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Racing for effective treatment



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A researcher at a University of Copenhagen research lab in Denmark works on a vaccine against COVID-19.

There are hunches, there are trials — but no clear answer

By HAL DARDICK

As COVID-19 continues to take thousands of lives around the world each day, global efforts to find effective treatments are in hyper-drive.

So far, no treatment has been proved through rigorous scientific studies to do more good than harm — a crucial point often glossed over by President Donald

Trump and some doctors who have promoted the alleged benefits of specific drugs. That leaves health care providers on the front lines to piece together their own strategies while research continues.

“We’re really struggling to find the therapies for people who do get seriously ill, trying to save their lives,” said Dr. Richard Novak, professor and chief of infec-

tious diseases at University of Illinois at Chicago Department of Medicine.

In seeking a safe treatment that works, scientists start with hunches, drawn from anecdotal evidence on certain drugs and therapies tried in China, where the COVID-19 outbreak first occurred, and other nations. Based on those educated guesses, they move on to clinical trials. Several Chi-

cago hospitals are already involved in those efforts.

Medical researchers are also hunting for something even more important in containing and ending the pandemic: a vaccine that will protect people who haven’t contracted the disease.

But the arrival of a vaccine could be a year or more

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MORE COVERAGE

US passes Italy for most deaths from virus

The nation’s total eclipsed Italy’s on Saturday, surpassing 20,000. Cities in the Midwest braced for a potential surge in victims and moved to snuff out smoldering hot spots of contagion before they erupt. Around the world, European countries used roadblocks, drones, helicopters, mounted patrols and the threat of fines to keep people from traveling over Easter weekend. Glorious weather across Europe will be an extra test of people’s discipline. **Page 19**

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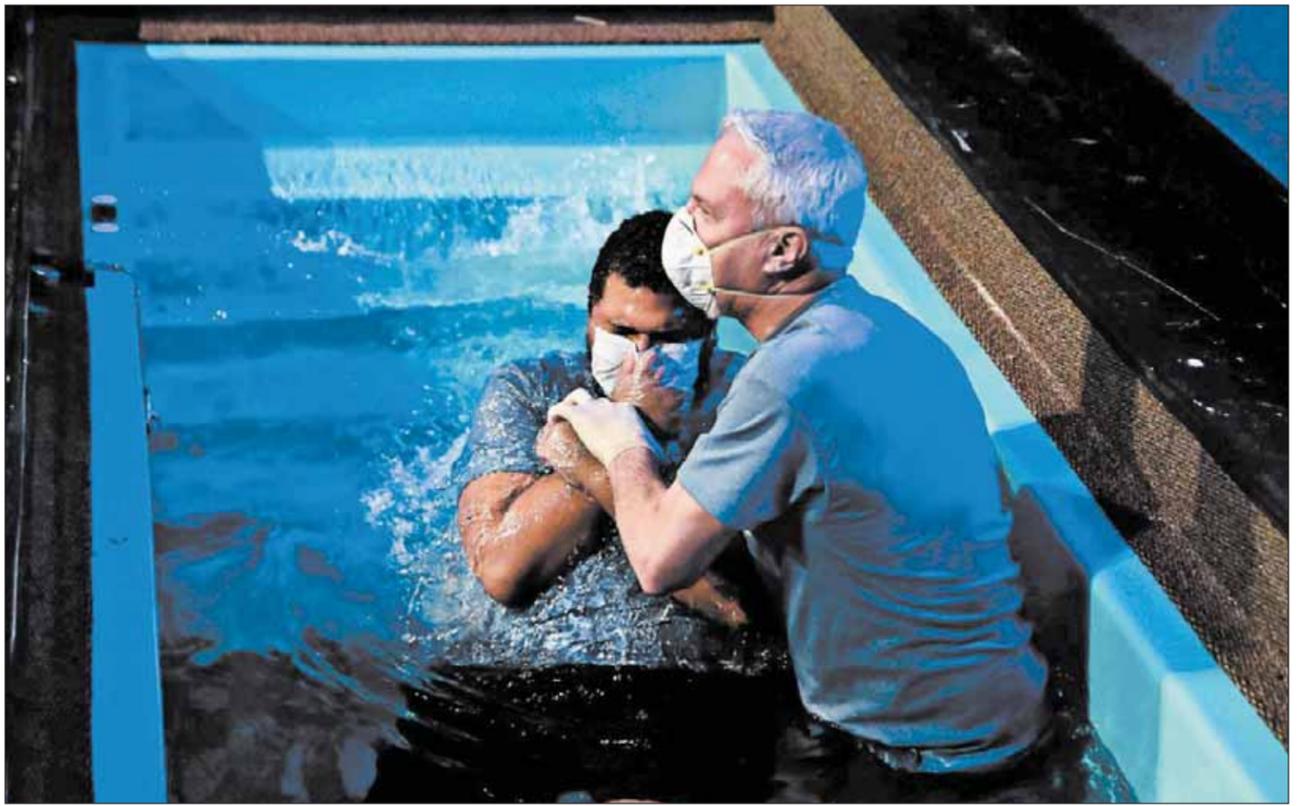
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“Everyone is suffering. But sacraments are the first layer of understanding that most Catholics have. They are distinctly tangible. You touch and feel. There is a closeness in a congregation, this essential togetherness.”

— Keara Ette, director of ministries at Old St. Patrick’s Church in the West Loop



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Senior pastor Scott Nichols baptizes Jerry Phiri on Thursday at Crossroads Community Church in Carol Stream. Crossroads’ small baptisms are separated out every 30 minutes for sanitation. Each ceremony will be videotaped and edited into a seamless string of baptisms, to be broadcast online.

A PERIOD OF DISMAY WITH RITUAL’S DELAY

With church baptisms on hold during pandemic, Catholic parents seek reassurance

By CHRISTOPHER BORRELLI

It’s Easter Week, Holy Week in the Catholic faith, prime time for St. Agnes of Bohemia in Little Village. Typically, the church’s live procession along 26th Street enacting the Stations of the Cross draws 5,000 worshippers alone to the South Side enclave. It has for generations. “It’s like a whole season really, of confirmations, of first communions,” said the Rev. Don Nevins, the church’s pastor. “Families wait until Easter, for nice weather, for baptisms. We’d do 15 every weekend in April. Sixty a month! Now because of coronavirus, it’s on hold.”

Joseph Santos, not quite a year old, was scheduled to be baptized on April 25 at St. Agnes. His parents, Isabel Rodriguez and Ivan

Santos, planned a party and dinner; they picked out his Bible, his rosary and a cloth used to wipe baptismal waters from his face. They

bought a ceremonial candle and a devotional necklace of the Virgin Mary, then they made sure it was blessed. They bought him

white pants, white shirt, white shoes.

“Now I’m starting to wonder when he’ll get baptized at all,” Rodriguez said.

Her mother, who lives with them, is a Chicago police officer. “She’s really the only one who leaves the house now. We’re healthy, we’re good. Still, it’s hard not to be worried. As a Catholic, I want my son baptized should anything happen to him. It’s important.”

Further south, in Bever-

ly, Lauren Doig was planning also to have her 2-month-old Nicholas baptized on April 25. She grew up Catholic in Oak Forest, her husband grew up Catholic in the very Irish community of Beverly. Baptism, and the celebratory party that traditionally follows, meant bringing together two large families, “but you do it because it’s the way you’re raised, it’s part of Catholic culture. It’s a

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Relatives of Jose Vazquez place flowers on the casket during his burial service Tuesday at Acacia Park Cemetery in Norridge. Vazquez, 51, died from complications of COVID-19.

THE HUMAN TOLL

With family’s grief comes anger

Members believe death of patriarch was preventable

By CHRISTY GUTOWSKI

As a passenger service agent at one of the world’s busiest airports, Jose Vazquez found himself surrounded by thousands of people each day at his job early last month as the coronavirus began its rapid spread.

The Chicago man had a wife — his high school sweetheart — and two daughters. They were his world.

Vazquez worried he might catch the virus at work and bring it back home. He had diabetes, an underlying health condition making him particularly vulnerable. But, at 51, he was strong and healthy.

Or so he thought.

Vazquez died alone March 30 in a Chicago hospital.

He was one of the younger victims of COVID-19, which has claimed lives across Illinois, people from ages 19 to 101. The recent death of a Chicago infant



Vazquez

also remains under investigation.

And similar to hundreds of other Illinois families who have lost a loved one amid the pandemic, Maria Vazquez buried her husband at a time of social distancing and isolation. There was no large gathering of family and friends to bring comfort.

Her elderly father-in-law, who has a heart condition, had to serve as a pallbearer for his only son to abide by the guideline of having 10

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- Parade magazine is on a holiday schedule and there is no edition in today's paper.

'HE HAD IT COMING'

"Chicago The Musical" has played on Broadway for more than 9,600 performances since it premiered on Nov. 14, 1996, yet not many people know the characters of Roxie Hart, Velma Kelly and others are inspired by real women. Their stories were captured by Tribune reporters including Maurine Watkins, who worked at the newspaper for just eight months in 1924. Watkins drew on her access to women accused of murder inside Cook County Jail to write a three-act play that later became "Chicago." For the first time in almost a century, see photos of these real women that were discovered by Tribune photo department. This new book also includes original newspaper clippings, Watkins' stories and new analysis written by Tribune reporter Kori Rumore, film critic Michael Phillips, theater critic Chris Jones and columnists Heidi Stevens and Rick Kogan.

The 10th annual broadcast of "Prisoner of Her Past" will feature Tribune arts critic Howard Reich's mother Sonia Reich, who is in a nursing home and cannot see her son. The documentary will honor the Holocaust Remembrance Day as well as how much has changed in the past month, seeing as how the film's director Gordon Quinn has been hospitalized with COVID-19. In 1939, Sonia Reich lived in Dubno, Poland, near the border of Ukraine. In September of that year, as Hitler and Stalin agreed to divide Poland between them. Russian officers moved into the home of Reich's family, pushing everyone into a single room in back. The film talks about her experience during World War II and how it affects her and her son's life today. "Prisoner of Her Past," produced by Kartemquin Films in association with the Chicago Tribune, will air at 4 p.m. April 19 on WTTW-Ch. 11.

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ANJA BARTE TELIN/AP

Social distancing will keep many of us away from having to eat Jell-O molds — with those floating bits — on Easter.



JOHN KASS

Zooming in on Easter and away from Jell-O

Being isolated on coronavirus Easter Sunday means that you probably won't be hosting a big old-fashioned extended-family feast, with or without a dish of quivering Jell-O with the horrid floating chunks.

Sunday is Easter for Western Christians. We Orthodox celebrate next week. Yet either way, East or West, butter lamb or whole roast lamb with a grinning, smiling head (that your wife might not like), or ham or turkey or just soup and sandwich, many Easter Sunday dinner gatherings just won't be the same.

They won't involve breaking bread at your dinner table with the family all around. Instead, we'll meet in the virtual world, via Zoom, or some other video conferencing system on our laptops.

And though you won't be able to hug family and friends when they arrive on the screen, there is a benefit to a virtual Easter Sunday dinner.

You won't have to eat any of Aunt Ida's Lime Jell-O mold, with the floating bits of carrots, jiggling in all its gelatinous glory on your plate. She can't guilt you into accepting her offering because, happily, she can't force it through her computer screen to your plate. If she could, she would.

We're all going a bit crazy in isolation, and so, to find out just how crazy, I posted something on Facebook.

It was the ugliest photo of a Jell-O mold I could find. The recipe is called "Ring Around the Tuna." Yes. Tuna in Lime Jell-O. Just looking at it made me feel like retching.

"The only Jell-O mold I'll eat is Aunt Bethany's with the cat food chunks from 'Christmas Vacation,'" said Brad Striegel, one of many who weighed in on the post.

What's weird is that many who say they never liked the stuff are now longing for the Jell-O of your youth. This could be symptomatic of the stress of prolonged coronavirus isolation. Or, they might have just gone bat-crap crazy.

Of course, there are those who actually like Jell-O.

"My mom makes a green Jell-O mold, with pineapple chunks, cottage cheese, horseradish and nuts," said Lisa Marea. "OMG it is so delicious. It is a recipe from a Grimes, Iowa, church cookbook from the '40s. She is in a nursing home. First (Easter) no Jell-O. But this summer, for the damn 4th of July, we are going to FEAST together. And Jell-O will be on that menu."

Awesome, Lisa! Iowans love it, but Utah has them beat. They love it so much that I believe that any public display of Jell-O loathing may be considered a hate crime in Utah.

"I moved to Utah," said Tracy Lieberman. "Jell-O is a cuisine here."

"I lived in Salt Lake for 20 years," confirmed Mary Kartheiser Jedlovac. "You are spot on about UT and Jell-O."

My brothers will eat it. Years ago, in the two-flats on Peoria Street, where aunts and uncles lived up and down the block, our Thea Betty was the queen of strawberry chiffon Jell-O. Back in the day, the Tribune and other papers ran features helping immigrant families like ours become "American." And so, she made Jell-O. "The Americani eat it," said my uncles.

Out of love for our Thea Betty, and to learn the strange ways of the Americani, we ate it too. In those days, we called it "Jellaiki" (literally translated as "little" Jell-O). But I was a kid then.

Now, I hate it. The biggest shock to my world is that my friend and Michelin star chef Carrie Nahabedian, owner of two of my absolute favorite restaurants, Brindille and Kostali in Chicago, came on Facebook to defend her Aunt Helen's Jell-O dish.

Carrie Nahabedian defending Jell-O? I wanted to see a psychiatrist, but they're isolating too.

"We look forward to my Aunt Helen's Broken Glass Torte which is amazing! Various colors of cubed Jell-O, in a creamy mixture baked in a graham cracker crust, in a spring form

pan. OMG," said Nahabedian. "It's almost like cheesecake with Jell-O. Take my word for it."

One of the things I love about Carrie is that she's not a foodie snob. She's down to earth. And she's a great chef.

Thea Betty made Broken Glass whatever, too. And we loved Thea Betty. Then another Nahabedian post arrived.

"Mr. Kass, I am not a fan of PLAIN old Jell-O, like the green cubes they serve you in the hospital," said Carrie's Aunt Helen. "But believe me when I tell you there are some very good desserts made with Jell-O or pudding."

So, if Aunt Helen likes it, and Thea Betty and Carrie and my brothers and Lia Marea and so many of you like it, shouldn't I just stop with the hatred that consumes me?

No. Never. That's impossible. I won't abide surly bartenders. And I won't abide any wiggling Jell-O.

So, with respect for you lovers of the product, I leave you with the opening lyrics from a classic Jell-O hating song, "Lime Jello Marshmallow Cottage Cheese Surprise," written by William Bolcom and performed by his wife Joan Morris, that was sent to me by several Jell-O loathers.

"It's lime Jell-O marshmallow cottage cheese surprise/ With slices of pimento/ You won't believe your eyes/ All topped with a pineapple ring and a dash of mayonnaise/ My vanilla wafers around the edge will win your highest praise."

The important thing isn't food. The important thing is to be together on Easter Sunday, even if it's virtual, even if gelatin-based products are peripherally involved.

Happy Easter, everyone.

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When it's finally all over: A pandemic fantasy



MARY SCHMICH

When it was all over, when the virus had retreated and the fear had faded, the people came out of their homes, and they were changed.

Changed by solitude. By gratitude. By grief.

They came out of little houses and big ones, out of apartments and rented rooms, to count their blessings and their losses. The virus hadn't hurt everyone equally but it had hurt everyone somehow.

When it was over, they no longer greeted each other by shaking hands, though their hands were cleaner than ever. They hugged fewer people now, but most could not resist hugging the ones they loved; they wept to feel the pulse and warmth of the bodies they had missed so deeply. Others continued to keep their distance, and simply placed their hands over their hearts and bowed.

Some gathered for overdue mourning in honor of those who had died. So many had died. When it was over, the living understood more about death.

When they came out of their homes, they felt smaller, but in some ways stronger. Isolation had made them feel like pioneers, like immigrants, all of them displaced in time, removed from the familiar, aware that they would never return to the way they had lived before. Some had learned to bake, to sew, to properly clean. Many learned to live on less, though for those already living on little, less was even harder to bear.

In their renewed freedom, the people once again sat together at restaurants and bars and coffeehouses, though not as often as they once did, or as close, and rarely without a trace of fear. They laughed and told stories and gossiped, though every now and then someone would say, "It's weird to be doing this again, isn't it?" and, with a twitch, they would register that among the things they'd lost was the presumption of safety.

During their enforced isolation, some had dreamed they would go out dancing again, and they did.

By the time it was over, the concept of the weekend was dead. Some people still went to "the office" but there were fewer offices. The older people still looked for a newspaper on their doorsteps, but print newspapers, along with some online news outlets, had been among the casualties of the plague.



ANTONIO PEREZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

A chalk mural by Heather Gentile Collins outside Roscoe Village Pub conveys an encouraging message Thursday for Chicagoans.

And their neighborhoods had changed. At first, they looked around and thought, "What used to be there?" Then they remembered that oh, yeah, it was that old family restaurant. Or that cute shop that sold things no one really needed but that made life more fun.

New businesses, mostly online, had been born while they were in exile, but they missed the old ones. Until, eventually, they forgot. Against the odds, a few bookstores hung on.

By the time it was over, some people were heftier because they'd been living on whatever weird food they could find on the scavenged grocery store shelves. Some were thinner for the same reason.

The ones who could afford bidet toilets bought them, because they never again wanted to worry about the toilet paper supply chain.

Men who had been clean shaven when the collective self-isolation began now wore shaggy beards. "If Pete Buttigieg can do it," some said, "why not me?" Women whose hair had been a vivid color at the outset of the madness had gone gray. "What the hell," some said. "It's easier this

way."

Humor, they had learned, is an essential supply even during a pandemic, which was why Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot was leading in the presidential polls.

Yes, the people were sad, but in some ways happier, or at least wiser, than before.

Why had it taken so much pain for them to clearly see what and who they loved? To appreciate a slower life? To reconnect with old friends? To marvel at the beautiful places they'd once been able to travel to without fear? To listen to the birds?

Why had so many people had to suffer before more people understood the value of a government that works? The deadly danger of one that doesn't? The profound inequities in health care and education and, well, everything?

They saw it all more clearly now, which was not to say they knew how to fix it.

They spoke with a new vocabulary: exponential, epidemiology, telemedicine, Zoom. More of them — not everyone, it's never everyone — now believed in science.

Other things they had learned: "Essential" does not mean "paid well." Schooling your own children is harder

than it looks.

Crisis reveals the best in humans. And the worst.

Nature does not care what human beings want.

The sun still rises.

"We'll never take so much for granted again," they said. A few of them kept the promise.

Then time passed. Eventually those who remembered the Great Pandemic of 2020 were gone, and in some bar somewhere, a young person would say, "My great-grandfather died of some weird virus. Corvid or something? I don't know exactly when, but can you imagine? Thank God that would never happen now." And that young person would laugh, not knowing that one day, in their lifetime, a calamity previously unimagined would arrive and say, "Surprise."

But that day is in the future. So is the day this calamity will be in our past.

Until then, we wait and hope and distract ourselves by wondering: What will it be like when this is over?

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Workers' love, care conquer fear, scare



REX W. HUPPKE

Ana Diazdeleon could be home with her family in Chicago.

She could be sheltering in place, waiting out the coronavirus pandemic, following the recommended steps to stay healthy.

Instead, she's in a small house in Bellwood, caring for a senior with disabilities who was quarantined after testing positive for COVID-19.

"I didn't even think about it twice," said Diazdeleon, a 41-year-old direct support professional with UCP Seguin of Greater Chicago. "I'm in. I told my family and I let them know what was going on. It was just something I needed to do."

This pandemic continues to reveal the everyday heroes who walk among us, the people who, when a crisis hits, head toward the trouble instead of away. Some are more obvious — the nurses and doctors, the police and firefighters.

But others, like Diazdeleon and other direct support professionals across the Chicago area and the country who work with people with disabilities, are performing heroic acts in small places. Like the house in Bellwood where Diazdeleon prepares meals for a man in his 70s and tends to him as he recovers from the disease.

And another house in Downers Grove that Cheryl Colon goes to each day to help care for seven women with disabilities.

Colon, 57, works for the Ray Graham Association. Before the coronavirus outbreak, she worked at a day program for people with disabilities but now helps the women at the Downers Grove house, a Community Integrated Living Arrangement, or CILA.

"It's hard because we can't go out," Colon said. "It has been very hard because the ladies are very active and they like to go on outings. I like to go on outings. So I'm trying to keep them engaged with



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Home support specialist Ana Diazdeleon cares for a patient Tuesday in Bellwood.

different activities."

It has taken some creativity.

They're making Easter ornaments out of dough, baking banana muffins. They worked together to make avocado chips. There have been card games, board games, dominoes. A Friday night dance party.

And every morning, Colon plays gospel music and holds what she calls "a praise session."

"We're praying for it to be over with," she said.

It doesn't take long on the phone with Colon to sense how much she cares about the women she works with, who range in age from their late 30s to early 60s. But she recognizes the risks of a job that puts her around other people and out in the community.

"It's hard on me. I'm scared," she said. "You come into contact with so many different people and there's other staff that work in the house. I'm coming into contact with other people to help support the ladies. I went to the store the other day to get some stuff for the ladies to do."

But ...
"I love it," Colon said. "I love working with the people. I love to see the growth in people. To see

them do something they want to do and then they're finally able to do it."

At the house in Bellwood, Diazdeleon wears protective gear — a gown, a face mask, gloves — and stays the recommended 6 feet away from the man she's caring for except when she needs to give him medicine or take his temperature.

They've established a routine: He gets up, takes his medicine, she fixes him breakfast, they talk from a distance, he showers and spends some time in his room, then lunch, maybe a little time outside in the backyard or some contact with friends via video chat.

I asked her how she overcame her own fears of the virus: "I put myself in their position and said, 'Wait a second, what if that was me?' I wouldn't want to be alone or anything like that."

She continued: "You fall in love with them, they become your family. Some of them have family, some of them don't. I try to put myself in their position. Some of them are able to communicate, some aren't able to communicate. I just think about it. What if that was me or my son or my mom? We're all human beings and we all need

each other."

But some need help more than others. And the fact that there are people who put themselves at risk to provide that help inspires more than just a little awe.

There's no end date for this pandemic. And there's no reason to wait until things get better to thank the compassionate people we should have thanked long before the virus came along.

People like Diazdeleon and Colon and the myriad direct support professionals risking their health for others.

People who walk among us.

The once-unnoticed heroes we're all starting to see.

#PandemicPals update: The response to #PandemicPals has been fantastic. Hundreds of people have volunteered to send cards or letters to seniors and people with disabilities who are isolated during the coronavirus. If you would like to volunteer, send me an email. If you know a person or a group of people who could use cards or letters, send me an email. Let's keep this going!

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Illinois endures 2nd deadliest day of the virus

But Gov. Pritzker encouraged by the trend of state cases

BY BILL RUTHHART

Illinois reported its second-highest daily total of coronavirus deaths Saturday, but Gov. J.B. Pritzker expressed optimism that the number of COVID-19 cases had started to flatten out as he urged the state's residents to stay home over the holiday weekend.

Health officials announced 81 new deaths in the state on Saturday, just one shy from the single-day high of 82 set last Wednesday. The number of additional known cases was 1,293 — 234 short of the previous high mark, also set last Wednesday.

Experts in the pandemic repeatedly have noted that a decrease in deaths will lag behind drops in new cases and hospitalizations. Overall, Pritzker said the state has started to trend in the right direction, but he cautioned against complacency as he called on Illinoisans to enjoy Passover and Easter Sunday celebrations at home.

"What we're seeing is a flattening of the curve, and what that means is a lower rise in hospitalizations than what was initially anticipated. That's a really good sign," Pritzker said. "We've had higher numbers than we had today and we've had lower numbers, but if you look at a kind of moving average of days, you can see that the rate of ascent has significantly diminished. It's not flat, but it's not going the way it was before."

Illinois now has 19,180 known cases of the virus and 677 deaths. The number of people who have perished from the disease in the state ranks fifth-highest nationwide while the number of known cases ranks ninth-highest as of Saturday. Overall, the United States passed Italy on Saturday as the country with the most COVID-19 deaths worldwide, with the number at 20,229 and growing by the hour. More than 2,000 new deaths were reported in the U.S. on Saturday — the highest single-day tally nationwide.

As much of Chicago prepared for an isolated Easter Sunday, pastors in Michigan, Mississippi, Georgia, Louisiana and other states vowed to hold services as normal. In California, some churches are planning drive-thru services.

And in Kentucky, Democratic Gov. Andy Beshear will allow mass gatherings at churches on Sunday, but those who attend will be required to self-quarantine for 14 days. The state said it plans to record license plates at such services to enforce the quarantine requirement.

There were no such exceptions in Illinois.

After joking that the Easter bunny is considered by the state to be an essential employee and will leave eggs and money for children Sunday, Pritzker said he discouraged in-person gathering of any kind for Sunday services, including drive-thru ones.

"This is just one holiday," Pritzker said. "It's one time, it's one year, when I would ask people to do something that I know is unusual and uncommon for them, but it's to please to stay at home."

Chicago's Department of Health has begun administering a limited number of antibody tests to determine whether an individual has contracted COVID-19, Health Commissioner Dr. Allison Arwady reported Saturday morning.

City and state officials, however, expressed reser-

ervations about their accuracy so far.

The so-called serology tests use a blood sample to detect antibodies to the virus rather than the virus itself. Such tests, the first of which received emergency FDA approval earlier this month, are different than the nasal swab tests that have been used to determine whether an individual actively has COVID-19.

The antibody tests, which determine whether an individual previously contracted the coronavirus and is likely to be immune, are viewed as crucial in understanding the risks to the country's population moving forward. If an individual tests positive for the antibodies, which are likely to show up within two to six weeks of infection, health officials believe they're not going to get sick or spread the virus, because their bodies are killing it off.

For now, Arwady said the testing is in its infancy, and she cautioned the city is using it in conjunction with the nasal tests to get a feel for the serology test's accuracy. She noted that the antibody tests currently have a higher rate of false negative and false positive results.

"We've just added a little bit of that antibody testing," Arwady said. "We want to have a good understanding of how these tests, as they develop, really function in the world, because that's such an important thing."

Arwady did not say how many of the tests the city currently is administering. A spokesman for the health commissioner did not respond to questions about how many tests the city has ordered or which test it is using. Illinois Department of Public Health Director Dr. Ngozi Ezike said the state was working with consultants and universities to set up a "very robust program" to acquire antibody tests and track their results. Ezike did not offer a timeline for the tests.

In response to follow-up questions, a Pritzker spokeswoman said health officials had ordered 500 of the tests and were in the process of validating them in state labs, but "our experts aren't quite comfortable with their accuracy rates that hover around 60%."

Until state health officials "can ensure the tests provide accurate data, we will not deploy them in a widespread way," Pritzker spokeswoman Jordan Abudayyeh said. As more tests receive emergency approval, Abudayyeh said the state would work to validate their accuracy.

Both Ezike and Arwady said they expect more antibody tests to be approved by the Federal Drug Administration in the coming days.

"Let's be clear: If we don't know who is immune and we just open up the doors, and we all had out, that virus is still out there and the people who have not contracted it will still be at risk of contracting it, getting complications and dying," Ezike said. "The idea is that we want to be able to identify which percentage of people in the community have had the infection."

Also on Saturday, Pritzker announced a new "call for calm" mental health hotline to help those under duress from the pandemic. The helpline will be run in conjunction with OSF HealthCare and the Southern Illinois University School of Medicine. Illinois residents seeking to use the service can text TALK to 552020 for calls in English or text HABLAR to 552020 for calls in Spanish.

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Paper egg hunts and rooftop services

Families finding different ways to celebrate Easter

BY ALISON BOWEN

Easter is usually filled with so much togetherness — family meals, church celebrations, Easter egg hunts.

So how are families and churches celebrating with Illinois under a shelter-in-place order that limits gatherings? For weeks, many churches have gathered parishioners remotely for livestreams of worship services. Some are incorporating ways to ensure special Easter traditions are included in Sunday's services.

Downtown's Fourth Presbyterian Church will host online readings and have virtual communion in place of its candlelight vigil. Pastor Shannon Kershner will livestream a service from her home.

"We've decided that in this season, when so many things are unusual, we want to try to keep the format of the service as close to what people are used to," said Michael

Mirza, director of worship.

Bill Bertsche, executive pastor at The Moody Church, said the church had been offering livestreams for services before the coronavirus hit, so it was already technologically enabled to stream church online.

Still, even as online attendance has increased for gatherings built around fellowship, streaming has its drawbacks.

"On Sunday you're used to seeing so many different people and saying hi and so forth," Mirza said. "That's obviously difficult, but we're thankful for all the technology that at least allows us to see each other."

He said they plan to stream a rooftop sunrise service, via their youth pastor and someone holding an iPhone. Their website offers tips for how to attend church online: Get out of bed and get dressed. Go through your normal Sunday routine. Gather the family, project the feed on a screen, and "sing along loud and proud."

This Easter, Bertsche said, COVID-19 is a reminder of what humans cannot control.

"The whole situation with the virus and so on and our lives being up-ended is a reminder that we don't control as much as we think we do, and we really are dependent upon the Lord," he said. "There's hopefully a joyful submission that comes with that."

Parents are trying to maintain traditions like Easter baskets by shopping online. At Geppetto's Toy Box in Oak Park, co-owner Brandy Masoncup said they have been helping families virtually shop for Easter through FaceTime. On social media, fliers urge families to have children cut egg-shaped pieces of paper, color them, and then place them in windows so families can go on a version of a neighborhood egg hunt.

Chicago mom Melissa Bald said her family would usually have a large dinner together. Her mom helps at church; the kids all get personalized baskets. This year, going to church isn't an option, nor will they be getting together with extended family.

But she is trying to retain as much of the holiday routine as possible — still



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Morgan Bald, 4, adds a paper Easter egg to the door as the Bald family decorate their home.

dressing their two children in the special outfits she bought months ago, cooking a ham, maybe streaming a church service. The family plans to have an Easter egg hunt on their roof. She's asked her mother for some recipes, and they have an order in at Dinkel's Bakery, which offers a decorating kit for a lamb cake. She plans to suggest a family video catch-up after the meal.

"Even if we're in separate houses, we'll all be stuffed together," she said.

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CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Travel nurses head to Illinois to aid hospitals

Agencies sending hundreds to assist with treatment

BY ALISON BOWEN

Kayla Kanosky says nursing is a duty to help.

The 31-year-old nurse who lives in Scottsdale, Arizona, packed her bags to fly Thursday evening to Chicago, where she said she will be assigned for eight weeks to help at a local hospital.

Although she is a pediatric nurse and will be working in a pediatric intensive care unit, she said she anticipates helping patients diagnosed with COVID-19 at some point, as children's hospitals are beginning to treat young adults to help with case-loads, or because she is used to being floated to different units.

Kanosky is one of hundreds of travel nurses assigned to Illinois in April. Her agency, Aya Healthcare, has more than 200 travel clinicians assigned to Illinois this month.

Travel nurses typically spend 13 weeks on a contract, assigned to hospitals throughout the United States. During the coronavirus crisis, Aya has seen a spike in requests. Another company, Fastaff Travel Nursing, also noted an increase in opportunities, listing openings for a respiratory therapist position in Connecticut and a nursing job in an emergency room in California.

Gov. J. B. Pritzker has publicly called for more health care professionals, asking retired health care workers to return to the workforce. At a news conference Tuesday, he said

the state had received more than 2,300 applications for temporary permits for both out-of-state and former medical professionals.

Kanosky, a West Virginia native, says she is used to jumping into the unknown. But this time feels different. She has heard the stories of inundated hospitals across the country. She said her agency assured her she would have proper protective gear.

"With everything going on, there is a little bit of anxiety," she said. "I think the main part I'm nervous about is the not knowing, is the unknown. I don't really know what I'm getting myself into."

But she is trained to help those in need.

"It's your duty to help out," she said. "I've always had that passion."

Her latest assignment was working at a neonatal intensive care unit at Phoenix Children's Hospital, but she has worked with patients ranging from premature babies to adults. In Chicago, she will be assigned to a children's unit at a suburban Advocate hospital. Her contract is for eight weeks.

Brigid Sweeney, a spokeswoman for Advocate hospitals, confirmed they utilize travel nurses as needed during regular times, and that they continue to during this crisis. She did not detail whether they have requested more because of COVID-19.

Kanosky became a travel nurse two years ago, when a friend told her about the opportunity to work in different hospitals across the country. She's since worked in San Diego, Dallas and Atlanta.

She's used to helping out



KAYLA KANOSKY

Kayla Kanosky traveled to Chicago from Arizona to help a suburban hospital during the coronavirus crisis.

with patient surges, for example, during the winter when respiratory illnesses among children are heightened.

"That's the normal thing," she said. "With this going on, now it's more crisis work."

Kanosky has heard about hospitals telling medical workers to use one N95 mask for a week.

"That's going to be a change for sure, because that's not what we're used to doing." Instead, she was taught to change her protective gear every time she goes in and out of a room. On a normal 12-hour shift, she might go through 30 sets.

She did not bring much from Arizona. Instead of an apartment, she's staying at a hotel in the suburbs, where she was able to get a reduced rate by calling and

inquiring about discounts for health care workers. Usually, she would pack a variety of clothes and items.

"I like to make my place feel a little homey," she said. This time, she still brought photos of her family and her boyfriend. Her family and friends sent her masks. She brought sanitizing wipes and hand sanitizer. The rest of her luggage? Work clothes, mostly. She said she packed "a little lighter" than she normally would.

Although she won't have the time or ability to be a tourist, she is looking forward to being back in Chicago. She has visited a few times, but it's been years.

"I'm excited to come back," she said.

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Illinois coronavirus tracker

Data from Illinois Department of Public Health and Chicago Tribune reporting as of April 11.

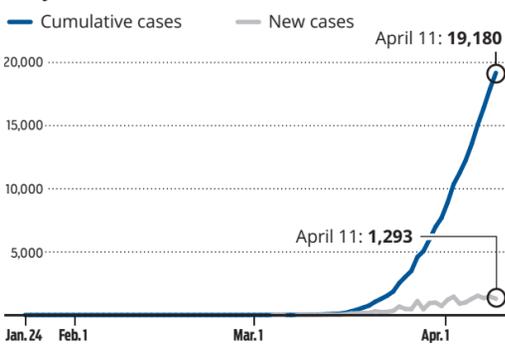
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Reported coronavirus cases and deaths

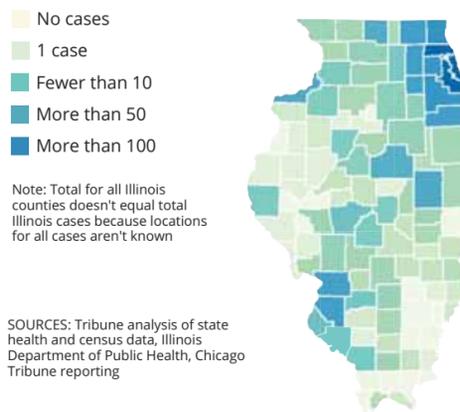
Geography (Population)	Number positive tests	Rate per 100,000 residents	Deaths
Chicago (2.7 million)	7,784	287.7	249
Suburban Cook (2.5 million)	5,633	227.6	204
Lake (700,832)	1,331	189.9	39
Will (692,310)	1,126	162.6	56
DuPage (928,589)	1,048	112.9	48
Kane (534,216)	376	70.4	22
McHenry (308,570)	220	71.3	6
Kendall (127,915)	103	80.5	2

Note: 2018 population figures

Reported Illinois coronavirus cases: Daily vs. cumulative cases



Reported Illinois coronavirus cases by county



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CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

2nd CPD officer to die of virus a 25-year vet

He 'investigated hundreds of homicides'

BY MADELINE BUCKLEY

Shortly after testing positive for COVID-19, Chicago police Sgt. Clifford Martin told interim Superintendent Charlie Beck that he was worried about his family, but eager to get back to work.

But Martin, 56, who was hospitalized about two weeks ago, on Friday became the second Chicago police officer to die after

testing positive for the virus. He is survived by a wife and three children.

In a somber news conference Saturday morning at the department's South Side headquarters, officials recalled Martin as a caring and hardworking detective whose work inspired two of his children to become police officers in Chicago.

Martin, a 25-year veteran of the department, was most recently assigned to the Area Central Bureau of Detectives, where he investigated "hundreds of homicides" and trained dozens of detectives, Beck said. He

spent the bulk of his career in the Calumet District on the Far South Side.

He lived on the Far South Side and grew up in the Altgeld Gardens housing project, Beck told officers in a department memo sent Saturday.

"He worked his way forward to become one of the most respected detectives in the Chicago Police Department," Beck said at the news conference.

Deputy Chief of Detectives Brendan Deenihan called Martin an "excellent



Martin

detective" who "cleared a lot of murders."

He sent his children a "police tip of the day" about how to handle different assignments on the job, Deenihan said. He was also a dedicated teacher for detectives in his division, he said.

"He just wanted to teach his detectives," Deenihan said.

Martin first began feeling symptoms on March 20 and began taking sick leave on March 22, Beck said. So far, about 237 officers have

tested positive for COVID-19, and 1,000 officers are out sick, accounting for more than 8% of the force.

Beck said the department cleaned the work station after Martin tested positive. Colleagues were told to self-monitor and stay home if they experienced symptoms.

Also speaking at the news conference, Mayor Lori Lightfoot warned Chicagoans to abide by the state's stay-at-home order and said Martin "gave his own life in service to others."

"Our first responders are making daily sacrifices to protect the lives of others," she said. "Do not congregate. Do not force our officers to be called upon to break up gatherings in our parks and streets."

Marco DiFranco, 50, was the first Chicago police officer to die after testing positive for the virus. DiFranco died on April 2.

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Family

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people or fewer at a public gathering. The small number of mourners hesitated to hug one another for fear one might unknowingly be a carrier and spread the virus.

Aside from their grief, there is anger.

Maria Vazquez said she believes her husband's death was preventable had he been allowed to wear a mask and gloves at work. She said his pleas were denied, a claim his employer does not refute but it notes it was following the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines at the time. The CDC did not recommend wearing masks until April 3.

Vazquez's last shift was March 11, days before the airport experienced huge crowds and backups as Americans rushed to return home after new international travel restrictions were announced. His first symptom — a dry and persistent cough — appeared March 14.

The next day, Maria Vazquez said she called a COVID-19 hotline that her husband's doctor referred her to for testing, but was told he did not qualify because they lacked proof he had contact with someone with a confirmed case.

"I said, 'You're kidding, right?' He works at the airport," she remembered. "He has all these symptoms. He's got diabetes. He's saying he's having a hard time breathing."

When Jose Vazquez grew too weak to get out of bed and dress himself, she called 911. He died 11 days later. The family allowed the Tribune to attend his memorial services.

"I really just want people to be aware," his widow said through tears. "By practicing social distancing, they could be saving not only their life but a loved one's life, a friend's life or the life of a medical person or someone else (who has to go to work) like my husband. I don't want anyone else to feel this pain."

Jose Vazquez was the oldest son of Salomon and Maria Vazquez, a hard-working Wicker Park couple who shared their deep Pentecostal faith with their five children. The family attended church a few days a week, with the children deeply involved in services.

Though he was the oldest, his younger sisters didn't easily relinquish control. He was their fun-loving playmate and protector, said sister Marisol Vazquez Edmonds, just 11 months younger, who recalled the day her brother taught her to ride a bike.

Their mother, Maria, died at just 54 in 2001 of cancer. Vazquez Edmonds said her death, though difficult on them all, broke her brother's heart and was a catastrophic loss he never overcame.

"He was favored by my mom as the oldest and only boy," she said. "He loved making people laugh and always looked out for his sisters and gave us great advice."

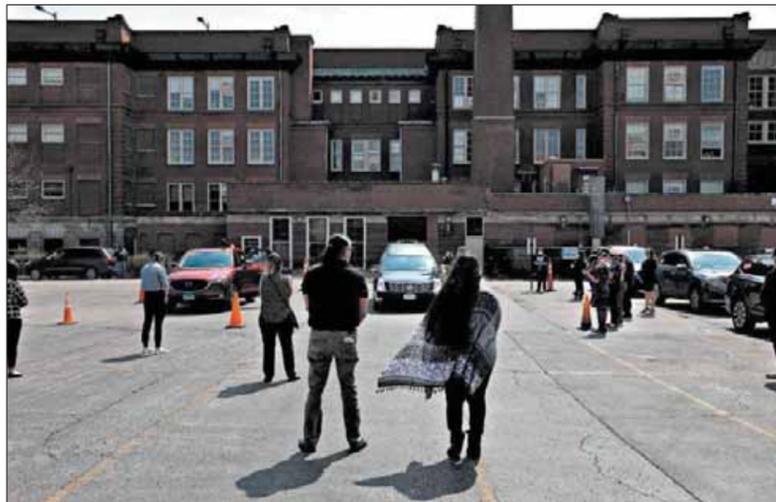
They called him "Mikey." It was in his senior year at Wells Community Academy High School that he met his future wife. Maria Vazquez, then a 16-year-old junior, said she remembers the exact moment in 1986 in her drama/speech class that she noticed him. He and another classmate were laughing.

"I looked back and all I



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Sarina Vazquez rests her head on her mother Maria's shoulder during the burial Tuesday of Jose Vazquez, who was Sarina's father and Maria's husband.



Family and friends of the Vazquez family stand at a distance from a hearse carrying his body, parked at Darwin Elementary School in the Palmer Square neighborhood Tuesday.

see was this guy's huge smile," she said. "I can still visualize it. That moment is just always in my memory."

Days later, they passed each other in the hallway. He introduced himself as "Flaco," a moniker friends gave him by his high school years due to his tall, thin build. Two months later, they went on their first date to dinner and a movie.

They dated about seven years as they grew into adulthood and he saved for a ring. When he finally proposed, the perfect plan of a romantic boat trip along Lake Michigan was foiled by his motion sickness.

"That didn't stop him," she said. "He kept leaning over the boat but when he felt a little better he proposed ... It was beautiful."

They were opposites, in a sense, who balanced each other out. She is quiet and reserved. He was outgoing and artistic, a real people person. When she worried, he would wrap his arms around her and always say, "Ma, it's going to be OK. Don't worry about it," she recalled.

The couple married in May 1994. They both wept while reciting their vows. He was "my true love," she said, and the two would have the first of their two daughters in 1996. They raised their family in the Logan Square home where the family remains to this day.

His wife said he doted on their daughters, Marissa, 24, and Sarina, 18, both part

of the nonprofit Chicago Cuatro Orchestra in Humboldt Park. Whether a school event or orchestra performance, he proudly posted constant videos on social media of their achievements.

His oldest daughter, Marissa, recalled special memories of her father, like how he would whip up a new kind of sandwich or resort to an old favorite, pollo guisado, or chicken stew, when left in charge of meals.

He was a sports fanatic, especially football. A flag supporting a Chicago team always flew outside their home. On Sundays, extended family would gather to watch the game and eat Lou Malnati's pizza, his favorite.

"Whenever I brought friends over he was very welcoming and made sure they were comfortable," Marissa Vazquez said. "Whenever we wanted to go somewhere, he'd always be happy to drive us. He was just that kind of a dad and my friends would always say, 'Your parents, your dad, they're awesome.'"

And then there was Christmas, his favorite holiday. At midnight, they would sing "Happy Birthday" to Jesus, she said, followed by Puerto Rican carols complete with musical instruments to celebrate their culture.

To support his family, Jose Vazquez worked for nearly 25 years at Precision Plating Co. in Chicago as a

quality engineer. But in 2016, he began a new job at O'Hare International Airport as a customer service agent for Envoy Air, a subsidiary of American Airlines.

His posts on social media document he was concerned about the dangers of the coronavirus. He began sharing news articles with his followers not long after the virus had arrived by plane in January in Seattle.

In the several weeks that followed, the nation's busiest airports, including O'Hare, began closing courses, gates and runways or consolidated air traffic control operations in response to the significant drop in air travel.

Maria Vazquez said her normally laid-back husband grew more anxious, especially when his requests to wear gloves and a mask at work on March 10 and March 11 were denied. Later, on that second day, she said, Envoy employees were told they could wear gloves if they had their own.

His sister, Vazquez Edmonds, said her brother also complained to their father that his employer was worried the personal protective gear would "scare passengers."

In response to Tribune questions, Envoy officials said in a statement that the company "consistently followed CDC guidelines, which at the time recommended against masks or gloves except for health professionals, due to the

false sense of security those items gave the wearer and the increased risk of contamination if they were not worn/removed properly."

The statement continued, "As CDC guidelines have evolved, we have continued to comply — we not only allow employees to wear gloves and masks but are working to procure and provide masks to all of our front-line team members who wish to wear them."

Jose Vazquez's last day at work was Wednesday, March 11. On Saturday, his wife said, he started to cough. At first, they assumed, it was his allergies. But it progressed through the weekend. She called his doctor on Sunday and was referred to the coronavirus hotline to try to secure a test.

His condition improved that Monday and Tuesday. But on Wednesday, March 18, he had a fever. Maria Vazquez said she made the same round of calls again and received the same response.

Jose Vazquez was admitted to Norwegian American Hospital the next day and was tested for the virus, she said. That would mark the last time they would ever be in the same room together. On that Saturday, March 21, he got the test results back.

"He texted me, 'Ma, it came back positive,'" his wife said. "He stopped responding because he said it became too painful to keep talking."

Staff intubated her husband two days later. On March 27, he was transferred to Rush University Medical Center. Maria Vazquez said she had hope the first couple of days when it seemed he was improving but, on March 29, hospital staff called and said he had taken a turn for the worse. They were allowed to visit.

Peeking through a tiny window into his hospital room, Jose Vazquez's wife and oldest sister prayed for a miracle for hours while standing outside the door of his room, both in masks and gloves. Relatives called in on a video conference chat and together they prayed some more.

His wife knew Jose could not hear her, but she pleaded. "Just hold on. I know you're fighting. We're

here."

They left that night at 11 p.m., hoping to be allowed to return that next morning. Shortly after arriving home, though, the hospital staff called them to return. Vazquez had rapidly declined after they left.

This time, Maria Vazquez brought the couple's daughters along as well. It was time to say goodbye.

Jose Vazquez died while his family was on their way to the hospital. He had just turned 51 in December and, though covered by his wife's health insurance, he lacked work-related benefits of his own.

In the days that followed, the Vazquez family tried to give him a proper memorial. Dozens of relatives and friends watched the visitation services on video.

The hearse drove down his block, with tearful neighbors standing outside holding signs. Many began walking behind it in procession.

"Look! Everybody's here for Mikey," Marisol Vazquez Edmonds recalled her elderly father saying. "My father was crying. He was touched. I know Mikey would have really loved it. He was watching and very proud of his family and everyone that came together to honor him."

The hearse passed the family home and stopped in the parking lot of nearby Darwin Elementary School, where mourners formed a circle but did not hold hands. They prayed. One of Jose's favorite songs, Boyz II Men's "Hard to Say Goodbye," was played. A daughter also requested the Spanish song "Amor Eterno," or eternal love.

Jose Vazquez was buried under the reaches of a large tree, within walking distance of his mother's final resting place. His family will hold a larger celebration, one where they may all be together and embrace, when it is safe to do so.

They long for that day. Until then, they are heeding social distancing guidelines, even praying the rosary together in video conference calls rather than in person. After all, too much is at stake.

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CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Pritzker quietly grants prisoners clemency

Reform advocates urging release of elderly, ill inmates

BY CHRISTY GUTOWSKI

After nearly four decades in prison for his role as the lookout in two gas station robberies, Basil Powell was given a second chance at life Thursday.

Gov. J.B. Pritzker commuted the former Chicago man's natural life sentence last week amid mounting pressure from prison reform advocates urging the release of elderly or ill inmates during the coronavirus pandemic.

Powell, a 68-year-old grandfather with diabetes and high blood pressure, has been in prison since 1986 under an old tough-on-crime sentencing law that labeled him a habitual criminal and forever slammed the prison door shut after his third class X felony conviction.

Instead, Powell walked out the gates of Dixon Correctional Center a free man Thursday, eager to spend the remaining years of his life with his family in Joliet.

"I feel good, like a thousand bricks got up off my shoulders," he said in a telephone interview as his daughter drove him home. "I didn't think this day would come like this. I've been fighting all my life to get out and kept being told no."

Powell is among a group of people serving life sentences in the Illinois Department of Corrections to whom Pritzker has quietly granted release in recent days through his executive clemency power.

His office did not provide information on the commutations Thursday. But Pritzker has commuted the sentences of 17 Illinois prisoners since March 11, including seven convicted of murder.

Pritzker has not said if the action is related to the pandemic, but he made it clear other recent measures were intended to slow its spread in prisons and keep staff and inmates safe.

For example, earlier this week, the governor signed an order giving state prison authorities more discretion to grant medical furloughs to inmates with health problems. Overall, IDOC officials said they had reduced the system population by 1,345 inmates since March 2.

The growing threat

As of Thursday, 79 staff members and 112 inmates had confirmed infections inside prisons across the state. The vast majority are in Stateville Correctional Center near Joliet, where at least two inmates have died from COVID-19, officials said.

The outbreak has prompted urgent calls from activists who want older inmates, in particular those with underlying medical conditions, to be set free. Lawyers have filed several lawsuits, including against Pritzker, seeking transfers to home detention or release for inmates.

In Powell's case, his attorney filed an emergency petition March 31 with the Illinois Prisoner Review Board and Pritzker to commute the prisoner's life sentence to time served. The petition cites the coronavirus as the reason.

"Such an act is not only merciful and just, but it is in



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Basil Powell had his sentence of natural life commuted by Gov. J.B. Pritzker amid mounting pressure from prison reform advocates.

the public's interest," attorney Jennifer Soble said, noting the low recidivism rate for Powell's age group. "It will help flatten the curve and reduce the risk of another serious infection in Illinois prisons, with no detriment to public safety."

Soble, executive director of the Chicago-based nonprofit Illinois Prison Project, submitted paperwork Thursday for the release of 44 other imprisoned men who are serving life sentences under the habitual criminal law for an armed robbery-related offense in which no one suffered serious injury.

Nearly all of them are minorities and were convicted in Cook County decades ago. Soble said they all were victims of a "trial tax," because prosecutors only sought to invoke the stiff sentencing law if the defendant didn't take a plea deal.

She said their median age is 61 and their median time in prison is 27 years. In comparison, most convicted armed robbers are eligible for release after eight or nine years, she said, citing corrections data.

Soble said she hopes Powell's case will open the door for the others. Besides the 44 men, there are another three dozen or so in prison for life in connection with nonfatal Cook County armed robberies — all sentenced under the habitual criminal law — but Soble said she is seeking immediate release only for those who are elderly and have housing plans secured.

'God answered our prayers'

Ayisha Powell said she was about 22 months old when her father went to prison. Despite his incarceration, the 37-year-old Joliet woman said the two formed a close bond through visits, phone calls and letters.

She said her father's card arrived in the mail for every birthday. In each card or letter, he promised he would come home someday, writing, "I shall return."

"He's kept a positive mindset all these years," she said. "I don't know how he did it, but he's always been in good spirits."

"It really is a blessing and the best feeling of my life," she continued. "God answered our prayers."

She and her mother, Frances McCullum, picked Basil Powell up Thursday from the prison and brought him back to Joliet. He will live with McCullum, who said she "never gave up hope" that this day would come.

"I have lived alone all these years waiting for his return," she said. "We would like to spend whatever time we have left, married (and) together with our daughter and grandchildren."

More commutations

Also this week, Pritzker commuted the life sentence of Charles Harris, 58, another Cook County man convicted of armed robbery who was serving a mandatory life term under the habitual criminal law.

Harris, released Wednesday and living with family in Chicago, had been in prison since 1988. He was a juvenile when he committed his first two armed robberies. No one was physically hurt in his crimes, which together netted \$235, according to his attorneys, John Frawley and Bethany Felder.

According to Pritzker's April 7 commutation orders, Powell and Harris must serve a three-year period of mandatory supervised release after their release, her office confirmed Thursday.

One day before he commuted the sentences of Powell and Harris, Pritzker took similar action in the case of Marilyn Mulero, 49, who was released Wednesday, according to the IDOC website. She was sentenced in 1993 to death, later commuted to life, for the revenge murders of two gang members in Chicago.

Before she was imprisoned, her life was marked by physical and sexual abuse, her lawyers have said, adding that she was a model prisoner.

Of the 17 commutations, seven involved murder convictions. Three of the seven were Cook County cases.

Besides Mulero, Alma Durr, 50, and Carl Reed, 59, received gubernatorial commutations. Both remained in prison late Thursday, according to the IDOC website.

Information wasn't immediately available if Foxx weighed in on the murder cases.

'I'm so grateful'

Powell grew up on Chicago's South Side. He served two years in the U.S. Marines in the early 1970s during the Vietnam War but was not sent overseas. He became addicted to drugs afterward and committed two armed robberies in 1974 and 1976 to support his habit, according to his clemency petition. He pleaded

guilty to both and spent time in prison.

But it was his role in two gas station stickups in August 1984 in Cook County that would lead to Powell's life sentence. No one was physically injured in either. Powell, the lookout man, was not armed.

His co-defendant, who displayed a weapon and demanded cash from the clerk in each crime, pleaded guilty to a lesser offense and was released from prison after serving about six years.

Powell has lived in several prison facilities across Illinois and held jobs in janitorial, kitchen, laundry, laborer and commissary roles. He's received certificates for educational, spiritual and vocational train-

ing and is ranked the highest level for behavior, according to his clemency petition.

On Thursday, Powell said he is most looking forward to finding a job and helping his daughter raise his five grandchildren, including his 2-week-old grandson Ayshawn. He and McCullum also plan to wed, finally. He was thankful to Soble and the Illinois Prison Project.

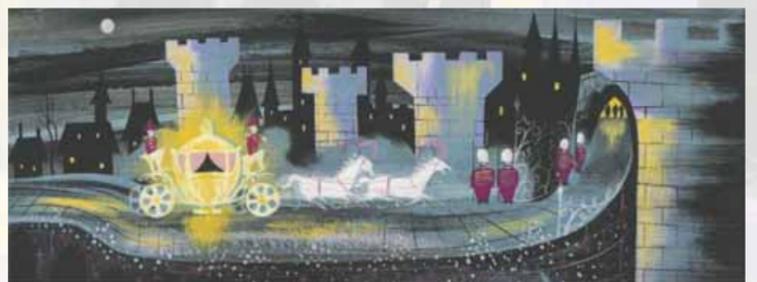
"I know the situation right now out here is that everything is shut down because of the virus," he said, "but I'm hoping to live the rest of my life happily with my family. I'm so grateful."

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Rush tests method to avoid using ventilators

Patients placed facedown, then are given oxygen

BY ROBERT MCCOPPIN

A new study aims to see if placing hospital patients facedown and giving them oxygen will help treat breathing problems caused by the novel coronavirus, thereby reserving ventilators for more severe cases.

The clinical trial at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago calls for patients to lie facedown on their beds for 16 hours at a time, with heated, humidified oxygen flowing in through tubes in their noses.

Some COVID-19 patients have preexisting conditions such as asthma or lung disease, and almost 1 out of 3 COVID-19 patients may develop acute respiratory distress syndrome, study sponsors said. Fluid may leak into the lungs, causing hypoxemia, or low levels of oxygen in the blood, which can lead to shortness of breath. The condition can be fatal, and may leave survivors with weakness, fatigue and a decreased quality of life.

A high-flow nasal cannula, or tube, has been proved to improve oxygenation and avoid intubation for some patients, Rush officials said. Previous studies suggest that placing patients in the prone position, but with the bed angled to keep the head slightly up, can improve breathing and reduce mortality.

At Rush, doctors were



A new study aims to see if placing patients facedown and giving them oxygen will help treat breathing problems caused by COVID-19. RUSH UNIVERSITY MEDICAL CENTER

treating about 160 patients with COVID-19 last week, with more being transferred in from other hospitals. Roughly half require mechanical ventilation to help them breathe.

Doctors have been putting some patients in the prone position already, and have seen some begin to improve within minutes or in an hour or two, said David Vines, director of the respiratory care program at Rush.

“We’ve found it hugely beneficial,” Vines said. “We are optimistic that this would reduce the number of patients that move to mechanical ventilation.”

Intubation and ventilation can save lives, but may also allow pneumonia to develop, which can prove fatal, so the decision whether to use it is always a sensitive one, Vines said. One recent study in the United Kingdom found that of 98 COVID-19 patients

who required advanced respiratory support, including ventilation, 2 out of 3 died.

Patients who agree to participate in the Rush study will be randomly assigned by computer to either lie in the prone position or not.

A team of six medical workers, including a respiratory therapist and a nurse, will work together to turn over the patients as necessary, with 16 hours prone followed by four hours

supine, or on their backs. Turning patients over may be tricky if they have multiple medical tubes attached to their bodies.

Patients will be watched to try to prevent potential complications, such as injuries to their nose or lips from the tube, or a buildup of fluid in their airways.

Vines is not a physician, but is chair of the Department of Cardiopulmonary Sciences, with expertise in mechanical ventilation and

critically ill patients. He was once the Illinois Society for Respiratory Care’s Practitioner of the Year. He teaches classes and helps treat patients as well. Like other medical workers, he has been slammed with work in the past few weeks since the pandemic spread locally.

The first patient in the study was recruited Wednesday.

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Race

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off, if it ever comes, so doctors, scientists and pharmaceutical companies continue to work on identifying an effective treatment for those who do get sick.

“If you don’t have a vaccine, you have to treat,” said Dr. Robert Gallo, co-founder and director of the Institute of Human Virology at the University of Maryland School of Medicine. “We don’t know when a vaccine will be available, absolutely don’t know ... and it could be never.”

The treatments being studied take several different approaches. They include suppressing the immune system, which seems to go into fatal overdrive in the worst cases; attacking the new coronavirus that causes COVID-19, known as SARS-CoV-2; introducing the antibodies of recovered patients into people who are still fighting the disease; and tamping down production of a chemical in the body that may exacerbate the illness.

Although some approaches have shown at least limited promise, it will take months of further study through larger clinical trials to see what truly works. “We don’t know if we’re going to have a home run or a base hit with any of these drugs at this moment,” cautioned Dr. Gregory Huhn, an infectious disease physician at Stroger Hospital, where the antiviral drug remdesivir is being tried on patients as part of a larger clinical trial.

Here are some of the more prominent potential treatments that are being studied:

Hydroxychloroquine: This is the malaria-fighting drug, sold under the brand name of Plaquenil, that Trump has touted during White House briefings on the battle against COVID-19.

“What do you have to lose? Take it,” Trump famously said. “I really think (patients) should take it. But it’s their choice and it’s their doctor’s choice, or the doctor in the hospital. But hydroxychloroquine — try it, if you’d like.”

What you could have to lose is your life, given that the drug can cause or exacerbate cardiac arrhythmia — an irregular heartbeat that in some cases can lead to a stroke or a heart attack.

“I would think three times (before taking) something that causes cardiac arrhythmia,” Gallo said. “Is



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A researcher works on the development of a vaccine against COVID-19 in Brazil in March.



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President Donald Trump and his administration have touted the anti-malaria drug hydroxychloroquine.



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Vials of the drug remdesivir are displayed at a news conference April 8 in Hamburg, Germany.

it worth it?”

Despite the risks, and despite the lack of scientific proof that the drug is effective in treating COVID-19, its use has also been touted by a French doctor and another from New York state, to controversial effect.

Hydroxychloroquine, and its cousin chloroquine, work by suppressing the immune system. In some people afflicted with COVID-19, the immune system produces a tsunami of antibodies that floods the lungs and essentially drowns the victim. The thought is that doctors may be able to prevent that fatal response by using the drug.

In both the clinical trials and in the treatment of individual patients that the Food and Drug Administration has allowed under “compassionate use” guidelines, the drug often is paired with the antibiotic azithromycin — better

known as Z-Pak — to prevent fluid in the lungs from causing a secondary bacterial infection.

But taking the drug carries its own dangers.

In announcing one clinical trial of hydroxychloroquine, the National Institutes of Health warned: “The drug is not without risks as even short-term use can cause cardiac arrhythmias, seizures, dermatological reactions and hypoglycemia.”

In addition to treating malaria, hydroxychloroquine is used to treat autoimmune disorders, such as lupus and rheumatoid arthritis, and pharmacists are concerned that hoarding of the drug amid the current hype will make it unavailable to patients with those conditions.

Remdesivir: This is an antiviral drug that has been tried in the battles against

other coronaviruses, such as SARS and MERS, with mixed results. It was originally designed to fight Ebola.

The drug is undergoing several trials, with at least four Chicago hospitals taking part by testing it on moderately and severely ill COVID-19 patients. They include Northwestern Memorial Hospital, University of Illinois Hospital and Rush University Medical Center, all of which are participating in a scientific study sponsored by the National Institutes of Health.

The Cook County Health and Hospitals System, which includes Stroger Hospital, is taking part in a study sponsored by Gilead, the drug’s maker.

“In animal models, in monkey models, the drug works by directly inhibiting the virus’s ability to replicate in high numbers,” explained Huhn, the infectious disease specialist at Stroger. “In humans, we believe it works by the same mechanism to limit the amount of virus that can be accelerated in high numbers throughout the body that can lead to lung damage.”

Huhn said it’s way too early to tell how well the intravenous drug will work, but some early signs give him hope.

“Among the numerous patients that we’ve enrolled, we’ve had a handful that have been discharged already off oxygen,” Huhn said. “So, very much too early to tell, but certainly when any patient is discharged off oxygen, that’s an encouraging sign to us.”

Novak, the UIC infectious disease chief, said the drug may be more effective on patients whose disease is less serious. “My feeling, and I could be wrong on this, is that it’s probably going to help people with earlier disease who enroll in the study rather than people with more advanced disease,” he said.

As with hydroxychloroquine, remdesivir has also been prescribed by some doctors outside of the studies under the compassionate use exception, but that exception has since been limited to pregnant women and people under the age of 18, Huhn said.

Convalescent plasma: Doctors describe infusions of plasma from recovered patients as an “ancient” treatment, given that it dates back a century or so.

The idea is that surviving patients have developed antibodies that target and defeat the virus, and introduc-

ing them into sick patients will help fight the disease.

So-called convalescent plasma treatment also is undergoing trials, though some doctors are already prescribing it after obtaining federal waivers for specific patients with COVID-19 who don’t qualify for the trials.

Blood banks in the Chicago area and the Red Cross are urging recovered patients to donate their plasma for both research and treatment of individual patients.

Researchers at Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health and School of Medicine, which is on the forefront of convalescent plasma research, are hopeful that plasma treatment will at least be of help until other treatments are found.

Gallo, however, expressed caution about the treatment, noting that in some cases, “antibodies facilitate getting worse” because they “actually accelerate virus infection” in the case of some diseases.

“Giving someone antibodies is no assurance it’s going to be helpful,” Gallo said. “It might be, it might not be.”

Tocilizumab: A clinical trial assessing this drug’s effectiveness in treating COVID-19 patients is expected to get underway this month.

Marketed under the brand name of Actemra, the drug is currently used to treat rheumatoid arthritis and other ailments. It works by inhibiting interleukin 6, a protein that is involved in the immune response and can cause swelling, including the type of lung inflammation seen with COVID-19.

“I talked to one physician who said a person was in really bad shape and after 24 to 48 hours (of tocilizumab treatment) was jumping around,” Gallo said, adding that he holds out more hope for this treatment than the others, particularly those who are severely ill with the disease.

The Global Virus Network, which Gallo co-founded and where he serves as international scientific adviser, will be involved in trials of the drug, he said.

Gallo said there also are many more potential treatments in the pipeline, including one that is expected to be announced soon. He described it as a “novel vaccine” that is “something that is possibly going to be therapeutic as well.” He declined to discuss it further before the announcement.

Despite all the ongoing efforts, doctors and scientists stress that no treatment for COVID-19 has been proved to help patients without causing too much harm.

“If my family member ever got this, I would not tell them to use any of those things, truthfully, unless it was really life threatening, and on the ventilator, and we’ve done everything else we could,” said Dr. Rahul Khare, founder and CEO of Innovative Express Care, an immediate care clinic on the North Side.

“I would then ask the (infectious disease) specialist if he thinks this is the time to try it, because truthfully we don’t know enough, and it could do more harm than good,” Khare added. “And the studies that have been out are not convincing, that’s for sure.”

Vaccines: Novak, the infectious disease specialist at UIC, said development of a vaccine is crucial. “A vaccine will be the main strategy that will allow us to prevent the disease and ultimately stop the pandemic,” he said.

But Gallo and others noted there is no guarantee one will be found.

“We don’t know” when a vaccine will come, “and it could be never,” Gallo said. “But one thing is for sure: It’s not going to be in five months or eight months or 12 months, because it takes time to prove and get efficacy and safety proven.”

Khare noted that despite many years of efforts, there are no vaccines for some viruses, such as the ones that cause AIDS and herpes. “My hope is that we get (a vaccine), but I also know that it’s not as easy as the influenza vaccine that we get every year,” he said.

Novak said he’s optimistic that the efforts will succeed, in part because the new coronavirus appears to be a far better target for a vaccine than AIDS-causing HIV, which mutates furiously and continuously, making it extremely difficult if not impossible to target.

“This is different” he said. “It doesn’t mutate very rapidly, and there are some pretty good targets for a vaccine. The virus has some weaknesses that can be targeted.”

“We are so far ahead of where we were 20 years ago, in terms of our ability to figure out vaccines and make them. I’m pretty confident we are going to have a vaccine for this virus.”

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Baptisms

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happy thing. And it's a sacred duty, one that you want to do soon as you can. You're born into this world with sins, the church says. And there's always a chance something happens. Now, because of *everything*, I'm thinking — I'm hoping — I really don't want to baptize a 2-year-old."

Baptism is one of Catholicism's seven sacraments.

If you're not familiar, these sacraments — confirmation, communion, marriage, anointing the sick, being ordained as clergy, confession and baptism — constitute the centerpiece of Catholic theology, "public moments when the church comes together to witness God's power," said the Rev. Robert Casey, auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Chicago. "We are a community through sacraments. Now we don't have an opportunity for public moments."

Of course, a large part of most religion is community and ritual, and yet in the top-down theology of Catholicism, there is something uniquely cruel about this crisis: Each Catholic sacrament requires — even insists — on physical touch, personal intimacy or the proximity of a community, all of which are rendered nearly impossible by a pandemic.

"Everyone is suffering," said Keara Ette, director of ministries at Old St. Patrick's Church in the West Loop, which was founded Christmas morning in 1856. "But sacraments are the first layer of understanding that most Catholics have. They are distinctly *tangible*. You touch and feel. There is a closeness in a congregation, this essential togetherness."

A pastor pours holy water over heads during baptism.

Marriages are joined by clergy, performed before family and friends.

A first communion and confirmation are awe-inducing ceremonies, with the Eucharist (the wafer that Catholics use to represent Jesus Christ) often delivered directly onto the tongue.

"Even confession," said Nevins, "you really can't do it right now. You can't have someone sitting 6 feet away, telling you secrets and hoping that no one is listening in."

Gloria Camarena lives across the street from Old St. Pat's. Her son Mateo, 5 months old, was set for baptism in March. She took the church's preparation course, she arranged for a godparent to fly in from Las Vegas. "It's been burned into me, you get your child baptized soon as possible," she said. She asked the church if she could have it done with just the parents, child and priest; she was told, sorry. "Which I totally get, but now we hope it happens before Mateo can walk up and splash water on himself."

Baptism, for Catholics, is meant as an introduction into the church, "as the gateway sacrament you first need before receiving most other sacraments," said the Rev. Kevin McCray of St. Mary Parish in Evanston. Though it remains part of church teaching that baptism be sought soon after birth, many pastors say they baptize 2- and 3-year-olds routinely now. "The speed thing came from a time when birth was riskier, and when a family always lived close, which is no longer the assumption anymore," McCray said.

Indeed, sacraments were built to be routine itself, as stability and order, always there, and always certain. The world may change, the theology teaches, but sacraments don't.

Yet that statewide quarantine — along with recommendations from the pope in Rome, not to mention the Archdiocese of Chicago — means, for the moment, a postponement.

Ryan Brady, of Mount Greenwood, was being ordained as a deacon on May 9; in his third year of theological studies, he was one of about 50 men receiving holy orders in a ceremony at Holy Name Cathedral. That sacrament has been paused indefinitely now.



The baptismal font sits empty Tuesday inside Old St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Chicago.



Jackie Perez films as senior pastor Scott Nichols prepares to baptize members of Crossroads Community Church in Carol Stream.

"When they told me about the delay, I began to say the serenity prayer to myself, over and over in my mind," he said, "you know, 'God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change. ...' I don't like the word 'canceled' though, because these sacraments are so integral to our lives as Catholics, you can't cancel a gift from God."

Instead, for the time being, many Catholic parishes have gone online during the pandemic, primarily with virtual Sunday services, often through Facebook and Zoom.

Which, ironically, brings Catholicism a bit closer to other faiths right now, struggling to settle on a digital substitution for ceremonies that are, fundamentally, flesh and blood.

Many traditional Jewish rituals at Congregation Bene Shalom in Skokie, said Assistant Rabbi Shari Chen, are either being postponed (bar mitzvahs) or livestreamed from the temple online, including services for Passover and even the

practice of sitting shiva, a traditional act of mourning following a death (now happening via video conferencing). "The overriding principle, regardless of faith really, is you never do something to endanger others, so 'virtual' it is," she said. Likewise, Kamran Husain, president of the Muslim Community Centers in Albany Park and Morton Grove, said mandatory Friday prayers — which is somewhat akin in importance to Sunday services for Christians — may not be happening in mosques, yet the ritual itself is not the point.

"We have Ramadan coming, and the usual programs are canceled," he said, "but if you break it down, you don't need a brick-and-mortar location to be a good Muslim. A lot of our community is having a hard time without the mosque — we even had backlash from some who felt closing was too extreme. But historically, there is precedent in Islam for these situations. From what we understand, we get more reward

praying in mosques, but I think a lot of people start worshipping rituals and not the reasons for those rituals, and the one thing we teach is that preserving life is the most important thing we can do."

At Baptist churches, baptism is also mostly on hold, said Nate Adams, executive director of the Illinois Baptist State Association, which estimates there are 950 Baptist churches in Illinois. And yet, considering that Baptist churches don't answer to a governing body like an archdiocese or the Vatican, and that their theology doesn't require clergy to perform rituals, he suspects "individual places will be figuring ways around." For example, Crossroads Community Church in Carol Stream is conducting small baptisms, separated out every 30 minutes for sanitation; each ceremony will be videotaped and edited into a seamless string of baptisms, to be broadcast online during the church's virtual services on Easter.

"We're choosing to go ahead because historically, (baptism) is such a part of our celebration," said Senior Pastor Scott Nichols. "We could postpone, but there's nothing magical involved exactly, and it's so important to who we are, we wanted it to be there."

Meanwhile, in Catholic churches, the only sacrament being performed now is the anointing of the sick or last rites — and only then, if a person has the coronavirus, archdiocese directives say a priest must be specially selected and younger than 60, without ailments. However, the church does make concessions for "extreme emergency," allowing anyone, Catholic or not, to perform a baptism if a life is threatened. Think soldiers on a battlefield. Auxiliary Bishop Casey said

his mother, a nurse, performed her share of delivery-room baptisms on children not expected to live.

Then there are Catholics who feel that a pandemic is an extreme emergency.

Ricardo Villamil was set to have his daughter baptized at St. John Cantius in River West. She was born in March. "You want it done quickly, especially in times of crisis. I understand a need for safety, but grocery stores have gotten innovative. There should be ways around. A baptism needs four people? Well, I care about the salvation of my child, and if that means family isn't there, OK. A church is needed now more than ever."

Actually, the Rev. Joshua Caswell at St. John Cantius agrees.

The church, among the most conservative in Chicago, is streaming services like other churches; they are obeying the Archdiocese of Chicago and have four newborns and 20 adult converts waiting to be baptized. "But I think (archdiocese) guidelines are extreme on this," Caswell said. "Smaller baptisms could go ahead. The sacrament can be very personal. Baptisms are social activities now. Not everything has to be a social experience." He said performing Mass in a church empty of parishioners reminds him of "clergy in the Middle Ages, holding services in the mountains without a congregation. Which doesn't make it less a service." So he's telling the adults set to be baptized of an old teaching: God bound salvation to sacraments, but God is not bound to sacraments.

Indeed, though the Archdiocese of Chicago has frowned on suggestions of cellphone confessions and drive-in-ish services as substitutes for its church during a pandemic, no less than the pope has trotted out a handful of lesser-known theological concepts lately. Among them, "spiritual communion," which is basically the receiving of the Eucharist by someone unable to physically receive it, and "baptism by desire," which Caswell himself has used: "I told the 20 adults waiting that, though they can't be sacramentally baptized today, by the desire they've shown, the church already recognizes them as its children."

It's a sentiment reflected by many clergy and flock interviewed for this story. They say the new restrictions have reminded them that Catholic theology is not just about going to church, and that being prevented from sacraments has forced them to appreciate the meaning of what had become close to a routine. They feel more intentional in their faith.

"If faith is only tied to church, that faith is not much more than a building," said the Rev. James Donovan of St. Barnabas Parish in Beverly. "So a lot of sacraments are being lived right now. A guy told me he's with his wife so much they've run out of things to argue about."

Just don't expect wholesale change.

The Chicago area is home to more than 2 million Catholics, according to the archdiocese; its 316 parishes (in Cook and Lake Counties alone) performed more than 20,000 baptisms, 20,000 confirmations and 4,000 weddings in 2019. When it comes to the sacraments, there is no new norm. There is nothing that frees them of their innately physicality, said Auxiliary Bishop Casey. Once the pandemic ebbs, there's no chance of virtual sacraments. However well-meaning, virtual church itself has left parishioners cold, pastors say. Said Lauren Doig of Beverly, "Oh, it's just not the same."

So, in the meantime, church leaders have urged Catholics who couldn't see a priest, visit church or receive a sacrament during quarantine to speak directly with God. "An act of contrition done well," said Pope Francis, "and our souls become white like the snow."

That apparently works too.

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Park district, Illinois Soybean Association form hand sanitizer team

BY MORGAN GREENE

The Chicago Park District has found a creative solution to produce hand sanitizer: partner with Illinois farmers.

Faced with supply shortages, the Park District has teamed up with the Illinois Soybean Association to make hundreds of gallons of the now-coveted protective measure against COVID-19. The hand sanitizer will be used by Park District staff, as well as other workers deemed essential during Gov. J.B. Pritzker's stay-at-home order.

As the coronavirus pandemic swept into Chicago, the Park District wanted to make sure

there was enough sanitation supplies for staff, said Dan Cooper, the Park District's director of environmental services.

"And hand sanitizer was a big one," Cooper said. "We had some on hand, but we were trying to order more and the supplies were just out everywhere."

Park District Superintendent Michael Kelly said in a news release that the "unprecedented time calls for innovative solutions."

"Rather than wait indefinitely for products to become available, risking the safety of our workforce and the public, we decided to produce it ourselves," Kelly said.

The Park District's main

biodiesel contractor, Indigenous Energy, was able to secure a bulk shipment of isopropyl alcohol, Cooper said, and proposed making the sanitizer at the Park District's South Side facility.

"And the Park District, we said, yes, let's do it," Cooper said. "Let's work together and get this done."

The Park District isn't alone in locally producing hand sanitizer. Last month, Koval was among at least five Chicago-area distilleries to pivot to sanitizer production.

The Park District's hand sanitizer follows World Health Organization guidelines and is isopropyl alcohol-based. The necessary glycerin, derived from

biodiesel production, is made from Illinois soybeans.

About 400 of 600 gallons have been produced so far, Cooper said. They have the raw materials to make an additional 200 gallons, but containers are in short supply.

"The bottles is the bottleneck, pun intended, for the production," Cooper said.

The sanitizer has been funneled into 6-ounce personal bottles for park staff — about 800 so far — with larger 32-ounce bottles going out to some office locations and Park District vehicles.

Gallon-size bottles will be used for refills.

Cooper said the Park District is

well-stocked for staff needs, at least for the next month. Additionally, 100 gallons were donated to the Rush medical supply warehouse.

More batches are planned for the future, Cooper said, but with the isopropyl alcohol supply limited, the district is looking at making ethanol-based hand sanitizer. And "scouring around" for containers.

Production is funded by the Park District and the Illinois Soybean Association, which represents more than 43,000 soybean growers in Illinois.

"We're just really happy to find a creative solution to the supply issues," Cooper said.

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A LIFELINE IN THE CITY

Women's clubs, a reflection of the changing urban landscape, offered Chicagoans housing and an instant support network

BY RON GROSSMAN

Susan Rodriguez was furious upon hearing that she and a few others would be the last residents of the Eleanor Club on Dearborn Parkway, an apartment-style building for working women overlooking Lincoln Park.

"These women all drive BMWs and Audis," she said of the board members who voted to close it. Rodriguez, a nail technician whose clients called her Fergie, had moved into the Eleanor Club when her marriage blew up.

That same day in 2001, during a Tribune reporter's visit, another resident shared wonderful news. Kathleen Darley, a ballet dancer from Texas, said she felt good about her audition for the Joffrey Ballet's "Nutcracker" production.

"Oh, we've got to celebrate tonight," Rodriguez told Darley, who later learned she got the role.

For 103 years, the Eleanor Club was like that: It was a place where women, mostly young and new to Chicago, shared their dreams and disappointments around a dining room table. They stood in line for the shower down the hall from the bedrooms no bigger than a monk's cell. In the spacious lounge, furnished in the style of the arts-and-crafts movement, they wrote postcards assuring the folks back home that they were safe and well in the big city.

On the eve of closing, the club's management referred residents who still preferred communal-style living to the nearby Three Arts Club, a home-away-from-home for women studying painting, music, and drama. It sent its residents packing two years later.

Between them, the Eleanor and Three Arts clubs and similar women's residences reflected a shift in the way Americans perceived cities. Originally the country's soul was said to live in the rural countryside. Because of mass

immigration in the 19th century, cities developed a tarnished image as enclaves of foreign cultures where English was rarely heard.

But eventually the city's diversity became a lodestone for a younger generation bored with small-town life and grist for novels like Sinclair Lewis' "Main Street."

"I do not admit that Main Street is as beautiful as it should be!" protested Carol Milford, the novel's protagonist. "I do not admit that dish-washing is enough to satisfy all women!"

Helen Lambin similarly described what led her to the Eleanor Club in the 1950s. During a recent interview with Flashback, she was asked what inspired her to leave Marion, Iowa.

"Reading Sinclair Lewis," she replied.

She recalled that a young lady couldn't just walk up to the desk at the Eleanor Club and ask for a room. Letters of recommendation and an interview were prerequisites. Lambin thought she was doing fine — until the final question: What club activities would she like to participate in?

The club offered lectures, musical evenings and field trips to Chicago's cultural attractions. Lambin explained that, as interesting as the offerings sounded, she wouldn't have time to take one. She'd be working days and taking college courses at night.

From the look on the interviewer's face, Lambin already knew she was going to be rejected. "I didn't realize that good little Eleanor girls were the kind who'd go straight to heaven," she said.

Women's residences drew from different strata of society, and the Eleanor Club was the top of the line. Its members enjoyed a relaxed lifestyle light years beyond Lambin's means. So she moved into a middle-class residence in Rogers Park. Things went well until Mrs. Manthey, the proprietor, said Lambin's boyfriend had been

spotted in the residence in the wee hours. Lambin denied knowing anything about that.

She'd been at her boyfriend's digs typing up his graduate school thesis, said Lambin, who is writing a memoir of her experiences with the working title: "The No Sex in the City Girls Club."

Fortunately Mrs. Manthey was more indulgent than Eleanor Club administrators, who were blue-blood prudish from the get-go.

The Eleanor Club was founded in 1898 by Ina Law Robertson, a high school principal from Oregon who had come to the University of Chicago to take graduate courses three years earlier. Having trouble finding suitable housing, she decided to create a residence for young women. She named it for a friend, Eleanor Law, who joined the project, bringing along her substantial inheritance.

For \$2.50 a week, the first Eleanor Club provided residents with two meals a day. Chicago's Inter Ocean newspaper hailed it as the world's first "Home For Shop Girls." Its success spawned other clubs.

At the 1955 dedication of a cornerstone for the building on Dearborn Parkway, a bit of Robertson's philosophy was read, the Tribune reported: "It is our daily prayer ... that these young women may also catch a vision of life's deeper meaning and go from this home to their work each day strong in the strength of God."

There were then six clubs with a total capacity of 600 guests. Once a member, a woman could check in for an occasional overnight, or stay for as long as two years.

Robertson's vision was realized partially because it brought together women across class lines. The society matrons she recruited to support the clubs suffered discrimination no less than the young women for whom they provided housing.

Women couldn't vote or



At top, businesswomen relax in the lounge of the then-new Eleanor Club in Old Town on Feb. 14, 1956, shown above. Standing at the fireplace are Blanche Davidson, left, director of the club, and Grace A. Coulter, president of the Eleanor Association.

sign a lease. Their educational and professional opportunities were constricted. Lambin found she couldn't quite outrun those limitations by moving to Chicago and studying psychology. She took classes at Loyola University's Loop facility but couldn't enroll on its main campus in Rogers Park.

"The Jesuit priests who taught there weren't comfortable with seeing women on campus," Lambin said.

