley or Sox Park or the United Center or Wintrust, cheering on our players and having a good time with our friends," Lightfoot said. "But as we know, this crisis has changed almost everything, and particularly our sports. Coming to these parks would be dangerous and deadly to ourselves and to our city."

"They're not playing, and neither are we. Thanks to their support, we'll be leveraging their vast network to drill down on the message of 'stay home and save lives' here in Chicago and across our state."

As she was speaking to reporters at the news conference, the teams tweeted out photos of their empty stadiums with the words "We are not playing and neither should you" on top. The eight teams' Twitter accounts have about 12 million followers combined.

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Mayor Lori Lightfoot announces the "We Are Not Playing" initiative at Soldier Field. ZBIGNIEW BZDAK/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS



WHEN SPORTS STOOD STILL

Keeping an eye on the impact of the coronavirus crisis:



MARIANNA MASSEY/GETTY

LSU quarterback Joe Burrow is the best bet to go first in the NFL draft on April 23.

NFL draft shifts to virtual format

The NFL draft will be conducted in a virtual format, with team personnel working from their homes.

In a memo sent to the 32 teams Monday and obtained by The Associated Press, NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell, above, outlined procedures for the April 23-25 draft. The guidelines include no group gatherings.

"We have reviewed this matter in the past few days with both the competition committee and CEC (a group of league executives)," Goodell wrote, "and this will confirm that clubs will conduct their draft operations remotely, with club personnel separately located in their homes."

All team facilities were closed on March 26, and Goodell has ordered them to remain shut indefinitely.

"We will reopen facilities when it is safe to do so based on medical and public health advice, and in compliance with government mandates," he wrote.

The draft originally was scheduled to be held in Las Vegas, but the NFL canceled all public events last month as a safeguard against the coronavirus. On Monday, Goodell instructed the teams on how they should plan to make their selections.

Plans for televising the draft have not been finalized, though it is expected that ESPN and NFL Network will do so, perhaps in a joint effort.

Also, the league decided to delay the start of its offseason workout program while formulating a plan with the NFL Players Association on how to proceed during the ongoing coronavirus pandemic.

Normally, Monday would have signaled the start of the nine-week offseason workout program for teams with new head coaches.

— Associated Press

THE QUOTE

"We're under lockdown, we can't do anything."

— Roger Penske to the AP after canceling the IndyCar doubleheader race at Detroit, which had been scheduled for late May. Michigan is under a stay-at-home order and workers cannot begin constructing the track. Penske is the promoter of the race. To ensure a 15-race schedule, IndyCar also announced several other changes.

THE NUMBER

8 Unanimous selections on the NFL's 2010s All-Decade Team. The list: Tom Brady, J.J. Watt, Adrian Peterson, Von Miller, Aaron Donald, Justin Tucker, Joe Thomas and Marshal Yanda. The 55-member team is comprised only of players who made an AP All-Pro team, a Pro Bowl or a Pro Football Writers of America all-conference squad from 2010-19. The Seahawks had the most honorees with five, including coach Pete Carroll.

BULLS

So far, just 2 candidates agree to job interviews

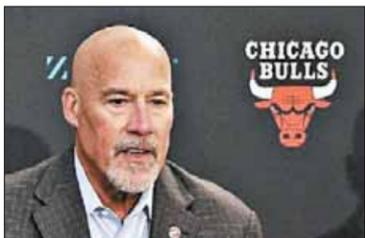
Several targets off the board in search for a top executive

BY JAMAL COLLIER

The first day of the Bulls' search for a new top basketball executive had its share of ups and downs.

On one hand, they secured permission to interview at least two candidates, hosting a video interview with Jazz general manager Justin Zanik, according to ESPN, and scheduling one with Nuggets general manager Arturas Karnisovas later in the week.

A few of their top targets are already off the board, however, including Heat assistant general manager Adam Simon, who



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John Paxson is likely to remain with the Bulls in some sort of advisory role.

withdrew his name from the search Monday, when a team spokesperson told reporters Simon would remain in his current role in Miami.

He became the second of the Bulls' initial targets to remove his name from consideration, joining Pacers general manager Chad Buchanan, who had been rumored as a top target since at least the All-Star break. Buchanan declined an opportunity to interview with the Bulls, The Athletic reported over the weekend.

And the Raptors are almost certain to deny the Bulls permission to speak with general manager Bobby Webster, who is under contract through the 2020-21 season, according to SportsNet.

That would remove three of the first four rumored targets from consideration in a search Bulls fans have already met with some trepidation.

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NBA Season suspended indefinitely
NHL Season suspended indefinitely
MLB Opening day delayed until at least mid-May



MLS Season suspended until at least May 10
NFL Draft set for April 23-25
NCAA Spring sports schedule canceled

Others: PGA Tour suspended until at least May 21.
NASCAR suspended until at least May 9.
WTA, ATP suspended through at least July 13.

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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:

Els: I looked 'like a fool'

(APRIL 7, 2016)

This story was published after four-time major champ Ernie Els set a tournament record with a quintuple bogey nine on the first hole at The Masters.

By **TEDDY GREENSTEIN**
Chicago Tribune

AUGUSTA, Ga. — This was Steph Curry air-balling a pair from the foul line. It was Roger Federer whiffing on a serve. Heck, it was Gordon Ramsay burning toast.

We've seen bizarre things in tournament golf, such as John Daly impersonating "Tin Cup" by rapid-firing six balls in the water at Bay Hill, or Kevin Na taking a 16 at the Texas Open after trying to hack his way out of the woods.

This was even more shocking.

This was Ernie Els, a four-time major winner playing in his 22nd Masters, unable to sink a short putt. Five consecutive times.

His adventure on the first hole Thursday was so bewildering, tournament officials originally believed he had recorded a 10, a number usually associated with perfection.

He actually made a 9, which still goes down as the worst score on No. 1 in tournament history.

Billy Casper, Olin Browne, Scott Simpson, Jeev Milkha Singh ... you and your quad-8s are off the hook.

"Can't explain it," Els said. "You have a 3-footer for par and walk off with a 9. What do you do? You get a funny feeling out there and can't take the putter back."

Before we go on, let's give Els credit. He not only discussed his mental frailties after shooting an 8-over 80, which included a missed 2-footer on No. 18, he did it twice, stopping for both the international and American media.

The 46-year-old South African shook his head while responding to a question about what it will take to overcome this: "I don't know. Give me a brain transplant. Got a little confused out there and ... you look like a fool. I don't know what I'm going to do."

Els mentioned that the great Bobby Jones once walked off the course at St. Andrews after losing a skirmish with a bunker. Els himself once bolted prema-



HARRY HOW/GETTY

Ernie Els reacts during the first round of The Masters on April 7, 2016 in Augusta, Ga.

turely from the German Masters after his ball refused to exit a hazard.

Asked if he considered quitting Thursday, Els replied: "Obviously. You're out of the tournament."

The fiasco began after Els missed the green to the left on his 177-yard approach. He chipped to 2 feet and missed the par putt. Then he flubbed the tap-in. After butchering another 2-footer, he stopped, said something to caddie Cayce Kerr and

smiled over the absurdity of it all.

Playing partner Jason Day turned away, unable to watch.

"It's the first time I've ever seen anything like that," Day said. "I feel for Ernie. I didn't realize he was fighting stuff like that upstairs with the putter. I've had chipping yips and hitting yips before, but not to a degree of missing 1- and 2-foot putts."

Els missed another 2-footer for triple bogey, then attempted a one-handed stab

OTHER APRIL 7 MOMENTS

1963: Jack Nicklaus, at 23, becomes the youngest golfer to win the Masters, beating Tony Lema by a stroke.

1985: New Jersey's Herschel Walker rushes for a USFL-record 233 yards in leading the Generals to a 31-25 victory over the Gamblers.

2003: Syracuse wins the NCAA Tournament with an 81-78 victory over Kansas. Carmelo Anthony, fighting a bad back, finishes with 20 points, 10 rebounds and seven assists.

2007: Vince Carter and Jason Kidd are the first teammates with triple-doubles in the same game since Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen in 1989, leading the Nets to a 120-114 overtime win over the Wizards.

2008: Mario Chalmers hits a 3-pointer with 2.1 seconds left in regulation to push the game into overtime, and Kansas grinds it out from there for a 75-68 victory over Memphis in the men's NCAA basketball title game.

2010: Don Nelson sets the NBA career record for victories by a coach in the Warriors' 116-107 win over the Timberwolves. Nelson with 1,333 wins, surpasses Lenny Wilkens to move atop the list.

2014: Shabazz Napier scores 22 points and Connecticut wins its second NCAA men's title in four years, beating Kentucky 60-54 in the final.

for a quad. He finally scooped it home from the other side of the hole for a quintuple bogey. Everyone at Augusta National felt for "The Big Easy."

"I'm sure I've seven-putted before," 1982 Masters champion Craig Stadler said. "The last four were hockey backhands, but ... oh, well."

Caddie John McLaren recalled Denmark's Anders Hansen taking four or five putts on Augusta National's sixth green in 2008.

"At this place, above all places, the hole just shrinks," McLaren said. "When you lose your confidence, it feels like you're playing into one of those little holes on the putting green that you use for practice drills."

What did McLaren tell Hansen afterward? "I hid in the corner," he replied. "Not much you can say."

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Four Bears named to NFL's all-decade team for the 2010s

Panel picks Peppers, Hester, Mack, Patterson for accolade

By **COLLEEN KANE**

Four Bears players were named to the NFL's all-decade team for the 2010s, the league announced Monday.

Defensive end Julius Peppers, outside linebacker Khalil Mack and kick returners Devin Hester and Cordarrelle Patterson were among the 53 players and two coaches picked by the Pro Football Hall of Fame's 48-member selection committee.

Only players who received at least one selection to a Pro Bowl, Associated Press All-Pro team or Pro Football Writers of America all-conference team were eligible. The NFL has picked a team every decade, with the first four picked retroactively in 1969 as part of the league's 50th-season celebration.

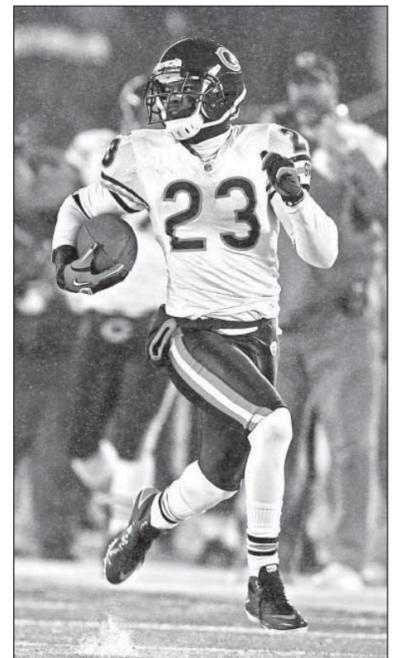
Peppers and Hester join quarterback Tom Brady, punter Shane Lechler and coach Bill Belichick as the only individuals on the 2000s and 2010s all-decade teams.

Hester, who ranked No. 19 on the Tribune's list of the top 100 Bears players, scored touchdowns on 14 punt returns, five kickoff returns and one missed field goal to become the NFL's all-time leader in return touchdowns during an 11-year career. He spent eight seasons with the Bears and also scored a touchdown on the opening kickoff of Super Bowl XLI.

Peppers, No. 63 on the Tribune list, played four of his 17 seasons with the Bears. He totaled 37½ sacks, 47 tackles for a loss, 10 forced fumbles and three interceptions from 2010 to 2013 in Chicago. He was a three-time Pro Bowl selection with the Bears and earned the third All-Pro nod of his career in 2010.

As current Bears, Mack and Patterson have time to add to their resumes.

Mack, 29, has been named to the Pro Bowl in five of his six NFL seasons and was named All-Pro in three of them. He was No. 80 on the Tribune list of 100 greatest



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Devin Hester became the NFL's all-time leader in return TDs over his 11-year career.

Bears after only one season in Chicago. Over four seasons with the Raiders and two with the Bears, he has 61½ sacks, 86 tackles for a loss and 20 forced fumbles.

Patterson, 29, has seven kickoff returns for touchdowns in seven seasons with the Vikings, Raiders, Patriots and Bears. He has averaged 29.9 yards per return in his career and won a Super Bowl with the 2018 Patriots. He had one return touchdown and averaged 29.5 yards per return in 2019, his first season with the Bears.

The Packers' Aaron Rodgers joined Brady as the other quarterback on the team, while the Seahawks' Pete Carroll joined Belichick as the other coach.

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Since the sports world went mainly dark



CURTIS COMPTON/AP

Major shakeup: No British, Masters shifts to November

BY DOUG FERGUSON

Associated Press

The Masters goes from that annual rite of spring to two weeks before Thanksgiving. The U.S. Open now is scheduled in September for the first time since amateur Francis Ouimet took down Britain's best at Brookline to put golf on the map in America.

And the oldest championship of them all won't even be played.

Golf organizations tried to salvage a season unlike any other Monday with a series of changes, starting with the British Open being canceled for the first time since 1945. The PGA Championship, which last year moved to May, would go back to August. That would be followed by the PGA Tour's postseason, the U.S. Open and Ryder Cup in consecutive weeks, and then the Masters on Nov. 12-15.

"Any Masters is better than no Masters," Augusta native Charles Howell III said.

Still to be determined was when — or even if — golf could resume because of the COVID-19 pandemic that has shut down sports worldwide.

Augusta National Chairman Fred Ridley said the Masters identified November as "intended dates." CEO Seth Waugh said the PGA of America was "holding" Aug. 6-9 as dates for the PGA Championship at Harding Park in San Francisco. USGA chief Mike Davis said moving from June to September was the best chance to mitigate health and safety concerns — Winged Foot is 5 miles from a hot spot of the new coronavirus — to have "the best opportunity" of staging the U.S. Open.

The British Open effectively is pushing its schedule back one year, saying the 149th Open still is set for Royal St. George's on July 15-18, leaving the 150th Open for St. Andrews the following year.

"I can assure everyone that we have explored every option for playing The Open this year, but it is not going to be possible," R&A chief Martin Slumbers said.

Golf's major organizations, starting with the PGA Tour and its calendar filled with tournaments, have been trying to piece together a puzzle for the last three weeks. Each agreed to announce their plans together in a show of collaboration.

Still missing is the starting line, along with some details on what could be the most hectic pace golf has ever known.

"We hope the anticipation of staging the Masters Tournament in the fall brings a moment of joy to the Augusta community and all those who love the sport," Ridley said. "We want to emphasize that our future plans are incumbent upon favorable counsel and direction from health officials."

Augusta National closed early this year because of the coronavirus and does not open until October. The bloom of dogwoods and azalea will give way to fall foliage. Instead of being the second full week in April, it will compete against football. At the collegiate level, Georgia is home against Tennessee that weekend.

"It feels like in these extraordinary times, we need to do extraordinary things," said Kevin Kisner, who grew up 20 miles away



PETER MORRISON/AP

The Masters at Augusta National Golf Club, top, in Georgia, now is scheduled to be played in November. The British Open won't be contested for the first time since World War II.

KEY DATES

ON REVISED MEN'S GOLF SCHEDULE

- May 21-24: Earliest restart of PGA Tour.
- Aug. 6-9: PGA Championship.
- Aug. 13-16: End of PGA Tour regular season.
- Aug. 20-23: Start of FedEx Cup playoffs.
- Aug. 27-30: BMW Championship at Olympia Fields.
- Sept. 4-7: Tour Championship.
- Sept. 17-20: U.S. Open.
- Sept. 25-27: Ryder Cup.
- Nov. 12-15: Masters.

from Augusta in Aiken, South Carolina. "We can sacrifice a little bit of our life being perfect."

The PGA Tour has tentatively planned to complete its FedEx Cup season close to schedule, with the Tour Championship finishing on Labor Day. It also is contemplating putting tournaments in dates that previously belonged to the U.S. Open, British Open and Olympics.

"It's a complex situation, and we want to balance the commitments to our various partners with playing opportunities for our members — while providing compelling competition to our fans," PGA Tour Commissioner Jay Monahan said. "But all of that must be done while navigating the unprecedented global crisis that is impacting every single one of us."

It was not immediately clear how the teams from Europe and the United States would be determined for the Ryder Cup, although European captain Padraig Harrington has said he would not be opposed to picking all 12 players.

For the 24 players, that means going from what long has been regarded as the toughest test in golf to what has become the most tiresome three days in golf at the Ryder Cup.

"It's definitely better than leaving the Tour Championship and going to France, or

leaving the Bahamas to go to Australia," said Patrick Cantlay, referring to the most recent Ryder Cup and Presidents Cup itineraries for the Americans.

Like everything else, so much remains up in the air until golf and other sports get the signal to resume.

Gian Paolo Montali, the general director for the 2022 Ryder Cup, said on Italian radio Monday that officials faced a May deadline to postpone the Ryder Cup back to odd-numbered years (as it was before the matches were postponed by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks). He described the chances as 50-50. Montali also said players already have vetoed a Ryder Cup without its raucous fans.

Other details also must be sorted out, such as U.S. Open qualifying. The next tournament on the PGA Tour schedule is Colonial on May 21-24, though that appears unlikely.

Ridley said every player who has received invitations to play the Masters in April will stay on the list. He also said the Augusta National Women's Amateur was canceled, and every player can keep their spots for next year provided they don't turn pro.

The U.S. Senior Open at Newport Country Club and the U.S. Senior Women's Open at Brooklawn Country Club in Connecticut have been canceled.

As for the British Open, Shane Lowry gets to keep the claret jug longer than anyone since Dick Burton, who won in 1939 at St. Andrews in the last Open before World War II. Burton went from "champion golfer of the year" to member of the Royal Air Force.

Lowry said in a video tweet he understood and supported the R&A's decision.

"You can trust me when I say the claret jug is going to be in safe hands for another year," Lowry said.

AP Sports Writer Andrew Dampf in Italy contributed to this report.

IN BRIEF

Hall of Fame Tiger Kaline dies at 85

Associated Press

Al Kaline, who spent his entire 22-season Hall of Fame career with the Tigers and was known affectionately as "Mr. Tiger," died Monday. He was 85.

John Morad, a friend of Kaline's, confirmed to The AP that he died Monday at his home in Michigan. No cause of death was given.

Kaline was the youngest player to win the AL batting title in 1955 at age 20 with a .340 batting average. The right fielder was a 15-time All-Star, won 10 Gold Gloves and was elected into the Hall of Fame in 1980 in his first year of eligibility.

The beloved No. 6 later sat behind a microphone as a Tigers broadcaster from 1976 to 2001 and was also a special assistant to the general manager.

Kaline finished his career with 3,007 hits and 399 home runs (what would have been No. 400 was lost to a rainout). He scored over 1,600 runs and drove in nearly that many.

He hit .379 in the Tigers' victory over the Cardinals in the 1968 World Series, when the Tigers rallied from a 3-1 deficit.

Colleges: Oregon senior Sabrina Ionescu completed a sweep of the major individual honors in women's college basketball by winning the Wooden Award for the second straight season.

NBA: The NBA told teams that they may not conduct or attend any workouts with draft-eligible players during the league's coronavirus hiatus, a major change from typical procedures. Teams also are being prohibited "from watching, requesting, or sharing any video (live or recorded) of a draft-eligible player or prospective early entry player taking part in a workout" during the league's shutdown. Teams will be allowed to conduct interviews by phone or video, though they will be capped at a total of four hours with any draft prospect. They can also send questionnaires to players in advance of any interviews. For now, the draft is still scheduled for June 25.

Soccer: Prosecutors revealed new details of alleged bribes paid to FIFA executive committee members to gain their votes for Qatar to host the 2022 World Cup and charged a pair of former 21st Century Fox executives with making illegal payments to win broadcast rights for the 2018 and 2022 tournaments. An indictment unsealed Monday in U.S. District Court in Brooklyn says Nicolas Leoz, then president of the South American governing body CONMEBOL, and former Brazil federation president Ricardo Teixeira received bribes to vote for Qatar at the 2010 FIFA executive committee meeting. Jack Warner of Trinidad and Tobago, president of the North and Central American and Caribbean governing body CONCACAF, received \$5 million in bribes to vote for Russia to host in 2018 from 10 different shell companies, the indictment alleged. Guatemala federation president Rafael Salguero was promised a \$1 million bribe to vote for Russia, according to the indictment. Former 21st Century Fox Inc. executives Hernan Lopez and Carlos Martinez were charged with making payments to CONMEBOL officials to obtain broadcast rights bidding information from a co-conspirator whose identity wasn't identified in the indictment. ESPN had U.S. English-language TV rights to the World Cup from 1994-2014, but Fox in 2011 gained the rights for 2018 and 2022.

Tennis: The ATP and WTA are examining contingency plans for post-coronavirus rescheduling, including the possibility of pushing back the end of the 2020 season. As of now, all of pro tennis is suspended at least until July 13.

ON THE CLOCK

16 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	

SPORTS

Bulls

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Vice president of basketball operations John Paxson is likely to remain with the team in some sort of advisory role, even if he reportedly has been among those pushing for an overhaul, and most expect general manager Gar Forman to do the same.

By kick-starting their offseason now, when the NBA season is still suspended, the Bulls are seeking to have a new executive in charge of basketball operations in place before the season resumes, whenever that may be. If the season does continue, that would give the new executive a handful of games to evaluate the team closely. If the regular season is over, a new hire could hit the ground running in a potentially condensed offseason calendar.

Other candidates could emerge, but the Bulls are targeting front-office executives from some of the most respected organizations in the league — often the right-hand man to the top decision maker — to oversee an expected overhaul of the organization.

Here's a look at the resumes of the two candidates the Bulls are set to interview this week:

Arturas Karnisovas

Nuggets general manager

It's almost becoming an annual trend: A team looking for a new executive seeks to woo Karnisovas from Denver.

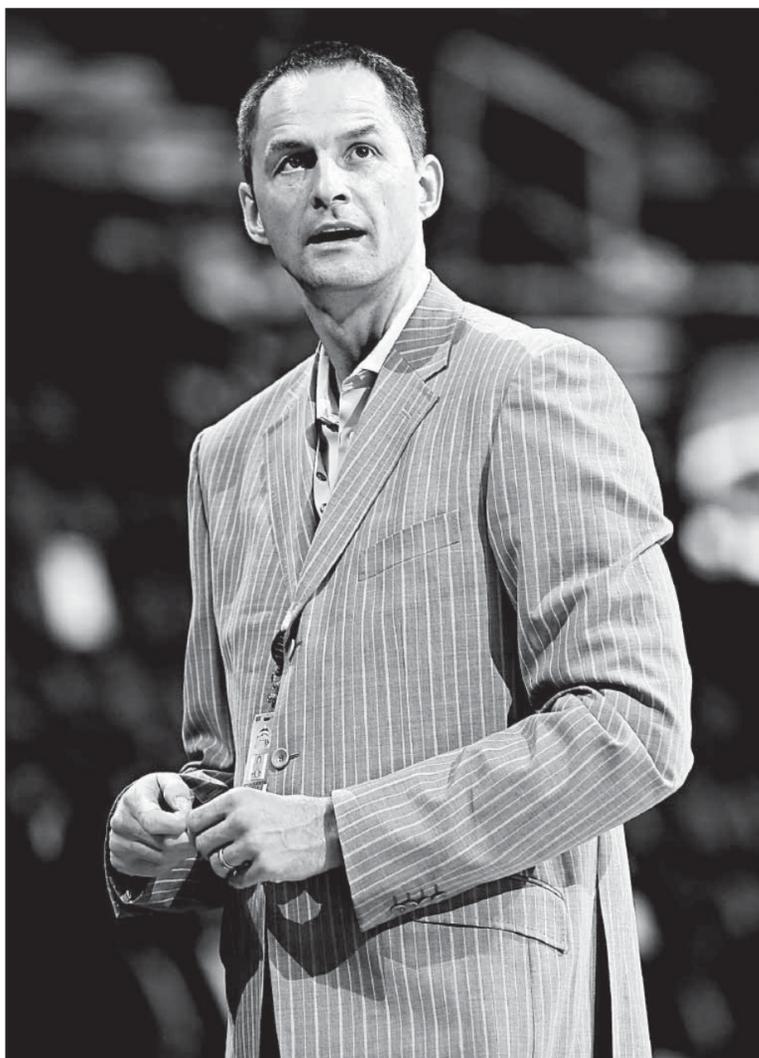
In 2016, he emerged as a candidate in the Nets general manager search, in 2017 he interviewed with the Bucks for the same role and in 2018 he turned down an interview for the 76ers job. Yet no one has been able to persuade him to leave his role in Denver as the right-hand man to president of basketball operations Tim Connelly.