Robertson wasn't alone in recognizing the need for decent housing for young women. Others did as well, and in 1900, their facilities were joined together in the Association of Young Women's Clubs of Chicago and given a reception at the Palmer Mansion on Lake Shore Drive.

The hostess, Mrs. Potter Palmer, was the grand dame of Chicago society.

Among the invitees were representatives of professions open to alumnae of the women's clubs: The National Association of Stenographers and the Chicago Teachers Association had a presence at Mrs. Palmer's open house. Other notable women, such as Mrs. Cyrus H. McCormick of the farm-implementation clan, co-hosted the event — a sign that the female branch of Chicago's high society had come to understand the problems of blue-collar women and realize the potential in banding together.

Some women's residences had a theological orientation. The Young Women's Christian Association had a residence on South Wabash Avenue. Others grew out of the movement for social justice. The Jane Club was an adjunct to Jane Adam's Hull House on South Halsted Street. The working-class residents of the Jane

Club partially amortized the cost of their keep by serving as counselors to the abandoned and abused children who found refuge at Hull House.

The movement for safe and affordable housing for young women reached its apogee between the two World Wars. In 1909, the Eleanor Clubs had established a summer camp in Wisconsin where shop girls and students could take a break from fast-paced city life.

But in the second half of the 20th century, the Eleanor Clubs began to wane. The Wisconsin camp closed in 1953. After the sexual revolution of the 1960s, fewer young women wanted to live in what a (male) Tribune reporter dubbed "a secular nunnery."

When another (female) reporter visited the Dearborn Parkway club in 1979, residents were conscious of inhabiting an anachronism. Yet it was a beloved relic. "It's like having a wife," said Debra Blair. Living in an apartment, she'd have to shop, cook and clean for herself.

Decades after its closing, its alums were bewildered by the club's demise. Why rob future generations of an experience they treasured?

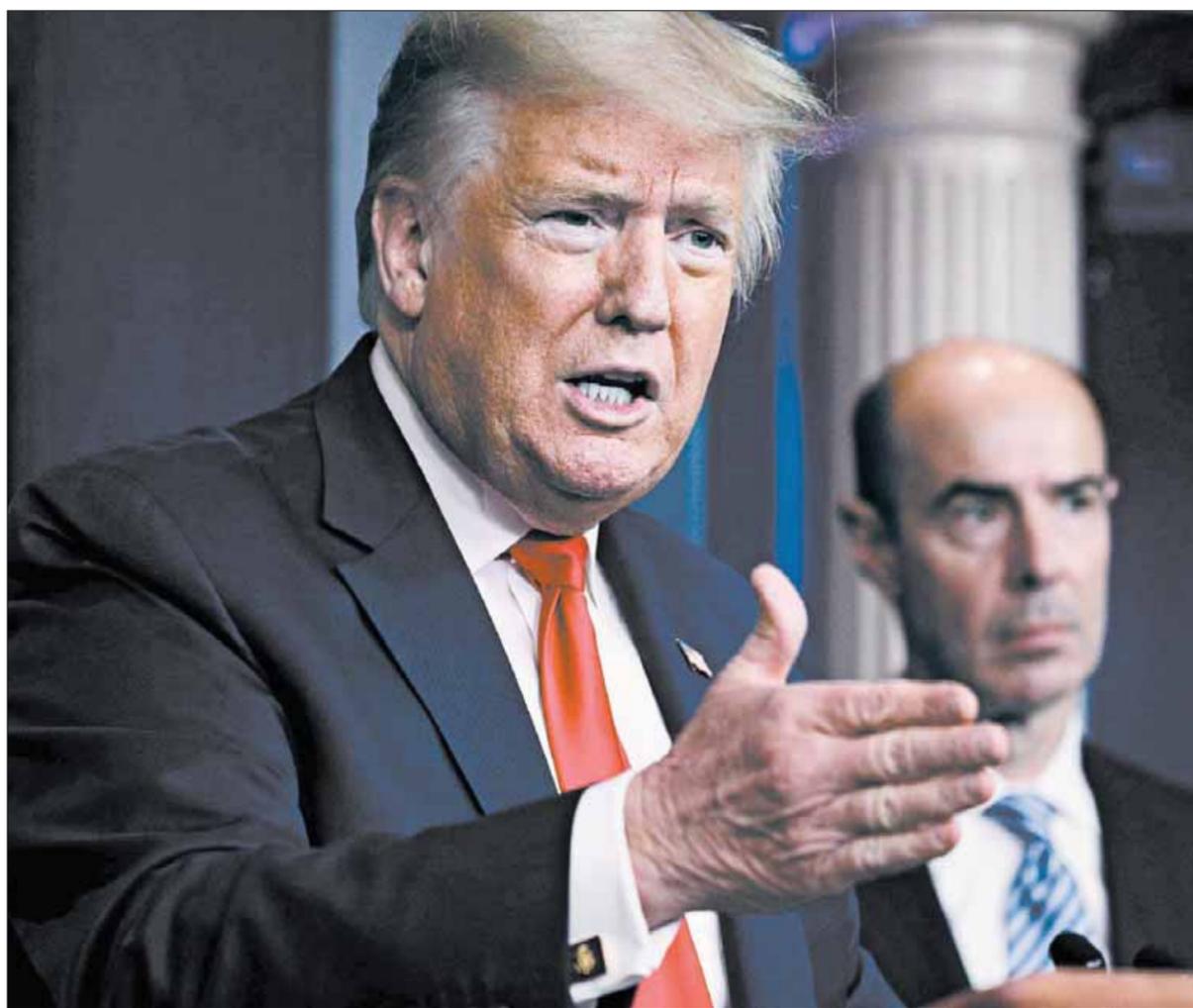
"If I won the lottery, I'd open another place like the Eleanor Club in a heartbeat," said onetime resident Elizabeth Purcell in 2016. "It was wonderful to have a cross-section of people in your life like that. I really had it all there."

Have a Flashback idea? Share your suggestions with Editor Colleen Kujawa at ckujawa@chicagotribune.com.

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PERSPECTIVE



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President Donald Trump speaks during a coronavirus briefing as Labor Secretary Eugene Scalia looks on at the White House on April 9.

Economy won't reopen with a bang, despite the White House's wishes



STEVE CHAPMAN

From the first moment President Donald Trump recognized the serious nature of the new coronavirus pandemic, his impatience has been palpable. Over and over, he stressed how quickly we would get past it. And even after extending the guidelines that restrict activity until the end of April, he continues to predict that life will soon be back to normal.

"It would be nice to be able to open with a big bang and open up our country or certainly most of our country," he said Wednesday. "And I think we're going to do that soon." Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin was similarly optimistic, predicting that "we could be open for business in the month of May." Attorney General William Barr insisted that by then, it will be time "to allow people to adapt more than we have and not just tell people to go home and hide under their bed."

It's a fetching scenario: The feds give the signal, Americans break out of confinement, businesses rev up and the brief

trauma quickly recedes into the rearview mirror.

But it's a fantasy. Far from igniting a "big bang," our leaders will be trying to start a campfire with paper matches and wet kindling. We should expect to wait quite a while before we feel much heat.

Conservatives who normally recognize the limits of government's ability to alter individual behavior should realize that scrapping the guidelines will have only a modest effect as long as people are getting sick and dying. Fear is going to haunt most of us until the arrival of a vaccine, an easily available antibody test or a cure.

The administration can tell people they're free to venture into movie theaters, restaurants, commercial airplanes, hair salons, fitness centers, ride-share cars, dentist offices and all sorts of other sites. But a lot of Americans, if not most, will decline the invitation.

Now that we've all gotten used to the safety as well as convenience of online commerce, it's hard to see business rebounding strongly at department stores, jewelry outlets, apparel chains or sporting goods stores. Likewise with hotels, motels, resorts and Airbnb, which need people not only to resume travel but to trust in their sanitary practices.

Many small businesses, and some large ones, are doomed to fail.

The great majority of people have concluded that changes in their behavior are essential. Northwestern University sociologist Beth Redbird, who leads a research project that has been surveying Americans about the pandemic, says that in mid-March, most Americans were more worried about how the virus would disrupt their lifestyle than about contracting it. Since then, they have grown much less worried about disruptions and much more about getting sick.

Most have made big changes — avoiding bars and restaurants, not going to church, shunning crowds, canceling trips and not going to work or school. There is broad support, Redbird notes, not only for the government restrictions being taken but also for even more ambitious ones, such as requiring people to get a vaccine if and when it becomes available. From this survey, it's hard to imagine most Americans going back to their old habits anytime soon.

Economists are not banking on a rapid return to good times. In this month's survey of business economists by The Wall Street Journal, the consensus is that gross domestic product

will plunge at a heart-stopping 25% annual rate for the second quarter. They expect the unemployment rate to reach 13% in June — up from 3.5% in February — and stay in double digits for the rest of the year. "It is as if a meteor hit the Earth and now we have to put it back on its axis," said Grant Thornton's Diane Swonk.

Worth keeping in mind is that the prevailing risk-averse mood has set in long before the virus has done its worst. A month ago, only 5% of people in the Northwestern survey knew someone who had gotten COVID-19. Today, it's 30%. A month from now, it will be far more. The effects on commerce will not be positive.

The administration's belief that it can reinvigorate the economy whenever it chooses to do so brings to mind the character in Shakespeare's "Henry IV" who boasted, "I can call spirits from the vasty deep." Replied his friend: "Why, so can I, or so can any man; But will they come when you do call for them?"

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Yes, some stores are limiting the number of people allowed in at a time, and many stores have senior hours.

Where are the stores that have one-way lanes? Where are the stores that do not allow anyone in without a face covering? Why am I protecting you when you can't be bothered to protect me?

— Marsha Lieberman, Chicago

Learning value of others' needs

If, as the saying goes, it takes a village to raise a child, perhaps it takes a pandemic to raise a village.

— William Choslovsky, Chicago

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CHANGE OF SUBJECT

By ERIC ZORN



Behind Pritzker's exaggeration is this truth: The pandemic is bringing out the best in most of us

Yes, it was cringeworthy when Illinois Gov. J.B. Pritzker lapsed into cheap political pandering at his daily COVID-19 crisis briefing Thursday.

"The truth is that Illinois is home to the kindest and most generous people in the entire nation," he said.

Really? Stump-speech puffery at a time like this? And when I had just minutes earlier filed a column taking President Donald Trump to task for cheerleading rather than actually leading?

Pritzker's was a dubious claim. Of course, the truth — in the very scientific world of measuring niceness — is that Big Seven Travel surveyed its audience last year and put Illinois 14th in the ranking of friendliest states (Minnesota, where "Minnesota nice" is the informal brand, was first, naturally). A study that same year by WalletHub ranked Illinois fifth in charitable giving and 36th in the rate of volunteerism.

But Pritzker backed up his regional jingoism — his state-riotism, if you will — with a litany of uplifting evidence, including:

- "Fighting for the safety of youth care, Aunt Martha's Health and Wellness Center (of Olympia Fields) has developed a first-of-its-kind program opening this month, designed to give Department of Children and Family Services kids who've been exposed to COVID-19 a safe place to quarantine.

- "Fighting for safe and expansive nutrition access, the Lakeview Pantry, which serves food to people all across the city of Chicago is serving 82% more individuals than they were before this crisis began.

- "Fighting for students and their families, Bella Ease in Adams County is providing dinner and snacks to local residents.

- "Fighting for our health care workers, Lewis and Clark Community College in Godfrey gathered up critical PPE from their health sciences program and donated hundreds of boxes of



Sister Jaime Mitchell helps pack bags of food for seniors March 24 at Mission of Our Lady of the Angels in the Humboldt Park neighborhood. Chicago police assisted the church in delivering the supplies to senior citizens.

masks and gloves, gowns and hand sanitizer to local hospitals.

- "Fighting for small businesses, the communities of southern Illinois came together to launch Marion United, a livestream benefit featuring local artists, musicians and community leaders sharing hope and encouragement. They raised nearly \$200,000 from hundreds of donors, money that will go directly to support local businesses that have been impacted.

- "Fighting for equitable community support, the Latino Policy Forum has worked to ensure early-education providers serving essential workers in the Illinois Latino community to make sure that they have the diapers and wipes and formula that they need to support the families they serve."

We've all heard and read dozens of other stories of outreach

and aid over the past dreadful month, of neighbors helping neighbors and strangers assisting strangers. In Illinois, sure. But in other states and other nations as well. All over the world we've been seeing implicit challenges to Trump's March 13 assertion, "Americans are the strongest and most resilient people on Earth."

It turns out that, when disaster strikes, most people everywhere are strong and resilient, kind and generous. Even those who hoard toilet paper and scoff at decrees to maintain distance from others tend to look out for those who are hurting and to lend a hand when they can.

No need to rank us.

Pedestrian etiquette

The new rules of the sidewalk demand that we skirt one another by 6 feet when passing, as though

one of us is carrying the novel coronavirus and might unexpectedly sneeze in the direction of the other. Whether or not such caution is strictly necessary in each encounter, it's part of the heightened degree of awareness of the value of distancing that's widely credited with slowing the spread of COVID-19.

So, since most neighborhood sidewalks are about 6 feet wide and as long as we're practicing safe walks, then a few proposed rules:

- Stay right, as though every path is road.

- Move as far right as it's safe to when coming at someone walking the other direction. Don't make it a game of chicken and don't consider a sidewalk encounter to be an opportunity to exhibit nonchalance about your own vulnerability.

- Be sure to say "thank you"

when the other person is the one who deviates most from walking a straight line, as you would to someone opening a door for you or helping you with a package. A friendly wave wouldn't hurt either. Manners, people!

Moratorium forever?

State Rep. Sonya Harper, a Chicago Democrat, is urging Gov. Pritzker to extend the current statewide moratorium on utility shut-offs for six months after the day the governor announces the end of the COVID-19 public health emergency, the day the moratorium is currently set to expire. That recovery period will be a difficult time financially for many people, and a particularly difficult time for anyone to lose gas, electric, water or sewer service.

But, really now, is there ever an easy time for those on the bottom rung of society to lose such basics?

Should people ever be without these essentials in the richest nation in history?

No. This crisis presents an argument for never lifting the moratorium on shut-offs and for providing of a basic level of heat, power and water to every household at government expense. And, I might add, for providing basic medical care as well.

A truly kind and generous people would demand no less.

Re: Tweets

The winner of this week's reader poll to select the funniest tweet was "We haven't seen the streets of DC. this empty since Trump's inauguration," by @Angry_Saint.

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While coronavirus threats grow around all, Anthony maintains the hopes of ultimately becoming a political science major and future politician.

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CHICAGO FORWARD YOUNG LIVES IN THE BALANCE



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During the coronavirus pandemic, Ismael Calderon prepares boxes of food to be delivered to families Thursday out of the New Life Center food distribution center in Little Village.

'I'm going to die anyway'

A pandemic and the lost hope of our disconnected youth

It's just not resonating with these young guys!" Autry Phillips raises his voice in frustration when talking about the young men who keep shrugging off the coronavirus pandemic and gathering on street corners, boldly defying the state's stay-at-home orders.

Describing a scene near East 78th Street and South Cottage Grove Avenue, after a recent shooting, the longtime community activist said, "I pulled up, and there's 90 guys just standing around. No masks. No gloves. This is hard for me. I'm asking them to please stay at home!"

As Phillips, executive director of Target Area Development Corp., reminded us, "The shootings are still going on." Phillips and other members of his street outreach team are focused on two crises now: Chicago's chronic gun violence and the urgent threat of the COVID-19 pandemic.

He's angry with the young men in the African American neighborhoods he serves who, he said, express a dangerous mix of obliviousness to the pandemic and indifference about its risk — the same attitude he says many of them express about guns.

"They say, 'I'm going to die anyway,'" Phillips said, "and they tell me, 'I don't even expect to reach 25'"

One of his biggest jobs, Phillips said, is providing these young men with hope.

In January, the Tribune Editorial Board launched "Chicago Forward: Young Lives in the Balance," a communitywide initiative to find new ways to reach our disconnected youth, the 16- to 24-year-olds who are not in school, not working and veering off the path of a healthy, productive life. Before the coronavirus crisis, about 47,000 youth ages 16 to 24 in Chicago fell into the "disconnected youth" category, and that number is expected to rise — at least temporarily — until the economic impact of this pandemic subsides. If left behind, each will ultimately cost society about \$900,000 over his or her lifetime in lost earnings, lower tax revenues and higher government spending.

As part of our initiative, we

introduced readers to intensive mentoring programs such as Friends of the Children, which finds the most vulnerable kindergartners and commits to more than a decade of mentoring. We visited the Cook County Jail, where a unique program called the Sheriff's Anti-Violence Effort, or SAVE, offers many detainees their first chance to work with a mentor and learn essential life skills such as making a personal budget or managing anger. We met with students at Campos High School, a Humboldt Park charter school in the Alternative Schools Network for kids who are on the verge of dropping out, where the students called their classmates and teachers "family." And we held a live event in February where Mayor Lori Lightfoot and a panel of activists and experts discussed the issue of keeping our youth connected. We began what we hope will be a long-running community conversation.

At the same time, though, a new challenge was brewing.

Even as we followed reports of the novel coronavirus sweeping through Wuhan, China, at that time, few of us could anticipate how quickly and indiscriminately that same virus would wreak havoc on our own communities. Within a few fast weeks in March, schools were closed, businesses shuttered and stay-at-home orders issued. On March 11, the World Health Organization declared the coronavirus outbreak a pandemic, warning of extensive death from COVID-19, the disease caused by the virus. Our health

care system is stretched, daily briefings across the U.S. reveal the staggering number of cases in each state, and the stock market is giving us whiplash. Most of us now know someone who has been ill from a confirmed or suspected case of COVID-19.

For many of us with jobs and homes and retirement accounts, though, the biggest challenge likely has been little more than staying in and remaining healthy — submitting Instacart grocery orders and figuring out what to watch on Netflix. But for thousands of families and young people across the Chicago region, this pandemic has made their already tenuous lives that much more complicated. As our economy sits on pause, workers are being laid off by the millions and families are scrambling to make ends meet. And the young people who already needed a hand — yes, especially the ones with the swagger and the attitude — are at far greater risk of sliding dangerously off-course.

"You have all the challenges from before, and then you blow them up to be even greater," said Matt DeMateo, executive director of New Life Centers, a faith-based nonprofit that provides services in four Chicago neighborhoods.

New Life Centers, which focuses on mentoring, sports, street outreach and food distribution, is rising to the challenge. Like other group leaders we talked to, DeMateo said New Life so far has avoided layoffs in part because generous donors are extending grant deadlines and helping them prepare longer-term strategies for helping the community. Volunteer ranks are up too, he said, which is helping them meet unprecedented needs.

So as we applaud the hospital workers and grocery clerks who are on this pandemic's front lines, risking exposure to the virus to keep us healthy and well fed, let us also applaud the thousands of social service workers — private and public, professional and volunteer — who are working around

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the clock now to stay connected (from a safe distance) with those who are most vulnerable.

In pre-pandemic times, New Life typically served about 100 families through its food distribution program. When the coronavirus crisis hit, the organization saw a surge in applicants: 500 families in 48 hours asked for help. The group now distributes food, donated by Trader Joe's, nearly every day.

Immediate needs are being met, but looking ahead, DeMateo said a lot of the 16- to 24-year-olds he meets are now worried about summer jobs — a lifeline for families who rely on income from their older children. Without jobs, all of the other stress factors will keep blowing up.

"We're adjusting to the new reality."

The good news is that every program we've talked with is rising to the challenge, using Zoom, social media and other technology to stay connected with the young people they serve. Program leaders are innovating as they power through this crisis.

The New Life Centers' mentors are shifting to helping families manage remote-learning lessons that might be difficult for some parents, especially recent immigrants, to handle. And they're creating activities such as digital scavenger hunts to keep kids engaged.

The mentors with Friends of the Children, the intensive program that works with children for 12 years, are making similar adjustments. But as one of the Friends' directors said, "In these chaotic situations, we are the ones adjusting — we don't make (the children) adjust. They have enough going on. You need to let a

kid be a kid and address their issues in a way they care about and can understand."

At Cook County Jail, it's been more of a challenge. Struggling to manage an outbreak of the coronavirus within the jail population — so far 251 detainees and 150 staff members have tested positive for the virus, including two inmates who have died — the SAVE program's group sessions have been suspended, a sheriff's office representative said. Instead, the 12 SAVE staff have pivoted to calling or texting former participants who have been released, to check on their health or other needs. "We are also contacting our partner organizations to ensure that former participants who need assistance can be connected with these organizations."

And the Target Area outreach teams are walking — 6 feet apart — through neighborhoods, sharing anti-violence messages as well as information about the pandemic.

The goal, director Phillips said, is to distribute information but also to give the young men something else to focus on, something other than picking up a gun.

"Initially, I thought it would be better, that the shootings would decrease because of the coronavirus," he said. "Now I see it's just an added pressure."

Whenever the coronavirus crisis begins to subside, it will signal a moment when we can start imagining some normalcy again, as slow as the process may need to be to stay safe. Eventually, we'll go back to our offices, stores will reopen, business will resume.

But Chicago's economy already has taken a significant hit, and recovery will take time, especially for the neighborhoods where businesses hang on by a thread and families live paycheck to paycheck. Every young person about to slip through the cracks is an opportunity for us to lift the next generation up — and show that together we can move Chicago forward.

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Isolation amid pandemic can trigger mental health issues

BY JOEL L. RUBIN

The invisible effects of our current coronavirus lockdown — anxiety, fear, isolation — have created an America in crisis. A Kaiser Family Foundation survey in early April found that 45% of adults said COVID-19 has negatively impacted their mental health. Another recent national survey of 3,300 young people, conducted by DoSomething.org, found that 89% of respondents said they are concerned about the coronavirus outbreak, with 34% very concerned. When asked how they feel about COVID-19, 54% are frustrated; 49.3% are nervous; 40% disconnected; 33% sad; 27.9% hopeful; 14% angry; and only 12.1% indifferent.

These statistics present the tip of an iceberg of angst young people are feeling as they endure the constriction of their freedom and the stark realities of social distancing. And for youths of color, whose levels of anxiety and stress are often intolerably high already, the assault on their mental health is even more devastating.

Communities United, a Chicago grassroots organization, partners with the National Association of Social Workers-Illinois and other mental health providers. CU's program helps disconnected young people of color heal from the emotional trauma of living amid poverty and violence by taking action on issues of inequity through advocacy and organizing.

CU knows from its work that young people are especially vulnerable during this time of crisis. And we know that when young people take positive action, it empowers them. And empowerment is what helps to heal trauma.

Take Derrianna Ford, 16, of West Ridge, the neighborhood with the most COVID-19 cases as of Tuesday. Buffeted by homelessness and family separation

due to the criminal justice system, she was quiet and distant. But Derrianna has transformed herself into a dynamic leader through the CU process, called Healing Through Justice. Now she's advocating throughout Chicago and Illinois for young people's increased access to mental health services.

"We are leading research and action to transform a mental health system so that it works better for us," she said. "This work is more important than ever as we deal with the aftermath of being asked to stay home, where for some young people it is not the safest place to be." Meanwhile "many are faced with mounting pressures, such as wondering if their families will have enough to pay for rent and food."

Derrianna's story demonstrates the acute need for affordable housing and a social safety net for all Americans, especially those feeling the impact of inequity.

We applaud Gov. J.B. Pritzker for his leadership in guiding the state through this crisis. Today we present a call to action that, if applied right now, can help thousands of youth who are at the margins get through this crisis.

Here are three things Illinois can do immediately to help young people deal with the emotional challenges they are presented with during the pandemic:

- Relax regulations on how school social workers and counselors can contact students, so students can get at-home help during this crisis from a virtual one-on-one and virtual group setting.
- Allow school-based mental health professionals to see general population students, not just those with an individualized education plan.
- Create an emergency mental health hotline for young people.
- Designate an office to lead emergency mental health coordination for young people including people who are underinsured, uninsured or those who are unsure how to connect to services.

With increasing anxiety and despair among youth, we are likely to see more of them thinking of suicide and engaging in high-risk behaviors including substance misuse and self-injurious behavior during this period of isolation. Many youth at highest risk of harm have not been identified as having mental health challenges, and lack of access to mental health assistance is widespread. It is crucial that we open this path toward empowerment to our disconnected youth.

The time to act is now. To highlight this issue, Communities United and NASW-IL, in association with Voices of Youth in Chicago Education, held an online town hall Thursday with elected officials and members of the media. Virtually, young leaders expressed their concerns, challenges and recommendations in facing the COVID-19 crisis as part of our ongoing efforts to address trauma through action.

The COVID-19 pandemic is shedding light on the importance of mental health right now and highlighting inequities based on race and class that we all must address.

By making social solidarity important in our personal lives and by protecting our most vulnerable with governmental policies, we can lift up young people and families now during COVID-19 and tomorrow, when we can all go outside together and feel the sunshine again.

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Numbers show black Chicagoans have been dying of coronavirus at six times the rate of white residents.

As COVID-19 cases grow, so do dangerous falsehoods



CLARENCE PAGE

You might not have heard of Waka Flocka Flame. Neither had I until the 33-year-old black rap artist recently declared that he and other people of color are immune to the coronavirus.

Say what? "It's fake," Waka Flocka, formerly known as Juaquin James Malphurs, said during an interview in March on Los Angeles' REAL 92.3 radio. "Minorities can't catch it, we straight."

No, we not. Ironically and tragically, one of the biggest stories of the past week is how the COVID-19 disease caused by the coronavirus kills not only all races, creeds and ethnicities but kills black people at a higher rate than other groups.

The first COVID-19 patient to die in Illinois, for example, was Patricia Frieson, 61, a black retired nurse from the South Side, followed nine days later by her sister, Wanda Bailey, 63, of Crete.

So much for the notion that black people can't catch this deadly bug. Black Chicagoans have been dying at six times the rate of white residents, according to the Cook County medical examiner's office and the city's Department of Public Health. African Americans

make up about 68% of the city's deaths although they make up only about 30% of the city's total population.

Black residents make up only 23% of Cook County but account for 58% of the COVID-19 deaths, according to a report from WBEZ, Chicago's public radio station.

Similar numbers have been reported nationwide as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention provided some limited data from 14 states on Wednesday as political pressure to do more reporting by race and ethnicity has increased.

Although the racial breakdown in the report was 59% white, 14% Latino and 18% black, 45% of hospitalized coronavirus patients were white and 8% were Latino, according to the CDC, while 33% were black, further evidence of disproportionate impact by COVID-19.

At Tuesday's White House briefing, infectious diseases expert Dr. Anthony Fauci said the health disparities that have long plagued black communities are now leading "to a bad outcome with the coronavirus."

They include diabetes, hypertension, obesity and asthma, all of which weaken resistance to coronavirus.

So do many of the jobs that working-class people of all races hold, particularly working black people, that put them into close contact with potential carriers of the virus, whether they are showing



Frieson



Bailey

symptoms or not.

Detroit bus driver Jason Hargrove became a tragic symbol for drivers, cashiers, poll workers and other blue-collar workers whose jobs have put them on the front lines of the pandemic. He shot a selfie video expressing his disgust with a passenger who had just coughed in his face. A week and a half later, his union and city officials announced that the 50-year-old married father of six had died from complications of COVID-19.

Yet, we can add another hazard to Fauci's list: paranoid conspiracy theories and myths. As I have had to write on too many occasions in the past, we are an unfortunately paranoid people — and not without reason.

Having historically been victims of conspiracies ranging from slavery to modern-day housing discrimination, among others, we are constantly reminded of the old sarcastic saying: Just because you're paranoid doesn't mean that somebody's not really out to get you.

But taken to extremes without foundation, we have a lot to fear from fear itself. Many of us grew up with stories of the notorious "Tuskegee experi-

ments." For 40 years, beginning in 1932, the CDC studied black men with syphilis and without informed consent, withholding proper treatment even after penicillin was accepted as a remedy in 1945.

Some reparations were paid to the families, and nothing that atrocious is known to have occurred since then. Still, lingering suspicions cause too many African Americans to avoid doctors and, in too many cases, jump to unfounded conclusions — such as the equally dangerous but widespread fable that AIDS was created by humans in a secret laboratory.

The best remedy for dangerous ignorance is well-grounded information, offered by credible speakers in clearly consistent messages. Government researchers and others need to find more detailed and widespread information than we have now. The CDC's current information on coronavirus, for example, is woefully short on information about coronavirus rates among Native Americans and Native Alaskans, among other groups.

The better the information, the more effectively we can push back the plague.

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US passes Italy's virus death toll

With nation's total over 20K, Midwest bracing for a surge

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Associated Press

The U.S. death toll from the coronavirus eclipsed Italy's for the highest in the world Saturday, surpassing 20,000, as cities in the Midwest braced for a potential surge in victims and moved to snuff out smoldering hot spots of contagion before they erupt.

With the New York area still deep in crisis, fear mounted over the spread of the scourge into the nation's heartland.

Twenty-four residents of an Indiana nursing home hit by COVID-19 have died, while a nursing home in Iowa saw 14 deaths.

Around the world, meanwhile, European countries used roadblocks, drones, helicopters, mounted patrols and the threat of fines to keep people from traveling over Easter weekend. And with infections and deaths slowing in Italy, Spain and other places on the continent, governments took tentative steps toward loosening the weekslong shutdowns.

Glorious weather across Europe posed an extra test of people's discipline.

"Don't do silly things," said Domenico Arcuri, Italy's special commissioner for the virus emergency. "Don't go out; continue to behave responsibly as you have done until today. Use your head and your sense of responsibility."

The outbreak's center of gravity has long since



Rev. Brian Needles prepares Saturday ahead of a scheduled livestream of Easter Sunday Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church in South Orange, New Jersey.

shifted from China to Europe and the United States, which now has by far the largest number of confirmed cases — a half-million — and a death toll higher than Italy's count of nearly 19,500, according to the tally kept by Johns Hopkins University.

The death rate — that is, the number of dead relative to the population — is still far higher in Italy than in

U.S., which has more than five times as many people. And worldwide, the true numbers of dead and infected are believed to be much higher because of testing shortages, different counting practices and concealment by some governments.

About half the deaths in the U.S. are in the New York metropolitan area, where hospitalizations are never-

theless slowing and other indicators suggest lockdowns and social distancing are "flattening the curve" of infections and staving off the doomsday scenarios of just a week or two ago.

New York state on Saturday reported 783 more deaths, for a total over 8,600. Gov. Andrew Cuomo said the daily number of deaths is stabilizing "but stabilizing at a horrific rate."

"What do we do now? We stay the course," said Cuomo, who like other leaders has warned that relaxing restrictions too soon could enable the virus to come back with a vengeance.

With authorities warning that the crisis in New York is far from over, Mayor Bill de Blasio announced that the city's 1.1 million-student school system will remain closed for the rest of the academic year. But Cuomo said the decision is up to him, and no such determination has been made.

In the Midwest, pockets of contagion have alarmed state and city leaders and led to stricter enforcement.

In Wisconsin, health officials expect to see an increase in coronavirus cases after thousands of people went to the polls during Wisconsin's presidential primary Tuesday.

Michigan's governor extended her state's stay-at-home order with new provisions: People with multiple homes may no longer travel between them.

Elsewhere around the world, Italian authorities set up roadblocks around Milan to discourage people from going on Easter weekend trips. British police kept a close watch on gatherings in parks and at the seaside on one of the hottest days of the year. And France deployed some 160,000 police, including officers on horseback who patrolled beaches and parks.

"It's useless to pack your bags for a vacation," Paris police tweeted.

Spain — with more than 16,400 dead — plans to allow workers in some non-essential industries to return to factories and con-

struction sites Monday. Spanish authorities said they will distribute 10 million face masks at major train and subway stations.

"We think that with these measures we will prevent a jump in infections," Health Minister Salvador Illa said.

Italy continued to include all nonessential manufacturing in an extension of its national lockdown until May 3. But Premier Giuseppe Conte held out hope that some industry could reopen earlier if conditions permit.

Arcuri said that the exit from the lockdown will include increased virus testing, the deployment of a voluntary contact-tracing app and mandatory blood tests as Italy seeks to set up a system of "immunity passports."

India extended its lockdown of the nation of 1.3 billion people by two more weeks. But Iran, the site of the worst outbreak in the Middle East, reopened government offices and businesses outside Tehran.

Britain on Saturday reported 917 more deaths, down from the peak of 980 recorded a day earlier. The country's overall death toll neared 10,000. At the same time, data suggest that the number of hospital admissions in Britain is leveling off.

Prime Minister Boris Johnson, the first major world leader confirmed to have COVID-19, continued to recover at a London hospital, according to his office.

Worldwide, confirmed infections rose above 1.77 million, with over 108,000 deaths, according to Johns Hopkins. More than 401,000 people have recovered.

ANALYSIS

Trump's response to virus filled with unmet promises

BY CALVIN WOODWARD
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — For several months, President Donald Trump and his officials have cast a fog of promises meant to reassure a country in the throes of the coronavirus pandemic. Trump and his team haven't delivered on critical ones.

They talk numbers. Bewildering numbers about masks on the way. About tests being taken. About ships sailing to the rescue, breathing machines being built, aircraft laden with supplies from abroad, dollars flowing to crippled businesses.

Piercing that fog is the reality that Americans are going without the medical supplies and much of the financial help they most need from the government — and were told they'd have it.

The U.S. is at or near the height of COVID-19 sickness and death, experts believe.

There's no question that on major fronts, the federal government is pushing hard now to get up to speed. But in large measure the supplies will arrive on the

downslope of the pandemic, putting the U.S. in a better position should the same virus strike again while landing too late for this outbreak's lethal curve.

Concerning ventilators, for example, Trump recently allowed: "A lot of them will be coming at a time when we won't need them as badly."

The U.S. testing system, key to containing infection, has been a failure in the crunch, as public health authorities — but never Trump — acknowledged in March.

A newly deployed rapid test could help change that. But it's not ready for actual use in great numbers. New Hampshire, for one, received 15 rapid-test machines but only enough cartridges to run two. "I'm banging my head against the wall," Republican Gov. Chris Sununu said last week.

False starts and dead ends are inevitable in any crisis, especially one driven by a new virus. But bold promises have flowed day after day from a president who minimized the danger for months and exaggerates what Washington is doing about it.

Masks, gloves, gowns:

Doctors, nurses, flight attendants and other frontline workers have had to go begging for hospital staples: masks, gloves, other protective garb.

The mere scale of the pandemic stretched supplies even in better prepared countries. Yet the enduring shortages in the U.S. are not just from a lack of foresight, but also from hesitancy as the pandemic started to sicken and kill Americans.

It was not until mid-March, when some hospitals were already treating thousands of infected patients without enough equipment, that the government placed bulk orders for N95 masks and other necessities for its stockpile. Washington dithered on supplies for two months after global alarm bells rang about a pandemic in January.

And the Strategic National Stockpile maxed out last week, before the pandemic's U.S. peak.

Tests: "Anybody that needs a test, gets a test," Trump said March 6.

Not true. The greatly expanding but still vastly insufficient



President Donald Trump and his team have failed to deliver on promises in the pandemic.

capacity to test people is steered mostly to those who are already sick or to essential workers at the most risk of exposure.

Within three weeks of China's New Year's Eve notification of mysterious pneumonia cases, China had sequenced the genetic makeup of the virus, German scientists had developed a test for detecting it and the World Health Organization had adopted the test and moved toward global distribution.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention bypassed the WHO test and sponsored its own, which was flawed out of the gate. Trump said the WHO test was flawed, but it wasn't. Precious time was lost.

Germany, in contrast, raced ahead with aggressive testing of a broad segment of the population when it had fewer than 10 cases in January. It has experienced far fewer deaths proportionally than the United States.

"There were many, many opportunities not to end up where we are," said Dr. Ashish Jha, director of the Harvard Global Health Institute.

Ventilators: Trump invoked the Defense Production Act, empowering him to order companies to make what the country needs. This raised expectations that a new wave of emergency supplies generally and ventilators in particular could come to the aid of

patients and the people looking after them.

Under the president's "vigorous, swift" order to General Motors, said Peter Navarro, White House point man on the emergency supply chain, new ventilators would be ready in "Trump time, which is to say as fast as possible."

Yet Trump has held off on using his full powers. A directive to GM on ventilator manufacturing essentially told the company to do what it was already doing.

The ventilator shortfall has been the most frightening deficiency as more people get infected and die by the hour. In the current chaos, the size of the shortfall nationally is not known.



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Stephanie Fatheree, right, salvages items from her tornado-damaged house Thursday in Harrisburg, Arkansas.

Easter tornado threat poses safety dilemma

BY JAY REEVES
Associated Press

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — The threat of strong tornadoes and other damaging weather on Easter posed a double-edged safety dilemma for Deep South communities deciding how to protect residents during the coronavirus pandemic.

An outbreak of severe thunderstorms was likely Sunday from Louisiana through the Tennessee Valley, the National Weather Service said. More than 4.5

million people live in the area where dangerous weather was most likely, the Storm Prediction Center said on its website.

The National Weather Service office in Jackson, Mississippi, told residents to brace for the possibility of long-lasting tornadoes, wind gusts up to 70 mph and tennis ball-size hail Sunday. Waves of storms with occasional lulls could continue into early Monday, with as much as 3 inches of rain possible.

"This could be one of our

bigger events we've had in a long time around here. Take this seriously," weather service forecaster Gary Goggins said in a public briefing broadcast on Facebook live from the agency's Birmingham-area office on Saturday.

Seeking protection from violent weather during the coronavirus pandemic could present a challenge for some.

With many churches having ended traditional, indoor services because of the outbreak, congrega-

tions planned to hold online services or drive-in worship where people sit in vehicles, which are a bad place to be during a tornado. Some churches moved up Easter drive-in service to Saturday because of the threat.

Community storm shelters presented another problem.

The Mississippi Emergency Management Agency encouraged residents entering shelters to wear masks, use hand sanitizer and stay 6 feet apart.

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With a long line waiting, the Rev. Bernard Taylor, right, helps distribute food earlier this month at the weekly food bank outside his church in the Brooklyn borough of New York City.

A pandemic of hunger

Shelves emptying at food banks across the nation as coronavirus outbreak eats away at US economy

BY NICHOLAS KULISH
The New York Times

In Omaha, Nebraska, a food pantry that typically serves as few as 100 people saw 900 show up on a single day.

In Jonesboro, Arkansas, after a powerful tornado struck, a food bank received less than half the donations it expected because nervous families held onto what they had.

And in Washington state and Louisiana, the National Guard has been called in to help pack food boxes and ensure that the distributions run smoothly.

Demand for food assistance is rising at an unprecedented rate, just as the nation's food banks are being struck by shortages of both donated food and volunteer workers.

Uniformed guardsmen help "take the edge off" at increasingly tense distributions of boxes filled with cans of chicken noodle soup, tuna fish, and pork and beans, said Mike Manning, chief executive at the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank. "Their presence provides safety for us during distributions," he added.

Manning, who has worked at the food bank for 16 years, including through Hurricane Katrina, said he has never witnessed such a combination of need, scarcity and anxiety.

"Crazy" pretty much sums it up," he said.

"I've never seen anything like it," said Stacy Dean, vice president for food assistance policy at the Center on Budget and Policy Priorities, a left-leaning research organization in Washington, D.C. She has studied food security for more than a quarter century.

Feeding America, the nation's largest network of food banks, with more than 200 affiliates, has projected a \$1.4 billion shortfall in the next six months alone.

Jeff Bezos, the founder of Amazon, announced recently that he was donating \$100 million to the group — the largest single donation in its history but still less than one-tenth of what it needs.

The coronavirus is everywhere in America, and so is the hunger.

More than 1 million people have viewed drone footage of a miles-long line of cars waiting for food recently along a bend in the Monongahela River leading to the Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank.

A spokeswoman for the organization, Beth Burrell, said 800 cars were served that day.



ELAINE THOMPSON/AP

Members of the National Guard pack items for food banks at a county warehouse in Lakewood, Washington.

Another recent distribution drew even more.

Close to 17 million Americans have reported losing their jobs. The true number of newly unemployed is almost certainly higher, and many have little or no buffer against the sudden loss in income. Even before the current economic crisis, the Federal Reserve found that 4 in 10 American adults did not have the savings or other resources to cover an unexpected \$400 expense.

While Congress passed a \$2.2 trillion economic recovery package last month that promised payments of up to \$1,200 to most American adults, direct payments have not arrived. And those without direct deposit will have to wait even longer.

Adding to the problem, school closings across the country mean that many families who relied on free or subsidized school breakfasts and lunches to keep their children fed are facing even greater need.

At exactly the moment that more Americans find themselves turning to food charities, the charities are facing shortages of their own. They rely on a volunteer labor force, one that skews heavily toward retirees.

Across the country, older volunteers are sheltering at home for their own health and safety — sometimes by choice and sometimes at the government's direction.

Perhaps more alarmingly, many of the organizations that typically donate large

volumes of food have themselves shut down.

Restaurants, hotels and casinos have closed across the country.

And grocery stores, which ordinarily share unsold inventory that is approaching its best-by date, have less to donate because their worried customers have been stripping so many shelves bare.

"When Americans began stocking up on toilet paper, pasta, dried beans and anything else they could get their hands on, supermarkets no longer had that excess, nor the time, to do the kind of shelf sweeps to check what they could give," said Janet Poppendieck, an expert on poverty and food assistance.

She is also the author of "Sweet Charity? Emergency Food and the End of Entitlement."

The result is that food banks are buying what they used to receive for nothing.

At Food Bank for the Heartland in Omaha, the amount of food donated for March dropped by nearly half.

The food bank typically purchases \$73,000 of food in a month this time of year but has spent \$675,000 in the past four weeks.

In New York City, where more than 19 billion pounds of food are distributed under normal circumstances and the virus poses an enormous test to the system, 49% of respondents to a recent Siena College poll in the city said they were concerned about being able to afford food.

Food banks are large warehouses or distribution centers that supply local storefronts known as food pantries but also hand food directly to some individuals. They are a relatively recent feature of American life.

John van Hengel founded the nation's first such organization, St. Mary's Food Bank, in Phoenix in 1967 after a conversation with a woman who looked for food in dumpsters to feed her children. The concept spread around the country, and van Hengel established the national network that became Feeding America in 1979.

Food banks are distinct from the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, formerly known as food stamps, which helps recipients purchase their own groceries. Roughly 40 million people rely on the program, though a recent rule change by the Trump administration was expected to push 700,000 people from the rolls before the coronavirus crisis began.

By Feeding America's own estimates, SNAP dwarfs food banks as a source of sustenance for needy Americans, providing 9 meals for every 1 from its nationwide food bank network.

But the sudden surge of demand has outstripped SNAP's ability to process new applications.

"It's a highly flexible system, but it is not a system designed to absorb 10 million people in one month," Dean said.

The number of people who needed help putting food on the table rose dramatically during the Great Recession.

More than 50 million Americans were food insecure by 2009, according to the Department of Agriculture, but the numbers had improved significantly as the unemployment rate declined in recent years, falling to 37 million by 2018.

The most challenging events often come in the wake of natural disasters like hurricanes, earthquakes or wildfires.

But those affect a particular region, and food banks in other parts of the country can step up with immediate aid from their inventory. The latest crisis, with layoffs soaring everywhere simultaneously, will probably test the nation's food banks like none before.

Christina Wong, director of public policy and advocacy at Northwest Harvest, an independent food bank in Seattle, said the group was using up the food in its warehouse down to what it had secured during a holiday food drive. The food bank's bulk purchasing operation, used to paying 25 cents on the dollar, is opening to compete on the open market with grocery stores and is starting to have to pay full cost.

Her group estimated that Washington state had gone from 800,000 people struggling to put food on the table to 1.6 million since the outbreak began. Before the crisis, Northwest Harvest

had tried to create a dignified experience for clients, as close as possible to shopping at a conventional grocery store, with an emphasis on fresh, local food.

"We've reverted to handing out a box of food," Wong said, with macaroni and cheese, canned chicken and peanut butter in a typical container.

Based in Las Vegas, Three Square Food Bank previously distributed food through 180 pantries across Clark County. Since the outbreak — and the sudden closing of nearly all of the city's gambling and tourism attractions — the organization has restructured, with 10 pantries and 21 new drive-thru distribution sites.

Larry Scott, Three Square's chief operating officer, said the group had expected 200 to 250 cars a day at each drive-thru. They're getting between 500 to 600 cars instead, with lines up to 4 miles long. "Every day, we distribute everything that we bring to a site," Scott said.

An initial glut of high-quality food from shuttered casinos is basically gone, Scott said. Now his food bank is burning through an extra \$300,000 to \$400,000 a week in cash to buy food.

He said he saw no relief in sight. "What we do today has to be repeated again tomorrow, and the next day, and the next day," Scott said. "Hungry people are hungry each and every day."

Ericka Smrcka, an official at Food Bank for the Heartland, went to a recent mobile food distribution at a middle school in neighboring Council Bluffs, Iowa.

She and a colleague arrived nearly an hour before it was scheduled to start to find the streets jammed in every direction and police directing traffic.

"We were overwhelmed with tears," Smrcka said. "Oh, my gosh. Everywhere we looked, there were just cars."

The delivery truck had enough boxes of food — produce, bread and milk — for 200 vehicles. Some 400 showed up. Smrcka recalled feeling apprehensive at the prospect of walking car to car with nothing more than a flyer describing alternative resources, thinking she might get yelled at.

But that's not what happened. "After sitting in their car for an hour and not receiving any food, they still said thank you," she said, recalling in particular a father who had left work early, picked up his three daughters and departed empty-handed.

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Health care workers feel emotional toll

Long hours around dying patients sting in Italy and Spain

BY NICOLE WINFIELD, MARIA GRAZIA MURRU AND ARITZ PARRA
Associated Press

ROME — Maddalena Ferrari lets herself cry when she takes off the surgical mask she wears even at home to protect her elderly parents from the coronavirus that surrounds her at work in one of Italy's hardest-hit intensive care units.

In the privacy of her own bedroom, where no one can see, the nursing coordinator peels away the mask that both protects her and hides her, and weeps for all the patients lost that day at Bergamo's Pope John XXIII Hospital.

"We're losing an entire generation," Ferrari said at the end of one of her shifts. "They still had so much to teach us."

The pressures on hospital ICUs in Italy and Spain may have eased in recent days as new virus cases decline. But the emotional and psychological toll the pandemic has taken on the doctors and nurses working there is only now beginning to emerge.

Already, two nurses in Italy have killed themselves, and psychologists have mobilized therapists and on-line platforms to provide free consultation for medical personnel. Individual hospitals hold small group therapy sessions to help staff cope with the trauma of seeing so much death among patients who are utterly alone.

Seven weeks into Italy's outbreak, the world's deadliest, the adrenaline rush that kept medical personnel going at the start has been replaced by crushing fatigue and fear of getting the virus, researchers say. With many doctors and nurses



DOMENICO STINELLIS/AP

Medical staff tend to patients at the intensive care unit of the Casalpalocco COVID-19 Clinic on the outskirts of Rome.

deprived of their normal family support because they are isolating themselves, the mental health of Italy and Spain's overwhelmed medical personnel is now a focus of their already stressed health care systems.

"The adrenaline factor works for a month, maximum," said Dr. Alessandro Colombo, director of the health care training academy for the Lombardy region, who is researching the psychological toll of the outbreak on medical personnel.

"We are entering the second month, so these people are physically and mentally tired."

According to his preliminary research, the solitude of the patients has had a grievous impact on doctors and nurses. They are being asked to step in at the bedside of the dying in place of relatives and even priests.

The sense of failure among hospital staff, he said, is overwhelming.

"Each time it's a failure," said Ferrari, the nursing

"The adrenaline factor works for a month, maximum. We are entering the second month, so these people are physically and mentally tired."

— Dr. Alessandro Colombo, director of the health care training academy for the Lombardy region

coordinator at the Bergamo hospital. You do everything for the patient, and "at the end, if you're a believer, there is someone above you who has decided another destiny for that person."

Her colleague, Maria Bernardelli, said medical personnel aren't used to seeing patients die after two weeks on ventilators, and the emotional toll is devastating.

"This virus is strong. Strong, strong strong," she said in a Skype interview with Ferrari, both of them in masks. "You cannot get used to it, because every patient has his own story."

In Italy, the national association of nurses and psychologists asked the gov-

ernment for a coordinated, nationwide response for the mental health care needs of medical personnel, warning the "typical wave of stress disturbances is only going to grow over time."

The situation is similar in Spain.

Dr. Luis Diaz Izquierdo, from the emergency service ward in suburban Madrid's Severo Ochoa Hospital, said the sense of helplessness is crushing for those who watch as patients deteriorate in a matter of hours.

"No matter what we did, they go, they pass away," he said. "And that person knows that they are dying, because breathing becomes more difficult. And they

look into your eyes, they get worse, until they finally surrender."

Diego Alonso, a nurse at Hospital de la Princesa, said he has been using tranquilizers to cope, as have many of his colleagues. For Alonso, the fear is especially acute, given that his wife is due to give birth soon.

"The psychological stress from this time is going to be difficult to forget. It has just been too much," he said.

Dr. Julio Mayol, medical director at the San Carlos Clinic Hospital in Madrid, said staff will be suffering from "numerous scars" in both the short and long term.

In addition to the many dead and fears for their own safety, Mayol said staff had been traumatized by "the noise surrounding the pandemic," with daily news of death tolls and suggestions that other countries are faring better than Spain.

"The fear, the envy and the fantasy in continuous communication, repeated 24 hours per day in media, has been an obsession that

health workers couldn't forget," he said, adding that his hospital had mental health professionals working with patients and staff from the start, and that effort will continue.

At San Carlos, nearly 15% of the 1,400-member staff have been infected, in line with medical workers nationwide.

In Italy, over 13,000 medical personnel have contracted the virus. More than 90 doctors and 20 nurses have died.

Perhaps no hospital has seen more than Pope John XXIII, where operating rooms were converted to ICUs to add 12 precious beds to meet the influx of patients.

Ferrari, the OR nursing coordinator, remembers March 18, the first day the ORs were open for ICU business. Eight intubated patients were wheeled in over the course of a shift, an overwhelming number for the staff.

Ferrari said she hadn't had time for any of the group counseling sessions organized by the hospital but allows herself to weep once she gets home and says goodnight to her parents, whom she keeps at a distance behind her mask and latex gloves.

One day, the tears were triggered by TV footage of coffins being hauled from Bergamo by an army convoy.

On another day, they flowed after she drove by a motorcade of trucks flying Russian flags that were heading to sanitize Bergamo's virus-ravaged nursing homes.

Ferrari said she cries in the privacy of her bedroom.

"When I remove the mask, it's like removing a protection (an armor) from my face, it's like saying with this protection mask I don't fear anything. It helps me appear strong," she said.

"And when I remove the surgical protection mask, then all my weakness comes out."

ANALYSIS

Coronavirus reveals a lack of 'cultural humility' in US

Failure to follow other countries a major misstep

BY JOHN DANISZEWSKI
Associated Press

In 1910, when a contagious pneumonic plague was ravaging northeastern China, a physician there concluded that the disease traveled through the air. So he adapted something he had seen in England. He began instructing doctors, nurses, patients and members of the public to wear gauze masks.

That pioneering by Dr. Wu Lien-teh, a Cambridge-educated modernizer of Chinese medicine, is credited with saving the lives of those around him. A French physician working with Wu, however, rejected putting on a mask. He died within days.

More than a century later, now that the new coronavirus has spread across the United States and claimed more than 20,000 lives, some scholars and health system experts are shaking their heads that lessons from other countries were not learned in

time to help Americans reduce the toll of the pandemic within their borders.

"No matter how long I live, I don't think I will ever get over how the U.S., with all its wealth and technological capability and academic prowess, sleepwalked into the disaster that is unfolding," says Kai Kupferschmidt, a German science writer.

His comment last month came as the United States neared 100,000 confirmed cases of COVID-19, the illness caused by the virus, and faced a critical lack of ventilators, masks and testing. To date, the U.S. has more than 500,000 cases. The Trump administration says its approach has been effective and has blamed others for any missteps.

South Korea, a country that had its first reported case of the illness at about the same time as the U.S., has had a much lower trajectory of the disease and deaths. The United States, on the other hand, has become the global epicenter.

Of course, the United States is a larger, more complex, more heterogeneous country than South

Korea, Taiwan or Singapore, the three countries in Asia that seem so far to have managed the pandemic with better results. But when they were reacting quickly to the disease, the United States was acting as if the huge disruptions of life that had happened there would not happen here.

Should U.S. political leaders and the public have taken cues from other countries victimized by the disease much earlier — including China itself, which, after an initial period of secrecy and confusion, took rapid and draconian measures to slow the virus's spread?

To some experts, the reluctance of the United States to imitate other countries' successful behavior reveals a reluctance to learn from other countries, believing that whatever needs doing can be done best following America's own precepts.

"It's as if these events are happening in a vacuum and Americans think none of these events outside our borders are relevant to them," says Dr. Mical Raz, a physician and health policy expert at the University of Rochester in New York.



AHN YOUNG-JOON/AP

Medical staffers conduct a drive-thru coronavirus test March 1 in South Korea, which reacted quickly to the outbreak with widespread testing, contact tracing and quarantines.

"When people were dying in China, it was hard for journalists to get anyone to pay attention. But what is happening here now is very similar to what happened in Wuhan."

Even in an age of globalization, the slowness of nations to take on board the lessons of others could help to explain why so few in the United States started preparing for the disease outbreak after it blew up in January with lockdowns in China and several Asian countries.

Kupferschmidt, who studied as a molecular biologist, said when German scientists developed a test

for the virus in January and gave it to the World Health Organization, which offered it around the world, that was an opportunity for other countries to get a quick start on aggressive testing. He wonders why the United States did not follow suit.

Officials at the CDC decided to develop their own test instead. That effort — delayed and, some say, bungled — cost the United States at least a month of testing.

"So many missed opportunities," Kupferschmidt said.

He sees a pattern with other global problems. "A

lot of my colleagues who cover climate say, 'Welcome to the club! Unless it impacts you personally, people just don't see it.'"

The United States might benefit from practicing "cultural humility," says Daryl Van Tongeren, an associate professor of psychology at Michigan's Hope College. "Cultural humility is this idea that we realize that our way is only one way of seeing the world, and we demonstrate curiosity to learn from others."

In his view, "True innovation comes from being open-minded. Countries that become insular are the ones that fail to advance."



RESIDENZA MARIA GRAZIA LESSONA

Ada Zanusso, 103, poses April 1 with a masked and gowned nurse after recovering from COVID-19 in Lessona, Italy.

Woman, 103, beats virus with 'courage,' 'faith'

BY PAOLO SANTALUCIA
Associated Press

ROME — To recover from the coronavirus, as she did, Ada Zanusso recommends courage and faith, the same qualities that have served her well in her nearly 104 years.

Italy, along with France, has Europe's largest population of what has been dubbed the "super old" — people who are at least 100. As the nation with the world's highest number of COVID-19 deaths, Italy is

looking to its super-old survivors for inspiration.

"I'm well," Zanusso said Tuesday during a video call from the Maria Grazia Residence for the elderly in Lessona, a town in the northern region of Piedmont. "I watch TV, read the newspapers."

Zanusso wore a protective mask, as did her family doctor of 35 years beside her, Carla Furno Marchese.

Asked about her illness, Zanusso is modest: "I had some fever."

Her doctor said Zanusso

was in bed for a week.

"We hydrated her because she wasn't eating, and then we thought she wasn't going to make it because she was always drowsy and not reacting," Furno Marchese said.

"One day she opened her eyes again and resumed doing what she used to do before," Furno Marchese said.

What helped her get through the illness?

"Courage and strength, faith," Zanusso said.

It worked for her, so she

advises others who fall ill to also "give yourself courage, have faith."

COVID-19 can cause mild or moderate symptoms, and most of those who are infected recover. But the elderly and those with existing health problems can be at high risk for more serious illness or death.

Her doctor asked Zanusso what she would like to do when "they open the doors."

"I'd like to take a lovely walk," she said.

CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Infection may cause lasting damage

Doctors concerned recovered patients may have health issues in the future

BY MELISSA HEALY
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — For a world grappling with the new coronavirus, it's increasingly clear that even when the pandemic is over, it won't really be over.

Now doctors are beginning to worry that for patients who have survived COVID-19, the same may be true.

For the sickest patients, infection with the new coronavirus is proving to be a full-body assault, causing damage beyond the lungs. And even after patients who become severely ill have recovered and cleared the virus, physicians have begun seeing evidence of the infection's lingering effects.

In a study posted last week, scientists in China examined blood test results of 34 COVID-19 patients over the course of their hospitalization. In those who survived mild and severe disease alike, the researchers found many of the biological measures had "failed to return to normal."

Chief among the worrisome test results were readings that suggested these apparently recovered patients continued to have impaired liver function. That was the case even after two tests for the live virus had come back negative and the patients were cleared to be discharged.

At the same time, as cardiologists are contending with the immediate effects of COVID-19 on the heart, they're asking how much of the damage could be long-lasting. In an early study of COVID-19 patients



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Dr. Anahi Moreno, right, and Giovanni Barragan attend to a patient in a mobile health clinic Wednesday in Mexico City.

in China, heart failure was seen in nearly 12% of those who survived, including in some who had shown no signs of respiratory distress.

When lungs do a poor job of delivering oxygen to the body, the heart can come under severe stress and may emerge weaker. That's concerning enough in an illness that typically causes breathing problems. But when even those without respiratory distress sustain injury to the heart, doctors have to wonder whether they have underestimated COVID-19's ability to wreak lasting havoc.

"COVID-19 is not just a respiratory disorder," said Dr. Harlan Krumholz, a cardiologist at Yale University. "It can affect the heart, the liver, the kidneys, the brain, the endocrine

system and the blood system."

There are no long-term survivors of this wholly new disease: Even its first victims in China are little more than three months removed from their ordeal. And physicians have been too busy treating the acutely ill to closely monitor the progress of the roughly 400,000 people worldwide known to have recovered from COVID-19.

Still, doctors are worried that in its wake, some organs whose function has been knocked off-kilter will not recover quickly or completely. That could leave patients more vulnerable for months or years to come.

"I think there will be long-term sequelae," said Yale cardiologist Dr. Joseph

Brennan, using the medical term for a disease's downstream effects.

"I don't know that for real," he cautioned. "But this disease is so overwhelming" that some of the recovered are likely to face ongoing health concerns, he said.

Another question that could take years to answer is whether the SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes COVID-19 may lie dormant in the body for years and spring back later in different form.

It wouldn't be the first virus to behave that way. After a chickenpox infection, for instance, the herpes virus that causes the illness hides quietly for decades and often emerges as the painful affliction shingles. The virus that

causes hepatitis B can sow the seeds of liver cancer. And in the months after the West African Ebola epidemic subsided in 2016, the virus responsible for that illness was found to have taken up residence in the vitreous fluid of some of its victims' eyes, causing blindness or vision impairment in 40% of those affected.

Given SARS-CoV-2's affinity for lung tissue, doctors quickly suspected that some recovered COVID-19 patients would sustain lasting damage to their lungs. In infections involving the coronavirus that cause severe acute respiratory syndrome, or SARS, about one-third of recovered patients had lung impairment after three years, but those symptoms had largely cleared 15 years later.

And researchers found that one-third of patients who suffered Middle East respiratory syndrome, or MERS, had scarring of the lungs — fibrosis — that was probably permanent.

In a mid-March review of a dozen COVID-19 patients discharged from a hospital in Hong Kong, two or three were described as having difficulty with activities they had done in the past.

As doctors try to assess organ damage after COVID-19 recovery, there's a key complication: Patients with disorders that affect the heart, liver, blood and lungs face a higher risk of becoming very sick with COVID-19 in the first place. That makes it difficult to distinguish COVID-19 aftereffects from the problems that made patients vulnerable to begin with — especially so early in the game.

Right now, "we're all in the middle of it," said Dr. Kim Williams, a cardiovascular disease specialist at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago. "We have much more information about what happens acutely, and we're trying to manage that."

Krumholz, who organized a meeting of cardiologists to discuss COVID-19 last week, said the infection can cause damage to the heart and the sac that encases it. Some patients develop heart failure and/or arrhythmias during the disease's acute phase.

Heart failure weakens the organ, though it can regain much of its strength with medications and lifestyle changes. Still, former COVID-19 patients can become lifelong cardiology patients.

Muddying this picture is another potential aftereffect: blood abnormalities that make clots more likely.



AP 1918

President Woodrow Wilson, left, was more focused on World War I ending than a flu virus that ultimately sickened hundreds of thousands of Americans, including him.

Biden's desire for 'normalcy' echoes Harding's bid in 1920

BY RYAN TEAGUE
BECKWITH

Bloomberg News via TNS

A politically inexperienced and highly divisive president, a presidential campaign waged under the shadow of a deadly pandemic and an establishment candidate from the opposing party who promises to restore the country to a less turbulent time.

Those were the elements of the U.S. presidential election exactly 100 years ago that swept Warren Harding into office. The similarities to the 2020 race and Joe Biden's quest to unseat Donald Trump in November are unmissable.

"I've been thinking about the parallels for a couple of months," said Jim Robenalt, author of a book on Harding. "The coronavirus just added another layer."

To the extent that he's remembered today, Harding is best known for the Teapot Dome bribery scandal, lusty letters to his mistress and dying in office two years after his inauguration.

But his campaign slogan — "Return to Normalcy" — could just as well have been adopted by Biden, the for-

mer vice president, who often says he'll return the U.S. to the way the White House operated before the "aberrant" Trump presidency.

Just as Biden is known for the occasional malapropism, Harding was mocked for the supposedly ungrammatical construction of his slogan. But the word "normalcy" conveyed what many voters were looking for after the exhaustion of World War I, the Spanish flu pandemic and the abrasive political style of President Woodrow Wilson.

A newspaper publisher from Ohio who went on to serve in the U.S. Senate — another parallel with Biden — Harding won at the Republican convention on the 10th ballot after none of the leading candidates could put together a majority. In his best-known campaign speech, he promised restoration, not revolution.

"America's present need is not heroics, but healing; not nostrums, but normalcy; not revolution, but restoration; not agitation, but adjustment; not surgery, but serenity; not the dramatic, but the dispassionate," he said.

That promise marked a

contrast with Wilson, who was the real target of Harding's rhetoric even though he wasn't running for reelection in 1920.

A former academic who'd spent two years as New Jersey's governor before winning the 1912 election, Wilson is remembered for his efforts to reshape American foreign policy. But at the time, many Americans disagreed with his goals as well as his approach.

Robenalt said Wilson "had to be the smartest guy in every room" and didn't work well with Congress, leaving key senators behind as he negotiated the end to WWI in France. That gave an opening to Harding, who pledged to heal the country's partisan divide.

"Wilson picked fights with people," Robenalt said. "His arrogance would not let him compromise with anybody."

The similarities between then and now extend to the modalities of the campaign, in practice if not preference. Harding ran a typical-for-the-time "front-porch campaign," where he mostly stayed at home, giving press interviews and meeting other politicians and high-profile guests.

Fears of Holocaust survivors awakened during pandemic

BY DON BABWIN
Associated Press

OAK PARK, Ill. — For Olga Weiss, the order to stay at home is about much more than simply locking her door to the coronavirus. It has awakened fears from decades ago when she and her parents hid inside for two years from Nazis hunting down Jews in Belgium.

"It is almost an echo of when we were young, when we were children, the same feeling of not knowing what will happen next," said Weiss, 83. "We aren't thinking about the virus; we are thinking of what happened to us" back then.

Close to 400,000 survivors of the Holocaust are believed to be alive worldwide, and for many elderly Jews the coronavirus pandemic has dredged up feelings of fear, uncertainty and helplessness not felt since they were children during that dark period.

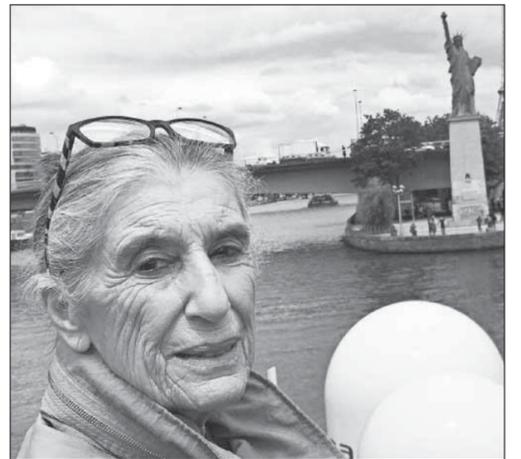
While the fast-spreading virus has caused fear and the reliving of trauma for many in the general public, Yael Danieli, a psychologist and director of the Group Project for Holocaust Survivors and their Children, said the emotional toll can be particularly acute for survivors of the Nazi genocide.

"They are not living though this — they are reliving it," Danieli said.

Not everyone reacts the same way. Some Holocaust survivors see their role in today's pandemic as setting an example for how to survive, how to fight back, according to Danieli.

But parallels that may seem extreme to others can push their way unbidden into traumatized minds: The fear of hospitalization, akin to the idea of going to a camp from which you don't come out, she said, or sheltering in place feeling like a "return of the horrific times when you had to hide from the world in order to survive."

The issue is compounded by the fact that Holocaust



OLGA WEISS

For Olga Weiss, the order to stay home in the pandemic has provoked fears from when her family hid from Nazis.

survivors are elderly, since old traumas can resurface naturally with advancing age even in pandemic-free times. Nursing homes, for example, know a trip to the shower can trigger elderly Jewish residents.

That's something Collette Avital, who emigrated after World War II from Romania to Israel, served in parliament and now chairs the Center Organizations of Holocaust Survivors in Israel, saw firsthand when her mother approached death years ago at age 97: "She was shrieking at night, 'the Nazis are coming!'"

Today such fears are only magnified, she added, because people know there really is a menace lurking outside their doors: "This has got them panic-stricken."

Andre Stein, who was attacked in a Budapest bread line last century by thugs who left him for dead on a pile of bodies, said a difference with the virus is that the enemy is unseen: "Now you can walk down the street and somebody sneezes on you, and you may be killed," said Stein, 83, a Toronto resident and author of "Hidden Children: Forgotten Survivors of the Holocaust."

"I don't go outside much," said Sidney Zoltak,

88, of Montreal, who as a boy sneaked with his parents from one hiding place to the next in Poland, including seven months in an underground bunker with no sunlight.

Zoltak considers himself fortunate because his days are filled with writing, talking with a son who drops food off on his doorstep, video chatting with grandchildren and communicating with fellow Holocaust survivors. Last week he celebrated what he called a "virtual Passover" with family via FaceTime.

The understanding that Holocaust survivors are a vulnerable population led to last week's announcement by the New York-based Conference on Jewish Material Claims Against Germany of \$4.3 million in grants to agencies around the world that provide care for 120,000 survivors.

Weiss knows that today she does not have to keep quiet, that the Gestapo isn't lurking outside her door, that the simple pleasure of listening to music doesn't risk discovery and death.

But "it feels the same," Weiss said. "It is the same fear of what will happen to us (that) we had at the beginning of our lives, and now at the end."

CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Pandemic upends legal system across the nation

Justice for many put on hold during public health crisis

BY ALANNA DURKIN RICHER AND MICHAEL TARM
Associated Press

BOSTON — Courthouses shuttered. Thousands of trials on hold. Legal deadlines pushed.

The coronavirus pandemic has crippled the U.S. legal system, creating constitutional dilemmas as the accused miss their days in court.

The public health crisis could build a legal backlog that overwhelms courts across the country, leaving some defendants behind bars longer, and forcing prosecutors to decide which cases to pursue and which to let slide.

“Everybody is scrambling. Nobody really knows how to handle this,” said Claudia Lagos, a criminal defense attorney in Boston.

Judges from California to Maine have postponed trials and nearly all in-person hearings to keep crowds from packing courthouses. Trials that were underway — like the high-profile case

against multimillionaire real estate heir Robert Durst — have been halted. Some chief judges have suspended grand juries, rendering new indictments impossible. Other have allowed them to sit, though six feet apart.

Prosecutors may have to abandon some low-level cases to keep people from flooding into the legal system.

Many judges are holding hearings by phone or video chat to keep all cases from grinding to a halt. Other courts are stymied by outdated technology.

The clerk for the the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, Molly Dwyer, likened the logistical challenges to “building the bike as we ride it.”

Judges have asked for emergency powers to delay trials longer than the law generally allows and extend key deadlines, like when a defendant must initially appear in court.

That could keep people locked up longer, exposing them to unsafe jail conditions and violate their constitutional right to a speedy trial, defense lawyers say.

“We shouldn’t be creating mechanisms in the

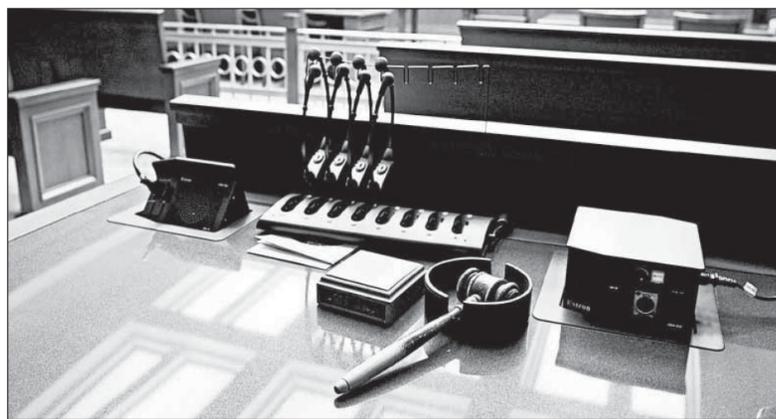
current crisis to keep people in jail longer. The jails are just tinderboxes waiting for the virus to take off,” said Jeff Chorney, deputy public defender in Alameda County, California. Courts there now have seven days instead of 48 hours to hold arraignments, during which a defendant is often appointed a lawyer and can enter a plea.

The pandemic has shuttered nearly every aspect of everyday life as the death toll mounts and more states impose strict stay-at-home orders.

Still, coast-to-coast disruptions of the courts system are unprecedented.

In 2004, Hurricane Katrina forced courts in New Orleans to temporarily close. The suspension of legal deadlines after the natural disaster left thousands languishing behind bars for months without formal charges, attorneys say. Lawyers there fear a repeat.

“On a regular day, without a crisis like Katrina and COVID, you can imagine people getting lost in a system like this,” said Alanah Odoms Hebert, executive director of the ACLU of Louisiana. “There will be



BRENNAN LINSLEY/AP 2013

Another consequence of the coronavirus pandemic is courtrooms sitting empty.

a lot folks who fall through the cracks.”

No civil litigation is getting done. U.S. District Judge Steven Seeger in Chicago chafed at a recent request for an emergency order barring the alleged misuse of elf and unicorn drawings. “The world,” he said, “is facing a real emergency. (The) plaintiff is not.”

The COVID-19 disruptions are causing widespread confusion with prosecutors and defense attorneys as they struggle to file documents, get matters heard in courthouses operating on skeleton crews and share information with jailed clients while maintaining social distancing.

Attorneys are wary of visiting their clients in jails for fear of contracting the

virus or spreading it behind bars. They rely on phone calls, which in some places are recorded, limiting what they can say.

“You have to sort of choose between your safety and your client’s safety or their constitutional rights. It’s a really impossible situation,” said William Isenberg, a Boston defense attorney.

The haphazard operations could lead defendants to later challenge convictions, even if their lawyers did the best they could in the virus-related tumult.

Courthouse chaos may worsen when the shutdowns end, as judges try to return to old cases while fielding a burst in new cases. A flood of lawsuits linked to COVID-19 will add

to the logjam.

Crime victims are also forced to wait.

In Minnesota, the virus has postponed the federal trial of an Illinois militia leader accused of being the ringleader in the 2017 pipe bombing of a Minnesota mosque. Michael Hari’s trial was already postponed once. Now it’s scheduled for late July.

Mohamed Omar, executive director of the mosque, said community members want to see quick justice, but that he understands the need for a delay.

“The safety of our community and those that are vulnerable are more important to us now more than any other thing,” he said. “This is bigger than all of us.”



VIRGINIA MAYO/AP

Chocolate makers in Belgium are feeling the effect of the coronavirus outbreak with below-average sales at Easter.

Easter not a sweet time for Belgian chocolatiers

BY RAF CASERT
Associated Press

SINT-PIETERS BRUGGE, Belgium — Master chocolatier Dominique Persoone stood forlorn on his huge work floor, a faint smell of cocoa lingering amid the idle machinery — in a mere memory of better times.

Easter is normally the most important date on the chocolate makers’ calendar. But the coronavirus pandemic, with its lockdowns and social distancing, has

struck a hard blow to the \$5.5 billion industry that’s one of Belgium’s most emblematic.

“It’s going to be a disaster,” Persoone told The Associated Press through a medical mask.

He closed his shops as a precautionary measure weeks ago and says “a lot” of Belgium’s hundreds of chocolate makers, from multinationals to village outlets, will face financial ruin.

For the coronavirus to hit is one thing. But to do it at

Easter — when chocolate bunnies and eggs are seemingly everywhere — doubles the damage.

The country has an annual per capita chocolate consumption of over 13 pounds, much of it scooped during the peak Easter period.

Guy Gallet, chief of Belgium’s chocolate federation, expects earnings to be greatly reduced across the board this year. He said companies that sell mainly through supermarkets are doing relatively well, but firms depending on sales in

tourist locations, restaurants or airport shops “are badly hit.”

The immediate challenge is to keep the Easter spirit — and the chocolatiers’ craft — alive in these trying times.

A big part is humor, and the use of medical masks made of white chocolate is an obvious one. Persoone puts them on eggs or bunnies.

“It is laughing with a hard thing,” he said. “On the other hand, we still have to keep fun, no? It is important to laugh in life.”

NEWS BRIEFING

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UN secretary-general appeals to religious leaders in pandemic

UNITED NATIONS — U.N. Secretary-General Antonio Guterres appealed to religious leaders of all faiths Saturday “to join forces to work for peace around the world and focus on our common battle to defeat COVID-19.”

He said Christians will be celebrating Easter, Jews are marking Passover and Muslims will soon begin the holy month of Ramadan, which are usually occasions of com-

munities and families coming together, “of hugs and handshakes and the gathering of humanity.”

But Guterres said the pandemic has led to a “surreal world” of silent streets, shuttered stores, empty places of worship and of worry “about our loved ones who are equally worried about us.”

The secretary-general urged people to remember “the most vulnerable of the vulnerable around the world.”

Kansas Supreme Court hears arguments on gathering limits

BELLE PLAINE, Kan. — An attorney for Kansas Gov. Laura Kelly told the state Supreme Court on Saturday that a Republican-dominated legislative panel exceeded its authority when it overturned the Democratic governor’s executive order banning religious and funeral services of more than 10 people during the coronavirus pandemic.

Lawmakers countered that the language in a

resolution they contend gave the panel that authority was a compromise reached with Kelly and was intended as a check on her power at a time when the full Legislature couldn’t meet because of virus concerns.

The hearing, conducted via videoconferencing, came one day before Easter.

The justices said they would try to reach a decision quickly.

Turin Shroud goes on virtual tour to faithful amid outbreak

VATICAN CITY — The Turin Shroud, a burial cloth some believe covered Jesus and which has links to a 16th-century plague in northern Italy, was put on special view for faithful worldwide through video streaming on Holy Saturday to inspire hope amid the coronavirus pandemic.

Pope Francis hailed the initiative by the Turin archbishop, saying it meets the requests of the

faithful suffering through the outbreak. Archbishop Cesare Nosiglia says he received thousands of requests to be able to view it remotely.

The linen, kept behind bulletproof glass in a Turin chapel, is rarely shown to the public.

As a TV camera showed the 14-foot-long cloth in its showcase, Nosiglia opened prayers, noting Holy Saturday marks the wait for Easter.



SHARI L. GROSS/STAR TRIBUNE

Bunny hop on wheels: A person dressed as the Easter Bunny skates Saturday in White Bear Lake, Minnesota. The pandemic has caused cancellation of Masses and egg hunts.

Africa, US confront China over racist mistreatment of blacks

JOHANNESBURG — African officials are confronting China over racist mistreatment of Africans in the Chinese city of Guangzhou, and the U.S. says African Americans have been targeted too.

Some Africans in the commercial hub have reported being evicted or discriminated against amid coronavirus fears. A U.S. Embassy security alert Saturday said that “police ordered bars and restaurants not to serve clients who appear to be of African origin,” and local officials have launched mandatory testing and self-quarantine

for “anyone with ‘African contacts.’”

That’s in response to a rise in virus infections in Guangzhou, the U.S. said, adding that “African Americans have also reported that some businesses and hotels refuse to do business with them.”

A recent increase in virus cases in China has been largely attributed to people arriving from overseas.

African diplomats in Beijing have met with Chinese foreign ministry officials and “stated in very strong terms their concern and condemnation of the dis-

turbing and humiliating experiences our citizens have been subjected to,” Sierra Leone’s Embassy in Beijing said Friday, adding that 14 citizens had been put into compulsory 14-day quarantine.

The diplomats reminded officials of their support of China during the pandemic, especially in the early days. Some African nations that had many students stranded during China’s earlier lockdown had sided with Chinese officials against calls for evacuations, and many African nations praised Beijing for its virus response.

Man accused of slashing nurses’ tires at hospital

CORTLANDT, N.Y. — Some nurses at a New York hospital who had just been lauded for their work during the coronavirus pandemic ended their stress-filled overnight shifts to find their tires had been slashed while they worked.

New York state police reported that the tires of 22

vehicles were found slashed Friday morning outside New York-Presbyterian Hudson Valley Hospital in Cortlandt.

Daniel R. Hall, 29, was arrested on charges including criminal mischief and possession of a controlled substance. He is due in court May 18.

Hospital officials said they would pay for the damage.

“We were shocked to hear of this incident, especially at this time when our employees are working tirelessly and courageously” through the COVID-19 pandemic, the officials said in a statement.

Shooting at California party leaves 6 wounded

BAKERSFIELD, Calif. — A shooting broke out at a party in central California, sending six people to the hospital Saturday and launching a search for four suspects, authorities said.

The party, happening amid statewide stay-at-home orders intended to slow the spread of the coronavirus, may have gone unnoticed until frantic witnesses called 911 shortly after midnight from an apartment complex in Bakersfield, Kern County Sheriff’s Lt. Cesa Ollague said.

Deputies who responded to the scene said the party was large, Ollague said.

He added that he didn’t know how many people were in attendance.

The victims, including one juvenile and five adults, suffered gunshot wounds but they were expected to survive, he said.

Indonesia prison riot:

Angry inmates set fire to an overcrowded prison on Indonesia’s Sulawesi island during a riot late Saturday over measures imposed to contain the coronavirus, officials said.

Hundreds of police and soldiers were deployed to take control of Tuminting prison in Manado city, which is designed to house 490 inmates but now has more than 550, said Lukmasono, head of Justice and Human Rights provincial office.

Lukmasono, who goes by a single name, said a preliminary probe revealed many inmates, mostly drug offenders, were angered by restrictions on family visits and envious of the early release of 115 inmates to curb the spread of the virus in prisons.

OBITUARIES

Remembering the lives of those in Illinois who died from coronavirus

They were mothers and fathers, daughters and sons. Many were proud grandparents. Two were sisters from a tightknit South Side family. All were loved, relatives say, and will be forever missed. As the number of deaths attributable to the coronavirus ticks upward, the Tribune is working to chronicle those who have lost their lives in the Chicago area or who have connections to our region. These are some of those victims.

CHRISTINE MCLAURIN, 86

From Chicago. Died March 25.

Christine McLaurin was the matriarch to 10 children and dozens of grandchildren who often held court at her Galewood neighborhood home of 25 years, according to her family.

The Mississippi-born McLaurin moved to Chicago about 60 years ago and later got married and started a family. She was a dutiful homemaker to her tightknit clan, family members said.

Widowed after her husband James' death in 1998, McLaurin, 86, was never at a loss for words and was happy to offer counsel to family and friends.

"She was a sweet woman. Funny, very helpful, loved to talk and always trying to give good advice," her third-youngest child, Anthony McLaurin, said Wednesday.

Though she'd been slowed through the years by health problems, including high blood pressure and diabetes, and walked with the aid of a walker, McLaurin said his mother's mind remained sharp.

Last month Christine McLaurin was rushed to a suburban hospital by ambulance after complaining she wasn't feeling well, her son said. After testing positive for COVID-19, she was put in quarantine.

Once she was secluded, her family never saw her alive again.

McLaurin died on March 25 at West Suburban Medical Center in Oak Park, according to the Cook County medical examiner's office. An autopsy performed last week showed she died of COVID infection, as well as hypertension and diabetes.

Anthony McLaurin said his family was devastated by his mother's death, not only by how quickly the illness progressed, but by how disruptive it was to his family's grieving process.

"All of our hearts are broken. Because of (COVID-19), you really can't have a funeral and family get-togethers and you can't do what you usually do when somebody passes," he said, adding that his mother's remains were being cremated.

— William Lee

ASBERRY STOUDEMIRE JR., 54

Musician, Chicago. Died March 29.

When it came to music, Asberry Stoudemire Jr. was a natural.

He began playing piano, organ and drums when he was 4 years old, said his daughter Miranda Stoudemire.

"He got into music because he was raised in the church with my grandmother," she said.

Over the years, Stoudemire became increasingly proficient, focusing on keyboards and singing. And though he embraced various musical styles, church music was central to his artistic identity.

Stoudemire graduated from Orr High School and later Wilbur Wright College, then worked in the nursing field. But music remained integral to his life.