In seven years with the Nuggets — starting as assistant general manager before being promoted to GM in 2017 — Karnisovas has helped build an exciting and successful young core, including pushing to draft All-Star center Nikola Jokic in the second round in 2014.

He was also on the other side of a trade that same night that saw the Bulls send two first-round picks to Denver for the draft rights to Doug McDermott. The Nuggets used those picks to select Jusuf Nurkic and Gary Harris.

The Nuggets were third in the Western Conference behind the Lakers and Clippers and on pace for 50 wins when the season was suspended.

Karnisovas also had a successful international playing career, including winning a bronze medal for Lithuania at the 1992 Olympics in Barcelona.



DOUG PENSINGER/GETTY

General manager Arturas Karnisovas has been with the Nuggets for seven seasons.

Karnisovas could give the Bulls someone with instant credibility as a talent evaluator as they hope to continue building a solid base through the draft and reshape their scouting department.

Justin Zanik

Jazz general manager

Zanik has roots in the Midwest. He was born in Missouri, graduated from Northwestern, worked in Chicago as a sports agent with Mark Bartelstein and at one time was considered the general manager-in-waiting for the Bucks in his wife's home state of Wisconsin.

So perhaps the Bulls job could entice him to leave Utah again.

He first joined the Jazz in 2013 as assistant general manager, helping set a foundation for a contender, and he returned to Utah in 2017 after he was passed over for the Bucks GM job.

He was promoted to general manager of the Jazz at the start of this season.

The Bulls have largely avoided the former-agent route that a few teams have taken to fill front-office openings in recent years, but Zanik does have experience as an executive. Considering his years as an agent, he has strong connections around the league, and he has long been considered one of the league's most promising rising executives.

The Bulls would have to give him good reason to leave his current role.

Lightfoot

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Lightfoot hopes the campaign will use the influence of local athletes to make a difference, noting how she saw a group of young people light up at the sight of the Bulls' Zach LaVine during NBA All-Star Weekend in Chicago.

White Sox outfielder Eloy Jimenez and Cubs catcher Willson Contreras were among the players to immediately share messages. Contreras delivered an Instagram video in Spanish, while Jimenez spoke in a video on the Sox Twitter account.

"Be a hero — stay at home," Jimenez said. "Do your part to slow the spread of COVID-19 and stay at home and save lives. Go Sox. Hi, Mom!"

Footo, Cone and Belding Chicago developed the ad campaign and provided creative, design and digital work pro bono, according to a press release. The announcement featured statements by executives from eight of Chicago's professional sports teams explaining why they were participating.

"I have always said that this is the greatest city in the world, and we all have a crucial role to play to protect the place we are lucky to call home," Bulls President Michael Reinsdorf said. "Teamwork, looking out for one another and coming together as a community is needed now more than ever."

The NBA, NHL and Major League Soccer have suspended their seasons, while Major League Baseball, the National Women's Soccer League and the WNBA have postponed the starts of their seasons. NFL employees are preparing for the draft remotely while team facilities are closed.

Lightfoot acknowledged the shutdowns impact far more than team executives and players, and she praised teams that have paid their workers despite the suspended seasons. The Bulls and Blackhawks announced March 14 they would pay about 1,200 United Center game-day workers through the remainder of their originally scheduled seasons.

"This crisis has been hard on all of us, and that very much includes our sports teams, who had to completely shut down their operations in order to keep us safe," Lightfoot said. "This has not only impacted the lives of the athletes and the front-office personnel, but the countless vendors, ticket handlers, custodians, maintenance crews and others whose livelihoods are based on having tens of thousands of fans packing our stadiums every day."

"That's why I want to commend the team leaders who have announced their plans to continue supporting these employees despite games being canceled. It's these kinds of actions that will allow our city to get through this crisis and get back on track as quickly as possible."

Crossword

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- ACROSS**
- 1 Say "I do"
 - 4 Bags
 - 9 Close with a bang
 - 13 Mosque leader
 - 15 Old hag
 - 16 As ___ as the driven snow
 - 17 Highest digit
 - 18 Traveler's stop
 - 19 Dainty trim
 - 20 Knoxville's state
 - 22 Smallest continent: abbr.
 - 23 Easy to handle
 - 24 "Blue Bloods" network
 - 26 Room recess
 - 29 Sentry
 - 34 Joyful
 - 35 Ran fast
 - 36 Hullabaloo
 - 37 Gets older
 - 38 Summoned on a loudspeaker
 - 39 Summer Olympics sport
 - 40 Gullible fool
 - 41 Eggs on
 - 42 Prehistoric homes
 - 43 More tired
 - 45 Move away; withdraw
 - 46 Horned animal
 - 47 Too slender
- DOWN**
- 1 Victory
 - 2 Give off, as fumes
 - 3 Great ___; large dog
 - 4 Plot craftily
 - 5 Got up
 - 6 Portable beds
 - 7 ___-highs; long socks
 - 8 Picked
 - 9 Pool party noise
 - 10 Outdoor meal
 - 11 Eyebrow shapes
 - 12 Track-and-field event
 - 14 Trusted advisers
 - 21 Shade of blue
 - 25 A-E connection

Solutions

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- 26 Pile up
- 27 ___ age; 18, in most states
- 28 Brunch fare
- 29 Bet
- 30 Big diamonds
- 31 Shade of purple
- 32 ___ up; tallied
- 33 Adjustable loop
- 35 Lose one's temper
- 38 Monkeys & apes
- 39 Wild canines
- 41 "Pull ___ chair"; friendly request
- 42 Coin worth little
- 44 Before today, in poetry
- 45 Chicken pox symptoms
- 47 Allowable
- 48 Goose's greeting
- 49 Come ___; find
- 50 Kelly or Wilder
- 52 ___ through; penetrate
- 53 Calcutta souvenir, perhaps
- 54 Early shipbuilder
- 55 ___ off; depart
- 59 Home office, maybe

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SPORTS

Potential playoffs a 'puzzle'

If NHL can conduct postseason, scenarios run game of when, where, how

BY JOHN WAWROW
AND STEPHEN WHYNO
Associated Press

Shorts and skates don't usually mix. Maintaining NHL-quality ice in August or holding a Stanley Cup Final in September? Those are far from the norm, too.

With the NHL playoffs, which were to begin Wednesday, on indefinite hold because of the coronavirus pandemic, anything and everything is on the table if Commissioner Gary Bettman's objective to complete the season is to be realized.

What the format will be, when play might realistically resume and whether the NHL might require games at neutral sites — how's North Dakota sound? — is anyone's guess.

"Those are all fair questions but not ones that we have to resolve right away," NHL Deputy Commissioner Bill Daly told The Associated Press by email, likening the situation for the league to a "a multi-faceted puzzle."

Over the weekend, the governors of New York and Florida both tamped down President Donald Trump's hope of sports resuming in August. New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo said: "I would love to see sports back to help with cabin fever. ... But this is not about hopes and dreams and aspirations and what you would like to see."

The NHL, which postponed play March 12, has several times pushed back its self-quarantine guideline — it's now April 15 — before players can even think about reporting to team facilities. The date is expected to be extended again.

Wherever and whenever the Stanley Cup is awarded, one thing will still hold true as far as Penguins general manager Jim Rutherford is concerned.

"Whoever wins it, it is going to feel the same whenever they win it, on whatever day they win it, as it would winning it normally in the middle of June," Rutherford said.

The latest the Cup has ever been awarded is June 24, in 1995 and 2013, with both instances following lockout-shortened seasons. The pandemic, however, has no timetable.

That leads to questions over whether the NHL will have time to squeeze in any of the remaining 189 regular-season games to determine seedings, or skip directly to the playoffs based on the current standings, be it by total points or points percentages.

In the percentage scenario, the ninth-place Islanders would have the edge over the eighth-place Blue Jackets in the Eastern Conference. In the West, the seventh-place Jets would be the odd team out with the Canucks in.

Other possibilities include expanding the playoff format to take into account the uneven amount of games teams have played.

The various formats led to amusing exchanges between players during recent video calls.

"I'd rather start the playoffs right away," said Alex Ovechkin, whose Capitals lead the Metropolitan Division. He then laughed and said, "Sorry guys," referring to the other three players on the call.

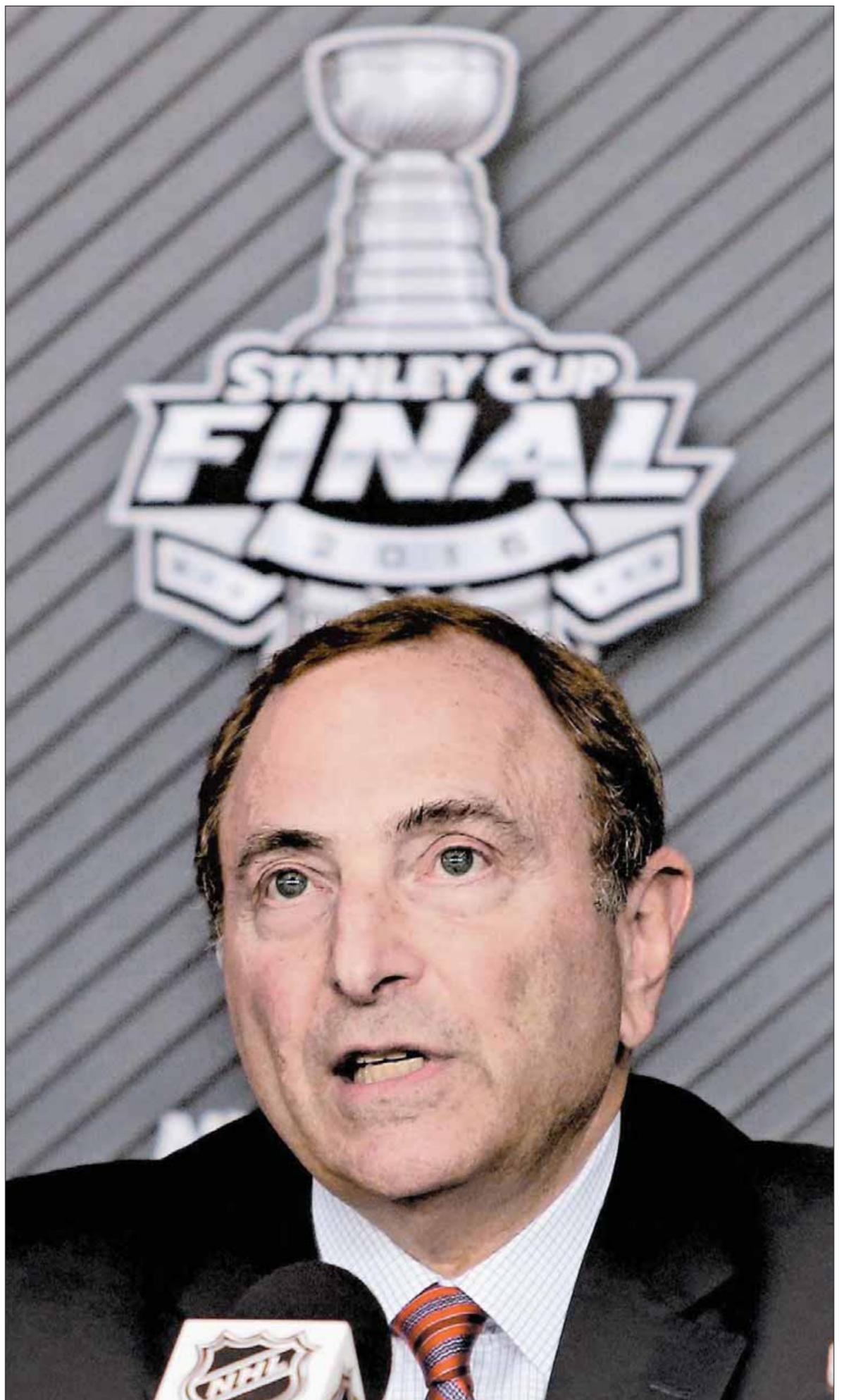
"Don't say sorry to me," Blue Jackets captain Nick Foligno said. "We're in a playoff spot."

Devils defenseman P.K. Subban proposed a 31-team format — every team in the league — which might be the only way the Metropolitan's last-place Devils qualify.

Others raised the need to play as many regular-season games as feasible to preserve the integrity of the playoffs, as well as a need to re-acclimate to the speed and intensity of the action.

The need for tune-up games wasn't lost on Oilers captain Connor McDavid. The Oilers faces the prospect of opening the playoffs against the Flames — a rivalry that featured several penalty-filled regular-season matchups already this season.

"I don't think you can just step into the playoffs, Game 1, have Calgary come to Edmonton and guys just run around and kill each other and haven't played a game in two months," McDavid said.



JUSTIN K. ALLER/GETTY

If sports resume in time, NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman would like to complete the season and award the Stanley Cup.

Flames captain Mark Giordano noted the playoffs would be additionally competitive because teams would feature healthy rosters, given the amount of time players have had to rest and recover.

And don't forget the goalies. "You can train and practice and stuff, but when you get to camp, I find the NHL shot and speed of the game is something you have to catch up on," Golden Knights goaltender Marc-Andre Fleury said.

"It would be nice to have a few to get back in touch."

Foligno raised a concern over the number of games some players might have to play over a calendar year should the playoffs stretch into September, and the following season being a month or two later.

"You've got to think about the longevity of guys' careers and their health as well," Foligno said. "Any idea is worth it at this point."

"But we've got to think about how we're going to go ahead here and smartly both on the business side and the health side."

Jets coach Paul Maurice was on board for any scenario, so long as it means providing fans a distraction.

"God, it'd be playoffs with fresh hockey players and it'd be pretty darn exciting," Maurice said Monday. "We'd play anywhere."

AP Sports Writer Will Graves contributed.

SCOREBOARD

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
Cleveland	20	46	.303	33½
Detroit	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

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

SOCCER						
MLS						
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	1	3	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	2	2	2	1	2
LA Galaxy	0	1	1	1	1	1
San Jose	0	1	1	1	4	7
Houston	0	1	1	1	5	5
Nashville SC	0	2	0	0	1	3

3 points for victory, 1 point for tie

GOLF	
SCHEDULE CHANGES	
102nd PGA Championship Then: May 14-17. Now: Aug. 6-9	
120th U.S. Open Then: June 16-19. Now: Sept. 17-20	
84th Masters Then: Thurs.-Sun. Now: Nov. 12-15 Augusta Women's Amateur, ccd.	
Open Championship Then: July 16-19. Now: Cancelled	
OTHER PGA TOUR EVENTS	
To be confirmed or determined	
May 21-24: Charles Schwab Colonial	
May 28-31: Rocket Mortgage Classic	
June 4-7: The Memorial Tournament	
June 11-14: RBC Canadian Open	
June 25-28: Travelers Championship	
July 2-5: WGC-St. Jude Invitational	
July 2-5: Barracuda Championship	
July 9-12: John Deere Classic	
July 23-26: 3M Open	
Aug. 13-16: Wyndham Championship	
PGA FEDEX CUP PLAYOFFS	
Aug 20-23: The Northern Trust	
Aug. 27-30: BMW Championship	
Sept. 4-7: Tour Championship	
OTHER TOURS	
Senior PGA Championship, ccd.	
U.S. Senior Open, ccd.	
U.S. Senior Women's Open, ccd.	
Sept. 24-27: Regions Tradition	
Sept. 4-7: ANA Inspiration	
Dec. 10-13: U.S. Women's Open	

NFL			
2010s ALL-DECADE TEAM			
OFFENSE		DEFENSE	
QB Tom Brady*	DE Calais Campbell	DE Cameron Jordan	DE Julius Peppers
RB Frank Gore	DE J.J. Watt*	DT Geno Atkins	DT Fletcher Cox
RB Marshawn Lynch	DT Aaron Donald*	DT Aaron Donald*	DT Ndamukong Suh
RB LeSean McCoy	WR Antonio Brown	WR Calvin Johnson	WR Julio Jones
RB Adrian Peterson*	WR Larry Fitzgerald	WR Calvin Johnson	WR Bobby Wagner
WR Antonio Brown	WR Calvin Johnson	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis
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WR Julio Jones	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones
FLEX Darren Sproles	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones
TE Rob Gronkowski	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones
TE Travis Kelce	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones
OT Jason Peters	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones
OT Tyron Smith	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones
OT Joe Staley	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones
OT Joe Thomas*	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones
OG Jahri Evans	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones
OG Logan Mankins	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones
OG Zack Martin	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones
OG Marshal Yanda*	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones
C Alex Mack	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones
C Maurkice Pouncey	WR Bobby Wagner	WR Patrick Willis	WR Chandler Jones

* — Unanimous selection

MEMBERS OF 2000s AND 2010s TEAMS			
Coach Bill Belichick			
QB Tom Brady	DE Julius Peppers	P Shane Lechler	KR Devin Hester
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ROSTER BREAKDOWN BY TEAMS

8: Patriots	4: Eagles	2: Broncos	2: Vikings
6: Chiefs	4: Rams	2: Cowboys	1: Colts
5: Raiders	4: Saints	2: Chargers	1: Jaguars
5: Ravens	3: Buccaneers	2: Dolphins	1: Jets
5: Seahawks	3: Bills	2: Lions	1: Bengals
4: 49ers	3: Falcons	2: Steelers	1: Redskins
4: Bears	3: Texans	2: Browns	0: Giants
4: Cardinals	3: Packers	2: Panthers	0: Titans

CUBS



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Depending on how you measure it, Cubs Kris Bryant, left, Anthony Rizzo and Javier Baez could each lay claim to being the fans' favorites.

Pop quiz: Who's No. 1?

Is it 'dazzling' Baez, 'mellow' Bryant or 'charitable' Rizzo? The fans have their favorites

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN

Javier Baez did something extraordinary during the Cubs' Aug. 5 game against the Athletics: He walked.

As he removed his elbow guard, ESPN's game analyst remarked: "Guys like Anthony Rizzo and Kris Bryant get all the love, but Javy Baez is now getting to be that superstar, one of the most well-known players on this team. This guy is a superstar in his own right. He has emerged as a fan favorite."

The analyst was David Ross, who will manage all three stars once Major League Baseball returns from the coronavirus shutdown.

Ross' comment raised the question: Who is the most popular player on the Cubs? And how do you measure it?

(Editor's note: The reporting for this story was completed last summer, but the Tribune waited for comment from Baez, who proved elusive.)

Here are the candidates:

■ Baez, the flashy infielder ESPN nicknamed "The Sultan of Smooth." (It didn't stick.) Baez can hit home runs and spit sunflower seeds almost simultaneously. He is baseball's best tagger ... after making that into a thing.

■ Bryant, the 2016 National League MVP. Tall, dark and faux-hawked, he carries a mellow vibe and seemingly gets along with everyone. And he was immensely popular with former Cubs manager Joe Maddon for being able to play five positions.

■ Rizzo, the longest-tenured Cub and unofficial team spokesman. He tag-teamed with Bryant on those hilarious Bryzzo Souvenir Company ads for MLB. And his charitable work is commendable.

So who is most popular?

Bryant and Rizzo see it the same.

"It's Javy," Bryant said last summer. "He's a human highlight reel. I'm definitely not as cool, but if you put me and Anthony together, I think we'd beat him out."

Said Rizzo: "How can you not like Javy? He has (the support of) all the Latin American people too."

There's data to back that up.

Baez had baseball's No. 4-selling jersey last year behind the Yankees' Aaron Judge, the Phillies' Bryce Harper and the Dodgers' Cody Bellinger. Rizzo's jersey came in 10th and Bryant's 16th.

How about Instagram and Twitter as a measure of popularity?

It's close.

Baez has the biggest Instagram reach (1.3 million) but the smallest Twitter following (507,000). Bryant's combination of about 1.75 million is a tick shy. Rizzo has the largest Twitter audience (885,000) for a total of about 1.68 million.

Nick Segovia, a sales associate at Clark Street Sports, said last summer that one Cub towers over the others: "Baez for sure. Second is Rizzo. Bryant, people like his style. But Javy has it all. He's very cool and a fantastic player. People love the 'El Mago' shirts."

Asked to estimate a percentage of sales among the three, Segovia said 65% Baez, 25% Rizzo and 10% Bryant — "with (Kyle) Schwarber close."

Schwarber, by the way, believes Rizzo is most popular in Chicago.



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"Rizzo is your old-school guy. Kris is your silent assassin. Javy is the showman. The kids relate to him more. Everywhere we go it's, 'Javy!' Everyone loves Javy. They love Rizzo too, but the kids, the girls, go crazy for Javy (above). He's got the look — the superstar, edgy kind of look."

— Former Cubs reliever Brandon Kintzler

"Over the country I'd say it's a toss-up between Kris and Javy," Schwarber said. "Rizz has made his name here, been here longer. He's the guy that everyone looks to."

The Anthony Rizzo Family Foundation does incredible work — and not only for kids fighting cancer. Last week it helped deliver 150 meals to staff and patients at Joe DiMaggio Children's Hospital in South Florida, not far from Rizzo's hometown.

"He is known outside the game," Schwarber said. "People love him. He's a giver. It's not a burden on him. He wants to do it. It's something we all look up to."

Said Rizzo: "You try to help anybody you can. You win some fans over, even some White Sox fans, by helping kids. That's obviously not the goal, but you hear that."

Bryant called Rizzo "the leader of this team, the captain, and he reaches so many people with his charity work. It's what I strive to do too."

Bryant attracts some non-seamheads by pulling pranks and through his relationship with Red Bull. Last summer the energy drink manufacturer set up a batting cage near the Chicago River so fans could watch Bryant launch missiles.

"With Red Bull I do have some crossover to extreme sports," he said. "I get so many kids

who show me their hair and I say, 'I'm glad your parents let you do that! Me, I do it (sport the faux-hawk) because I play baseball for a living and it's one of the jobs where you don't have to fit a certain mold. You don't wear a suit and tie. You can express yourself.'"

Big picture, Bryant said, "With all the attention on me super early on in spring training 2015, I feel like I got a ton of people into baseball. I don't know where I am now, I just appreciate anyone who supports me. Javy being from Puerto Rico, he has a huge Latin following as well as here. It's super cool and he handles it real well."

Former Cubs reliever Brandon Kintzler, who signed with the Marlins in the offseason, broke it down like this: "Rizzo is your old-school guy. Kris is your silent assassin. Javy is the showman. The kids relate to him more. Everywhere we go it's, 'Javy!' Everyone loves Javy. They love Rizzo too, but the kids, the girls, go crazy for Javy. He's got the look — the superstar, edgy kind of look."

Pedro Strop, now with the Reds, used to hang out with Baez on the road.

"We used to go to the mall and everywhere together," he said. "It's: 'Javy! Javy! El Mago!' I said: 'Man, I can't go out with you anymore. It's too much!'"

Rodriguez sees future in bullpen

Prospect could be a force despite injury, shutdown

BY MARK GONZALES

MESA, Ariz. — Cubs pitching prospect Manuel Rodriguez stayed in Arizona to rehab the prized right arm he injured March 1 — 11 days before Major League Baseball suspended spring training and delayed the start of the season indefinitely because of the coronavirus pandemic.

While baseball awaits the approval to resume preparations for the 2020 season, Rodriguez's recovery could create particular interest for the Cubs once workouts resume.

Before suffering a Grade 2 biceps strain, Rodriguez, 23, displayed a 99 mph fastball and ample poise in his first major-league spring training.

Rodriguez has yet to pitch above Class A, and his injury becomes a beacon for caution. But his velocity and three years of experience in the Mexican League could allow him to ascend through the Cubs minor-league system quicker than most prospects if he improves his control and health.

"He's one of those guys that's matured, and the time in Mexico helped him prepare for the big stage," Louie Eljau, the Cubs director of international operations, said before the shutdown. "And pitching in front of a lot of fans in pressure situations. He's one of those guys who can sneak up on a lot of people."

"He's a guy who can help us at some point for sure. It's a matter of when and what role. But he's a back-end (bullpen) guy for me at some point."

That timing will depend on Rodriguez's recovery and ability to continue his success in the second half last year at Class A Myrtle Beach, where he posted a 1.96 ERA with 33 strikeouts in 23 innings and a 1.04 WHIP.

The late improvement convinced team officials to put him on the 40-man roster in November.

"We see the age and that he (last) played in Myrtle Beach," Cubs manager David Ross said in late February. "But this guy has closed out games in the (Mexican League). He has more of a veteran presence. He's been around veteran pitchers."

Cubs scouting supervisor Sergio Hernandez, who covers Mexico, wanted to sign Rodriguez after the 2015 season. But the Yucatan Lions held his rights and held on to him for another season. The Cubs finally reached an agreement the following season.

"Since I was young, my goal was to make it in the big leagues," Rodriguez said before his injury.