In 2015, he retired from nursing to pursue his dream of working full time as a musician.

"He was happy about it, because he was ready to travel the world," said Miranda Stoudemire.

While recently on tour "in Mississippi and Memphis, down South," her father became ill, she said.

He checked into a hospital while on the road, to deal with his diabetes. Then he returned home and checked into Loretto Hospital on the West Side. He died there on March 29 of pneumonia due to COVID-19 infection, with diabetes and congestive heart failure as contributing factors. He was 54 years old.

His recording of his song "Rescue Me" carries these lyrics:

"I am tired Lord,
And I don't know what to do.
But will you rescue me,
If you please?"

A GoFundMe page for Stoudemire says a funeral is being planned for April 30 or May 1.

Stoudemire's survivors also include sons Breone and Berry Stoudemire, his former wife, Shelley Stoudemire, and three grandchildren.

— Howard Reich

RHODA HATCH, 73

Retired teacher, Chicago. Died April 4.

Rhoda Hatch was just 20 years old when she began raising her seven younger siblings after their mother's death and as their preacher father worked.

The family lived in a public housing project on Chicago's West Side.

Despite those early struggles, Hatch was the first in the family to graduate from college. She became a teacher in Chicago's public schools. Later in life, after her soldier son was sent overseas to the Kuwaiti border, she was an outspoken anti-war activist.



FAMILY PHOTO

Hatch, 73, died April 4 from complications related to COVID-19. Her asthma and diabetes were listed as contributing factors.

"She was the best big sister ever," said the Rev. Marshall Hatch, the longtime pastor at New Mount Pilgrim Missionary Baptist Church in West Garfield Park.

He said his sister was a gifted church organist, beginning as a teenager, first at their father's church and then later at the church where he's served as pastor for 35 years.

The single mother raised two sons, including a younger boy whom she adopted when he was about 15 months old.

Her oldest, Wesley, was a soldier stationed in the Persian Gulf some 30 years ago. The youngest member of his unit, he joined the Army in 1988 after high school in hopes of financing his college education.

The family said he died on Mother's Day 1992, just two months before the 20-year-old was due to come home, fatally shot in random violence in Texas near his military base.

Her son's assignment before his death had led Rhoda Hatch to organize Citizens Against Desert Storm and propelled her to the forefront of the protests against U.S. involvement in the gulf. The group included members from nearly two dozen Chicago churches and held peaceful demonstrations and vigils in Chicago and Washington.

She appeared in the Tribune, The New York Times, USA Today and People magazine, with appearances on television news and cable talk shows.

Rhoda Hatch told the Tribune in a January 1991 interview before her son's death that she supported him but was concerned that many young black men enlisted due to a lack of education and employment opportunities and then were sent overseas.

"He just wanted to go and do what he had to do," she said. "So I said, 'You may be doing what you have to do, but don't be surprised if you hear about me doing some things that I need to do.'"

At a candlelight vigil in Washington, People and USA Today photographed Rhoda Hatch sitting on a curb in front of the White House. "I was tired. Sort of like Rosa Parks," she told the Tribune in 1991. "The next thing I knew the photographer was taking pictures."

Back then she spent hours each day on the phone appealing to politicians, pastors and other military families while also working as a teacher, raising a younger son and directing church and school choirs. She retired as a teacher after a more than 20-year career.

Her youngest son, Joel, 37, said his mother "could find the good in every situation and the silver lining behind every dark cloud."

He recalled his mother's response when she was asked why she chose to adopt, besides wanting Wesley to have a sibling: She said she "had a lot of love to give."

She kept that promise, he said. Her son said she also was a tower of strength when his brother died.

Less than one month before her own death, he said, his mother kept a constant vigil at the hospital bedside of a longtime friend, the Rev. Ferdinand Hargrett.

Joel Hatch said Hargrett, whom he considered a father, had helped raise him.

Hargrett, who had cancer, died March 8. His mother became ill shortly later. Rhoda Hatch died April 4 after several days in the hospital on a ventilator.

When asked by a Tribune reporter in 1991 about her anti-war effort, her response was reflective of a lifetime of perseverance and courage.

She said, "It's better than just sitting at home crying all the time."

— Christy Gutowski

L.B. PERRY, 78

From Chicago. Died April 2.



VERNICE PERRY

L.B. Perry was a son of the Mississippi Delta who moved to Chicago in the 1960s to experience a different side of the country, his family said.

"He just wanted a change of scenery," his daughter Vernice Perry said. "He was in the country and wanted to move to the city. He used to always talk about growing up in the cotton field and working

for a nickel a day. It was kind of rough back in those days."

Perry, the patriarch of a five-generation family, died in Chicago Thursday from causes related to COVID-19, according to the Cook County medical examiner. He was 78.

Vernice Perry said her father grew up in Carrollton, Mississippi, a town of a few hundred people 85 miles north of Jackson, and came to Chicago in 1969. He worked in a Chicago steel mill for 35 years, a tough job

that left him covered in dust and dirt at the end of the day.

After work, he returned to the family home at 73rd and Winchester, where he enjoyed sitting on the porch to watch the neighborhood children play. When he wasn't doing that, he'd be in front of the TV, watching beloved shows like "Sanford and Son" and Western movies (John Wayne was a favorite).

"He and my mom used to sit and watch 'Family Feud' at 5 o'clock every single day," Vernice Perry recalled.

Perry is also survived by his wife, Mary Perry, his daughter Littelyn and son Jerry Stancil. He had nine grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren.

— John Keilman

STEVE HUDSON, 51

From Chicago. Died April 5.



NICK IRVIN

A seat in the gym next to Steve Hudson was a coveted position.

"Everybody loved him," his wife, Monica Hudson, said. "He was like a magnet. People would move seats to try to sit by him to soak up his basketball knowledge."

Steve Hudson was a longtime assistant for Mac Irvin Fire, an elite Chicago AAU team. He seemed to know every player in the city and

relished spending his time in high school gyms across the city and throughout the suburbs.

Coaching colleagues credit Hudson for his behind-the-scenes work in scouting local talent. Friends tout his generosity and recall with a laugh how he could turn any location into a dance floor.

Hudson, of Chicago, died April 5 due to complications from the COVID-19 virus. He was 51.

Hudson was hired last year as the assistant athletic director at Thornwood High School in South Holland. He previously worked as an assistant dean at Academy for Learning in Dolton.

Hudson was a forward at Calumet High School, where he graduated in 1986 before playing at and graduating from Highland Community College. His love of basketball was lifelong, joining the Fire in the 1990s as founder McGlother "Mac" Irvin's right-hand man.

"He watched boys' games and girls' games," said Fire coach Mike Irvin, a son of Mac Irvin. "If it was a big game, Steve was there. You could ask any question to Steve: 'How many points did Marcus Liberty score against (Chicago Vocational)? He knew the history. He knew everything about every player. He made it his business to watch everyone play.'"

Sonny Vaccaro, a former sports marketing executive who founded the showcase high school basketball ABCD camps, said he never met anyone with as pure of intentions as Hudson.

Hudson once asked him for tickets to a showcase game and brought about 60 students from under-resourced schools.

While Vaccaro, who worked at Nike and later Adidas and Reebok, dealt with high profile athletes throughout his career, Hudson asked him to help talk up lower-tier players who needed an opportunity on a college roster.

Hudson called Vaccaro about a year ago to ask if he could help complete Mac Irvin's dream of building a community gym in a "tough Chicago neighborhood."

"I can say this with clear mind," Vaccaro said. "Steve Hudson was put on this earth to help kids who really needed a lot of help. I've met a lot of people over my lifetime. Steve was never one to mention himself or ask, 'Can you get me this?' or, 'Will you let me sponsor a game?' Mac Irvin and Steve Hudson helped the kids in the inner city of Chicago as much as anyone I've ever seen."

Hudson even met his wife through sports. They were kids on opposing Little League teams. They began dating as 18-year-olds after high school and married in 1992.

Their South Side home was not only a shelter for their own three children but a temporary safe haven for a multitude of kids. Hudson couldn't turn anyone away.

"Someone could say, 'Hey I have this kid. I don't want to lose him to the streets,'" Monica Hudson said. "He'd pull them in. I didn't always like it, but he did it. He was the dad everyone wanted to be their dad."

Coaches recall his hearty laugh and ability to lighten the mood. "He put a smile on my face," said Nick Irvin, Morgan Park's coach. "He danced. He cracked jokes. We used to do this little thing (chanting.) 'Steve! Steve! Steve!' He'd do the percolator. He'd do a lot of different dances. He was just a great guy."

Monica Hudson said her husband, who had diabetes, started feeling ill on March 24. He went to the emergency room at Community Hospital in Indiana on March 26 — the last day she saw him.

"He loved everybody," she said.

— Shannon Ryan

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON APRIL 12 ...

In 1861 the Civil War began as Confederate forces fired on Fort Sumter in South Carolina.

In 1877 the catcher's mask was first used in a baseball game.

In 1940 jazz musician Herbie Hancock was born in Chicago.

In 1945 President Franklin Delano Roosevelt died of a cerebral hemorrhage in Warm Springs, Ga., at age 63; he was succeeded by Vice President Harry Truman.

In 1947 late-night talk show

host David Letterman was born in Indianapolis.

In 1955 the Salk vaccine against polio was declared safe and effective.

In 1961 Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Gagarin became the first man to fly in space, orbiting the Earth once before making a safe landing.

In 1975 American entertainer Josephine Baker died in Paris; she was 68.

In 1981 the space shuttle Columbia blasted off from Cape Canaveral, Fla., on its first test flight.

In 1983 Harold Washington was elected Chicago's first

African-American mayor, defeating Republican Bernard Epton.

In 1989 radical activist Abbie Hoffman was found dead at his home in New Hope, Pa.; he was 52. Also in 1989 former middleweight boxing champion Sugar Ray Robinson died in Culver City, Calif.; he was 67.

In 1992 Euro Disneyland, a \$4 billion theme park, opened in Marne-La-Vallée, France. The park was later renamed Disneyland Paris.

In 1993 NATO warplanes began enforcing a U.N. no-fly zone over Bosnia-Herzegovina; meanwhile, Bosnian Serbs bombarded the besieged town of Srebrenica.

In 2003 rescued POW Jes-

sica Lynch returned to the United States after treatment at a U.S. military hospital in Germany. Also in 2003 women's activists took their fight against the all-male Augusta National as close as they could get to the Masters golf tournament.

In 2007 a suicide bomber breached security in Iraq's parliament and blew himself up in the dining hall; a Sunni parliament member was killed.

In 2008 the U.S. won its second women's world hockey championship, upsetting Canada 4-3.

In 2015 Hillary Clinton, in an online video, announces she will seek the Democratic nomination for president.

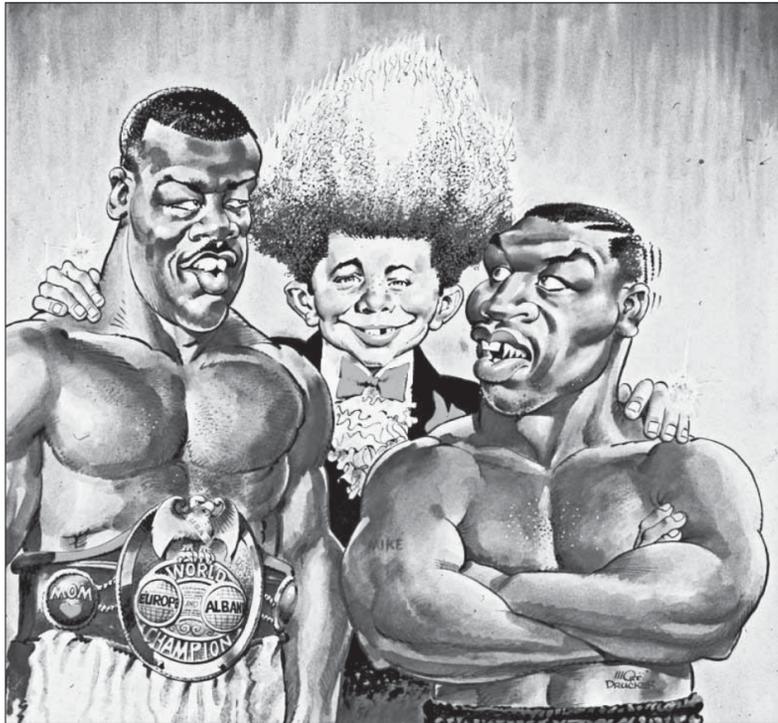
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OBITUARIES

MORT DRUCKER 1929-2020



Mort Drucker's Mad cover art, Sept. 1990, showing Alfred E. Neuman as Don King with Mike Tyson, right, and Buster Douglas.

Veteran artist best known for his caricatures in Mad

By J. HOBERMAN
The New York Times

Mort Drucker, a longtime contributor to Mad magazine known for his caricatures of actors, politicians and other celebrities, died Wednesday at his home in Woodbury, New York. He was 91.

His longtime friend, John Reiner, confirmed the death.

Drucker, who specialized in illustrating Mad's movie and television satires, inspired several generations of cartoonists. "To me, he's the guy," caricaturist Drew Friedman said. "I used to imitate his work in Mad when I was a kid. I wanted to be Mort Drucker; I even loved his name."

Drucker's facility was best expressed in multi-caricature crowd scenes. His parody of the 1986 Woody Allen film, "Hannah and Her Sisters," opened with a panel depicting a Thanksgiving dinner that, in addition to most of the movie's ensemble cast, included caricatures of Allen's first wife, Louise Lasser; film critics Roger Ebert and Gene Siskel; Mayor Ed Koch of New York; and Mad's mascot, Alfred E. Neuman.

His drawing for a 1970 Time magazine cover, "Battle for the Senate," now in the National Portrait Gallery, featured a pileup of 15 individually characterized political figures, including President Richard Nixon and Vice President Spiro Agnew.

Mad's takeoff on the MGM retrospective feature "That's Entertainment," published in 1975, required Drucker to caricature more than two dozen stars.

"I think I've drawn almost everyone in Hollywood," he told The New York Times in 2000.

Some of Drucker's most inventive works were double satires. The 1963 Mad piece "East Side Story" is a parody of "West Side Story" as played out by prominent international figures. Nikita Khrushchev, Fidel Castro and Charles de Gaulle are among the many world leaders drawn cavorting against photographed backdrops of New York City

streets. "It's a Blunderful Life," published in 1996, updated "It's a Wonderful Life" to star Nixon as Bill Clinton's guardian angel.

A self-taught freelance cartoonist who had worked on war, western, science fiction and romance comic books as well as personality-driven titles like The Adventures of Dean Martin and Jerry Lewis and The Adventures of Bob Hope, Drucker came to Mad in late 1956, soon after Al Feldstein succeeded Harvey Kurtzman, the magazine's founder, as editor. Mad had run only occasional TV and movie satires, but Drucker's arrival "changed everything," pop-culture critic Grady Hendrix wrote in a 2013 Film Comment appreciation of Mad's movie parodies.

"No one saw Drucker's talent," Hendrix wrote, un-

derstanding. "He wasn't really hung up on exaggerating. He was far more subtle and nuanced — interested in how people stood and so on."

Drucker was modest about his gifts. "When I started working for Mad, they assigned me TV satires and asked me to draw famous people," he recalled. "It took me a long time to learn the skills I have, and it was time-consuming. With me, everything is trial and error."

Drucker began his professional career at 18 when, recommended by cartoonist Will Eisner, a family friend, he got a job assisting on the comic book Debbie Dean, Career Girl. He also worked on a syndicated single-panel strip, "The Mountain Boys," before finding steady work with National Periodical Publications, now known as DC Comics. He continued to freelance for DC even after joining Mad's "usual gang of idiots."

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— Mort Drucker

til he illustrated "The Night That Perry Mason Lost a Case," a takeoff on the television courtroom drama "Perry Mason," in 1959. It was then, Hendrix maintained, that "the basic movie parody format for the next 44 years was born."

From the early 1960s on, nearly every issue of Mad included a movie parody, and before Drucker retired he had illustrated 238, more than half of them. The last one, "The Chronic-Ills of Yawna: Prince Thespian," appeared in 2008.

Drucker compared his method to creating a movie storyboard: "I become the 'camera,'" he once said, "and look for angles, lighting, close-ups, wide angles, long shots — just as a director does to tell the story in the most visually interesting way he can."

Hendrix called Drucker "the cartoonist's equivalent of an actor's director" and "a

High School, where he met his future wife, Barbara Hellerman.

His survivors include his wife; two daughters, Laurie Bachner and Melanie Amsterdam; and three grandchildren.

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Working in a studio at his home in Woodbury, on Long Island, he also drew magazine illustrations, album covers, movie posters and advertisements.

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In Memoriam



Sally Elizabeth Chavez

Sally Elizabeth Chavez (née Vandervoort), age 43 of Glenview, Illinois passed away on April 14, 2019 after battling a long-term illness. A private funeral with close friends and family was held, with Fr. Wayne Watts of St. Joseph Church presiding. She was born to George and Mimi Vandervoort in Chicago, Illinois in 1975. She grew up in Wilmette, IL and went to New Trier High School and attended Johns Hopkins, Loyola University, and DePaul University. She received a bachelor's degree in psychology, and master's degrees in accounting and in social work. She earned her Certified Public Accounting degree in 2002. She worked for five years at the Boeing Company as an Internal Auditor. In 2001, she married Ariel Chavez, PA-C. Together they raised their lovely daughter Sophie who was born in 2016.

Sally loved animals and had several beloved pets including "Warmie," "Arnie," and "Belita." She was a long time volunteer for the Tree House Humane Society animal shelter in Chicago. She loved music, especially classical music and played the violin, viola, and piano. Sally was a frequent attendee of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, the Evanston Symphony Orchestra, and Ravinia. She enjoyed reading and needlepoint as a hobby and met with a weekly needlepoint club in Evanston. Cooking and trying new recipes to share with friends and family was something else she was quite fond of. She enjoyed skiing and travel. Indeed, Sally literally traveled around the world with visits to Asia, Europe, and Latin America.

In addition to her husband, daughter, and parents, she is survived by her brother Robert and her loving cousins, in-laws, and friends. She is buried beside her paternal grandparents in Lake Forest Cemetery.

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Death Notices

Abina, Lois E.

Lois E. Abina (née Hedberg), age 90, late of Dolton. Beloved wife of the late Dimas A. Abina; devoted mother of Steve, Carl, and Regina Abina; proud grandmother of Christopher, Marie, Timothy, and Angela; loving great grandmother of Phoenix; kind aunt of many nieces and nephews. Private interment St. Mary Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to **Thornridge Funeral Home (Janusz Family Funeral Service)**. (708) 841 - 2300 or www.thornridgefuneralhomes.com

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Adduci, Thomas M.

Thomas M. Adduci, age 94 of Lansing, Illinois formerly of Roseland, passed away peacefully Saturday, April 4, 2020. He is survived by his beloved children; Thomas (Diane) Adduci, Donald (Nancy) Adduci, and Luanne Kettler. Cherished grandfather of Thomas (Samara Shein) Adduci, Jeffrey Adduci, and Kenneth Thomas Kettler and great grandfather of Albi Adduci. Thomas was preceded in death by his beloved wife Mary Lou Adduci, sister Roselene Jostes, brother James Adduci and son-in-law Ken Kettler. Funeral services will be private. Mr. Adduci will be laid to rest at St. Casimir Cemetery, Chicago, Illinois.

Thomas was a proud WWII Army Air Force Veteran, serving from June 27, 1944 to June 3, 1946. He was a proud member of Plumbers Local 130 United Association for 66 years. His Passion was playing golf any chance he got. Thomas and Mary Lou enjoyed traveling and taking trips together. He was a loving and caring husband, father, son, brother, uncle and friend. He was loved by many and he will be truly missed. www.schroederlauer.com

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Barys, Nancy Lynn

Nancy Lynn Barys nee Thoss, age 64, of Skokie, IL. Beloved wife of Andrew Peter Barys. Loving mother of Ashley Nicole Barys (Patrick James) Kough and Kyle Matthew Barys. Dear sister of Sue Thoss. Fond sister-in-law Paul Edmund (Sarah) Barys. Fond aunt of Robert William Thoss; Maggie (Darrin) Evans and Jamie Barys (Duncan Darroch-Thompson). A celebration of life will be held at a later date. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to: Cancer Wellness Center, 215 Revere Drive, Northbrook, IL, 60062. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.

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Bialek, Adelaide E.

Adelaide E. Bialek, nee Rosenfeld, age 85, passed away April 3, 2020, wife of the late Stephen T.; daughter of the late David and Adelaide (nee Rodstrom) Rosenfeld. Sister of David (Margaret) Rosenfeld, sister-in-law of Lorraine (Peter) Kowalski, Stella (late Eugene) Dudkowski, the late Frank (the late Helen) and the late Eugene. Aunt of David Jr., Jay, Elizabeth, Frank, Thomas, Cathy, Christopher, Philip, Janice, Alyssa, Caroline and their families. Oldest grandchild of the late Morris Rosenfeld, Marine photographer. Adelaide was born in New York City graduating from the Bronx High School of Science, Hunter College and the University of Chicago. She began her career in 1956 as a computer programmer at the Nuclear Development Corporation of America then at the Institute for Air Weapons Research at the University of Chicago. She retired as Technical Director at The Academy of Interscience Methodology. Mass of Christian Burial will take place at Our Lady of the Woods Church, 10731 W. 131st St., Orland Park at a date and time yet to be determined. Interment Pelham Cemetery, City Island, New York. Donations in Adelaide's name can be made to the Rosenfeld Collection at Mystic Seaport Museum; 75 Greenmanville Ave, Mystic, CT 06355 or The City Island Nautical Museum; care of the City Island Historical Society, PO Box 82, Bronx, NY 10464. For further information **RICHARD J MODELL FUNERAL HOME**, 708-301-3595

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BIRAZZI, MATTHEW

Matthew Birazzi, 89, passed away of natural causes. Dear husband of Giovanna for 61 years; loving father of Angela (Marc Adelman) and John (Elvira). Proud grandfather of Miranda & Lisa. Brother of John & uncle to several nieces and nephews and other relatives in Italy. Veteran of the Korean War. Worked for many years at Atlas Electrical Devices. Entombed at All Saints.

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Bobek, John Alexander

John Alexander Bobek, age 53 days, entered eternity on April 8th. He was born prematurely on Feb. 15th with a congenital heart defect. Beloved son of Megan O'Leary and Chris Bobek; loving brother of Sophie; dear grandson of John and Helen O'Leary, Janet Carlson, and the late John Bobek; fond nephew of Brian Bobek, Katherine Eagan, and Brendan O'Leary; cherished cousin of Audrey, Rua, and Nathanael. Memorial mass will be held at some future date. Sign online guest book at www.simkinsfh.com. (847) 965-2500



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Brault, Mary L.

Mary L. Brault of Northbrook IL, formerly of Park Ridge, IL and Lake Geneva, WI, passed away peacefully on April 10, 2020, after a long illness. Mary was born in Chicago on January 6, 1934, to James and Eva Meyers Landrigan. Mary grew up in Oak Park and attended St. Giles and Trinity High School and graduated from Rosary College where she majored in mathematics. In 1958, she married Jerome J. Brault who was the love of her life. Mary and Jerry lived in Oak Park until 1968 when they moved to Park Ridge. They raised their six children there and became active members of the Park Ridge community and of Mary, Seat of Wisdom parish. For many years they were members of Park Ridge Country Club where Mary perfected her golf game. She served as the President of the Chicago Women's District Golf Association for many years and she continued to play through retirement at Mission Hills Country Club in Rancho Mirage, CA and Big Foot Country Club in Fontana, WI.

Mary and Jerry travelled the world together and visited all seven continents. But the highlight of their travels was the private Mass in 1992 with His Holiness John Paul II in his personal chapel in the Vatican with their daughter Eva. Mary and Jerry loved a good party and they were legendary entertainers. From the family picnics at Wonder Lake and Lake Geneva, to the Christmas parties in Park Ridge, the Gold Coast and Lake Geneva, to Couples Club with their childhood friends, their dinners and celebrations were festive and lively, and always with an element of surprise. Mary and Jerry were married for 53 wonderful years until Jerry's death in 2011.

Mary had many other interests. She was an avid bridge player and sports fan, and especially enjoyed tennis, the Chicago Cubs, and the Green Bay Packers. A prolific knitter, Mary's specialty was the family Christmas stockings created for each member of the extended Brault family. And as a former high school math teacher, Mary enjoyed math and cringed at even the thought of her grandchildren using calculators to do their numbers.

Most important, Mary was beautiful, kind and honest. Her smile would light up a room. She will be remembered as a devoted wife, a devout Catholic, a strong and loving mother, a beloved Grandma and a loyal friend.

In addition to her husband, Mary was preceded in death by her parents James and Eva Landrigan, her sister Dr. Doris Jackson (the late Art) and her brother James Landrigan Jr. Mary is survived by her six children: Jerome J. Jr (Giselle Martinez) of Palatine, Jim (Mimi) of Wilmette, Cathie Murphy (John) of Glencoe, John (Vicki) of Cincinnati, OH, Molly Ryan (Sean) of Pleasant Prairie, WI, and Eva Schmidt (Rob) of Columbus, OH. She is also survived by 22 grandchildren: Ellen Brault Anderson (TC), Jerome J. III (Suzana) Brault, James P. Brault and Anna Brault; Charley, Jeb and Will Brault; Bobby Murphy (fiancee Joie Wikelski), Elizabeth Murphy and Thomas Murphy; Pamela Brault Maertz (Chris), Megan Brault Nartker (Chris), Jack Brault (fiancee Meghan Prendergast), and Madison Brault; Michael, Kevin, Catharine, Annemarie and Sarah Ryan; and, Matthew, Emily and Daniel Schmidt; and three great grandchildren: Scarlett and Jerome J. Brault IV, and Henry Maertz. Mary is also survived by her brother-in-law Jack Brault (Judy) of Buffalo Grove and sister-in-law Dr. Barbara Brault of San Antonio, TX, and many cousins, nieces and nephews of the extended Brault family. We will be eternally grateful to the staff at North Shore Place and would like to especially thank her caregivers Elizabeth, Kalem, Fatima and Doris and the hospice nurses who so lovingly and tenderly cared for Mary in these final months and days.

Due to the limitations and restrictions of the current COVID-19 pandemic, funeral services will be private. A celebration of Mary's life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Catholic Charities, 721 N. LaSalle, Chicago, IL 60654.

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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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Byrne, Robert E.

Robert E. Byrne, age 92, World War II and Korean War Veteran; Beloved son of the late John J. and the late Jane F. (nee O'Connor) Byrne; Dear brother of the late Jane (late Mylo) Schriver, late John, late Patrick (late Patricia) Byrne, Margaret (late James C.) Dullard, Richard M., late Jerome F. (late Mary Rita) Byrne, and Rosemary (late Joseph F.) McManus; Special uncle to 17, great uncle to 28, great-great uncle to 13, and godfather of Patrick J. Dullard; The family is grateful to Sasha his caretaker; Funeral Services and interment will be private; Arrangements have been entrusted to **Curley Funeral Home**, Chicago Ridge; For info: 708-422-2700 or www.curleyfuneralhome.com

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Cabrera, Consuelo 'Connie'

Consuelo (Connie) Cabrera, nee Guerrero, 94, April 8, 2020, Beloved wife of the late Robert F. (Don Roberto), loving mother to Frank (Rose), the late Robert Jr, Ralph (Eileen), Richard (Eileen), Rachel (Chuck) Feinberg, John (Mita) and Gloria. She was able to spend time with 17 grandchildren and 26 great grandchildren.

She was aunt to many nieces and nephews and a friend to many more. She lived in the Canaryville neighborhood for 68 years, was a Gold Star member of the St. Gabriel Woman's Club and served as an Election Judge for many years. She touched the lives of many people in her 94 years. Private family services held at **McINERNEY CENTRAL CHAPEL**, 4635 S. Wallace St., Chicago, IL. Burial Mt. Carmel Cemetery, Hillside. The Cabrera Family appreciates your prayers and support at this most difficult time as Connie's death occurs during the restrictions and precautions of Coronavirus. They look forward to honoring her life in a fitting manner at a future date. Memorial Mass of Christian Burial at St. Gabriel Church. When the schedule is finalized, this obituary, the McInerney website and Facebook pages will be updated. Please visit **CONSUELO (CONNIE) CABRERA BOOK OF MEMORIES**. To express your thoughts or memories in the online guest book, www.chapelc.com or facebook.com/funeralmc. Arrangements by **McINERNEY CENTRAL CHAPEL**-Chicago. Info., 773-268-0703 or 773-581-9000.

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Cahill, Frank James

Frank James Cahill, age 81 of Romeoville, IL, passed away Saturday April 4, 2020. Beloved husband of Patricia Cahill; loving father of Steven (Lisa) Cahill; devoted grandfather of Brynn and Ryan Cahill; fond brother of James (Patricia) Cahill, Jerome (Rosemary) Cahill, Phillip Cahill, Mary (late Thomas) Green and Mary Ann (William) Dotson; preceded in death by his parents James and Anne Cahill. Mr. Cahill was a proud Army Veteran, electrical engineer and a Chicago Public School trade teacher. Frank enjoyed many years of retirement in Arizona. He especially enjoyed planning and traveling to several countries, 49 states, and many National Parks. Due to the CDC guidelines for the Covid-19 pandemic and the state of Illinois executive order, services are pending. Inurnment Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery at a later date.

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Cairo, Joseph P.

Beloved husband of Elizabeth "Betty" (nee Regan); loving father of Regina Cairo (Steve Missetic), Elizabeth (Damon) Marano, and Carolyn Cairo; fond grandfather of Gabriella, Angelo, Roma, Bruno Finn, Leo, Josephine, and Jane Elizabeth; dear brother of Helen Cairo-McCarthy, and the late John A. Cairo; cherished brother-in-law, uncle, and friend to many; will be remembered for his warmth, sincerity, and legendary smile. Family will have a Memorial Mass at a later date. Services entrusted by **Michael Coletta Sons Funeral Home**.

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Caldwell, James W. 'Jim'

James "Jim" W. Caldwell, a beloved husband and father and nearly lifelong Glenview, Illinois resident, passed away unexpectedly in Evanston, Illinois on April 4, 2020 at the age of 62. Jim is lovingly remembered by his wife of more than 34 years, Susan "Su" Caldwell (née Dwyer); his children Breanna, Kelsie, and John "Jack" Caldwell (Jennifer Bohm); his siblings Michael, Douglas (Janie), and Anna "Nancy" Caldwell; and many other loving relatives and dear friends. He is predeceased by his parents, Vincent DePaul and Rose Marie Caldwell (née Smith). His closest friends and family will remember him for his unconditional love, strong work ethic, sense of humor, and deep appreciation for rock and roll, a good nonfiction book, and a manicured lawn. The family held a private viewing on April 6, 2020, and will host a public wake and celebration of life when it is safe to do so. Details to follow. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial contributions be made to the Oral Cancer Foundation: (www.donate.oralcancer.org/campaign/jamescaldwell). Please view and sign the family guestbook at: www.nhscotthanekamp.com.

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Camper, Lorraine M.

Lorraine M. Camper passed away on April 5, 2020 of natural causes, age 93, at St. Joseph Village of Chicago, IL. She was born in West De Pere, WI on July 25, 1926, to parents Myron and Jennie (Toney) Camper. She grew up in De Pere, and attended St. Joseph's Academy and Fontbonne University (class of 1948). She worked in advertising & publishing, & taught English for 28 years at Marshall High School in Chicago. She is survived by Fred Camper, Francie Camper, Paulette Camper Rosch, Peter Camper, Patricia Camper Stowe, Christopher Camper, Jennifer Camper, & Cathy Camper, & preceded in death by her parents, & siblings, Frederic, James, Arthur, Myron, Jimmy & her sister Sr Margaret, CSJ, & with whom Lorraine shared a life-long closeness. A devoted Catholic, Lorraine loved teaching, books, poetry, art, and Lebanese food. She will be buried in Green Bay, WI with her parents. Contributions in her name can be made to: The Greater Chicago Food Depository.

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Capitani, Ethel M.

Ethel M. Capitani, nee Detting, age 95, of Skokie. Beloved wife of Joseph P.; loving mother of the late Joseph S. (Mary); cherished grandmother of Joseph, Christopher, Margaret, and the late Catherine; dear sister of James and the late Robert Detting and Dorothy Sticht; fond aunt of many. Private Funeral Service and Interment were held Saturday, April 11, 2020. For funeral information: 847.673.6111 or www.habenfuneral.com to sign guestbook.

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Catarello, Patricia J.

Mrs. Patricia J. Catarello (nee Jones), age 81, a long-time Northbrook resident and life-long teacher, passed away peacefully on Holy Wednesday, April 8, 2020. She was born in Alma, West Virginia to the late Jeanne Furbee (Kilcoyne) and James E. Jones. Devoted wife, of 54 years, to the late Dr. Joseph A. Catarello; loving mother of Christina, Joseph Jr. (Teresa), Dominic (Julie), John (Kristin), Sara (Paul) Black, Mark, Paula (Matt) Gerwig, Daniel (Beatrice), Patrick, and Maria (Michael) Leitner. Proud grandmother of 20 granddaughters and 19 grandsons; dearest great-grandmother of 4 great-granddaughters and 7 great-grandsons. Godmother to Pauline McKeown. Also survived by her cherished step-brother, Carl 'Tyke' Sweet and dearest sister-in-law Babe Stasko, as well as many nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by her parents and brother, Jerry F. Jones. Born on the family farm in Alma, West Virginia, Patty grew up with her grandparents in Reed City, MI, where she had many adventures with her brother Jerry. She graduated Michigan State University as a teacher. There she met Joe and soon after getting married they moved to Illinois. After teaching in Chicago a few years, she happily set her career aside to raise her ten children. Later in life, she was employed at The Willows Academy for Girls where she taught and advised. She was a member of Opus Dei for 58 years, prayed the Rosary daily for the conversion of souls, advocated for the unborn, and offered her long sufferings for others, especially her children and grandchildren. When the suspension on large gatherings is lifted, there will be a Funeral Mass at St. Philip the Apostle Parish, Northfield, IL. Burial will be at Beechwood Cemetery, Middlebourne, West Virginia. In lieu of flowers, donations in her name sent to Illinois Citizens for Life, Chicago, would be appreciated. <https://illinoisrighttolife.org/donate-irl/>

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Cline, Wesley W. 'Wes'

Wes W. Cline. Age 69 of Park Ridge, passed away on April 5, 2020. Due to current guidelines, a private burial will take place at All Saints Cemetery in Des Plaines. A celebration of life is currently being planned and will be announced at a later date. Obituary information can be found at **Ryan-Parke Funeral Home** website, www.ryan-parke.com.

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Conley, John T.

John T. Conley of Crystal Lake, formerly of Westchester, age 80. U.S. Marine Corp Reserves - Vietnam Era. Loving father of Sean (Cindy) and Brendan (Judy); proud grandfather of Lauren, Madison, Aidan, Connor, Ashley, Raya, Katy and Tyler; cherished friend of Nancy (Michael Haeger) Conley; dear brother of Susie (Pete) Schoenborn and the late James (Lynn) Conley; brother-in-law of Dee Conley; beloved uncle and friend of many. **Due to the COVID-19 Crisis services are private. Memorial will be held at a later date.** In lieu of flowers, memorials to GiGi's Playhouse (Down Syndrome Achievement Center) in honor of granddaughter, Ashley Conley, www.gigisplayhouse.org would be appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home. For info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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Cortez, Maria L.

Maria L. Cortez (Nee Maria Luna), passed away on Wednesday, April 8, 2020. Maria was born January 5, 1943 in Mexico to her parents Refugio and Gilberto Luna. Beloved wife of the late Antonio Cortez. Loving mother of Nancy (Juan) Monreal and Arlene Cortez. Cherished grandmother of Juan A. Monreal (Fiancé Gabriela Salinas), David Monreal and Alyssa Peralta. Dear sister of the late Lupe (Alex) Duran, Martha Luna, Vickie (the late Rudy) Bordon, Rebecca Luna and the late Laura (Celso) Rosas. From a young age, Maria was very determined to help her family get ahead. She came to the United States as a young lady and met her future husband Antonio Cortez in Santa Barbara, California. Together they decided to come to Chicago, IL and grow their family. They worked hard to own a home and start a family business. She was a devout Jehovah Witness and an active member of her congregation. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.MountAuburnFuneralHome.com for the Cortez family.

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Crews, Evelyn 'Evie'

Evelyn Crews, "Evie", 70; educator, adventurer, visual artist, crafter, and style maven; of Glenview; passed away after a brief illness, April 7, 2020. Born in Manila, Philippines, Evelyn earned her BFA from UCLA and worked most recently at Glenbrook North High School, where she was cherished by students on the newspaper and yearbook. Beloved wife of the late Stephen Gregory Crews, devoted mother of Meredith (David Sobelsohn) and Sam (Ken Harang) Crews. Faithful companion of Lila the cat. Daughter of the late Jane Ng. Adored cousin, friend, colleague, and mentor. Charter member of the Blue Moon Society. An appropriate celebration of life is being planned. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to The Lyric Opera of Chicago. Arrangements by **Cremation Society of Illinois**, 773-281-5058 or www.cremation-society.com

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Davis, Scott Jonathan

Scott Jonathan Davis, 68, beloved husband for 39 years of Anne Megan Davis, died on Tuesday, April 7, 2020 after a courageous struggle with Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis (ALS). Scott was born on the South Side of Chicago to the late Oscar Davis, M.D., Ph.D. and the late Doris Koller Davis. While growing up in Hyde Park and South Shore and attending the University of Chicago Laboratory School, Scott made close friendships that would endure for the rest of his life.

Scott started at Yale University as a 16-year old. After studying computer science in the days of punchcards, he opted for law school at Harvard University, where he was on the Law Review's Board of Editors. He clerked for Judge Luther Swygert of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh Circuit, and it was at the federal courthouse that the beautiful Anne Megan, then clerking for another judge, first caught his eye.

Scott joined the law firm now known as Mayer Brown LLP in 1977, where he was to remain for 39 years. He was mentored there by eminent firm leaders including Leo Herzl and Robert Helman. Scott would later return the favor by mentoring numerous younger colleagues, many of whom went on to become leaders in their fields.

Scott became a partner in litigation, but decided mid-career to switch to the burgeoning field of mergers and acquisitions as he found himself growing more interested in transactional law. He was to become a firm practice leader and was the lead attorney on some of the largest public company transactions in the country, where his deep knowledge of the law, thoughtfulness, uncompromising ethics and litigation background stood him in good stead. Many of his colleagues became dear friends. It was universally known that his door was open, and he always made time to give advice, often on matters that presented particularly difficult legal judgments.

In addition to practicing law, Scott taught classes at both the University of Chicago Law School and the Booth School of Business. Following his retirement from Mayer Brown in 2016, he became the first-ever Professor from Practice at the Law School. Scott was a natural-born teacher and thrived on his interactions with students.

In 1989, Scott was chosen by Mayor Richard M. Daley to serve as a member of the Chicago Police Board, and was Vice President of the Board from 1996 to 2013. He was deeply proud of his participation in that key civic institution, which included selecting the candidates for police superintendent and deciding many prominent police disciplinary cases.

Scott is also survived by his sons William (Kristen) Davis, James (Sofia) Davis and Peter (Sara Jew-Lim) Davis, his grandchildren Benjamin, Joshua and Sarah, his sisters Elizabeth Davis, Susan (James) Brunner and Karie (Nicholas Minear) Davis, and his uncle William (Sandra) Koller.

A private interment has been held. Due to the current restrictions on public gatherings, a celebration of his life will be held at a later date.

Memorial contributions may be made in his memory to The Les Turner ALS Foundation, The Angel Fund for ALS Research or a charity of the donor's choice.

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DePree, Robert T. 'Rob'

Robert Talcott DePree, 81, of Lake Forest, Illinois, passed away on April 7, 2020. He was born in Louisville, Kentucky on March 17, 1939 to Julian Francis and Helen Aldrich (nee Clarke) DePree. Rob attended Kenyon College and graduated from the University of Louisville. Early in his career, after working at McKinsey & Company, Rob's entrepreneurial spirit led him, with his brother, to establish The DeepPath Group, Inc., which specialized in leasing and equity financing for major industrial projects and then became an industry leader in financial services. Later, Rob continued in advisory and leadership roles for smaller businesses, most significantly as Chairman of the Board of Directors of House-Autry Mills, Inc. in Four Oaks, North Carolina. Rob's family and friends will miss his wisdom, kindness, and enthusiasm for innocent mischief. He will be remembered as an outdoorsman, a lover of music, and a student of human nature. Rob taught us to value family with pride, to follow personal interests with passion, and to seek knowledge with zeal. It is easy to recall the delight in his blue eyes at the roar of an engine, the explosion of fireworks, or the spark of a good idea.

Rob is survived by his devoted wife of 49 years, Susan (nee Barker); his loving children, Lucy DePree (William T.) Bickford and George H. DePree; his adoring grandchildren, Eloise Talcott Bickford, Annabelle Watson Bickford, Daisy Goodyear Bickford; his brother, Spencer Aldrich (Susan A.) DePree, and sister-in-law, Joan P. DePree; his nephews and nieces. Rob was preceded in death by his brother, Julian Francis DePree, Jr.

A private interment will be held in the coming days. A celebration of Rob's life and memorial service will take place at a future date at The Church of the Holy Spirit in Lake Forest, Illinois. Memorial contributions may be sent to Fellow Mortals Wildlife Hospital, W4632 Palmer Road, Lake Geneva, WI 53147, (262) 248-5055 or www.fellowmortals.org or Forest Bluff School, 8 W Scranton Ave., Lake Bluff, IL 60044, (847) 295-8338 or www.forestbluffschooll.org. Info: **Wenban Funeral Home** (847) 234-0022 or www.wenbanfh.com.

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DiFoggio, Desiree

Desiree DiFoggio was born on February 9, 1992. After 28 beautiful and lively years, she passed away on March 31, 2020. Desiree was an actress, musician, walking encyclopedia, shoulder to lean on and inspiration to those she touched.

She was the beloved daughter of Vita DiFoggio & the late Michael DiFoggio; loving sister of Jessica & Anthony DiFoggio; treasured niece of Lisa, Terry, & Anthony Montesano, James & Mario DiFoggio, the late Daniel DiFoggio & the late Elizabeth DiFoggio; adored granddaughter of the late Dolores & Anthony Montesano, the late Michael DiFoggio, the late Bernadette DiFoggio, & Jill DiFoggio. She was a great cousin and friend to many.

Desiree will be remembered as a fierce defender of her friends and family, and as a wild and free spirit. Due to the unfortunate circumstances surrounding COVID-19 & for the safety of the family & community, visitation & funeral services will be held privately. Please omit flowers. Arrangements entrusted by **Michael Coletta Sons Funeral Home**

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Downing, Joan G.

Joan G. Downing, teacher of literature, drama and business students died peacefully on April 4, 2020. Born during the Great Depression to Scottish immigrant parents, ironically on St. Patrick's Day 1931, in Astoria, New York she excelled at Bryant High School, earned her B.A. at Wheaton College and settled in Chicago. While teaching at Sullivan High School and raising a young son she earned her M.A. and Ph.D. at Northwestern University writing her dissertation on F. Scott Fitzgerald and the movies. Her teaching appointments included the University of Wisconsin and the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business. After "retiring" she wrote, under the pen name Kate Noble, a series of children's books inspired by a trip to Africa with her late husband, Robert A. Downing. Lincoln Park Zoo recognized her for 25 years of volunteer service. Joan loved reading (her son often remarked that he grew up in a library), attending the theater, boating on Lake Michigan (first aboard SEAHORSE and later her namesake KATE) and inspiring her grandchildren.

She is survived by her son, Charles E. Reiter III (Catherine), stepchildren, Robert (LeAnn), Kevin (Denise), Gregory (Alice), Tracey Clark (Jim) predeceased her. She left thirteen grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and her life-long friend Elmore Buannic. Her first husband, Charles E. Reiter, predeceased her.

Thank you to the kind and compassionate staff at The Clare. A celebration of life will follow when the current crisis permits. Donations in Joan's memory may be made to Chicago Shakespeare Theater, 800 E. Grand Ave. Chicago 60611 chicagoshakes.com

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Doyle, Colette A.

Colette A. Doyle, 68, of DeKalb, Illinois, died Saturday, April 4, 2020, at Bethany Rehab and Health Care Center in DeKalb. She was born April 4 1952, in Chicago, Illinois, the daughter of James E. and Mary A. (Caddigan) Doyle. She is survived by her siblings, James (Judy) Doyle, Maureen (David) Gillott, Karen (Michael) Landis, Margaret (Patrick) Keane, Eileen (Henry) Crawford; beloved aunt of numerous nieces and nephews; great-nieces and great-nephews. She was preceded in death by her sister, Madonna Streicher; her brother, Dennis Doyle; and her parents.

The Memorial Mass will be held at a later date. Condolences can be emailed to colettesmemorial@gmail.com. Memorials can be made to the Colette A. Doyle Memorial Fund, addressed to the Doyle Family in care of Anderson Funeral Home, P.O. Box 605, 2011 South Fourth Street, DeKalb, IL 60115. For information, visit www.AndersonFuneralHomeLtd.com or call 815-756-1022.

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Dugal, Robert G.

Robert G. Dugal, a lifelong resident of Oak Park passed away at West Suburban Hospital at 2:30am, April 9, 2020. Bob was born in Evergreen Park to the late William J. Dugal, Jr., and Jacqueline "Jackie" Barclay Brady Dugal. Bob attended elementary school at Holmes School and graduated from Oak Park River Forest High School in 1979. Bob was a member of the OPRF wrestling team. Bob attended Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana, graduating in 1984 with a bachelor's in business management. Some of Bob's lifetime accomplishments include: Life Member of the Democratic Party of Oak Park, Member of Senator Philip Rock election committee, State Legislative Aid, Oak Park Cultural Tourism Committee, Founding member of the Progress Center for Independent living, Co-Chair for Day in the Village, Member of Friederich's Ataxia Foundation, Conducted an ADA compliance Survey in all elementary schools in Oak Park, Coach of the girls softball and soccer teams, Member of the Oak Park wrestling team, Founder of the Oak Park Committee on the Disabled, and Member of the Oak Park Committee on the Disabled. He is survived by his siblings; Jack (Karen) Dugal of Naperville, IL, James, M.D. (Nancy and the late Cheryl) Dugal of John's Creek, GA, Mary Ellen Dugal Dwyer of Elmhurst, IL, Kathleen (Robyn Guest) Dugal of Westchester, IL and Patricia (Timothy) Klein of Lansing, IL. He was the fun and loving uncle of Brian, M.D., Michael, Jennifer, NP, and Kevin Dugal, William IV M.D. (Rebecca) Dugal, and James II (Rebecca) Dugal, Patrick (Melissa Cahill) Dwyer, and Timothy Dwyer, and Kimberly Klein (Jack) Garavaglia and Katlyn Klein R.N.; grand-uncle of Tyler Dwyer; fond cousin and nephew of many. Our heartfelt thanks to Kelsie Hudson, who was a true brother to Bob for his kindness and care over the past 8 years. Bob could not have had the quality of life he had, without you. Also, our thanks to Kathleen Kephart for helping to care for Bob during the last 7 months. Private interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers please make donations to the Friedreich's Ataxia Foundation.

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Eifrig, William L.

William L. Eifrig, 91, of Cincinnati, OH, formerly of River Forest, IL & Stevens Point, WI, passed away Monday, April 6, 2020. He practiced law in Illinois & Wisconsin for more than 40 years, focusing on appellate litigation, probate, & estate planning. He is survived by his wife Gretchen Eifrig; his son Eric Eifrig; his daughters Ellen Rennard & Susan Smith; his grandchildren Emily Kensing, Catherine Eifrig, William F. Eifrig, & Abigail Smith; and his great-grandchildren Julia Klasing & Owen Klasing. Bill was a loving husband, a caring father, a devoted outdoorsman, and a lifelong fan of the Chicago Cubs. He graduated from Carleton College in 1950 & served as a Naval Officer during the Korean War. A private family service will be held. Donations may be made to Carleton College, 1 North College Street, Northfield, MN 55057. <https://apps.carleton.edu/giving/types/memorial/>. www.tpwhite.com

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Ernst, Sandra Sue

ERNST, Sandra Sue, 83, of Tampa, Florida passed away peacefully at home on Monday, April 6, 2020. Sandy is predeceased by her parents and her brothers Larry Levitt (Rosemary) and Les Levitt (Edith). She is survived by her husband of 59 years, Sherwin Ernst; her three children, Matthew Ernst (Stacey), Lynda Ernst-Whery (Michael) and Jon Ernst; and her granddaughter, Hannah Sarah Ernst. Sandy was born on February 7th, 1937 to Morris and Sarah Levitt in Denver, Colorado. After graduating early from Denver's East High School in 1954, she moved to Brooklyn where she spent her days working at a Wall Street bank and her nights performing as a torch singer in Manhattan. Soon thereafter she moved to Chicago where she eventually met and fell in love with her future husband, Sherwin. As a young woman in Chicago she found work in various arenas including portraiture artist, promotional modeling, jewelry sales, and the insurance industry. Ultimately she spent most of the 1970's as a highly sought after publicist for live theater in the Chicago area at venues such as The Goodman Theater, Orphans, The Body Politic and many more. In 1980 Sandy and family headed to the mountains of Boulder, Colorado and at the ripe old age of 45 she finally learned how to drive for the first time in order to pursue a career in real estate which would become her life's passion. In 1984 the family moved to Tampa, where Sandy went to work for Merrill Lynch Realty and Prudential Florida Realty before finding her long-time home at RE/MAX for the past 27 years. Along the way she earned much professional recognition resulting from her tireless work ethic and how much she truly cared for her clients. A private memorial service took place at Segal Funeral Home in Tampa on April 9, 2020. Due to current circumstances, the funeral service and interment were restricted to immediate family only. A celebration of life will be planned and announced at a future date. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to your local Humane Society. To express condolences online visit segalfuneralhome.com.

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Excell, Marilyn

Marilyn Excell, nee Loeb, age 91, of Wheeling, formerly of Northbrook, retired paraprofessional at Glenbrook North High School for 30 years; beloved wife of the late Irwin; loving mother of Mindi (Dean) Ellis and Steven (late Annette) Excell; adored grandma of Rachel and Danny; devoted daughter of the late Ewald and the late Rose Loeb; cherished sister of the late Jerry Loeb.

Due to the pandemic virus and concern for our extended family and friends the Monday graveside service and shiva will be private. Contributions may be made to the charity of your choice. Info: The **Goldman Funeral Group**, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.



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Fay, Kathleen A. 'Kathy'

Born in Chicago, July 19th, 1959, resident of Morton Grove, left us too soon April 5th, 2020. Loving wife of George Strack for 18 years; cherished mother to Kevin, Kyle (Katie), Ryan Bigoness, Trent Thomas (Anna); stepmother to George Ironstrack (Tamise) and Matthew Strack (Virginia); grandmother, aka "Yaya" to Delia, James, Henry, Isabella, Mirin, Kai, Jordi, Billie, Vito, Olivia, and Keith; devoted daughter of the late Kevin Fay of County Cavan Ireland, and Mary Fay, County Kerry, Ireland; fond sibling to Regis (Cathy), Bernie (Mary Ann), Kenny (Arlen), Dymrna (Rob), Frank (Taryn), Sharon (John) and Rebecca (Larry). Kathy received her Bachelor's degree from the University of Illinois (Chicago) and two master's degrees from Northeastern University, she loved to learn. Favorite Aunt to Declan, Kevin, Brendan, Quinn, Brian, Evan, Stephanie, Lisa, John, Joe, & Molly Fay, Emily O'Hara (William) Aidan (Neisha) & Nolan Hart, Riley McInerney, Sean & Lauren Decker. Kathy's many passions included a deep love for her family, clever "one-liners" and hilarious jokes. She was an educator and lover of Jeopardy. She was a collector of amazing art, she loved sing-a longs and travel. She was an incredible gardener who cultivated far more than flowers. She planted seeds for students to learn, cultivated entrepreneurial spirits and made sure the sun was shining in all the right places. Inch by inch, row by row, she made sure her gardens would grow. In lieu of flowers, sing a song, take a trip, plant a garden of foliage or friendship. Private family service held at **Cooney Funeral Home**, Park Ridge. Memorial service to be held at a later date. For information please call 847-685-1002 or visit www.cooneyfuneralhome.com

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Ferguson, Bernice

Bernice Ferguson, nee Doyle, age 87, of Oak Lawn, Illinois...unexpectedly on April 5, 2020. She was the beloved mother of Julie (Steve) Grube, Dan (Karen), Dennis (Maria), Joe (Michelle) and Bernice (Janice); the adored Gramma of Meg (Darren), Molly (Louie), Brenna (Sam), the late Danny, Mike (Kate), Amanda (Tom), Pita (Josh), Neecey (Matt), Jeffrey (Justine), Kelly and Brian; and the devoted Gramma Beesh of Teddy, JB, Winnie, Danny, Gavin, Mazzen, Conor and Sophia. She is survived by her dear sister Virginia Moore, and will be missed by everyone who knew her, including her grandchildren and her many nieces, nephews and friends. Memorial donations can be made to St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, Shriner's Hospital for Children or Hospice at Christ Medical Center, c/o Advocate Charitable Foundation, 3075 Highland Parkway, Suite 600, Downers Grove, IL, 60515. A Memorial Mass to celebrate her life will be held at St. Christina Church 3334 West 111th Street, Chicago, IL at a later date.

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Fern, John D.

John D. Fern, 59, on April 9, 2020. We lost a man who was one of a kind. A true gentleman. A lawyer by training and a successful relationship builder at both work and home. An avid sports enthusiast, political junkie and lover of music. A true mensch. His humor and love of life will be greatly missed. John leaves behind his devoted wife, Nancy, loving children, Jessica (Sam), Emily (Evan), Jennifer (Michael), and Bradley; sister, Robin (Michael) and mother, Jacqueline. John was preceded in death by his father, Gilbert. Memorial contributions in John's name may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, www.stjude.org or Blessings in a Backpack, www.blessingsinabackpack.org. We will celebrate John's life with friends & family when we can all gather safely. Arrangements by **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home**, 847-256-5700.

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Firlit, Christopher George

Christopher "Chris" George Firlit, M.D., D.M.D., age 37, of Berkley, Michigan, passed away suddenly and unexpectedly Friday, April 3, 2020 in Novi, Michigan. He was born April 18, 1982 in Maywood, Illinois to Dr. George and Kathryn (nee Johnson) Firlit. Chris was the cherished husband of Sylvie; loving father to Alexander, Viktor, and Katerina; and loyal brother of Brian Firlit (Courtney), Neil Firlit (Monica), and Regina McDougal. He was an engaged and caring uncle to Claire and Paige Firlit; Annmarie and Sara Firlit; and Aidan, Maeve, and Roark McDougal.

An avid outdoorsman and fisherman, Chris had a love for the water. Though he fished around the world, he cared more about spending time with his friends and family on the water than he ever did about catching fish. He grew up excelling in swimming and baseball and maintained a love for Chicago sports throughout his life. Chris enjoyed working with his hands, constantly building, fixing and enhancing everything. He was most of all passionate about sharing his many hobbies and adventures with his children. Chris was dedicated to his work as an Oral Maxillofacial Surgeon. His years-long journey to achieve this professional goal took him through several states and earned him close friends whom he considered family.

As a physician, Chris touched and healed many lives, but he was robbed of his own far too early. He was caring and kind, inspiring and intelligent, and had an outgoing sense of humor that enlightened everyone around him. He was steadfast in his principles - family, loyalty, and liberty. Above all, he was loving and loved. Chris will be dearly missed. A private visitation will be taking place for Chris in Berkley, Michigan. The memorial service celebrating his life will be held in Chicago later this summer. After an outpouring of support, a fund has been established in Chris' name for his children's education. Contributions can be directed to Sylvie Firlit at 208 E. Columbia Ave., Elmhurst, IL 60126. Share your memories at www.sawyerfuller.com

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Freund, Colin Fuller

Colin Freund passed away on December 15, 2019 at the age of 95. Beloved husband of the late Elizabeth, brother of the late Carol and Althea, loving father of Gary, Janet, and Barbara, and devoted grandfather of Kathryn, Brendan, Jenna, Nick, and Alexis. Colin was a veteran of WWII, having served as First Electrician's Mate on the USS Shangri-La. After the military, he went on to Carnegie Mellon University and spent his career as an electrical engineer. He greeted everyone he met with a smile, and was genuinely kind, humble and selfless. Memorial contributions to Alzheimer's Association appreciated.

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Gemskie, Josephine I

Josephine I. Gemskie nee Iacuzzi, age 85, of Chicago IL. Beloved wife of the late James Gemskie. Devoted mother to Michele (Tom Meier), Maria, and Valerie (Roberto Bellavia). Loving Nonna to Nathan, Lauren, Kevin, Francesca, John, August, and Julia. Dear sister to Anthony (Judy) Iacuzzi and the late Jack Iacuzzi. Josephine adored her family and friends, and will be deeply missed. Due to the ongoing health crisis, the funeral services will be held privately. A memorial mass will be held at a date. Friends are invited to visit Josephine's memorial at www.smithcorcoran.com. For more information call 773-736-3833.

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Georgopoulos, Patricia S.

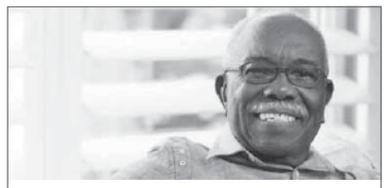
Patricia S. Georgopoulos, nee Papanicolaou, of Tinley Park, born in Madzagra-Tripoli, Greece. Beloved wife for 56 years to the late Soterios J. Loving mother of Christine (Charles) Nolan and Kiki (Bruce) Zikmund. Devoted Yiayia of Dean Siensa and Paige Zikmund. Loving sister of John (the late Theodora) Pappas and the late Eleni. Dearest aunt of Dr. George Papanicolaou and Ted (Tiffany) Pappas. Proud Nouna of Eugenia (Ryan) Ruble. May her memory be eternal. Private funeral services have been held. **Orrico Kourelis Funeral Services Inc.** handling all arrangements. Interment Bethania Cemetery. Memorials in her name can be made to Sts. Constantine & Helen Church, 11025 S. Roberts Road Palos Hills, IL 60465. For information please call 877/974-9201 or 815/462-0711 or www.orrico-funeral.com

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Gerten, Gertrude A. 'Trudy'

Gertrude A. "Trudy" Gerten (nee Baumann), age 92, a longtime resident of Naperville, IL, passed away on Friday, April 3, 2020 at Tabor Hills Healthcare Facility in Naperville. She was born February 24, 1928 on her family's farm on Lily Cache Road in Plainfield, IL. Arrangements by **Friedrich-Jones Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Naperville, IL**. For a complete obituary, please visit www.friedrich-jones.com or call (630) 355-0213 for more information.

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Glass, Arnold Jules

December 31, 1927 – March 13, 2020
A thoughtful, philosophic man with many interests, intellectual curiosity and an intense love for his family passed away at Evanston Hospital, following post-surgery complications. Born Abraham Julius Glass in Chicago, but known as Arnie to all, his predeceased family includes parents Ben and Mary (nee Pollen) Glass, and brother Irwin ("Itzie"). Raised on Shakespeare Ave. on the Northwest side, Arnie met Madelon ("Sissy") Cohn, who lived down the street. Though their romance didn't bloom until young adulthood, Arnie and Sissy eventually fell deeply in love and married in 1952.

Arnie attended local colleges, culminating in his Masters degree in sociology from Univ. of Chicago. His professional life took him on several paths: social worker; fundraiser and executive director for Beth Emet Synagogue in Evanston; and ultimately professor of sociology at Truman City College. With a lifelong interest in rare and used books, Arnie also owned and operated Abraham's Books in Evanston for 20 years. Along the way, he and Madelon had four children: Belinda (Stephen Tarter); Marty (Rose Bachi); Marya (Geof Syphers); and Hiram Glass. Arnie and Madelon raised their family in Evanston and were married for 68 years. His love of music left an indelible imprint on his family. From Mahler and Bach to John Prine and Steve Goodman, Arnie could be found in front of the stereo, listening and conducting with his baton. In addition to Madelon and their four children, Arnie is survived by granddaughter Sara Gruenwald, several nephews and cousins, and a wide circle of good friends that span multiple generations. A graveside service was held on March 16. The family looks forward to a time when we can safely gather to celebrate his life as he would've wished: with lots of friends and too much food! To honor Arnie, donations may be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation (jdrf.org) or WTTW-Chicago (wttw.com).

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Gozder, Geraldine A.

Geraldine (Gerry) A. Gozder (nee Pioro), beloved wife of the late Charles W. Gozder, passed away peacefully on April 4, 2020. Gerry is survived by her five children: Mary Therese (Craig) Musgrave; Charles (Sherry); Carol Horak; Nancy (John Stevens); Joseph (Amy Vail). She will be remembered as Gigi by many, especially her beloved grandchildren: Zosia, Charles, and Nadia Horak; Zachary Musgrave; and Mitchell (Jamie) Stevens. As her life's journey continued, she also enjoyed the addition of more family members in Jeff Ongenae, and the children and grandchildren of Sherry Gozder. In her own words, "I had a very beautiful life with a loving family and so many wonderful friends". Born May 11, 1938, she lived with her late parents, Joseph and Sophie Pioro, and attended both Lourdes High School and St. Anne Nursing School. Over the years, Gerry worked in the delivery room at Holy Cross Hospital, hosted many parties, golfed, traveled extensively, and played Mahjong. She enjoyed conversation and much laughter with family and friends in Illinois and Florida. Gerry will be missed by many, including sister-in-law Grace (John) Simonaitis, brother-in-law Paul (Christine) Gozder, many nieces and nephews, her special godchildren, many loving relatives, and numerous dear friends. Gerry's children look forward to a time we can be together and celebrate her life. Memorials can be sent to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, 6931 Arlington Road, Bethesda, MD 20014. Services and interment private. Arrangements entrusted to **Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Homes** www.sheehyfh.com

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Guido, Frank B.

Frank B. Guido, 73, of Chicago passed away Thursday, April 2, 2020. Beloved husband of Sandra L. Kinder-Guido for 38 years. Dear brother of Kathleen Rozhon (John, deceased); fond uncle of Kelly Stepps (Patrick); and fond great uncle of Anthony J. and Angelina Stepps. Predeceased by father Frank Guido, mother Alma Guido (nee Sarcletti), and brother Craig Guido. Frank passed away at Rush United Medical Center where he had been hospitalized since March 21st and had been diagnosed Covid-19 positive. Frank, a Chicago native, grew up in Chicago's westside Italian neighborhood and Cicero, IL. He attended the University of IL starting at then campus on Navy Pier, later at U of IL Circle, graduating with a BS degree. Following graduation, he began his life work in Social Services with Cook Co. Dept. of Public Aid, Illinois Dept. of Public Aid and Illinois Dept. of Human Services. Frank and Sandra met through their work and married Sept. 12, 1981. Frank had many interests. He loved traveling and was looking forward to going to Denali National Park, Alaska. He had a love of movies, a keen interest in investing, adding to his coin collection, and gardening. He was particularly adept at container plantings putting together the most stunning combinations. Frank was a friend to many and greatly enjoyed interacting with neighbors children, where his inner-child was on display. Described by a neighbor as having a larger than life personality, remembering details about others, making them feel special and important. He often helped others during their times of distress. Services have been held. Memorial donations may be made to PAWS Chicago. A memorial service is planned for later in the year when we are able to once again gather together. For information www.lakeviewfuneralhome.com 773.472.6300.

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Haggerty, Judith

Judith Haggerty, age 75, Entered Eternal Life on March 29, 2020; Beloved sister of Thomas (Karen) Haggerty, Maureen (Jim) Casey, John (the late Donna) Haggerty, Frank (Marilyn) Haggerty, and the late Trish Carrington; Cherished aunt of many nieces and nephews; Fondly remembered by her aunt Kay and many cousins; All services private, however Judith's Family will plan a memorial service to be held at a future date; Arrangements entrusted to **Curley Funeral Home**; For info: 708-422-2700 or www.curleyfuneralhome.com

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Hammond, Richard E.

Richard E. Hammond, U.S. Army Veteran; beloved husband of the late Dolores (nee Peyton). Loving father of Joan (Phil) Meegan. Devoted grandfather of Courtney (Ryan) Feil, Ryan and Conor Meegan. Great-grandfather of Delaney and Declyn. Also many nieces and nephews. Loyal patron of The Double Yoke Restaurant. Funeral services were held privately for family members in accordance with all current state and federal recommendations. A memorial service will be held at a later date. In honor of Richard's memory donations to Providence Catholic High School (<https://www.providencethecatholic.org/support-pchs/donate/>) are appreciated. **RICHARD J. MODELL FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES**, rjmodellfh.com or 708-301-3595

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Hantkiewicz, Marceline Joan

Marceline Joan Hantkiewicz, nee Hopp, age 95; Loving wife of the late James Z.; Beloved daughter of the late Edgar and Gertrude, nee Gutzeit; Beloved mother of Mary C. Hantkiewicz and the late James C.; Dearest sister of the late Edgar C. Hopp; Marcy was one of the first female drafting engineers and went on to become a master engineer & was a proud member of the Western Society of Engineers; Due to the current health situation, all services will be private. Info. 773-286-2500 or www.belmontfuneralhome.com

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Hartigan, James J.

James J. Hartigan, 95, of Barrington, Illinois, passed away peacefully of natural causes on March 28, 2020. A beloved husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and brother, Jim was an icon in the aviation industry, the former Chairman, President and Chief Executive Officer of United Airlines. Born in Brooklyn, New York, as the oldest boy of 10 children, Jim took on responsibility for his family at just 12 years old, when his father passed away unexpectedly. While still attending school, Jim worked assorted jobs and became a champion bicycle racer with the Empire City Wheelmen, appearing in news articles as "the youngest Jimmy Hartigan," and earning prizes at the velodrome in Coney Island and in road races throughout the Northeast to help feed and support his family. A proud Brooklynite, whose accent never faded no matter where he lived, Jim later loved regaling family with stories of his New York childhood, including clam-digging in Sheepshead Bay, visits to "Tar Beach" (the roof) and escaping the dog days of summer at his relatives' home, "Nagitrah," on Long Island (Hartigan, spelled backward). With an irrepressible Irish gift for storytelling, he'd bring the city's history to life for his children and grandchildren with tales of Tammany Hall, New York's wise guys and Brooklyn's important role in the Revolutionary War. Jim started with United in 1942 as a junior passenger agent, back when the airline, operating just four flights a day out of the city, would greet passengers in Midtown Manhattan and ferry them out to the airfield. The following year, he enlisted with the U.S. Navy as an aviation cadet, serving as one of the youngest flight instructors ever in Pensacola, Florida. Once discharged, he returned to New York and his job at United. In October, 1946, he married his sweetheart, Ann O'Neill, flying the couple himself to their honeymoon in Colonial Williamsburg. Together, they moved with their growing family throughout the country as Jim took on increasing responsibility with the airline, including working in sales, operations and management roles in Philadelphia, New York, Pittsburgh, San Francisco and Chicago. Over the course of his 46-year career with United, Jim's highest priorities were passenger safety and customer service. He oversaw the development of United's first computerized reservation system, as well as expansion of United's routes to Asia and the acquisition of Pan-Am's Pacific routes. After he retired, Jim hardly slowed down, splitting time between Chicago and West Palm Beach. An avid golfer into his 90s, he was part of the earliest tee-time group, known as "Dawn Patrol" and the "Dew Dusters" at Rolling Green Country Club in Arlington Heights, Illinois, and Palm Beach Polo Club in Wellington, Florida. He and Ann loved to travel, especially to visit their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren in California, and to see extended family in Ireland. He loved keeping up with the latest technology, devouring good books, debating politics and eating the cherrystone clams that reminded him of his childhood in Brooklyn. Jim was active civically and in the community, including serving as Chairman of the Board of the Air Transport Association and on the boards of First Chicago Bank, Roper Corporation and Holy Family Hospital, among others. He especially loved his time with the Conquistadores del Cielo, where he was a perennial skeet and trap champion. Jim is survived by his loving wife of 73 years, Ann, and his children John Hartigan (Laurie) and Patricia Meenan (James), his daughter-in-law Maureen Hartigan, as well as 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren, and his brother John. He was preceded in death by his son James J. Hartigan, Jr. A celebration of his life will be held later in the year.

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Haynie, Charlotte Ruth

Due to current restrictions on large gatherings related to the Covid-19 virus, the planned April 18th, 2020 Celebration of Life service has been cancelled and will be rescheduled at a later date. For an updated date and time you may contact Roy Haynie at crhaynie6@gmail.com.

Helms, F. James 'Jim'

F. James (Jim) Helms died in his home in Downers Grove, IL, in March of this year. Jim was born in Terre Haute, Indiana, and was raised in Indiana. He graduated from Purdue University in 1970 and from the University of Indiana Law School in 1973 where he was a member of the law review and of the Order of the Coif Honorary Society. Jim was an avid golfer and was a member of the Purdue University Varsity Golf team from 1967 through 1970. He practiced real estate law for 43 years at the Chicago Law Firm of Tenney & Bentley. Jim enjoyed relaxing daily with a Jewel cigar, and he was especially fond of the meat-loaf sandwiches at Kramers Market in Hinsdale. His parents, Frederic James Helms and Rita Ann Helms, predeceased him. He is survived by his sister, Judith McFadden. Burial will be private. Thoughts of friends are appreciated; however, no visitation will be scheduled to protect family and friends during this time of social distancing. Gifts in memory of Jim to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Fund, 200 Vesey Street, 28th Floor, New York, NY 10281 would honor him. For information www.toonfuneralhome.com OR 630-968-0408
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Herlocker, John Frederick 'J. Fred'

John Frederick ("J. Fred") Herlocker, 90. He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Mary Ryan Herlocker (Oct 13 2018). Loving father to John F. "Jack" (Debra) Herlocker, Jr. and Julie (Pietro Cecchini) Herlocker; cherished grandfather to Hailey Ryan and Jackson James Burkhardt, and Ezio and Luca Cecchini.

A Memorial Service will be at Memorial Park Cemetery in Skokie, and will be re-scheduled once health concerns are contained. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the USO, www.uso.org Info: **Wenban Funeral Home** (847) 234-0222 or www.wenbanfh.com



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Homan, John F.

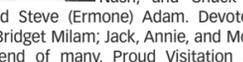
John (Jack) F. Homan, age 96, died peacefully April 4th, 2020. Jack was the devoted husband of the late Dolores (Laurie) Homan for over 70 wonderful years, loving father of Connie Weaver, Jenifer (Jeff) Shipley, Chris (Pat) Strawn, and John (Mary Jo) Homan, and adored grandfather of Laurie (Eric) Hill, Sarah (Ben) Hodgetts, Sam (Allison) Shipley, Samantha (Daryl) Buck, Amanda (Bruno) Klein and Jack Homan. He is an honored WWII veteran, where he served as a Lieutenant in the Navy. He proudly attended Notre Dame University, and later graduated from Northwestern University and began a storied career as a lead engineer for Baxter International. Visitation and funeral mass details TBD. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Honor Flight Chicago honorflightchicago.org or 9701 W Higgins Road, Suite 310 Rosemont, IL 60018. For info or directions please contact **Kelley & Spalding Funeral Home** at 847-831-4260 or www.kelleyspaldingfuneralhome.com

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Hudson, Mary

Mary Hudson (nee Stipic), age 89, of Westchester. Fondly known to all as Aunt Mary. Beloved wife of the late Jack Hudson. Predeceased by her parents Anton and Zorka Stipic; siblings Johnny and Annie; and brother-in-law Jerry Ryan. Dear sister of Carol Ryan. Loving aunt of Julie Ryan, Erin (Brian) Nash; and Chuck (Cookie), Tony, and Steve (Ermone) Adam. Devoted great-aunt of Bridget Milam; Jack, Annie, and Molly Nash. Fond friend of many. Proud Visitation graduate. Glamorous world-traveler. Great story-teller of the old days. Generous to a fault. Meeting planner for American Hospital Association. Internment private. A Memorial Mass at St. John of the Cross will be held at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, Countryside at 708-352-6500 or HJfunerals.com



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Johnson, Arthur L.

Arthur L. Johnson, 83, of Park Ridge, IL passed away April 5, 2020. After months of failing health he is now reunited with his parents Arthur and Charlotte and his brother Wayne. He is survived by his wife, Nancy (nee Haaning); his children Kenneth, Daniel (Heather), Susan (Tony) D'Acquisto; his grandchildren Jennifer, Jessica, Andrew, Hayley, Joseph and Daniella. Retired from GD Searle and was a proud Advocate volunteer for many years. In the summer you could always find the mayor under the gazebo at Powers Lake Knolls Beach. Private services to be held at a later date. Donations to St. Lukes Lutheran Church, 205 N. Prospect, Park Ridge, IL 60068 would be appreciated.



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Kiesling, Jeanine

Jeanine "Jean" Kiesling (nee Nelson), died on Wednesday, April 1, 2020 in Prescott Valley, AZ due to complications of congestive heart failure. She was 78. Jean was born on April 8, 1941 in Mankato, Minnesota to her parents, Peter and Rosetta Nelson. She graduated from Lake Crystal High School in 1959 and became an LPN (licensed practical nurse). She married Harold "Hal" Kiesling on August 25, 1962. The Kieslings lived in Schaumburg, IL until 2003 when they retired to Prescott Valley, AZ. All who knew Jean will say she had the biggest heart and was always willing to lend a helping hand. Jean was an avid reader, active in her faith and loved spending time with her husband, children and grandchildren. Jean also enjoyed providing lunch service to the elementary children of Dr. Thomas Dooley School (Schaumburg, IL) for 15 years. Jean is survived by her husband Hal, her daughter Cynthia (Prescott Valley, AZ), her daughter and son-in-law, Christine and Scott Wade (Wilmington, NC), her son and daughter-in-law Matthew and Jennifer Kiesling (Litchfield Park, AZ), her 5 grandchildren, Nicholas Wade, Alexander Wade, Audrey Kiesling, Andrew Kiesling and Ethan Kiesling as well as many extended family members, dear neighbors and good friends. Jean is preceded in death by her parents Peter and Rosetta Nelson and her siblings, Donald Nelson, Audrey Nelson and Marvin Nelson. A celebration of Jean's life will be held at a future date. The family will notify friends and relatives when this is determined. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the American Heart Association at www.heart.org. Arrangements Entrusted to Ruffner-Wakelin Funeral Homes and Crematory. Please visit www.ruffnerwakelin.com to sign the online guestbook and share a memory with the family.

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Klean, Helen
Helen Klean, age 87; retiree of Ryerson Steel; beloved wife of the late Edward; loving mother of Edward (Julie), Susan (Rich) Doman, Steven (Phyllis) and Jan (John) Walsh; grandmother of 8 and great grandma of 9; cherished sister of Evelyn (Daniel) Blaha. Private family services. Internment Resurrection Cemetery. Donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital appreciated. For more info (630) 852-3595 or www.modelldarien.com

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Krochman, Dolores C.

Dolores C. Krochman (nee Saloman) of Willowbrook, formerly of North Riverside, passed away peacefully on April 7, 2020, at the age of 92. Beloved wife of the late Gene for 65 years; loving mother of Sandy (Doug) Youngren and Janice (Peter) Jilbert; proud grandmother of Christine (Jake) Chiodo, Adrienne (Nick) Caccamo and Jonathan (Laura) Youngren; great-grandmother of Addison and Dominic Chiodo and William and Charlotte Caccamo; dear sister of the late Arthur Saloman; devoted aunt, cousin and friend to many. Her love of God and decades of devotion to her Mater Christi Church have been an inspiration to many. Services were held Thursday, April 9, 2020 at St. Adalbert Cemetery. A memorial mass and celebration of life will be held at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home. Info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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Knapp, Jules F.

Jules F. Knapp, 91, of Stuart, Florida, formerly of Chicago, Illinois died surrounded by his family on April 8, 2020. Jules was a successful entrepreneur and nationally renowned philanthropist. He began his business education by delivering newspapers at the age of 10 and continued with other jobs including selling shoes. After an early career selling paintbrushes, he embarked on his first entrepreneurial venture by co-founding United Coatings Inc, a paint company, with his brother Fred. They grew it steadily, becoming the largest private label paint manufacturer in the United States, winning several Vendor Of The Year awards from Walmart, Handy Andy and numerous other customers. United Coatings eventually merged with Pratt and Lambert and was purchased by Sherwin Williams in 1996. Jules later purchased Grisham Manufacturing, a maker of steel security doors, and ran the company until he sold it in 2014. He continued working as an entrepreneur, board member, philanthropist, and as a mentor to start ups until the day he passed. "Each of these jobs taught me something valuable," he said, "the importance of teamwork, good communication, honesty, hard work, and luck. The harder you work, the luckier you get. From your experiences, if you are honest with yourself, you can discover an ethical way to run a successful business." Jules met and married the love of his life Gwen in 1956. Together they had 4 daughters. Chari z", Elyse Sollerend (Jeffrey z") (Mark Lohkemper), Joy z", and Susan Schulman (Bradley). Jules and Gwen have been lifelong philanthropists by donating their time and resources to a multitude of organizations throughout the country including The University of Chicago, where they founded the Gwen Knapp Center for Lupus and Immunology research, The Jules Knapp Medical Research Center, and The Gwen and Jules Knapp Center for Biomedical Discovery. In 1996 Jules and Gwen were named the first Honorary Fellows of the Biological Sciences Division in recognition of the important work they had made to the future of medical research. In 2007, the University awarded them The University of Chicago Medal, recognizing their distinguished service of the highest order to the University. In addition to the University of Chicago, they have also been strong supporters of numerous Jewish organizations. These include the Chicago Jewish Federation, JCS Chicago, Jewish Federation of San Diego County, The Hebrew University, and many synagogues throughout the country. In 2004, He founded The Jules F. Knapp Entrepreneurship Center, which offers a wide variety of supportive services for start-ups and existing small businesses located in and around Illinois Institute of Technology. In 2016, he was awarded the prestigious Galvin award. This award is given to an individual whose service, leadership and philanthropy have significantly advanced the University. In 2006, Jules and Gwen established a scholarship for Enactus, formerly known as SIFE, or Students in Free Enterprise. To date, they have provided over 50 scholarships to college juniors and seniors helping them achieve their entrepreneurial aspirations. Similar scholarships have been awarded at Northwestern University. In 2018, Jules and Gwen committed to help Cleveland Clinic Martin North Hospital renovate its emergency department. When completed, the new emergency center will be doubled in size and contain the latest technology, enabling the hospital to serve more of the Treasure Coast community by enhancing the quality of care and overall patient experience. Jules had a lifelong passion for golf and was a member of Northmoor Country Club in Illinois, as well as Sailfish Point in Florida where he was known as the "energizer bunny" thanks to his limitless energy. Only a week before his passing, he was still playing eighteen holes. Jules F. Knapp will be remembered for his endearing smile, zest for life, positive attitude, infinite amount of energy (He is famous amongst his family for wearing his grandchildren out after a day of activities), generosity of spirit and living every day with the utmost passion. If that meant a round of golf, socializing with friends, working tirelessly on a business deal, collaborating with a charitable organization, or spending time with his family, he enjoyed it to the fullest. His family was the most important part of his life and he demonstrated that every day. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, daughters and grandchildren Shane, Griffin (Kylie Ford), Jonah and DJ. Internment will be private on Sunday, April 12 in Chicago. A celebration of his life will be planned for a future date. In lieu of flowers please make a donation to: University of Chicago, Gwen Knapp Center for Lupus and Immunology Research, 130 E. Randolph #2500, Chicago, 60601 or Cleveland Clinic Martin Health Foundation, PO Box 9010, Stuart, Florida, 34995

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Koehler, Carolyn G.

Carolyn G. Koehler, age 84, of Indian Head Park, formerly of Western Springs. Beloved sister of Robert Koehler, William (Edie) Koehler, Ron (Maureen) Koehler, and Patricia (Tom) Howard. Wonderful and caring "Auntie" and "Great-auntie." She truly loved and enjoyed her nieces, nephews, great-nieces, and great-nephews. Cherished friend of many. Carolyn was preceded in death by her siblings Charles (Donna) Koehler, Richard (Marlene) Koehler, and Laverne (the late Gerald) Harpling & her parents Herbert and Otilie Koehler. Carolyn was an avid bridge player and an outstanding hostess. She was a Lifetime Gold Master in Bridge. Her kindness, generosity, and sense of humor will be missed by all who knew her. Internment private. A Memorial Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society. Arrangements are entrusted to **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, Countryside at 708-352-6500 or HJfunerals.com.



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Krochman, Dolores C.