"When I signed with the Cubs, I was excited right away."

Rodriguez's familiarity with Hernandez provided further comfort.

"At the beginning, when he saw me, he trusted me," Rodriguez said. "Several scouts came to see me, but they didn't have that trust. He did."

Agent Hector Gomez also followed Rodriguez with Yucatan and believed he would be a fit for the major leagues.

"Not only does he know how to pitch, but he's a gym rat," Gomez said Feb. 28. "He works hard and tries to outwork everyone. He expects a lot out of himself."

"It's always great in Mexico to pitch in front of your people, but you want to pitch on the best level in the world. So coming over here is a dream come true."

Rodriguez, who started his professional career at 17, benefited from playing with several veterans for Yucatan, including six-time All-Star closer Francisco Rodriguez.

"They helped me a lot with preparation and the mindset you need to have," Manuel Rodriguez said.

For Rodriguez to become a reliable late-inning reliever, he'll need to harness bouts of wildness. He walked 36 in 40¹/₃ innings at Class A South Bend in 2018.

He made strides in the second half of 2019 with only six walks in 23 innings, which he attributed to focusing more on first-pitch strikes with his fastball.

"Sometimes he thinks a lot," catcher Miguel Amaya said. "It's just about giving him confidence all the time, throwing nice and easy and focusing on the glove."

Rodriguez's injury, which didn't require surgery, coupled with the shutdown virtually wiped out any chance of a 2020 major-league debut.

But his snippets of improvement and power arm lend hope that he someday could stabilize the Cubs bullpen.

"He's had a couple bumps in the road with strikes and command," Eljau said. "He's always had a great arm. It's just a matter of harnessing his stuff and throwing more strikes, which he did last year."

Report: Cubs targeting shortstop in international signing period

BY MARK GONZALES

The Cubs have never been shy about stockpiling shortstops. As recently as 2015, Starlin Castro, Javier Baez, Addison Russell and Gleyber Torres were all part of the organization.

According to Baseball America's story on

the 2020 international signing period, the Cubs are projected to sign one of the top shortstops in Cristian Hernandez.

Hernandez, a 16-year-old prospect from the Dominican Republic, would receive a \$3.5 million bonus — the fourth-highest in the pool, according to Baseball America.

The list was compiled by projected

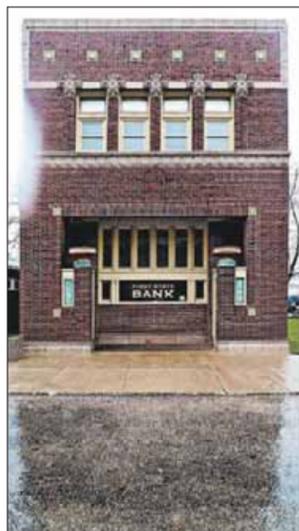
signing bonuses because the publication believed it wasn't fair to players who have committed to a team and therefore aren't being evaluated by other teams.

The 6-foot-2, 165-pound Hernandez is one of seven shortstops ranked in the top 10 among projected signing bonuses.

During last year's international signing

period in July, the Cubs signed catchers Ronnier Quintero and Brayan Altuve and shortstop Kevin Made to bonuses totaling about \$5.5 million. All three are ranked among the organization's top 24 prospects, according to Baseball America.

The 2020 international signing period is scheduled to open July 2.



CHRIS WARE

Architect Parker Noble Berry's First State Bank building still stands in Manlius, Illinois.

A young architect, taken way too soon

Parker Noble Berry's life was cut short by the 1918 flu pandemic



BLAIR KAMIN
Cityscapes

He was a young architect of tremendous promise — a native of Nebraska who was raised in Princeton, Illinois, and became the chief draftsman of the great Louis Sullivan.

Parker Noble Berry worked with Sullivan before striking out on his own in 1917.

A year later, he was dead at age 30, a victim of the global flu pandemic of 1918 that killed at least 50 million people.

As today's coronavirus pandemic rages, Berry's story has a new resonance — a tale of artistic potential cut short and a sobering reminder of life's fragility.

Berry "may have evolved into one of the country's great architects had he not succumbed" to the flu, Tim Samuelson, Chicago's official cultural historian, wrote to me in an email.

Drawings of Berry's lone remaining commercial project, the old First State Bank of Manlius, Ill., about 130 miles west of Chicago in Bureau County, are in the collection of the Art Institute.

Hand-drawn letters at the bottom of one of the drawings record that the designer was "Parker N. Berry, Architect, 5601

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JUSTIN BARBIN

Open Television executive director Elijah McKinnon, left, and co-founder Aymar Jean Christian. OTV premieres a live event Tuesday.

Innovative content now on center stage

Open TV ready to go live with fifth cycle of pilot premieres, shorts

BY DARCEL ROCKETT

Just because we're stuck inside doesn't mean our horizons can't be broadened.

That's where local streaming service Open Television (OTV) comes in with its annual OTV Tonight screening/presentation. Except this year, the distribution and development company, which usually holds the event at the Museum of Contemporary Art (MCA), is going completely live with its premieres of pilots and shorts on its web platform.

"I think people are definitely looking for opportunities for joy right now and looking for ways to connect outside the confines of their homes," said Elijah McKinnon, OTV's executive director. "We still want the energy of getting dressed up and going into the MCA on a Tuesday night and watching content that is revolutionary, so we're really happy about the fact that we're able to continue

pushing forward, especially after enduring the climate that we're currently transitioning in."

This time around, the intersectional web-TV platform will premiere "Conspiracy Theorist," an original pilot from Rebba Moore of Chicago. The piece focuses on Renee Hawthorne, a competitive doctoral candidate in neuropsychology, whose life is unexpectedly derailed by a psychotic spell. The other pilot comes from creators out of Detroit; called "Femme Queen Chronicles," it's a story of four black trans women as they navigate through love, life, shade and trade in the city of Detroit or as OTV's co-founder Aymar Jean Christian puts it: an untraditional pilot in that kind of inverts the "Sex and the City" model, where instead of single gals are buying Manolo Blahniks, they are missing paying their rent.

"I think all the things that we're showing on Tuesday are really challenging mainstream narratives," he said. "We're all being shaken right now, but I think it's cool that we're able to put avant-garde artistic work out there live and for people to watch."

A first for OTV, created and produced

by McKinnon, is the Brave Futures Film Race — a competition that challenged storytellers to create a short film in 48 hours using one intersectional theme, one prop and one action in metropolitan cities like Johannesburg, South Africa, and Berlin, Germany. McKinnon and other OTV staff traveled internationally to make it happen.

The awardee from South Africa is "Safe Outside," wherein a 24-year-old has internalized the shame imposed on her about her sexuality and a 15-year-old is settled in her expression of love. But it's the moment in which they collide that reveals an ascension. And the awardee from Berlin is "Seven of Tentacles," which looks at the adaptability of octopuses and asks the question: When self-care becomes synonymous with self-optimization and pop culture aestheticizes diverse sisterhood without acknowledging its complexity — what can we learn from them about surviving in a world that wants us to consume or be consumed?

"Brave Futures is really a provocation in how we show up and build communi-

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CSO prepares to launch series on WFMT

'Maestros Choice' will feature performances over the next 6 weeks

BY HOWARD REICH

Listeners who miss Chicago Symphony Orchestra concerts, which have been on hiatus during the coronavirus pandemic, will have a new way to hear them.

The Chicago Symphony Orchestra Association and WFMT-FM 98.7 are partnering to present six concerts, airing at 8 p.m. Tuesdays starting April 7. The series is curated by CSO music director Riccardo Muti.

"From the CSO's Archives: Maestro's Choice — For All Music Lovers in These Difficult Times" will feature music drawn from concerts conducted by Muti, recordings on the orchestra's CSO Resound label, archival CSO concert performances and commercial recordings.

"During these times of uncertainty, and with the absence of live music in our concert halls, I hope that people everywhere will remain connected to the wonderful artistry of the Chicago Sym-



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Conductor Riccardo Muti leads the Chicago Symphony Orchestra at Orchestra Hall on May 2, 2019.

phony through these special programs," Muti said in a statement.

Highlights include Muti conducting the orchestra and Yo-Yo Ma in Shostakovich's Cello Concerto No. 2 in G Major (April 7); Kirill Gerstein playing Brahms' Piano Concerto No. 1 in D Minor

(April 14), Muti conducting; and Bernard Haitink conducting the orchestra, chorus and soloists in Mahler's Symphony No. 3 (April 21).

"Chicago Symphony Orchestra audiences are extremely dedicated and enthusiastic, and the absence of live concerts repre-

sents a difficult time for everyone in our community and around the world," said CSOA President Jeff Alexander in a statement.

"We are grateful to music director Riccardo Muti, the musicians of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and Chorus, and to our cultural partner WFMT, who

have made this series possible. It is our sincere hope that listeners everywhere will enjoy and be enriched by these beautifully performed programs."

The series will be hosted by WFMT's Kerry Frumkin, who will provide commentary.

"We know many of our listeners in Chicago and around the world are looking to us during this uncertain time for a moment of beautiful music and companionship, for connection with an art form that is timeless and enduring, and for music that raises spirits and offers refuge," said Sandra Cordova Micek, president and CEO of WFMT and WTTW.

"Providing access to the artistry of maestro Riccardo Muti and the Chicago Symphony Orchestra not only fulfills our purpose to enrich lives, engage communities and inspire exploration but is also an incredible gift to share with our audience."

The programs also will stream on wfmt.com and the WFMT app, wfmt.com/app, and will be available for on-demand streaming on csosoundsandstories.org.

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Gaga curates all-star TV special

Lady Gaga and advocacy organization Global Citizen have raised \$35 million to fight the coronavirus and will launch a TV special featuring Paul McCartney, Stevie Wonder and Billie Eilish to combat the growing virus.

Gaga said on Monday that the money was raised in seven days and will benefit The World Health Organization. The pop star and Global Citizen also announced "One World: Together At Home," a televised event aimed at fighting the coronavirus. It will air April 18.

"We want to highlight the gravity of this historical, unprecedented cultural movement, and we want to celebrate and encourage the power of the human spirit," Gaga said during a news conference Monday.

The multihour special will include appearances by Elton John, David Beckham, John Legend, Eddie Vedder, Kerry Washington, Coldplay's Chris Martin, Lizzo, J Balvin, Andrea Bocelli and Maluma.

Gaga explained that the TV special is not a fundraiser: "Put your wallets away and sit back and enjoy the show you all deserve."

Country music's biggest stars play on: "ACM Presents: Our Country," a TV special aired Sunday on CBS in lieu of the delayed Academy of Country Music Awards, featured acoustic performances by country's biggest stars, special duets, clips from previous ACM Awards telecasts and a tribute to the late country icon Kenny Rogers.

Keith Urban started the special with an acoustic version of "Wasted Time" from his home studio. Carrie Underwood, holding a glass of red wine sitting on a couch, sang the song "Drinking Alone." Brad Paisley's wife,



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Lady Gaga and advocacy organization Global Citizen have raised \$35 million to fight the coronavirus.

actress Kimberly Williams-Paisley, played the role of camera operator as Paisley and Darius Rucker played together via video conference.

Canadian actress and activist Shirley Douglas dies: Shirley Douglas, the impassioned Canadian activist and veteran actress who was mother to actor Kiefer Sutherland, died Sunday. She was 86.

Sutherland announced his mother's death on Twitter, saying she succumbed to complications surrounding pneumonia. He said it was not related to COVID-19. "My mother was an extraordinary woman who led an extraordinary life," said Sutherland. "Sadly, she had been battling for her health for quite some time and we, as a family, knew this day was coming."

Actress-author Patricia Bosworth dies: Patricia Bosworth, an actress who once starred alongside Audrey Hepburn and later wrote biographies on several stars, including Marlon Brando and Montgomery Clift, has died due to the coronavirus. She was 86. Bosworth's stepdaughter, Fia Hatsav, told The New York Times that pneumonia brought on by the virus was the cause of death. Bosworth died on Thursday in New York.

April 7 birthdays: Singer Charlie Thomas is 83. Director Francis Ford Coppola is 81. Singer-guitarist John Oates is 72. Singer Janis Ian is 69. Actor Jackie Chan is 66. Actor Russell Crowe is 56. Actor Bill Bellamy is 55. Actor Kevin Alejandro is 44. Actress Sian Clifford is 38. Actor Ed Speleers is 32.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Canine custody creating rage in exes

Dear Amy: My boyfriend and his ex-wife (currently divorcing) still have a lot of contact because they share two dogs that go between houses. Every time they talk/exchange dogs, it turns into a fight.