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Loeb, Morris

Morris Loeb, 90. Beloved husband of Florence nee Anderson. Loving father of Teri Loeb Sosa, Barbara (Daniel Goetschel) Loeb, Sandra (Christopher Delis) Loeb and the late Michael Loeb. Cherished grandfather of Joseph Jay Sosa, Erica (Ludo van den Boom) Sosa, Rachael (Omer) Mahmood, Amy (Patrick) Carney and Sarah Batchu. Great-grandfather of Mikyal Mahmood, Ariya Mahmood and Aidan Carney. Known to many as "Morry," he spent his younger years acting on several Chicagoland stages, including the one at Second City. In later years, he focused his career on sales and eventually become an executive vice president at United Insurance Company. After retirement from United, he continued work as an online insurance broker at AccuQuote until age 85. He also joined a writing club where he shared his short stories and plays and made great friends. A private graveside service will be held on Monday, 12 noon at Montrose Cemetery in Chicago. A live stream of this funeral service will be available to view at www.chicagojewishfunerals.com. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to Doctors Without Borders, <https://www.doctorswithoutborders.org>, would be most appreciated. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, www.cjfnfo.com 847.229.8822

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Lohan, Bernard

Bernard "Barney" Lohan, 78, survived by Jeannette (Loftis) his beloved wife of 60 years; sister Mary Lou Jelke; children Jim and Leslie Lohan, Bill and Kim Lohan, and Dave and Diane (Lohan) Rosso; grandchildren Natalie, Amanda, Sarah, Ally, Hannah, Scott and Michael; uncle to many; preceded in death by his parents Bernard G. and Mary (Rombaut) Lohan. Barney lived a wonderful life and was adored by many. He was a coach, a mentor, a prankster, a sportsman, a volunteer, a storyteller, a drinking buddy, a teammate, a secret-keeper, and a lifelong friend to many. He joined the Chicago Police Department in 1967 and worked undercover as a young cadet during the Democratic Convention riots in 1968. Barney worked as a burglary detective receiving numerous commendations from citizens that he helped. He retired from the department after 32 years of service. Barney passed away in peace at home surrounded by his family. In lieu of flowers, a donation to the University of Wisconsin Hospital Carbone Cancer Center is appreciated. Services will be private and a celebration of life will be scheduled when life returns to normal. Cress Funeral Service is assisting the family. Please share your memories of Barney at: www.CressFuneralService.com.

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Love, Mary L.

Mary L. Love nee Miller age 71; passed away April 6, 2020; beloved wife of George; loving mother of Raasaan Love and grandmothers of Kamryn. Visitation Monday April 13, 2020; 5 pm to 7 pm at **Kosary Funeral Home** 9837 S. Kedzie, Evergreen Park. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, social distancing will be observed with a limit of ten people during the visitation. Internment Tuesday April 14th at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery (708) 499-3223 or www.kosaryfuneralhome.com

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Marcyn, Philip A.

Philip A. Marcyn, formerly of Schaumburg, age 69. U.S. Navy Veteran. Cherished son of the late Helen A. (nee Sczeczowski) and the late Chester A. Marcyn; loving brother of Edward (Cheryl), Mary Sue, Barbara and Carolyn (Randy) Drolen; beloved step-father of Lindsay (Eric) Baumbich; proud step-grandfather of many; fond uncle of Michael, Joseph, Jaclyn, Jack and Jenna. Phil was retired from the IL Department of Transportation after 25 plus years of service. Internment at Queen of Heaven Cemetery was private. **Due to the COVID-19 crisis a Memorial will be held at a later date.** Memorial donations to Alzheimer's Association (www.alz.org) appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home. For info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

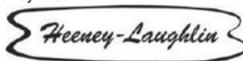
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McAlpine, Eileen C.

Eileen (Collins) McAlpine passed away on April 6, 2020 at Smith Village from dementia after a short illness. She was an optimist, a joy and a shining light to everyone who met her. She was exceedingly intelligent, articulate, and a great listener. Her advice was spot on even if you didn't want to hear it. She loved her children, grandchildren, and extended family unconditionally and had a wide circle of friends. She loved to read and always had a variety of books and newspapers on her coffee table. She was proud of her Irish heritage and overcame her fear of flying to travel with her beloved husband Conrad. She traveled through life's ups and downs with her Catholic faith and her two sisters, whom she adored and shared countless screaming laughs. She worked as a secretary at Quigley High School where students often confided in her, and at St. Xavier University in the Admissions Office. She was a volunteer at Little Company of Mary Hospital which was greatly appreciated. Her love of Queen of Martyrs Catholic Church, where she and Conrad were founding members, ran deep. As members of the Christian Family Movement, Conrad and Eileen answered Dr. Martin Luther King's call in 1965 and 1966 to bond with black churches on the southside of Chicago, which they continued through the 1970s. She gave her time selflessly in her retirement by being a reader and volunteering for Queen of Martyrs committees for more than a decade. She is predeceased by Conrad, loving spouse of 55 years, and her parents, William and Helen Collins. She is survived by her sisters, Carol (Mike) Hughes and Marion (Tom) Wingo, 7 children-Cory, Scott, MaryClare Patterson (John), Maureen Stillman (Bruce Jones), Bill (Norma Borcherding), Laura (Jeanne Kracher) and Matthew (Kathy) McAlpine, and 8 grandchildren-Paul (Monika), David, Kevin, Amalia, Mary Kate, Joe, Maggie, and Julia. She will be sorely missed. Due to Covid-19, a memorial service will be celebrated at Queen of Martyrs Church later in the summer at a date to be announced. In lieu of flowers, donations to Emillie's Fund, c/o Smith Village, 2320 W. 113th Place, Chicago, IL 60643 or online at www.smithvillage.org, which Eileen supported during her time as a resident, are most appreciated. Info: **Heaney-Laughlin Funeral Directors** 708-636-5500 or www.heaneyfh.com



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McCoy, II, John Smith

John Smith McCoy II, born 10.8.1928, formerly of Winnetka, IL, passed away in West Palm Beach, FL on April 6, 2020 after a long battle with cancer. He was the eldest son of Nancy (Martin) Jennison, Winnetka, IL and Samuel John McCoy, San Antonio, TX. He was predeceased by his beloved wife of 46 years, Laura Virginia (Gingy) Allen McCoy, in 2001. He is survived by his three children and their spouses, Julia (Allen) McCoy Bertram and Lawrence R. Bertram of Merrimac, MA, John Smith McCoy III and Anne (Kelly) McCoy of Annapolis, MD, and Nina (Alexander) McCoy Royce and Wesley W. Royce of Grafton, NH, his two beloved granddaughters, Kelly Alexander McCoy and Julia Rose McCoy, his sister, Nancy (McCoy) Hotchkiss of Hinsdale, IL, and stepbrother Mansfield (Duke) Schmidt Templeton of Stuart, FL. In addition, he is survived by his longtime, much loved companion, Edith Baird Eglin of Palm Beach, FL. Due to the COVID 19 restrictions, burial will be private. Donations in memory of his life may be made to the Audubon Society audubon.org or Trout Unlimited trout.org.

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Merczak, Richard G.

Richard G. Merczak. Passed away Monday, April 6, at The Sheridan of Park Ridge from heart failure. Beloved husband of the late Eugenia. Loving father of Elizabeth (Robert) Winkowski Jr, Susan 'Lily' and Linda Merczak. Devoted grandfather of Vanessa (Marcus) Hale, Adaline Winkowski, Fiona and Adian O'Reilly and Gavin Dinofio, great-grandfather of Bella Crews, Willa O'Reilly and Toniella Rose Verrill. Services and Interment at St. Adalbert Cemetery were private. Funeral Arrangements by **Ryan-Parke Funeral Home**, www.ryan-parke.com

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Mierzwinski, MaryAnn

MaryAnn Mierzwinski, nee Scavo, age 83, of Palatine, IL. Beloved wife of the late Richard A. Mierzwinski. Loving mother of Dianna (Maurice) Gordon, Michelle (Walter) Anfeldt, and Valerie Short. Proud grandmother of Andrea (Steve) Martorana, Michael (Victoria), Katherine, Daniel, Thomas (Mary), Mary, and Kevin Gordon; Samantha and Isabella Short. Fond great grandmother of Jack, Caroline and Iris. Dear loving aunt of many nieces and nephews.

Interment Private at Saint Michael the Archangel Cemetery, Palatine, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Misericordia, 6300 North Ridge Avenue, Chicago, IL 60660 or Respiratory Health Association, Attn: Development, 1440 W Washington Blvd, Chicago, IL 60607. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.



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Mommson, Leroy 'Lee'

Leroy (Lee) Mommson, age 104, passed away peacefully March 28, 2020 in Carlsbad, CA. Born Aug. 22, 1915 in Chicago, he had also previously resided in Mt. Prospect and Barrington. Lee was preceded in death by his parents, Paul and Clara (Buehler), sister Lillian Sophie, his dear wife of 68 yrs. Josephine (Rendler), and daughter Carole Meyer. He is survived by his daughter Susan Sebastian of Carlsbad, CA, 4 grandchildren and 7 great grandchildren. He was a life extremely well-lived, and he will be sorely missed by all who knew him.

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Morrison, Lee

Lee Morrison, age 89, beloved wife of the late Mort Morrison, best friend and partner for 48 years; loving mother of Marlene (Jeffrey) Zider, Bonnie (Rich) Bodenheimer and Randi (Yossi) Benlulu; cherished grandmother of Marc (Jen) Zider, Shira (PJ) Bonato, Zach (fiancée Laura Biernacki) Zider, Sami (Jeremy) Joseph, Dani and Spouse, Ben Benlulu and Tori Benlulu; dotting great-grandmother of 11 great-grandchildren; dear brother of Stanley (Tooty) Ulanoff and the late Ed (Barbara) Ulanoff. Due to the pandemic and out of concern for our extended family and friends, services and shiva will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Chai Lifeline, www.chailifeline.org/region/midwest or a charity of your choice. For information and condolences: **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 847-255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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Murray, Virginia

Virginia Murray nee Hanson, 73, of Grayslake, IL died peacefully on April 6, 2020. Beloved wife of the late Robert Nicholas Murray. Loving mother of Kevin (Jennifer), Keith (Laura) and Kris Murray. Proud Farmor (grandmother) of Nicholas, Noah, Ella, and Ethan. Cherished daughter of the late Ernest and Elin (nee Johnson) Hanson. Loved by many cousins, nieces and nephews, and friends. Ginny was a life-long crafter and homemaker. She loved to knit, sew and cross stitch anything and she was always making things for others. She loved travelling with her family and friends, throughout North America and Europe. She then used her love of crafting to make beautiful scrapbooks to share her experiences with everyone. Raising 3 boys she acquired a love of sports. But even before they were born, she was a die-hard Cubs fan. She dedicated 25 years serving as a church administrator at Edgebrook Lutheran Church in Chicago, IL and Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church in Grayslake, IL. Ginny was a two time cancer survivor. A Memorial Service will be held at Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran Church at a later date. Memorials may be made to the American Cancer Society or the Pulmonary Fibrosis Foundation. All funeral arrangements were entrusted to Strang Funeral Chapel & Crematorium. For more information log onto www.strangfuneral.org or call (847)223-8122.

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Nicola, Dorothy E.

Dorothy E. Nicola, nee Stanola, age 77; beloved mother of Victor (Debra) and Anthony (Margarita) Nicola. Loving daughter of the late Joseph and Florence Stanola. Dear sister of Joseph and Thomas Stanola, the late Patricia Willis, Barbara Wenger and Judith Murrell. Fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Services and interment are private. The family asks that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the Animal Welfare Institute (www.awionline.org) or the Disabled American Veterans (DAV) Charitable Service Trust (www.cst.dav.org) in Dorothy's memory. For more info **RICHARD J MODELL FUNERAL HOME**, 708-301-3595 or rjmodellfh.com.

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O'Neill, David J.

David J. O'Neill who was 88 years old, died April 5, 2020 in Eugene, Oregon.

A few months before graduation from Harvard in 1953, David wrote to his parents, "You must understand, the kinds of work that I like don't pay beans. This is the way it is going to be... I do want my work to be honest, truthful, with some purpose.... The money doesn't mean anything. I would sooner come to my death than be an advertiser. In short, I don't like business because it involves selling something for more than it is worth. Excluding being a teacher, I don't like the idea of working for the government because I think they are, in essence, all bureaucrats, and I don't like the bureaucrats either. So, if you exclude business, and the government, the only other group I can work for is labor, or I can be a laborer myself. That is, teacher, social worker, farmer, civil rights lawyer, newspaper editor or reporter, steel worker working as a would-be labor relations man, doctor, historian.... But in the meantime, since I am not a pacifist, I will be in the army, and I shall apply for the infantry..."

With service in the army complete, David took his saved military money and cycled through Europe. In France, he met two young English women on a tandem bike. One of them, Janis Huke became his first wife. In London, David began teaching. When the couple returned to the States, David took a position in Pennsylvania and later moved to Chicago to teach History and English at Francis W. Parker School. With three daughters, Rachel, Kate and Sarah the family settled into life in the city. After a decade at Francis Parker School, David gave notice and worked as an editor for several publishers. He finished a Master's Degree and began teaching high school in the Chicago Public Schools. The marriage of twenty-three years soured. The couple divorced. David met Janet Hiller at a summer seminar given by the National Endowment for the Humanities. An English teacher herself, the couple soon married and made a home together. Cycling to work, David wore Birkenstock sandals in the Chicago winter. He drank coffee black, wore a cotton fishing hat, and planted tomatoes near the back alley. A few years later, yearning for a change, the couple pulled up roots, packed Janet's Corolla and headed west to Eugene, Oregon. The small college town had good libraries, an amenable climate, was walkable and bike friendly. David took Tai Chi at the YMCA, volunteered at the library, tutored children and began watercolor classes at Campbell Senior Center. He inscribed the books he sent his grandchildren at Christmas, wrote letters and protested government actions, carrying a sign when he felt indignant, wearing that cotton fishing hat, always in sandals. David was preceded in death by his older brothers, Mark and James. He leaves behind daughters, Rachel, Kate and Sarah and their spouses, grandchildren, former wife Janis, sister Frances, many nieces and nephews, and his soul partner of twenty-seven years, Janet Hiller.

Contributions may be made in his name to the Eugene Public Library Foundation or to the American Parkinson Disease Association.

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Pankros, Matilda (Tillie) Julia

Matilda J. Pankros of Glen Ellyn died peacefully on Wednesday April 8, 2020. She was an active 106 year old. Matilda was born in Chicago in 1914. Beloved wife of the late Chester S. Pankros of 49 years. She was active in her church's senior group and a friend to all at her senior residence. Loving mother of Donald (Sheila), Paul (Carol), and Dennis (Joyce). Grandmother of six, and Great Grandmother of 12. A sister, aunt & cousin of many. There will be a Celebration of Life in the future at St. James the Apostle Catholic Church in Glen Ellyn, IL. Please share a memory or condolence at the Guest Book below. Any act of kindness or donation to St. James the Apostle Church will be greatly appreciated.

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Pawlarczyk, Joseph E.

Joseph E. Pawlarczyk, age 92, Army Veteran WW II, Japanese occupational forces, beloved husband of Helen; loving father of Douglas (Cynthia) and Linda Pawlarczyk; cherished grandfather of Alexis (Edgar) Arceo and Jessica (Chase) Beckmann; dear great grandfather of Brianna and Daniella Arceo; preceded in death by 2 brothers and 6 sisters; dearest uncle, great uncle and great great uncle of many nieces and nephews. A memorial Mass to be held at a later date. Please omit flowers. 847-966-7302 or www.skajafuneralhomes.com

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Pearson, Terry 'Whitey'

Terry (Whitey) Pearson was born on May 14, 1929 in Mundelein, IL. Died on April 2, 2020 in Chicago. He is survived by his four children, Terry A. Pearson, Mary C. (James) Dunlavy, Kevin L. Pearson and Karen F. Pearson. Granddaughter-in-law, Mavreen Dunlavy; and three great-grandchildren, Kyla, James and Braden Dunlavy. Preceded in death by parents, Bertil and Olga Pearson; brother, Carl Pearson; and grandson, Christopher J. Dunlavy.

Whitey played basketball at Senn High School in Chicago and went on to play Division 1 basketball for The University of Kentucky. After leaving Kentucky, he married Hilde Catino and began working for Catino Builders in Arlington Heights where he was a salesman and builder. He then went to work at WCFL Radio in "on air" sales. After this, he got his dream job at WGN TV as an account executive where he worked from 1969-2002, 33 years. He was an avid Chicago sports fan and especially liked the Cubs and Bulls, and attended many Bears games with a life-long friend. He kept in shape by swimming daily at the Chicago Athletic Club and being a member at Bob-O-Link Golf Course. His leisure time was spent at Gene & Georgetti's where he was a founding member of the Mahogany Club. He had so many of his own words for things, and if you knew him this will bring you a chuckle. His car was his sled, eating a meal was groceries and an iron horse was a train. He will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Interment is private, with a memorial at a later date. In lieu of flowers, please donate to Kyle Schwarber's charity, Schwarber's Heroes at schwarbersheroes.org.

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Petrakis, Thomas John

Thomas John Petrakis, of Glenview, passed away on April 9, 2020. Beloved husband of Nana, nee Arvanitis. Adored father of Peter (Larissa) and the late John Petrakis. Dear Papou of Sam, Peter, Harry, and Maria Petrakis. Loving brother-in-law of Danny (Tula) Arvanitis, George (Maria) Arvanitis, and the late Mary (the late Peter) Christakos. Dedicated

uncle of many nieces and nephews. Thomas was a renowned advertising executive, devoted husband, father, and grandfather and he will truly be missed. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church, 1401 Wagner Rd, Glenview, IL 60025 or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 262 Danny Thomas Place, Memphis, TN 38105. Funeral services will be held privately. Interment Memorial Park Cemetery. Funeral Information 847-901-4012

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Pettengell, Rosemary Joy

9/27/1927- 4/9/2020

loving wife of the late Gerald, mother of Ellen Pettengell (Mark Stanley), the late David Pettengell (Barb), Marilyn Bowker (Steve), proud grandmother of Ryan (Meagan), Kyle (Brittany), Jennifer (Matt), and Christie (Brad), as well as, many great grandchildren and nieces and nephews. Joy, as she was known to her family, and many friends, was actively involved in sports as both a fan and a participant throughout her life. She loved bowling and golf and was a devoted fan of the Chicago Bears and White Sox. Joy and her husband Jerry were inducted into the Illinois State High School Basketball Association Hall of Fame as a Fan of the Game. She was an active parishioner of St. Lawrence O'Toole Catholic Church. Interment is private. There will be a celebration of Joy's life at a later date. Arrangement entrusted to **Lain-Sullivan Funeral Home** 50 Westwood Drive, Park Forest, IL 60466. To express your condolences or to see future updated information please visit www.lain-sullivan.com or call 708-747-3700

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Pinkerton, Jocelyn Diane

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Jocelyn Diane Pinkerton. Born January 6, 1956, to Warren and Mary Lehman in Chicago, IL. Died April 2, 2020, at the home of her sister, Naomi, in Chicago.

Having courageously faced a grim cancer diagnosis, Jocelyn concluded her earthly journey at the ripe age of 64. Her passing came in a manner not unlike the way she preferred to live: surrounded by family, food, and laughter. She is mourned by family, friends, colleagues, students and countless others who have been nourished by her love, her wit and her perfectly baked wisdom, leavened through many hard-learned lessons in life. Further, her spectacular stories and irreverent humor will live on in those she is survived by.

Our Jocelyn poured herself into life with an energy and imagination that was hard to keep up with and even more difficult to catalog. Her life was a series of adventures set against the backdrop of running a household and raising five children. She was a force of nature, bravely reinventing her roles in each act of her story as a successful entrepreneur, live storytelling performer, and counselor. In her 40's, she went to college and graduated from Northeastern Illinois University and earned a degree in Secondary Education. She taught English for Chicago Public Schools and loved her time as a faculty advisor for the student newspaper, her primary goal was to publish a worthy product without getting fired. She often referred to her teaching methods as unorthodox as she fought for her students within a system she found chaotic and ineffective. Jocelyn finished the last several years of her journey teaching at Simeon High School in Chicago, but along the way she did and was so much more. She was a world traveler having spent time in Egypt, Bali, Europe, Beijing, and spent a year living and teaching in central Mexico. She wife, mothered, grandmothered, sistered, familed, counseled, taught, entertained, baked and loved fiercely with a unique joie de vivre and humor in a way that deeply lessens the color of the world around her in the wake of her absence. Jocelyn was preceded in death by her father Warren Winfred Lehman, her mother Mary Ann Lehman, her brother Jared Lehman, her beloved husband, Thomas Pinkerton, and daughter Lillian (Mihai) Partac. She is survived by her children, Zachary (Dorcas) Lehman, Claire (Rodrigo) De La Rosa, Gilchrist Pinkerton, Isabel (Dexter) Torres, her siblings; Rachel (Joseph) Groessel, Charles (Roseanne) Lehman, Benjamin Lehman, Naomi (Michael) Czynscon, Sebastian (Carrie) Lehman, and Asaph (Mariah) Lehman and her adoring grandchildren; Arlo, Oliver, Elisaria, Amelia, and her step-mother Patricia Lehman.

Her family will hold a memorial service at a time and location to be determined when we are able to gather closer than six feet away from each other. *Sign Guestbook at chicagotribune.com/obituaries*

Piontkowski, Frank 'Pines'

Frank "Pines" Piontkowski, Army Vietnam War Veteran, Purple Heart Recipient, age 74, formerly of Homer Glen. Beloved husband of Carol (nee Linkowski), loving father of Kevin, Eric (Jacqueline) and Jessica (Steve) Pane. Devoted grandfather of Georgia, Olivia Piontkowski, Kayden, Evan, Jaxson and Mason Pane. Cherished son of the late Frank and Sally. Dear brother of Nancy (the late William) Ruminski and the late Donald (Jerry Ann) Piontkowski. Many nieces, nephews and cousins. Memorial services will be held at a later date. Donations to Wounded Warrior Project in Frank's memory are appreciated. For further info **RICHARD J MODELL FUNERAL HOME**, 708-301-3595.

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Pranckus, Peter G.

Peter George Pranckus, age 28, Mokena Illinois died April 6. Beloved son of Ralph and Cathy nee Rohrer Pranckus. Beloved brother of Sam (Maggie), Charlie, Anna, Mia Pranckus. Loving nephew to Nancy Pranckus, Joe and Katie Pranckus, Judy and Mark Phelan, Rita and Joe Brennan, Jim and Michelle Pranckus, Greg Pranckus, Denise and Larry Hartigan, George and Colleen Rohrer, Jerry and Kristi Rohrer. Beloved cousin to many and a friend to everyone he met.

Pete enjoyed volleyball and soccer at Lincolnway East High School and graduated from Illinois State University. Due to the global pandemic of COVID-19 and public health mandates; services will be held privately for family. A funeral mass will be held at a later date at St Mary Church in Mokena. In lieu of flowers, donations to: "A Man In Recovery Foundation" (www.amif.org). Arrangements entrusted to Vandenberg Funeral Home. Visit www.vandenbergfuneralhome.com to sign the memorial guest book.

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Przybyla, Betty Ann

Betty Ann Przybyla, 85, of Lansing, IL passed away on Friday, April 3, 2020 peacefully at home after fighting a brave battle with cancer. Beloved wife for 65 years of Robert Przybyla. Loving mother of Linda, James "Jim", and Richard "Rick" Przybyla; Caring sister of Joseph and John Boyd. Fond aunt of David (Robin) Boyd and several additional nieces, nephews and cousin Alan (Beverly) Chipps. She was preceded in death by her parents, Everett and Nell Berdine Boyd; grandparents Willard and Laura Boyd, Frank and Annette Chipps, brother, Everett "Craig" Boyd; step-mother, Wilma Boyd and fond uncle, Burton Chipps. Betty was thoroughly involved in her family's well-being and was an avid and tireless worker on behalf of the developmentally disabled community. She volunteered her time selflessly to raise awareness and money to promote inclusion and activities, supporting LARC in Lansing IL for the past 40 years. She had a smile for everyone and was a true friend to all. Betty enjoyed crafting, golf, the theater, music, dining out, and especially loved spending time with her family and friends. We are grateful for all she taught us and the time we had with her. She leaves a void in our lives that will be difficult to fill.

A Funeral Mass will be celebrated at a later date after current restrictions are lifted. In lieu of flowers, contributions to LARC, 19043 Wentworth Ave, Lansing, IL 60438, would be appreciated. www.larclansing.com www.kishfuneralhome.net

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Puchalski, Betty

Betty Puchalski, nee Harrison, born March 18, 1924, passed away on April 5, 2020. Beloved wife of the late Clarence; Fond daughter of the late Cecilia and the late Joseph Harrison; Loving mother of Cynthia Miller, Allen (Patricia) Puchalski, Lori (Alan) Chase and Vern (Deborah) Puchalski; Cherished sister of Ruth (the late Donald) Farwell, Lois (Joseph) Sandri, Claire (William) Remer, Joseph (the late Josephine) Harrison, and Nancy Karr; Devoted grandmother of Yvonne (Jason) Pidrak, Heather (Tai) Schuler, Kimberly (Bryan) O'Connor, Rebecca Miller, the late Amber (Ronald) Woodworth, Allen R. (Nikki) Puchalski and David Miller; Adored great-grandmother of Kylie, Colin, Bryan, Nolan, AJ, Dexter, Easton, Sean, Evan, Jamison and Maddox. Betty was a loyal friend to many. She was a long time parishioner of St. Christina Church in Chicago and was a long time vegetarian. Betty loved classical music and yoga, along with giving and receiving all sorts of greeting cards. Private family services at this time with a memorial service to be held at a later date. Memorials may be made to Mercy Home for Boys & Girls, 1140 W Jackson, Chicago, IL 60607. Arrangements by **Blake Lamb**, Oak Lawn.

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Raedle, Sally Sloan

Sally Sloan Raedle, of Evanston, IL, died peacefully on March 26, 2020, at the age of 89. Sally was born on June 25, 1930, and graduated from Evanston Township High School in 1948. She then attended University of Illinois and Northwestern University, and was a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, graduating in 1952. Sally married Norman W. Raedle, also of Evanston, in 1953. Sally lived her entire life in Evanston, and was, to the end, a fantastic neighbor, loyal friend, and unbeatable mother. She is survived by her seven children: Mark (Missy), Lissa (Dave Roberts), Sara (Bob Brenner), Ellen (Wil Davis), Kurt (Cindy), Jeff, and Laura (Tom Beckley) and her 19 grandchildren, and instilled a love of homemade Chex mix in all. No service is scheduled at this time. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Sally's name to the Evanston Public Library (1703 Orrington Ave, Evanston, IL 60201 OR <https://www.epl.org/connect/support/tribute-gifts/>)

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Reynolds, Mary Frances

Mary Frances Wall Reynolds passed away peacefully from natural causes in her home in Northfield, Illinois on Friday April 3, 2020. Wife of the late Harry J Reynolds. Loving mother of Mary Alice Simpson, John Michael (Margaret) Reynolds and the late Robert Minton Reynolds. Devoted grandmother of Michael David (Angela) Simpson Jr., Matthew John (Elizabeth) Simpson, Megan Anne (Ryan) Cox, Ryan Holton Reynolds, and William Hayden Reynolds. Fond great-grandmother of Jonathan, Mary, Cate and Eva Simpson, Madison Mason and Ellison Cox. Dear sister of the late Robert Wall (Mary Lou). Heartfelt thanks to caregiver, Helen Guinto. In time, when the world allows, a funeral mass will be held at Divine Mercy Parish at Saint Philip the Apostle Catholic Church in Northfield, IL. Mary Frances has been buried at All Saints Catholic Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Suncrest Hospice, 5 Revere Drive, #130, Northbrook, IL 60062 or Misericordia Heart of Mercy, 6300 North Ridge Avenue, Chicago, IL 60660. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847)675-1990.

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Rickert, Richard

Loving husband of Carol. Devoted father to Maria Rickert (Ron Wozny). Beloved son of the late Adolph and the late Gertrude. Valued son-in-law to Anna McGarity. Cherished cousin to Alan (Bev) and Donna (Will) Rickert. Surrogate father and grandfather to Rob, Lauren, Rory, Bennett, and Graham Hass. Dearest friend to Ron and Joy Michele. During WWII Richard worked with Douglas Aircraft and served with the Illinois Civil Air Patrol. As a Construction Superintendent, Richard worked for Enger Vavra and Sievert Corporation and was a Local 1 Carpenters Union, Chicago, for 68 years. Richard was a long time member of Grace United Church of Christ, Northbrook Sports Club, Arlington Heights Rifle & Pistol Club, "The Herd" Impala Car Club, and Experimental Pilot Association (EAA). Services will be private. For more information please contact Sax-Tiedemann Funeral Home & Crematorium at 847.678.1950 or www.sax-tiedemann.com.

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Roth, Patricia B.

Patricia Barbara Roth, 82, passed away at home, surrounded by family, in Evanston on April 7, 2020. Patricia was a Special Educational Teacher and taught hundreds of children, giving them the chance to reach their full potential. She was a lover of music and art and an intelligent and astute observer of life. May Patricia's memory be

blessed. Wife of the late George Roth; loving mother of Katherine Roth and Jonathan Roth; adoring grandmother of Charles Roth-Ladwig; sister of Honora Simon and the late Irene Mayerfeld; aunt of Betty, Herb, and the late Steve Levine; and Amy Huska and Danny Scher. Celebration of life pending. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions please donate to the Greater Chicago Food Depository: <https://www.chicagosfoodbank.org/>. Arrangements by **Cremation Society of Illinois**, 773-281-5058 or www.cremation-society.com.

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Ruth, Delores Marks

Delores Marks Ruth, age 83, née Delores Faye Allen, longtime Hinsdale resident; beloved wife of the late Samuel I. Marks, Jr. and then the late Charles E. Ruth; loving mother of Stephen A. Marks; dear grandmother of Samuel I. Marks, III and Nathan J. Marks; cherished aunt of the Perkins Family; fond friend to many at the Graue Mill Condominiums. Delores was a graduate of the College of DuPage, DePaul University, and George Williams College. She was the proud proprietor of Hattie Allen Antiques. For many years, Delores was a member of the Union Church of Hinsdale. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Salvation Army, 615 Slaters Lane, Alexandria, VA 22314 or www.salvationarmyusa.org, appreciated. To show your support for Delores' family, please consider signing the online guest book. Arrangements by **Sullivan Funeral Home**. 630-323-0275 or www.sullivanfuneralhomehinsdale.com.

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Schusteff, David J.

David J. Schusteff, EDD, 71, beloved husband of Sandra, nee Kalika, for 43 wonderful years; loving father of Noah (Alison) Schusteff and Lia Sutton; cherished grandpa of James, Ethan and Jacob; devoted son of the late Eleanor and Henry Schusteff; dear brother of Carol (the late Glenn) Oldfield and brother-in-law of Howard Kalika; treasured uncle, cousin and friend of many.

Felled by COVID-19, David was honorable, authentic, and the rock of his family. Despite facing many health problems, including the loss of his eyesight, David maintained his down-to-earth personality and intelligence. He was loved by his family and friends who will miss the ever-present twinkle in his eye, his boisterous laugh, and sharp wit. David graduated from Illinois State University with a teaching degree and went on to earn his Masters in Educational Administration from Roosevelt University and Doctorate from Loyola University. While at Illinois State, he was a proud member of the Hancock Hoboes who cheered on the football team. Among the many stories of his college days he proudly retold was the one in which he learned that his younger sister had beaten his record for drinking the most beers at a local bar. Unfazed, he promptly took up the challenge and reclaimed his title.

David was a highly respected mentor to countless teachers and students throughout his lifelong career at Niles Township High School District #219 and the Fasman Yeshiva High School. From his first job as a biology teacher and football/wrestling coach to assistant superintendent, he was dedicated to doing the most good for the greatest number of students. That integrity and passion carried over to the teachers with whom he worked, in one instance, working tirelessly to lead fundraisers for a colleague's son with special medical needs.

David loved to cook and his recipes became highly-requested family favorites. As the master of the kitchen and his outdoor smoker, he was a student of cooking shows, eager to try his hand at any new dish. His interest rubbed off on his children who have emulated his culinary enthusiasms.

David was devoted to his wife, Sandy, and his family above all else. Before having children, he and Sandy simultaneously pursued advanced degrees, with David attending his Loyola classes downtown, walking over to Northwestern to sit in on Sandy's classes, then driving home together. He was a true, unselfish partner in parenting which allowed Sandy to freely pursue her own career aspirations. David adored his children and was always present in their lives, never missing a sporting event or concert and instilling in them the importance of education. David lived long enough to welcome three grandsons into his family who brought him never-ending joy and pleasure beyond words. We will miss him every day of our lives.

His family thanks Dr. Barry Goldberg and Dr. Nancy Nora for their ongoing involvement in David's medical care, bringing him successfully through many health crises. We are also indebted to the heroes of 3N at Glenbrook Hospital who unselfishly took care of him in his final days.

Due to the pandemic and out of concern for our extended family and friends, services and shiva will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to the charity of your choice. For information or condolences **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**: (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com.

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Schwartz, Joan

Joan Schwartz, née Pozner, 80, left us in her sleep on April 8, at her Lake Barrington Shores home with her beloved husband, Edward, at her side, who shared 60 wonderful years of love and adventure; loving mother of Howard Schwartz and the late Devorah Leah (Rashi) Elgarten; cherished Bubbe of Menachem, Shaindel, Yossi; adored great Bubbe of Mendel; devoted sister of Renee (the late Dr. Allan) Repkin, and Dr. J. B. (Ruth) Pozner; treasured daughter of the late Harold and Goldie Pozner; fond cousin June, in-law Ruth Elgarten and many dear friends. We will miss you and be with you always. Due to the pandemic and out of concern for our extended family and friends, services and shiva will be private. Celebration of life to follow when times are better. In lieu of flowers donations may be to Journey Care Hospice, 2050 Claire Court, Glenview, IL 60025. For information or to leave condolences: 847-255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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Sedlacek, Lavergne M.

nee Weber Beloved wife of the late Eugene. Loving daughter of the late Ferdinand and Cecilia Weber. Fond sister of Ferdinand (Marjory) Weber. Devoted aunt of George and William (Christine) Weber. Great aunt of William and Sharon Weber. Private interment at Mount Olive Cemetery. A memorial service will take place at a later date. Arrangements by **William F. Andersen Funeral Service** (312) 919-8203. Sign Guestbook at chicagotribune.com/obituaries

Seelye, Clara J.

Clara J. Seelye, age 87, resident of La Grange since 1978, formerly of Guatemala. Beloved mother of three engineers: David (Kaye), Alan, and Michael (Tabitha). Loving grandmother of Nathan, Carissa, Christy, Connie, Isabella, Kathryn, Benjamin, Matthew, and Elan. Cherished aunt of many. Fond friend of many. Clara was preceded in death by her parents Dudley James and Eloisa Aldana. Clara was a Broadview Wesleyan Church Member. She loved to learn, listen and tell stories. Her boundless wisdom was a treasure trove for those close to her. She loved to follow current events. Interment will be held in Guatemala at a later date. Arrangements entrusted to **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, Countryside at 708-352-6500 or HJfunerals.com



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Segal, Robert L.

Robert L. Segal, 63, died on April 8, 2020 after a three-year battle with cancer. He was the beloved husband of Joan Lake for 24 years. He was the son of Harvey Segal, who predeceased him, and is survived by his mother, Beverly Segal, and his sisters, Paula Vitaris (Rich) of Avondale Estates, GA, and Karen Segal (Jill) of New York, NY, and numerous nieces and nephews. Bob was a management consultant for Frank Lynn and Associates for over 30 years. He was also a brilliant photographer, never far from his camera. He was fascinated by architecture, particularly of his adopted city Chicago, and he spoke to groups and wrote a blog about Chicago's architectural landmarks. He and his wife raised many Gordon Setters who were frequent posers for his camera. Bob had a phenomenal sense of humor. He earned an MBA in marketing from the J.L. Kellogg School of Management, Northwestern University and a Bachelor of Arts degree in economics from Georgetown University.

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Segreti, Grace L.

Grace L. Segreti, nee Masi. Age 87, of Palos Hills. Passed away peacefully on April 9, 2020. Beloved wife of the late Robert E. Loving mother of Robert (the late Karla), Jeffrey (Laura), Thomas (the late Carol), Tina (the late James) Marcello, and Ralph (Richard) Segreti. Proud Nana of 14 and Great-Nana of 14. Survived by three brothers, Frank, Sam, and Joe (Zena) Masi. Services and Entombment private at Queen of Heaven Mausoleum. Arrangements entrusted to **Ridge Funeral Directors** (Edward A. Tylka, Manager/Director). For further info: 773-586-7900 or www.ridgefh.com

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Seitz Jashinski, Janet

Janet Louise Seitz Jashinski, 82, passed away on March 30, 2020, in Williamsburg, VA. She was preceded in death by her first husband, Roger Seitz, her second husband, Victor Jashinski, her son, Stephen Seitz, and her fiancé, Ralph Baumann.

Janet earned her Bachelor's in Business from the University of Idaho and was an alum of the Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority. She enjoyed membership with several different clubs and organizations, including the Camelot Guild of the Segerstrom Center for the Performing Arts in Costa Mesa, CA; Visionaries of the Orange County Museum of Art; the Philharmonic Society of Orange County, CA; and the Women's Architectural League of Chicago, IL.

Janet cultivated meaningful relationships, and her family and friends saw her as devoted, thoughtful, loyal, and loving, with a deep adventurous spirit. As her first husband served in the Navy and her second husband served in the Air Force, Janet developed a love of travel. She was an avid gardener and also enjoyed the theater.

She will be missed by her daughter, Rochelle Seitz (Rom Lipcius); grandchildren, Luc Lipcius, Andre Lipcius, Alexandra Seitz-Winstin, Samantha Seitz-Winstin, Kyra Seitz-Winstin and Lucille Seitz; brother, Marvin Novak (Shirley Novak); and all her friends and relatives in the Seitz, Lipcius, and Novak families. Services will take place later this summer at Resurrection Cemetery in Saint Louis, MO, where she will be interred alongside her husband and son. As an expression of sympathy, memorial contributions may be made to Habitat for Humanity or to the charity of your choice. Online condolences may be shared at www.nelsenwilliamsburg.com.

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Serio, Gus P.

Gus P. Serio, 93, Veteran WWII, U.S.M.C., 5th Div. passed away on Thursday, April 9, 2020. Beloved father of Donna Serio, Gary (Vicky) Serio, and Lynn (Jerry) Witwicki. Loving Grandfather of Toni (Bert) Johnson, Alissa (Joe) Giles, Samantha (Spencer) Artz, Morgan Fallos and Kaitlyn Fallos, Frank Macino and Rick (Danielle) Macino. Loving Great-Grandfather of Ryker and Olivia Artz, Nora Johnson and Jack and Max Giles. Loving Uncle and dear friend of many. Due to the current health crisis, all services and Entombment at All Saints Mausoleum will be private. Info www.cumberlandchapels.com or 708-456-8300.



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Sheldon, Joseph

Joseph Sheldon, age 75, beloved husband of the late Chris (nee Bonnes); loving brother of George (the late Marilyn) Kuchta and Mary Ellen (Manny) Kalanarhos; dearest uncle of Jeremy and Scott Kuchta; dear great-uncle of Taylor, Ryan, William, Oliver and Evelyn. Funeral services were private. Info: 708 429-3200



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Sherman, Harriet

Harriet Durand Arpee Sherman was born 6/15/1936, transitioned 4/6/2020. Born to Edward Arpee, Lake Forest (LF) Historian/Author, and beloved LF Academy Teacher, Katherine Van Wagenen Trowbridge Arpee, Granddaughter of Calvin Durand, Harriet was a fourth generation Durand of LF.



Harriet, a lifelong resident of LF, grew up with trees, ravines, seasons, and the Lake, her favorite library, and Market Square Fountain. Alumna of Ferry Lake ('54), Smith College ('58), Northwestern Univ. '59, BS in Nursing, and MA Human Relations Webster College '75. Inspired by Mary Breckenridge, Frontier Nursing Service, East KY, enjoyed 10 years Labor/Delivery at LF and Evanston Hospitals, and had a true passion w/ Chicago Maternity, Stork Teams-home births throughout Chicago. Her calling shifted to Downey, VA North Chicago Med serving 34 years, PTSD Psychiatric Ward.

Her passions included: Books, a voracious Reader of All Subjects/Genres, international culture, cuisine, spiritual practices, art, music, fabrics, colors and plants. Her home and natural wild ravine and garden were filled with eclectic variety. A proponent of natural landscaping, she used bishop weeds where grass cannot grow, negating the need for chemicals. She loved all animals including the dogs, cats as pets as well as the deer, and other wildlife that often visited.

A Believer in Lifelong Learning, vestige of her Heritage, was enhanced w/overseas travel: Israel, Iran, India, Thailand, Viet Nam, Japan. In Kashmir, she met the father of her children, returned to LF, eventually divorced with latter travel to Switzerland, the Amazon, and Alaska.

Harriet loved to sew by hand and has made many ponchos, comforters, with great delight and color, for those She Loved.

She was content, and Loved, by Family and many Friends.

Harriet is survived by her older brother Stephen Arpee (Janet) and his sons John and David, and three grandsons, and by her three children, Daniel, Julie, and Molly (Chris Abramian), and dear friend Matthew Mitola.

The remembrance will be private.

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Sink, John S.

John S. Sink, 67, fiercely loyal to family and friends, passed away suddenly on April 4, 2020. Predeceased by parents Helen (Burge) Sink, step-father Alan Sink, father H. George Galaudet and brother Alan Sink. He is survived by his wife Linda (Goldberg Leahy), and sisters Nancy (Sink) Plesha and Carolyn (Matt) Petruszewski; brothers Devin Galaudet (Morgana), and Ed Sink (Cheryl); daughters Liz Sink (partner Jesse), Angela Sink; son Aaron (Mandy), grandchildren Alicia, Brandon and Adley; and 10 nieces and nephews.

He offered his video expertise to Operation Support our Troops, St. Baldrick's Foundation, the Michael Jordan Foundations. As Director of Production at VidTech Audio Visual Events, and former owner of The Edge Multimedia, he was cherished mentor to his team and invaluable collaborator to his clients. John worked as contract CNN war photographer in the Afghanistan and Iraq wars.

He could play anything by ear on the piano, debate Marxism versus capitalism, win at online chess, and created a party wherever he went. Donations to Operation Support Our Troops and PAWS Chicago. Memorial life celebration TBD.

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Smiricky, LaVerne M.

LaVerne M. Smiricky, nee Kuntz, of Westchester, age 89. Beloved wife of the late Charles; loving mother of Scott (Laura) Smiricky and Karen (Frank) Szewczyk; proud grandmother of Judson, Kirsten (Chris), Colton and Frank C.; great-grandmother of Annabelle; dear sister of the late Ervin Kuntz and the late Hillard (late Bette) Kuntz. Due to the COVID-19 crisis burial was private. A Memorial will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers memorials to Hinsdale Humane Society, 21 Salt Creek Ln., Hinsdale, IL 60521 appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home. For info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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Springer, Rena D.

Rena D. Springer nee Spiro, age 96, of Wilmette, IL. Beloved wife of the late Marvin L. Springer. Loving mother of Eileen Springer, David (Dee) Springer and the late James (Elsa) Springer and Mark Springer. Proud grandmother of Karin, Diana, Jason, Savannah, Ramsey and Alexis and many great grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Dear sister of Anne Reagan, Helen Stewart, and the late, Alexander Spiro, George Spiro and Mary Fields. Rena was a devout Christian and longtime member of the Wilmette Church of Christ. A Memorial Service will be held at a later date. Interment private at Ridgewood Cemetery, Des Plaines, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to: Shults-Lewis Child and Family Services, Inc., PO Box 471, Valparaiso, Indiana 46384. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.



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STEELE, ROBERT PHILLIP 'BOB'

Robert "Bob" Steele, an accomplished attorney and loving husband, father and grandfather, known for his sharp wit, infectious laugh and generosity, who served as chief legal counsel for two decades until 2013 for Oscar Mayer Foods, died Wednesday, April 8, 2020, at a hospital in Madison, Wis. He was 74.



During his long career, Mr. Steele successfully structured, protected and enforced Oscar Mayer's interests as the principal steward of the multibillion-dollar company's legal estate. His deep knowledge of legal disciplines from marketing, promotions, advertising and trademarks to regulatory compliance, anti-trust, procurement, intellectual property and litigation helped him achieve favorable outcomes or settlements in three of the largest advertising, defalcation and product liability cases in Oscar Mayer's history. When he retired in 2013, he was the only two-time recipient of the company's highest honor, the President's Award, and also had earned several top honors bestowed by parent-company Kraft Foods.

A corporate attorney for 40 years, Mr. Steele provided legal counsel for five Fortune 50 companies, General Foods, R.J. Reynolds/KFC, PepsiCo, Altria/Phillip Morris and Kraft.

Mr. Steele credited his paternal grandfather with encouraging him to become a lawyer. As a boy visiting his relatives in the South every summer, he often tagged along with the elder Steele, the sole notary public in his small Alabama town, going from house to house, helping disenfranchised families draft or respond to legal documents.

His childhood experiences inspired him to mentor young people to encourage them to pursue higher education and their career passions. He co-founded the largest annual distribution of backpacks and school supplies in Wisconsin for 3,000 schoolchildren. He also served on boards and committees for the Madison chapters of 100 Black Men of America, launching its youth mentorship program, United Way, Urban League and Big Brothers Big Sisters. He was a founding member and second Sire Archon of the Epsilon Theta chapter of the Sigma Pi Phi fraternity.

In 2011, Mr. Steele was named Mentor of the Year by Big Brothers Big Sisters for his 10-year support of his "little brother" who is now completing his final year of a four-year postgraduate program. He also was a charter patron of the Last Mile Foundation, a non-profit that helps minority college students resolve financial setbacks as they approach graduation.

The Chicago native was admitted to the bar in three states, Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin. He served on the Wisconsin Bar Association Board of Governors and as president of the Greater Madison African-American Lawyers Association. He taught business law at Indiana University-Indianapolis, and served his country as a captain in an intelligence unit in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam conflict.

Mr. Steele earned bachelor's and law degrees from DePaul University. After graduating college, he began his career in 1967 at computer giant IBM in the marketing department, and later joined Harris Bank in the early 1970s, becoming one of the first African-American trust officers in U.S. banking. In 1974, he continued working full-time while attending law school full-time, still finishing in three years.

In 2013, his alma mater appointed him to the Advisory Council of the College of Science and Health, and honored him during a special ceremony for outstanding service to the legal profession.

He spent his final years enjoying his family and friends, and eating brisket, while recovering from a serious illness. Feeling a deep sense of satisfaction with how his life turned out, Mr. Steele once quoted former Supreme Court Justice Thurgood Marshall to sum it up, "I did the best I could with what I had."

Twice married, he is survived by his wife, Carol Nowell Steele, and their son, Adam Steele, daughter, Michele Steele Humphrey from his first marriage to Sandra Brunson Steele, son-in-law, Andrew Humphrey Jr., and grandson, Andrew Humphrey III, stepdaughter, Joy Nowell, two sisters, a brother, nieces and one nephew, extended family and friends. He was preceded in death by his parents, Lillian and Waddell Steele Jr., and oldest brother, Waddell Steele III. He will be greatly missed.

A viewing is scheduled at 10 a.m. Tuesday, April 14, 2020, at **Gunderson Funeral Home**, 2950 Chapel Valley Road, Fitchburg, Wis. 53711. A burial immediately follows at Forest Hill Cemetery, One Speedway Road, Madison, Wis. 53705.

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Steinbrecher, Richard

Age 78, of Highland Park IL, died on 4/7/20 of complications from Alzheimer's disease. He is survived by his beloved wife, Claudia (nee Arnett). Loving father to Greg (Susan Klovdstad) and Doug (Laura). Adored and adoring grandfather to Ashley, Michael, Clarissa, Ethan, Matthew, Lily, and Marisa. Great-grandfather to Aurora. Fond uncle of Vivian, Robin, Kelly (Chris), Nathan, Raina, Paris, Miles, and Vivienne. Loving brother of Gayle Gilbert (Joel). Beloved brother-in-law and friend to many. He was preceded in death by his adoptive parents, Lucille and Richard Steinbrecher, his birth mother, Aveline Weldon, his sister, M. Trimble Russell (Graham), and his son, Clay. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Young Eagles program, <https://www.eaa.org/eaapps/donations/donation>.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

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Stepinsky, Harold E.

Harold E. Stepinsky, age 81, of Downers Grove. Loving father of Robin (Michael) Wissler. Devoted grandfather of Abby and Jake. Cherished son of the late Harold and the late Doris. Harold proudly served in the US Army and also served as a negotiator for the United Airlines Master Executive Committee for 35 years. Due to current circumstances, interment will be private with a celebration of life to be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials to the Alzheimers Assn. (alz.org) would be appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to **Hallowell & James Funeral Home** 630-964-6500

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Stern, Charles 'Chuck'

Charles "Chuck" Stern, passed away on April 10 at 90 years young; loved and treasured sweetheart for over 66 years, of Adrienne Ehrlich Stern; incredibly devoted and loved father of Corey and Todd (Stephen Gregg) Stern; loving brother of the late Anne (Ansel) Rosen, Harry (Frieda) Stern and Mary (Max) Gross; fond brother-in-law of Donna (Dr. Harold) Shavell; adored uncle and great, great, great uncle to many who share fond memories; cherished cousins and friends of many years will all miss his humor, kind and caring, sweet nature. Charles was a past President of the Bobby Blechman Chapter of City of Hope. Please honor his memory with a donation to City of Hope Chicago-Chapter 0612, P.O. Box 51285, Los Angeles, CA. 90051-5585. A celebration of life will take place at a later date due to the pandemic virus. For information and condolences: **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 847-255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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Strelczyk, Peter G.

Peter G. Strelczyk, age 72, suddenly March 30, 2020. Beloved husband of Carol A. Strelczyk (nee: Creed) for 49 years. Loving father of Michael (Georgianne) Strelczyk, Patrick CPD (Shannon CFD) Strelczyk and Gregory CPD (Paula) Strelczyk. Devoted grandfather of Ryan, Marissa, Alexander, Nicholas, Maura, Sophia and Jack. Dear brother of Michal Ann (late David) Attaya, Matthew Strelczyk and Nicolette (Gary) Jaros. Brother-in-law of Diane (John) Kern, Kenneth Creed and Richard (Judy) Creed. Pete was predeceased by his parents Michael R. and June V. Strelczyk and his brother Alexander M. Strelczyk. Pete was a teacher with the Chicago Board of Education and retired after 34 years of dedicated service. He was a proud member of the Chicago Teachers Union and the Retired Teachers Union.



A Memorial Mass will be scheduled at a later date at St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel. Memorial contributions to the Chicago Police Memorial Foundation (cpdmemorial.org) or the Chicago Fire Department Foundation (cfdfoundation.com) would be appreciated. Arrangements by Adolf Funeral Home - Willowbrook. 630-325-2300 or adolfservices.com

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Susin, Thomas A.

Thomas A. Susin of Chicago passed away April 8, 2020. Dear son of the late Dominic and Germaine, nee Gilbert; fond brother of Robert (Patricia), Terrie (the late Carl) Vyborny, Donna (William) Marshall, and Denise Susin; cherished uncle of many. Thomas was an outstanding artist who taught art and history at Holy Cross High School and Guerin Prep High School for many years. Due to the COVID-19 emergency, a Memorial Mass will be announced at a later time. For information please contact Matz Funeral Home, Chicago (773) 545-5420 or www.matzfuneralhome.com

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Tadman, Gloria

Gloria Tadman, passed away peacefully on April 3, 2020; beloved daughter of the late William and Ruby, nee Berger; loving brother of the late Robert "Bobby" Lee Tadman; dear niece of the late Harold Berger and Gerald Berger. Gloria was a generous and independent woman who lived on her own until her passing. She was also an animal lover. Private services have been held. Arrangements entrusted to Lakeshore Jewish Funerals, 773-625-8621



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Tingle, M.D., William Frederick

William Frederick Tingle, M.D., 77, of Winnetka, passed away peacefully on Friday, April 3rd. He will be forever missed by his wife of 53 years, Barbara Tingle, and his five children Billy (Debbie), Tom (Katie), Scott (Jill), Danny (Heather), and Susie Regan (Sean). He was the proud grandfather of Christian, Claire, Abigail, Lexie, Tommy, Luke, Molly, Matthew, Alexis,



Charlotte & Calliope. Bill grew up in Speedway, Indiana and received his BS at Wabash College where he was a proud member of the Sigma Chi fraternity. He followed his passion for science

by attending Indiana University Medical School. He completed his residency in Ophthalmology at Evanston Hospital. He was a Captain in the United States Air Force served as a flight surgeon based out of Grand Forks, ND during the Vietnam War. Bill was a well-respected eye surgeon who continued to serve the North Shore for over 40 years. He was a gifted and caring physician, who always put his patients first. Bill was an avid golfer, enjoying the game since his youth. He also enjoyed summers on Lake Geneva where he met the love of his life, Barbara. He was hard-working and loyal. He was a gentleman with the utmost of integrity and generous to all, especially those less fortunate than him. Due to current conditions, memorial service and interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, please connect with a family member or old friend you haven't talked to in a while, have a Miller Lite and hit a bucket of balls. Donations in Bill's honor can be made to Evans Scholars Foundation, an organization near and dear to his heart: Evans Scholars Foundation, 2501 Patriot Boulevard, Glenview, IL 60026-8022. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.



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Tortorici, Doris J.

nee Allen, 84, of Palos Heights suddenly passed away on March 31, 2020. A kind, beautiful person who loved to laugh and had a heart of gold. Doris was born on June 10, 1935 in Chicago and was a resident of Palos Heights since 1959. She is survived by her best friend and husband of 62 years, Philip Tortorici. Loving Mother of Denise (Mike Bonome), Sherry (Al Flores), Linda (Bill Furie), Lisa (Tom Cumbo) and Dave (Beth). She was an adoring grandmother of many grandchildren who will miss her greatly. Sister of Judy (Ken Webb) and late brother William Allen. She was also a loving Aunt and a loyal friend to many. Doris graduated from Northern Illinois University with a Degree in Education. She was a preschool teacher for Palos Methodist Church. She was an active member at St Alexanders Church, Palos Women's Club since 1962 and president for 6 years, Palos Senior Club President, Worth Township Senior Club Vice-President and Rainbow Strollers Square Dance Club President. She was also the Precinct Captain and Election Judge for Palos Heights, a Life-Time Achievement Award recipient for Skills USA with her husband Phil, and was appointed head of a special committee by the Mayor of Palos Heights. A celebration of her loving and fabulous life will be held at a later date. Arrangements were entrusted to the **KERRY FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION CARE CENTER IN PALOS HEIGHTS.**

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Troike, Robert J.

Robert J. Troike, 77, of Wheaton, retired Chicago Police Officer and Juvenile Detective for over 30 years, passed away April 3, 2020. Beloved husband of Evelina Troike (nee Ganzon) for 49 years; loving father of John (Lucyna) Troike, Cory (Frank) Serpico; proud grandfather of Gianna and Giulia Serpico; dear brother of George (late Carol) Troike. Loving uncle, relative and friend of many. Robert went to Carl Schurz High School and graduated from Loyola University before becoming and Chicago Police Officer and Detective. Robert lived in Chicago most of his life until he retired to Dixon, IL and Oregon, IL before moving to Wheaton. Memorial services will take place at a later date due to the restrictions of the Coronavirus. Info @ www.williams-kamp.com or (630) 668-0016.

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Trousil, Ruth

Ruth Ann Trousil nee Pitelka, age 81, of Oakbrook Terrace. Beloved wife of 58 years to Thomas F. Trousil, loving mother of Thomas S. Trousil; loving sister of Judy Sick; fond aunt of Jon Sick, Mindy Munger and Jena Hamel. Ruth graduated from the University of Illinois in 1960 with a degree in Home Economics with a minor in Journalism. After completing her degree, she went to work at the Chicago Museum of Science and Industry in the public relations department. In 1962, Ruth moved with her husband to Beaver, Pennsylvania and a year later to Youngstown, Ohio where she worked for the Camp Fire Girls as a district director and radio station WKBN as a spot announcement writer. In 1967, she returned to Chicago and began classes in social work at George Williams University. She graduated with a Masters degree in 1974, and worked many years as the director of Hinsdale Community Service. After retiring, Ruth volunteered for several social service organizations, including St. Thomas Hospice, CASA, Southwest Suburban Center for Aging and the Illinois State Educational Surrogate Parent. Your smile will be greatly missed. Services and interment will be private. For more information please contact **Knollcrest Funeral Home** at 630-932-1500 or www.knollcrest.net

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Trueheart, Richard

Richard Trueheart, 95, of Evanston, Illinois died on April 2, 2020. Born on October 8, 1924 in Sterling, Kansas, he was preceded in death by his wife Sara (nee Irvin) and brothers Harry and Jack. He is survived by his twin brother, Robert (Octavia), who resides in Katy, TX, and his three daughters: Joan Trueheart (Robert Bacon), Jane Trueheart Huels (Steve Huels), and Martha Trueheart, seven grandchildren, and one great grandchild. A 1942 graduate of Sterling High School, Trueheart attended Sterling College prior to entering the US Army in April, 1944, where he served as a Technician Fourth Grade at O'Reilly General Hospital in Springfield, MO, assisting surgeons treating wounded service members. Following his separation from service in June 1946 he attended the University of Kansas where he earned his BA in 1948. In 1951 he earned his MD from the University of Kansas School of Medicine. He completed his medical internship and residency at Presbyterian-St. Luke's Hospital in Chicago where he met his wife who trained at the Presbyterian-St. Luke's School of Nursing and was employed at the hospital as a nurse. They were married in July 1956.

The family moved to Evanston in 1959 where Trueheart began his career as a surgical pathologist at Evanston Hospital. In 1974 he accepted a position in the Department of Pathology at St. Francis Hospital in Evanston. Retiring in 1989, he remarked that he had spent 15 years on the north end of Ridge Ave. and 15 years on the south end of Ridge Ave. Soon after retirement, he accepted a part-time position working with pathologists and medical students at Northwestern Memorial Hospital, resigning in 1994 to care fulltime for his ailing wife until her death in 1995. Throughout his career he served as a clinical professor at the Northwestern University Medical School, and found great satisfaction in training the next generation of pathologists as well as impressing upon students in other specialties the importance of surgical and clinical pathology. Dr. Trueheart often remarked that one of the true joys of work in the medical field was the requirement for continuing education. He was a lifelong learner outside of medicine as well. A lover of opera, he studied libretti and scholarly commentary prior to attending performances. He traveled widely to attend medical conferences and opera performances, the highlight of which was seeing Wagner's entire Ring Cycle performed at the Bayreuth Festival. After retirement, he studied Italian in order to enhance his travel experiences. Longtime interest in the visual arts led to more formal study at Oakton Community College, where he audited credit-bearing classes in Art History. In 2004, he was invited to take a class in the Honors Program where he took a course in American History from 1877 to 2004. A term paper assignment for the class allowed him to indulge his love of art as he researched and wrote about WPA murals in Chicago area buildings.

In 2007, Trueheart became one of the first residents to occupy the new wing of Three Crowns Park in Evanston, and he enjoyed the freedom that independent living in the facility offered. A lifelong fitness enthusiast, he continued to take long bicycle rides or walk the entire perimeter path at the Chicago Botanic Garden into his late 80's. Baseball was another lifelong passion. He was ecumenical in his baseball worship, following both the Chicago Cubs and the Chicago White Sox with equal enthusiasm. Always proud of his service to his country during World War II, Trueheart participated in the Honor Flight program in Fall 2011, visiting the memorials in Washington, DC. About the trip he said, "The Chicago Honor Flight was an exciting, emotional, and memorable day," emphasizing the 400,000 stars of the World War II memorial, dedicated to those who gave their lives, "beautifully reflected onto a pool, which symbolized for me the spirit of those heroes."

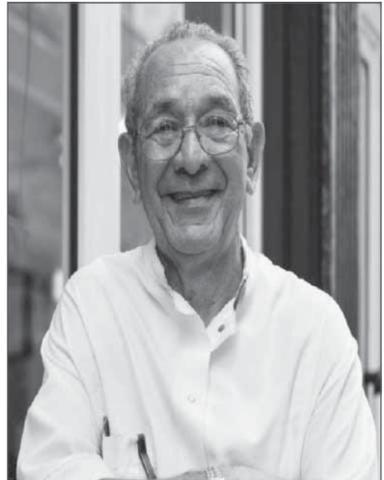
A Service of Remembrance will be held at a later date. Memorial donations may be made to The Greater Chicago Food Depository, 4100 S. Ann Lurie Place, Chicago, IL 60632 or online at www.chicagosfoodbank.org/tribute. Also to NorthShore University HealthSystem Foundation, 1033 University Place, Suite 450, Evanston, IL 60201 or online at www.foundation.northshore.org/donate.

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Tully, Thomas J.

Beloved son of Gloria and the late Jack; dear brother of John Jr. and the late Paul; nephew, cousin, and friend of many. Proud grad of QAS, Loyola Academy, and Loyola University-Chicago. Due to the Covid-19 crisis services will be held privately. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions in Tom's name may be made to Misericordia Heart of Mercy, 6300 N. Ridge Avenue, Chicago IL 60660, misericordia.com. Friends are encouraged to share stories and condolences on Tom's memorial at www.smith-corcoran.com. For more information please call 773-736-3833.

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Vlagos, Elaine

Elaine Vlagos, of Lakewood, IL. Born on February 21, 1934 to the late Kanella and Nicholas Diakoumis, passed away on April 6, 2020. Beloved mother of Alexandra (Jim) Politos, Steven Vlagos, and Mary Victoria Wright. Loving Yiayia of Matthew and Eleni Politos. Dear sister of Chrysanthy (Angelo) Passias, the late Louis (Faye) Diakoumis, the late Angelo (the late Dolores) Diakoumis, the late Sophie (the late Ted) Rembos, the late George (Louise) Diakoumis. Beloved aunt of many nieces and nephews. Elaine loved to entertain. Cooking for family and friends gave her the ultimate joy. She took pride in her precise gardening, and it was much like her personality; explosive and grand. She will truly be missed by all. Due to the Covid-19 restrictions, a Funeral Service will be held privately. Interment Private at Ridgewood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Nectarios Greek Orthodox Church, 133 S Roselle Rd, Palatine, IL 60067. Info 847-359-8020 or visit www.smithcorcoran.com

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Walsh, John Francis

John Francis Walsh, age 90, passed away on April 7, 2020 of natural causes; John was the devoted father of John P. (Linda), James (Mary Ann), Robert E., Therese (Tom) Smith and Michael (Sherry) Walsh; loving grandfather to Lauren (John) Dominici, John, Kathleen, Maura, Tommy, Patty, Danny, Brian and Chelsey; and great grandfather to Natalie and Sofia; John was preceded in death by his beloved parents Edmund and Mary (Brindel) Walsh, his siblings Edmund Walsh, Charles Walsh and Sheila Verbiscar, and his first wife Nancy D. Walsh (nee Doody); John is survived by his second wife Bernadine McHugh Donahue Walsh of Elmhurst; John Walsh was a veteran of the United States Army and served his country during the Korean War era; an accountant by trade, John became a Certified Public Accountant and partner at Haskins & Sells before joining the Chicago Board of Trade Clearing Corporation until he retired at age 75; an avid golfer, John was an active member of the Ridge Country Club for decades; a devout Roman Catholic and proud graduate of St. Rita High School and Loyola University of Chicago; John was a generous contributor to the Catholic Church and Catholic educational institutions as well as Lupus Society of Illinois; Arrangements entrusted to **Curley Funeral Home**, Chicago Ridge; For Funeral info: 708-422-2700 or www.curleyfuneralhome.com

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Ward, Joy B.

Joy B. Ward passed away April 8, 2020 at her home. She was 80 years old. Joy was born on July 9, 1939 in Memphis, TN to William and Sophie (Dermon) Littman. She graduated from Hyde Park High School on the South Side of Chicago and attended the University of Illinois. In 1979 she married Robert F. Ward in Chicago, together they moved to Longmont, CO in 1980. Joy worked as a C.N.A. for several home health care agencies in Boulder County, she especially enjoyed taking care of her elderly clients. Joy loved nature, flowers, animals, Turner Classic movies, feeding the backyard birds and listening to country music. She was preceded in death by her parents and her pets Buddy, Sally and Patches. Joy is survived by her husband Robert of Longmont, CO; her son Joel (Patti) Smiley of St. Louis, MO; her brothers Bill Littman of Arlington Heights, IL and Berle Littman of Palos Heights, IL; her nieces Debbie Marchok of Arlington Heights, IL, Audrey Kitral of Lake Zurich, IL and Cathy Littman of Lakewood, FL; her dog Jewel; and numerous grandnieces and grandnephews. A private family service will be held. Burial will take place at Ft. Logan National Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to the Wildlife Sanctuary in Keenesburg, CO or the Boulder County Humane Society. Visit www.ahlbergfuneralchapel.com to share condolences.

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Warren, Roberta B.

Roberta B. Warren, age 89, passed away April 8, 2020. Loving sister to Creighton Jr. and Donna Jean; caring aunt to Creighton III (Michele), Bill, John (Betty) and Michael (Jennifer); great aunt to C.J., Anne, Claire, Maddox and Amanda. Long-time employee of The Northern Trust. A memorial service to be held later this summer.

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Wiersbitzki, Hildegard

Hildegard Wiersbitzki. Age 87 of Park Ridge. Survived by loving family in Germany and devoted friends in the Chicagoland area. Services and interment at the Town of Maine Cemetery, Park Ridge were private. Funeral Arrangements by **Ryan-Parke Funeral Home**, www.ryan-parke.com.

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Willoughby, Robert Edward

Age 82, of Joliet, passed away on Wednesday, April 8, 2020 at his home. As it was Robert's request cremation rites have been accorded. Inurnment will be held privately at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, To view a complete obituary, please visit www.fredcdames.com. For more information please call (815) 741-5500.

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Windisch, William G.

William Windisch, 87, of Clarendon Hills, died April 7th, from complications of COVID 19. He was a devoted husband of 57 years to Diane, nee Small and loving father to Karen (Calvin) Windisch Moore, Susan (Ray) Windisch Brown and Elizabeth (Ray Santos) Windisch; beloved grandfather of Spencer, Will (Lindsey) Malcolm and Genevieve. He was a proud army veteran of the 1st Cavalry Division. A memorial Mass and celebration of life will be held at a future date. As Bill was an avid reader and military historian, the family requests that you consider a donation in his name to the Friends of the Clarendon Hills Public Library, gf.me/u/xwdugx. Please support the Windisch family by signing the online guestbook page at www.sullivanfuneralhomehinsdale.com. Arrangements are being made by Sullivan Funeral Home Hinsdale. 630-323-0275.

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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.cjinfo.com

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Zowaski, Carol

Carol Zowaski (nee Brown/Gardner), age 84, passed away, surrounded by her family, on April 4, 2020. Beloved mother of David William, Lynne Marie, Dean Alan, Scott Adam (Julie) and Mark Douglas (Anjali) Zowaski; devoted grandmother of Tyler, Nicole, Maya, Josiah, Kevin, Kaitlyn and Alyssa Zowaski; preceded in death by her mother Lucille Gardner, loving grandparents Mansfield and Florence Gardner, several Gardner aunts and uncles and our dear family dog Toastie. She was a dear friend of over 70 years with Jaqueline Sanders (nee Delcourt) and over 60 years with the late Susan Nelson/Busby/Tsokatos. Carol was born and raised on the south side of Chicago and was also a long time resident of Lemont and Oak Park, IL. She loved shopping for antiques, going to garage sales and buying what her children called "junk" from many thrift stores in the Chicagoland area. Long time employee of law firm, Reuben & Proctor along with Polk Bros. and Hieleg Meyers Furniture stores, where at all places she gained long term friendships with many of her co-workers. Her favorite charity was Smile Train. Interment private. Info 630-852-8000 or westsuburbanfh.com

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SUNDAY, APRIL 12

NORMAL HIGH: 58° NORMAL LOW: 38°

RECORD HIGH: 86° (1977)

RECORD LOW: 21° (1957)

Rain, storms to precede an extended cold snap

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 60 **LOW 35**

■ **Slow moving front sags across the metro area making for a gray Easter day.**

■ The day opens cloudy, with temps ranging from upper 40s to low 50s.

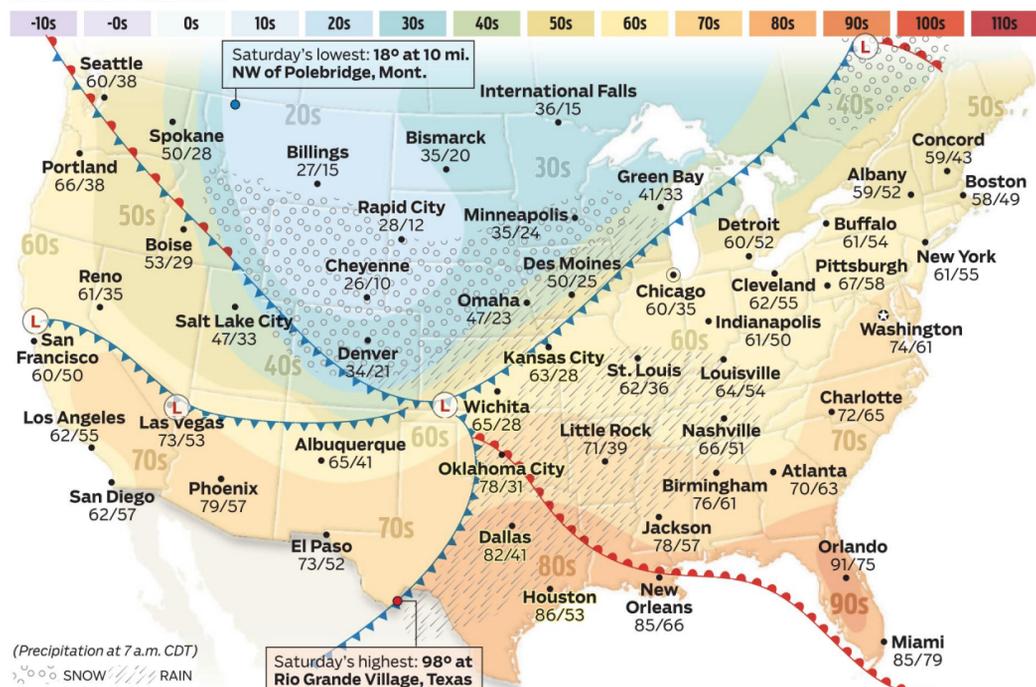
■ Cloudy. Sporadic showers possible during the day, but with plenty of dry periods as well.

■ Daytime temps peak around 50 N and along the lake, to around 60 city and south.

■ Showers become heavier, more widespread, especially after midnight. Thunder possible.

■ Turning windy, sharply colder during late night and into Monday morning.

NATIONAL FORECAST



Temperatures are likely to vary widely Sunday as a frontal boundary settles across the metro area. Readings Sunday afternoon may differ by 10 degrees or more, from around 50s far north suburbs, to the low 60s south and east of the city. Sunday's highs are expected to be the mildest readings we'll experience over the next 7 to 10 days. The storm system bringing an inclement end to our weekend is forecast to grow into an immense circulation, spawning a swarm of tornadoes across the South, and dumping heavy snow across the upper Midwest. As the system intensifies Sunday night, rain and a few storms are expected across Chicago. Polar air is slated to surge across the Great Lakes Monday, driven on by gale force northwest to west winds. Temps much of the workweek will be more typical of early March.

MONDAY, APRIL 13

HIGH 42 **LOW 28**

Unpleasant. Very windy and much colder. Cloudy with a chance of flurries, mainly in the morning. Partial sun emerges in the afternoon. Temps peak in the low 40s. W-NW winds 25 to 35 mph, with higher gusts.

TUESDAY, APRIL 14

HIGH 42 **LOW 29**

More sunshine, but continued cold. Temps run more than 15 degrees below normal, again holding in the low 40s. Rather brisk. W winds 20-30 mph diminish in the afternoon. Cold at night, subfreezing lows.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15

HIGH 40 **LOW 30**

Passing cold front brings clouds and a chance of flurries early. Unseasonably cold. Temps struggle to reach 40 degrees. NW winds 10-20 mph. Fair, but cold overnight.

THURSDAY, APRIL 16

HIGH 45 **LOW 27**

Morning sunshine helps temps rise to the mid 40s. Mid-high level clouds begin increasing by midday leading to a chance of light snow or flurries during the night. Light winds becoming W 10-15 mph.

FRIDAY, APRIL 17

HIGH 50 **LOW 32**

High pressure brings mainly clear skies, though passing high clouds dim sunshine at times. Temps undergo some moderation, but still run about 10 degrees below normal. Light W-SW winds.

SATURDAY, APRIL 18

HIGH 53 **LOW 39**

High clouds increase as a weather system passes to the south. Ample sunshine allows temps to maintain a slow day-to-day rise. Highs reach the low 50s, cooler lakeside. SE-E winds 10-15 mph.

NOTE: Predicted high/low temps on Tribune weather page are chronological—the "high" refers to maximum reading expected during day and "low" is the minimum reading expected the following night.

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
I just heard the word *graupel* in the weather forecast. What is it?
Joseph Kalitowski

Dear Joseph,
Graupel is a type of frozen precipitation that also referred to as snow grains or snow pellets. It forms when snowflakes fall through a layer of supercooled water (water that remains liquid in a below-freezing environment), and those supercooled droplets coat the snowflakes with a layer of ice in a process known as riming.

Graupel pellets are white, roundish, soft and spongy, and are easily crushed, bearing a resemblance to tapioca or Styrofoam. They are small, usually less than 0.2 of an inch in diameter, and bounce when hitting the ground.

Graupel is common in spring and fall when the freezing level is close to the ground.

Write to: ASK TOM
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Chicago's Easter weather can hop between winter and summer

Easter falls on the first Sunday after the first full moon (based on an ecclesiastical lunar calendar) after the vernal equinox. Thus, the earliest possible date for Easter is March 22, the latest, April 25th.

SOME EASTER STATISTICS

- Average high temp: 49° (3/22); 63° (4/25)
- Average low temp: 31° (3/22); 42° (4/25)
- Average of highs on past 50 Easters: 58.7°
- Average of lows on past 50 Easters: 39.1°
- Rain was observed on ~57% of Easters since 1871
- Snow was observed on ~15% of Easters since 1885

5 HIGHEST TEMPERATURES			5 LOWEST TEMPERATURES		
Lowest max	Lowest min		Lowest max	Lowest min	
85°	4/10/1977	19°	3/25/1894	11°	3/24/1940
83°	4/11/1971	23°	3/24/1940	13°	3/25/1894
82°	4/18/1976*	28°	3/30/1975	18°	3/29/1964*
81°	4/10/1955*	29°	3/29/1964	20°	3/25/1951*
79°	4/20/2014*	30°	4/2/1899	21°	3/30/1975

5 WETTEST EASTERS			5 SNOWIEST EASTERS		
3.12"	4/10/1977	7.1"	3/29/1964	1.49"	4/11/1971
1.49"	4/11/1971	6.4"	4/4/1920	1.43"	4/18/1976*
1.43"	4/18/1976*	1.5"	3/30/1991	1.16"	4/10/1955*
1.16"	4/10/1955*	0.6"	3/31/1991	1.01"	4/20/2014*
1.01"	4/20/2014*	0.5"	4/17/1949		

SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, NWS archives *Last of multiple occurrences

EASTER, 2020 FORECAST:

- Cloudy showers likely
- Low temp Sunday A.M. 45°
- High temp: 55°

LARGEST CHANGE IN HIGH TEMPS IN CONSECUTIVE YEARS:

- 52°
- March 29, 1970
- April 11, 1971
- April 10, 1977
- March 26, 1978

EASTER COMES AT A TIME OF THE YEAR WHEN THE WEATHER CAN BE FICKLE

Here's a look at how different Easter weather can be from one year to the next:



ARGUABLY, THE CHICAGO AREA'S WORST EASTER WEATHER: MARCH 24-26, 1978

Weather conditions centered 6 AM Saturday, March 25, 1978

- High temperature: 33°
- ~1/2" ice accumulation
- Widespread power outages
- T-storms with freezing rain
- Saturday night, early Sunday
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- Multiple pile-ups on roads

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Chicago's warmest Easter: April 10, 1977

Chicago's HIGH: 85°

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In Chicago MARCH 26, 1978:

CHICAGO DIGEST

SATURDAY TEMPERATURES			
LOCATION	HI	LO	HI LO
Aurora	64	42	Midway 65 42
Gary	66	39	O'Hare 63 42
Kankakee	66	42	Ormeville 64 42
Lakefront	64	42	Valparaiso 65 38
Lansing	64	41	Waukegan 57 37

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION			
PERIOD	2020	NORMAL	
Sat. (through 4 p.m.)	Trace	0.12"	
April to date	0.33"	1.19"	
Year to date	7.38"	7.21"	

CHICAGO SNOWFALL			
PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY	
Fri. (through 4 p.m.)	0.0"	0.0"	
Season to date	30.1"	30.2"	
Normal to date	35.9"	36.7"	

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS			
SUNDAY		MONDAY	
Wind	SE 15-20 kts.	W 35-45 kts.	
Waves	1-3 feet	4-7 feet	
Sat. shore/crib water temps	49°/46°		

LAST WEEK'S PEAK POLLEN LEVEL			
POLLEN	LEVEL		
Tree	High		
Grass	0		
Mold	Low		
Ragweed	0		
Weed	0		

SOURCE: The Gottlieb Memorial Hospital Allergy Court, Dr. Joseph Leija

ILLINOIS AIR QUALITY			
Saturday's reading	Moderate		
Sunday's forecast	Good		
Critical pollutant	Particulates		

SUNDAY RISE/SET TIMES			
Sun	6:14 a.m.	7:28 p.m.	
Moon	12:05 a.m.	9:33 a.m.	



SUNDAY PLANET WATCH			
PLANET	RISE	SET	
Mercury	5:40 a.m.	5:37 p.m.	
Venus	7:59 a.m.	11:32 p.m.	
Mars	3:22 a.m.	1:03 p.m.	
Jupiter	2:35 a.m.	11:58 p.m.	
Saturn	2:53 a.m.	12:27 p.m.	

BEST VIEWING TIME DIRECTION			
Mercury	Not visible		
Venus	8:30 p.m.	30.5° W	
Mars	5:00 a.m.	14.5° SE	
Jupiter	5:00 a.m.	19.5° SE	
Saturn	5:00 a.m.	18° SE	

Source: Dan Joyce, Chicago Astronomical Society

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Alleged fraud drains Abbots retiree's 401(k), sparks probe into unauthorized distributions

'THIS CAN'T BE'

BY ROBERT CHANNICK

When Heide Barnett went to the mailbox in January 2019 and opened up her 401(k) statement, she expected to see a robust balance accrued after 10 years as a nutritional products saleswoman with Abbott Laboratories.

Instead, the retiree from Darien said she saw lines of zeros and an unauthorized \$245,000 withdrawal. Barnett's primary retirement savings had been nearly drained, she said.

"I was just in complete shock when I got the notice in the mail," said Barnett, 57. "I was very surprised and all I thought is this must be a mistake — this can't be."

Set up through employees and often administered by a third

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Heide Barnett, of Darien, filed a lawsuit last week against her former employer, Abbott Laboratories, and Allight Solutions after \$245,000 was allegedly drained from her 401(k) account in January 2019.

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CORONAVIRUS OUTBREAK

Sandwich may come with side of salami

Some restaurants are selling groceries along with meals

BY LAUREN ZUMBACH

Six weeks ago, Potbelly executives were celebrating signs that the sandwich chain's turnaround was finally paying off.

Now, with fears of COVID-19 keeping diners home, it's trying to sell cold cuts and rolls alongside sandwiches and shakes — and making no predictions about the future.

Many states, including Illinois, have instituted stay-at-home orders and banned restaurants from offering dine-in service, forcing them to pivot to only takeout and delivery. But only 14% of restaurant operators surveyed by market research firm Datassential in late March said customers had placed enough orders to offset lost dine-in sales.

Some restaurants are pivoting again, selling ingredients alongside standard menu items to help make up the difference.

On April 3, Potbelly's "Potbelly Pantry" started selling deli meats at \$6.99 a pound, 10-ounce packs of sliced cheese for \$4.49 and six-packs of rolls for \$3.99 along with chips, bags of cookies and bottled drinks. At "Panera Grocery" consumers can pick up \$4.99 gallons of milk, produce like avocados — \$1.49 each — and grapes along with bread and bagels. LongHorn Steakhouse is selling cuts of meat diners can grill at home, from \$6 for a 6-ounce sirloin to \$16 for an 18-ounce "Outlaw Ribeye."

Selling prepared meals is more profitable. But restaurants are quiet, the food is perishable and many consumers are looking for ways to avoid trips to the supermarket.

"It's definitely a case of necessity being the mother of invention," said Mark Brandau, group manager at Datassential.

Sales at Potbelly stores open at least a year had been up 2.5% during the first 10 weeks of the year, the Chicago-based company said in an update on its business amid the pandemic last month. That put Potbelly on pace for its first quarter of same-store sales growth in more than three years. Instead, it recently withdrew its financial guidance for the year.

Potbelly has made changes to the menu and look of its stores, but sandwich-centric chains have been struggling, said Joe Pawlak, managing principal at Chicago-based industry research firm Technomic.

"It's hard for them to differentiate themselves," Pawlak

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"If essential workers stop working, so does the rest of the nation. I think there will be more pressure on companies to treat them with more respect. ... They are genuinely the heroes of the pandemic."

—Michael Oswald, associate law professor at Northern Illinois University



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Concerned about coronavirus, workers at an Amazon delivery station in Chicago stage a "safety strike" April 3.