He still has a lot of anger, and despite how much he says that he is happier now, he can't seem to move past his anger.

I am starting to think that he enjoys all the fighting and drama. His goal seems to be to get back at her, not move on.

I see a forever future with him, but I don't know how to help him get over all the hostility.

— Worried

Dear Worried: Your boyfriend is divorcing (but not yet divorced). Because he still seems so anchored to his ex-wife, you should consider the possibility that it is too soon for him (and you) to be engaged in a serious relationship. This is not because it is morally "wrong" to date when you are not yet divorced, but because in this case, this not-yet-divorced man is still in an active relationship with his ex. He is still "biting the hook," in that he is triggered and perhaps also seeking conflict.

His hostility is his responsibility, and he needs to want to relinquish it in order to find effective ways to release it. Compassionate professional counseling would help him.

The two of them could also look for ways to ease the tension when exchanging custody of their animals. One idea is to enlist a mutual friend to agree to temporarily be the drop-off point for the animals, so that these two bickering

humans never physically encounter one another (although people can find other ways to do battle).

If the dogs are together and seem to do well at each home, another idea is to make the custody period longer (say a month at each house) in order to simply cut down on the number of personal encounters these two humans have.

You should take a careful look at this dynamic and ask yourself if it is actually good for you to be with someone who doesn't seem to have finished the emotional work of his marriage.

Dear Amy: How should I personally deal with a boss whose disorganization and lack of will to get more organized is causing me stress and annoyance?

My field of work requires a certain level of OCD when it comes to organization. This assignment is a short-term gig (two months), but I need to find a way to correct, get over or accept the disorganization in order to increase my quality of life and sanity on the job.

— Annoyed by Chaos

Dear Annoyed: Unless you were hired expressly for the purpose of organizing your boss's life and business, then you will have to tolerate the challenges you've been handed.

In short, do your job to the best of your ability. Achieve the goal for which you were contracted. No, you don't need to correct your boss's disorganization. Your job does not exist to serve you, in order to "increase the quality of your life." Your stress and annoyance are of lesser

consequence in this context.

In order for you to feel better, you will have to remind yourself, each day, that you are not there to fix the world. You are there to do a specific job.

It might help for you to approach this challenge as if it has landed in your life to teach you something. What can you learn from this? One thing is that you cannot always control your surroundings — or the way other people move through the world. Another lesson is that you might have to specifically choose assignments and workplaces where your organizational skills will be a valued asset, in order to decrease your own stress and also to serve the organization.

Work through your two months, do a top-quality job, achieve the goals for which you were contracted, and move on to the next gig.

Dear Amy: Your philosophy (expressed to "Hair today, gone tomorrow") that female athletes should only be required to engage in the same personal hygiene as the male athletes is grossly flawed.

Under your theory, male athletes would be required to wear sports bras and tampons/napkins and female athletes would have to wear athletic supporters and cups. THAT would be "equality," right?

— Bill

Dear Bill: No, that would be idiocy.

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Chicago-filmed 'Empire' prepares for a quiet ending

Show's final season cut short because of coronavirus

BY TRACY SWARTZ

To celebrate the 100th episode of "Chicago Med," series co-creator and executive producer Dick Wolf visited Chicago in January and helped the cast cut a red velvet cake shaped like a human body on a gurney.

The 100th episode of "Empire," also filmed in Chicago, is scheduled to air at 8 p.m. Tuesday — but plans for a celebration were

scrapped because of the coronavirus pandemic. A Fox network spokesman said a "large party" for the 100th episode and the series wrap was supposed to take place the third weekend in March.

Not only was there not a party, but the sixth and final season of "Empire" was cut short amid the outbreak. The series finale is now set to air April 21.

It's a quiet end for "Empire," once seen as a pop culture phenom. The hip-hop drama, which stars Terrence Howard and Taraji P. Henson, was losing

viewers even before cast member Jussie Smollett was accused of faking a hate crime against himself in Chicago in January 2019. He has denied that allegation. His character, Jamal Lyon, was written off the New York-set series.

The "Empire" team was tasked with explaining Jamal's absence on the fly and cobbling together the finale, which will be the show's 102nd episode. There were supposed to be 104 episodes in all, but "Empire" and other Chicago casts stopped filming as the pandemic spread.

The sets were still up at Cinespace Chicago Film Studios as of Friday.

One hundred episodes was once considered the magic number for syndication. "Empire" reruns have been airing on the TV One channel since 2016.

It's unusual for scripted TV shows filmed in Chicago to reach 100 episodes because some series that film here don't even make it past the first season. Besides "Empire" and NBC's "Chicago Med," "Chicago Fire" and "Chicago P.D." have hit that milestone. So did "E.R." and "Shameless,"



CHUCK HODES

Taraji P. Henson and Terrence Howard star in "Empire," which will air its season finale April 21 — its 102nd episode.

both partially filmed in Chicago. Chicago was once a hotspot for daytime shows like "The Oprah Winfrey Show," "The Jenny

Jones Show" and "Steve Harvey," which easily surpassed 100 episodes.

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"Created in response to the COVID-19 crisis, this series represents a cultural and community partnership, offering a meaningful connection to the music of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra while live performances have been interrupted during the pandemic," said the CSOA and WFMT in a statement.

The ongoing "CSO Radio Broadcast Series" will continue to be aired at 8 p.m. Sundays on WFMT-FM 98.7.

Here is a guide to the new "Maestro's Choice":
■ April 7: Shostakovich's "Festive" Overture and Cello Concerto No. 2 in G Major; Prokofiev's Symphony No. 3 in C Minor; Muti conducting, cellist Yo-Yo Ma (recorded June 2018). Bonus: Selections from Prokofiev's "Romeo and Juliet"; Muti conducting (CSO Resound, recorded October 2013).
■ April 14: Puccini's "Preludio Sinfonico"; Strauss' Suite from "Le Bourgeois Gentilhomme"; Brahms' Piano Concerto No. 1 in D Minor; Muti conducting, pianist Kirill Gerstein (recorded November 2017). Bonus: Mussorgsky's "A Night on Bald Mountain" (recorded September 2016).
■ April 21: Mahler's

Symphony No. 3; Bernard Haitink conducting; mezzo-soprano Michelle DeYoung; women of the Chicago Symphony Chorus, Duain Wolfe, director; Chicago Children's Choir, Josephine Lee, director (CSO Resound, recorded October 2006).

■ April 28: Mozart's Overture to "Don Giovanni" and Symphony No. 40 in G Minor; Rimsky-Korsakov's "Scheherazade"; Muti conducting (recorded September 2018). Bonus: Beethoven's Symphony No. 1 in C Major; Fritz Reiner conducting (RCA, recorded May 1961).

■ May 5: Shostakovich's Symphony No. 13 in B-flat Minor, "Babi Yar"; Muti conducting; Alexey Tikhomirov, bass; men of the Chicago Symphony Chorus, Duain Wolfe, director (CSO Resound, recorded September 2018). Bonus: Strauss' "Also Sprach Zarathustra"; Reiner conducting (RCA, recorded March 1954).

■ May 12: Berlioz's "Symphonie Fantastique"; Muti conducting (CSO Resound, recorded September 2010). Prokofiev's Suite from "Romeo and Juliet"; Muti conducting (CSO Resound, recorded October 2013).

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JEFF LINTZ

Matthew Collins proposed to Savannah Whittington at Roxborough State Park in Colorado. The Chicago couple was supposed to get married April 4, but they moved the date to Oct. 4 because of the coronavirus pandemic.

To postpone or cancel?

Chicagoans weigh their options about major events

BY TRACY SWARTZ

On what would have been their wedding day, Lakeview couple Savannah Whittington and Matthew Collins plan to get Italian takeout, pop a bottle of champagne and watch a movie.

Whittington and Collins were set to wed April 4 in front of 165 guests at a history museum in Louisville, Kentucky. They postponed their wedding in mid-March as the coronavirus spread. Their new date is Oct. 4 — a day they picked because it worked for their venue and wedding party. But if the pandemic stretches into August, Whittington said she won't reschedule again.

"If this continues to go on and we can't have (the wedding) in October, we've already decided that we're not doing it. We're going to do something small here with close friends and family and just be married. I planned probably 90% of our wedding, and I'm not going through the planning process again. It's so much work," said Whittington, a 25-year-old real estate agent.

From spring weddings to corporate gatherings and sports games, events in Chicago and around the world are getting canceled or rescheduled amid the coronavirus outbreak. In these unprecedented times, it's tough to know whether to postpone an event or cancel it outright and when to make that decision.



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Merit School of Music president and executive director Charles Grode and Tahjma Hall-Mhoon at Merit's gala in 2017. The school has moved its May 5 fundraiser online.

Renny Pedersen, proprietor and creative director of Bliss Events in the East Ukrainian Village neighborhood, recommends postponing a wedding that is scheduled to occur before September to a fall 2020 date or later. Those who decide to postpone should work with vendors to find a new date, consider wedding insurance and inform guests as soon as possible. Pedersen said invites can be sent six weeks before the big day.

Pedersen said rescheduling corporate and private events is trickier. She's finding most organizations are planning new events around the same time frame in 2021 or postponing indefinitely, while others are trying to host their events on a virtual platform. She said groups should make their refund policies clear.

The Merit School of Music in the West Loop opted to move its May 5 gala online. Merit president

and executive director Charles Grode said discussions began March 12, when Gov. J.B. Pritzker and Mayor Lori Lightfoot urged organizers of events that could draw more than 250 people to postpone them until May 1. Pritzker's initial stay-at-home order was set to run through April 7, but he extended it this week through April 30.

About 500 people were expected at the Four Seasons Hotel for the Merit gala — its largest fundraiser of the year. Grode said details of the virtual gala are being worked out, but he's pleased about how donors have responded to the change. The school's in-person classes and lessons are now being held online, and decisions on moving events will depend on the amount of preparation needed for the event.

"We are taking this a day at a time and a week at the time because it continues to change. The first weeks it was changing hourly.

There's not a hard-and-fast rule on when we decide if we're going to postpone or cancel something," Grode said. "If it involves our students and our faculty, we obviously were not able to offer instruction as we have been, so that means we need to take greater lead time there to cancel. That's probably at least a month out before any event. In terms of summer — we have summer camps that we offer — we are continuing to take student registrations for those activities, but we will also need to monitor how the situation unfolds, in terms of sheltering at home and figuring out whether we need to take those camps to a virtual place as well."

The Old Town School of Folk Music, meanwhile, is in the process of postponing its annual Blue Jean Gala from May 15 to the fall. Rock legend Robert Plant was scheduled to perform at the fundraiser as part of a U.S. tour by his band, Saving Grace. Old Town School CEO Jim Newcomb said postponement talks with Plant's agents began in early March.

Newcomb said funds raised from the gala go to student scholarships and programs in Englewood and Lawndale, so the focus is on postponing and not canceling.

"We'll set a date because people need to plan and hopefully we have (coronavirus) controlled by the fall," Newcomb said. "If worst came to worst, we'd have to figure something else out."

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Blackstone Ave., Chicago, Illinois."

The bank, which opened in 1915, clearly reflects the influence of Sullivan, who designed a series of small "jewel box banks" throughout the Midwest in the late stage of a career that included masterful skyscrapers, mixed-use buildings and retail structures.

The bank features Sullivanesque terra-cotta decoration and urn-topped brick piers that form a gateway to its recessed entrance. The Prairie School design marked a sharp departure from the classical bank temples that led Sullivan to joke that bankers should wear togas and speak Latin.

Inscribed in the National Register of Historic Places in 1975, the Manlius building is the home of the local historical society and a museum. Last year, the society mounted a fundraising campaign to replace the building's deteriorating roof.

Berry also designed a bank in Chicago's Southeast Side Hegewisch neighborhood, but it was torn down in the 1930s, according to Samuelson, to make way for a combined store and apartment building.

"Amazingly," Samuelson recalled, "the architect of the new building carefully removed some of Berry's terra cotta ornament and built it into the upper story of the replacement structure."

Born in Hastings, Nebraska, in 1888, Berry was the son of a building contractor. He spent a couple of years at the archi-

itecture school at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, but left because he was dissatisfied with the curriculum.

After moving to Chicago, he had a chance meeting with Kristian Schneider of the American Terra Cotta Co., the longtime modeler of Sullivan's ornament.

Schneider introduced Berry to Sullivan and in 1909, when Berry was just 21, he became Sullivan's chief draftsman.