DEMANDING PROTECTIONS

Pandemic could lead to lasting gains in benefits, safety measures

BY ALEXIA ELEJALDE-RUIZ AND LAUREN ZUMBACH

Businesses operating through the coronavirus pandemic are rolling out new safety measures as COVID-19 cases proliferate inside and out of their workplaces.

Masks are being distributed. Temperatures are being checked. Sneeze guards are being installed at checkout.

But some workers at businesses deemed essential, like grocery stores, fast-food restaurants, factories, warehouses and delivery services, say the steps being taken, which started with extra cleaning, aren't enough.

Some concerned workers have walked off the job after their colleagues became ill. Employers have searched for protective equipment as federal guidelines have changed. And companies have had to respond to customers' worries about the health of the store clerk, the delivery driver and the restaurant cook.

Experts say the pandemic could lead to lasting gains in employee benefits and safety protections. It also could embolden union organizing efforts and drive greater support for nationwide paid sick leave. Already, one hurdle has been cleared: The public is more aware than ever that low-wage workers are the backbone of the economy.

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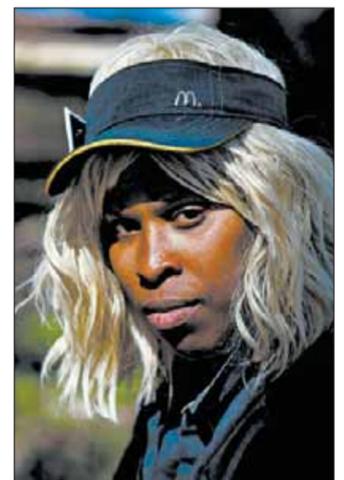
does the rest of the nation," said Michael Oswald, associate law professor at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb. "I think there will be more pressure on companies to treat them with more respect. ...

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Escalating safety measures

Many grocery and retail chains have pledged to not penalize employees for missing work and pay those diagnosed with the virus or told to quarantine, to encourage workers to stay home if they were ill. As customers crowded stores to

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TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Teshia Townsend works as a cashier in the drive-thru of a South Side McDonald's and has continued working through the pandemic.

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Businesses feel cost effects of coronavirus outbreak

Health care to safety equipment, financial toll looms

BY ABDEL JIMENEZ

Companies large and small are trying to understand how much of a financial toll the COVID-19 health crisis will take as staffing, operational disruptions, health care costs and worker safety provisions loom large for them.

With revenues falling, the biggest challenge many companies face is continuing to pay their workers.

Kweilin Ellingrud, a senior partner for consulting firm McKinsey & Company, co-authored a report published this month that found up to one third of U.S. jobs are vulnerable to layoffs,

furloughs or reduced hours. The workers most vulnerable are in low-income positions in the food service, retail, customer service and the sales industry, the report found.

"For some (businesses), expenses have gone down a great deal, but typically not as much as revenues have fallen, unfortunately. This hurts profitability and, beyond a certain point, is not sustainable, particularly for small businesses that have a smaller buffer," Ellingrud said.

For essential businesses that remain open during states' stay-at-home orders, another big challenge is mitigating medical costs. Grocers have put up plexiglass dividers between cashiers and customers, and at call centers and distribu-

tion facilities, employers have staggered shifts to minimize the spread of the virus.

Once the economy starts up again, companies will continue those safety measures to protect workers, Ellingrud said.

But many of those steps come at a cost.

"Most small businesses, even medium businesses, don't have very much cash flow. The median business has 27 days of cash on hand and beyond that they would be struggling to pay debts and employees. Challenge No. 1 is how do businesses survive," Ellingrud said.

Some firms are turning to models to project the impact of COVID-19 on their organizations.

Aon, a global insurance and risk management giant,

built a platform that shows infection rates and health care costs a company could face in its own workforce.

Aon's model relies on three key pieces of information: geographic data incorporating age, sex and location of those with the disease; the number of COVID-19 cases reported by states and the federal government; and the length of states' stay-at-home orders.

Using that data, it estimates the number of employees with COVID-19 within a company, their outcomes, and medical costs associated with their testing and treatment.

"Many employers are asking not only what is the impact today or 30 days from now, but how do I plan a year from now?" said Tim Nimmer, global chief act-

ary at Aon.

Since early March, businesses have responded to the pandemic by directing employees to work from home, providing personal protective equipment, extending paid time-off policies and making other changes.

But even with millions of Americans hunkered down at home, the effects of the virus will likely spread because some individuals will unknowingly infect others before realizing they have the disease. And those who test positive for COVID-19 have different recovery times.

"The employer starts to ask themselves 'When do I go back? What locations would be safe to send my employees back to work? Which branches do I open

first?" Nimmer said.

Nimmer said dozens of clients in sectors like telecommunications, insurance, banking, retail, and technology have used Aon's model.

Once states lift their stay-at-home orders, some workers may be afraid to return to work or will need additional assistance like child care, said Carol Sladek, strategic advisory partner for workforce and communication at Aon.

"They are considering the impacts on benefits and paid family care benefits. ... There is a lot to consider when bringing folks back to the workplace. What is that new normal going to look like?" Sladek said.

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stock up before Illinois' stay-at-home order took effect March 21, several employers announced temporary raises or bonuses. Since then, some companies have taken additional steps to protect workers, like providing masks, installing sneeze guards and limiting the number of shoppers in stores.

But some employees say the efforts have failed to protect them. Walmart is facing a wrongful death lawsuit from the family of one of two employees at an Evergreen Park store who died of COVID-19.

Ieshia Townsend, a drive-thru cashier at a McDonald's franchise in the South Chicago neighborhood, said she's scared to handle cash. She borrowed a box of latex gloves from her cousin two weeks ago when the company wouldn't provide them.

McDonald's recently announced it is sending masks to restaurants, starting with hot zones in New York, Seattle and San Francisco, and it is now allowing workers to wear gloves if they wish, after previously advising against it because government guidelines said hand-washing is better. But Townsend, 33, said she is skeptical the company will follow through.

"I don't feel safe going to work," she said.

McDonald's workers in California filed complaints with the state's Division of Occupational Safety and Health and held protests — driving through the parking lot and honking from cars, to maintain social distancing — after some employees tested positive. They say they want quarantine leave, more safety gear and hazard pay.

At Jewel-Osco, Chicago-area pharmacists complained of insufficient staffing and personal protective equipment, and some said they were told to remove masks when interacting with the public. Teamsters Local 727 filed a grievance against Osco Drug demanding it do more to reduce the risk of virus exposure. The company later installed barriers at pharmacy counters, improved communication and instituted bonus pay.

Albertson's, parent company of Jewel-Osco, recently joined the United Food and Commercial Workers International Union to push for supermarket employees to be designated as emergency personnel so they can get easier access to testing and protective equipment.

Employers have varied in their approaches to workplace safety absent clear rules from the government. The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention said Wednesday that critical workers who may have been exposed to the virus but show no symptoms can return to work, provided they wear a mask and monitor their temperature. The federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration also issued new guidance encouraging retail employers to allow workers to wear masks.

Walmart, Amazon, CVS, Walgreens, Lowe's and marijuana company Cresco Labs say they're distributing masks, with Starbucks making them mandatory.



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Shoppers engage in social distancing as marked on windows while waiting to enter Trader Joe's on April 1 in Lincoln Park.



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

A sneeze guard separates a cashier and a customer as they engage in a transaction at a Jewel-Osco store in Chicago's Roscoe Village neighborhood on March 25.

But some said tight supplies have delayed their efforts.

Cresco's mask order got held up at customs for 10 days, and in the meantime, many dispensary employees have been wearing their own, said spokesman Jason Erkes. Trader Joe's asked the company that makes workers' shirts to produce masks and expects them soon, said spokeswoman Kenya Friend-Daniel.

Other changes continue to unfold in stores. Walmart, Target and Trader Joe's are capping the number of shoppers in stores at one time. Walmart and Aldi have made aisles one-way. Menards has barred kids under 16 and pets.

Meanwhile, Amazon, McDonald's, Walmart, and Home Depot are trying to spot ill employees earlier with temperature checks.

Companies can't normally demand temperature checks, but the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission has said that COVID-19 is a significant enough threat to workers' safety that such checks are permitted, said Lauren Novak, a partner in the labor and employment practice at Chicago-based Schiff Hardin.

What's unusual is seeing employees push for precautions like temperature checks, she said.

"Typically, you don't find employees requesting measures that might prevent them from coming to work. Here you have employees who want to come to work in a safe environment, so they're asking for these measures," she said.

People in the market for a new job are also asking about safety as essential

businesses scramble to fill positions.

Skills for Chicagoland's Future, which helps companies recruit the unemployed and underemployed, has been explaining to job candidates the increased safety measures and incentives implemented since the start of the pandemic, said President and CEO Marie Trzuppek Lynch.

She encourages those who are open to working to ask about protections and seize the openings. As of the end of March, 55% of employers who hire through Skills have frozen hiring or started layoffs.

"Once the shelter-in-place lifts, we're going to have a wave of unemployment unlike anything we've seen," Trzuppek Lynch said. "Get out and get a job now."

A Wall Street Journal survey of economists found the unemployment rate is expected to hit 13% in June, though the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis estimated it could go as high as 32%.

Paid sick leave, unionizing

Most employers have made clear that the temporary pay increases, bonuses and extra paid time off they're offering now will end once the health crisis passes. But some companies have said they plan to keep expanded paid sick leave around once the pandemic ends.

Darden Restaurants, the operator of chains like Olive Garden, LongHorn Steakhouse and The Capital Grille, said it accelerated existing plans to give all hourly employees paid sick leave.

"Many business leaders tell us that the COVID-19 pandemic illustrates in stark relief the dismal preparation efforts on the part of key governmental bodies," Weiss said. "As a result, the chatter in some C-suites concerns how it may increasingly fall on corporate America to spur or proactively anchor initiatives that protect workers and others in the future."

He also expects COVID-19 to spur unionizing efforts. Though most union growth has taken place during times of economic expansion and strong corporate profits, "seismic events" — such as the deadly 1911 Triangle Shirtwaist fire or the advent of the Great Depression — can hasten the process, Weiss said.

"In that regard, COVID-19 may well represent the seismic event of this generation," he said.

Workers in many industries already have found their voice in recent weeks.

A group of workers at an Amazon delivery station in the Pilsen area held four "safety strikes" outside the workplace after an employee was diagnosed with COVID-19.

The third, on April 3, drew about 30 people and was held not long after employees received messages from Amazon notifying them of a second case, said Ted Miin, 34, of Chicago's West Englewood neighborhood.

Amazon said fewer than 5% of the Chicago delivery station's 600 employees took part in demonstrations, and that it has made more than 150 changes to its processes around health and safety.

"We have taken extreme measures to keep people safe, tripling down on deep cleaning, procuring safety supplies that are available and changing processes to ensure those in our buildings are keeping safe distances. The truth is, the vast majority of employees continue to show up and do the heroic work of delivering for customers every day," spokesman Timothy Carter said in an email.

Miin said the group of employees who want to see more protections is larger, but some can't afford to forgo pay. He has seen extra cleanings but worries they're "superficial" and though the company has encouraged employees to keep their distance and placed cardboard sheets between some workstations, the warehouse wasn't designed for social

distancing, he said.

"With over 1,000 sites around the world, and so many measures and precautions rapidly rolled out over the past several weeks, there may be instances where we don't get it perfect, but I can assure you that's just what they'll be — exceptions," Dave Clark, senior vice president of worldwide operations at Amazon, said in a company blog post.

Julia Garcia, a line operator at Raymundo Food Group in Bedford Park, is part of a group of factory workers that has refused to go into work for 14 days after learning last Thursday that a colleague tested positive for COVID-19. They submitted a petition demanding workers be paid while they self-quarantine.

The company, which makes desserts mostly for Mexican restaurants, said it closed the factory last weekend to have it professionally deep cleaned. But it hasn't imposed any distancing or other safety measures at the facility, where many work elbow-to-elbow, said Garcia, 38.

"It is not just about us," said Garcia, who lives in Cicero with her two daughters, ages 15 and 12. "It is about our families."

Raymundo's, in a statement, said employees may stay home if they feel unwell or unsafe, and workers can contact human resources to see if they qualify for paid sick leave under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act, which provides for two weeks of paid sick time for certain COVID-19 related situations that will be reimbursed to employers in tax credits.

The company, which employs about 245 people at the Bedford Park facility, has hired temp workers to keep the facility running, it said.

Other companies have closed under pressure from employees and politicians. West Chicago-based Jel Sert, which makes powdered drinks and freezer treats, shuttered its manufacturing division through April 13 after six employees tested positive for COVID-19 and others self-quarantined.

The seriousness of the health risks has spurred some workers to stand up to their employers for the first time, said Jorge Mujica, strategic campaigns organizer at the worker center Arise Chicago. While Arise has been helping the Raymundo's plant workers organize for the past year, Mujica said he has gotten new requests from employees at supermarkets, restaurants, warehouses and manufacturing plants for help organizing walkouts or other protests amid the pandemic.

"This is going to be a big, big moment for organizing and for workers taking action," Mujica said.

Tom Balanoff, president of SEIU Local 1, which represents 50,000 janitors, airport workers, seasonal ballpark workers and others in the Midwest, said the crisis' impact on unionization depends on the state of the economy. Workers who face a double-digit unemployment rate may be less willing to raise a fuss, he said.

"We think that society is going to come out of this into a confusing, hostile economy," he said.

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said. "I think consumers think, 'a sandwich is a sandwich.'"

The shift to working from home during the pandemic doesn't help lunch-focused restaurants like Potbelly. But quick-service and fast-casual restaurants, many of which have been investing in online ordering and delivery options, likely will better adapt to takeout-only business than sit-down restaurants that emphasize high-end service, Brandau said.

Quick-service and fast-casual restaurants surveyed by Datassential between March 25 and 27 said business had declined 42% and 51%, respectively, since the pandemic began. Fine dining restaurants said business plummeted 82%.

Potbelly began offering delivery with DoorDash and Grubhub last year and installed racks for pickup orders in shops. Its off-premise and online business, including catering, delivery and pickup orders, accounted for 24.4% of sales in the fourth quarter of 2019, Potbelly CEO Alan Johnson said last month.

"Investments in this channel have proven timely, as they helped build a flexible platform that is allowing us to adjust and react quickly to meet customer needs," he said.

Auto insurers issuing \$10.5B in refunds

Move comes with fewer cars on road during pandemic

BY ABDEL JIMENEZ

With highways and roads abandoned as motorists stay home during the COVID-19 health crisis, the nation's biggest auto insurers are offering policyholders \$10.5 billion in credits and reduced premiums, according to the Insurance Information Institute.

Fewer cars on the road typically means fewer accident claims. According to Arity, a data and analytics firm owned by Allstate, the total number of miles driven nationwide since March 8 is down by more than half.

Here is what auto insurers said they are offering:

State Farm, a mutual insurer owned by its policyholders, will give customers a \$2 billion rebate. Most policyholders will get a 25% credit for the weeks between March 30 and May 31, the Bloomington-based insurer said. State Farm said the percentage awarded will vary by state.

Geico will give back about \$2.5 billion to its auto and motorcycle customers. The company will issue a 15%



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With highways and roads abandoned as motorists stay home during the COVID-19 health crisis, the nation's biggest auto insurers are giving refunds to policyholders.

credit as those policies come up for renewal between April 8 and Oct. 7. The credit also applies to new policies purchased with Geico during that time period.

Progressive Insurance will offer its personal auto policyholders a 20% credit for their April and May premiums, totaling about \$1 billion. Customers can expect those credits to be automatically applied to their accounts in May and June.

Allstate will return about \$600 million to its customers, which most policyholders will get back in the form of a roughly 15% credit on their premiums in April and May. Customers will receive the rebate through a credit to their bank account, credit card or on their Allstate account.

USAA, a member-owned association will return \$520 million to its members. Policyholders will receive a 20% credit on two

months worth of premiums.

Liberty Mutual will return about \$250 million to personal auto insurance customers in the form of a 15% refund on two months of their annual premiums. The refunds will begin in April.

American Family Insurance will return about \$200 million to policyholders. The insurer will return \$50 for each vehicle insured.

The Hartford, which has an exclusive agreement with AARP to sell auto and home insurance products to its members, will give back about \$50 million to auto customers in the next couple of months. Most customers will receive a 15% refund on their April and May premiums.

Farmers Insurance and its 21st Century Insurance said customers will receive a 25% reduction in April premiums.

Nationwide will offer a one-time premium refund of \$50 for each insured vehicle. Customers will receive a refund in the next 30 days to their most recent method of payment.

Travelers will give its auto insurance customers a 15% credit on their April and May premiums.

The Hanover Insurance Group will return 15% of April and May auto premiums to customers, totaling about \$30 million in refunds.

MetLife will give its customers a 15% credit for April and May premiums.

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Commodity	Change	Price
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Silver	+1.56	\$16.00
Crude Oil	-5.58	\$22.76
Natural Gas	+.11	\$1.73
10-year T-note	+14	72%
Euro	-0.0095	to 9155/\$1
Yen	+22	to 108.48/\$1

52-WEEK		INDEX	WEEKLY PERFORMANCE		YTD %CHG	1YR %CHG		
HIGH	LOW		HIGH	LOW				
29568.57	18213.65	Dow Jones industrials	24008.99	21693.63	23719.37	+2666.84 +12.7	-16.9	-9.3
11359.49	6481.20	Dow Jones trans.	8425.45	7569.12	8236.92	+931.61 +12.8	-24.4	-23.6
963.80	593.52	Dow Jones utilities	837.96	731.81	827.83	+121.82 +17.3	-5.8	+6.5
14183.26	8664.94	NYSE Comp.	11272.48	10233.04	11136.61	+1255.98 +12.7	-20.0	-13.6
5914.74	3757.07	NYSE International	4620.81	4369.02	4577.74	+333.35 +7.9	-21.5	-16.7
9736.57	6771.91	Nasdaq 100	8334.23	7763.09	8238.53	+710.41 +9.4	-5.7	+8.5
9838.37	6631.42	Nasdaq Comp.	8227.91	7617.79	8153.58	+780.49 +10.6	-9.1	+2.6
3393.52	2191.86	S&P 500	2818.57	2574.57	2789.82	+301.17 +12.1	-13.7	-3.4
2109.43	1181.96	S&P MidCap	1609.15	1397.84	1586.37	+248.42 +18.6	-23.1	-18.7
34616.78	21955.54	Wilshire 5000	28217.95	25607.46	27938.93	+3202.67 +13.0	-15.1	-6.5
1715.08	966.22	Russell 2000	1250.13	1085.88	1246.73	+194.67 +18.5	-25.3	-21.1
433.90	268.57	Dow Jones Stoxx 600	332.89	312.42	331.80	+22.74 +7.4	-20.2	-14.2
7727.49	4898.79	FTSE 100	5842.66	5415.50	5842.66	+427.16 +7.9	-22.5	-21.2

Most active

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
Carnival Corp	12.42	+3.93
Ford Motor	5.37	+1.13
Chesapeake Energy	.17	-0.00
Gen Electric	7.14	+4.1
Bank of America	24.86	+4.83
MFA Financial	1.98	+4.89
Delta Air Lines	24.39	+1.91
Marathon Oil	4.12	+4.7
Occident Pet	15.36	+2.36
Energy Transfer L.P.	5.81	+3.4
AT&T Inc	30.73	+3.79
Apache Corp	8.20	+2.82
Boeing Co	151.84	+27.32

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
American Airlines Gp	12.51	+3.12
TOP Ships Inc	.29	+4.10
Adv Micro Dev	48.38	+5.79
Microsoft Corp	165.14	+11.31
Moleculin Biotech	1.13	+5.6
Apple Inc	267.99	+26.58
Taronis Technologies	.12	-0.04
Seanergy Maritime	.14	+0.00
ToughBuilt Inc	.17	+0.01
United Airlines Hldg	31.50	+8.62
Intel Corp	57.14	+3.01
Micron Tech	46.13	+4.91
NY Mortgage Trust	2.24	+1.16

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
Alps Alerian MLP	3.86	+2.9
Direx S&P500Bear 3x	11.93	-5.62
iShs Emerg Mkts	35.35	+2.22
iShs iBoxx HY CpbD	82.36	+8.81
iShares Rus 2000	123.72	+19.10
Invesco QQQ Trust	200.86	+17.49
ProShares UltraPro QQQ	54.67	+12.25
ProShares Ultra Core	2.02	-94
ProShares UltraShort QQQ	15.75	-5.71
SPDR S&P500 ETF Tr	278.20	+30.01
SPDR Energy	33.91	+4.08
SPDR Financial	23.38	+3.74
US Oil Fund LP	4.98	-92

Largest Companies

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
AT&T Inc	30.73	+3.79
Abbott Labs	86.04	+6.59
Adobe Inc	318.70	+25.09
Alibaba Group Hldg	196.37	+9.26
Alphabet Inc C	1211.45	+113.57
Alphabet Inc A	1206.57	+113.87
Amazon.com Inc	2042.76	+136.17
Apple Inc	267.99	+26.58
Bank of America	24.86	+4.83
Berkshire Hath A	290500.00	+22546.00
Berkshire Hath B	193.84	+15.50
Chevron Corp	84.31	+9.20
China Mobile Ltd	39.28	+1.7
Cisco Syst	41.20	+2.14
CocaCola Co	49.00	+5.17
Comcast Corp A	38.00	+4.05
Disney	104.50	+10.62
Eli Lilly	145.73	+6.07
Exxon Mobil Corp	43.13	+3.92
Facebook Inc	175.19	+21.01
HSBC Holdings prA	25.40	+1.06
Home Depot	201.53	+22.83
Intel Corp	57.14	+3.01
JPMorgan Chase	102.76	+18.71
Johnson & Johnson	141.23	+7.06
MasterCard Inc	269.40	+32.77
McDonalds Corp	183.70	+23.37
Merck & Co	82.49	+6.24
Microsoft Corp	165.14	+11.31
Netflix Inc	370.72	+48.96
Novartis AG	84.85	+1.21
Novo Nordisk AS	60.00	+1.6
Nvidia Corporation	262.95	+19.04
Oracle Corp	53.18	+4.02
PepsiCo	133.63	+9.04
Pfizer Inc	35.39	+1.75
Procter & Gamble	114.66	+4.10
Royal Dutch Shell B	36.55	-2.2
Royal Dutch Shell A	37.91	+1.67
SAP Se	121.41	+16.22
Salesforce.com Inc	154.55	+20.24
Taiwan Semicon	48.33	+1.27
Toyota Mot	123.41	+8.41
UnitedHealth Group	264.13	+34.64
Verizon Comm	57.44	+3.36
Visa Inc	173.69	+21.84
Walmart Sts	121.80	+2.32

How the region's Top 100 companies fared

Ranks based on market capitalization of public companies headquartered in Illinois and north-west Indiana as of Thursday, April 9, 2020

RANK/COMPANY	CAP	CLOSE	WEEK	1-YR
1 Abbott Labs	151,725	86.04	▲ +6.59	+9.9
2 McDonalds Corp	136,938	183.70	▲ +23.37	+4.0
3 AbbVie Inc	117,764	79.75	▲ +6.38	-1.2
4 Boeing Co	85,508	151.84	▲ +27.32	-58.6
5 Mondelez Intl	75,000	52.34	▲ +1.55	+6.6
6 Caterpillar Inc	68,776	125.03	▲ +10.36	-6.1
7 CME Group	68,167	190.16	▲ +16.42	+8.2
8 DEW	50,574	159.28	▲ +18.87	+5.9
9 Itire Co	45,710	145.75	▲ +10.23	-9.2
10 Baxter Intl	44,076	86.89	▲ +5.47	+7.2
11 Walgreen Boots Alli	38,580	43.98	▲ +3.26	-18.5
12 Exelon Corp	38,129	39.15	▲ +6.40	-21.3
13 Kraft Heinz Co	34,343	28.11	▲ +2.79	-12.9
14 Allstate Corp	31,799	100.34	▲ +14.38	+4.7
15 Motorola Solutions	26,228	152.89	▲ +26.27	+6.8
16 Equity Residential	25,822	69.42	▲ +15.16	-10.6
17 Arch Dan Mid	20,939	37.58	▲ +2.93	-12.1
18 Nthn Trust Cp	17,764	84.89	▲ +7.86	-8.8
19 Gallagher AJ	16,465	86.84	▲ +10.58	+11.3
20 ConAgra Brands Inc	15,510	32.46	▲ +1.25	+13.6
21 CDW Corp	15,170	106.26	▲ +19.37	+1.6
22 Grainger WW	15,021	279.87	▲ +41.11	-12.3
23 TransUnion	13,567	71.49	▲ +12.44	+2.4
24 Dover Corp	12,882	89.41	▲ +12.05	-5.3
25 Ventas Inc	12,602	33.80	▲ +11.28	-46.4
26 Discover Fin Svcs	12,089	39.21	▲ +10.68	-48.0
27 IDEXX Inc	11,551	151.52	▲ +13.01	-2.8
28 Equity Lifesty Prop	11,505	63.17	▲ +10.80	+6.1
29 Ulta Salon Cosmetics	11,401	202.48	▲ +45.74	-43.4
30 Zebra Tech	10,867	201.22	▲ +23.14	-11.2
31 CBOE Global Markets	10,316	93.42	▲ +3.80	+1.6
32 NiSource Inc	10,160	26.58	▲ +4.09	-6.2
33 CNA Financial	9,151	33.74	▲ +6.10	-17.9
34 Packaging Corp Am	8,580	90.46	▲ +9.95	-10.5
35 United Airlines Hldg	7,810	31.50	▲ +8.62	-67.5
36 Hill-Rom Hldgs	7,444	111.13	▲ +6.13	+7.5
37 Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	7,101	50.83	▲ +15.41	-4.1
38 LUKA Corporation	6,920	22.53	▲ +5.18	-27.6
39 Aptargroup Inc	6,871	107.27	▲ +13.08	-3.2
40 CF Industries	6,703	31.01	▲ +5.24	-28.7
41 Jones Lang LaSalle	5,949	115.87	▲ +28.92	-27.6
42 Ingredion Inc	5,491	82.10	▲ +5.89	-12.5
43 Paylocity Hldg	5,415	101.01	▲ +26.99	+9.9
44 Hyatt Hotels Corp	5,370	53.16	▲ +13.24	-32.2
45 Morningstar Inc	5,332	124.15	▲ +13.55	-2.9
46 Old Republic	5,185	17.06	▲ +3.05	-13.8
47 Kemper Corp	4,866	72.99	▲ +7.69	-12.2
48 First Indl RT	4,674	36.75	▲ +6.02	-1.2
49 Stericycle Inc	4,629	50.72	▲ +8.04	-16.6
50 CDK Global Inc	4,371	35.98	▲ +5.95	-38.7
51 IAA Inc	4,285	32.00	▲ +7.00	-0.0
52 GrubHub Inc	4,141	45.09	▲ +10.82	-39.0
53 US Foods Holding	4,077	18.54	▲ +4.48	-48.6
54 Equity CommonwHd	3,993	32.73	▲ +4.2	+10.0
55 RLI Corp	3,938	87.67	▲ +4.57	+21.1
56 Cabot Microelect	3,543	121.25	▲ +21.08	+3
57 Littelfuse Inc	3,372	138.05	▲ +8.65	-28.7
58 Middleby Corp	3,263	58.08	▲ +9.37	-59.2
59 Brunswick Corp	3,038	38.24	▲ +11.53	-32.6
60 Anixter Intl	3,038	89.81	▲ +1.87	+45.5
61 Evnestnet Inc	3,023	57.16	▲ +10.09	-17.3
62 John Bean Technol	2,770	87.48	▲ +22.52	-17.4
63 TreeHouse Foods	2,476	44.02	▼ -7.9	-31.0
64 Wintrust Financial	2,286	39.86	▲ +8.73	-46.8
65 Stepan Co	2,178	96.73	▲ +6.67	+7.3
66 GATX	2,152	61.67	▲ +6.19	-14.5
67 Teleph Data	1,950	18.14	▲ +1.52	-41.4
68 Navistar Intl	1,907	19.22	▲ +3.92	-41.4
69 Federal Signal	1,763	29.05	▲ +4.27	-51.9
70 US Cellular	1,653	31.12	▲ +3.54	-34.9
71 Fst Midw Bcp	1,618	14.76	▲ +2.20	-32.8
72 Hub Group Inc	1,609	48.38	▲ +4.83	+11.8
73 Horace Mann	1,495	36.22	▲ +4.92	-6.7
74 Adtalem Global Educ	1,461	26.54	▲ +2.97	-45.3
75 Tootsie Roll	1,457	37.57	▲ +8.3	+1.6
76 Knowles Corp	1,376	14.90	▲ +2.04	-18.0
77 Addus HomeCare	1,272	81.76	▲ +10.23	-22.1
78 Huron Consulting Gp	1,179	51.62	▲ +9.18	-1
79 Retail Prop Amer	1,175	5.49	▲ +8.7	-51.4
80 Allscripts Hlthcare	1,175	7.26	▲ +1.10	-30.3
81 Methode Electronics	1,066	28.75	▲ +3.77	-10.2
82 First Busey Corp	1,044	19.20	▲ +3.84	-31.1
83 Coeur Mining	1,008	4.14	▲ +1.02	-19.9
84 Sanfilippo John	742	84.22	▼ -0.1	+22.4
85 AAR Corp	697	19.88	▲ +4.96	-44.4
86 OneSpan Inc	627	15.59	▼ -1.08	-8.4
87 Aco Brands Corp	590	6.11	▲ +1.48	-30.5
88 ANI Pharma	571	47.21	▲ +8.99	-36.8
89 Great Lakes Dredge	565	8.75	▲ +9.9	-12.5
90 SP Plus Corp	517	22.51	▲ +5.05	-37.9
91 Groupson Inc	506	.89	▲ +1.7	-74.7
92 Enova Intl Inc	499	15.85	▲ +4.50	-36.7
93 Echo Global Logis	499	18.62	▲ +2.59	-28.3
94 QCR Holdings Inc	474	29.93	▲ +6.98	-21.3
95 Fst Mid Bancshares	452	27.10	▲ +5.58	-21.4
96 Heidrick & Struggles	447	23.36	▲ +2.69	-42.8
97 MYR Group	430	25.82	▲ +3.18	-32.9
98 Heritage-Crystal Clin	415	17.35	▲ +2.33	-34.9
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CASE NO: (2020CONC000447) HEARING DATE: (8th day of June, 2020 at 2:00 p.m., at 50 W Washington St, Chicago, IL 60602, Cook County, in Courtroom #1704) I/W/E, ROBERT JOSEPH DE BOCK, request the entry of an order by this Honorable Court in compliance with the provisions of 735 ILCS 5/21 - 101 et. seq. for a change of name and in support of this petition and under penalties of perjury as provided by Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure (735 ILCS 5/1-109) state:

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1. My year of birth is: September 12, 1954
2. My place of birth was: Chicago, Cook, Illinois, United States
3. My current residence address is: 3751 N PULASKI RD, Chicago, IL 60641
4. I will have published notice of my intention to apply to this court for a change of name. A copy of that notice will be filed with the Clerk of Court.
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6. I have not been convicted of identity theft.
7. I have not been convicted of aggravated identity theft.
8. I have not been convicted or placed on probation for a felony or misdemeanor in the State of Illinois or any other state.
9. I request the Court change my name to: ROBERT JOSEPH DEBOCK

D. SIGNATURE Under penalties of perjury as provided in Section 1-109 of the Code of Civil Procedure (735 ILCS 5/1-109) I certify that I have read the Petition for Change of Name filed by ROBERT JOSEPH DE BOCK and state all of the facts contained therein are true.

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Things you can do during COVID-19 lockdown to improve your employment prospects

The COVID-19 shutdown is affecting workers across the country differently but there is one common thread running through our various work-related experiences. What do we do next? At some point, the pandemic — and its economic implications — will subside. What can workers do to prepare for that day?

1. Keep learning: “To remain marketable throughout their working lives, workers need to become lifelong learners, returning to education as they upskill and change careers,” says Scott Pulsipher, president of Western Governors University in Salt Lake City, Utah. “The shelf life of today’s ‘hard’ or technical skills is only two to seven years, so many individuals are finding themselves in need of up-skilling or re-skilling in their early 30s.”

Take advantage of your extra isolated time and take online courses, gain credentials and certifications and continue improving your craft.

2. Offer solutions: Want to increase your opportunities once the pandemic passes? Then help your employer find new ways to overcome current economic struggles. “Workers can prepare for tomorrow’s changes by helping their organizations lead after the pandemic by identifying ways to shore up their companies while identifying new ways to serve customers,” says Carlos Castelán, managing director of The Navio Group in Minneapolis, Minnesota. “Workers that adapt to the moment and proactively identify how to serve customers will be well-suited for whatever happens after the pandemic subsides.”

3. Collect your benefits: If you’ve been laid off, apply for unemployment immediately to collect your money. While some providers of goods and services are offering lenient and flexible repayment terms until people begin returning to their jobs, there’s no guarantee those terms will last forever. And “loan forgiveness” hasn’t been part of the conversation, so if you’re eligible for unemployment, be sure to collect it. As the economy rebounds, you want to put yourself in a strong position to make a career move, not a decision made out of desperation just because you need the money.

4. Research what’s next: “Focus on gaining the skills that will be valuable when the economy starts rolling again. That is going to differ depending on the field you’re in, but online learning is probably going to be the way to go, whether you are looking to gain skills that will be needed in your industry or if you are looking to transition into another field,” says Matt Sigelman, CEO, Burning Glass Technologies, Boston, Massachusetts. “Project management skills, for example, are going to come in handy whether you’re a hospitality worker affected by the downturn in travel, a construction worker whose project has been suspended, or a manufacturing worker whose plant is idle. Another way to track this is to look at job postings from leading-edge companies in your field: what skills have they been seeking as they hire? That’s a good indication of skills that will give you a competitive edge in regaining employment and moving up.”

Erica Groshen, a senior faculty member at Cornell University’s School of Industrial and Labor Relations in Ithaca, New York, agrees. “[Those still working] while on the job, should take every opportunity to acquire new skills through training and work experience,” she says.

5. Gear up: Anyone currently working from home should make sure they’re ready for another potential shutdown by improving their remote situation. “Once this pandemic subsides, they’ll already have the idea what to do when another crisis arises in the future,” says Kenny Trinh, CEO of NetBookNews, a resource for mobile computing. “Workers must invest in themselves and invest in reliable tools or infrastructure at home which they could use in any work-from-home scenario.”

6. Network now for later: Take advantage of the hours you’re currently spending in front of your computer to expand and improve your network. Target the companies you’d like to work for and then match up your contacts. It may be a good time to check in on some of your contacts to see how they’re doing and to offer any assistance. Don’t wait until you need a job to track down the people in your network.

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"By grouping your resume by skill set you can not only more easily de-emphasize your age and lack of experience, but usually will find that many of the work experiences you have had will fit into multiple skill categories, creating substance and length," she says. "Make sure to include internships, volunteer work, paid and unpaid short-term jobs. All count as part of your work experience and skill development."

Keep in mind that hiring managers are interested in what you can bring to the company so putting relevant experience under each skill group is an important step.

Additionally, be sure to include the results of your hard work. For example, how did your work help the organization in terms of productivity or revenue?

"By showing your potential employer that you understand that your work must be results-oriented, you can dramatically improve your chances of getting an interview because your resume will stand out in the crowd," Canning explains.

"Employers are looking for those who will help them focus on the results they need."

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Selling your attributes during phone interview

Phone interviewers appreciate meeting confident candidates who can effectively “sell” themselves as potentially great assets to the company. However, an interview can easily turn sour if confidence crosses the fine line of cockiness and employers become more turned off than turned on.

Here are a few tips from staffing professional Tina Chen on how to avoid being overconfident:

Explain how. Too often candidates are so eager to point out their positive attributes that it starts to sound like a self-promoting infomercial. Instead of just spewing what great qualities you have, explain how those qualities would contribute positively to the school or position.

Justify your bragging rights Give examples of accomplishments and scenarios where your skill sets have directly contributed to a school’s success. By pairing attributes with results you will appear more credible, and your self-promotion will hold more weight.

Be knowledgeable, but don’t be a know-it-all. Don’t undermine the positions, experience and accomplishments of the individuals in the room. You maybe great at what you do, but the interviewees have been with the school or school district much longer and will inevitably be more knowledgeable and more seasoned.

Serve yourself a slice of humble pie. Even though employers are looking for qualified candidates, often times they avoid bringing on individuals who are so set in their ways that they will be inflexible to adapt to the company culture and way of doing business. Be mindful that, though you may know you are a great candidate who will be an asset to the company, they have yet to see and work with you to determine that for themselves. In essence, you are starting from ground zero and will have to prove yourself over time. Don’t forget to be flexible to the new ways of the company.

Keep your audience in mind. Survey the room and gage the temperature. If you are too aggressive and the interviewers are starting to become turned off you may start to notice the following signs:

- Negative reactions to your comments.
- Disengaged body language.
- Defensiveness

Silence — is there conversation going on or are you the only person talking? If you sense the interview is starting to go downhill, shift the focus, give someone else the spotlight, stop self-promoting, turn on the humble-switch and start listening. Ask relevant questions about the company, the position, the attributes they are seeking in a candidate and humbly ask what you can do to be considered and how to be successful in the company.

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A bland, windowless environment may do more soul-crushing damage to your spirit than even the harshest corporate cubicle farm.



New at-home workers are clearing out clutter for clarity

If you're working from home in a room or corner to yourself, consider yourself lucky. But just because you're not stuck at the kitchen table doesn't mean your current space is bringing out your best. In fact, a bland, windowless environment may do more soul-crushing damage to your spirit than even the harshest corporate cubicle farm.

"Many companies have taken steps to create a vibrant workspace for their employees and as a result, we've come to expect something more than blank walls and being stuck at a desk in the corner," says Lisa White, a recently retired career consultant in San Jose, California. "I guess that's a credit to what companies have done the past 10 years or so. A welcoming workplace is a definite plus when companies are competing for top talent."

Today, though, the "welcoming workspace" depends on where you live. Maybe your home already has a traditional den that you'd use for work after dinner. Or maybe you have a bright and airy nook in your apartment's kitchen that's the perfect weekend setting for you, your laptop and your screenplay. Or maybe, you don't have a space at home that's conducive to working. Or maybe you do. But first, you'll have to clear out a few boxes.

'Serious misuse'

Patrick O'Brien, a 32-year-old accountant in Grand Rapids, Michigan, began his coronavirus-prompted work-from-home stint in "the worst possible place," he says. "My garage." O'Brien says he ran through his daily tasks on his laptop that he placed atop a workbench in his two-car garage. I have a standing desk at the office so that part was fine but between the temperature, the smell and being distracted by some projects I've been working on, I needed to move," he says. "And I'm swamped right now, so I need to work, work, work."

O'Brien decided to set up camp in a spare bedroom in his three-bedroom house, a room he'd been meaning to make a home office for his wife, a graphic designer, since they moved into the house in 2014. "Truth is, it's a room I've been trying to avoid for the last six years. And now, it came back to bite me in the butt," says O'Brien, acknowledging that his wife relished in the karmic nature of his situation. "The room's filled with boxes, newspapers, old stuff I still have from college and, I'm embarrassed to say this, a Soloflex from when I was in college, and a treadmill we bought three years ago. Both are covered with clothes. I mean, that's serious misuse."

O'Brien's wife, pregnant and on bed rest with their first child,

suggested a total purge. "She wanted to call one of those companies that haul your junk away, but I wasn't ready to do that," O'Brien says.

Instead, the father-to-be decided to call some friends to help him move his exercise equipment to the basement. They declined. "I guess I should have figured on that," he says. "They were like, 'you moron, you have a pregnant wife and you're inviting people to your house now? So I had to take the Soloflex and the treadmill apart and move them myself.'"

With his "probably-not-used-in-10-years" exercise equipment in the basement, O'Brien began clearing out the boxes in his future home office while his wife played judge and jury, deciding on what stayed and what had to go. "I'm going to say she gave a thumbs-down to 90 percent of what I showed her," he says. While he admits he was a little annoyed when he bagged up his favorite Detroit Red Wings sweatshirts and fraternity t-shirts, O'Brien says he soon saw an entire new world open up in front of him. "It was like 'whoa. We have a room here! It was like we moved into a new house," he says. "We fixed up our second bedroom for the baby in December and joked that if friends wanted to spend the night, we'd put them in a hammock over the pile of stuff in the third bedroom. Now we have room for a desk and a bed."

Room to grow

While O'Brien admits his new workspace is a little bare, he's content to have a clean, empty space to work, for now. "The baby is due in April so I'm not going to worry about it until later this summer," he says. "Between the coronavirus and having our first baby, we have enough to worry about."

Still, O'Brien says he wishes he left the treadmill in the room, since "it would be nice to get some exercise when I'm working," but for now, he and his wife are both fine with the treadmill's current location — a corner of the basement that used to be filled with boxes of what O'Brien refers to as "product" from a previous and ultimately unproductive side-hustle.

The unassembled treadmill may be gearing for a comeback soon, though. "My wife is counting on using it after the baby is born so I have to put it back together," he says. "But we both know the truth, which is we'll probably use that corner of the basement for toys or something for the baby as he gets older, so I'm pretty sure I'm just going to throw it out."

— Marco Buscaglia, *Careers*



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WHEN SPORTS STOOD STILL

Keeping an eye on the impact of the coronavirus crisis:

Rogers Cup gets canceled

The Rogers Cup women's tennis tournament will not be played this year due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Tennis Canada announced the event, scheduled for Aug. 7-16 in Montreal, is off the schedule.

Quebec's government announced Friday that no sporting events could be held through Aug. 31, though it left the door slightly open for pro teams.

"Our priority in the management of this crisis has always been to ensure the safety and well-being of our players, fans, volunteers, partners and employees," Montreal tournament director Eugene Lapierre said.

"It is thus with a heavy heart that we received this news, but we understand that this decision was necessary."

Tennis Canada says the women's event will return to Montreal in August 2021.

Bianca Andreescu won the 2019 Rogers Cup when Serena Williams retired in the first set with a back injury.

The women's and men's Rogers Cup traditionally rotate between Toronto and Montreal. As of Saturday, the men's event in Toronto in August was still on the schedule.

— Associated Press

THE QUOTE

"My first priority is and will always be the student-athletes and doing what is best for the program and the university."

— Oklahoma State football coach Mike Gundy apologizing for last week comparing coronavirus to the flu and saying his players would come in May 1



BRODY SCHMIDT/AP

THE NUMBER

40

Years ago today the U.S. Olympic Committee rubber-stamped President Jimmy Carter's first-of-its-kind decision to boycott the Olympics in Moscow. Carter had begun the push in late 1979, with the Soviet Union pressing a military campaign into Afghanistan. In his 2010 memoir, Carter called it "one of my most difficult decisions."



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



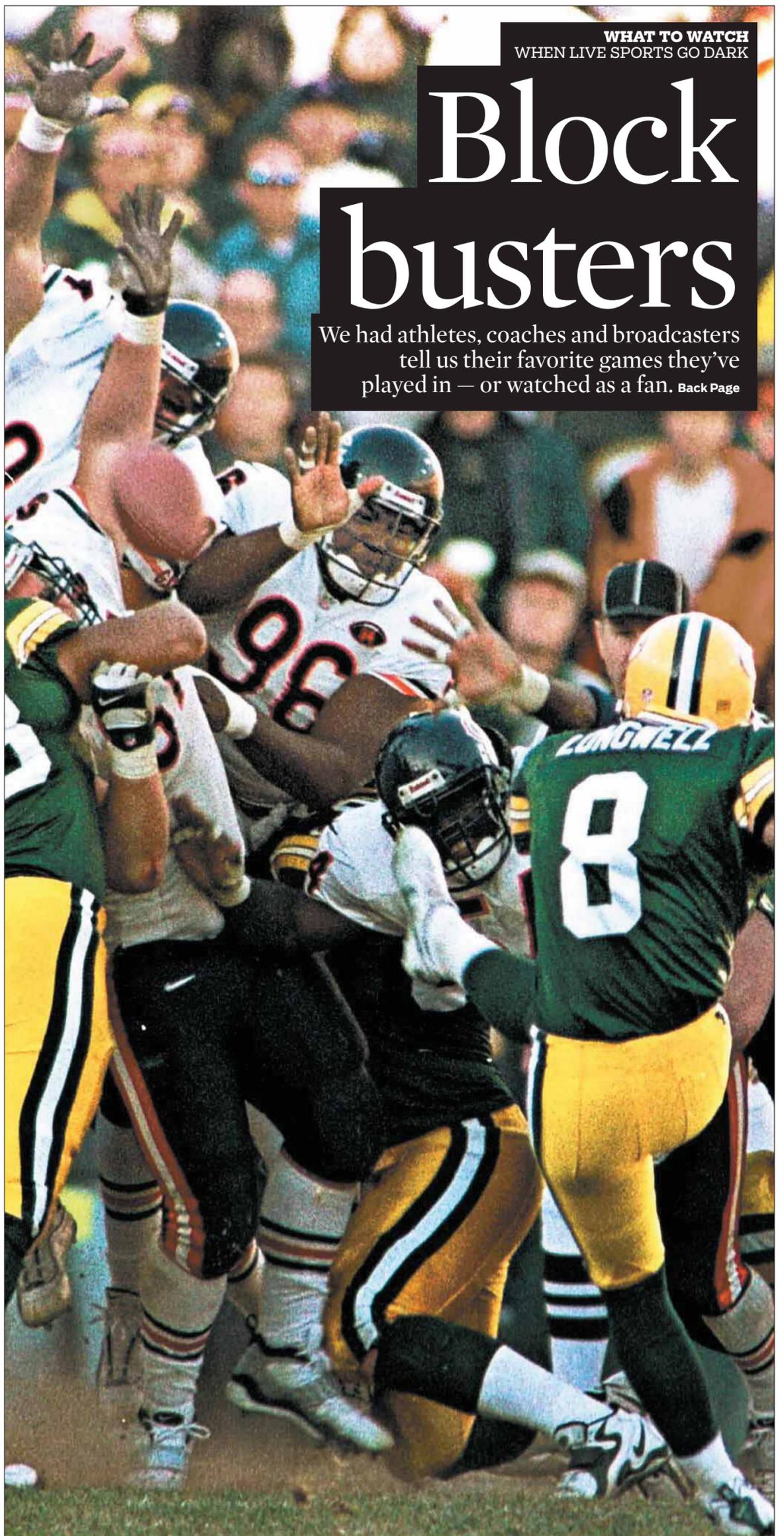
NFL
Draft set for April 23-25



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.



WHAT TO WATCH
WHEN LIVE SPORTS GO DARK

Block busters

We had athletes, coaches and broadcasters tell us their favorite games they've played in — or watched as a fan. [Back Page](#)

The Bears' Bryan Robinson blocks a field-goal attempt by Packers kicker Ryan Longwell to preserve a 14-13 victory at Lambeau Field on Nov. 7, 1999. AP PHOTO

MORE BEARS COVERAGE INSIDE

The highlight reel of Robert Quinn's 11½ sacks from last season should have Bears coaches doing fist pumps. The veteran pass rusher has a knack for turning the corner and finishing. He wins one-on-one battles consistently. [Page 5](#)



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Aerial views of empty N. Sheffield Ave at Wrigley Field in Chicago on March 23, which normally would be busy in spring.

Waiting on baseball gives us time to rethink relationship

Hall of Famer Rogers Hornsby uttered perhaps the greatest quote about baseball.

"People ask me what I do in winter when there's no baseball," Hornsby once said. "I'll tell you what I do. I stare out the window and wait for spring."

Spring has arrived, but most of us are still staring out our windows during the shutdown, waiting for the start of the baseball season.

Once in a while there's a glimmer of hope, like reports this week saying MLB is considering all 30 major-league teams playing games at ballparks in the Phoenix area — with no fans — beginning in May or June, or perhaps playing in both Arizona



PAUL SULLIVAN
In the Wake of the News

and Florida with a massive realignment of the leagues and divisions.

But even if either of those long-shot plans is approved, it couldn't replace the communal experience of sitting in the stands, watching a game with your family or friends or even by yourself. Before I was a reporter at the Tribune, I bought hundreds of tickets to Cubs and

White Sox games at Wrigley Field and old Comiskey Park and sat by myself in the bleachers. I always would find someone I knew because the ballpark was a gathering place, similar to a church or a local park or

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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:

Playing beyond his age

(APRIL 12, 2013)

This published when Tianlang Guan, a 14-year-old from China, made history as the youngest player to make the cut in a PGA Tour-sanctioned event. He made the cut under the 10-shot rule at the Masters.

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN
Chicago Tribune

Augusta, Ga. — Ben Crenshaw approached a friend at the 18th tee and warned that “an international incident” was coming. Tianlang Guan, the 14-year-old from China who is the youngest player in the history of the Masters, had been assessed a rare one-shot penalty for slow play on the 17th hole.

After spending at least 15 minutes pleading Guan's case to Masters officials after the round, Crenshaw said he felt “sick” about what had transpired.

“He had the most diabolical putt you can face (on No. 16) and made a brilliant two-putt,” said Crenshaw, 61, the two-time Masters champion. “Anybody would take time in order to hit that putt. That's No. 1. And No. 2, I think our group was warned maybe once that we were out of position, and that was on the front nine.

“This isn't gonna end up pretty, I don't think. I'm sick. I'm sick for him. He's 14 years old. When you get the wind blowing out here, believe me, you're going to change your mind a lot.”

Guan made 4 on No. 17 but that became a bogey-5. He made a terrific up-and-down front the front-left bunker on 18 to shoot a second-round 75, putting him at 4-over.

The 14-year-old made the cut on Friday, making him the youngest ever to do so at the Masters.

The last slow-play penalty at a major came at the 2004 PGA Championship, when Steve Lowery was given a one-shot penalty.

“I respect that decision,” Guan told CBS. “This is what they can do.”

When asked how he would feel about the Masters if he misses the cut by one stroke, Guan said: “Still a wonderful experience for me. I enjoyed this week and I think I did a pretty good job.”



MIKE EHRMANN/GETTY

Tianlang Guan walks up the 18th fairway during the second round of the Masters on April 12, 2013, at Augusta National Golf Club. Guan, a 14-year-old at the time, made the two-day cut at 4-over-par to become the youngest ever to complete the feat at the Masters.

OTHER APRIL 12 MOMENTS

1958: St. Louis' Bob Pettit scores a record 50 points as the Hawks beat the Celtics in six games for the NBA title.

1964: Arnold Palmer wins the Masters for the fourth time and comes within the course record by two strokes with a 274.

1987: Larry Mize hits a 48-foot chip shot to defeat Greg Norman on the second hole of sudden death at the Masters.

1997: Allen Iverson scores a career-high 50

points, for his fourth straight game with at least 40. Iverson breaks Wilt Chamberlain's rookie record of three consecutive 40-point games, set during the 1959-60 season.

2000: Karl Malone passes 2,000 points for the season during the Jazz's 102-93 victory over the Clippers. It's the 12th time in his 14-year career that Malone reaches the milestone — more than any player in NBA history.

2005: Smithtown (N.Y.) High School's

co-ed badminton team defeats Miller Place (N.Y.) High School 10-5 to end Miller Place's 504-match win streak, the longest sports winning streak in U.S. history.

2007: Kobe Bryant records his ninth 50-point performance of the season as the Lakers drop a 118-110 decision to the Clippers. Bryant's 50-point efforts are the most in a season since Wilt Chamberlain also had nine during the 1964-65 season playing with the 76ers and Warriors.



SUE OGROCKI/AP

Cubs fans take photos through the locked gates March 13 at Sloan Park in Mesa, Ariz.

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neighbor's front porch.

It has been a month since the baseball season was suspended because of the coronavirus pandemic, and though it was the longest month imaginable, it gave me a lot of time to contemplate my relationship with the game.

Maybe you've done the same.

Baseball has been a part of my life since childhood, and the game is a significant part of my family history. My late grandmother, Lillian Rooney, was a personal secretary for former Sox owner Charles Comiskey a century ago.

When his autobiography, “Commy,” was published in 1919, Rooney received copy No. 2 of a limited edition. She basically was in charge of Comiskey Park when he would go off on tours of Europe during the offseason, and we still have postcards from him thanking her for taking care of the place in the winter. I also inherited letters to her from one of her friends, Sox Hall of Famer Eddie Collins, and a baseball signed by Babe Ruth and Lou Gehrig that my brother and I ruined as kids while playing catch.

I grew up at old Comiskey and since have spent half my life covering baseball for the Tribune, chronicling a few thousand games over the last 30-something years.

My first game as full-time White Sox beat writer was the famous Albert Belle corked bat episode in 1994, in which an Indians teammate sneaked through the ceiling panels and replaced the confiscated Belle bat with a clean one. My first two weeks as the Cubs beat writer resulted in all Cubs losses — the 1997 team set a National League record for futility with an 0-14 start.

From Frank Thomas to Anthony Rizzo, I've been fortunate to have a great seat for some of Chicago's most memorable baseball moments.

This year promised to provide many more, from the start of the Luis Robert era on the South Side to a possible last hurrah for the survivors of the Cubs 2016 champions.

A month of spring training only managed to whet our appetites for the future of both teams before it abruptly ended on a rainy day in Arizona, when the 2020 season was put on hold indefinitely one day after the NBA shut down after Utah Jazz center Rudy Gobert tested positive for the coronavirus.

What followed was the longest month any of us can remember.

Now we're in a state of suspended animation, players and media and fans alike, watching the grim reports from pandemic hot spots and praying for a flattening of the curve that would allow the game to proceed in one form or another.

The hard questions I've asked myself this last month are these:

Would it be preferable to wait until the pandemic is mostly over and we can all go to games without worrying the person sitting near you is infected?

Or would watching games on TV in empty ballparks suffice?

And if baseball didn't return at all this year, would it really matter? Isn't there more to life than baseball?

Everyone has a different answer, of course. It all depends on how much we need baseball in our lives. We might claim with certainty we're “addicted” to baseball, but in truth, we all go through the winter without the game and somehow manage to survive cold turkey.

But then one spring arrives with no baseball in sight, and suddenly we find ourselves thirsting for our daily fix.

If there were an antidote for this dependency on a game deemed too slow for this video game era, I'd like to know. I gladly would share it with everyone who misses the bat flips, the walk-off celebrations and even the hit by pitches.

Until then, like everyone else, I'll be right here, staring out the window and waiting.

WHITE SOX

Situation greater than any game

Catcher McCann discusses MLB's contingency plan

BY LAMOND POPE

White Sox catcher James McCann is remaining sharp during baseball's coronavirus shutdown with an assist from former Cubs utilityman Ben Zobrist.

“Here in Tennessee, facilities are shut down and all nonessential businesses are shut down completely,” McCann said Friday during a conference call. “But thankfully Ben Zobrist, who lives in town, has a barn with a cage. I've been able to pretty much go there by myself and hit off a tee, a machine and stay in as best shape as possible.”

McCann, an American League All-Star last season, is quarantining with his wife and two kids at home in Franklin, Tenn. He has hit, thrown and worked out to some degree as he awaits baseball's next step while the game is on hold because of the pandemic.

“Everyone wants to get back as quickly as possible, but the biggest thing we've done well as a union and a league is step back and realize the current situation is greater than any one game of baseball,” McCann said. “You're talking about life and death for thousands and thousands of people, and as much as we love the game and want to be on the field, there are priorities, and keeping people healthy and safe needs to be a priority.”

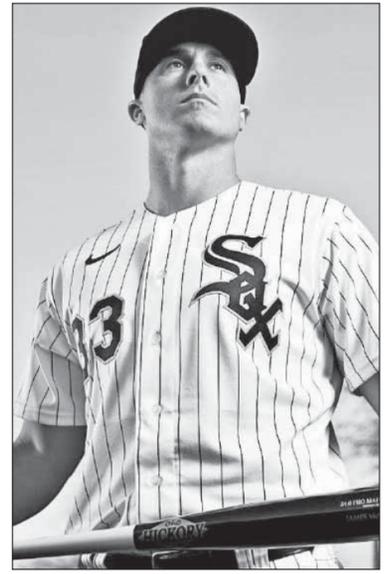
Baseball is mulling several contingency plans for 2020.

Earlier this week, multiple reports featured a plan that included all 30 teams playing in the Phoenix area. That plan reportedly could include sequestering teams in hotels for up to 4½ months away from their families.

McCann said he wants to play more than anyone, but a lot of details need to be hammered out when the time is right.

“Being married and having two young kids, I'm not a huge fan of leaving them for, potentially, five months,” he said. “I don't know that that's the right answer.”

“As much as you try to isolate players, you also have hotel staff of where you're isolating guys, and you have chefs and different people who are preparing food. There are just a lot of details where I have a hard time seeing how that comes to fruition. But I think as players we have to be understanding of the situation. If the



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“We need to make sure we are part of the solution and not causing more of a problem.”

— James McCann, White Sox catcher

public is taken care of, (if) there's plenty of tests to go around and we have a handle on it, then I'm all for us trying to figure out a way to play.”

Another plan surfaced Friday in a USA Today report in which teams would go back to the Cactus (Arizona) and Grapefruit (Florida) league sites. That proposal features major realignment, with the Sox possibly in a division with the Dodgers, Angels, Indians and Reds.

“If we get to the point where we have a handle on the coronavirus, if that's what makes most sense, I'm all for it,” McCann said. “I hate to say I don't want to go play in Chicago or on the road in different cities, but at the end of the day some baseball is better than no baseball. And if that type of schedule for this season allows for it, all the more power for a way to make it happen.”

Does McCann think there will be baseball this year?

“I guess the best way to word it is we are at the mercy of the virus,” McCann said. “I'm definitely an advocate for making sure that not only are we — as players and our families and coaching staff and everybody — doing what's responsible, but also setting an example for the public that we are not rushing back to play a game just because we feel like we have to.”

“We need to make sure we are part of the solution and not causing more of a problem.”

SPORTS

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Since the sports world went mainly dark



CODIE MCLACHLAN/GETTY IMAGES

'Undrafted but undaunted': Oilers' Cave dies at age of 25

BY EDWARD SUTELAN
Tribune News Service

Oilers forward Colby Cave died Saturday morning at the age of 25, days after he had been placed in a medically induced coma to treat a cyst.

"It is with great sadness to share the news that our Colby Cave passed away early this morning. I (Emily), Colby Cave's wife, and both our families are in shock but know our Colby was loved dearly by us, his family and friends, the entire hockey community and many more. We thank everyone for their prayers during this difficult time," Cave's family said in a press release from the Oilers.

Cave had been in a medically induced coma since Thursday after he had been transported to Toronto on Tuesday to have a colloid cyst removed from his brain. He died from brain bleed from the cyst.

Cave, an undrafted NHL player, was first called up to the NHL by the Bruins during the 2017-18 season. He split the 2018-19 season with the Bruins and their AHL affiliate before he was claimed on waivers by the Oilers.

There, he split the 2019-20 season between the NHL club and the Bakersfield Condors. He scored one goal in 11 games this season with the Oilers.

"The National Hockey League family mourns the heartbreaking passing of Colby Cave, whose life and hockey career, though too short, were inspiringly emblematic of the best of our game," NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman said in the Oilers' statement. "Undrafted but undaunted, Colby was relentless in the pursuit of his hockey dream with both the Edmonton Oilers and Boston Bruins organizations."

"An earnest and hardworking player, he was admired by his teammates and coaches. More important, he was a warm and generous person who was well-liked by all those fortunate enough to know him. We send our heartfelt condolences to his wife Emily, their families and Colby's countless



BRUCE BENNETT/TNS

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— NHL Commissioner Gary Bettman said in a statement about the death of Colby Cave

friends throughout the hockey world."

Organizations and players across the league took to social media to share their condolences.

"So sad to hear about Colby Cave," Rangers' Tony DeAngelo wrote on Twitter. "Thoughts and prayers to his family and friends. RIP"

The Swift Current Broncos, a Western Hockey League team with which Cave spent five seasons, issued a statement about the devastating news of their former captain.

"Our thoughts are with his family and friends during this time," the post read. "Rest In Peace, Caver."

The Penguins issued a statement joining "the hockey world in mourning the loss of Colby Cave."

"Our deepest sympathies go out to his family, friends, teammates, and the Oilers organization," the post continued.

Retired NHL player Jeremy Roenick called news of Cave's passing "horrible."

"Rest in peace, Colby," he said in a tweet.

IN BRIEF

Blatter scores a win in FIFA criminal case

News services

GENEVA — In a legal victory for former FIFA President Sepp Blatter, federal prosecutors in Switzerland plan to drop one of two cases open against him for suspected criminal mismanagement.

The Swiss attorney general's office on Saturday confirmed reports it intends to close an investigation into how Blatter and soccer governing body FIFA awarded World Cup broadcast rights in the Caribbean in 2005.

The decision is the latest example in recent weeks of the Swiss FIFA cases stalling, while the separate and cooperating American investigation sparked back to life with new indictments and fresh allegations of World Cup bid bribery.

The criminal proceeding against Blatter was opened five years ago and helped remove him from the presidential office he held for more than 17 years. He is serving a six-year FIFA ban from soccer.

A second criminal proceeding against Blatter — for a \$2 million payment he authorized to FIFA Vice President Michel Platini in 2011 for uncontracted salary — remains open, the Swiss prosecution office said.

Prosecutors said in a statement they could not give a timetable for formally terminating the Caribbean investigation.

A spokesman for Blatter was contacted for comment.

The investigation was opened in September 2015 after a Swiss broadcaster published a 10-year-old FIFA contract awarding the Caribbean Football Union regional broadcast rights to the 2010 and 2014 World Cups for a combined \$600,000. The CFU was controlled by Jack Warner, the now-disgraced former FIFA vice president. The rights were sold to a Jamaica-based broadcaster for a profit reportedly close to \$20 million.

Colleges: Mississippi State hired former Old Dominion women's basketball coach Nikki McCray-Penson to replace Vic Schaefer as Bulldogs head coach.

McCray-Penson, a former Tennessee star and Women's Basketball Hall of Famer, said it's been a dream to coach in the Southeastern Conference and she's "grateful and blessed for this incredible honor and opportunity."

Racing: IndyCar's virtual return to Michigan International Speedway ended with a win for reigning Indianapolis 500 winner Simon Pagenaud. Michigan marked the first oval track on IndyCar's virtual schedule. IndyCar has not actually raced at Michigan since 2007. Only five of the drivers in the virtual return had ever raced the track.

Soccer: The coronavirus pandemic has strained relationships between the Spanish soccer federation, the Spanish league and the Spanish players union even more. They have been at odds over a variety of subjects in recent years, and the disputes have continued during the pandemic despite their calls for unity.

The last few weeks alone have seen several spats. The latest clash involved discussions by a commission that monitors how COVID-19 has been affecting Spanish soccer. The Spanish league runs the top two soccer divisions in the country, while the federation controls regulations and matches for professional and amateur games.

After the end of a meeting this week, the federation put out a statement saying it would not accept teams playing games less than 72 hours apart when competitions resume following the pandemic, and that it opposed an alleged agreement between the players union and the league to play matches 48 hours apart in order to complete the disrupted season.

ON THE CLOCK

11 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	

COLLEGES



ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Illinois coach Brad Underwood talks with Northwestern coach Chris Collins after the Fighting Illini's 74-66 win in Welsh-Ryan Arena at Northwestern University on Feb. 27, in Evanston, Ill.

Replacing spring recruiting

Coaches' lives suddenly change without frantic 24-hour spin cycle

BY SHANNON RYAN

Northwestern coach Chris Collins has fixed up his garage. Notre Dame coach Mike Brey has taken up Pilates.

Loyola coach Porter Moser is journaling. Bradley coach Brian Wardle takes his kids on bike rides.

Illinois coach Brad Underwood plans to unpack a storage closet. He goes on daily walks with his wife and watches his son play the video game "Call of Duty" against friends.

College basketball coaches are adjusting to a life that doesn't require a frantic 24-hour spin cycle of spring recruiting since the NCAA put a halt to college sports to reduce the spread of coronavirus. The moratorium on sports means no in-person recruiting, no hosting recruits on campus and no face-to-face coaching.

Coaches are coping and finding silver linings — such as having time for routine family dinners.

But truthfully? "It's brutal," Underwood said.

Turning off that internal engine simply feels unnatural.

"It's really hard," Underwood continued. "I've had friends who have gotten out of the profession or gotten fired or retired. The one thing they say is it's so hard to slow down. We run at 100 mph all year. What helps me get over the last game (of the season) is I don't have time to sit and dwell on it."

"It's, 'Where's the state tournament? Where can I go see this kid play? Who's coming in this weekend?' Then I'm back out (on the road) again going to see two more kids. And then you're planning AAU weekends. You're checking the transfer portal every day. You're making four phone calls every night to kids who popped up on the portal."

It's like a monsoon turned into a drought at the snap of a finger.

"Now it's stopped," Underwood said. "It's forced you to rethink how you want to do some things."

Like everyone, coaches are grappling with this unprecedented era. They're brainstorming how to influence recruits via technology, motivate current players from afar and keep their families safe and healthy.

"It's been weird," Collins said. "Usually this is a real hectic time for us. We're all homebound."

'That's just crazy': The NCAA extended its recruiting dead period — which bars face-to-face recruiting on and off campus — through May 31 for Division I and II teams.

That doesn't mean coaches have taken a foot off the pedal when it comes to recruiting.

"It's just different," Wardle said.

It adds more layers of uncertainty to the annual guessing game, making recruiting as mysterious as ever. Instead of hosting recruits on campus or sitting in their living rooms, coaches are limited to calls, texts and old-fashioned mail.

The transfer portal is filling quickly, with coaches hitting the refresh button several times a day to check on new names to target.

Coaches said some players are being told falsely that a one-time transfer waiver rule is bound to pass. The NCAA delayed the vote until late June, and Brey said there's a chance the potential rule might not go into effect until 2021.

Some recruits feel pressured to commit

without taking an official visit.

"We've heard of some schools out there that are calling grad transfers and saying, 'You have 24 hours or we're out,'" Underwood said. "There are so many kids in the portal that they can do that. We're not doing that. We can be selective."

If the recruiting limitations remain for a lengthy period, more prospects — high school players and transfers — might wind up signing with programs having never met with a coach or future teammates or seen the campus.

"We're lucky we're not in a boat to sign four or five right now," Moser said. "Some (coaches) are in a scary boat. Some of these kids just announced they're transferring, and like two weeks later you see they're committing and they haven't been able to go (visit) anywhere. I can't imagine bringing someone into your program and not having met them. That's just crazy to me."

Coaches speculated that the summer AAU circuit, during which they fill gyms for a critical evaluation period, might be canceled as well. Relying on video of prospects would be an insufficient alternative.

In 20 seasons at Notre Dame, Brey said he has signed only two players without watching them compete live, and that was on strong recommendations of trusted coaching associates.

Tony Sanders, a three-star high school forward from Miami, received a scholarship offer last week from the Irish and accepted after Brey presented a virtual campus tour via Zoom.

Brey never saw Sanders play live, but Sanders said Irish assistant coach Ryan Humphrey watched him compete about three times. Sanders never visited Notre Dame or met Brey in person.

"What stood out was the equipment they had and how he broke down the education part," Sanders said of Brey's online recruiting pitch. "It was about basketball but more about academics. It definitely is a strange time right now. But it didn't feel weird. It felt like the right opportunity."

This won't be something coaches do casually.

"That's when we really have to do our work and get our eyes out," Brey said of summer evaluation periods. "I really get to see them and watch for things. I see their parents across the gym and how they cheer — or not cheer. Or how they might get on the refs. Everything. We're going to lose all of that."

Underwood said recruits shouldn't bother sending him a highlight tape. He "hates" them. He wants to see the intangibles, the mistakes and how players react after a bad play or a loss. That's all possible only from in-person assessments.

"You don't hear how kids talk during a game and communicate (on video)," Underwood said. "Some of the intangible leadership things get lost. We can all evaluate the running, the jumping, the shooting on film. I really try to focus on IQ. I want to see if you jumped to the ball, if you back cut when you're supposed to, how your reads are on ball screens."

But recruiting is twofold: Players try to impress coaches. Coaches work to impress athletes.

Coaches must figure out how to differentiate themselves to prospects among the sea of competitive FaceTime calls and texts they receive from other coaches.

Underwood's staff sends footage of campus, tailoring videos to athletes' interests. For instance, a potential business major might receive a virtual tour of the Gies College of Business.

Brey shares videos of Notre Dame's new basketball training facility, organizes Zoom video calls with academic advisers and



ROBERT FRANKLIN/AP

recruits and texts highlight clips showcasing the Irish's uptempo style.

Moser said he might see a social media post of an NBA play that reminds him of something a recruit excels at and share it with the player. "You've just got to be creative," he said.

But coaches have to be careful not to turn off recruits with an overabundance of messages.

"Right now, because coaches feel like they should be working hard, there's more phone calls and texts," Collins said. "To me, it's gone to a higher level because it's all we can do. If you talk to recruits, they can tell you how oversaturated it's getting. You just have to be yourself."

Bouncing off the walls: Coaches sound more concerned about their players' morale than their jump shots. Keeping players motivated and connected to the program, Brey said, is his top priority.

"Your most important recruits are your current players," he said last week. "I'm really worried. I think it's going to start hitting them next week. They're going to start bouncing off the walls."

Notre Dame players ask often when they might be able to return to campus. Brey tries to avoid speculating and focuses on future bright spots.

"I talk about our schedule next year," he said. "I say, 'We may add so-and-so' or 'Remember the ACC Tournament is in D.C. this year' or 'We're playing in Brooklyn in November. Won't that be cool?'"

He hopes to boost their spirits by hosting the annual team awards banquet on Twitter this week.

Bradley was preparing for its second straight NCAA Tournament appearance for the first time in 65 years before March Madness was canceled. The Braves won the Missouri Valley Conference Tournament the last time they were on the court together.

That memory can be a salve. "I tell them, you finished the season holding a trophy and cutting down nets," Wardle said.

Every Loyola player has a copy of and is expected to read Kobe Bryant's book "Mamba Mentality." The Ramblers also have accountability partners they keep in touch with throughout the week, helping players remain connected and focused on improving.

Life can feel heavy with news of a spreading pandemic and few outside contacts. Coaches try to keep it light during team Zoom conferences.

"It gives us a chance to get on there and not just be about serious business," Collins said. "We goof around a little bit, build team chemistry and camaraderie."

The workouts are less of a concern for basketball players than football players. They can stay at least moderately conditioned through running, body-weight exercises and, for some, shooting hoops in their driveways.

"Maybe in this age of overtraining, a break might not be a bad thing," Brey said.

"(Coaches) are going to be in great shape. Strength coaches are going to be all pissed off at the players."

— Mike Brey (left), Notre Dame coach

Positivity and gratefulness ... and Pelotons: Coaches admittedly are not the best with downtime.

Their calendars are packed nearly year-round with recruiting, practices, games and clinics. Quality time with loved ones usually is rushed. And who can waste precious hours with personal hobbies or simply relaxing?

Asked for his favorite show, Underwood said, "Probably something on the Big Ten Network."

While they're on the phone more than ever in this era of social distancing, coaches are learning to live like so-called normal people — watching TV, exercising, completing home repairs.

"I'm a sports junkie," Collins said. "The family's happy I've been able to watch TV shows and movies and not just watch games. I'm doing some puzzles with the kids. It's been nice having family time. We get so caught up in our jobs."

Coaches sound especially dedicated to exercise. Moser and Collins are obsessed with their daily Peloton bike workouts. Underwood practices nightly yoga with his wife and two children.

Brey, who famously bared his belly celebrating with players after winning the 2017 Maui Invitational, has an improved diet and a new devotion to Pilates.

"My core has never been in better shape," Brey said. "You're not on the road having a piece of pizza at night. I've been in OK shape. Now how about getting in great shape? There's no excuses right now."

He joked: "(Coaches) are going to be in great shape. Strength coaches are going to be all pissed off at the players."

Coaches have been completing neglected home projects, too, from cleaning closets to home repairs.

"The honey-do list from many years is getting done," Collins said. "I've become a handyman. I didn't know I had those talents."

Perhaps nobody is as productive during quarantine time as Moser, known in his athletic department for his boundless energy.

He said he listens to self-improvement and sports podcasts.

He journals lessons he has learned from them, and he has appeared as a guest on several podcasts.

He and a group of 12 coaches formed a Zoom coaches clinic, taking turns lecturing about an aspect of their jobs, such as the 1-3-1 defense. He assigned his assistants to watch other teams' videos and glean ideas.

He plays Spikeball with his four teenage kids, a game he thought was simple but learned can be brutally competitive. He even had a video conference happy hour with his college teammates.

"Everyone keeps saying to me, 'You must really be going crazy,'" Moser said with a laugh. "But it's a great time for self-improvement."

He recently learned David Edwards, a player he coached while on staff at Texas A&M in the early 1990s, died from the coronavirus. "That hit me," Moser said.

Coaches are eager to return to their hectic schedules and, of course, basketball. But Moser said they'll adjust.

"It's about positivity and gratefulness," he said. "We're healthy. You don't want to complain."

BEARS



PAUL SANCYA/AP

Cowboys defensive end Robert Quinn chases Lions quarterback Jeff Driskel during a November 2019 game in Detroit.

Pressure points

Why the Bears believe Quinn's finishing touch can elevate the defense

BY DAN WIEDERER

Take a spin through the reel of Robert Quinn's 2019 sacks and it becomes apparent why the Bears front office and coaching staff identified him as a potential catalyst to their defense. Run through those plays — a dozen in all with Quinn recording 11½ sacks for the Cowboys — and it's easy to envision the fist pumps defensive coordinator Chuck Pagano is likely doing in his home office these days.

Many moons ago, Pagano helped recruit Quinn to the University of North Carolina. So he's familiar with Quinn's athleticism, speed off the ball and natural pass-rush instincts. But in the 2019 film, Pagano also can zero in on a veteran pass rusher still capable of taking advantage of his opportunities. Consistently.

Need a glimpse of Quinn's explosion and ability to turn the corner? Try Week 3 against the Dolphins as he whizzed around left tackle Michael Deiter and buried Josh Rosen for a 7-yard loss on third down. Or Week 10 in Minnesota when Riley Reiff looked to be in quicksand as Quinn accelerated, bent past and mauled Kirk Cousins.

Want an example of Quinn's motor? Cue up Week 4 against the Saints when Quinn was held from behind by Larry Warford yet kept hustling to reverse course and drop Teddy Bridgewater.

Looking for an indication that Quinn, like new teammate Khalil Mack, can get the ball as well as the quarterback? Then peek at his strip-sacks of Tom Brady and Carson Wentz and his near miss on a takedown of Lions quarterback Jeff Driskel.

Dive a bit deeper still and you'll notice Quinn consistently drawing one-on-one matchups that showcase his strengths. On six of his sacks last season, the opposing offense dedicated extra protection for Cowboys star DeMarcus Lawrence. Quinn capitalized.

In Week 7, for example, Quinn used a vicious bull rush to drive Eagles left tackle Andre Dillard deep into the pocket, then quickly shed Dillard and smothered Wentz for a loss of 8.

That's the kind of play the Bears would love to celebrate more often, with another defensive playmaker who can alter a series and change a game while opponents are spending energy corralling Mack and/or Akiem Hicks.

"Hopefully that frees me up a little bit and I get to take advantage," Quinn said last week.

That was a defining characteristic of Quinn's one season with the Cowboys, his first year with at least 10 sacks since 2014. He was able to take advantage. When left single-blocked, he won his individual battles at an impressive rate.

NextGen Stats credited Quinn with creating pressure on 14% of his pass rushes last season, the second-highest percentage in the league behind the Packers' Za'Darius Smith at 14.6%. Quinn had 49 pressures on the season.

Quinn rarely needed stunts or twists to get himself free. The Cowboys didn't often need to send extra pressure to help him get



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"The dogs that you get to play beside should definitely make it fun. Or hopefully make it a little easier to accomplish those (goals)."

—Robert Quinn, Bears defensive end

home. And when Quinn turns the corner, his ability to bend to the quarterback is both impressive and invaluable, a finishing touch Leonard Floyd never quite mastered.

Quinn's 11½ sacks last season matched Floyd's total for his final 42 games as a Bear and made a change up front easy for general manager Ryan Pace.

The Bears see an opening to utilize Quinn, an instinctive veteran with 80½ career sacks and two Pro Bowl invitations, as a complementary piece in a pass rush that already gets significant juice from Mack and Hicks.

"He has excellent edge speed," Pace said last week. "He has outstanding ability to bend the corner. I think we can take a position of strength on our defense and make it even stronger and more dangerous."

Establishing comfort, of course, will be important for unlocking Quinn's full potential. The pass rusher who turns 30 next month has made it clear he prefers working exclusively from the right side. He also has enjoyed the majority of his success in 4-3 systems.

With nine seasons and 125 career games played, Quinn's odometer also is getting up there. And as he joins his fourth organization in as many seasons — from the Rams to the Dolphins to the Cowboys to the Bears — finding a way to quickly assimilate will be a must, a heightened challenge given the unique dynamic of this interrupted offseason.

Still, Quinn sees opportunity with the Bears.

His free-agent decision, he revealed late last week, proved difficult, a toss-up in his mind between the Bears and Falcons. He was having trouble reaching a conclusion. Thus, Quinn said, he resorted to a coin flip.

"My agent was just relaying some

messages," he explained, "and I really couldn't make up my mind. So I had to do it the honest way. ... You've just got to figure out the pros and cons, talk to your agent and flip a coin. Hopefully the powers above lead you in the right direction."

Quinn was asked directly whether he really went to his change jar to finalize the move.

"That's how it came down to the final decision," he replied. "It was still pretty tough. I mean basically that's what it boiled down to is a coin flip. The Bears were on the right side of it. I don't regret it. ... The powers above always do things in a funny way. I'm going to Chicago for a reason."

Quinn will have as many coins as he could ever need going forward. The five-year deal the Bears gave him last month includes \$30 million guaranteed and could be worth up to \$70 million by the end of 2024.

For the Bears, it's a calculated investment and a belief that Quinn's productivity last season will carry forward into 2020 and beyond.

Quinn said he is more than eager to join an already established defense and began rattling off the list of new teammates he can't wait to play with. Mack, Hicks, Kyle Fuller, Eddie Goldman, Danny Trevathan.

That group, he said, should help him chase a standard personal goal of recording a double-digit sack total for the fifth time in his career.

"The dogs that you get to play beside should definitely make it fun," Quinn said. "Or hopefully make it a little easier to accomplish those (goals)."

"Again, we play on Sundays. That's when we establish ourselves. ... I can talk. And we all have expectations of ourselves. But we wait until the season to see what we're really about."

BASKETBALL

'You're in it for the long haul'

Chinese league delays restart, proves to be cautionary tale

BY MARK GONZALES

Mark Amaral left Southern California on March 15 assuming he would resume his duties as associate head coach of the Chinese Basketball Association's Xinjiang Flying Tigers.

But as he enters the second half of his second 14-day quarantine, Amaral wonders from his 10-by-16-foot apartment in Urumqi, China, if the league will resume play amid safety concerns stemming from the coronavirus pandemic.

"At one time I was optimistic it would really happen," said Amaral, 53, a former Pepperdine assistant in his second season with the Flying Tigers.

"I'll say this: There won't be any fans in the stands. They won't get to that. If it starts, it will start maybe mid-May and run through June. I don't think it will run much longer than that."

Amaral's experiences serve as caution for many eager to resume sports and their everyday lives with a high degree of normalcy in the wake of the pandemic.

"(Life in China) is functioning, but there's definitely a level of caution," Amaral said. "Movie theaters aren't open yet. But people are going about life here."

"But when does it get back to real normal, with events, graduations? I have two seniors, and they're not going to graduate."

The Flying Tigers played their final game Jan. 21 before the Chinese New Year, which started four days later.

"It was around the 22nd or 23rd (of January) when things started to blow up," Amaral said.

Amaral returned to the United States on Jan. 30 and visited his wife and sons Tanner, a catcher at Texas Wesleyan, and Landon, a senior at Agoura High School who is headed to Westmont College in Santa Barbara, Calif., on a soccer scholarship.

After six weeks, Amaral and an estimated 40% of the foreign players returned to China, optimistic that the CBA would resume play in mid-April.

"That's a big reason why I came back," Amaral said. "Some of the foreigners were waiting for an official announcement from the league."

But China closed its borders to foreigners March 28, three days before the General Administration of Sport, a branch of the Chinese government, ordered all group sporting events to be postponed indefinitely.

"Hopefully, there will be some answers," Amaral said.

The Flying Tigers, without imports Ian Clark (formerly of the Golden State Warriors) and Jarnell Stokes (Grizzlies, Heat and Nuggets), have continued to practice despite the outbreak because of their training facilities that include administrative offices and apartments.

But Amaral has yet to rejoin his team in Xinjiang, located in the northwest portion of the country.

His original itinerary last month called for him to fly from Los Angeles to Taiwan to Chengdu to Urumqi, where the Flying Tigers are based.

When Amaral arrived in Chengdu, he was met by health workers in hazmat suits, answered virus-related questions and was tested for the coronavirus before going through customs.

But instead of heading to the baggage claim to complete the final leg of his trip, he was directed to a shuttle bus that took him to a hotel because of an itinerary snafu. Eventually, Amaral was placed in his quarantined apartment, where his anxiety heightened until the Flying Tigers strength coach advised him to schedule his day, from meals, workouts, home time and naps.

A knock on the door precedes each meal, which is placed on a stool.

If the CBA resumes, one issue that needs to be resolved is the use of foreign players. Each team can carry two, but the Chinese government's decision to close borders prevented many players from returning.

In addition to Clark and Stokes, Lance Stephenson — one of the CBA's top players — remained in the U.S. That wouldn't help the Chinese sports-viewing audience, which Amaral said is limited to two channels.

"We played in the (CBA) finals last year, and they estimated 100 million watched," Amaral said. "Even right now I'd click on and there's table tennis, but that's the only option to watch sports."

For now, Amaral sticks to his schedule and watches videos of his team, hoping he can coach them in person soon.

"People have their opinions on the way the U.S. has handled (the coronavirus)," Amaral said. "And they'd ask me questions. This thing is, guys, now you're in it for the long haul."



VISUAL CHINA GROUP VIA GETTY

Jarnell Stokes of the Xinjiang Flying Tigers drives during a Chinese Basketball Association playoff game last May.

No sports, no problem

With no live sports during the coronavirus shutdown, rewatching classic games on TV or online is as close as we can get. We asked Chicago athletes, coaches and broadcasters to tell us their favorites they played in — or watched as a fan. Game on.

Bears

Jarrett Payton | Bears 16, Packers 10 on Nov. 3, 1985: Walter Payton's son, Jarrett, a sports anchor and host for WGN-9, said he has been rewatching the 1985 Bears season, and the Week 9 game in Green Bay is his favorite.

The game includes rookie defensive lineman William "The Refrigerator" Perry's only touchdown catch. The 4-yard pass from Jim McMahon in the second quarter put the Bears up 7-3. After the Packers pulled ahead 10-7 in the third quarter, Steve McMichael sacked Packers quarterback Jim Zorn for a safety to pull the Bears within a point.

With 10 minutes, 31 seconds to play, Walter Payton scored on a 27-yard run, shaking off a hit from one Packers defender and then beating three others to the end zone. The Bears improved to 9-0 with the 16-10 victory.

Jarrett Payton likes his father's touchdown, but he also loves another moment in the game.

"My fondest memory of the game was when Matt Suhey got leveled by Kenny Stills after the whistle blew," Payton said via text. "One of the most vicious hits I've ever seen! My dad had a monster game. He carried the ball 28 times for 192 yards and a TD. His 27-yard TD run is one of my favorites. ... I can watch this game every single day!"

— Colleen Kane

Gary Fencik | Bears 46, Patriots 10 on Jan. 26, 1986: Believe it or not, three-time All-Pro safety Gary Fencik says he never has watched the NBC telecast of the Bears' lone Super Bowl victory.

"So I guess that would be the one I would pick," Fencik said. "I've got it here. It's on CD somewhere and I was going to watch it with my son one time, but he really, frankly, wasn't that interested. That is probably the one game I will watch maybe over the next couple weeks since I have a lot of time.

"I think when I see it, I will realize just how good we really were. That's one thing you forget because at that free safety position, it became real clear when offensive lines are struggling, when they're not picking up blitz patterns. All of a sudden: 'Oh, my gosh, they're in a formation where they're never going to be able to handle the 46 blitz because they don't have the back on the right side of the formation.' So either Wilber (Marshall) or Otis (Wilson) are going to get to that quarterback."

Fencik said it became quickly apparent during the Super Bowl that Richard Dent, William Perry and the rest of the Bears defensive front was dominating the Patriots offensive line.

"All of a sudden, you didn't have to backpedal much (as a safety)," Fencik said. "It was just one, two (seconds) and boom! That ball was either out or in a lot of cases it was another quarterback sack.

"In terms of other games, one game that really stands out is the NFC championship game at home against the Rams. When Wilber picked up that fumble, it started snowing and I was chasing him and he was probably gaining distance on me as I did, just realizing as I was chasing him into the south end zone that we were going to the Super Bowl. I just remember (thinking): 'Look around. This is really happening.'"

"That was the earliest I was ever taken out of the game in the Super Bowl. It was fun to watch everybody contribute and participate in the most important game of your life."

— Brad Biggs

Olin Kreutz | Bears 14, Packers 13 on Nov. 7, 1999: Former Bears center Olin Kreutz would choose the victory at Lambeau Field on the day after Walter Payton's memorial service at Soldier Field. The victory snapped a 10-game losing streak to the Packers and was the Bears' first win in Green Bay since 1992.

"We hadn't beaten Green Bay in I don't know how many years before (Bryan Robinson) went up and blocked that kick," Kreutz recalled. "We went up there with no chance to really win. I'd like to know how the (heck) we won that game. I remember that team, and we weren't very good."

The Bears had lost three straight and entered with a 3-5 record (they would finish 6-10 and in last place in the NFC Central). They were blown out 48-22 at Washington the week before.

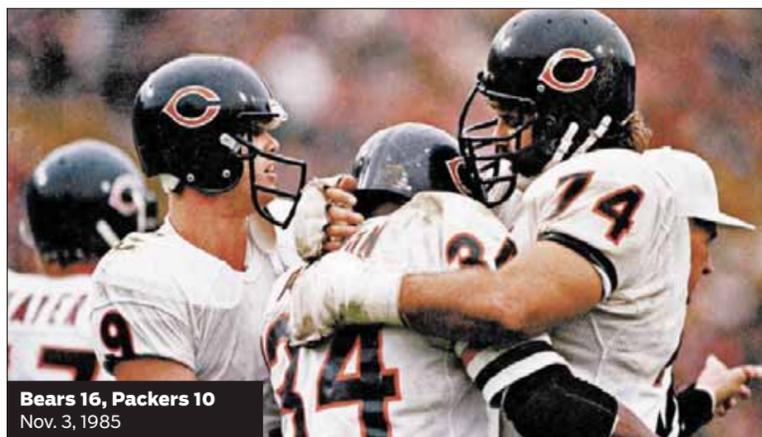
"Me and Curtis Enis got thrown out of that Redskins game (for fighting)," Kreutz said. "The cool thing was before we went to Green Bay, we went down to Soldier Field for Walter Payton's funeral and Dan Hampton spoke and all of that was going on as Walter had just died (Nov. 1). And B-Rob blocks the (Ryan Longwell 28-yard) kick (on the game's final play). That's why I am saying if there was one game I'd like to go back and take a look at, it would be that game."

"I don't know how we won, first of all. Our kicker (Chris Boniol) missed the (34-yard) field goal (with 5:56 remaining), and there we are near the end and Brett Favre, of course, marches them right down the field for their kick. It was a crazy game. We were out of the playoff mix. We were terrible."

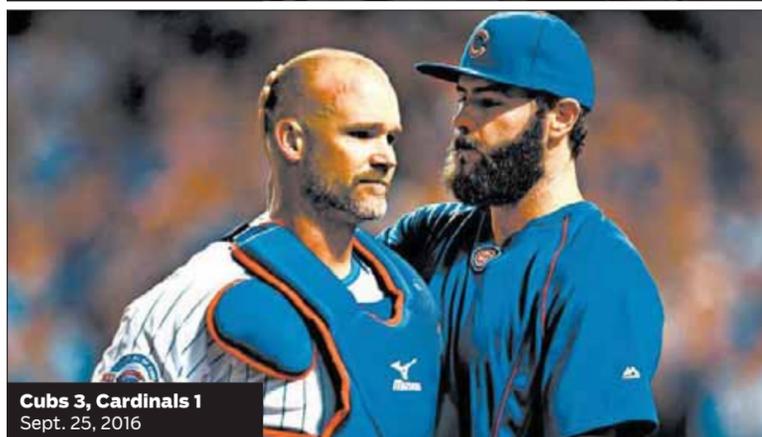
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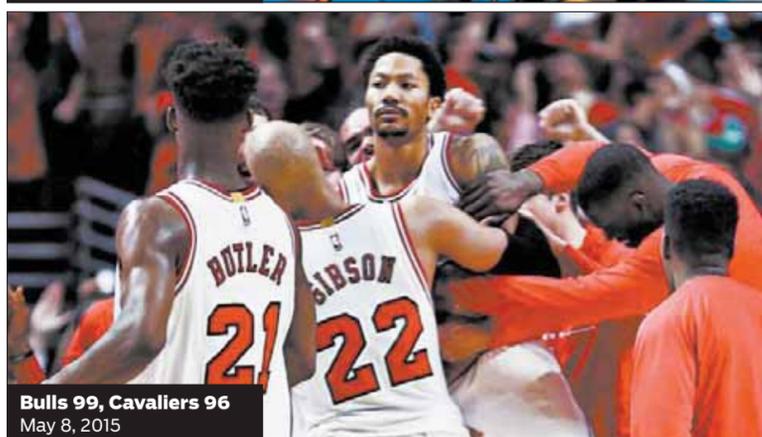
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CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS

Jeff Joniak | Bears 24, Cardinals 23 on Oct. 16, 2006: For Jeff Joniak, the Bears radio play-by-play announcer since 2001, there never has been a game more exhilarating than that improbable rally in the desert. The Bears trailed 20-0 at halftime.

They were behind 23-3 in the final seconds of the third quarter.

And somehow, without the help of a single offensive touchdown, they pulled off a magic act, a comeback that left Cardinals coach Dennis Green famously apoplectic and the Bears feeling as if it was destined for Super Bowl glory.

Start first, Joniak said, with Brian Urlacher's unforgettable 25-tackle explosion, including a forced fumble in the fourth quarter that Charles Tillman returned for a touchdown.

"He was a marauder," Joniak said. "And granted, if you bring it up, Brian will often say he had nobody blocking him. Because the guys up front were doing their business and he was just flowing to the ball and making plays. But it was a crazy situation when you were just constantly calling his name."

"I don't even know if Brian considers it his best game ever; most people think it was. It was one of those iconic nights and a glimpse into why he's in the Hall of Fame. But he was all over the field and he helped others make plays too."

"I saw so many great plays over the course of his career and did every one of his games after his rookie year. Brian was a presence. He just loved the game so much and he had players around him like Peanut (Tillman) and Lance Briggs and many other guys on the defensive side of the ball who could feed off that. ... Brian was always having fun. You often saw him laughing and smiling playing even in the worst of situations. And that was never more obvious than in the second half that night."

Don't forget, Joniak added, the fiery but confident halftime pep talk from center Olin Kreutz.

"As I recall, (WBBM sideline reporter)

Zach (Zaidman) whispered in my ear after halftime that Olin had addressed the guys, and it had resonated. It became something of a legendary moment later. But we didn't get the full force of hearing about it until much later. Then looking back and seeing some of the video of it, that is what an alpha male is all about on an NFL team. And Olin filled that role beautifully."

And rookie Devin Hester's game-winning 83-yard punt-return touchdown?

"We had glimpses of his potential in the preseason and when he scored (on a punt return) against the Packers in the season opener," Joniak said. "I remember hearing my call of his return against the Cardinals, and the whole moment just gives you goosebumps. Just so special. You miss it, you know? You miss that 'brace yourself because you never know what's going to happen' dynamic. And that was just the beginning of Devin in that great season."

With an offense that produced three points and six turnovers in 13 possessions, the Bears won with belief, resolve and unity, stayed undefeated and sparked a run to the team's second Super Bowl appearance.

"When we were driving back to the airport, they had the game on inside the Arizona bus," Joniak said. "And as you're watching the highlights, it just sort of smacks you in the face. The Bears didn't score an offensive touchdown, were behind by 20 points deep into the second half and won a game. Wow! Just incredible. ... It makes that comeback all the more impressive."

"And it's why that team went on to the Super Bowl. I firmly believe that. There were a bunch of leaders on that team. But the two guys in the center of it all — Olin on offense and Brian on defense — had such presence. They had great camaraderie and great respect for one another. And that created such a unifying bond and belief in that locker room."

— Dan Wiederer

Cubs

David Ross | Cubs 3, Cardinals 1 on Sept. 25, 2016: "I'm tempted to look around for movie cameras because things like this only happen in Hollywood," Cubs play-by-play man Pat Hughes told WSCR-AM 670 listeners after David Ross homered off Carlos Martinez in the fifth inning at Wrigley Field to snap a scoreless tie in Ross' final regular-season home game.

Ross, now in his first year as Cubs manager, had announced during 2016 spring training his intention to retire, and fans gave him two curtain calls after he hit a 1-0 slider from Martinez into the bleachers in left-center field.

"Lots of cool (stuff) happened to me," Ross recalled.

Unbeknownst to Ross, longtime teammate Jon Lester and manager Joe Maddon concocted a plan the previous day to honor Ross, who was concluding a 15-year catching career.

So with two outs and no one on base in the top of the seventh as Lester and the Cubs held a 2-0 lead, Maddon made a curious visit to the mound.

The entire infield converged, with Javier Baez, Anthony Rizzo, Addison Russell and Ben Zobrist congratulating a surprised Ross, who exchanged a quick handshake and hug with Maddon.

Ross met his replacement, Willson Contreras, near the foul line before half of the Cubs players poured onto the field to greet him while Alphaville's "Forever Young" blasted over the sound system.

Cardinals catcher Yadier Molina was so impressed with the sendoff that he applauded while standing on deck.

— Mark Gonzales

White Sox

Bill Melton | White Sox 2, Brewers 1 on Sept. 30, 1971: White Sox third baseman Bill Melton entered the final game of the 1971 season tied with Tigers first baseman Norm Cash and Athletics outfielder Reggie Jackson for the American League lead in home runs. Each had 32.

Melton hit a solo homer to left-center off Bill Parsons in the bottom of the third to finish with 33 home runs, becoming the first Sox player to lead the league in the category.

"It was more about the way I did it," Melton said in a phone interview. "The night before, I hit two (home runs) to tie them. They weren't laying anything in there, they were going after it. And I tied it up."

"We had one game to play, a day game, and after I go out to Rush Street trying to relax (the night before), I go to the ballpark and I look up at the lineup card and I was leading off. I had 32 home runs. Norm Cash had 32 home runs. Reggie Jackson had 32 home runs. Their seasons were over. I had one game to play in September, so (manager) Chuck Tanner decided, the last day of the season, he led me off."

"The first time up, I had a check swing and broke my bat. The second time up, I hit a home run to left-center field and became the (first) White Sox player to lead the American League in home runs. I wasn't a real home-run hitter in the minor leagues, and all of a sudden I get to the big leagues and became a better home-run hitter. I led the club in home runs (three consecutive seasons) until my good buddy Dick Allen came in (in 1972) and showed us all how it's done."

— LaMond Pope

Bulls

Gabby Williams | Bulls 99, Cavaliers 96 on May 8, 2015: Sky forward Gabby Williams can tell a classic basketball moment by the facial expressions that follow. The dejected looks by Spurs players after the Rockets' Tracy McGrady scored 13 points in 35 seconds in 2004. And Bulls star Derrick Rose's stare-down after banking in the game-winner in Game 3 of the 2015 Eastern Conference semifinals against the Cavaliers.

"Yes! Just so cool about it!" Williams said about Rose's look of nonchalance as Bulls teammates hoisted him. "I love it."

If she had to pick between the McGrady and Rose moments, she's partial to Rose's.

"The Derrick Rose game I like watching because when I tell you I was the biggest Derrick Rose fan in high school — like, the biggest — I wore No. 1 in everything," said Williams, who grew up near Reno, Nev., before attending Connecticut from 2014 to 2018. "And at the time the Bulls were my favorite team because he was there. The thing I love the most about that is the crowd reaction."

"That was in his prime, when he was playing his best basketball. I tried to emulate my game after him so much. I was a point guard in high school and I was explosive like him. ... I learned a lot from watching his games."

Williams said she also draws inspiration from McGrady's 13-point rally against the Spurs on Dec. 9, 2004, in Houston.

"I just watch the last minute or (35 seconds)," she said. "And the guys' faces after the game, like, 'Did that just happen?' It's so fun to watch."

— Phil Thompson

The Babe,

the Spanish flu and our national pastime

As the pandemic was storming its way through Connecticut, so was The Bambino

By DOM AMORE
Hartford Courant

It would be hard to imagine a bigger story, yet it was buried in the middle of page 7 of The Courant on Sept. 21, 1918. The headline:

Spanish grip has spread over the city. Estimated that 500 cases are now being treated in Hartford.

"The spread of the disease is regarded as phenomenal by physicians," the story explained. "It is believed that the first case did not antedate a week ago. In this short time, practically the whole city has been exposed to the contagion."

More prominently displayed on the first sports page that same day, with pictures: "Ruth and Fisher in Sunday game."

The third week of September 1918 was indeed an exciting time for Hartford and its sports fans. The Red Sox had wrapped up a championship season, shortened by The Great War, on Sept. 11 when Babe Ruth defeated the Cubs, 2-1, in Game 6 of the World Series at Fenway Park. And as the pandemic that would kill more Americans than the Civil War was storming through Connecticut, so was Ruth, age 23 and already baseball's biggest attraction, a man who could not possibly have grasped the concept of social distancing.

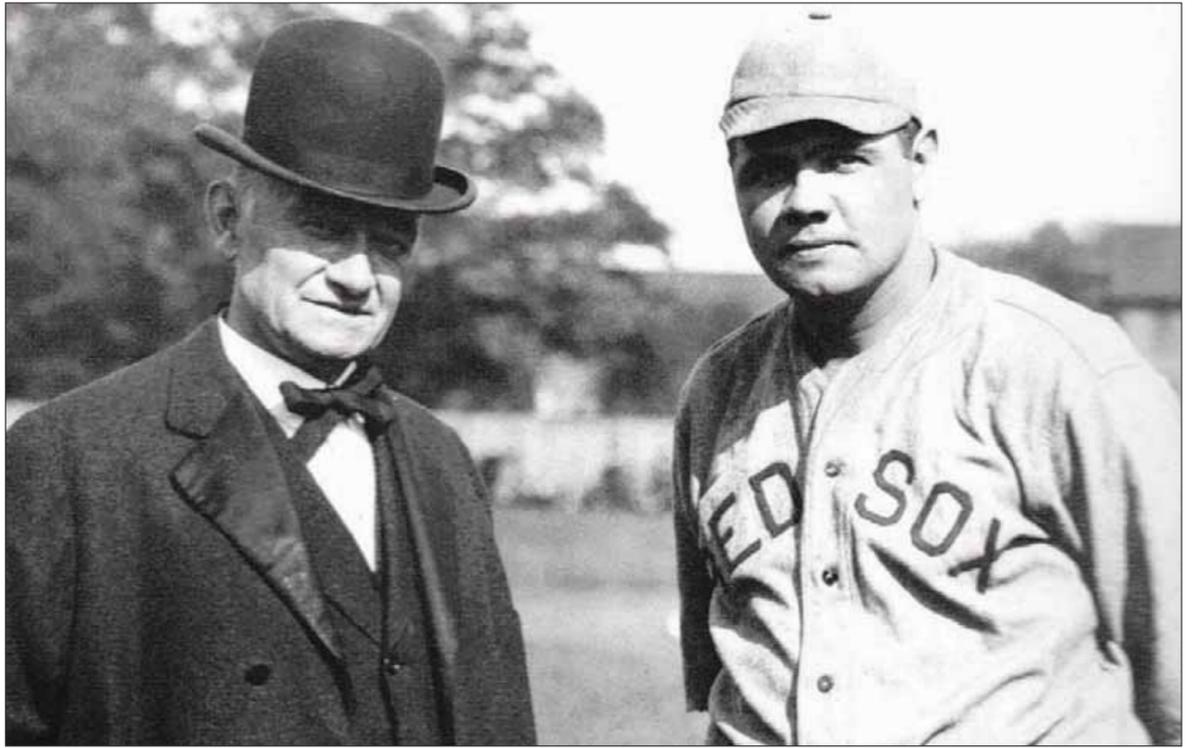
The Babe lived to draw crowds, and his postseason tour drew 5,000 fans to the Hartford Baseball Grounds off Wethersfield Avenue on Sept. 15, and 3,000 more when he returned on Sept. 23.

Though there is no indication that anyone thought to cancel these games, staged to benefit Hartford's soldiers fighting in Europe, and Ruth didn't disappoint — but this was obviously not the time. "It was right in that week of the 15th to the 22nd that the numbers exploded around Boston," said Skip Desjardin of West Hartford, author of the book, September 1918: War, Plague and the World Series, "so the timing of 500 cases in Hartford by the end of the week matches what was happening next door, making it as the worst possible time to be pressed up against other fans at a ballgame. But who could resist going out to see Ruth?"

The first strain of the deadly influenza, which in those days was also called "the grip," came though in the spring, and Ruth, that once-in-a-century combo of pitching and hitting prowess, got seriously ill, his fever hitting 104 in May. When a doctor treated his sore throat with too much silver nitrate, his larynx swelled and he nearly died. But he recovered to go 13-7 with a 2.22 ERA and tie for the American League lead with 11 home runs as he transitioned from hurler to slugger and led the Red Sox to the Series, winning two games on the mound.

By autumn, another strain was back in the United States, spreading from the ports — Boston, where Camp Devens was the site of an horrific outbreak, and New London among them — and the soldiers who were gathering to go overseas.

"As the World Series was played in Boston Sept. 9, 10, 11, by that time, we know what's going on — it's spreading," said Randy Roberts, professor of history at Purdue and co-author with Johnny Smith of War Fever: Boston, Baseball and America In The Shadow Of The Great War. "And clearly, what is shown by this barnstorming



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Hartford Mayor Richard Kinsella meets with Babe Ruth on Sept. 15, 1918, at the Hartford Baseball Grounds on Wethersfield Avenue.

tour is that people weren't paying attention. We shouldn't have been in large crowds."

Barnstorming was a way of life for star players of the era. The only way for many fans to see them was in exhibition games played in places where there were no major league teams. During this trip, Ruth told reporters that Hartford was his favorite city to visit on such tours, and while he may have said that everywhere he went, he did make numerous appearances here between 1918 and 1945.

James H. Clarkin, owner of the Hartford Senators, journeyed to Boston on Sept. 9 as the Red Sox and Cubs were arriving from Chicago to finish the World Series, with designs on getting both teams to come to Hartford and play a series of games, offering a guarantee of \$1,000 to each team and a cut of the gate. Because attendance was low, only 15,000 on hand at Fenway to watch Ruth win the deciding game, the players shares were to be reduced and they nearly went on strike to cancel the Series. Ultimately, they played, but the winners share was \$1,100 and the idea of making a few more bucks on the side was appealing. Most players were heading into the army. Ruth, his catcher, Sam Agnew, Ray Fisher of the Yankees and a handful of other major leaguers signed on. Money was raised to buy athletic equipment for Hartford's soldiers overseas, and a ball Ruth hit for a triple during the World Series was auctioned off for \$195. Ruth, The Courant reported, received \$350 for the game on Sept. 15, and probably the same for his second appearance.

On Sept. 14, three days after the end of the World Series, Ruth agreed to play first base at New Haven's Lighthouse Grounds for the "Colonials," and he hit a home run in a loss to a team of all-stars from the Negro Leagues. That night, he arrived in Hartford in a car draped with the American Flag and was ushered into the Hotel Bond, where a large crowd gathered for a reception. Out of character, he went to bed early.

The next day, the game was moved to 4 p.m. to give out-of-town fans time to arrive, and extra trolleys were added to the line. Ruth donned the uniform of Poli's, and pitched a shutout against a semipro team from Chicopee, Mass., called the Fisk Red Tops, who had Red Sox pitcher Dutch Leonard on the mound. Ruth pitched a

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— Excerpt from the Hartford Courant, Sept. 21, 1918

complete game to win 1-0 and narrowly missed the home run everyone came out to see when his long drive hit the top of a Bull Durham sign in center field for a double.

Three days later, Dr. John T. Black of the state's board of health warned that the Spanish Flu was on its way to Connecticut, and declared, "it's the patriotic duty of anyone taken with the disease to isolate himself or herself. Public gatherings held indoors should be avoided."

On Sept. 20, Hartford reported 13 cases of the Spanish Flu. "None are considered serious," The Courant reported, "and all were probably due to contagion from the soldiers from Camp Devens [in Boston] who were in the city a week ago. ... Local doctors fear it will spread as it has done in other cities." The state was also being overspread by the outbreak that began in New London.

"We weren't sure how you caught the thing," Roberts said. "It was addressed differently in different cities. There was no national standard."

By Sept. 21, there were 500 cases in Hartford. "Theaters and public meeting places are particularly places of danger at the present time," The Courant reported that morning. "Wherever people are

crowded together, as in the trolley cars and similar places, all are likely to be exposed and a large percentage of cases will result. It may even be necessary to close the theaters and other amusement places if the epidemic grows as it has in the past few days."

Ruth and the major leaguers in his traveling troupe played in Springfield, then returned to Hartford on Sept. 22. Roughly 3,000 came, many presumably having jammed the trolley cars to get out to the ballpark in the South End, to see the doubleheader. A fence was opened allowing children to surge into the park and crowd the outfield.

Another Red Sox star, "Bullet Joe" Bush pitched for Pratt and Whitney, Ruth for Poli's, and Bush won, 1-0, the run scored on a daring baserunning play by New Haven's "Jumping Joe" Dugan, who was then with the Philadelphia A's. Shortstop Larry Kopf of New Britain, who was playing for Cincinnati in the majors, played in the first game, but sat out the second game. "He had taken ill with what he thought was the Spanish influenza," according to The Courant.

"Certainly there were people at the game who'd already been infected," Desjardin said, "either by having been themselves or in contact with someone who'd been in the thick of things in Massachusetts, or New London. ... People in Hartford likely didn't yet know enough to avoid crowds."

Ruth satisfied the nation's "work or fight" order by accepting a position at Bethlehem Steel in Pennsylvania, though his primary role was to play for the company team. He played one game Sept. 25, two days after his appearance at Hartford, then left. The Baltimore Sun reported he had again contracted the Spanish Flu, but recovered.

The worst for Connecticut came in the coming weeks.

According to Connecticuthistory.org, local officials finally began canceling public events, such as fairs and football games, churches, schools and war bond drives, urged the wearing of cotton muslin masks in October, but more than 5,000 flu-related deaths were recorded in the state that month. Eventually, the pandemic would claim 9,000 lives, or one percent of the state's population. There were 675,000 deaths in the United States.

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
Detroit	20	46	.303	33½
Cleveland	19	46	.292	34
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
SOUTHWEST				
Houston	40	24	.625	—
Dallas	40	27	.597	1½
Memphis	32	33	.492	8½
New Orleans	28	36	.438	12
San Antonio	27	36	.429	12½
NORTHWEST				
Denver	43	22	.662	—
Utah	41	23	.641	1½
Oklahoma City	40	24	.625	2½
Portland	29	37	.439	14½
Minnesota	19	45	.297	23½
PACIFIC				
L.A. Lakers	49	14	.778	—
L.A. Clippers	44	20	.688	5½
Sacramento	28	36	.438	21½
Phoenix	26	39	.400	24
Golden State	15	50	.231	35

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	0	0	3	3	3
Chicago	0	1	1	1	2	3
New England	0	1	1	1	2	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						
Portland	2	0	0	6	7	1
Sporting KC	2	0	0	6	8	3
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	0	1	3	2	3
Vancouver	1	1	0	3	2	3
Real Salt Lake	0	0	2	2	1	1
LA Galaxy	0	1	1	1	1	2
San Jose	0	1	1	1	4	7
Houston	0	1	1	1	1	5
Nashville SC	0	2	0	0	1	3

3 points for victory, 1 point for tie

Tentative date for the MLS All-Star Game
July 29 vs. La Liga MX All Stars
Banc of California Stadium
in Los Angeles

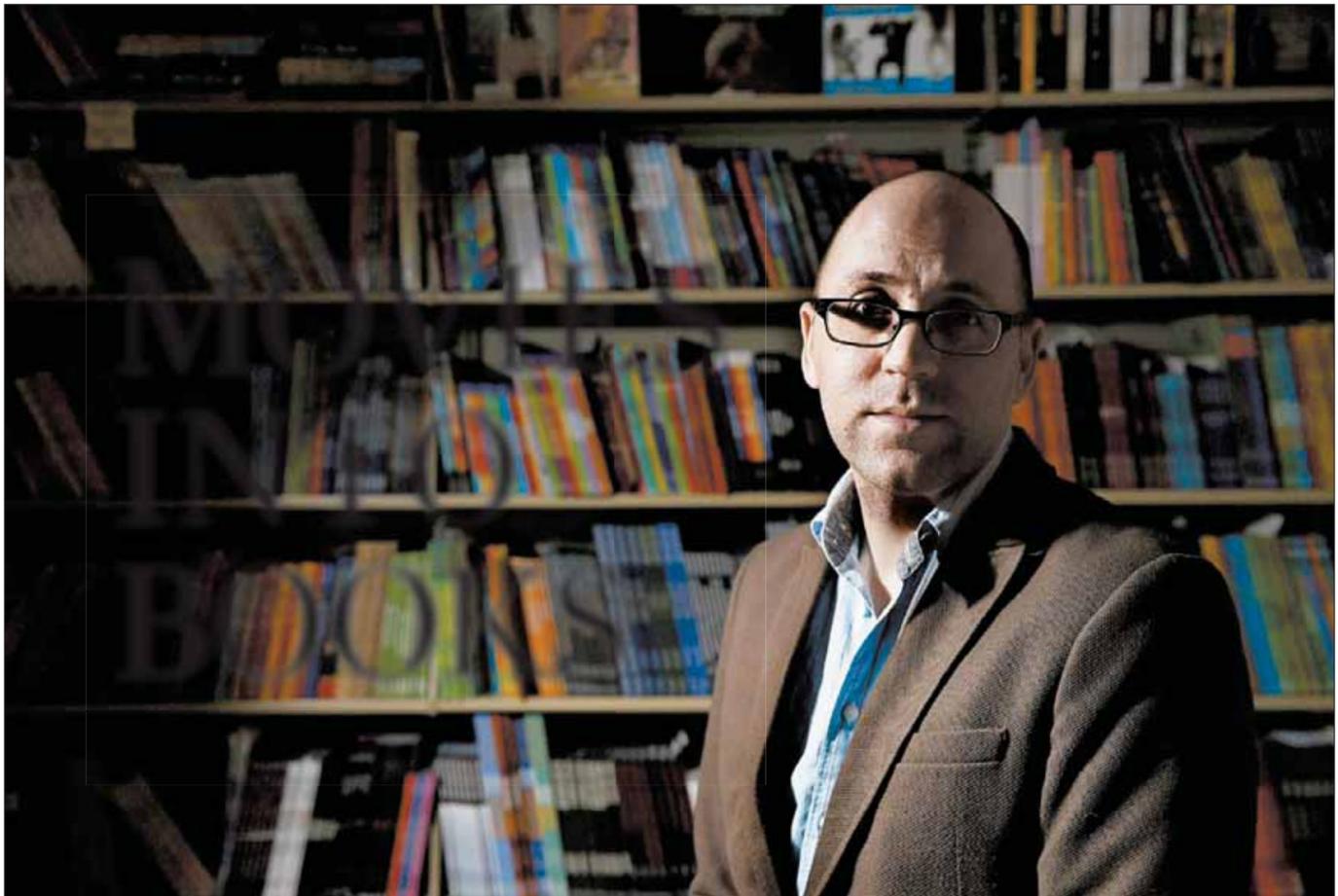
GOLF			
WORLD RANKINGS			
RK.	GOLFER	COUNTRY	AVG
1.	Rory McIlroy	N Ireland	9.45
2.	Jon Rahm	Spain	8.48
3.	Brooks Koepka	U.S.	7.73
4.	Justin Thomas	U.S.	7.41
5.	Dustin Johnson	U.S.	6.45
6.	Adam Scott	Australia	5.97
7.	Patrick Reed	U.S.	5.87
8.	Byeong Hun An	U.S.	5.84
9.	Webb Simpson	U.S.	5.84
10.	Tommy Fleetwood	England	5.58
11.	Tiger Woods	U.S.	5.44
12.	Xander Schauffele	U.S.	5.38
13.	Bryson DeChambeau	U.S.	5.15
14.	Justin Rose	England	4.79
15.	Marc Leishman	Austria	4.79
16.	Tony Finau	U.S.	4.62
17.	Matt Kuchar	U.S.	4.43
18.	Gary Woodland	U.S.	4.38
19.	Louis Oosthuizen	S. Africa	4.33
20.	Shane Lowry	Ireland	4.27
21.	Tyrell Hatton	England	4.23
22.	Hideki Matsuyama	Japan	4.14
23.	Sungjae Im	S. Korea	4.04
24.	Paul Casey	England	3.99
25.	Matt Fitzpatrick	England	3.79
26.	Bernard Wiesberger	Austria	3.77
27.	Rickie Fowler	U.S.	3.50
28.	Francesco Molinari	Italy	3.46
29.	Abraham Ancer	Mexico	3.13
30.	Kevin Na	U.S.	3.11
31.	Lee Westwood	England	3.07
32.	Henrik Stenson	Sweden	3.06
33.	Danny Willett	England	2.86
34.	Billy Horschel	U.S.	2.73
35.	Cameron Smith	Australia	2.70
36.	Kevin Kisner	U.S.	2.72
37.	Cheez Reavie	U.S.	2.69
38.	Sergio Garcia	Spain	2.62

39.	J. Janewattananond	Thailand	2.60
40.	Victor Perez	France	2.60
TOP 10 FINISHES			
PGA TOUR	T10	EV	W PCT
Rory McIlroy	6	6	100
Justin Thomas	5	8	62.5
Byeong Hun An	5	13	38.5
Harris English	5	11	45.5
Sungjae Im	5	14	37.5
Patrick Reed	4	8	50.0
Joel Dahmen	4	13	30.8
Scottie Scheffler	4	13	30.8
Jon Rahm	4	5	80.0
Bryson DeChambeau	4	7	57.1
Hideki Matsuyama	4	11	36.4
Gary Woodland	4	8	50.0
Webb Simpson	4	5	80.0
Billy Horschel	4	11	36.4
LPGA TOUR			
T10	EV	W	PCT.
Celine Boutier	3	4	75.0
Christina Kim	2	2	100
Inbee Park	2	4	50.0
Sei Young Kim	2	2	100
Nasa Hataoka	2	2	100
PGA CHAMPIONS			
T10	EV	W	PCT
Fred Couples	4	4	100
Bernhard Langer	4	5	80.0
Kevin Sutherland	4	5	80.0
Woody Austin	4	5	80.0
Stephen Leaney	3	4	75.0
Brett Quigley	3	4	75.0

EV: events played; T10: top 10 finishes;
W: season victories

HORSE RACING		
ROAD TO KENTUCKY DERBY POINTS		
HORSE	TRAINER	PTS
Tiz the Law	Barclay Tagg	122
Wells Bayou	Brad Cox	104
Ete Indien	Patrick Biancone	74
Modernist	Bill Mott	70
Authentic	Bob Baffert	60
Mr. Monomoy	Brad Cox	52
Nadal	Bob Baffert	50
Mischievous Alex	John Servis	50
Ny Traffic	Saffie Joseph Jr.	50
Juan Carlos Avila	Juan Carlos Avila	50
Shivaree	Ralph Nicks	40
Enforceable	Mark Casse	33
Storm the Court	Peter Eurton	32
Sole Volante	Patrick Biancone	30
Major Fed	Greg Foley	30
Thousand Words	Bob Baffert	25
Silver Prospector	Steve Asmussen	21
Field Pass	Mike Maker	20
Excession	Steve Asmussen	20
Candy Tycoon	Todd Pletcher	20
Honor A. P.	John Shirreffs	20
Unstilted	Mark Casse	20
Shotski	Jeremiah O'Dwyer	19
Independence Hall	Mike Trombetta	14
Gouverneur Morris	Todd Pletcher	14
Silver State	Steve Asmussen	14
Azul Coast	Bob Baffert	14
Shoplifted	Steve Asmussen	13
Anneau d'Or	Blain Wright	12
Maxfield	Brendan Walsh	10
Basin	Steve Asmussen	10
Dignity Rings	Bob Baffert	10
Eight's Moment	Dale Romans	10
Gold Street	Steve Asmussen	10
Max Player	Linda Rice	10
As Seen On Tv	Kelly Breen	10
Attachment Rate	Dale Romans	

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Author Daniel Kraus in his North Side office in 2013. Along with a number of his own titles, he wrote the book for the movie "The Shape of Water."

Yes, film novelizations are still around, and some are actually good

By **CHRISTOPHER BORRELLI**

Recently, during C2E2 at McCormick Place, the Random House imprint Del Rey, which publishes Lucasfilm-licensed "Star Wars" books, made an unusual choice and offered the novelization of "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" three weeks early. And so, visitors to the Chicago comic con bought up hundreds of copies, within a few hours.

Then, hours after that, though the movie version of "Rise of Skywalker" was months old, it began trending again across social media: Excerpts from the book were posted, and though everyone had seen the film and knew the story and long ago decided if they loved or hated it, there was a shock of revelation — as if they didn't know the story at all.

Wait, Emperor Palpatine was a ... what?

Hold on, Lando Calrissian's daughter was ... who?

None of those details were explained clearly by the movie, just the novelization. And now a very roil-ready fandom was roiled again: *Did this mean the novelization was better than the film? Or that the movie was actually even worse than they had thought?*

A better question would have been: *They still make movie novelizations?*

Yup, they do. Bunches of them.

Novelizations are, in essence, book-length descriptions of movies, typically written not by the author of the screenplay. They are the complete opposite of the more familiar practice of turning a book into a movie. They probably sound counterintuitive. But the recent "Sonic the Hedgehog" movie adaptation of the "Sonic" video game received a novelization. Pixar's animated "Onward" got one, too. So did the new Vin Diesel action flick



TRIBUNE ILLUSTRATION

Novelizations are shown, clockwise from top left: "Bloodshot" by Gavin Smith, "Star Wars: The Rise of Skywalker" by Rae Carson, "The Shape of Water" by Daniel Kraus, "Happy Death Day" and "Happy Death Day 2U" by Aaron Hartzler, "Alien" by Alan Dean Foster and "Gemini Man" by Titan Books.

"Bloodshot," and the Will Smith dud "Gemini Man." Even the quickie horror film "Happy Death Day," and its sequel, have novelizations. That new "Rise of Skywalker" novelization? It debuted last week on The New York Times hardcover best-seller list at No. 5.

It's a quirk of publishing.

A genre that largely consists of 250-page descriptions of movies the authors had not actually seen yet. A

marketing niche that once found its spiritual home in spinning wire racks at drugstores. An alternate universe where E.T. appears romantically attracted to Elliott's mother, books are adapted from films that are adapted themselves from Charles Dickens' classics and the storylines of "Transformers" movies actually seem coherent.

It's a place of oddball contortions, where a serious author like Ev-

anston's Daniel Kraus can dream up the story of the Oscar-winning movie "The Shape of Water" with that film's director, Guillermo del Toro, but the filmmaker writes the screenplay while the author pieces together the novelization, using the screenplay as his primary road map.

(Kraus describes the book as "beyond a novelization," and more akin to the way Arthur C. Clarke collaborated with Stanley Kubrick on the novel for "2001: A Space Odyssey.")

See, movies are adaptations of screenplays.

But novelizations are adaptations of movies, and therefore not the most loved form of literature. Albeit, one that often allows some tinkering by the author, who may deliver a version of a movie where interior thoughts of even the most fleeting role are given fresh weight. You might be surprised to know that, somewhere out there, probably gathering dust in an attic, or sitting waterlogged in a summer cottage, there are novelizations of everything from "Ferris Bueller's Day Off" to "Friday the 13th" movies to the Arnold Schwarzenegger comedy "Jingle All the Way." There exists in the world (and this is no joke) a 128-page novelization of the Mike Myers movie adapting Dr. Seuss' "Cat in the Hat."

It probably goes without saying that the novelization is an ancient marketing practice that somehow managed, like Bigfoot or the Loch Ness Monster, to sidestep progress.

Its heyday was before the age of streaming and DVDs. "There was a time the only way to take home a favorite film or television series was through a novel adaptation," said Steve Saffel, senior acquisitions editor at Titan Books, the leading publisher of novelizations. Even as

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'What we are trying to do is offer people hope'

For religious leaders, pandemic points to importance of faith

By **HOWARD REICH**

In this season of Easter, Ramadan and Passover, it's important to note the outside role religion has played in the arts.

The church has given us Gregorian chant and the Sistine Chapel, and it has inspired sacred works of Bach, Beethoven, Mozart and Monteverdi.

Painters, sculptors and court musicians found patronage in religious institutions centuries ago, before seeking wider support from a paying public.

And like religion, the arts

inspire faith and hope, commodities sorely needed at this time of pandemic.

We already know how the arts have been responding to the coronavirus: Concerts and plays are finding new homes and new audiences on Zoom, YouTube and other online platforms.

But what do the religions that have engendered so much art tell us about how to address the difficult times we're enduring?

As the coronavirus continues to sweep the world, those who have been stricken, those who love them and those who fear what's next often turn to spiritual leaders for explanation. Or at least to help us wrestle with how to make sense of a pandemic — if that's even possible. How do we interpret this? How do we accept

it? How are we to respond?

These questions cut to the essence of religious belief and have been top of mind among Chicago-area priests, imams, rabbis and others.

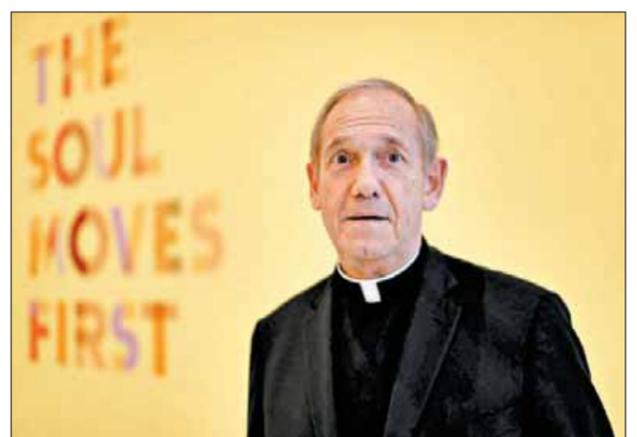
"First of all, sometimes we blame God in a lot of things," said Monsignor Kenneth Velo, senior executive for Catholic Collaboration at DePaul University.

"I think in this instance, what we're dealing with is a human condition. It's part of what we are as human beings, that we go through certain things.

"In response to this, what we are trying to do is offer people hope — that there's much more to life than what we see around us."

Meaning, perhaps, that we

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JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Monsignor Kenneth Velo at the Shirley Ryan Ability Lab, where he celebrated Mass via telecast for hospital patients.

Celebrating 89th birthday amid pandemic



HOWARD REICH

What a difference a month makes. Back then, Gordon Quinn, co-founder of Chicago's Kartemquin Films and director of the documentary "Prisoner of Her Past," was not yet hospitalized with the coronavirus. Sonia Reich, my mother and the film's subject, was still able to receive me at the nursing home where she lives (nonessential visitors no longer are allowed). And Leon Slominski, my mother's cousin and a prominent figure in the film, was still alive. He died March 7 in Warsaw, where he had lived for the past 70-plus years. So when WTTW-Ch. 11 presents the 10th annual broadcast of "Prisoner of Her Past" on April 19, in honor of Holocaust Remembrance Day (two days later), the fragile nature of life will be more apparent to me than ever. How could so much have changed in just a few weeks? I imagine that my mother thought quite the same thing in 1939, as an 8-year-old in the town of Dubno, Poland, near the border with Ukraine. In September of that year, as Hitler and Stalin agreed to divide Poland between them, German soldiers invaded from the west and Soviet troops from the east. Russian officers moved



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Tribune critic Howard Reich, center, and his mother, Sonia, appear with their Warsaw cousin Leon Slominski in the documentary "Prisoner of Her Past." The film is receiving its 10th annual broadcast on WTTW-Ch. 11 in honor of Holocaust Remembrance Day.

into the home of my mother's family, pushing everyone into a single room in back, facing the outhouse in the yard. Suddenly, fear became a way of life. Two years later, Hitler reneged on his deal with Stalin and drove the Soviets out of eastern Poland. On June 22, 1941, the first German bombs fell on Dubno. When German troops arrived on June 25, machine-gun executions of Dubno's Jews commenced at a sacred site: the Jewish cemetery. The killings continued steadily thereafter. And on April 2, 1942 — the first day of Passover — my mother, her family and other Jews who thus far had been spared death

were herded into a barricaded ghetto from which individuals often were removed but never returned. The sound of machine guns echoed from outside, witnesses have told me. By October, fewer than 100 of Dubno's 12,000 Jews had escaped these executions, according to war crimes reports I found in Dubno and documentation at the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum in Washington, D.C. Which means my mother somehow fled the ghetto by then, spending the next three years of the war as a child in flight. None of which I knew — or had bothered to research — until something dramatic happened on the night of

Feb. 15, 2001. My mother, then a 69-year-old widow living in the Skokie home where my sister and I grew up, packed two brown shopping bags full of clothes and ran for her life. She was picked up by the police around midnight, brought to a relative's house, then back to her Skokie home the next day. That night, she fled again. I didn't understand it at the time, but she was retracing the steps of the childhood of which she never spoke. I soon realized she had to be brought to a safe, secure place so she wouldn't simply escape and disappear forever. Which brings us to the sad situation we now are in. For once again my

mother, whom I normally visit every other day at her nursing home, is left alone with her fears. She believes nearly everyone is trying to kill her — which, in fact, nearly everyone once was — so she trusts no one at the nursing home. She believes there's a yellow Star of David on her clothes, another returned memory of a symbol that marked Jews for death. And I cannot visit her. Nor can I reach her on the phone. From the day she entered the nursing home in 2001, she refused to have a phone put in her room because she believed someone might call to threaten to kill her. And she remains too afraid to go to the phone at the nurse's station. Mortal fears absorbed in childhood, I came to learn, never go away. So when my mother's 89th birthday arrived this month, I realized that my tradition of celebrating with her wasn't going to happen. But not being able to even say "happy birthday" seemed egregious. Late that evening, my phone rang. When I saw the call was from the nursing home, I feared the worst. Quite the contrary, it was a nurse's aide with a surprise. "I know it's your mama's birthday today, and I know you would have been here if not for this virus," said the aide. "So I'm handing this phone to your mother." To my amazement, my mother took it. When I told her who I was, she didn't believe me, which came as no surprise. I suppose her caution and paranoia may

have been a key to her survival during her years in flight. Even so, it was a relief and a joy to hear that feisty voice, that thick East European accent, that vinegary refusal to be duped by the person on the phone who claimed to be her son. "Happy birthday," I said. "You're 89 years old today!" "I'm too old to celebrate birthdays," she responded. She was quiet for a moment, apparently studying the aide's cellphone. "Is this a new invention?" she said to me, suggesting that her innate curiosity remained very much intact. "Not really," I said. "Looks new to me," she replied, as always declining to accept my statements. I asked her what she had been doing that day. "I sit here, and I think," she said. She clearly has a great deal about which to think. After another minute she started winding down our call. "You'll have to excuse me, but I need to go now," she said. Notwithstanding the brushoff, I felt grateful for this conversation, for the miracle of her life and for the remarkable fact that she has made it to 89, against odds too staggering to comprehend. "Prisoner of Her Past," produced by Kartemquin Films in association with the Chicago Tribune, will air at 4 p.m. April 19 on WTTW-Ch. 11. Howard Reich is a Tribune critic. hreich@chicagotribune.com

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simply may not be able to comprehend or give spiritual meaning to a phenomenon that appears destined to kill millions. That so much lies beyond our understanding, that we must respect "the unknown, the inability to understand even with the best of science and the best of minds," said Rev. H. Scott Matheney, Elmhurst College chaplain and a Presbyterian/United Church of Christ minister. "There is a sense of abandonment and fear. And against that is the (belief) that, at least a lot of us within the Christian tradition — especially the reform Protestant tradition — understand that God does not ever leave one and is always present in death and in life. "I take solace in the notion of what was created that was good. We are created in God's image, even with diseases that kill us. ... You face evil, you face brokenness, you face death, but there is something that transcends that: that we rely on other people, and we rely ultimately on God. ... God's grace is much more substantial than my limitations." The disease, in other words, doesn't negate faith but points to its importance, according to believers. To spiritual leaders, religion and faith provide a psychological bulwark against disease, not an explanation of it, as well as a way of trying to perceive our place in an unfathomable universe. "Everything is really a test from God, and that's how we see everything and anything," said Imam Ibrahim Khader of the Muslim Community Center, with locations in Chicago, Morton Grove and Skokie. "The reason being that the material world that we know is temporary, and it's not the thing that we strive for. So everything we do is for the afterlife, just as other monotheistic religions. "And so whatever we go through, whether it's ease and comfort or difficulty and tribulation, we know that our response to those circumstances will warrant the results in the next life. So we act accordingly. And that gives solace, it gives a sense of peace if things are



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difficult because you know that there is some form of reward for your patience and perseverance." Though the coronavirus outbreak seems extraordinary to us — an event of this scope not seen since the 1918 influenza pandemic — for Jews such afflictions are inscribed in antiquity. Indeed, during Passover the Seder service commemorates plagues God delivered to the Egyptians to compel the Pharaoh to release Israelites from bondage: blood, frogs, lice, flies, pestilence, boils, hail, locusts, darkness and killing of the firstborn. "One of the great lessons in the Seder is that we remember the 10 plagues by lessening our cup of sweet wine — that we pour out a drop for every plague," said Rabbi Samuel N. Gordon of Congregation Sukkat Shalom in Wilmette. "We understand that even the Israelites who were liberated from Egypt still identify with the loss or the bitterness that occurred for the Egyptians. So we remember that. "One of the lessons that this coronavirus teaches us is that borders and boundaries don't matter, that we are tied to each other universally. That you can't say: Oh, this happened to my enemies, therefore I am favored because the plague happened to those on the other side. "It's happened to all of us." So perhaps a question more important than "why?" is "what?" What should we do in the face of a cataclysmic event? What do the great religious traditions teach us about how to think and conduct ourselves at this time? "To be brothers and sisters of one another, and that is to serve others, to be part of other people's lives, also to be examples for others," said Velo, the monsignor. "I feel these days we're seeing a lot of examples in the emergency rooms and the intensive care units, in the parking lots where people are bringing gloves and masks and seeking help. "For Catholicism, as many other religions, it's community. ... And we have to look to the hope we have that this will end and pray that those souls that we know will survive this, those many souls will survive this because of the gift of science, the gift of communication, the gift of healing." In addition to instructing followers that "you have to take your precautions ... washing hands and all that stuff," said Khader, the imam, Islam tells followers to look inward. "It tells us to be introspective," he said. "If a calamity is spreading, then we have to look at what we're doing wrong. And I



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Rabbi Samuel N. Gordon, of Congregation Sukkat Shalom, outside his home in Wilmette.



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Chaplain H. Scott Matheney at his home in Elmhurst.

guess I worded it a little more modern. "But instead of wanting to go back to normal, we want to look to how we can go back to being better. So that's mainly our goal. "So we say: Maybe we made some mistakes along the way that could have caused something like this, whether it's our relationship with God or between each other. Or maybe we just dropped the ball with dealing with the whole thing entirely, with a sense of arrogance and feeling that we have pure control. And this is sort of a reminder that you don't have that much control. "As Muslims we look at this from an introspective manner, that it causes you to change how you act. You see people more willing to give charity, people are more humble, more cautious in what they say and do." To Matheney, the Elmhurst College chaplain, the coronavirus pandemic calls for both prayer and social justice. "Certainly the Presbyterian tradition — and I would think most of the Christian tradition — would ask for a sense of humbleness and prayerfulness that is rooted in a

loving response to those who are ill or have lost loved ones," said Matheney. "It would ask us to — especially out of the Presbyterian tradition — to organize ourselves, to organize civic engagement and civic government for the common good. To build a society where all are taken care of. "So that would address issues of health care. It would address issues of support for first responders and for the broader community. It would address the inequalities. ... How is food being delivered? How is medicine delivered? Who has access?" If there's a common perspective the clergy of various faiths are feeling, it's frustration that they cannot minister to congregations as they did before: in sanctuaries during services, in hospitals during illnesses, in chapels and at gravesides during funerals. "My ministry, through the 46 years I've been a priest, has been greatly involved with our hospitals, whether Northwestern or Loyola or Lutheran General or Rush," said Velo. "These days, nursing homes, hospitals, rehab centers — they're not able, they're not free to welcome people for

the sake of the people who are there in those places. "So some people are alone. Some people are dying and unable to see their family and let alone receive sacraments." Yet there is some consolation in the form of high-tech communications that were unavailable during previous pandemics. "It's very clear to me that had this kind of thing happened 20 or even 10 years ago, we would not have had the ability to respond in community the way we have because we have technology," said Gordon, the rabbi. "We are doing Zoom shivas," added Gordon, referring to the post-burial ritual in which Jews convene in the home of the bereaved. "And livestreaming funerals. ... We have to adapt, and there's a sadness." But it's key to remember that we are not the first to endure such struggles, nor will we be the last, said Matheney, the Elmhurst College chaplain. We can find comfort in the scriptures and in stories of earlier eras. "We are surrounded by history, by a cloud of people — witnesses that have done this before," said Matheney. "Maybe not in the same way, but they too have had to struggle, bury, love and carry forward. ... There are storytellers that tell truthful stories of what it meant to live through that pain, that loss, the death, and carry forward." Even amid these losses, it's critical to find reasons to give thanks, said Khader, the imam. "We may look at things in the sense of mass hysteria, but the smart person is one who looks at the blessing instead of just the difficulty. We're blessed to spend more time with our families, we're blessed with free time, we can sit down and read more and do other things that we couldn't have done before. "And then Ramadan is coming up, so I encourage people to read more, study more about their religion, spend more time doing acts of worship and ritual. "The last thing for us is acceptance. Accepting reality and not being in denial or not questioning God. "It's more that sense of humility that's important." Howard Reich is a Tribune critic. hreich@chicagotribune.com

A song with wisdom for this moment



CHRIS JONES

"Why does the sun go on shining?," sang Karen Carpenter, eons ago. "Why does the sea rush to shore? Don't they know it's the end of the world, 'cause you don't love me anymore."

That mournful love ballad, penned by the late Arthur Kent and Sylvia Dee, is a beautiful song with one crystalline idea: When we're suffering personal trauma, we often peer out at the world continuing unabated around us and feel a profound sense of alienation from its quotidian rhythms.

Our world just fell apart due to a breakup, maybe, or a major health crisis or a bereavement, and yet everything beyond ourselves remains painfully oblivious to our trauma.

Restaurants are still packed. Curtains still rise. Roller coasters still climb. Dry cleaners dry clean. Employers expect us to return to work expeditiously. As it goes in the song, "everything's the same as it was."

Except me, you think.

In normal times, there is pressure for us to embrace this normalcy, to get over whatever just knocked us down, to not intrude too much on compassionate but busy friends or family members, to pack away whatever it is we're feeling and carry on, to stop wondering how life goes on the way it does, to rejoin the herd, gamely pretending to have gained immunity.

These are not normal times. In this era, there's actually far less of a disconnect between individual trauma and the world outside.

It's wild. All you have to do is leave the house to go to work or just walk the dog late at night on empty streets, and you feel that collective sense of dislocation, that awareness of scared humans locked away in boxes in the dark in what passes for a sense of virus-free safety. Some of us are far more at risk than others, but it still seems as if everybody is feeling like it's the end of the world, all at once.

Frankly, it's hard to find any global comparative in modern times.

Wars certainly come to mind, but there have always been places and communities relatively unaffected, somewhere on Earth. Even if bombs were raining down, you could usually find a bar open. You could at least watch a kid playing on a swing or embrace a loved one.

While large groups of oppressed humans certainly have suffered far, far worse, together, than the presumably finite and limited threat posed to most of us by COVID-19, right now there is almost no place on the planet that is not sharing the same bad dreams. Economic trauma is absurdly unequal, but it is also relative. And thus shared.

The human fears of pain and death cut across every division we have created for ourselves. They now are writ large, in a global font.

So our current puzzlement is not at all that of Carpenter, whose incomparably truthful and resonant voice resounds through



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Karen and Richard Carpenter at the 1971 Grammy Awards in New York. The duo covered "The End of the World" by composer Arthur Kent and lyricist Sylvia Dee in 1975.

time. We don't have to wonder why the world is callously continuing as normal, for it clearly is not.

The human world, anyway. Rabbits don't seem to be too worried.

Flowers still bloom, even if their progress atypically is unchecked by most human eyes. And an opportunistic coyote prowls confidently through the city, unimpeded.

Most of us are amazed by the eye-popping societal changes through which we are living in the here and now.

We're fascinated by all the photos of shockingly empty plazas and squares, by all those singers confined to basements, by people cheering on their

tiny balconies, by families doing lockdown boogies together, by the comparative digital maps of disappeared flights and cruises not taken.

All that stuff has one fundamental thing in common: They're all a portrait of the kind of retreat we never thought could happen to everyone at once.

For somebody whose person and family are mostly in good health, it can actually seem at times as if the collective world has changed far more than our own individual experience. That's why you see energetic people clamoring to do what they always have done, pointing their laptop camera at their old selves, willing away isola-

tion, straining against confinement, champing at the bit to get back to the way things used to be.

It is always impossible to understand seismic change when it unfolds around you. But history surely will look back on these weeks, or months, as a paradoxical moment of global connection and isolation. And maybe also as an opportunity to better understand and care for each other.

This is that rare time when empathic understanding is very much available — just from at least 6 feet away. May we not squander this chance.

Nightly newscasts are tough viewing. You see things you never thought you would see in America,

such as bodies piling up in trucks or a roadblock located where Louisiana meets Texas and state troopers stopping cars. You adjust and then wonder why you just adjusted and if you should adjust back straight away.

At least one news anchor, clearly aware of the cumulative effect of this unsettling distillation of global developments, had departed from neutrality and come up with a very helpful new sign-off: "Don't forget, we are all in this together."

Just as well. No other way for us to get through.

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Twisting road led to series finale

'How To Get Away With Murder' spanned 6 seasons

By DANIELLE TURCHIANO

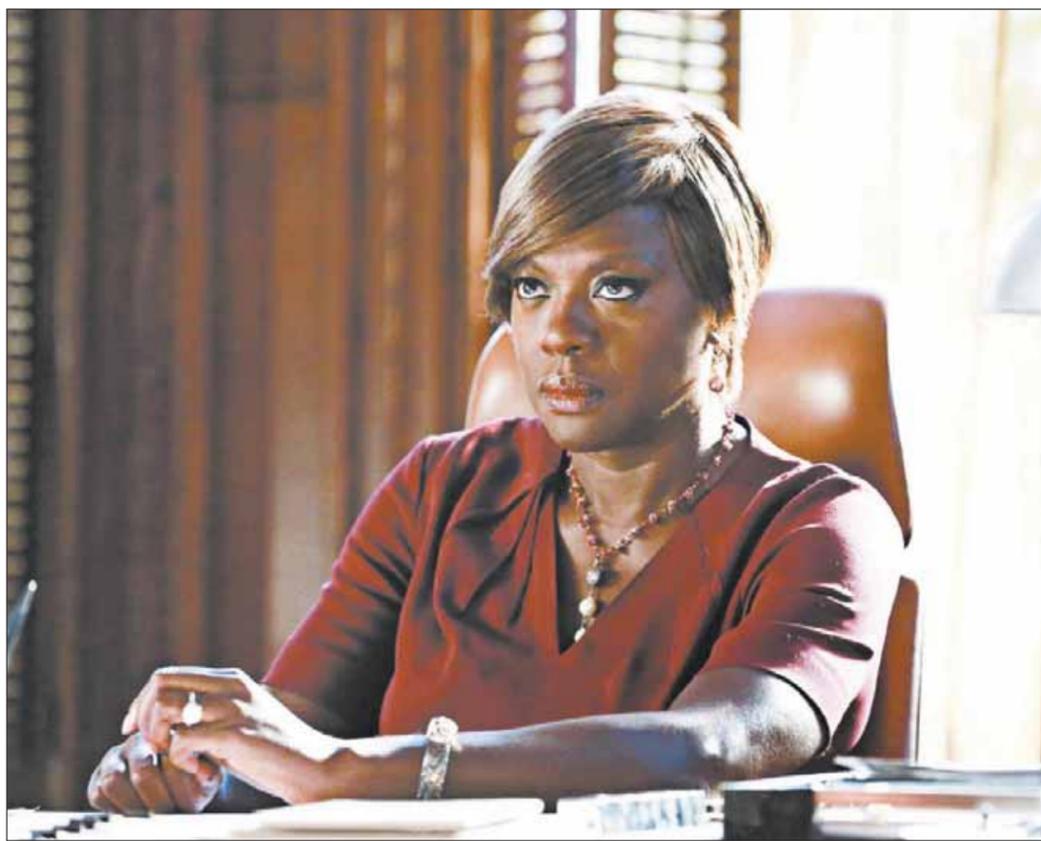
Variety

Viola Davis never wanted to be a TV character, but for the last six years, much of her professional life has been devoted to being just that — the brilliant but often intimidating Annalise Keating on ABC and Shondaland's "How To Get Away With Murder."

Now, the show is wrapping up its six-season run with six more episodes, which began April 2 and end May 14, and Davis, the rest of the "How To Get Away With Murder" cast and crew, and the audience who followed their twist-filled murder mysteries for the better part of the last decade, will never be the same.

"I did not want a character that fit into the quote-unquote network TV parameters. I wanted to be more rooted in reality and in life, and more rooted in the complexity of what it means to live a life," Davis tells Variety. "There are awesome actors on TV, but my issue in general with my profession in general — not all the time, just sometimes — is I never see myself. And when I say myself, I'm not just saying my hair and my skin, but me — who I am inside. I never see it, I never believe it. The reason why I love Shondaland is I think that they're challenging a new audience — an audience of different races and sizes, people who are now shedding what's been done in the past."

Davis booked the role in 2014 after focusing on films for a few years. "I literally had to step out on faith," she says of accepting the role. "The one thing that made me halfway believe it was they chose me. I think that was the first step. And



MITCHELL HAASETH/ABC

Viola Davis appears in a scene from "How To Get Away With Murder." Davis won the lead drama actress Emmy for her portrayal of Annalise Keating in 2015, becoming the first African American to take home the award.

then the second thing they did was they listened to me. They honored my voice."

Showrunner Pete Nowalk had come up on Shondaland series "Grey's Anatomy" and "Scandal" prior to launching "How To Get Away With Murder;" so he had a track record of boundary-breaking dramas with formidable female leads at the center of the story.

"We want to make things that we want to watch. If we're proud of it, we want to watch it. And Pete shares this too because we all share the same DNA. That's the level of success we look for," executive producer Betsy Beers says. "There's an integration between the kind of story-

telling it is — which is very high stakes — and then these very realistic, emotional high-stakes issues for characters. That particular marriage, I think, has always been tantamount in his brain."

Nowalk developed a collaborative environment wherein he would have conversations with actors, including Davis, a couple of times throughout each season to ensure where character arcs were going made sense to the people who were portraying them. At times, certain elements were inspired by the actors, as well.

"They are a resource for me that I will really miss," Nowalk says of his "How To Get Away With Mur-

der" cast. "What's cool about Annalise's journey, and this comes from Viola, is that we're meeting this woman who was really trying hard to fit in in so many ways and then rebelled against it. We talk about that at the end of the show; she has this one great last speech, and it really comes from a lot of what Viola wanted, and it's about, are we all just trying to be someone the world wants us to be or can we just be ourselves, whether that's ugly or pretty or good or bad?"

Over the six seasons, "How To Get Away With Murder" featured stories about alcoholism, interracial relationships, gay marriage, HIV, the mass incar-

ceration of black men and law enforcement corruption, all mixed in with murder mysteries that tested the characters' morals and questioned if anyone, under the right circumstances, could be capable of violent action.

"The thing that always amazed me," Beers says, "was that storytelling was becoming more nuanced and opened up the doors for discussions about different things — yet there was also this incredibly vital, entertaining, larger-than-life engine going on."

The thing that I always thought was radical was that it was this incredibly inventive way of doing a legal show."

Beers recalls that in

development half a dozen years ago, the idea of telling a story non-linearly (where each season started with a murder and then jumped back in time to unfold the events that led up to and ultimately caused the crime) was something of a novel one in the format. But so was centering a series on a defense attorney.

"Without ever getting preachy or ever getting in the weeds about it, Pete managed to weave that idea of guilt or innocence obviously within the framework of cases but also within our characters' lives," she says.

In addition to its complex storytelling structure, the show broke ground in the industry when Davis won the lead drama actress Emmy in 2015. It was her first-ever nomination, let alone win, and she became the first African American to take that trophy. She was later nominated three more times at that ceremony, twice at the Golden Globes, and she won two SAG Awards.

The finale, Beers says, is "a valentine to the whole show." Although so much of the challenge of wrapping up such a complex series is "making sure that everybody gets their due," she acknowledges, the show as always been "novelistic (in how) one character bounces off another, and there's this magical stew thing (Pete) does where things all fall into place in way that we didn't know we engineered."

For Davis, what was most important about the way Annalise's journey was wrapped up was that it included "a stripping away of all of the facades, the layers," she says. And she reveals that will happen: "What you get in the final episode is really more authentically who she is. And it is that journey and ultimately that character that I've always wanted to see on TV."

BOOKS

REVIEW

Another marathon of a novel

Adam Levin returns with 'Bubblegum'

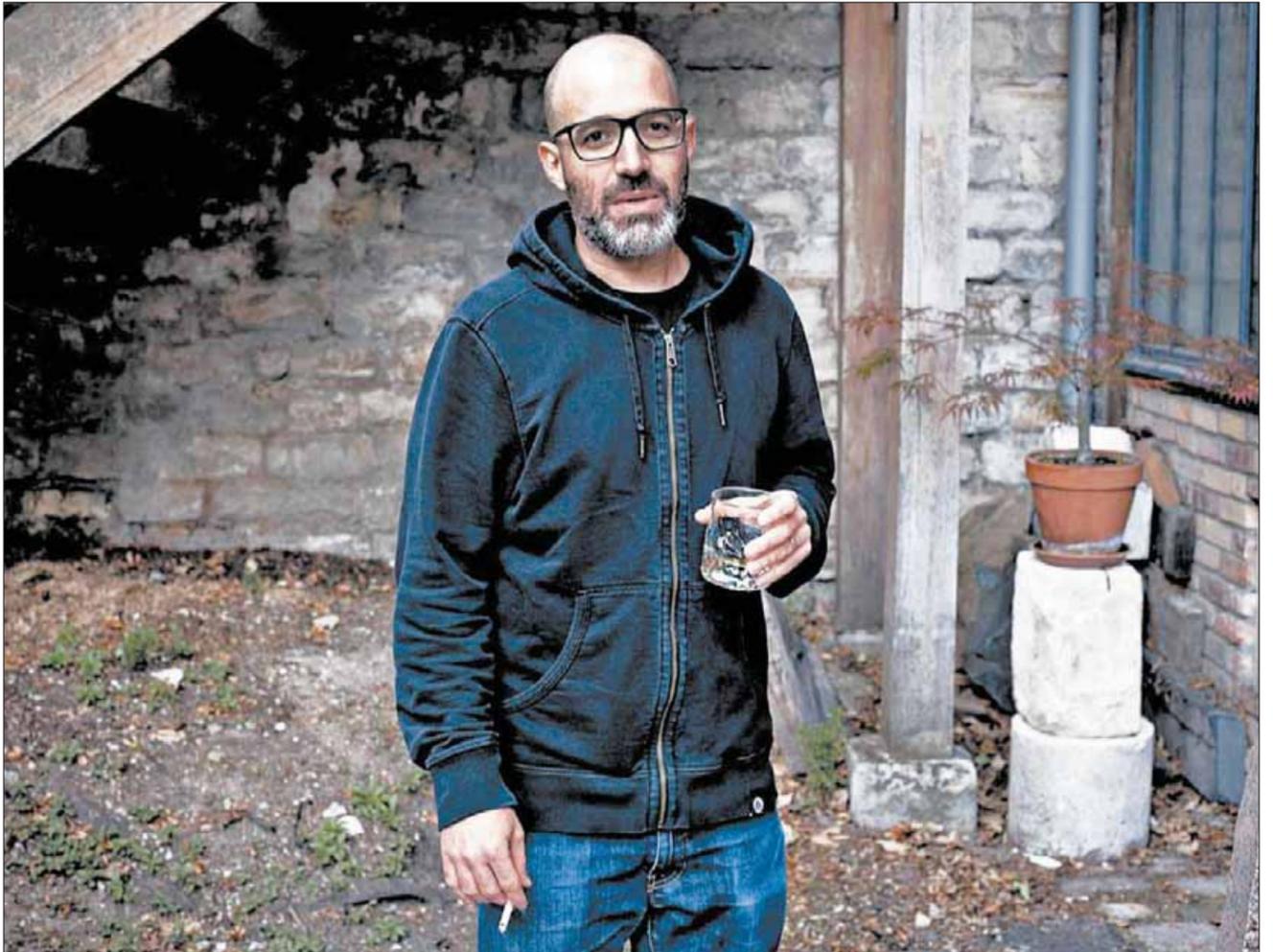
BY KATHLEEN ROONEY

Postmodern novelist Mark Leyner once said in an interview that, "I don't know that I consciously try to duplicate an American citizen's apprehension of the information glut. But I've thought for the past couple of years that most writing doesn't hold a candle to the exhilaration of just being alive and media conscious." He made this claim back in 1992. Arguably, with the apotheosis of smartphones and social media, Leyner's statement — if one finds it true — has only grown to be more acute.

In "Bubblegum," his 784-page whopper of a second novel, Adam Levin uses every fictional and metafictional whistle and bell imaginable in his attempt to create a reading experience that not only holds a candle to but outdazzles the exhilaration to which Leyner refers. In a high-concept twist, he does so by crafting a fictional present-day world in which the internet never happened.

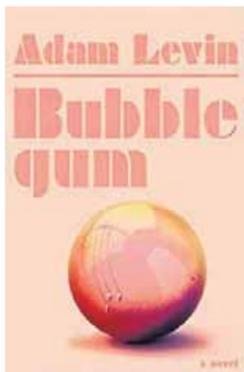
Instead, his non-neurotypical protagonist — the 38-year old Belt Magnet, a little-known novelist who still lives at home with his widowed dad in the "greater Chicagolandarea" community of "Wheelatine" — inhabits an alternate contemporary America in which the interactive technology of preference and addiction is "a flesh-and-bone-robot that thinks it's your friend."

These creatures, known as Curios, or "cures" for short, have become every bit as ubiquitous as iPhones in our world, but Belt is among the earliest of all possible early adopters. Because of a psychological disorder that causes him to be able to communicate with inanimate objects — or "inans" as he calls them — Belt engages in a rash of "swingset murders" as a child, episodes in which he destroys — at the objects' request — those pieces of playground equipment, often in front of cheering throngs of his classmates. Subsequently, Belt's (soon-to-be-dead-from-cancer) mother enrolls him in a study at the University of Chicago for those "ages fifteen and under who'd been diagnosed with psychotic disorders" to participate in research "involving therapy animals." Thus does Belt become the recipient of one of the world's first ever cures, one which he and his mom name — based on the delightful noise it makes when it sneezes — "Kablankey," who goes by "Blank" for short.



RENAUD MONFOURNY

Adam Levin is the author of "Bubblegum." Levin writes about the internet and what the internet might be doing to us without writing about the internet.



'Bubblegum'

By Adam Levin, Doubleday, 784 pages, \$29.95

At first, this elaborate set-up is one that may involve the reader's intellect more than their emotions, but once he has the time — and page count — to get his hooks in place, Levin's story becomes, at some points, as funny, sad, compelling and exhilarating as anything on the internet or IRL.

A caveat, though, about the patience needed to give the narrative a chance to establish its magic: With so many books and so little time, one can understand the need for such standards as celebrity librarian Nancy Pearl's Rule of 50. "If you're fifty years old or younger," she recommends, "give every book about 50 pages before you decide to commit yourself to reading it or

giving up," adding that if you're over 50, you should subtract your age from 100 and use that as your guide.

Sound advice, but this reader would propose a different and considerably extended metric for long books, probably closer to a Rule of 100. For the first 90 pages — which sounds like a lot — the temptation to quit reading "Bubblegum" was powerful; the writing seemed simultaneously tiresome yet too clever by half, like it was straining hard and achieving very little. There are the Pynchon-esque names, like "Jonny 'Jonboat' Pellmore-Jason," Belt's youthful frenemy, and the bank teller who "had to be at least twice the recommended weight" whose name turns out to be "Lotta Hogg," not to mention the seemingly pointless digressions, such as the one on the physical act of drinking which begins, "Ever since I can remember, I've taken a certain misguided delight in the tilting of partly filled vessels" and goes on for several paragraphs.

But upon this reader's powering through, Levin's book took hold, paradoxically in a passage in which Belt contemplates boredom. "My boredoms always seemed to strike me out of nowhere; they lacked salient causes, which made them hard to cure," he observes. "My first impulse when bored was

to play with Blank, yet since my boredoms, by nature, felt like personal failures — failures, that is, to be not-bored — and since feelings of failure could rapidly lead to feelings of frustration, and feelings of frustration increased muscular tension ... I feared that if I, while bored, were to play with Blank, I would do so too aggressively, and possibly harm it, so I'd keep Blank sleeved whenever I was bored."

From there on in, Levin unspools a story that dramatizes thinking to an extent that thought itself becomes as riveting as plot, but in which there's also actual plot in abundance.

Almost excessively adorable, these tiny animal-esque machines, sometimes referred to as "Botimals," require body-heat to survive and are programmed to adapt to their owners' every whim. Cures live almost exclusively to connect with and amuse their masters, a directive that leads to many ethical quandaries and opportunities for abuse. In fact, the Curios are cute, super-cute, exceedingly cute, so cute that an owner can overload on their cuteness, meaning they ultimately end up murdering the cure, an indulgence which repulses Belt, but is commonly accepted practice in his milieu.

Levin's debut novel, "The Instructions," pub-

lished in 2010 by McSweeney's, was even longer than "Bubblegum" at 1,026 pages, and well received. Levin won the New York Public Library Young Lions Fiction Award and a National Endowment for the Arts fellowship; he also was a finalist for the National Jewish Book Award. Levin, who lives in Gainesville, Florida, grew up in Buffalo Grove and Highland Park. He draws on his experience of both the city and the suburbs to give texture to "Bubblegum," as when he writes of Belt's visit to the Pellmore-Jason compound that "most of the fields to the compound's north had been transformed into Wyndstone Homes, phases I and II, and an unnamed strip mall dually anchored by a TGIFriday's and a twelve-screen Cineplex Odeon Theater."

One does sometimes wish that Levin could find it in himself to be more concise, and the book's meta-memoiristic frame leads to some lengthy passages in the middle — especially such found documents as both the 1988 and 2012 "Graham&Swords" Botimal/Curio instructional brochures and "A Fistful of Fists: A Documentary Collage: the transcript of a film by Jonny Pellmore Jason Jr." — that beg to be skipped or at the very least skimmed.

And on a couple of occasions — perhaps in an

homage to Kurt Vonnegut, whose "Slaughterhouse-Five" he goes out of his way to imitate and reference — Levin inserts himself winkingly into the text. Near the end, for instance, Belt's father writes a wordy letter to his son about meeting Levin at the Shakespeare and Company bookstore in Paris, a letter that effusively praises both Levin and Levin's real-life wife Camille Bordas for being extremely smart, attractive and funny writers; he notes how sad he is that he can't buy his son Levin's novel because "by the time I got to the front of the line, all the copies were sold out." This kind of self-reflexivity is a hallmark of postmodern fiction, and individual readers will differ in regarding it as ingenious or simply cringe-inducing.

On the whole, "Bubblegum" manages to write about the internet and what the internet might be doing to us without writing about the internet. Belt refers to his own short story, "Certain Something," as an "exercise in empathy," and maybe "Bubblegum" is an attempt at an empathy ultra-marathon. Not every single moment of the experience feels great, but there's an undeniable sense of accomplishment when one reaches the end.

Kathleen Rooney's latest novel, "Cher Ami and Major Whittlesey," is forthcoming in August.

REVIEW

Stephanie Wrobel's debut is an edgy page-turner

BY LLOYD SACHS

To the ever-expanding list of popular entertainments featuring Munchausen syndrome by proxy (including "Sharp Objects" and "The Act"), we can now add "Darling Rose Gold." A slyly crafted first novel by Chicago native Stephanie Wrobel, it's a doozy, pitting the monstrous mother against the monster-in-waiting she created.

Bad old Mom is Patty Watts, who has just been released from a five-year prison term. She got sent up for her poisoning and otherwise making her daughter, Rose Gold Watts, chronically ill for 18 years.

"Poisonous Patty" was convicted on the courtroom testimony of her

damaged offspring, now 23. But spurning all advice to stay away from her mother, Rose Gold — no one calls her Rose — not only visits her in the slammer, she reconciles with her. "In spite of all her sins, I knew how much she loved me," she offers.

When Rose Gold has her denying, bitterly unremorseful mother move in with her and her 2-month-old baby in Deadwick, Illinois, a three-hour drive from Chicago, the neighbors are shocked. But not as shocked as Patty when she discovers that her daughter now lives in the house in which she, Patty, grew up and was abused as a child.

"You know what happened here," Patty says, momentarily shaken from her sarcastic streak. "Why

on earth would you buy this house?" To which her daughter responds, "I thought we'd keep it in the family."

In alternating narratives, Wrobel puts us inside the heads of these delusional women with dark delight, striking a neat balance between edgy humor and edge-of-your-seat tension. Every scene in which Patty is alone with the baby (the father's identity is a mystery) is a hand-wringer. An unreliable narrator on multiple levels, Patty is in uncharted territory when she tells the truth — and no one believes her. Not that truth gets in her way very often.

Rose Gold never had a chance to grow up. She has never tasted a cheeseburger or been to the big city,

watches Disney movies over and over, and still speaks of "trembles" in her tummy. Ever-conscious of her unsightly teeth, rotted over time by the ipecac her mother put in her food, she has a longterm online romance with a boy who turns out to be not who she imagined.

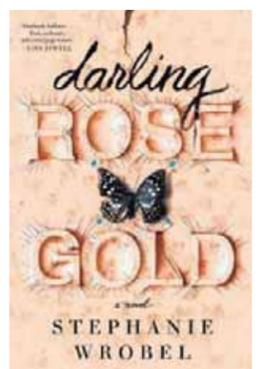
And then there is Billy, the father she never knew, who appears out of the blue to apologize for abandoning her and not being there to protect her. A former meth addict who Patty said died of an overdose, he has a family in Indiana. Rose Gold is thrilled to finally have someone to call "Dad." But her efforts to attach herself to him and her half-siblings, including five-hour drives to pop in on them, are thwarted — an

outcome she doesn't take lying down.

Wrobel, who grew up in suburban Darien and Lemont and now lives in London, spent years writing "Darling Rose Gold," which started out as an MFA thesis project. The effort shows. There is nary a false move in the novel, which is streaked with mordant wit. "I love meeting new doctors," says Patty during an emergency visit to the hospital. "Maybe we'll become friends."

Who would have thought that Munchausen — or factitious disorder, as it is now dully called — could be so much fun?

Lloyd Sachs, a freelancer, writes regularly on crime fiction for the Chicago Tribune



'Darling Rose Gold'

By Stephanie Wrobel, Berkley, 319 pages, \$26



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Biblioracle columnist John Warner thought he'd spend a lot of time reading — like this man. But he can't focus, and he thinks that's grief.

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Lots of time, too grief-stricken to read

BY JOHN WARNER

I have a confession to make: I haven't been reading much.

By this I mean I haven't been reading the pile of books that I made sure to secure for our indeterminate period of social distancing. One of the silver linings of being forced to stay home was supposed to be all of the extra time to read those books, and here I am, not reading them.

I am reading — just not books. I'm reading newspapers like this one, articles on the pandemic that pop up in my Twitter feed, things friends and colleagues send me about the coronavirus.

I have made a study of the Johns Hopkins real-time coronavirus data map like I am a scholar interpreting the Dead Sea Scrolls.

It ain't good. It's not fun, and I would like to stop, but as much as I know I should, I can't.

I've picked up eight or 10 different books over the last couple of weeks, books I know are going to be good, books I've been waiting to read for months, but I cannot focus enough to achieve the necessary transfer into the text.

You know what that's like, right? That little mental click where you've given over some chunk of your consciousness to the

book and you are putty in the writer's hands?

Can't do it right now. Is anyone else having this problem?

This has happened at other times in my life. In the aftermath of the 9/11 attacks, or when my father was gravely ill before he died. Because it has happened before, I can recognize what it is, and what it is, is grief.

As of yet, I am extremely lucky, knowing no one who has been directly affected by the virus.

(Hold on, I need to pause to knock on wood, throw a pinch of salt over my shoulder, and spin in a circle three times.)

And no, this is not as intense a feeling as when my father died. That was months of funk, with periodic recurrences for much longer than that, like the tide going in and out. But I know this is grief.

Which makes me wonder what I'm grieving, who I am grieving for, and perhaps it is all of us. The available information seems to indicate that the level of suffering that now seems inevitable was not necessary, that it could have been mitigated with a more proactive response from the people we expect to be looking out for us on these things.

Someone tried to convince me this was a so-called Black Swan Event, something

literally unpredictable, except it was predicted by lots of people inside and outside the government. Heck, Bill Gates gave a TED Talk in 2015 about our lack of preparation for a global pandemic. There was a "cascade" of warnings, including exercises in our own government. There was even a major motion picture, "Contagion," that's eerily prescient, including the presence of Dr. Sanjay Gupta.

Part of the grief is the realization of how much of this is out of my control. I am staying home as we've all been instructed. I am trying to support the businesses and charities that I want to still exist when we can freely move in the world again, but it feels like very little.

Grief has a way of reminding you how small you are.