Berry stayed with Sullivan until 1917, leaving because Sullivan objected to him doing outside work. (Frank Lloyd Wright, who previously had been Sullivan's chief draftsman, was fired by Sullivan for outside projects of his own, the so-called "bootleg" houses in Oak Park and Chicago.) Berry's projects expanded to include a hospital addition and a home for elderly women.

"With Berry's career seemingly cemented at a very early age, the future looked bright," Pamela Lange, then executive director of the Bureau County Historical Society, wrote in a 2011 article.

But in early December 1918, Berry attended his father-in-law's funeral in a small town near Princeton. He contracted influenza and died on Dec. 16, 1918, according to Lange's account.

In light of today's warnings from government officials, one wonders if a lack of social distancing at the funeral contributed to Berry's premature demise.

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ty outside of Chicago," McKinnon said. "We're actually expanding not only just the platform, but also our reach globally. What's really beautiful about the content that we're showing from Chicago, from Detroit, from Berlin, from Johannesburg is that it's aligned. It's not aligned around a pandemic. It's aligned around this fearless, divine, revolutionary act of being

liberated and being a person who has the ability to share their stories and knowing that they have people in the world that need that and need to hear that."

Among the reveals during the live event will be interviews with show creators, comedic skits and performances, as well as an interactive game for the audience at home, McKinnon said. More content will be released through the spring and summer following this first screening on Tuesday, Christian said.

The remaining screenings will take place virtually in May via livestream as well, on May 1, 15 and 30. Christian said OTV really wants to put out programming that breaks the molds of what traditional TV is. In summer, OTV will launch its app, which will provide exclusive content that adds to that mission.

"We know that our audience is gender-diverse, racially-diverse, age-diverse, ability-diverse and really runs the gamut," he said. "For us, it's about showing the power of inter-

sectionality and what would TV look like if it actually tried to represent people who aren't just heterosexual, white rich men. I think once you shift your focus a little bit, you'll see there's a tremendous wealth of cultural capital in everyone who is excluded by traditional television."

The live event will take place on Tuesday at 7 p.m., just a few months shy of OTV's fifth anniversary.

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WATCH THIS: TUESDAY



Jane Leeves

“The Resident” (7 p.m., FOX): Kit (Jane Leeves) worries that her son-in-law Derek (guest star Andy Ridings) is about to become the latest victim of Cain’s (Morris Chestnut) cover-up when a serious complication causes his condition to plummet in the Season 3 finale “Burn It All Down.” The other doctors finally get a glimpse into Cain’s personal life when his ex-girlfriend is admitted to Chastain for surgery.

“Schitt’s Creek” (7 p.m., Comedy Central): The little Canadian sitcom that blossomed into a pop culture phenomenon over the course of six seasons calls it a wrap with a bittersweet finale primarily set mainly at the wedding of David Rose (Daniel Levy) and his fiancé, Patrick Brewer (Noah Reid). Eugene Levy, Catherine O’Hara and Annie Murphy also star. This series finale is followed immediately by a behind-the-scenes special celebrating the show.

“Empire” (8 p.m., FOX): A heartbroken Cookie and Lucious (Taraji P. Henson, Terrence Howard) have Andre (Trai Byers) admitted to a treatment center after witnessing his breakdown in “We Got Us,” this show’s 100th episode. It’s the same facility where Leah (guest star Leslie Uggams) is a patient, and Cookie, stricken with guilt over her son’s pain, wonders how their lives would have been different if she never had gone to prison.

“Coyote Peterson: Brave the Wild” (8 p.m., 12 a.m., 4 a.m., ANIM): In the Season 1 finale, “Phantom of the Outback,” host Coyote Peterson looks for the most elusive creature of his Australian odyssey, the perentie. The largest monitor lizard in the world, this critter also is the fourth-largest living lizard on Earth, yet is almost never seen by humans because it’s innately very shy.

“Chopped” (8 p.m., 11 p.m., Food): Host Ted Allen’s culinary competition opens Season 46 with a batch of “Beat the Judge” episodes that follow an unprecedented format, as returning “Chopped” winners return to compete for a chance to face off against one of the show’s superstar judges, starting tonight with Alex Guarnaschelli.

“The Last O.G.” (9:30 p.m., 10:30 p.m., TBS): One of cable’s most successful sitcoms returns for Season 3, which sees its main character, Tray (Tracy Morgan), in dire need of a new place to live, since his food truck went up in flames during Season 2. Landing in Brooklyn with no means of support, Tray begins to give “hood legend” walking tours of the gentrified borough that keeps changing.

TALK SHOWS

“Conan” (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Television host Stephen Colbert.*

“The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon” (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actress Kerry Washington; professional football player Russell Wilson; singer Ciara; best of Fallon.*

“The Late Show With Stephen Colbert” (10:35 p.m., CBS): The comic interviews guests and introduces musical performances.*

“Jimmy Kimmel Live!” (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

* Subject to change

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TUESDAY EVENING, APR. 7

	MOVIES										
	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00			
BROADCAST	CBS 2	NCIS: “Musical Chairs.” ©		FBI: “Outsider.” ©		FBI: Most Wanted: “Caesar.” ©		News (N) ▶			
	NBC 5	Ellen’s Game of Games (N) ©		New Amsterdam: “The Island.” ©		NBC News-Coronavirus Pandemic (N)		NBC 5 News (N) ▶			
	ABC 7	The Conners (N) ©	Bless This Mess (N)	mixed-ish (N) ©	black-ish (N) ©	For Life: “Daylight.” (N)		News at 10pm (N) ▶			
	WGN 9	black-ish: “Old Digger.” ©	black-ish ©	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N) ©		WGN News at Ten (N) ▶			
	Antenna 9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	3’s Comp. ©	3’s Comp. ©	Johnny Carson ©		Coach ©			
	Court 9.3	Court TV Live (N) (Live) ©									
	PBS 11	Chicago Tonight (N)									
	CW 26.1	Supergirl ©		Batwoman ©		Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©			
	The U 26.2	Dr. Phil ©		Tamron Hall ©		Steve Wilkos Show (N)		Cops ©			
	MeTV 26.3	Andy Griffith ©	Andy Griffith ©	Gomer Pyle ©	Green Acres ©	Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett ©			
H&I 26.4	Star Trek ©		Star Trek: Next ©		Star Trek: Deep Space 9 ©		Star Trek ©				
Bounce 26.5	The Nomads (NR,19) Tika Sumpter. ©										
FOX 32	The Resident: “Burn It All Down.” (Season Finale) (N) ©		Empire: “We Got Us.” (N) ©		Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		Modern Family ©				
Ion 38	Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Criminal ▶				
TeleM 44	Cennet (N) ©		La Doña (N) ©		Operación Pacífico (N) ©		Chicago (N)				
MNT 50	Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D.: “Pain Killer.” ©		Chicago P.D.: “This City.” ©		Chicago ▶				
UniMas 60	Shall We Dance? (PG-13,04) ★★ Richard Gere.										
WJYS 62	Israel ©	Paid Prog. ©	Joyce Meyer ©	Robison ©	Dr. T Felder ©	Paid Prog. ©	Paid Prog. ©				
Univ 66	Ringo (N)		Amor eterno (N)		Destino ©		Noticias (N)				
CABLE	AE	The First 48 ©		The First 48: Women (N)		The First 48: Women (N)		First 48 ▶			
	AMC	Blade (R,98) ★★ Wesley Snipes, Stephen Dorff. ©				(9:45) Blade II (02) ★★					
	ANIM	Coyote P (N) [Coyote P (N) Coyote Peters (Season Finale) (N)] TM: Branched Out (N) ▶									
	BBCA	Jumanji (PG,95) ★★ Robin Williams, Bonnie Hunt. ©				(9:15) Jumanji (PG,95) ★★ ©					
	BET	★ (5:30) Meet the Browns		Diary of a Mad Black Woman (PG-13,05) ★★ Kimberly Elise. ©							
	BIGTEN	Wisconsin		The Journey		College Wrestling From Jan. 10, 2020. ©					
	BRAVO	Vanderpump Rules ©		Vanderpump Rules (N)		Family Karma ©		Watch (N)			
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		Tonight (N) ▶			
	COM	Creek (N)	The Office	The Office		The Office		The Office			
	DISC	Deadliest Catch (N) ©									
	DISN	Descendants 2 (NR,17) Dove Cameron. ©									
	E!	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley	Chrisley		
	ESPN	★ (6) MLB Baseball From Sept. 6, 1995.									
	ESPN2	★ (6) NBA 2K Players Tournament: Quarterfinals. (N) (Live)									
	FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)		Hannity (N) ©		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News			
	FOOD	Chopped ©		Chopped (Season Premiere) (N) ©		Supermarket Stakeout (N)		market ▶			
	FREE	★ (5:30) Grown Ups (10) ★		Matilda (PG,96) ★★ Mara Wilson, Danny DeVito. ©				700 Club ▶			
	FX	Hidden Figures (PG,16) ★★ Taraji P. Henson, Octavia Spencer. ©									
	HALL	The Convenient Groom (NR,16) Vanessa Marcil. ©		Golden Girls		Golden Girls		Golden Girls			
	HGTV	Love It or List It (N)	Unsellable	Unsellable		Hunters (N)	Hunt Intl (N)	Love-List ▶			
	HIST	Digging Deeper (N)		Curse-Island (N)		The Secret of Skinwalker		Oak Island ▶			
	HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic		Forensic		Forensic			
	IFC	Training Day (R,01) ★★ Denzel Washington, Ethan Hawke. ©									
	LIFE	Tyler Perry’s Madea’s Big Happy Family (PG-13,11) ★★ ©									
	MSNBC	All In With (N)		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)			
	MTV	Teen Mom OG ©		Ridiculous.		Ridiculous.		Ridiculous.			
	NATGEO	Life Below Zero: Port									
	NBCSCH	TBA	To be announced					TBA ▶			
	NICK	Danger	SpongeBob	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©			
	OVATION	★ (6) Ray (PG-13,04) ★★ Jamie Foxx, Kerry Washington. ©									
OWN	If Loving You Is Wrong		If Loving You Is Wrong		Loving You (N)		Loving ▶				
OPY	Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D.: “Trigger.” ©		Chicago ▶				
PARMT	Beverly Hills Cop (R,84) ★★ Eddie Murphy. ©										
SYFY	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone	Twi. Zone				
TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Last O.G.	Conan © ▶				
TCM	Cry of the City (NR,48) ★★ Victor Mature. ©										
TLC	Little People, World (N)										
TLN	Way-Master	Studio 5	Dream Motel	GEN Voices	Life Today	Insights	Paid Prog. ▶				
TNT	★ (6:30) The Accountant (R,16) ★★ Ben Affleck.										
TOON	Home Movie	Burgers	Burgers	Rick, Morty	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Fam. Guy ▶				
TRAV	Ghost Adventures: “Ireland’s Dark Haunts.” (N) ©										
TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men	King				
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VH1	Wild/Out (N)	Wild ‘n Out	Wild ‘n Out	Wild ‘n Out	Wild ‘n Out	Wild ‘n Out	Wild ‘n Out				
WE	Law & Order ©		Law & Order: “Collision.” ©		Law & Order ©		Law ▶				
WGN America	★ (6) Man on Fire (R,04) ★★ Denzel Washington. ©										
PREMIUM	HBO	Blinded by the Light (PG-13,19) ★★ Viveik Kalra. ©									
	HBO2	Westworld ©									
	MAX	The Change-Up (R,11) ★★ Ryan Reynolds. ©									
	SHO	Homeland: “In Full Flight.” ©									
	STARZ	★ Friends With Benefits ★★ The Stepfather (PG-13,09) ★★									
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West’s student portfolio worth thousands

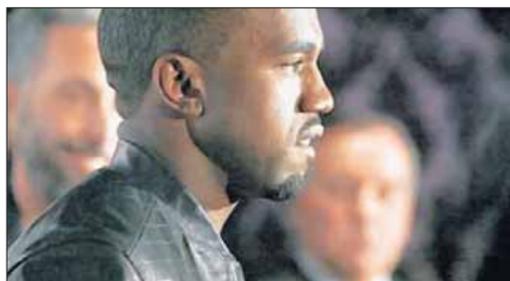
PBS show puts price on art from rapper’s teen years

BY TRACY SWARTZ

Rhonda Levy taught high school art classes in the Chicago area for many years, and she said her students would often ask: “If I sell this (piece), how much do you think I should sell it for?”