It will pass, because it must pass, and each day I think I feel a little better. But if you are feeling anything similarly, please don't judge yourself over whatever it is you think you're supposed to be doing.

We're only human.

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Book recommendations from the Biblioracle

John Warner tells you what to read based on the last five books you've read.

1. "Disgrace" by J.M. Coetzee
2. "Zero K" by Don DeLillo
3. "The Dutch House" by Ann Patchett
4. "Chances Are ..." by Richard Russo
5. "The Joke" by Milan Kundera
— Nicholas B., Chicago

"Temporary" by Hilary Leichter is the last book I read before the funk descended, and it is stuffed with line-by-line energy. I think Nicholas will dig its vibe.

1. "The Lost Girls of Paris" by Pam Jenoff
2. "Change of Heart" by Jodi Picoult
3. "The Institute" by Stephen King
4. "Cook County ICU" by Cory Franklin
5. "Admissions: A Life in Brain Surgery" by Henry Marsh
— Ann I., Aurora

Isabel Allende knows how to put you in a place, which is something I sense Ann appreciates. I'm going with "The House of the Spirits."

1. "Where the Crawdads Sing" by Delia Owens
2. "The Dutch House" by Ann Patchett
3. "Fatal Justice" by Marie Force
4. "Juror #3" by James Patterson
5. "America Alone: The End of the World as We Know It" by Mark Steyn
— Lucille L., Homewood

This list was submitted on behalf of 97-year-old Lucille by her daughter-in-law, so how could I resist doing my best to offer a good recommendation? "The Great Alone" by Kristin Hannah.

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home video took off in the '80s, the genre made some sense.

At C2E2, Rae Carson, author of the "Rise of Skywalker" novelization, recalled her love for the 1983 novelization of "Return of the Jedi": "I was 10 years old and read it at a time in my life when I lived in pretty abject poverty. I could not afford to go to movies and the book came out a little before the movie. Since I knew we couldn't afford to go to the movie, I begged my mother to get a copy at the library." She said "the writing was smooth, the pacing great." She read it three times, before eventually seeing the movie.

That author was James Kahn, then a 36-year-old emergency room doctor from Chicago. He was also, like many writers of novelizations, already an established writer of science fiction. He had grown up in Hyde Park and Des Plaines, attended the University of Chicago and was working at a Los Angeles hospital when he got an unusual phone call:

"It was this woman named Kathleen Kennedy. She wanted to know how to resuscitate an alien. Of course, we found out this Kathleen Kennedy (now president of Lucasfilm) was producing 'E.T.' with Steven Spielberg. She invited a bunch of doctors to the set and dressed us in hazmat suits. I already had a novel published by Del Rey so I gave Spielberg a copy and asked him to make the movie. He said he'd get to it, then the next day he told me my book was already in his office and he wouldn't make a movie but he needed someone to novelize 'Poltergeist' — the catch was I had one month. I found people to cover my shifts for a solid month and then I sat in a conference room at Spielberg's MGM offices with a copy of the script and production stills. He ended up loving the work so much I got to do 'Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom' and 'The Goonies.' When George Lucas needed someone for 'Jedi,' Spielberg suggested me."

Kahn has written 12 books. That "Return of the Jedi" novelization from 37 years ago remains his high-water mark, reaching No. 1 on The New York Times bestseller list.

But it's not his galaxy.

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Matthew Stover, who lives in Danville, wrote the novelization for the 2005 "Star Wars" prequel "Revenge of the Sith." Like Kahn, though he's written more than a dozen books, all sci-fi and fantasy, his "Star Wars" novelization is his sales peak. "The truth is, I didn't really want to do any media tie-ins. I wanted to do my own stuff.

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And what I discovered was, if you take it seriously, you are doing your own stuff. I see it like this: You go to a friend's house, he has a Lego set, you see what you could do with it. And so you do, but ultimately, those are his blocks, he can take it apart however he wants. It's not so bad."

Novelizations have lousy reputations. They are often seen as derivative, sub-literate promotional material, a genre pounded out by hack writers being paid to somehow pad a 20,000-word script into a 60,000 word paperback. So whatever endurance the novelization has, Stover said, "is thanks to one guy, Alan Dean Foster, the godfather of novelizations. His book for 'Alien' alone is a lesson, it adds so much to the movie without feeling like a retelling of the same story."

Foster, now 73, living in Arizona, wrote the novelization for the first "Star Wars" movie, and "Alien," and the "Transformer" movies, and a "Terminator" film, and "The Thing," and the original "Clash of the Titans" — and many, many others. Later this year he has a memoir about his life as a novelizer, "The Director Should've Shot You," which takes its title from his time on the set of the Vin Diesel film, gathering information for the novel.

He likes to point out that people win Oscars for adapting screenplays into films (or for adapting books into screenplays that are adapted into films), but somehow the author who transforms a skeletal screenplay into a novel is seen as a hack. He said he never thought of the novelization as trash. He said he's only read good books and bad books.

"I'm sure Rembrandt didn't want to spend his life painting fat businessmen. Brahms wrote an overture based on a German drinking song. Artists have done great work on commission, because a source is one thing, but what you do with it is something else."

That novelization of "Alien," for instance, was written without his ever having seen, well, the Alien. The studio 20th Century Fox would not provide him one image of its monster.

Likewise, Greg Cox, who had an unlikely 2014 New York Times bestseller with his novelization of "Godzilla," didn't actually see what the latest Godzilla looked like until he saw the movie in his neighborhood multiplex. "Which is often the main struggle of this line of work. Just getting the visuals. You have to pry this stuff out of (studios), even as you're working for them. I did the novelization for 'Man of Steel,' the Superman movie. I know what a farm in

Kansas looks like, and I know what the Daily Planet newsroom looks like. But a 'Kryptonian birthing chamber'? So I get on the phone with Warner Bros., begging them to explain a Kryptonian birthing chamber. Scripts never describe enough."

The genre comes out of a time when movie theaters hadn't reached every city yet — but actually, according to Grady Hendrix, a film historian and author who has reviewed novelizations ("Book Reviews of the Damned") online, believes the novelization dates back even further, to the 17th century practice of novelizing stage plays. "Then throughout the 19th century, because theater was limited by geography, perhaps people in Chicago wanted to know the latest hit. There were novelizations of shows with photo inserts. Even after cinema was invented, movies didn't play everywhere, and what if you missed one?" So silent films occasionally had novelizations; later, the novelization of "King Kong" became part of Random House's venerable Modern Library line of classics.

Though not until novelizations of episodic TV series like "Star Trek" and "Dark Shadows" did the genre become routine. By the late '70s, Foster's novelizations of "Star Wars" and "Alien" were blockbusters; novelizations of "E.T." and "Gladiator" had similar sales.

These days the novelization more closely resembles a step on an evolutionary ladder that includes marketing, fan fiction, recaps of TV shows and the sort of "expanded universes" that allowed room for new James Bond novels long after creator Ian Fleming died in 1964. "Growing up in Chicago," Kahn said, "I didn't even know novelizations existed. On the other hand, I was writing since I was nine and you know what I was writing? I loved comic books, I would imagine the twists that they didn't include, and so I would rewrite them into my notebooks. I had a creative impulse to transform the story."

This June, for instance, Evanston's Kraus has "The Living Dead," a new novel, co-authored with filmmaker George Romero, creator of the original "Night of the Living Dead." Romero, who died in 2017 and virtually invented the modern zombie, had written about a third of the 600-page book and left notes for more, which Kraus then fleshed out through research and interviews. "There was this great feeling of responsibility towards George. The man himself isn't here to bounce ideas off. But limitations are wonderful. Everything I write I try to install limitations, they force

you to work creatively."

Carson said that, after she read the script to "Rise of Skywalker," she drew up a list of ways that she wanted to expand on the story; Stover said that after he interviewed Lucas for three hours about the "Sith" screenplay, he asked how much of Lucas' dialogue should be used verbatim.

Turns out, even within a franchise as large as "Star Wars," there's often room for invention. Partly, several of the novelizers said, there's no time for writer's block. Many regard it as a creative challenge — indeed, playwright David Rabe, who wrote the novelization for Sean Penn's 1995 film "The Crossing Guard," has said he thought of movie novelizing as similar to the creative-writing prompts that MFA programs use. He's also far from the only celebrated writer to punch above his weight here: Paul Monette, known for his memoirs about coming out and AIDS, wrote the novelization for Werner Herzog's "Nosferatu," Brian DePalma and Oliver Stone's "Scarface" and the Schwarzenegger movie "Predator." Sylvester Stallone, despite having won an Oscar for his "Rocky" screenplay, followed it a couple of years later by writing both the screenplay and novelization for "Rocky II."

The drawbacks, of course, are not minor.

Saffel at Titan said they try to give writers a year to prepare, but three months is common. A few weeks is even more common. "We're part of merchandising a film," Foster said, "like beach towels and McDonald's cups, and we're treated as such." There is an International Association of Media Tie-In Writers, to promote the profession, cofounded by Max Allan Collins, author of the Nathan Heller thrillers and the graphic novel "The Road to Perdition," which Collins novelized himself when it was adapted into a Tom Hanks film. But Carson described writing "Rise of Skywalker" as daily 15- to 20-page bursts. Typically, the work is fast, tough — and prone to disconnected filmmakers.

Cox said, "A friend of mine who edits these books once said that the more confusing the movie seemed to audiences, the better the novelizations of that movie tend to sell."

Foster said the greatest compliment a movie novelizer can hear is "I wish they had filmed your book." The first movie he adapted into a novel was an Italian Tarzan rip-off. Ballantine Books owned the rights and asked him to do it. He was young, he pounced. And they screened the movie for him, without subtitles. Then he went home and worried about what to do, until he saw the posters for the marketing campaign and he started.

"Essentially what happened was, I novelized a poster. Best part, a week after the book comes out, someone at Disney calls the publisher and asks to buy the movie rights."

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WATCH THIS: SUNDAY



LL Cool J

"NCIS: Los Angeles" (8 p.m., CBS): Callen, Sam (Chris O'Donnell, LL Cool J) and the rest of their NCIS team step up to assist the Department of Justice with an investigation after an arsonist targets an FBI safe house that's currently the home of a political activist seeking asylum in a new episode called "Knock Down." Daniela Ruah, Eric Christian Olsen and Barrett Foa also star.

"Biography: Dolly" (7 p.m., 11 p.m., AE): This new two-hour special offers an affectionate portrait of Dolly Parton, one of country music's most beloved singers and songwriters, by nature a very private woman, although her songs often include lyrics that reveal a great deal. The documentary also explores why Parton is regarded as one of the most important songwriters of modern times.

"When Calls the Heart" (7 p.m., Hallmark): Elizabeth (Erin Krakow) takes half the class on a field trip "Into the Woods" (also the title of this new episode), leaving Carson (Paul Greene) to watch the rest in his role as substitute teacher. Things take a frightening and unexpected turn, however, when a dangerous wind storm blows up, putting several lives in Hope Valley in grave jeopardy. Jack Wagner, Pascale Hutton and Kristina Wagner also star.

"Killing Eve" (8 p.m., 12:17 a.m., 2:19 a.m., AMC 8 p.m., 2:30 a.m., BBCA): As Season 3 of this multi-award-winning action drama (simulcast on AMC) opens, the assassin Villanelle (Jodie Comer) is under the distinct impression that she fatally shot her quarry, ex-MI6 operative Eve Polastri (Sandra Oh), during the Season 2 finale set in Rome. As viewers quickly learn, however, Eve survived that attack, although her current status with MI6 remains a bit hazy.

"Willie Nelson: American Outlaw" (9 p.m., 1 a.m., AE): This new two-hour music special gives fans a front-row seat at a sold-out, one-night-only Willie Nelson tribute concert in Nashville, Tenn. The stellar list of performers include George Strait, Jimmy Buffett, Chris Stapleton, Dave Matthews, Eric Church, Emmylou Harris, Jack Johnson, Sheryl Crow, Norah Jones, Vince Gill and The Little Willies, among several others.

"Insecure" (9 p.m., 12:15 a.m., 3:25 a.m., HBO): As this critically acclaimed comedy opens Season 4, fans may see the friendship of Issa and Molly (Issa Rae, Yvonne Orji) tested in a new way, as the two women date men from the same social circle — roommates, in fact. In tonight's season premiere, "Lowkey Feelin' Myself," Issa prepares for a mixer in her courtyard to pitch a block party to potential sponsors. Things with Condola (Christine Elmore) get tense, however, when the two women discover a mutual "connection." Molly is drawn to Andrew (Alexander Hodge).

"Run" (9:35 p.m., 11:40 p.m., 4:05 a.m., HBO): Recent awards-show "It Girl" Phoebe Waller-Bridge ("Fleabag," "Killing Eve") is an executive producer and recurring cast member in this new romantic comedy series from writer Vicky Jones. Emmy winner Merritt Wever stars as Ruby, whose mundane life is blown up by an old flame, who invites her to honor a long-ago pact they made to run away together. Irish actor Domhnall Gleeson also stars.

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BROADCAST	CBS	2	God Friended Me: "The Fugitive." (N) ©	NCIS: Los Angeles: "Knock Down." (N) ©	NCIS: New Orleans: "Monolith." (N) ©	News (N) ▶		
	NBC	5	† (6) Jesus Christ Superstar Live in Concert ©	Dateline NBC (N) ©		NBC 5 News (N) ▶		
	ABC	7	American Idol: "American Idol -- This Is Me (Part 1)." (N) ©	The Rookie: "Control." (N) ©		News at 10pm (N) ▶		
	WGN	9	black-ish: "Hope." ©	black-ish: "North Star." ©	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN Weekend News at Nine (N) (Live) ©	WGN News (N)
	Antenna	9.2	Kotter	Kotter	Kotter	Kotter	Kotter	Kotter
	Court	9.3	OJ25 ©	OJ25: "Diagrams of Death." ©		Forensic	Forensic	Forensic
	PBS	11	Call the Midwife (N) ©	World on Fire on Masterpiece (N) ©		Baptiste on Masterpiece (Series Premiere) (N) ©	Roos-evelts-Hist ▶	
	CW	26.1	Batwoman ©	Supergirl ©	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©	
	The U	26.2	Ultraviolet (PG-13,'06) ★	Milla Jovovich.	Terms of Endearment (PG,'83) ★★ ★★			
	MeTV	26.3	Columbo: "Double Exposure." ©	Collector (N)	Flintstones	Honeymoon.	D. Van Dyke	
	H&I	26.4	Star Trek ©	Star Trek: Next	Star Trek: Deep Space 9	Star Trek	Star Trek	
	Bounce	26.5	† Women-Place	Not Easily Broken (PG-13,'09) ★★		Morris Chestnut. ©		
	FOX	32	The Simpsons ©	Duncanville: "Fridgy." ©	Bob's Burgers ©	Family Guy: "Heart Burn." ©	Fox 32 News at Nine Sunday (N) ©	Inside the Bears ▶
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	TeleM	44	† (6) Jesús de Nazareth	2 Fast 2 Furious (PG-13,'03)		★ ★ Paul Walker. ©	Noticiero	
MNT	50	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Family Feud	Family Feud	Dateline	
UniMax	60	† Transporter	Man on Fire (R,'04) ★★	Denzel Washington,	Dakota Fanning.	The Family	†	
WJVS	62	Ever Increasing Faith	Truth of God	Pol-News		Paid Prog.		
Univ	66	Hijo de Dios (PG-13,'14) ★★	Diogo Morgado,	Greg Hicks.		Noticias (N)		
CABLE	AE	Biography: Dolly (N) ©		Willie Nelson: American Outlaw (N) ▶				
	AMC	† (5) White House Down ★★		Killing Eve (Season Premiere) (N) ©	(9:01) Killers (PG-13,'10) ★	†	†	†
	ANIM	The Aquarium (N)		The Aquarium (N)	(9:03) North Woods Law	North-Law	†	†
	BBCA	† (5) Ocean's Thirteen ★★		Killing Eve (Season Premiere) (N) ©	(9:01) Ocean's Eleven ('01) ★★	†	†	†
	BET	† I Can Do Bad		Tyler Perry's Why Did I Get Married Too? (PG-13,'10) ★★		†	†	†
	BIGTEN	College Wrestling From Jan. 18, 2020. ©		BTN Football in 60 ©	Big Ten	†	†	†
	BRavo	Housewives-Atlanta (N)		Family Karma (N) ©	Watch (N)	Housewives-Atlanta		
	CNN	CNN Tonight (N)		CNN Tonight (N)	Coronavirus: Facts and Fears			
	COM	† (6:30) Blended (PG-13,'14) ★		Adam Sandler. ©	This is Stand-Up (N) ©	†	†	†
	DISC	Naked and Afraid: "Shaken and Very Stirred." (N) ©		Naked and Afraid (N)	Afraid	†	†	†
	DISN	Fam Jam	Fam Jam	Fam Jam	Fam Jam	Coop	Sydney-Max	Raven
	E!	† (5) The Notebook ('04) ★★		The Notebook (PG-13,'04) ★★	Ryan Gosling,	Rachel McAdams. ©	†	†
	ESPN	ESPN Original Documentaries		ESPN Original Documentaries	SportCtr (N)			
	ESPN2	College Hockey		The Draft	The Draft	Games (N)		
	FNC	Life, Liberty & Levin (N)		The Next Revolution (N)	Watters' World ©	Life	†	†
	FOOD	Guy's Grocery Games		Buddy vs. Duff (N) ©	Beat Play (N)	Beat Bobby	Beat Play	†
	FREE	† Spider-Man (7:40) Guardians of the Galaxy (PG-13,'14) ★★		Chris Pratt. © (SAP)				
	FX	† (6) Trolls (PG,'16) ★★		Trolls (PG,'16) ★★	Voices of Anna Kendrick. ©	Peter	†	†
	HALL	When Calls the Heart (N)		When Calls the Heart (N) ©	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls	
	HGTV	House (N)	House-Hurry	Extreme Makeover (N)	Extreme Makeover (N)	Bahamas (N)		
	HIST	The Bible: "Mission." ©			(9:05) The Bible: "Passion." ©	†	†	†
	HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic (N)	Forensic (N)	Forensic
	IFC	† (5:15) Blade (R,'98) ★★		Blade II (R,'02) ★★	Wesley Snipes,	Kris Kristofferson. ©		
	LIFE	A Question of Faith (PG,'17) ★★		Richard T. Jones. ©	Clark Sisters: Ladies of Gospel			
	MSNBC	(6:00) Kasie DC (N) ©		Eating America-Zimmer	Eating America-Zimmer	Eating	†	†
	MTV	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	Ridiculous.	
	NATGEO	Wicked Tuna ©		Wicked Tuna (N) ©	(9:03) Wicked Tuna ©	W. Tuna	†	†
	NBCSCH	Chicago Blackhawks Classics		White Sox Rewind				
	NICK	Men in Black (PG-13,'97) ★★		Tommy Lee Jones,	Will Smith. ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	
	OVATION	† (6) Everybody's Fine ★★		Doc Hollywood (PG-13,'91) ★★	Michael J. Fox,	Julie Warner.		
OWN	20/20 on OWN		20/20 on OWN	20/20 on OWN	20/20	†	†	
OXY	† Catching-Killer (N)		Catching a Serial Killer: Sam Little ©	DNA				
PARMT	Bar Rescue ©		Bar Rescue ©	Bar Rescue (N) ©	Rescue	†	†	
SYFY	† (6:30) The Goonies (PG,'85) ★★		Sean Astin. ©	The Goonies (PG,'85) ★★	Sean Astin. †	†	†	
TBS	† (6) 50 First Dates ('04) ★★		Game Night (R,'18) ★★	Jason Bateman. ©	Last O.G. †	†	†	
TCM	Easter Parade (NR,'48) ★★		Judy Garland. ©	King of Kings (PG-13,'61) ★★	†	†	†	
TLC	90 Day Fiancé: Before the 90 Days (N)		(9:04) Sister Wives (Season Finale) (N)	90 Day (N) †				
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TNT	† (6:30) Thor: Ragnarok (PG-13,'17) ★★		©	(9:15) Thor: Ragnarok ('17) ★★	†	†	†	
TOON	Final Space	Final Space	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	Rick, Morty	
TRAV	Paranormal Ca.		Paranormal Ca. (N)	Paranormal Ca. (N)	Paranorm. †	†	†	
TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	
USA	† Harry Potter and Deathly Hallows: Part 2 (PG-13,'11) ★★							
VH1	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	
WE	Law & Order: "Doubles." ©		Law & Order ©	Law & Order ©	Law	†	†	
WGN America	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Married		
PREMIUM	HBO	Atlanta's Missing (N)		Westworld (N) ©	Insecure	Run (Series)	Last Week	
	HBO2	† They Came Together ★★		How to Lose a Guy in 10 Days (PG-13,'03) ★★	†	†	†	
	MAX	Cast Away (PG-13,'00) ★★		Tom Hanks,	Helen Hunt. ©	(9:25) Open Water ★★	†	
	SHO	VICE (N) ©	VICE ©	(8:03) Homeland (N) ©	Black Mon	Black Mon	Homeland	
	STARZ	Outlander (N) ©		(8:06) Outlander ©	(9:11) Outlander ©	Friends	†	
STZENC	† (6:16) Rocky Balboa ★★		Field of Dreams (PG,'89) ★★	Kevin Costner.				

Reality TV shows to help escape reality

These 30 series can provide distraction from actual events

By YVONNE VILLARREAL
Los Angeles Times

It's clichéd at this point to note that our reality feels as if it's been scripted by the writer of a horror film. But maybe that's why reality TV has become such a desirable distraction from what's happening in real life.

If you're looking for shows to keep you glued to your couch — or at least keep you entertained enough not to venture outside unnecessarily — we're here to help.

While this is by no means a comprehensive list, it'll hopefully introduce you to a show you wouldn't have sampled were you not doing your part to stay at home.

If you just want to collapse and watch something that will make you say, "What???" when everything else makes you want to cry: "Vanderpump Rules"

With eight seasons under its belt, it's likely you've heard of this gem. It's a spinoff of "The Real Housewives of Beverly Hills" and revolves around employees of West Hollywood's SUR (an acronym for Sexy Unique Restaurant), owned by "RHOBH" alumna Lisa Vanderpump. The series is like the love child of every soap opera and young-adult drama that's ever aired.

Available on: Bravo, Hulu
Also try: "90 Day Fiancé" and any of its spinoffs (TLC); "Below Deck" (Bravo); "The Circle" (Netflix); "Nailed It!" (Netflix)

If your vacation got canceled/postponed, but you want to pretend your staycation is more exotic: "Restaurants on the Edge"

If you sit close enough to your TV, you can feel as if



Karlie Kloss, from left, Brandon Maxwell, Nina Garcia, Elaine Welteroth and Serena Williams appear in "Project Runway."

you're on the coast of Malta or Costa Rica. This six-episode restaurant makeover show features a team of experts helping to revive a struggling restaurant by exploring its surrounding community for inspiration. Sweeping shots as the camera glides over expansive vistas will have you longing for the day you can start booking trips again.

Available on: Netflix
Also try: "House Hunters International" (HGTV); "Making the Cut" (Amazon); "Anthony Bourdain: Parts Unknown" (Hulu)

If you need a reminder on how to put together an outfit that's more presentable than joggers and a T-shirt: "Project Runway"

I was skeptical, but the new version of "Project Runway" — back on Bravo after 11 seasons at Lifetime — has returned the series to my TV fold. The decision to cast former contestant-turned-red carpet guru Christian Siriano in the mentor role previously occupied by Tim Gunn was

an A-plus move. Judge Nina Garcia, the editor of Elle, is the only remaining original cast member. She's joined by new judges Elaine Welteroth, the former editor of Teen Vogue, and designer Brandon Maxwell, with model and entrepreneur Karlie Kloss taking over as host. If going through the whole catalog is overwhelming, consider catching up on the revamped seasons (17 and 18).

Available on: Bravo app, On Demand (some past seasons on Hulu)
Also try: "Next in Fashion" (Netflix)

If your Zoom backdrop has you thinking about how you'll redecorate when life returns to normal: "Fixer Upper"

Spending endless hours at home has a funny way of pulling your focus to all the things you wish you could change about your décor. Cue "Fixer Upper," hosted by home renovation all-star couple Chip and Joanna Gaines, which has been helping me get my fix of impossibly white walls,

shiplap, giant wood candle holders, barn doors and oversized clocks.

Available on: HGTV
Also try: "Amazing Interiors" (Netflix); "Home Town" (HGTV)

If self-quarantine is forcing you to confront your relationship status: "Love Is Blind"

The Netflix matchmaking show seemed absurd just a few weeks ago when it was taking the internet by storm: Its premise involves gathering a group of singles who date by talking to each other through a wall. Now, it's basically a blueprint for how to date in this time of self-quarantine.

Available on: Netflix
Also try: "Dating Around" (Netflix); "Love Island" (Hulu); "Catfish" (MTV)

If you're missing the days when it didn't require an elaborate game plan to go grocery shopping and ingredients were in ample supply: "Guy's Grocery Games"

Just imagine it: a super-

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Available on: Food Network
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The six-episode series follows six puppies in their quest to become guide dogs for the visually impaired. It's not without tension: Dogs who don't meet certain behavioral or physical standards can be "career changed" (i.e., dropped from the program). Still, it's the sort of heartwarming



Phil is a guide dog puppy in "Pick of the Litter."



Chip and Joanna Gaines star in "Fixer Upper."

content to cleanse your palate after a day of anxiety-inducing news headlines.

Where to watch: Disney Plus
Also try: "Making It" (Hulu); "Behind the Mask" (Hulu); "Blown Away" (Netflix)

If you're fantasizing about returning to simpler times, consider reacquainting yourself with a classic: "Keeping Up with the Kardashians"

The show premiered its 18th season last week. But you might be interested in journeying back to 2007, when the transformation of this family into megastars was starting its gestation — back when billionaire Kylie Jenner was just 10 years old and Kim Kardashian was sporting Hervé Léger's bandage dresses.

Available on: E!, Hulu
Also try: "America's Next Top Model" (Hulu); any of the cities in the "Real Housewives" franchise (Bravo, Hulu); "The Hills" (MTV app); "Survivor" (CBS All Access, Hulu)



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ASK AMY

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Daughter unable to bring aide to gym

Dear Amy: My daughter is disabled. She is unable to do much for herself and needs an aide to help her with everything — including going to the gym. She loves going, but needs help getting onto/out of the equipment and cleaning the equipment after use.

The aide never uses the equipment; she is there solely to assist my daughter. The gym, however, wants to charge my daughter an extra fee for bringing “a guest.”

This gym is part of a national chain. Several of their (very young) employees said that they must charge a fee for the aide for “liability reasons.”

I explained that their policy is discriminatory to persons with disabilities and therefore illegal. My daughter is using an aide as another disabled person might employ a support animal. Their response was, “Well, her aide is not an animal. If your daughter brings a guest, she must pay for it.”

I spoke to a manager a few weeks ago, who told me I would get a call from a regional manager. A month has gone by and now, due to the coronavirus, the gym is closed. I never received a call back.

When this crisis passes, however, I must deal with, what to me, is discrimination. Should I engage an attorney?
 — *Furious in Virginia*

Dear Furious: I don't think you need an attorney — yet. When the gym reopens, you should go in, work your way past the younger employees and educate the manager about your daughter's rights. Yes, call the regional manager again, discussing the gym's responsibilities to accommodate her and her aide. You can contact the Disability Rights Education & Defense Fund (dredf.org) to research this issue.

I am aware that charging an extra fee for aides has been an issue with some gyms (shame on them). At least one national fitness chain has been pressured by a lawsuit in New York State to drop this “guest” fee, and I assume other national chains have already (or will) follow suit.

Dear Amy: My husband passed away suddenly and unexpectedly last year.

This was a second marriage for both of us, so we both had kids from our previous marriages.

Our wills were done about 18 months prior to my husband's death. At the rec-

ommendation of the attorney, the wills were set up so that if I died first, he got everything, and if he died first, everything was mine.

One stepchild was kind at first, but then, after about a month, wanted my husband's vehicle. When I refused to give in to the demands, this stepchild turned on me, sending nasty text messages.

I figured it was grief spilling out. However, several months later, when I was trying to sort things out and give this stepchild items that were part of their family, again, the response was nasty. This stepchild constantly blew off their father while he was alive, only calling when they wanted or needed something.

The rest of my husband's family has grown more and more distant as well. I keep trying to reach out to the family with calls, texts, and sending cards for birthdays, Christmas, etc.

My kids told me to leave it alone, but it nags at me that after all these years, this is what it comes to.

Should I be trying to mend fences or leave it alone?
 — *Hurt Widow*

Dear Hurt: You are already trying to mend fences, but in the absence of a positive or even receptive response, these fences will remain broken.

Over time, you may carve out a renewed friendship with one or more of these family members, but unfortunately, some may have actually been waiting for a reason to exit the relationship, and the (legal) disposition of their father's will has handed them the excuse they've been seeking.

Dear Amy: “Ignored” was upset not to receive any follow-up after job interviews.

Managers talk to each other about what talent they are looking for. A candidate may have talents not suitable for one position, but useful elsewhere.

A follow-up “thank you” about what the interviewee got out of the meeting always causes a second look at the resume and the interview notes.
 — *Experienced*

Dear Experienced: Great advice.

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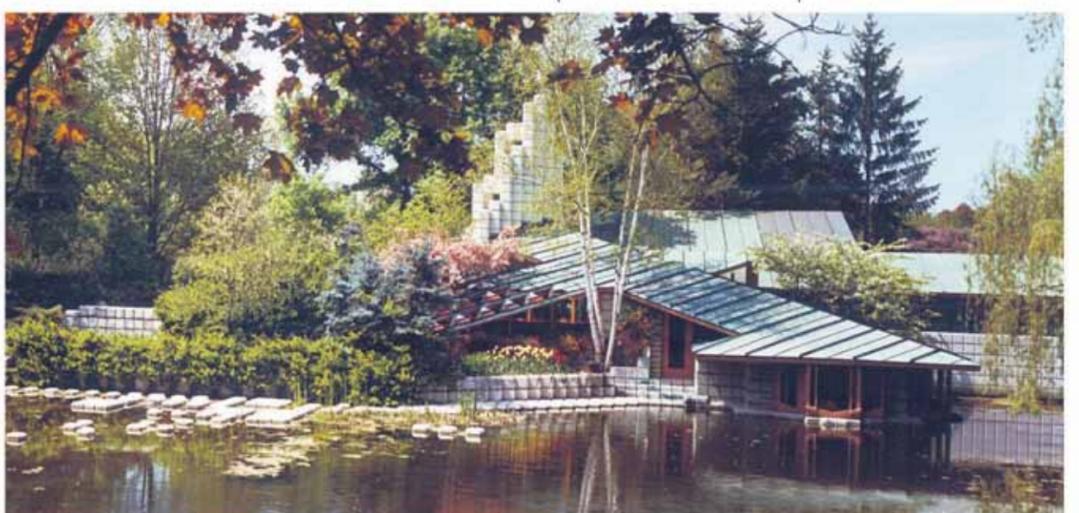
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'A really big experiment'

Parents become teachers amid virus outbreak

By Carolyn Thompson
Associated Press

BUFFALO, N.Y. — After her sixth-grade son's school in Buffalo, New York, closed amid the coronavirus outbreak, Roxanne Ojeda-Valentin returned to campus with shopping bags to take home textbooks and weeks' worth of assignments prepared by teachers.

A single mother with a full-time job, she now joins millions of parents around the country — and the world — suddenly thrust into the role of their children's primary educators, leaving them scrambling to sift through educational resources and juggle lesson plans with jobs and other responsibilities.

"It's a really big experiment," Ojeda-Valentin said as she left the school, her second stop after picking up materials from her fourth-grade daughter's school.

Even in school districts that are providing remote instruction, the burden falls on parents to keep their children on task. In others, parents are left to find educational websites and curricular materials on their own. And while the challenges are daunting for all, they can be nearly impossible to overcome for parents limited by access to technology and their own levels of education.

Across the United States, more than 118,000 public and private schools in 45 states have closed, affecting 53 million students, according to a tally kept by Education Week. While many closures were initially announced as short-term,

parents are wondering if schools will reopen this academic year as the outbreak intensifies.

After Kansas became the first state to announce schools would remain closed for the year, a task force recommended from 30 minutes of work a day for the youngest students to up to three hours daily for students in sixth grade and up. California Gov. Gavin Newsom also has urged the state's more than 6 million schoolchildren and their families to make long-term plans, telling them few, if any, schools would reopen before summer.

Los Angeles father Filiberto Gonzalez's three children have daily contact with their teachers and one to four hours of work they can do on an existing online platform that supplements classes. But he never thought the arrangement would transform from a stopgap measure to a permanent situation.

"The news was a real shock to a lot of us," he said. In Portland, Oregon, Katie Arnold's 7-year-old son has been spending his days in his mother's office, keeping busy on an iPad and her laptop while she's managing accounts for a catering company.

Oregon has shut down schools through April 28 and some districts have put optional activities online, though they are not meant to replace the regular curriculum. While her son's district explores virtual learning, she has been combing the internet and tapping friends for suggestions.

"Scholastic had a bunch of free things and I have a friend who's a teacher, so I've gotten a lot of workbook pages for him to do, just to try to keep him busy," said Arnold, who also has been using educational



Roxanne Ojeda-Valentin, left, with her children, Malachi and Makayla Ojeda, leave the kids' school in Buffalo, New York, on March 17 with textbooks and assignments to work on while the district is closed due to the coronavirus.



Katie Arnold works in her office in Portland, Oregon, while her 7-year-old son, Rowen, plays educational games.

websites like ABCmouse. Arnold is making plans with other parents to teach children in small groups if the closure is extended, and is resigned to the idea that her workdays will be followed by evening school sessions.

"We'll muster through it," she said.

Some parents are turning to those with experience home-schooling for guidance, unsure of whether to enforce strict schedules and where to

look for academic help. Amid an influx of interest, the National Home School Association dropped its membership fee from \$39 to \$10 for access to tip sheets and teaching materials, executive director Allen Weston said.

The online site Outschool saw 20,000 new students enroll during a single weekend in March, compared with the 80,000 who have attended class since its 2017 launch, CEO Amir Nathoo said. The

company offers live, teacher-led online classes beginning at \$5 each, but has also offered free webinars on running online classes through video conferencing.

Child development researcher Jessica Logan and her husband continue to work full time from home and have been tag-teaming school-related questions from their 8- and 12-year-old children, home from Columbus City Schools in Ohio.

"I see all these people writing out, 'Here are the six hours we're going to spend each day doing homework,' and was like, 'Not happening in my house,'" she said. "When am I going to get my work done? I still have my own work to do, so does my husband. Neither of us can take the entire day off to sit with them and do math worksheets or science experiments."

"All parents are in the same boat," Logan said. "Your kid is not going to fall behind if they don't do

these assignments every day."

Nevertheless, Vancouver, Washington, teacher Renee Collins has committed to keeping not only her own 10- and 8-year-old children on track academically, but two of her friend's children and a second-grade neighbor as well.

"We're going to do Monday, Tuesday and Thursday with the five kids together and the other days I'll do individually with (her own kids). So we'll do five days," she said.

"The one thing that kind of gives a lot of us comfort," said Collins, who teaches middle-school math, "is that it's not just our state. It's our entire nation."



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Much is still unclear about what the future holds. How long will social distancing need to be practiced? Our family has been taking the same recommended precautions that experts have been giving.

With all of that said, my family and I are

looking forward to the weather warm up in Chicagoland. The prospects of warm weather to get outside after being cooped up for quite a while is what we are hoping for. Not only have the kids gotten restless, but us adults have too.

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Maria Ramirez, at home in Franklin Park last month, had her University of Illinois College of Medicine graduation ceremony canceled because of the coronavirus.

Graduation cancellations

Tough time for 1st-generation grads, families

By LAURA RODRÍGUEZ PRESA

After eight years of rigorous work and against all odds, Maria Ramirez, 27, is set to become the first doctor in her family.

The daughter of Mexican immigrants was supposed to walk the stage in May during graduation from the University of Illinois College of Medicine, finally validating her parents' sacrifices, she said.

Ramirez, who plans to practice family medicine, had ordered her cap and gown. Her parents had been preparing for the milestone and planned to invite extended family. But the COVID-19 pandemic interrupted the planned celebration.

Ramirez's commencement ceremony and Match Day on March 20, when she would find out the hospital where she'd complete her residency, were abruptly canceled as part of an effort by universities across the country to help stop the spread of the coronavirus. Instead, she received an email about her match with MacNeal Hospital in Berwyn. And UIC said it is exploring its options, which may include postponement or a virtual ceremony.

Ramirez says universities are "responsibly handling the pandemic," but as an upcoming first-generation college graduate, the sentiment of not being able to take part in the May ceremony is bittersweet.

"It's disappointing because the graduation ceremony is not just to celebrate my achievement, it was also meant to recognize that my family accomplished one of their dreams, and I wished they could have experienced that," she said.



Elodia and Lorenzo Ramirez with their daughter Maria, who is on track to become the first doctor in her family.

She'll still get her diploma, and of course, become a doctor. But her parents, who were her strength through sleepless nights of studying, will not get the fulfillment of seeing her walk the stage.

It was her mother's longtime dream to see one of her eight children become a doctor.

"It is a beautiful vocation to save others," her mother, Elodia Ramirez, said in Spanish. Ramirez and her husband, Lorenzo Ramirez, have an elementary education and held low-wage factory jobs most of their lives. Their daughter's acknowledgment is "a blessing amid so much pain in these times," she said.

While Ramirez wishes she could have seen her daughter walk the stage in May, she takes comfort in knowing she is receiving her degree and becoming a doctor, and that is the most significant recognition of their support and hard work as parents, she said.

"I've always admired doctors for their mission to

help others, and I know Maria will be an amazing doctor," she said.

For black and brown first-generation college students, participating in a commencement ceremony is a tangible way to show their resilience and that their families' sacrifices paid off. It also symbolizes a start to educational and generational mobility, one of the reasons why many immigrate to this country.

"All I ever wanted was for my children to go to school and become something we weren't able to become," Lorenzo Ramirez said. "They did it."

Countless studies show the struggles of first-generation college students, who often enroll but do not always graduate. Though enrollment of black and Latinos attending college continues to rise, one-third of first-generation students dropped out after three years, compared with 14% of their peers whose parents had earned a degree, according to a 2018 study by the Center for Education Statistics.

So graduation ceremonies are "extremely significant for those students and their families," said Chris Broughton, executive director of Bottom Line Chicago, a nonprofit that focuses on helping first-generation and low-income students enroll, stay and graduate from college.

For the last six years, Broughton has worked with hundreds of students who often doubted they would reach their goal of graduating college. Most are from underrepresented communities across Chicago. Many, like Maria Ramirez, come from immigrant families, he said.

Broughton has witnessed their struggles, but also their successes. "A commencement ceremony signifies the culmination of their hopes and dreams; the sweat and tears of one entire family," he said. "It marks a milestone moment in not only the student's life, but the family's hard work and ambition of not just four years, but a lifetime."

That's an experience

Dionne Montgomery's parents share. The South Side natives weren't able to attend college because they couldn't afford it. "So they did everything they could to make sure I could attend," said Montgomery, 27, a law student at UIC's John Marshall Law School.

Montgomery is part of the 2020 class. Her parents won't be able to see her cross the stage in May. For the future lawyer, obtaining a college degree and walking the stage as a first-generation college student, also signifies a victory for her community, she said. "It shows the world what we are capable of and how we break barriers," she said.

"And though it is heartbreaking not to have that, humanity needs us," Montgomery added.

Students from colleges across the country, including UIC and DePaul University, are spearheading a movement requesting an alternative ceremony once the crisis ceases. DePaul's student newspaper shared a petition highlighting the meaning of the commence-

ment for some of its first-generation Latino peers.

Others are less concerned about their live graduation ceremonies.

While it is symbolic and essential for some, "it's not the most important thing to worry about during these trying times," said Luis Cabrales, 21, who will receive a bachelor's degree in Integrated Health Studies from UIC in May. His father was laid off soon after Gov. J.B. Pritzker issued a stay-at-home order mandating that nonessential businesses close due to the pandemic.

"The whole point of going to college was for my parents and grandparents, and as long as they get my diploma, that's all that matters," he said.

In a tweet, Cabrales proposed that first-generation college students of the class of 2020 plan and hold their own improvised celebration when the crisis is over. Even if the ceremony is postponed or there's an alternative one, "it won't be the same," said Alicia Cintora, 28, who said she was the first person in her family to attend a four-year university. This spring, Cintora, a Little Village native, will be receiving her Ph.D. in material science and engineering from Cornell University.

Her parents and six cousins had planned the trip to Ithaca, N.Y. "They had been waiting years for that moment," Cintora said.

Aside from feeling muddled, Cintora added that she feels selfish about mourning the loss of the opportunity to walk the stage while many others are mourning the loss of lives or their livelihood.

She said that recognizing the gravity of the crisis does "not take away the unfortunate feeling of disappointment" of not being able to participate in a commencement ceremony.

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SOCIAL GRACES

How to practice social distancing with roommates

By HANNAH HERRERA GREENSPAN
Chicago Tribune

Q: How do you ask your roommate to stay away from you while quarantined due to the coronavirus?

A: Because of this pandemic, social norms, routines and expectations have changed from what was originally agreed upon when you moved in.

Instead of just focusing

on the changes in routines and schedules, focusing on how these changes can be implemented is productive and impactful.

Tidiness, cleanliness and timeliness may need to be discussed and renegotiated based on each roommate's comfort levels.

I would encourage roommates to look for ways each of you can spark joy and have productive time together. Knowing what we don't want from others

does not always translate into what we do want.

— Dr. Casey Gamboni, licensed therapist and faculty member at The Family Institute at Northwestern University

A: Sometimes, people differ on what precautions they're willing to take for their physical and mental health. It's best to clear this up before people become uncomfortable in their own living space.

I have two roommates;

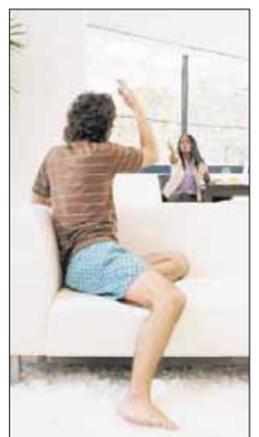
all of us are artists and, now, un- or underemployed.

This has taken some adjustment, as part of our living arrangement has been that all of us would be constantly on the go. Space has become a premium like never before! But by being direct without being rude, we've been able to address topics like having guests over, shared working areas, increased chores/groceries, etc.

You can't let things just

be "business as usual," hoping that people agree with you on every boundary and guideline without any discussion. You are well within your rights to say, "We are in the middle of a pandemic, and however much I'd like to, I can no longer share space with you." After all, there's nothing usual about the current state of affairs!

— Spencer Ryan Diedrick, theater director and administrator



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Clockwise from top left: Navy veteran Esteban Burgoa makes face masks April 2 at the office space of his cleaning and construction business in the Belmont Cragin neighborhood; volunteers include Liliana Arias, left, and Margarita Cadena; Cadena, who says she hasn't sewn since living in Mexico more than two decades ago, makes a mask.

'We are in this together'

A Navy vet taught himself to sew a face mask overnight. Now, he and fellow Latino immigrants are making hundreds and donating them to those in need

BY LAURA RODRÍGUEZ PRESA

Wearing a red hat with "Navy" embroidered on its brim, veteran Esteban Burgoa, 56, circled a group of women making face masks in the office of his small cleaning and construction business in the Belmont Cragin neighborhood on the Northwest Side.

He wanted to make sure that there was enough fabric, thread and elastic to continue production.

For days, Burgoa, the women and other volunteers worked around the clock to make more than 1,500 face masks.

They donate them all. "Masks can save us right now, but there aren't enough," he said.

In mid-March, after realizing face masks were scarce, Burgoa spent a night teaching himself how to use a sewing machine.

That same night, the Iraq War veteran designed a mask. The next day, he bought materials and decided that he would make as many as he could to donate to his immigrant community, because, he said, "they are the most vulnerable ... the most uninformed and in need."

He shared his goal on Facebook and invited others to join him. He also encouraged others to wear a mask, "and if you can't find one, I'll give you one," he said in Spanish.

"We need to protect each other. If we don't do it, who will?" Burgoa asked.

Burgoa was born in Veracruz, Mexico. He immigrated to the United States when he was 16; at 26, he joined the Navy, which was his dream. When he was deployed to the Iraq War in 2003, he said he was proud to fight for this country. He said it also was gratifying to know that he was there representing other Mexicans in the United States.

The coronavirus pandemic is like a war, he said, and he wants to train and inform his fellow immigrants to protect themselves and, therefore, the country in which they live. Many responded to his call.

He received sewing machines from Palos Hills. Others from Pilsen. Some donated fabric and other materials. And, finally, a handful of people committed to donating their time to help make the masks.

"Necesito costureras," he wrote in a post, asking for seamstresses to help with the cause.

After seeing the post, Margarita Cadena, 50, and Hilda Román, 52, two old

friends from Cuernavaca, Mexico, now living in the Avondale neighborhood, rushed to Burgoa's office, located at 4722 W. Belmont Ave.

Cadena and Román lost their jobs because of the pandemic and have dedicated at least nine hours daily to help Burgoa make masks and organize the effort.

Cadena's long black hair in low ponytails hung on her shoulders and her glasses seemed to slip down her nose as she worked on the sewing machine.

She hadn't sewn since she lived in Mexico, she said. That was more than two decades ago.

While Román cuts the three layers of fabric and some decorative ribbons, Cadena carefully manages the needle moving up and down, sewing the fabric together.

"This is the only thing we can do to help, so we're doing it," Román said. She used to cater food for large parties, but since all celebrations are canceled, she has some free time.

Luckily, Román said, she and her husband have some money saved that they hope will be enough to carry them through the next few months.

"If we can't make it, I know there are good people out there, just like us," she said.

Cadena nodded in agreement and added that knowing they are helping to save lives is enough, for now.

While Burgoa goes on a hunt for more materials and donations each day, Román and Cadena distribute masks to those who come knocking at the office door. Its storefront is covered with signs in Spanish and English that say "Free masks."

The two women also welcome and train volunteers. Some of them come from as far as Des Plaines and others drive about an hour from the South Side of Chicago to volunteer their time.

That's what Liliana Arias, 43, did.

The mother of two used to sew in Mexico 20 years ago, she said. And though she's deeply afraid of the pandemic, "it would be selfish not giving the little that I can to help others," Arias said.

Burgoa, who bought most of the fabric needed for the masks from his own funds, says that although he has volunteers, materials are scarce.

Hundreds of people have stopped by his office to get masks, others called asking him to mail them, and many more continue to walk in with hopes of find-

ing one.

Despite working at a food manufacturing company with more than 25 people — considered an essential business — Carmen Villegas, 45, said they were not given masks.

She became the sole provider for her family when her husband lost his job after restaurants and bars closed for dine-in customers.

Worried about the fast-spreading and lethal virus, but unable to stop working, Villegas found some comfort when she was able to get two masks from Burgoa.

"Thank God," she said in Spanish.

And while the effort is to educate and give masks to the immigrant community, "we don't discriminate, anyone can come, those undocumented, black, white, everyone. It doesn't matter because everyone needs it and we are in this together," Román said.

Just when Burgoa had a handful of masks with a decorative army pattern, Don Haworth, 66, walked into the office.

"I'll give you \$100 for some," Haworth offered.

He runs a security training school on the North Side. When he was driving by, he saw the signs in front of Burgoa's office and he decided to stop.

Though demand for security personnel is high due to the restrictions and monitoring because of the stay-at-home order, Haworth said, he cannot find the protective gear to keep teaching the class necessary to verify his security guards.

"So having something is better than nothing," he said.

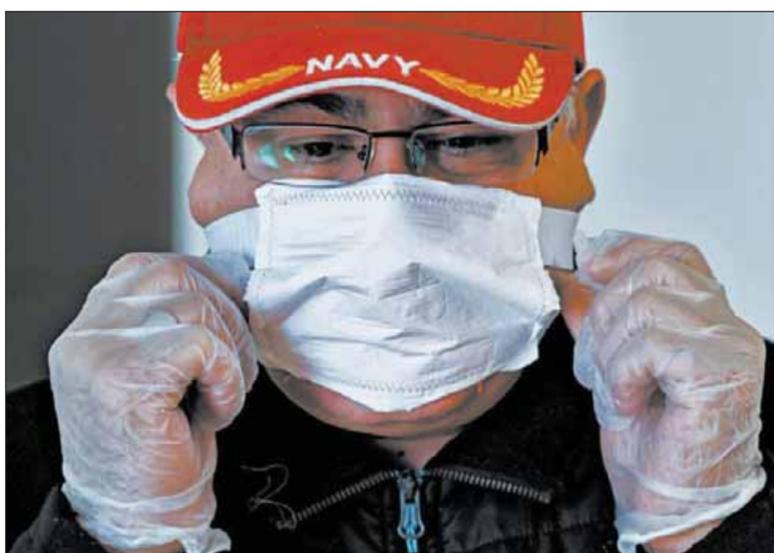
Haworth and Burgoa exchanged phone numbers, and Haworth said he would return for more face masks.

"Thank you, ladies!" Haworth waved at the three women.

Arias, Cadena and Román said they will continue to work with Burgoa until they cannot buy or find more materials to make masks.

That's the beauty of the immigrant community, Burgoa said, that "it doesn't matter that many of them, or their families and friends, are not going to get any help from anyone else — let alone the government. They are still willing to risk their lives by coming here and doing this," Burgoa said.

He said many members of their community are low-income, uninsured and living in the country without legal permission. They risk getting infected



Burgoa demonstrates how to put on one of the face masks made at his office in Chicago.

with the virus because they have to continue to work, interact with others and use public transportation.

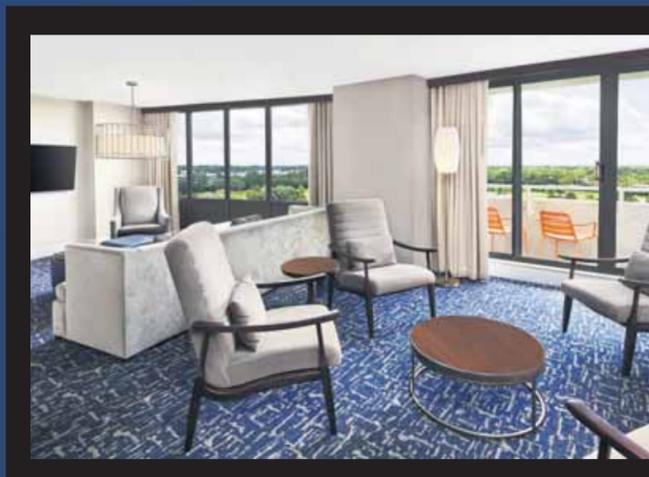
Others nearby and as far as Mexico have taken on

Burgoa's mission of having immigrants protect each other.

Burgoa has also shared the details of how to make the mask he designed, and

at least three others have begun to set up similar workshops.

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Elgin's Carrot the cat has won Instagram fame

BY NARA SCHOENBERG

Carrot has always gone the extra mile for her favorite pint-size humans, ages 5, 3 and 1. The outgoing orange tabby has allowed the Merryn sisters of Elgin to push her in a stroller and dress her up in an apron.

In perhaps her most astonishing feat of feline tolerance, she relaxed and purred during a deluxe spa session with Abigail, 5, and Hannah, 3. A pink robe belted stylishly at her midsection, Carrot allowed the girls to tend her paws with cotton balls, brush her head and cover her eyes with a gel mask.

"It's my goal to make people laugh and smile," said Carrot's owner and the girls' mom, Erin Merryn, 35.

"With everything that's going on, the laughter and the joy that the cat is bringing is needed now more than ever."

With Carrot celebrating her first birthday April 1, we talked to Merryn, best known as the child sex abuse prevention advocate behind 37 statewide Erin's Laws, about her high-profile pet. Carrot has a following of 135,000 on Facebook, and 202,000 on Instagram. She's been featured on "Good Morning America" and "Access Hollywood," and two weeks ago she made a special plea to her high-profile fan Ellen DeGeneres.

For her birthday, Carrot wanted two things, she said in a social media post. The first was catnip — lots of catnip. The second was a phone call from DeGeneres.

DeGeneres called two hours later, according to Merryn.

"I just wanted to be the first one to call and wish Carrot a happy birthday," DeGeneres said.

Carrot, who like many animal influencers has performed a valuable mood-lifting function in recent weeks, turned 1 in style. There were decorations, party hats, even a (cat) cake.

The plan was to offer the guest of honor a can of wet cat food covered with treats and decorated with a candle, Merryn said: "I'm going to keep her fans entertained."

In recent weeks, Carrot has appeared in coronavirus-related Facebook and Instagram videos in which she plays "quarantine" with the girls, attends a stuffed-



ERIN MERRYN PHOTOS

Left: Carrot the cat enjoys a spa treatment courtesy of Abigail and Hannah Merryn, ages 5 and 3. Right: Carrot in a game of dress-up.



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Erin Merryn plays with her three daughters, Abigail, left, Claire and Hannah, right, and their cat "Carrot."

animal e-learning class and learns how to wash hands properly.

Carrot joined the Merryn family as a kitten, with good references from the woman who cared for her and her siblings. But Erin and her husband, David, weren't expecting that their new cat would be anything like Carrot's Instagram-famous predecessor, Bailey, who had died six months earlier. Bailey, also an outgoing orange tabby, let the girls put him in dresses and sit him in high chairs. He'd even join the girls in the bathtub, Merryn said.

The plan was to keep Bailey's popular Instagram account and just enjoy Carrot — named by Abigail — as a family pet.

But within 48 hours, it was apparent to Merryn that lightning had struck twice. Carrot was riding around the house in a toddler car and allowing the girls to put her in a toy shopping cart.

Carrot's spa day video appeared on "Good Morning America" in February. One of her most popular videos, with 1 million views, features her purring loudly as baby Claire pats and cuddles

her in Claire's highchair.

In another video, Claire tries to get her fingers into Carrot's mouth; Carrot turns her head away like a trusty golden retriever.

The only time Carrot gets a little rough is when the kids ignore her, Merryn said. She'll hide and jump out at them as they go by. An online video shows Carrot impatiently pawing at a glass door that separates her from Abigail, who is playing outside.

At night, Carrot falls asleep in Abigail's arms.

Merryn, a child sex abuse survivor whose namesake state laws require schools to teach sexual abuse prevention, also uses Carrot's social media accounts to raise awareness of child abuse. Carrot recently raised more than \$5,000 for the Children's Advocacy Center of North and Northwest Cook County, and fans will see their favorite cat sporting blue this month for National Child Abuse Prevention Month.

Merryn learned that DeGeneres was a Carrot fan after the talk show host commented on one of the cat's posts, saying that she checks Carrot's Instagram account "all the time."

An "Ellen DeGeneres Show" producer sent Merryn a private message, which led to a conference call. In a follow-up exchange, a producer said that DeGeneres found Carrot's account on her own, and liked to show Carrot videos to colleagues.

DeGeneres posted about her birthday phone call to the Merryns. Erin Merryn said the talk show host praised Carrot's temperament, comparing it favorably to her own cats'. DeGeneres also earned points by agreeing with Merryn about the value of funny cat videos in a time of national distress.

DeGeneres even announced the nature of the phone call to her wife, Portia de Rossi, according to Merryn.

"I'm on the phone with the cat named Carrot's mom," DeGeneres said.

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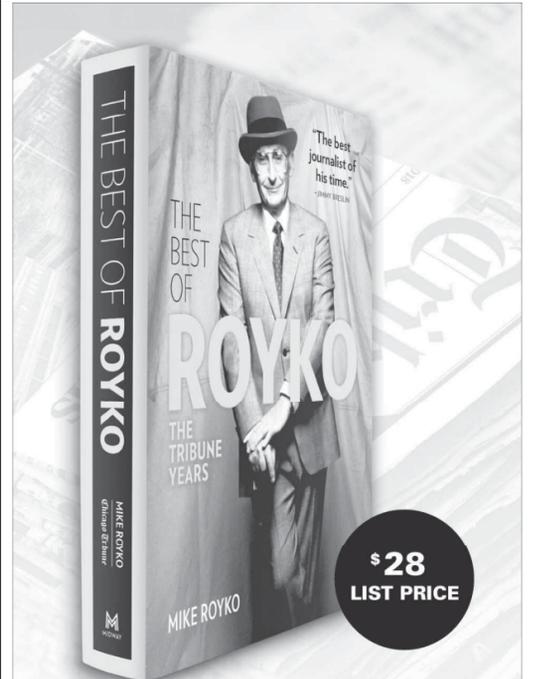
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Traditionally dressed, the men and women of Luquina Chico, who invited visitors in their homes, gather on the shore of Lake Titicaca to say goodbye to their guests.

ELEVATED ESCAPE

STORY AND PHOTOS
BY THOMAS CURWEN
Los Angeles Times

PUNO, Peru — In the beginning, there was a lake cradled in the mountains of a high plateau in the Andes. How it got here was simple: The universe cried, and its tears flooded the world. Mankind had disobeyed the gods, and the gods sent in pumas.

Lake Titicaca — literally, pumas of stone — is proof, tragedy burnished into beauty.

Standing on a quay in Puno, a city on the lake's western shore, my wife, Margie, and I stared at its cerulean expanse, an autumn sun reflecting off what has been called the "eye of God." Not a breath of wind stirred the water, the Donald Duck and Goofy paddleboats imperturbable.

Our Peruvian itinerary had included Machu Picchu, but this morning vista surpassed the splendor of those ruins, whose images on calendars and coasters are burned so deeply in the mind that the reality seemed almost derivative.

There was no mistaking the originality of Lake Titicaca, straddling Peru and Bolivia. It seemed less terrestrial than something borrowed from the sky, and on that morning it held the world in its grasp, its mirrorlike stillness soon rolling in the wake of a water taxi.

Our destination was Luquina Chico, less than 90 minutes from Puno, where I — along with students and professors from the university where Margie teaches — would stay with local families for two nights.

The students were promised the opportunity to "explore the Peruvian leadership approach to community development," but the lessons were greater than this. The residents of Luquina, increasingly dependent on visitors like us, know that unregulated tourism — an easy temptation in a region as beautiful and undeveloped as this — can tear apart communities.

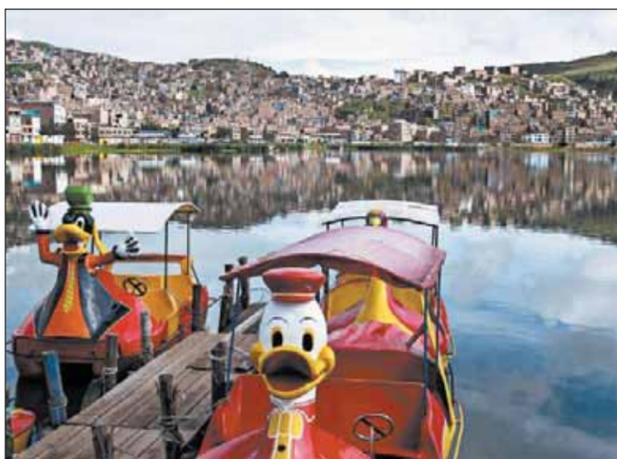
They are trying to develop a sustainable model that gives every household an opportunity to prosper and preserves the tranquility of the village.

Although most travelers will not visit Peru as part of an education tour, what we saw and experienced — service learning — is available to anyone willing to pack, as we did, a pair of work gloves.

Our guide was Edgar Frisancho, whose agency, Edgar Adventures, is one of a few companies in



A young resident of a floating island on Lake Titicaca, an hour by boat from Puno, shares her work with visitors who have come to learn more about the traditional and modern ways of life on the island.



Early on a windless morning, paddleboats await customers. Lake Titicaca captures the reflections of Puno rising on its western shores.

Puno that arranges tours of the lake. Our first stop was Uros Titino, one of the lake's famed floating islands, home of the Uros people who came here from the Amazon centuries ago. The water taxi pulled alongside a floating hayloft.

The ground underfoot was soft, uneven and pliant. Seven families lived here, and we gathered in the warm sun to hear how they maintained the island, cutting and bundling totora reeds. Afterward, they laid out their colorful textiles and carv-

ings for sale.

When Frisancho visited these islands years ago, the Uros were self-sufficient. The birds and fish of the lake provided all they needed, but that has changed.

Lakes such as Titicaca, in the Altiplano, a high plateau in the Andes, get most of their water from rainfall, and they are evaporating as the Andes warm. Invasive species and overfishing also threaten the fragile ecosystems. Diminishing resources have made living on the floating islands more difficult, but tourism

has helped.

Some Uros have moved their islands closer to Puno so travelers can reach them, and a neighboring island lists a reed hut on Airbnb. At the end of our visit, we boarded a reed boat, and a young man gently sculled us across the water. His boat, he said through a translator, took two months to build.

Beneath the bundled reeds were 3,500 plastic water bottles. A boat made of reeds lasts nine months, he explained, but a boat made with water bottles will float for two years.

In early afternoon the water taxi pulled up to the concrete pier at Luquina Chico. A string of fishing boats, oars still in oarlocks, floated listlessly in the reeds. The village, rising on the lake's sloping shoreline, is a scattering of russet-colored homes, pathways, green lawns and fields of potatoes, fava beans and quinoa.

Our host families greeted us in bowler hats, vests and embroidered jackets. Luquina offers "turismo vivencial" — experiential tourism — of which home stays are a central feature.

Margie and I were assigned to Frisancho and Yrene Gutierrez, whose home was just beyond the school and football pitch. Our room was off a small courtyard. After settling in, we joined Yrene, who served us a lunch of quinoa

soup with chicken, rice and potatoes.

After our first night, we felt the pulse of a community whose habits and practices had seemingly never changed. But we knew that the families of Luquina were trying to develop an economy that balanced modern necessities with tradition.

For years, they had watched water taxis on the way to Taquile Island, known for handicrafts, and wondered how they might divert those travelers. A tourist economy would mean money to replace thatched roofs with corrugated ones, buy school supplies, pave a well-trod path.

With the help of Frisancho, who owns a home here, they adopted turismo vivencial, which is administered by the village council so each family would benefit. Because Fernando and Yrene opened their doors to us, another family would receive guests in the future. The greatest threat to this practice, Frisancho said, are online booking services such as Expedia and Airbnb. They pit neighbor against neighbor, promoting competition inside a communal system, he said.

Early the next day, we broke out our work gloves and gathered on a patch of ground marked with plumb lines and trenches. The village council wanted to build a restaurant so that families whose homes are too far away for visitors to reach with suitcases could contribute by helping to fix meals and extend hospitality.

That day we broke ground. The students, standing alongside the men and women of Luquina, organized into small groups. Some took up wheelbarrow duty, others dug or cut rebar for columns and foundation.

"Extreme architecture," said Frisancho, holding the hand-drawn architectural plans. We grew winded from our exertions; Lake Titicaca lies at 12,500 feet.

"We are grateful of your support," Luis Ascencio, the village judge, said at the end of the day. "On this beautiful afternoon, we feel very proud. The work you have done is very beautiful."

The next day we left Luquina and spent a day kayaking and hiking on Taquile Island and enjoying a lunch of fava beans and trout, sweet potatoes and bananas, baked underground.

On our return to Puno, the students commandeered the water taxi's loudspeaker to play music from their phones. We lifted glasses in a toast of Pisco de Italia, the regional brandy, to those pumas of stone.

10 ways to help you make better photo memories

BY CHRISTOPHER REYNOLDS
Los Angeles Times

How to keep travel memories alive? Here are 10 tips to incorporate into your travel routine before you head out the next time. Some are as easy as planning a meet-up with locals who know the lay of the land; others are about collecting information you can use when you return home. Here are 10 ways to enhance your photo memories.



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People make your photos much more interesting, like this mariachi player performing in Mexico City. It's always a good idea to ask their permission first, though.

1. Create a written itinerary and build on it

That itinerary you created with flight times and hotel reservation codes is the first step in your process. Keep amending and adding to it as your trip goes on. Store it on your phone, laptop or Google Docs. Scribble down restaurant names or picnic locations for your meals. Pubs and bars too. Take a quick photo of each place to record the location.

2. Give yourself time to make those memories

As you're building that itinerary, leave time to ensure you have time to take photos. On road trips, I used to cover 300 or 400 miles a day. Now I aim for 200 because I want to stop

for an hour if a great-looking roadside diner pops up. Or a rainbow. Or a lonely road twisting into the distance. Those are some of my favorite pictures.

3. Include a class or meet-up in your plans

Then keep in touch. Not every trip yields a new friendship that will endure. But if your itinerary includes a cooking class, photo meet-up or on-the-spot language brush-up, you connect with more people. If it feels right, collect email addresses and social media contacts. If nothing else, you can send them a photo or two that you didn't share on the

spot.

4. Grab coasters and hotel stationery (or take photos of them)

I stuff those things into my carry-on bag almost as a reflex. Also, I've never smoked, but I have dozens of matchbooks from travels in the 1980s and '90s because their graphics, colors and shapes are tangible reminders of certain settings.

5. Snap photos of people you meet (with their permission)

That way, you won't come home with images only of what you ate and the same loved ones you

hang out with. The next time you're eating in a restaurant, don't just take a photo of your plate. Ask if you can take a picture of the waiter delivering the food. It's easy to interact with only your travel mates and the guide. Don't get lazy.

6. Keep a journal and/or be diligent with social media posts

But not too diligent. The point is to have an experience, not justify yourself on Instagram. If you can draw a bit, sketch a few things. Even if the results are lousy, the process will help you slow down and soak up the scene. The photographic

version of this is using a tripod. It demands deceleration.

7. Collect as much caption info as you can

Do this as you're taking the pic. Things can blur if you're traveling among small towns or similar landmarks. Get place names so you can reconstruct your route. Thanks to mobile phones and Google maps, this is getting easy.

8. Organize your photos within a month of return

Preferably within a week. I suggest organizing by year and location. Then back them up someplace other than your phone or the cloud. I suggest an external hard drive. That said, Apple's and Google's most common image management software can be very helpful. (The app is called Photos in both cases.) I make a folder for every year, and within each year I have folders for each trip, labeled by month and destination. I mark the best 10% of the images with stars and usually disregard or delete the rest. I mix video clips with stills, but some people separate them. I'm moving my archive into Adobe Lightroom Classic, which combines an organizational framework with

powerful image-editing options.

9. Print your favorite travel photos

If you're a digital native, you share pictures with your phone or laptop and keep a few favorites as screen-savers. All good. But there's old-school power to putting pictures on the wall. If you take the time (and expense) to display travel images in your home, you'll be reminded of those trips more often. Costco, Shutterfly and many other companies will print your digital images in all sorts of formats and mail them to you.

10. Repeat yourself

That is, don't bore your friends with the same travel stories. But if you have loved ones who shared those adventures with you — then, yes, tell, retell and retell again. That's how you keep them alive. In fact, through some miracle of human psychology, those stories get better every time.

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Wuhan's favorite noodles back on the menu

Associated Press

WUHAN, China — The noodles smothered in peanut sauce are as much a trademark of Wuhan as deep-dish pizza in Chicago or spaghetti in Rome.

As of press time, Zhou Guoqiong still wasn't allowed to serve diners inside her shop, but the stream of eager customers now lining up outside to take away those noodles testifies to the powerful desire to savor the familiar again after the easing of months of strict

lockdown.

Despite radically falling numbers of coronavirus infections, officials emphasize that Wuhan and the rest of China still have a long way to go. But the reappearance of Wuhan's favorite breakfast noodles is a tasty sign that life is slowly beginning to transition to normal in the Chinese city that was the original epicenter of the global outbreak, first detected in December.

Five days after reopening, Zhou and her husband were selling several hundred bags

of "reganmian," or "hot dry noodles," every day — less than before the outbreak, but more than enough to keep them busy.

"I'm happy as long as there is business," Zhou said.

Wuhan has recorded more than 2,500 deaths from the coronavirus and over 50,000 cases, and the city essentially shut down starting Jan. 23.

Wuhan ended its 76-day lockdown Wednesday morning, allowing residents to again travel in and out of the city without special

authorization through the use of a mandatory smartphone app powered by a mix of data-tracking and government surveillance showing they are healthy and have not been in recent contact with anyone confirmed to have the virus.

Schools are still closed, people are still checked for fevers when they enter buildings, and masks are strongly encouraged. City leaders say they want to bring back social and commercial life while avoiding a second wave of infections.



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The reappearance of Wuhan's favorite noodles is a sign that life is returning to normal in the central Chinese city.

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Best TV shows for vicarious travel thrills

BY JASON BAILEY
The New York Times

There's no getting around it: Most of us won't be traveling for a good, long while. There are certainly more pressing concerns — personal health, supply lines, stocking the pantry, caring for the children — but the anticipation and inner peace of an upcoming vacation, a family gathering or a trip abroad have now disappeared, and who knows for how long. It's neither safe nor (increasingly) possible to visit Norway or Brazil or France or anywhere else when you're stuck in your home.

But maybe it is. One of the genuine delights of the streaming era is the degree to which it has made international television available, and readily, too — with scores of shows streaming on Amazon, Hulu, HBO and Netflix. Sprinkle in an assortment of travelogues and you can go all over the world, from the comfort (and confines) of your couch. Here are some of the best shows for treating cabin fever:

'Anthony Bourdain: No Reservations' (Hulu)

Any respectable world television tour should begin with Anthony Bourdain's globe-trotting food and travel docuseries, in which the late, great celebrity chef visits places large and small, from Singapore to Saudi Arabia to Sweden, taking in the local cuisine, culture and citizens. (And he doesn't slouch on the scenery, either — the series twice won the Emmy Award for Outstanding Cinematography for Non-fiction Programming.) Over the course of its nine-season run, it became clear that Bourdain wasn't just out to see sights or swipe recipes; the show seemed like his personal mission to correct the Ugly American stereotype, and to remind us that when we're abroad, we should aim to be travelers rather than tourists.



Anthony Bourdain, seen here in Istanbul, takes in the local sights and cuisine for the award-winning "No Reservations."

'Travel Man: 48 Hours In ...' (Hulu)

There's a long, rich tradition of British comedians "presenting" travel programs, from Michael Palin's marvelous BBC docuseries ("Around the World in 80 Days," "Pole to Pole," etc.) to the ongoing "Trip" series (to northern England, Italy, Spain and Greece) with Steve Coogan and Rob Brydon to this Channel 4 treat, in which comic actor and director Richard Ayoade ("The IT Crowd") visits the great cities of the world for 48 hours with a celebrity guest. The results are enjoyable as both a travel series and a parody of them; Ayoade and his friends hit the must-see sights and capture the beauty of these hot spots, but also detour to goofier locations.

'The Night Manager' (Amazon Prime)

When screenwriter David Farr and director Susanne Bier adapted John le Carré's 1993 spy novel for television, they not only updated the time period,



Sandra Oh trots the globe in the spy thriller "Killing Eve."

but tweaked the locations — shooting the sleek, glossy tale in Switzerland, Marrakech and Spain (of particular note: a gorgeous Spanish villa for villain Hugh Laurie). The le Carré purists may object, but the rest of us will be too busy luxuriating in the Continental flavor and sun-soaked photography.

'Killing Eve' (Hulu)

Spy shows and films generally hopscotch around the globe, which makes them especially ripe for wanderlust viewing,

and though the smash BBC America adaptation of Luke Jennings' "Villanelle" novels is, in many ways, a subversion of the spy series conventions, one must often embrace those tropes to send them up. So the MI6 agent Eve Polastri must trek from London to such locales as Tuscany, Berlin, Bucharest, Paris, Amsterdam, Rome and other places in her pursuit of the high-level assassin Villanelle (Jodie Comer).

'Occupied' (Netflix)

And from here our world

tour takes us to Norway, for this ongoing series from the minds behind such archetypal Scandinavian crime films as "In-somnia" and "Head-hunters." This fast-paced political thriller, in which high-minded Norwegian government officials cease production of oil and gas in the face of climate change, only to find their country occupied by Russian forces, offers up not only the snowy landscapes we've come to expect, but plenty of urban portraiture as well.

'Babylon Berlin' (Netflix)

Next stop: Germany, for this extravagantly mounted, neo-noir series, set during the city's pre-Hitler, Weimar Republic era. The production — reportedly the most expensive in German TV history — leans heavily on a giant, permanent standing set at the Babelsberg Studio, but also uses copious locations throughout the city (and country), including the Theater am Schiffbau-

dam, the Berlin City Hall, the Protestant Church of the Redeemer, and the Bavarian Railway Museum.

'My Brilliant Friend' (HBO)

Some series float through their locations, only making fleeting connections. But HBO's ongoing adaptation of Elena Ferrante's Neapolitan novels isn't just set in Italy in the 1950s; it's dug in there, intimately aware of every stairwell, courtyard and apartment in its working class neighborhood. It's a setting, James Poniewozik writes, "where everyone is packed close and prying eyes and whispers are inescapable." But the series also offers gorgeous glimpses of the world outside that neighborhood, of an upper-crust area of Naples, or a resort island. It's a welcome reminder that even when things are bleak, escape is still possible.

'Kingdom' (Netflix)

And on we travel, both around the globe (to South Korea) and back in time (to the 16th century) for this Netflix original, gleefully mixing historical drama, zombie horror, swordplay, political satire and (gulp) contagion thriller — and mounted on a grand scale, with big, colorful action sequences carefully choreographed in gorgeous forests and rolling vistas. Mike Hale picked it as one of the best international shows of the decade, and praised the "rousing" series for its "rich production values."

'Fortitude' (Amazon Prime)

And finally we land at the top of the world — well, close to it, on the Arctic island of Fortitude, setting of this Sky Atlantic mystery/thriller series. Fortitude, however, is a fictional location (that'd be just a bit too nice and neat), so the three-season series was shot in Iceland and Norway; its icy glaciers and snow-capped mountains could come in handy if we're still indoors this summer.



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Michael Caskey, from left, Zach Verdoon, Berit Ulseth and Johnny Iguana of The Claudettes.

CELEBRITY TRAVELER

Leaving home inspires songwriting

BY JAE-HA KIM
Tribune Content Agency

"Getting away from home gives me inspiration and perspective," says Johnny Iguana, keyboardist-pianist-songwriter-bandleader of The Claudettes.

"I've gotten to play music in Beirut, all over Japan, all over Brazil, in Indonesia. ... Wherever I can find a piano in a far-away land, I like to sit down and sort of Oujia Board the piano — let my hands drift where they may. The root chords of many of our songs have begun in such situations."

The Chicago-based musician was looking forward to touring to promote his band's latest CD, "High Times in the Dark." But the tour dates have been postponed due to the coronavirus pandemic.

An edited version of our conversation follows.

Q: Do you work on music while traveling?

A: I frequently write on the road. Whole song ideas and lyrics occur to me on airplanes and in the front passenger seat of The Claudettes' van.

Our "Naked on the Internet" from our 2018 album "Dance Scandal at the Gymnasium!" was written entirely in the van between tour dates.

Q: What is your favorite vacation destination?

A: Japan and Spain are tied. I love both cultures and the food, oh my lord. I would go just for the food alone.

Q: What untapped destination should people know about?

A: Well, New Orleans isn't exactly obscure as a vacation destination, but I tell everyone who will listen that going to New Orleans feels like leaving the U.S. for a European vacation. The food, the nightlife, even that island with all the pastel-colored houses — it's like nowhere else here. And New Orleans restaurants and bars really could gouge you but don't! It's like taking a European vacation for a quarter of the price, and a shorter flight.

Q: What was the first trip you took as a child?

A: I went with my parents and sister to Australia and San Francisco when I was 15 or so. I also played tennis in Sweden for a month when I was 16. I found all of it immensely romantic.

Traveling is my greatest joy, especially when I'm able to combine it with playing music and when my own written music is what gets me to these exotic places. It fills me with pride and happiness.

Q: What's the most important thing you've learned from your travels?

A: To work as hard as I can at songwriting and piano playing so that I may travel endlessly. I'd like to live mostly on the road.

Q: If you've ever gone away for the holidays, which was the best trip?

A: It's always family trips — to Florida or Cape Cod to see family. All of it is very nice and heartwarming.

Q: Do you speak any foreign languages?

A: I speak Spanish enough to make myself understood, but (I) almost always have to say, "Mas despacio, por favor;" as the answers come flying back too fast for my brain to apprehend, especially with all the Basque, Catalan (and other) regions. I do love to try, though, and study the whole plane ride over to Spain every time.

Q: Where would you like to go that you have never been to before?

A: Israel, Russia and Turkey, in particular.

Q: What is your best and/or worst vacation memory?

A: I was one of several in a band who got our stomachs destroyed by food poisoning in Jakarta. When the doctor visited my room, he said, "Welcome to Indonesia."

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TRAVEL TROUBLESHOOTER

Amid virus, why won't tour operator refund my deposit?

BY CHRISTOPHER ELLIOTT
King Features

Last October, I booked a Pacific Northwest and California trip with Collette Tours. At that time, I paid \$519, which included a \$250 deposit and \$269 for travel insurance. The tour is scheduled for May.

Then the coronavirus outbreak happened. Because of my age and health concerns, I decided to cancel the trip in early March. My deposit is supposed to be entirely refundable.

I have called Collette several times to find out the status of my refund, which has not yet been credited to my card, and continue to get no positive results. I want the \$250 deposit refunded. Can you help me?

— Patricia Fuja, Naperville, Illinois

A: If your deposit is refundable, you should receive your \$250 back quickly. The question is, how quickly?

You canceled in early March, which is when the rest of the world canceled its vacations. Collette Tours, like every other tour operator in the world, faced a catastrophic scenario. Everyone wanted their money back — now. I think you should give any company a minimum of 30 days to process a refund under extraordinary circumstances like these. There really is no precedent for cancellations on this scale. It's never happened before, not even after 9/11. I know because I wrote this same column after 9/11.

You're lucky that you booked a tour with Collette. It's one of a few tour operators issuing full money-back refunds, as opposed to travel vouchers, during the coronavirus outbreak. Some tour operators are returning money but charging fees to cover their losses, which they can do under their

contract (which no one reads). But Collette is a straight shooter and didn't do any of that.

Your request brings up an interesting question: Should you go for a full refund or a voucher? I've spoken with a lot of consumers (including my mother) who insist we should be asking for a credit. After all, if everyone asks for a refund, we could kill the airlines, cruise lines and hotels we rely on for our vacations. I think that's a valid point, and one worth considering before you demand all your money back.

Your case was a little different. You were within the window for a full refund of your tour, and the terms of the purchase were clear — you could get a refund. So you weren't asking for any special favors from Collette.

You could have appealed this issue to an executive at Collette if this had dragged on for more than a month. But you contacted me after only a few weeks, which isn't enough time for Collette to process your re-

fund. At a time like this, it's just not practical to expect a fast refund. I never thought I would write those words. Blame coronavirus.

I contacted Collette on your behalf. A representative told me that its standard procedure is to process a refund in seven to 10 business days. "However, the COVID-19 outbreak has led to unprecedented levels of changes to existing bookings disrupting normal operations and timelines," she added.

Collette issued a refund to your credit card for \$250.

If you need help with a coronavirus-related refund, please contact me. You can send details through my consumer advocacy site elliott.org/help or email me at chris@elliott.org.

Christopher Elliott is the chief advocacy officer of Elliott Advocacy, a nonprofit organization that helps consumers resolve their problems. Contact him at elliott.org/help or chris@elliott.org.

STYLE

WHAT TO WEAR NOW

Now's the time to learn to darn our socks

'Visible mending' artfully extends clothing's life span

BY STEVEN KURUTZ
The New York Times

Only a few generations ago, socks were routinely darned, sweaters mended and pants patched. You could buy a sewing kit at any drugstore. Knowing how to use it was a mark of good housekeeping.

Kate Sekules, 58, remembers that world, in which the act of repairing clothes was integral to wearing them.

"My mother was a dressmaker to the end of her life," said Sekules, who grew up in England. "My mother just mended as a matter of course."

Sekules has kept up that thrifty tradition. She started one of the earliest secondhand online clothing exchanges, Refashioner. She buys all of her clothes vintage and mends them all, including her husband's moth-eaten sweaters.

But although sewing and knitting have made a modest comeback among hobbyists in recent years, those skills have in the main dropped away. Home economics is no longer taught in many schools; the sewing machine is no longer a whirring fixture in the home. Especially since the rise of fast-fashion chains, a tear in a shirt or dress often spells its end.

As a *cri de coeur* on behalf of needle and thread, Sekules practices and preaches "visible mending," as it is known in the sewing and fashion communities. On visiblemending.com she offers inspiration and instruction to the unversed and posts photos of creatively salvaged clothes.

Take, for example, the Dolce & Gabbana V-neck sweater she bought at a sample sale in the 1990s, misplaced for years and found again, only riddled with holes. Sekules made a neat eyelet stitch using embroidery floss in a rainbow of colors to frame the half-dozen holes — in essence, to call attention to them. The designer sweater had a folk-art look when she finished.

"I like the mends to look a little rough," she said. "If it looks like it came from a factory, it negates the point."

Showing off your patches, visible menders



AMY LOMBARD/THE NEW YORK TIMES

"Visible mending" has been taken up by those who want to protest disposable culture.

say, draws attention to the way a garment's life span has been extended. It also subverts the notion, long held, that mended clothes are worn by the poor, while the height of luxury is buying a new wardrobe every season.

Americans generated about 17 million tons of textile waste in 2017, which included carpets, footwear, sheets and towels but was mostly clothing. That is according to the most recent data from the Environmental Protection Agency; drill down and the numbers get even grimmer.