“There’s no good answer to that,” Levy told the Tribune. “And I said, ‘Well, you know, you’re kind of an unknown person, and you’re a beginning artist: I said, ‘Try for \$50.’”

Turns out, the art Kanye West made in Levy’s classes is worth a lot more than that. California science teacher Damien Dziepak — who is married to Stephan Scoggins, one of West’s cousins — showed off a



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Kanye West speaks while Mayor Richard M. Daley stands to the side during a press conference on June 11, 2009, at the Hotel Sax in the River North neighborhood before West’s performance for Chicago students at the Chicago Theatre.

collection of West’s work from his time at the Polaris School for Individual Education in Oak Lawn on last week’s episode of the PBS series “Antiques Roadshow.” Dziepak said Scoggins received the art after West’s mother, Donda West, died in 2007. Art specialist Laura Woolley examined five

West pieces — a mix of portraits and landscapes — and determined they could fetch \$16,000 to \$23,000 total.

“I think these pieces demonstrate an extraordinary facility as an artist, and I selected this grouping because it shows the different mediums he was work-

ing in,” Woolley said before pointing out details of the pieces. “On this one we have, obviously, graphite. This is an unfinished piece, we have graphite again. It looks like we have gouache over there on board, and this is a technique we call scratchboard, where you have color pigment laid down, and then you cover it with a black ink and then it’s scraped away to create an image underneath. And they’re all really exceptionally well done.”

Levy, who lives in Naperville and has retired from teaching, said she was surprised at the appraisal price because it’s work done in high school. A few of her former students sent her the “Antiques Roadshow” clip, and she recalled the two largest West works featured on the show as class assignments. She said she taught the scratchboard technique,

while the creature covered in chains West drew with pencil as a sophomore was for Levy’s unit on nontraditional self-portraits. Levy said she kept in touch with the 42-year-old rapper-turned-fashion-designer for some time after he graduated from Polaris in 1995. He briefly studied at the American Academy of Art and Chicago State University, where his mother was the chairwoman of the English department, before releasing “The College Dropout” album in 2004.

“It’s just so weird having little Kanye as a freshman, and then here he is now one of the most famous people on Earth,” Levy said.

After teaching at Polaris, Levy moved on to Dwight D. Eisenhower High School in Blue Island. She said West stopped by her art room at Eisenhower when he was there in September

2004 to talk to students who won an essay contest run by Grammy sponsors the National Academy of Recording Arts & Sciences. West won his first Grammys, for best R&B song (“You Don’t Know My Name”); best rap song (“Jesus Walks”); and best rap album (“The College Dropout”) in 2005.

Then-Mayor Richard M. Daley declared Feb. 27, 2005 to be “Kanye West Day” in Chicago. Levy spoke at the ceremony at the House of Blues. She remembers West as a talented student who was confident “he was going to go somewhere.”

“Some kids have the technical abilities plus they have the cognitive abilities to create on their own and to create far beyond their peers. So if this music thing doesn’t work out, he can be a visual artist for sure,” Levy said.

HONOR BLACKMAN 1925-2020

English actress played famous role in ‘Goldfinger’

BY ANITA GATES
The New York Times

Honor Blackman, 94, an actress who achieved fame as a beautiful pilot with judo skills and a highly suggestive name in the 1964 James Bond movie “Goldfinger,” then went on to a long screen career in her native England and abroad, has died at her home in Lewes, in southeastern England.

Her family announced her death in a statement released to The Guardian in London. She was a breast cancer survivor, having undergone a lumpectomy in 2003.

Blackman may have been unknown to U.S. audiences when she played Pussy Galore opposite Sean Connery as the dashing secret agent James Bond, but she had already become a star in Britain on television.

She joined the spy series “The Avengers” for its sec-



ROSIE GREENWAY/GETTY 2008

Honor Blackman starred as Pussy Galore in the 1964 Bond movie “Goldfinger.”

ond season in 1962, replacing Ian Hendry as the co-star of Patrick Macnee, who played John Steed, an almost painfully cultured British intelligence agent. Her character, Mrs. Cathy Gale, was an anthropologist who enjoyed martial arts and dressing head to toe in leather while saving the

world from increasingly bizarre plots and conspiracies.

It was only after Blackman left the series two years later that the show was exported to the United States; American viewers were introduced instead to her successor, Diana Rigg, as Macnee’s newest partner, Emma Peel.

Blackman gave up “The Avengers” to take the role in “Goldfinger,” the third movie in the Bond series. In her late 30s when she made the film, she turned out to be one of the oldest “Bond girls” in the series, although she always objected to that term.

“I consider Bond girls to be those ladies who took one look at Bond and fell on their backs,” Blackman told the website Cambridge News in 2012. Early on in “Goldfinger,” Ms. Galore declares to Bond, “I am immune to your charms,”

and judo-flips him into a haystack. (It turns out not to be a permanent immunity, however.)

Before “Goldfinger,” she made dozens of appearances on British television and more than 20 feature films, among them “A Night to Remember” (1958), Roy Ward Baker’s drama about the sinking of the Titanic; “The Square Peg” (1959), a comedy with Norman Wisdom set during World War II; and “Jason and the Argonauts” (1963), in which she played the goddess Hera.

Blackman continued her screen acting career well into her 80s, including taking a small part as a glamorous party guest in “Bridget Jones’s Diary” (2001) and a recurring role on the classic British soap opera “Coronation Street” in 2004.

She worked in the theater for decades as well. In the 1980s, she did a British tour

of “A Little Night Music” (she deemed Madame Armfeldt in that show her favorite role — “That part just fit me like a glove,” she told the British Huffington Post) and played Captain von Trapp’s child-averse love interest, the Baroness, in a West End revival of “The Sound of Music.”

In later years, she played Henry Higgins’ mother in a national tour of “My Fair Lady” (2005) and Fraulein Schneider in the West End revival of “Cabaret” (2007).

Blackman returned to the television spotlight in 1990 on “The Upper Hand,” a British version of “Who’s the Boss?” Her character (played by Katherine Helmond in the U.S. version) was a glamorous, sexually eager grandmother, and she continued in the role for six seasons.

Blackman had a singing career as well. She recorded “Kinky Boots” with her

former co-star Macnee in 1964, although it became a hit only when it was re-released in 1990. (Her “Avengers” character had a taste for thigh-high, spike-heeled black boots, but the later “Kinky Boots” film and stage musical were unrelated.)

Her final movie was the 2012 horror comedy “Cockneys vs. Zombies,” in which bank robbers unwittingly unleash an army of the living dead in East London. Her last screen role was in a 2015 episode of the British sitcom “You, Me & Them.”

Blackman wed Bill Sankey, a businessman, in 1946; they divorced in 1954. She married Maurice Kaufmann, a British actor, in 1961; the couple had two children and divorced in 1975.

She is survived by a daughter, Lottie Kaufmann; a son, Barnaby Kaufmann; and four grandchildren.

Horoscopes

Today's birthday (April 7): Your professional status blossoms this year. Build and strengthen a powerful team for success. Summer itinerary changes lead to a sweet family phase before a professional shift requires navigation. Edit communications for changing news next winter, before your exploration takes wing.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is an 8. Avoid impetuous moves. Navigate a turning point with your partner under the full moon. Compromise and collaborate for shared commitments. Adjust to changing plans.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 7. Begin a new physical health and fitness phase upon reaching a barrier or obstacle. Review and revamp skills and practices under this full moon.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 7. Change directions with a romance, passion or creative endeavor under the full moon. Express your heart, imagination and artistry.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 7. Make repairs. Renovate, remodel and tend your garden. Domestic changes require adaptation under the full moon. Begin a new home and family phase.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 8. Start a new chapter. A new two-week phase in communications, connection and intellectual discovery dawns with this full moon. Shift the direction of your research.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. A turning point arises around income and finances. You can find profitable opportunities over two weeks under the Libra full moon.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. A challenge redirects you. This full moon in your sign illuminates a new personal direction. Expand your boundaries. Turn toward an inspiring possibility.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 6. Review priorities privately. Balance old responsibilities with new. Meditate on dreams, past and future. This Libra full moon illuminates a transition. Begin an introspective phase.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. This full moon illuminates social changes. One door closes and another opens. Friends come and go in your community. Share appreciations, good-byes and greetings.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 7. Finish a project before beginning another professional phase. This full moon sparks a career shift. Focus toward current passions.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 7. An exploration changes. The full moon illuminates a shift in your educational direction. Experiment with concepts. Travel expands your view.

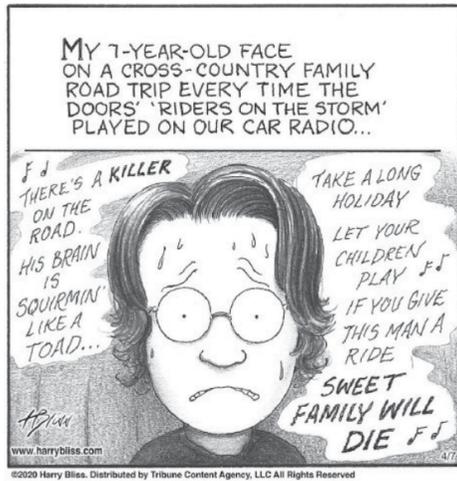
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Stakes could seem high with this full moon. Shift directions with shared finances over the next few weeks. Work out the next phase together.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss By Harry Bliss



Bridge

Both vulnerable, South deals

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

Aggressive bidding by both players saw North-South arrive in a game contract that had a decent chance for success. A trump lead would have defeated the contract, but that would have been an unlikely lead from the West hand and West cannot be faulted for leading the queen of diamonds.

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
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2♥	Pass	3♥	Pass
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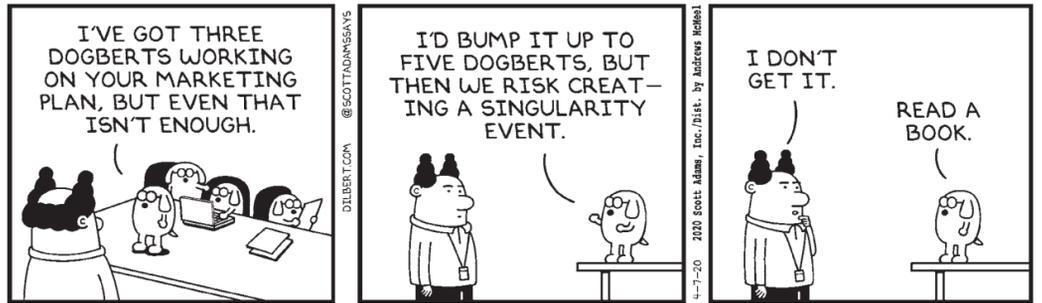
Opening lead: Queen of ♦

a low club. This was better than playing the ace and then another club, as we'll see shortly. East won the trick with his nine and shifted to a low trump. South won with his ace and noted the fall of the jack from West. Should that be a true card, South would need more than just a club ruff to bring home his contract.

Declarer cashed the ace of spades, led a club to dummy's ace, and ruffed a spade. A club ruff in dummy was followed by another spade ruff in hand. South cashed the king of hearts and was not surprised to see West show out. South's careful play left him in complete control of the hand. South was down to the same trump length as East with his queen sitting over East's 10-7. South exited with his remaining club and he could not be prevented from taking two more trump tricks to bring his total to 10 tricks. Nicely played!

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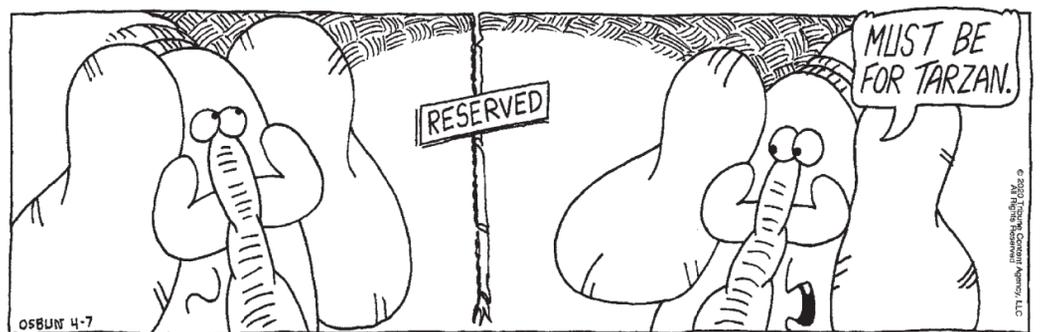
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