Only about 15% of textiles were recycled, meaning landfills received 11.2 million tons of municipal solid waste textiles that year.

Visible mending, then, is like choosing your mile of highway to pick up trash: It is a personal, small-scale, possibly futile response to the overwhelming problems of mass consumption and



Cary Vaughan mends a piece of clothing at New York's Ace & Jig, which sells upcycled clothes and patch kits.

waste: "a quiet, global protest movement," in the words of Emily Brayshaw, a research associate at the University of Technology Sydney who has written about the growing practice.

"You get that good feeling of, 'I'm not going to throw this away,'" said

Hunter Hammersen, a knitwear designer and author of pattern books who practices visible mending. "I'm not going to buy another piece of fast fashion and have the guilt that goes with it."

There are numerous how-to books, such as

"Visible Mending: Artful Stitchery to Repair and Refresh Your Favorite Things" by Jenny Wilding Cardon, and the forthcoming "Mending Life," by Nina and Sonya Montenegro. "Wear, Repair, Repurpose" by Lily Fulop was released in March. And in September, Penguin will publish Sekules' own book, "Mend! A Refashioning Manual and Manifesto."

Visible mending is also a practical response to the rising interest, especially among Gen Z, in buying and wearing secondhand clothes and upcycling, since used clothes often have flaws.

Wilding Cardon, 48, who lives in Utah, had her mending revelation four years ago. A die-hard thrifter, she found herself passing on items because they had a rip or a hole. But then while on Pinterest she came across a photo of a sweater sleeve repaired

with a small red patch sewn on with white thread.

"It was such a simple image," Wilding Cardon said. "But it spoke volumes to me."

Like Sekules and others before her, Wilding Cardon quickly found her way to Tom van Deijnen, an accomplished home sewer who lives in Brighton, England. Van Deijnen, who goes by the name Tom of Holland (he is Dutch), is generally recognized as the popularizer, if not the inventor, of visible mending.

For years, Van Deijnen, 46, has repaired his clothes, sometimes trying to make invisible repairs. It never worked out. "I thought, 'Well, I can turn that around and make it really visible,'" he said. "It allowed me to be more creative with garments as well."

Now fashion brands, are also promoting longevity. Eileen Fisher, A.P.C. and Toast, to name a few, have programs for swapping, repurposing or mending clothes. In the fall, Ace & Jig, the women's label that makes its own yarn-dyed woven textiles, gathered up garments with tears or other flaws and had them visibly mended by skilled sewers before selling them online.

"It's a backlash to, 'I just want to get rid of it; I just want something new,'" said Jenna Wilson, a founder of Ace & Jig.

Wilson and her business partner, Cary Vaughan, have also started selling patch kits made of leftover fabric, hoping to inspire their customers to creatively conserve the way Wilson's mother did growing up on a farm in rural Saskatchewan.

While there are numerous techniques to the mend (darning, patching, appliqués, reweaving and so on), each is as individual as the person making it.

For Hammersen, visible mending is a political act but equally a meditative and low-stakes creative activity. "Doodling with thread," as she put it.

Van Deijnen sees wearing a visibly mended garment as a way for a self-described introvert to make a statement about fashion's throwaway culture. "I identify with that way of noticing," he said, of his clothes speaking for himself. "People can ask me, but I'm not there to shout in people's faces."

Time to join caped fashionistas?



ELLEN WARREN
Answer Angel

Dear Answer Angel
Ellen: What is your take on this style of dress with sort of a mini attached cape? I noticed that Meghan Markle wore two variations of the cape dress (red and green) in her recent appearances in England so I figure this is the height of fashion. Will this trend last? Just asking.
— Terri C.

Dear Terri: By their very definition, trends are temporary. But some endure for multiple seasons and others for mere months. Right now, dresses with these attached capes are popular. You've got Meghan Markle and plenty of trendsetting red carpet celebrities — Gwyneth Paltrow, Julianne Moore, Karlie Kloss, Lupita Nyong'o, Olivia Colman, Jennifer Lopez — to thank for that. I'm seeing more cape fashions for day and evening for sale online and in stores, so if it's a look that appeals to you, you don't need a bank loan to join the fashion-forward crowd. But, if you're looking for an investment piece, this is a style that is not going to last forever so think hard about your purchase. That said,

semi capes are a terrific way to cover our upper arms that might be less than rock hard. And for all the readers who have complained to me that all they can find are sleeveless dresses when shopping for big occasions, this is one solution. Furthermore, the attached capes go a long way toward warding off the subfreezing air conditioning we all encounter year-round.

Dear Answer Angel
Ellen: On a recent doctor visit, I was unnerved that my doctor wore a golf shirt. Is this appropriate dress for a physician? I was already nervous about the appointment and then he showed up looking like he'd just come off the golf course. It made me less confident that he was a good doctor. Is that appropriate wear for an M.D.?
— Marge L.

Dear Marge: Longtime doctors I spoke with said they thought a golf shirt was not a professional appearance. The physicians I checked in with said a button front shirt is the preferred dress — no tie. "Ties have been shown to be contaminated by pathogens ... They are rarely laundered and play no part in patient care," says the United Kingdom Department of Health. As for the golf shirt, medical professionals told me there's a simple fix: Wear a white knee-length white coat

over your work clothes. The American Medical Association Journal of Ethics calls the long white coat the "pre-eminent symbol of physicians for over 100 years ... Many patients now view the white coat as a 'cloak of compassion.'" But the journal points out that pediatricians and psychiatrists often choose not to wear the white coat. In today's coronavirus crisis, the medical profession is being called on to do heroic things. What the doctors — men and women — are wearing should be the least of our concerns.

And another virus question ...

Dear Answer Angel
Ellen: What part of social distancing do these people not understand? I was in line at the pharmacy and a woman in front of me was holding one of those plastic masks in front of her face (not wearing it). Every time she coughed (many) she'd remove the mask from her nose and mouth! Helllllooooo. At the post office the guy behind me in line must have been 6 inches away and it was impossible to get any distance between us. And at the drugstore the lady behind me in line was practically, literally, breathing down my neck. Is there a polite way to say, "Back off you inconsiderate germ factory?"
— Jennifer S.

Dear Jennifer: Ideally

you'd stay home and not have to worry about these people who are too close for comfort. But, if you find yourself in a similar situation, just the facts ma'am. A simple, "I'm worried about the virus. Let's keep a safer 6-foot distance."

Dear Answer Angel
Ellen: Your recently wrote about how men should cover up their bare chests and stomachs at the beach or pool. What about wearing Speedos at the pool or beach?
— Barry

Dear Barry: Swimming is great exercise. It burns calories and spares your knees from the impact of exercise like running. Men who do a lot of swimming sometimes choose those skimpy suits because they dry quickly and reduce drag. But let's face it, most adult men don't have the body of an Olympian and would do themselves and the rest of the viewing public a favor by wearing traditional (baggy) swim trunks.

Angelic Readers 1

From Nancy S.: "A few weeks ago a reader had a rant about—Does anyone really think they look good with their hair parted in the middle?" Or something to that effect. I think peeps absolutely do look good with a center part." (Attached to Nancy's email were headshots of Keanu Reeves,



DAN KITWOOD/GETTY

Right now, dresses with attached capes are popular with Megan Markle and other celebrities.

Jennifer Lopez, Kim Kardashian and Michelle Pfeiffer, all with center parts and looking fabulous.)

Angelic Readers 2

Denise W.P.'s question is one many of us wrestle with: "I am wondering if there is an easier way to put a duvet on a comforter. I really struggle by myself to

get it on. Perhaps there is some innovative individual who could come up with a helpful way."

Now it's your turn

Send your questions, rants, tips, favorite finds — on style, shopping, makeup, fashion and beauty — to answerangel@ellenn.com.

THE GOODS

YOUR HUNT IS OVER

Coping with coronavirus anxiety



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Ideas for decompressing, creating a cozy space while you stay at home

By DAVID SYREK | Chicago Tribune

While you're riding out the quarantine at home, whether alone or with the family, anxiety is inevitable. And as we adjust to the new normal, self-care is crucial. Chicago psychiatrist and psychoanalyst Suzanne Rosenfeld says that people are "holding anxiety, and that creating a space in our home — and in our mind — that's free of COVID-19 can help to manage the intensity of those anxieties."

For her own self-care, Rosenfeld has created a dedicated space that she uses for online yoga classes. She also suggests putting down the screens. "I don't recommend watching more than one hour of news a day. It's too stimulating. You need what I'm calling soft spaces, space to relax. We feel depleted because we haven't reserved time for ourselves and to allow our mind to decompress and unwind."

Because we all need a little TLC, here are a few ways to create a cozy space to help keep stress at bay — from the perfect blanket for an epic nap, to bath salts that relieve muscle tension, to the best music to help you chill.



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Chill old-school with a turntable and some classic vinyl: Michael Slaboch of The Storehouse, a multidisciplinary arts space in Galien, Michigan, shares a few very chill options: James Elkington's "Ever-Roving Eye," Chilly Gonzales' "Solo Piano" and Brian Eno's ambient masterpiece, "Music for Airports." Crosley Radio Voyager Turntable, \$89.95, nordstrom.com. Records, jameselkington.bandcamp.com, amazon.com



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Queries can go unanswered



JUDITH MARTIN
Miss Manners

Dear Miss Manners: I know that it's rude to tell people that they are being rude. But I have an acquaintance who has figured out how to use this rule to her advantage.

She will ask something intrusive or personal (e.g. "How much did you pay for your house?") and, before I can hem and haw or change the subject, she will add, "Oh, but you don't have to answer that if you think I'm rude for asking."

Ha! See what she did there? Now, if I don't answer her nosy question, I'm basically calling her rude, right?

Gentle reader: Your acquaintance is not the etiquette expert she supposes. Like nonlawyers who read about a law and believe they have caught a logical fallacy overlooked by legal scholars, your acquaintance may be surprised that she has trapped not you, but herself. What you think about your acquaintance's behavior is not rude unless you give it actual voice. Instead, smile knowingly and change the subject.

Dear Miss Manners: I have a very close friend whose father has abused him, both physically and emotionally, for his entire life. Their relationship was strained at best, distant at worst, but the friend never cut off contact completely with his father.

I've been privy to a fairly detailed description of the abuse and, suffice to say, I am not remotely sorry my friend's father has died, though I am sorry about the complicated feelings my friend must be having. Mostly, I wish he had been born to a man worthy of

being his father.

I want to express my condolences, but the standard tropes seem insufficient. How do you acknowledge loss when it's the loss of a monster? I had planned on sending my friend a gift of some sort in lieu of sending flowers to the funeral, as I truly believe that his father's departure from this world makes it a better place.

Gentle reader: Etiquette does not demand that you lie about the merits of the deceased, but nor does it suggest that you celebrate it with presents. That seems indecorous. Instead, express sentiments to your friend that are simple and true: That you are sorry for his loss and hope to be available to him for any support he requires. You should, of course, omit the word "monster" or anything equally negative in your correspondence. Death has a way of ingratiating even the most monstrous toward their families ... once the offenders are safely passed on.

Dear Miss Manners: My husband and I are expecting our first child, and we have been gifted tons of hand-me-downs from friends and family. Some of these items are great, and we are grateful for them.

However, several family members seem to think that they can just use us as a dumping ground for old, dirty, broken or unsafe items they no longer want. We've received a broken playpen, a moldy booster seat, a ripped baby carrier from the 1970s, and towels that are old and rough. We've accepted everything with thank-yous and smiles, but now the burden is on us to sort through the trash and get rid of it. At a

time when we are already overwhelmed, this is incredibly frustrating.

While it's not worth starting an argument with our family members, I'm hoping you'll consider publishing this as a public service announcement to givers. If you want to hand down baby items, please make sure they are in good, safe, working condition, and check with the parents to ask if it's something they still need.

Gentle reader: Consider the announcement made. Miss Manners is sympathetic to your situation and commends you for enduring it. She humbly reminds you, however, that what you consider a threadbare and smelly old blanket may be, for others, a treasured memory that they are now lovingly passing down to you.

Dear Miss Manners: My husband has been diagnosed with a devastating illness and a worse prognosis. Our friends are stepping up and being a big help. Should I send a thank-you note for every meal and thing they send and bring? Or can I wait until our suffering is over?

Gentle reader: As much as you are able, Miss Manner recommends that you do it now. Good people should hear that their kindness, which you may be drawing on in the sad future, is welcome and appreciated.

To send a question to the Miss Manners team of Judith Martin, Nicholas Ivor Martin and Jacobina Martin, go to missmanners.com or write them c/o Universal Uclick, 1130 Walnut St., Kansas City, MO 64106.

CANDID CANDACE

The event Candace Jordan was scheduled to cover was canceled due to the coronavirus outbreak.



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REAL ESTATE



ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Tenants of the Gold Coast building 1355 N. Sandburg Terrace received an email from their property manager asking them to disclose coronavirus diagnoses.

Providing health details to your landlord

Renters are being asked to disclose COVID-19 diagnoses, but experts say they don't have to

BY ARIEL CHEUNG

While public health officials are carefully tracking the spread of COVID-19, some Chicago renters have been caught off guard by requests to disclose diagnoses — not to medical professionals, but to their landlords.

Property managers of buildings across the city are asking residents to notify their landlords if they are experiencing symptoms or are diagnosed with the coronavirus.

But city officials and tenant lawyers say that while property managers are likely looking out for everyone's well-being, tenants and condo owners are not legally bound to disclose personal health information.

"I can certainly understand why people who are managing buildings want to protect their renters," said Mark Swartz, executive director of the Lawyers' Committee for Better Housing. "But it seems like a really misguided attempt."

Still, Swartz said his Chicago-based organization, which provides free legal representation to renters, has heard from tenants who are being pressed to share their private information, particularly those in medical fields or industries hit hardest by the

coronavirus crisis.

Some are asked about their ability to pay rent if property owners believe they are at risk of losing their jobs, while others are being questioned about their risk of infection because they work in, for example, health care, Swartz said.

"There's a lot of uncertainty, and people want to know what the law is so they can make decisions," Swartz said. "And it's a shifting environment."

The Chicago Department of Public Health does not need property managers to notify the city about residents who test positive for COVID-19, according to department guidelines. It also won't notify building owners or occupants if a resident tests positive.

Residents do not need to self-re-

port to building management if they are sick, and CDPH advises building managers to promote social distancing and routine environment cleaning.

The Tribune obtained emails inquiring about residents' health from three property managers in Chicago: ICM Properties, which oversees 2,000 apartments across the North Side; Planned Property Management, which owns 3,700 apartments in Lakeview, Lincoln Park, the Gold Coast and River North; and Sandburg Terrace, which has multiple condo buildings in the Gold Coast.

ICM did not respond to requests for comment, and Sandburg Terrace's property manager declined to comment.

North Side landlord Seminary Properties also made a similar request, but took the additional step of requiring tenants' doctors to provide written notice and a quarantine timeline, according to Chicago magazine.

Robert Kahn, an attorney who represents PPM, said landlords are within their rights to ask tenants about their health status — as long as they protect their identifying information — but are unlikely to penalize

residents who don't want to disclose it.

"I don't think PPM would be vindictive and say they'll evict or fine you, but they're trying to protect people," Kahn said April 3.

While Kahn said he hasn't discussed the situation with PPM, he said many of his property management clients want to let union-backed maintenance workers know of cases in buildings so they can take additional protective measures.

In Lakeview, a medical student living in a PPM apartment on West Cornelia Avenue said she was surprised to get the company's email asking residents diagnosed with the virus to contact management "so we take additional steps to ensure the safety of your neighbors and our staff members."

The March 18 email also asked tenants to limit deliveries to essential items to reduce exposure and limit themselves to two visitors at a time.

"We understand this situation is not ideal, but we all need to work together to ensure a safe living environment for you as well as a safe

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ELITE STREET

Former Bears backup QB lists Glencoe house for \$1.55M



ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Chase Daniel, seen here last season before a Bears game, has listed his Glencoe home. He signed with the Detroit Lions on March 24.

BY BOB GOLDSBOROUGH

Former Chicago Bears quarterback Chase Daniel listed his five-bedroom, 5,962-square-foot house in Glencoe on March 5 for \$1.55 million.

Daniel, 33, was the Bears' backup quarterback for two seasons, behind Mitch Trubisky.

He left the team after the 2019 season and signed a three-year contract with the Detroit Lions on March 24.

Through an opaque land trust, Daniel paid \$1.49 million in April 2018 for the Nantucket-style house, which was built in 2016 and has 5 1/2 baths.

The house has an open floor plan, custom window treatments and custom-built closets. The master suite features a soaking tub and an oversize marble

shower, while the kitchen touts Sub-Zero and Wolf appliances and Cambria countertops.

The second floor includes a laundry room, while the lower level houses a large home theater, a playroom and a nanny suite.

Other features include a heated 2 1/2-car garage, a permeable Unilock driveway, a bluestone patio and a pergola.

The house's tax bill for the 2018 tax year was close to \$26,000.

Daniel's listing agent, Michael Marasco, declined to comment.

NBC-5 Chicago reporter Natalie Martinez lists Bucktown condo for \$500,000: WMAQ-Ch. 5 general assignment reporter Natalie Martinez and her husband, Flavio Gama, placed their two-bedroom, 1,687-square-foot

condominium unit in Bucktown on the market March 10 for \$500,000.

A Buffalo native, Martinez joined NBC-5 Chicago in 2001 after working at a station in Albany, New York.

Martinez paid \$448,500 in early 2006 for the fourth-floor condo, which at that time was newly constructed. Fourteen years later, she is planning to move closer to her station's Streeterville studios, Martinez said.

"We're selling our sunny condo in Bucktown because, a few months ago, we found a similar home that is close to work and the lake, where my husband and daughter typically spend a lot of time," she said. "For me, it's bitter-

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REAL ESTATE MATTERS

Pros, cons of buying home with cash vs. loan

BY ILYCE GLINK AND SAMUEL J. TAMKIN
Tribune Content Agency

Q: We are considering purchasing a new home in a national home builder's development. We could go through their loan people or pay cash. We are not sure what the costs of going through the loan process may be with them, but before we get started, what is your opinion as to whether it is best to mortgage with these low rates or purchase with cash? We have more than enough on hand to pay with cash.

A: You're right: Interest rates are at historic lows these days. If you factor in the rate of inflation, taking out a mortgage feels like borrowing money for free.

You, however, are in a unique situation as you can choose to pay cash for your new home rather than taking out a loan. Since your cash really isn't earning any interest from the bank, it would be less expensive over the long run to pay for the home in cash rather than taking out a loan. But, if you have a place to invest your cash, or if buying the home for cash would leave you without any cash, taking out some sort of loan might be smart. You should certainly talk with the builder's lender and get an idea of what mortgage products they are offering and what those fees, interest rates and terms would be.

Recently Sam closed on a deal for a buyer who obtained a loan for around \$200,000. He didn't need the cash on hand. The interesting thing about the loan, which carries an interest rate of 3%, is that he paid over \$5,000 in fees. That's a hefty upfront cost for a relatively small loan.

The buyer's total loan costs were about average, but had he paid cash he could have saved over



DREAMSTIME

If you have the cash to buy a home outright, it may still make sense to take out a loan depending on your situation.

\$5,000. These fees included around \$1,000 in loan processing fees, a \$650 appraisal fee and another \$800 in other miscellaneous lender fees. Once you got through the lender fees, he also had to pay for the lender's title insurance policy and other title company closing fees and charges. Those fees were another \$3,000.

We point these fees out to make sure you understand what it might cost you to take out a mortgage instead of paying cash. As you begin to weigh the options, ask the builder's lender for an estimate of fees (without formally applying for the loan or

giving them your credit information). Once you have that information in hand, you can decide whether the fees are worth it or not.

If you do opt for the mortgage, what is your plan for the cash you have on hand? Some people are quite risk averse and may put the money in a savings account earning virtually nothing. Well, if you plan to have the money sit around earning no interest, you might be better off paying cash for the home and save paying all the extra fees associated with applying for and closing on the loan.

On the other hand, if

you need the money for medical expenses, college tuition or travel expenses, or simply want to invest in something else, then taking out the loan may be right for you.

We've said this many times in the past: Investing your cash is fine, and if you've got a place for those dollars, then taking out a mortgage is a smart idea — particularly at today's historic low interest rates. But please understand and map out your investment strategy and the inherent risks that accompany it. And don't underestimate the power of living debt free.

Some of our readers

can't resist these super-low interest rates, and we often hear from them when we write how good some homeowners feel knowing their mortgage is paid off. To them, equity means your cash is trapped inside your home, and they believe you should always make your money work as hard as it can for you.

We don't disagree, but not everyone shares that level of risk tolerance. As we've all seen over the past few weeks, the stock market can experience wild, jarring and painful swings. The trick is to sit tight and let your money ride out the storm.

No one can time the

stock market. If you invest for the long run, history says you should do well. But if you needed your money on a day when the stock market drops 2,000 points, you might well wish you had your cash back in a savings account, even if it isn't earning any interest.

Make sure you ask a lot of questions, understand your options and have thought through any ramifications. Good luck.

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SAVINGS UPDATE

If you'll need coronavirus mortgage relief, communication is vital

The CARES Act passed last month offers some relief to homeowners struggling to pay their mortgage due to coronavirus impacts. The tricky thing is that, so far, the relief is not one size fits all. So talking to your lender sooner rather than later is imperative.

The CARES Act has so far provided two kinds of mortgage relief: a moratorium on any foreclosures until at least the middle of May, and the option for homeowners suffering income or job loss due to the pandemic to postpone mortgage payments for 6-12 months.

But whether you qualify for this relief, and when you'd need to repay the missed payments, depends on who owns your mortgage. The CARES Act applies to federally backed mortgages, which account for about 70% of U.S. home loans. Meanwhile, non-government loans may offer their own relief terms.

But it's not always obvious which type of loan you

have, as federally backed mortgages can be serviced by a bank. In addition, banks also service loans they own themselves. So the first step is figuring out who actually owns your mortgage.

The second confusing issue is that, so far, uniform rules have not been specified on when homeowners must pay back their postponed payments, which is called forbearance. So while some lenders are willing to tack those payments onto the end of the loan, others are requiring a balloon payment after 90 or 180 days.

Then there is also the wild card of not knowing whether Congress will approve or extend additional mortgage relief. Only passing time will answer that question.

As a result, if you think you may need mortgage relief, it is critical that you call your lender as soon as possible to begin the conversation, with long phone wait times being an additional reason to not delay.

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Lakeview home with 6 bedrooms: \$3 million

ADDRESS: 3754 N. Janssen Ave., Chicago
PRICE: \$2,995,000
 Listed on March 9, 2020

This 7,000-square-foot brick and limestone home in Lakeview has six bedrooms and seven bathrooms. The corner lot home boasts a family room with fireplace, kitchen with butler's pantry, media room, radiant heat on the lower level, wine cellar, an attached three-car garage and is professionally landscaped. The master bedroom includes a walk-in closet and bathroom with two-person steam shower and jet tub.

Agent: Mario Greco of Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices, 773-687-4696

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Rules for selling a house in a down market

BY NEAL TEMPLIN
 Rate.com

Selling a house isn't fun in the best of markets. In a tumbling market, it's torture.

House sales could be affected by the coronavirus health crisis for some time. Americans have bigger things to worry about. If you can wait to put your house on the market, you should.

Yet many sellers have no choice. They get divorced. They get in financial trouble. Or they get a job transfer.

In early 2008, right as the Great Recession was starting to take hold, I was transferred from Dallas to New York.

It took many months and several price cuts before we started getting offers and sold it. All the while, we couldn't buy a home in New Jersey, and our teenager didn't know which high school he'd be going to. It was an unsettling experience.

Over the years, I bought and sold multiple homes as I moved around the country for different journalism jobs. Here are the six rules I have found for selling in down markets:

Be aggressive on pricing. Sellers can get obsessed with getting "full price" or "not giving away the house." It's a trap. You want to get the best price you can, not the price you'd get in a perfect world. In a falling market, that generally means selling your house as quickly as possible because it will only get worse.

Start by pricing below the competition. If that doesn't work and you need to adjust the price after a month or two, lower it by enough to attract a new group of buyers. It's brutal. But you're likely to end up with more money by getting out in front of a falling market, rather than chasing it.



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Know your competition. Your house is in a beauty contest with every other house for sale. In a hot market, everybody gets a trophy. In a cold market, few do.

Pore over the internet listings for homes in your neighborhood. Make sure your listing has strong photos and a detailed floor plan so it won't get lost in the shuffle.

If everyone else in your price range has a master bathroom and you don't, that's a problem. If other houses have remodeled kitchens, and you don't, that's a problem. You're going to need a lower price to stand out.

Little things matter. In a weak market, buyers seek perfection. There are things you can't do anything about — like selling a house on a busy street. But you should eliminate any

defect that you can without crazy spending. That means painting, replacing worn carpeting and fixing broken hardware. I can't tell you how many homes for sale I've visited where the real estate agent had to struggle to unlock a balky front door. It makes you wonder what bigger problems lie unseen.

When you put a house on the market, it is no longer your home. It is the house you want someone else to imagine as theirs. Get rid of family photos, knickknacks and clutter. Put half your furniture in storage. Suddenly your house will look bigger and more enticing.

Your real estate agent isn't always your friend. I've had some super real estate agents over the years, including one in New Jersey whom we've used for multiple sales and

purchases. But it's important to remember that their interests and yours aren't perfectly aligned. You want the highest price. The real estate agent doesn't get a fee unless there's a sale, even if the price isn't optimal for you.

In 1995, I was transferred to Dallas, and we put our modest little brick ranch in St. Clair Shores, Michigan, on the market. We got one offer, from a buyer who wanted a big discount from our selling price.

My company had a program in which it guaranteed me a lowball price for the house, and the buyer's offer was below that. The agent knew he would get no fee if we took the company offer instead. So, without our permission, he disclosed that price to the buyer, and that's exactly what they bid, not a dollar more. The

agent got his fee. I don't think it harmed us in this instance because the buyer already was playing hardball over price. Still, it was an eye-opener, and I wouldn't use that agent again.

Don't lose a sale over a few thousand dollars. In a tough market, buyers may demand a long list of repairs after the home inspection, even if the house is in great shape. It's disheartening, but they know you don't have a lot of leverage, and they want to squeeze you a bit more.

Turn the other cheek. Offer a discount in lieu of repairs. In a tough market, it's not worth letting a serious sale blow up over \$5,000 or \$10,000. It just isn't.

The highest offer isn't always the best. When

we prepared to move from Dallas to Maplewood, New Jersey, in 2008, we found a house we liked, negotiated a \$15,000 price reduction, and signed a contract. In New Jersey, however, a sale isn't a sale until it has gone through attorney review.

During review, a higher offer came in. The seller informed us that if we wanted to stay in the running, we needed to raise our offer. We thought about it and walked away.

The seller of the house was in for a nasty surprise. After signing a contract, the new buyer tried to negotiate a big discount, and the deal blew up.

The house went back on the market for another year as prices declined, and the seller ended up getting at least \$60,000 below what we had been prepared to pay.

Tenants

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working environment for our team members," the email said.

The company also said it would limit in-unit maintenance requests to emergency situations; close common areas; and disinfect trash chutes, door handles and elevator buttons several times per day.

"I felt like asking renters to disclose a medical diagnosis was definitely invasive and inappropriate," said the Cornelia Avenue tenant, who requested anonymity because she feared retaliation from her landlord. "I don't know how it would help them if someone said they were diagnosed."

While the renter said she wasn't concerned enough to ask her landlord why they would ask for tenants to disclose their health status, she said the request was "definitely an added thing to think about,

on top of everything else."

Renters should know that there's not much on the books to enforce such a request — particularly if the landlord has a federally backed mortgage that currently has an eviction moratorium in place, said Joan Fenstermaker, a landlord-tenant attorney.

"Of course, there's always a risk of a landlord doing illegal things and worrying about the repercussions later," Fenstermaker said.

Swartz pointed concerned renters in Chicago to the Rentervention web app, which LCBH developed with other housing advocates. The app asks a series of questions about rental issues — including a section for coronavirus-related queries — and can connect users with volunteer attorneys who can discuss the situation and provide free assistance.

At the same time, there can be some benefit to informing your landlord if you are sick with the virus, even if you aren't legally required to, said

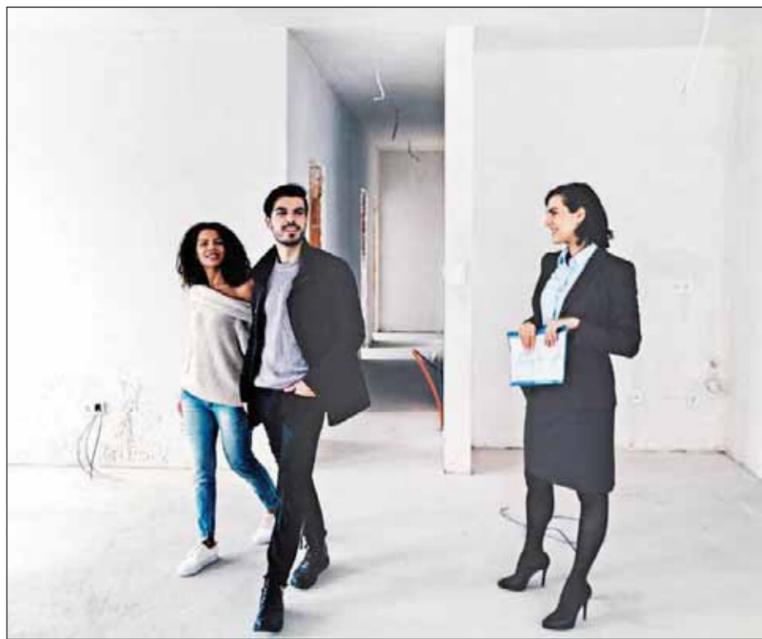
Amy Groff, senior vice president of industry operations for the National Apartment Association, which advocates for landlords and property owners.

"We strongly encourage residents to share a positive COVID-19 diagnosis to protect their neighbors and apartment staff," Groff said in an email. That should prompt property managers to undergo a deep cleaning of high-touch areas and alert residents to the situation — without disclosing the resident's identifying information.

But, Groff noted, even buildings without a positive diagnosis should follow Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines, which include regularly disinfecting common touch points and limiting access to community amenities and common areas.

In all scenarios, she said, "Communication is critical."

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Millennials compromise more to purchase a home

By LOUIS HANSEN
The Mercury News

Young buyers are willing to make more sacrifices to buy a home — such as drawing from retirement savings, delaying starting a family and living in lower-cost or faraway neighborhoods for the chance to build equity, according to a new study.

The survey by Clever Real Estate of 1,000 adults looking to buy a home in 2020 found greater desperation among young buyers than a previous survey, although few seemed ready to pay the high prices required to purchase in the Bay Area.

"They're a little more willing to put up with things like higher interest rates or a less desirable neighborhood," said Clever Real Estate researcher Francesca Ortegren. "They're less likely to have deal breakers than older buyers."

Higher prices, greater financial burdens such as

student debt and longer struggles to establish a career have pushed back home ownership for millennials. The Clever Real Estate survey suggested a growing pessimism among millennials, defined as being between 19 and 35.

Their belief that home ownership is part of the American dream dropped from 84% to 70% in the last year. About 45% said they were stressed and anxious about a home purchase — far higher than baby boomers (56 and older) and Generation Xers (36 to 55).

The median home price in the U.S. is \$310,000, but millennials are searching for more affordable starter homes around \$210,000, according to the survey. A large majority are unlikely to make the recommended down payment of 20%, and they are much more prone to receive family help with an initial payment.

Among the challenges faced by young

homebuyers in the survey:

- More than 1 in 4 planning to buy this year have less than \$1,000 in savings;
- About 1 in 4 owe more than \$10,000 in debt, through student loans or credit cards, yet still expect to spend more than \$200,000 on a home;
- Roughly 7 in 10 expect to have a down payment of less than 20%, the recommended amount. They also say saving up for a down payment is the biggest hurdle to owning a home.

Millennial homebuyers are also more willing to take another job or ask family members for help on the initial payment.

While millennials struggle, older generations have found it easier to navigate the homebuying experience, according to Clever.

It makes sense: While 80% of millennial buyers were planning their first purchase, most older home shoppers had been through the process at least once, if not more.

Elite

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sweet because I love this home and neighborhood. In fact, it's been really fun to watch it grow in the past several years."

Martinez and Gama's condo is in a contemporary building with an elevator. It features a split floor plan that includes two bathrooms, a white kitchen with a large island and quartz countertops, and one garage space.

The master bedroom features organized closets and double vanities. The condo had a nearly \$8,300 tax bill in the 2018 tax year.

Vincent Anzalone of Dream Town Realty is the listing agent.

'Iconic' River Forest mansion, built in 1926, sells for \$1.8 million: A six-bedroom, neo-hacien-

da-style mansion in River Forest sold April 2 for \$1.8 million.

Built in 1926, the 10,528-square-foot house sits on a 0.84-acre lot — very large for River Forest — and has been recently renovated. Features include nine bathrooms, a home theater, a gym, a game room and an in-law suite.

Outside, an attached garage has space for nine vehicles, while a pool, a hot tub, a pool bath and a stone patio beckon. The home has a tile roof and a wrought-iron fence encircling the property, as well.

"This is a beautiful, iconic home," said listing agent Jennifer Vande Lune of @properties. "The seller did a big addition in 2007 and, to me, it was one of the best additions, where everything matched perfectly — not only from the outside brick and roof line, but on the interior."

Vande Lune said the

addition included the nine-car garage, the great room, a wraparound terrace and a second basement.

"All of the natural work in the original home kind of flowed into the addition," Vande Lune said. "It was seamless."

The mansion had a \$67,232 tax bill in 2018.

The sellers first listed the house for \$3.1 million in June 2017, and cut their asking price to close to \$2.8 million in March 2019. They further reduced their asking price to almost \$2.65 million in July, and then to \$2.15 million in December.

Public records do not yet identify the buyer.

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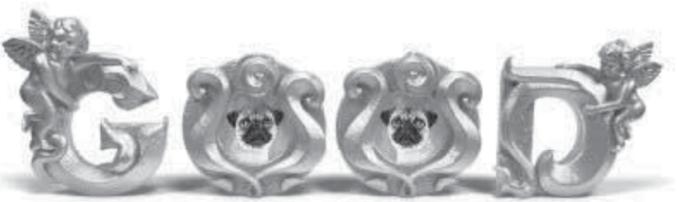
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CHEVROLET PHOTOS

The 2021 Suburban powertrains include a 355-horsepower 5.3-liter V8, 420-horsepower 6.2-liter V8 and 3.0-liter turbo-diesel, all with 10-speed transmissions and push-button shifting.

BY CASEY WILLIAMS
Tribune News Service

It's carried presidents, protected soldiers and starred in more than 1,200 movies. It's also towed RVs, hauled kids to college and carted babies home from the hospital.

Over the past 85 years, the Chevrolet Suburban has done it all, while becoming an inseparable part of American society.

"The name Suburban is so widely recognized that at various times over history it was used by a few vehicle manufacturers," said Leslie Kendall, curator at the Petersen Automotive Museum in Los Angeles. "But the Chevrolet Suburban was the forerunner of the modern SUV, has stood the test of time, becoming a fixture of Americana."

Let's return to 1935. America was still climbing out of the Great Depression. Ford V8s, Duesenberg SJs and Chrysler Airflows filled automotive fantasies. And yet it was the year Chevrolet launched the utilitarian Suburban.

That original Suburban seated passengers in three rows and was moved by an inline six-cylinder engine that produced just 60 horsepower. Its two-door body was placed on GM's half-ton truck chassis, but it was an Art Deco-era wagon that looked equally at home in a farmer's driveway or shuttling hotel guests.

"The Suburban Carryall, as it was known in 1935, was designed for versatility," said Christo Datini, manager of the GM Archives. "It combined the comfort and convenience of a passenger car with the practical hauling capability

In it for the long haul Chevy Suburban celebrates 85 years of versatility



The 1935 Suburban produced just 60 horsepower.

of a light commercial vehicle. It could seat eight or be reconfigured for maximum cargo capacity by removing its rear seats."

Through eleven generations, the Suburban has endured styling trends, powertrains and electronic systems unimagined when it debuted, but has stayed true to its original formula — evidenced by the second generation that debuted for 1941 with headlights fully integrated to the body. But few made it into civilian hands because of World War II.

Post-war, changes kept coming with a 1947 redesign that included the round chrome-grilled nose of GM's popular truck line while upgrading engine torque for towing. Transitioning away from the Art Deco 1930s was completed

in 1956 with a wrap-around windshield and body flush with the fenders. The model's first V8 and four-wheel drive arrived too. A complete redesign with straight bodylines, factory air-conditioning and rear heater greeted 1960.

By 1967, Suburban settled into a groove that tracks right to today's model. Adding a third door on the rear passenger side improved accessibility, making it popular with families and ambulance companies alike. But this was just the preamble for the "square body" 1973-1991 generation that innovated with four real doors and increased focus on interior comfort. This is essentially the Suburban we know today.

GM's full-size trucks were given the aero treat-



The 1972 Chevy Suburban

ment in 1988, but it took until 1992 for the Suburban to embrace flush glass, smooth bodies, anti-lock brakes and shift-on-the-fly four-wheel-drive. Updates in 2000 brought evolved styling, load-leveling rear suspension and electronic stability control. It was the first to share its body shell with the Cadillac Escalade, completing the arc from rugged utilitarian to full luxury limo.

Succeeding generations brought technology like electronic sway control, blind spot alert, forward collision warning, rear safety alert seat and 4G Wi-Fi. Hands-free liftgates, heated steering wheels and rear seat entertainment systems underline the most recent design that's fit for an executive with a more formal appearance via

elegant flanks accented by chrome window surrounds.

Whether hauling dad or his boss, the Suburban's distinction is unwavering.

"Over the years, the Suburban has become a trusted member of the family," said Mikhael Farah of Chevrolet Communications.

The Suburban (plus shorter Tahoe), have dominated their class for decades, but the recently redesigned Ford Expedition set high standards with glitzy styling, twin-turbo V6 engine and independent rear suspension that improves ride.

Ford's successful challenge to Chevrolet shows in the numbers from Automotive News. In 2018, Ford sold 54,661 Expeditions. That increased to 86,422 last year. In the same pe-

riod, combined Suburban/Tahoe sales dropped from 164,786 vehicles to 153,117.

Expect Chevrolet to answer soon.

"The 2021 Suburban took what customers loved and made it even better," Farah said. "The focus on more efficient use of cargo space, interior passenger comfort, interior refinement and overall driving dynamics was the main focus of the all-new Suburban. For the first time in its history, it has an independent rear suspension, that has allowed for a much more refined vehicle overall."

An air system allows 4 inches of ride-height adjustment for off-roading. Lavish interiors boast standard 10-inch touchscreens, widescreen head-up displays and 12.6-inch rear monitors. Adaptive cruise, automatic emergency braking, rear pedestrian alert and side blind zone alert bolster safety. Powertrains include a 355-horsepower 5.3-liter V8, 420-horsepower 6.2-liter V8 or 3.0-liter turbo-diesel — all mated to 10-speed transmissions with push-button shifting.

The 2021 Suburban is scheduled to begin sales this summer, but its successor will likely be electrified. GM promised to deliver 20 new EVs by 2023, including a resurrected Hummer with 1,000 horsepower and 0 to 60 in 3 seconds.

Whether gas, diesel or electric, rest assured whatever comes next will still be a Suburban.

"While the world has changed significantly, the Suburban is just as relevant today as it was in 1935," Farah said.

Mercedes lags others in Takata air bag repairs

BY TOM KRISHER
Associated Press

DETROIT — Of the automakers that are recalling dangerous Takata air bag inflators, Mercedes is the laggard when it comes to getting repairs done.

The German automaker ranks last of 16 companies tracked by the U.S. government, finishing repairs in 40.1% of its recalled vehicles. All other companies are above 57%, with Honda leading at 88.8% followed by Jaguar-Land Rover at

83.8%, according to an analysis of National Highway Traffic Safety Administration data by The Associated Press.

The Mercedes recalls being tracked by NHTSA began in 2016 and run through last year. In some 2017 and 2018 recalls, the company only recently began notifying owners that replacement parts are available, according to documents filed with the safety agency.

Takata inflators can explode with too much

force and hurl shrapnel into drivers and passengers. So far, at least 25 people have died worldwide after being hit by air bag shrapnel, and more than 300 have been injured.

Takata used volatile ammonium nitrate to create a small explosion to inflate the bags. But the chemical can deteriorate over time when exposed to high heat and humidity. That can make it burn too fast and blow apart a metal canister designed to contain the explosion.

The problems touched off the largest string of auto recalls in U.S. history: over 41 million vehicles recalled so far with 56 million faulty inflators. As of January, about 15.9 million defective inflators remained in use on U.S. roads.

Since 2015, NHTSA has been naming the Takata recalls, allocating limited parts to vehicles in areas near the Gulf of Mexico with high humidity. But during the past two years, parts have become more readily available. After



A Mercedes spokesman says the automaker is replacing the whole air bag module, not just the inflator as some manufacturers have.

DAVID ZALUBOWSKI/AP

Mercedes, the next-lowest completion rate is Mitsubishi at 57.8%.

In emails, Mercedes spokesman Robert Moran

said the automaker is replacing the whole air bag module, not just the inflator as some manufacturers have done.



Honda's all-new CR-V SUV comes standard with all-wheel drive, adaptive cruise control, automatic high beams and 212 horsepower with a 2.0-liter engine.

Honda CR-V green machine hybrid really grows on you

By HENRY PAYNE
The Detroit News

Honda hybrids used to be so nerdy. The Japanese automaker's first hybrid debuted 20 years ago. Costing \$28,932 in today's dollars (\$18,800 in 2000), the wee front-wheel drive, three-door hatchback looked like a college science project. Shaped like a doorstop, it was optimized for 647-mile range — assuming a semi-truck didn't run over it first as its 72 horses struggled to get up to interstate speeds. It came standard with a manual transmission. Its bicycle-thin rear tires were covered by fender slats to increase aerodynamics. It sold like granola in a candy shop.

How far hybrids have come. For the same price, Honda's all-new \$28,870 CR-V SUV comes standard with all-wheel drive, adaptive cruise control, automatic high beams, Apple CarPlay, Android Auto and 212 horsepower.

Unlike hybrids of the past, this greenie isn't just for the faithful. Like similar offerings from Ford (Escape) and Toyota (RAV4), this nerd is superior to its gas-powered peer in almost every way. Not only does it go farther on a gallon of gas than its gas-only brother, but it has more fun getting there.

2020 HONDA CR-V HYBRID

As tested:

\$37,070

Base price: \$28,870 (includes \$1,120 destination charge)

Powerplant: 2.0-liter 4-cylinder mated to AC motor with 1.4-kWh lithium-ion battery

Power: 212 total system horsepower, 232 pound-feet of torque

Transmission: Single-speed direct drive

Fuel economy: EPA 40 city/35 highway/38 combined

Honda had the audacity to set up a sand course for the hybrid that showed off its low-end torque.

With its direct-drive to the wheels (no transmission), the Honda provides instant torque without the groan of a continuously variable transmission that accompanies its Ford and RAV4 competitors. The Honda boasts 212 horsepower at the top end, though it's louder getting there because of its 2.0-liter engine versus Ford's bigger 2.5.

Honda has deep racing roots, and that DNA is felt even in the CR-V.

Open the door and you get Honda's typical interior

wonderfulness. In fact, pause and admire the CR-V's rear doors: They are thoughtfully hinged to open almost 90 degrees to the B-pillar for easier ingress and egress.

The center console is nearly as clever. It's roomy, thanks in part to the raised shifter island, with storage for cups and phone, and USB ports are forward-located so you can easily plug in your phone for turn-by-turn screen navigation.

Exclusive to the hybrid is Acura's nifty "trigger ignition" located high within easy reach.

Poke around under the cargo floor and you'll see the only sign of hybrid sacrifice. To accommodate its lithium-ion battery, the CR-V's standard spare tire has been replaced by a tire repair kit. Got a flat? The kit will fill the tire with air while also coating the interior with a puncture sealer. Hopefully that sealer will last as far as the nearest service station.

Other oddities include steering-wheel paddles so that you can play with regenerative braking. And at low speeds the hybrid will emit an eerie, alien spacecraft sound to alert other earthlings that a quiet electric car is headed their way, as required by federal law.

It's weird. But, hey, sometimes hybrids have to let out their inner nerd.

What to do about water in the spare tire well



BOB WEBER
Motormouth



DREAMSTIME

Q: I have a 2016 Chevy Impala with 22,500 miles. I had a flat tire last October and stopped on the side of the road to change it. I found at least 4 inches of water in the spare tire well. No indications of water on the carpet. I found out that GM had a program bulletin on the 2014 Impala for a rear taillamp gasket seal that causes this problem.

Unfortunately, GM will not correct this problem because there was no recall was issued for the 2016 model. Customer care at GM said I need a repair invoice and maybe they will reimburse partial payment.

— K.A., Chicago

A: Unlike a safety recall, customer satisfaction repairs are not required by law. If you are handy with a screwdriver, you can replace the gaskets yourself. For about \$20 you can get both gaskets (part numbers 23211647 and 23211648 for the carryover model). They have a peel and stick backing. If you prefer, any repair shop can probably do the job in under an hour.

Q: You have answered a few questions about tire pressure monitors. I had a problem and discovered our spare tire was out of air and hence triggered sensor light, not a faulty sensor.

— R.K., Chicago

A: Good point. Besides tripping the warning light, a low spare does you no good should you need it.

Q: I use ammonia and

water to clean house windows. It leaves no streaks. Anything wrong with using the same on car windows? Not only does ammonia clean quickly, but after the odor of the ammonia dissipates, all smells are gone. It's a miracle cleaner and air freshener and cuts grease better than any other cleaner. And it's cheaper.

— E.J., Chicago

A: Ammonia is a great cleaner, but I have one caution about using it on car windows: If they are aftermarket tinted, ammonia may harm the tint and, in some cases, damage the film.

Q: I am tired of losing money in broken outside (coin-operated) air compressors to fill my tires. Could you recommend a shop air compressor? I never had any luck with the ones that plug into the cigarette lighter.

— L.F., Chicago

A: I have a 15-year-old Craftsman air compressor that still works — sometimes. I suspect you want something similar that you can plug into a wall outlet, not an industrial shop compressor costing \$1,000. If so, there are many to choose from for less than \$100 at places such as

Lowe's and Home Depot and Harbor Freight Tools.

Q: When something in the undercarriage of my 2012 Mazda 5 with over 100,000 miles started rattling, I took the car in to the shop, thinking that it might be my exhaust system. My mechanic said it was a corroded heat shield and removed it. He told me that I did not need to replace it because "cars in the '70s didn't have them," and it wasn't worth spending the money to replace in an 8-year-old car because they "don't really do anything."

Although I was happy to not spend any money, I'm still wondering if this is good advice.

— J.U., Chicago

A: Cars in the 1970s didn't have a lot of things, so that isn't a valid argument. Heat shields were installed beneath the catalytic converters that appeared in the mid-70s. Prior to the adoption of shields, cars were catching fire when parked over dry leaves or tall grass. At only 100,000 miles, your Mazda is too young to be burned at the stake.

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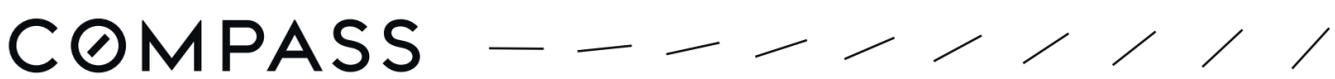
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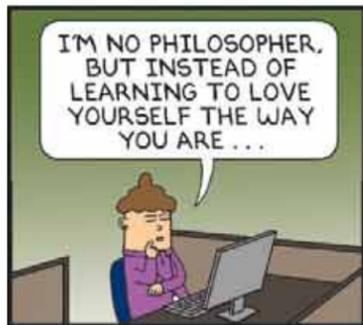
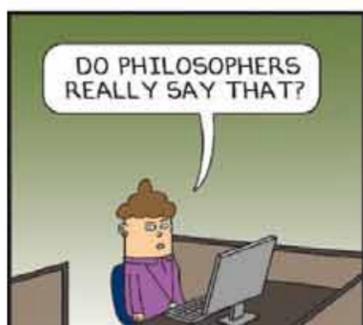
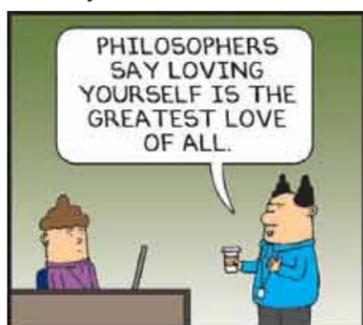
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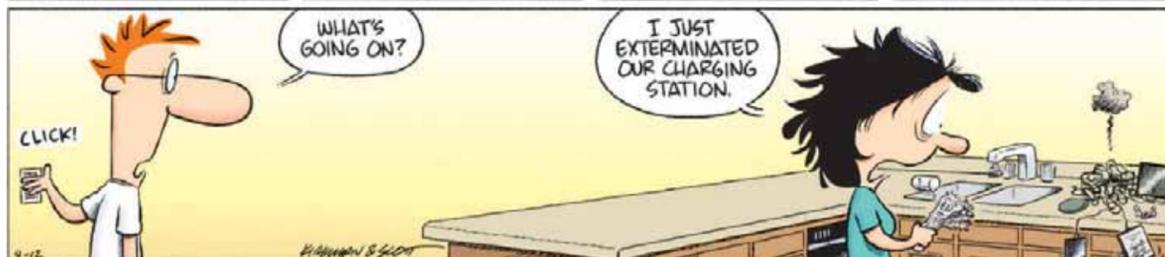
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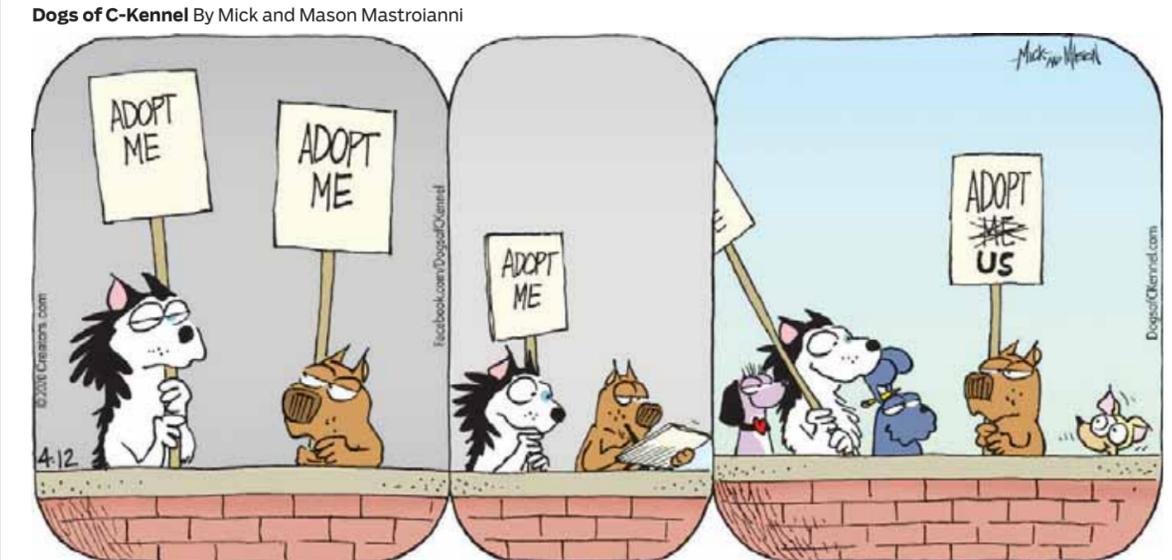
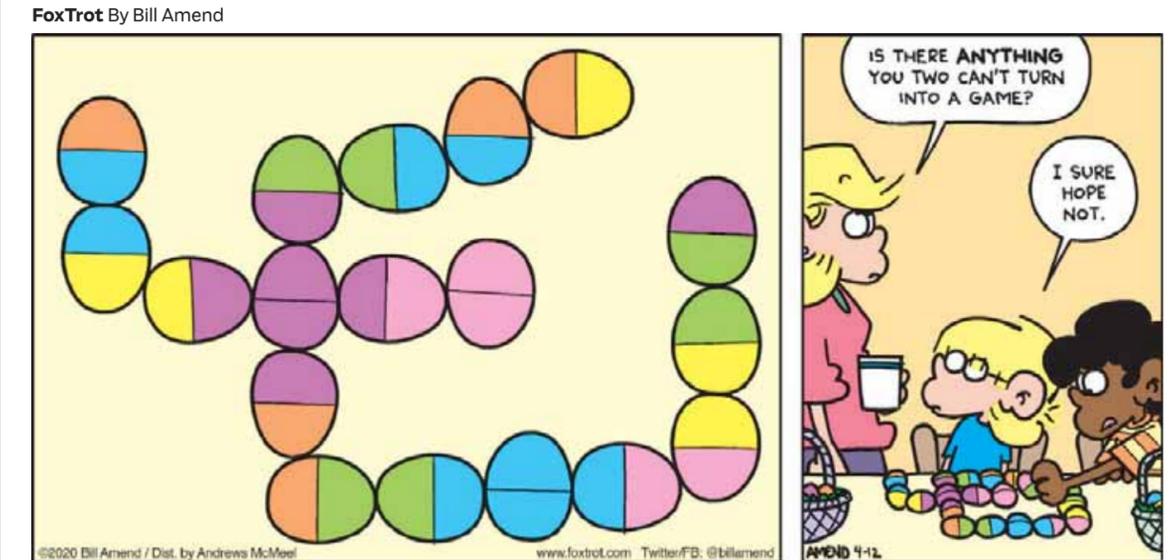
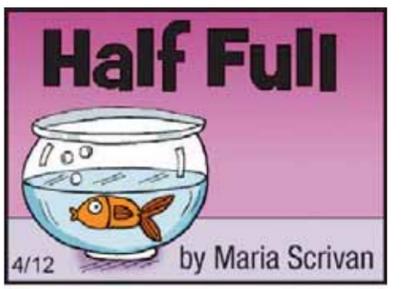
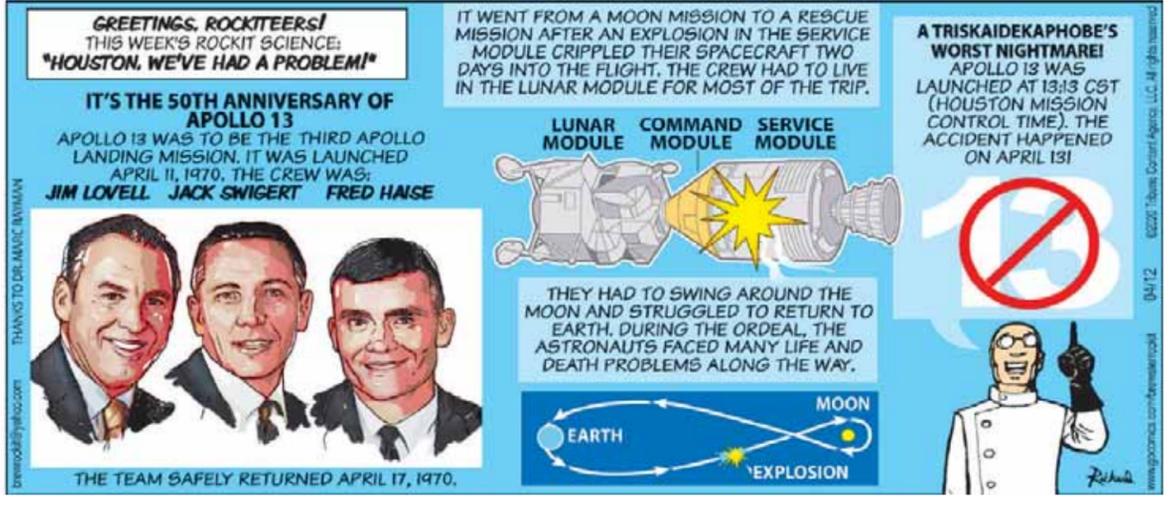
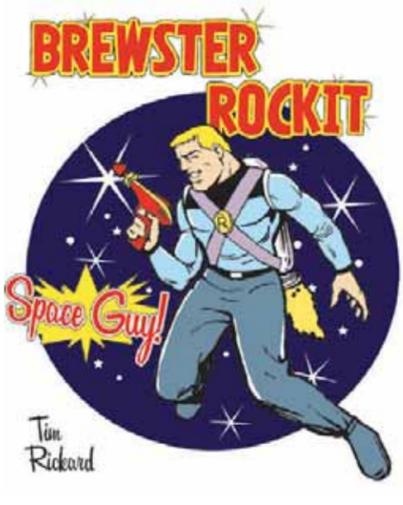
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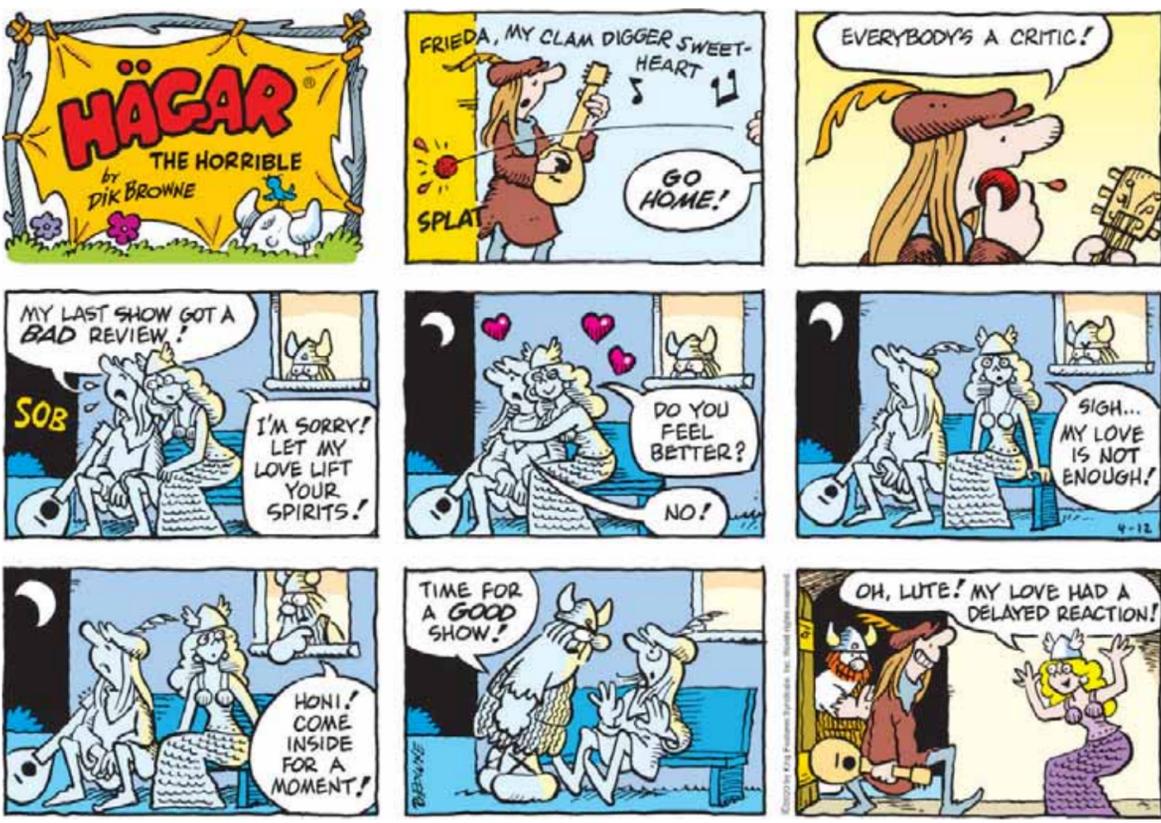
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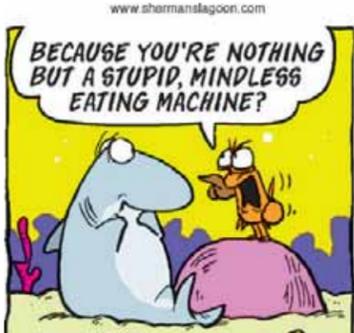
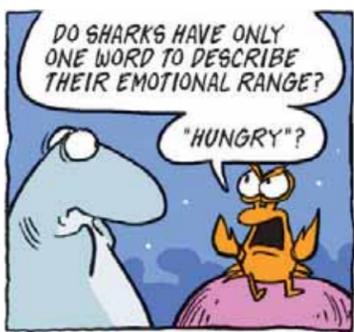
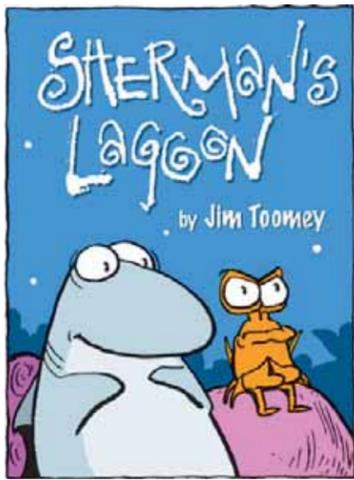


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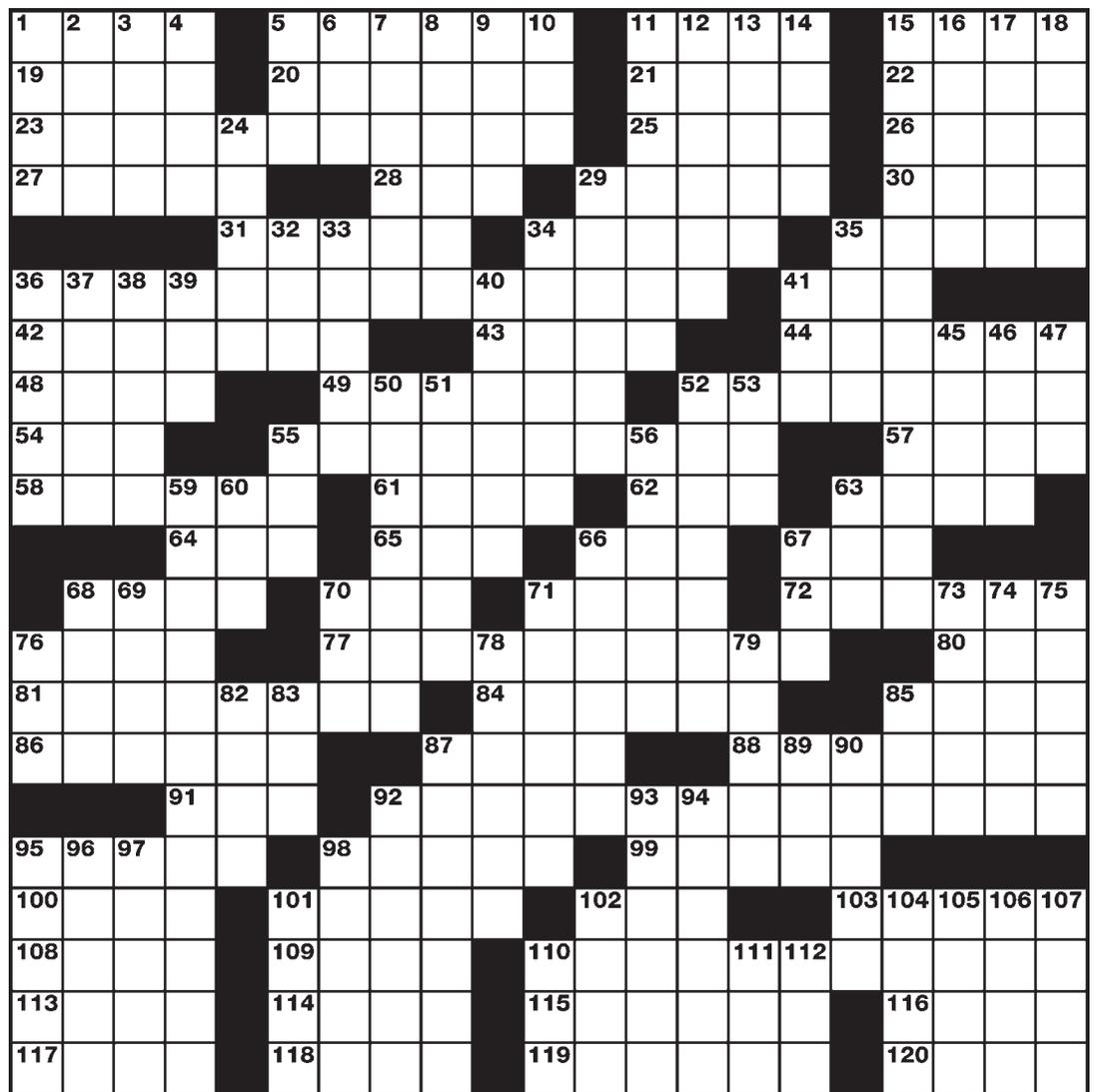
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Across

- 1 Hit with snowballs
5 Have hopes (to)
11 Tennis star Nadal's nickname
15 Filly's mom
19 Composer
20 Reminiscent of forests
21 City near Provo
22 Certain reunion returnee
23 Just pretend
25 Changeless
26 Easy victory
27 French farewell
28 Afternoon snooze
29 Show again
30 Mariner's speed measure
31 Bonnie with 10 Grammys
34 Operetta composer Franz —
35 Sort of suspicious
36 Insurance policy cap
41 Show on TV
42 Way back when
43 Live — (have fun)
44 Carrot consumer
48 Ho Chi — City
49 Most recent
52 Amp up
54 Will Smith boxer role
55 Seeds in the Jack-
vs.-Giant tale
57 "— Lang Syne"
58 Navigator's reference
61 Great joy
62 Curator's deg., often
63 Ultimate height
64 Shade of gray
65 — Holiness (Dalai Lama address)
- 66 Luau serving
67 Commotion
68 Kimono material
70 "Do tell!"
71 Steel— boots
72 Labour Day celebrator
76 Skill with people
77 Big Board opener and closer
80 Marie's sea
81 Bagel alternative
84 Venerable Chevy
85 Common 2x4 wood
86 High regard
87 Arizona native
88 Country or state
91 Industrial tub
92 Residential sleeping quarters
95 Filled to excess
98 Plummets
99 Cardiology concern
100 Org chart level
101 Happens upon
102 Dept. head
103 Harp ancestors
108 Tiniest bit
109 Something spinning in a slot machine
110 Surfing mecca near Santa Monica
113 Hype heavily
114 Fairy tale villain
115 Airline assets
116 Oversize hair
117 Judge's assessment
118 Chaotic situation
119 Burns a bit
120 Ear adornment
- 4 Walnut, for one
5 Feeling of wonder
6 Costa del —
7 Nonstop trip's end
8 Form a concept
9 Invitation exhortation
10 Examine closely
11 Familiar flower's fruit
12 Genesis landfall
13 Longest human bone
14 Benediction's end
15 GPS predecessor for pilot navigation
16 Without help
17 Unconfirmed account
18 Meaningless
24 Myanmar alias
29 Prove wrong
32 National Beach Day mo.
33 "— roll!" (bettor's cry)
34 Doesn't disturb
35 Undependable person
36 Some daycare arrangers
37 Quick and well-coordinated
38 City near Dayton
39 Ending like -oid
40 Certain reunion returnees
41 Free throw path
45 Author of the Oz books
46 "This scepter'd —" (England, in *Richard II*)
47 CNN founder
50 Brainiac
51 More crafty

Down

- 1 Cotton shirt fabric
2 Old-style "Yikes!"
3 Prankster of Norse myth



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- 52 Unbeliever
53 Government intel org.
55 Speedometer display
56 Simple swimmer
59 79 Down, for example
60 Make a query
63 Periodontists' org.
66 Crusty entrée
67 Knee tissue: Abbr.
68 Enunciates
- 69 Rapper on *Law & Order: SVU*
70 Daytime ABC show
71 Beguiles
73 Panamanian pal
74 Backpack fabric
75 Scopes
76 Uno less than quattro
78 Mall stands
79 Tavern serving
82 Got into a novel
- 83 Fire dept. employee
85 Reliable expert
87 Attends to
89 DC setting for MLB games
90 Colgate competitor
92 Ore corps
93 Loose overcoat
94 Humdrum
95 Far from relaxed
96 Garlicky sauce
97 Grand — National Park
- 98 Extended battle
101 Gift tag word
102 Niger neighbor
104 Thumbs-up votes
105 Large quantity
106 Shade of socks
107 Sporting sneakers, say
110 UK legislators
111 Contest with definition requests
112 Battleship designation

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1. Define clues, writing in Words column over numbered dashes.
2. Transfer letters to numbered squares in diagram.
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Clues Words

- A. Secret society member? 37 126 85 157 116
- B. Problematic 32 94 78 140 21 8 119 153 59
- C. Annoy 31 143 111 23 74 44
- D. Too showy 88 154 70 138 130 107 39 164 6 16
- E. Nine-to-five, e.g.: 2 wds. 87 20 102 64 47 160 40 124 10 141 151
- F. Lead a rural life 50 14 142 146 5 108 38 91 73
- G. Alive, but inactive 24 48 89 163 110 69 35
- H. Strike out: 3 wds. 144 115 33 105 45 63 93 17 77
- I. Now and again: 2 wds. 2 96 152 57 136 79 106
- J. On paper: 2 wds. 109 156 128 97 135 25 68 36

K. Contrived; invented: 2 wds. 120 134 122 76 52 62 11 162 99

L. Infernal 12 137 82 150 117 129 161

M. Ball carrier's mishap 66 49 30 159 56 98

N. Treat as an outsider 29 60 132 72 90 104 145 118 22

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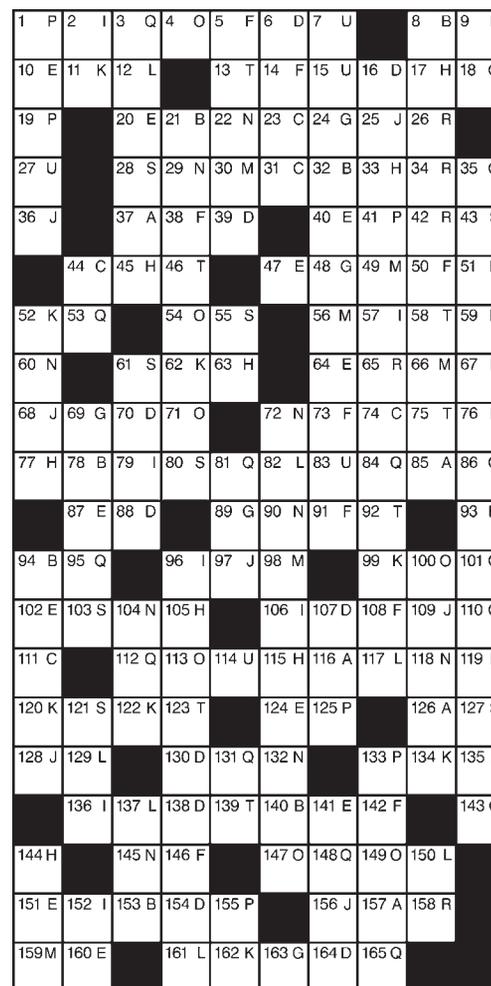
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U. Work crews 114 27 83 7 15



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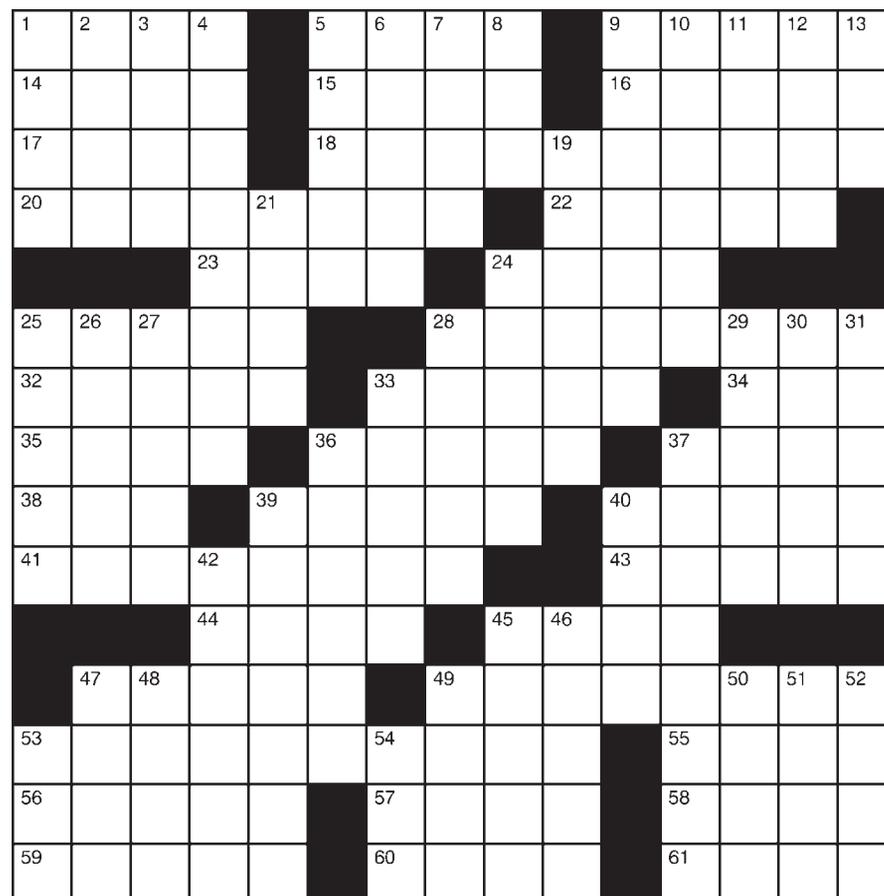
- 1 Ethereal instrument
5 Dawdles
9 Employer
14 Milky stone
15 Very light brown
16 Labor group
17 ___ Verde
18 Kind of play
20 Blotted out
22 Belonging to Cain's brother
23 ___ of *Wine and Roses*
24 Broken husks of cereal grain
25 Open assertion
28 Hero sandwiches
32 *The Outcast of Poker Flats* author
33 Insipid
34 Contend
35 Singer Ed ___
36 Informal language
37 Sheltered inlet
38 Sprinted
39 Listened to
40 Extra card in a deck
41 Move across

- 43 Consumers
44 Radiate
45 Camping gear
47 Actress Shearer
49 A convenience
53 Storied blonde
55 Region
56 Heavenly hunter
57 Korean leader
58 Small brook
59 Surrounded by
60 West German capital
61 Loud cry

Down

- 1 Residence
2 Highest point
3 Coarse file
4 Rounds of applause
5 Describes a colt
6 Land units
7 H.S. senior, next semester
8 Celestial body
9 Spouse
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The Goop scoop

Haters gonna hate, but Gwyneth Paltrow is unapologetic about her lifestyle brand

BY MATT DONNELLY
Variety

Between a high-profile press tour, a vortex of online negativity and a raging conversation around female genitalia, it is likely you are aware that Gwyneth Paltrow launched a docuseries on Netflix in late January.

“The Goop Lab,” announced exclusively by Variety last year, is a six-episode manifestation of Paltrow’s lifestyle brand Goop and its many content verticals, built around a central thesis that the Oscar winner described as “optimization of self.”

Response has played out across the normal spectrum on which Paltrow and Goop are received: adoration from like-minded seekers, interest from fashion and film fans, and invective from trolls and pockets of the medical community. During a recent conversation at Netflix headquarters in Los Angeles, Paltrow had an easy smile for all of it. She’s been here before.

“I will never understand the level of fascination and projection. But we don’t want to not change the conversation just to please everybody,” Paltrow said. “We do what we do in total integrity, and we love what we do. It doesn’t even matter, really, that some are trying to get attention for writing about us.”

Indeed, in the days following Variety’s initial report last February, headlines declared the partnership between Paltrow and the streaming giant “a win

for pseudoscience.” The almost-retired performer and CEO chalks it up to clickbait.

“That kind of media, a lot of it is dying. The business model is failing, and they’re turning to the tabloidization to get the clicks. So it works, when they write about me, apparently. Because they keep doing it,” she said. Paltrow added she would be open to the criticism “if it was something I could learn from.” But when it comes to Goop-friendly topics like energy healing?

“It might not be backed with double-blind studies, but it’s been happening for thousands of years,” she said.

A lot of Goop’s experimentation involves already-familiar practices, as illustrated on the series and explored in-depth on Goop.com. Jumping into a freezing ocean to prolong life and stave off anxiety? Experimenting with psychedelics to ease PTSD? Acupuncture for love? Goop is not responsible for introducing any of these notions into the consciousness. What’s new here, at least for Paltrow, is the way she approached the medium — as an unscripted television producer, not a movie star.

“It’s so bizarre, and so different. Normally someone hands me something and tells me what I’m playing. This was from our imaginations and what it inspires us, and what we hope to learn more about. It’s been a pretty cool experience,” Paltrow said. “The most difficult part was



ADAM ROSE/NETFLIX

“I will never understand the level of fascination and projection,” said Paltrow about those who are skeptical of Goop.

honing down what the six subjects were going to be. The trick was the process of distilling down our content and have all the topics be different enough.”

Outside of scripted features and television, Paltrow’s credits are limited. She has appeared in documentaries about makeup artist Kevyn Aucoin and designer Valentino Garavani, and more than a decade ago popped up on a PBS series about Spanish cooking.

“I’ve never done anything unscripted — like, how does this work? How does it feel good? How does

it not be ...” Paltrow asked, searching for the words.

Like “Jersey Shore,” we wondered?

“Right. What is this world? What is the construct?” she said. “The most difficult part was honing down what the six episode subjects were going to be. We wanted it to appeal to lots of different people. You can get really specific on a subject, and then it might not be as appealing.”

For the past five years, Paltrow has done a delicate dance with how much she will allow herself to be Goop’s preeminent spokes-

woman. She has repeatedly said that her ideal version of scale would be to grow Goop past the point of her own image. Currently valued at \$250 million with several rounds of venture capital investment, her high-wire act is working.

“For the show, I asked, ‘How can I be in it, but not too in it?’ It was important for me that Goop staffers be the stars of the show. We have such incredible people at the company. I thought there would be so much more impact to meet and love them, and watch them go through those things,” she said.

Go through it, they do. Goop employees explore their private parts and sexual hang-ups, insecurities around aging, parental traumas, and other topics that Goop Chief Content Officer Elise Loehnen jokingly said amounted to “an HR nightmare.”

Netflix has yet to announce a possible renewal of “The Goop Lab,” but streaming or not, Goop will be there asking the questions, Paltrow said.

“What I think is great is that we are a brand that people feel strongly about,” she concluded. “One way or the other.”

How to help others dress for success



ELLEN WARREN

Dear Answer Angel

Ellen: I have a closet filled with business attire I no longer wear and it's time to donate most of the items, but I'm not sure which are valuable enough to donate. Does a rip in a skirt pocket mean it should be trashed? If something was good enough for me to wear to work, is it good enough for someone else? What do I do with things I shouldn't donate?

— Nancy M.

Dear Nancy: If it is in good enough condition that you would have no problem wearing it to work or a job interview yourself (no stains, visible tears, etc.), donate it to Dress for Success (dressforsuccess.org for locations) or to a thrift store like Goodwill, St. Vincent de Paul, Salvation Army, etc. Some stores and organizations, including Goodwill and H&M, accept all textile donations including the unwearables and household fabrics. If in doubt, check first. The internet has many other donation site suggestions.

Dear Answer Angel

Ellen: I am wondering if you have any information on how to donate or dispose of old fur coats that are no longer wearable?

— Barb R.

Dear Barb: People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals accepts used furs by mail for animal bedding and other uses such as donations to homeless people. Send unwanted fur



DREAMSTIME

If your business attire is in good enough condition that you would have no problem wearing it to work or a job interview yourself, it's safe to donate.

to Fur Campaign, PETA, 501 Front St., Norfolk, VA 23510. Include your contact info and PETA will tell you how to get a tax deduction for your donation. Buffalo Exchange, the nationwide buy-sell-trade clothing stores, conducts an annual drop-off collection of used furs March 1 to April 22. The furs are used for bedding for orphaned and injured wildlife. Check coatsforcubs.org for details. Not accepted: fur shipments, fur scraps and faux fur. Only in-person drop-offs of genuine coats and stoles are OK. For those with no Buffalo Exchange nearby, the Coats for Cubs

site has a list of wildlife rehabbers also accepting furs. Also, you can sign up for the mailing list of Born Free USA for notices concerning its fur donation program (bornfreeusa.org).

Dear Answer Angel

Ellen: I read that Hermès, the store that sells expensive handbags, leather goods and scarves, has entered the beauty business. Is this true and is the makeup affordable?

— Claire S.

Dear Claire: Yes it's true. And it depends how you define "affordable." The fashion press has been

hyperventilating about the March launch of the first of Hermès' beauty line: Twenty-four shades of lipstick (10 matte, 14 satin) retailing at \$67 per. The lipstick tubes are brightly colored in two-color combos. And in a generous nod to the budget-minded (as if), they're refillable for \$42.

Angelic Readers

Loads of you had suggestions for reader Chris G., who asked for recommendations for removing peach-colored stains from clothing and linens caused by sunscreen chemicals reacting with iron in the

water they were washed in.

Karen H. says the sunscreen chemical causing the problem is avobenzone, so she advises checking the content of sunscreen before you buy. She rubs Ivory bar soap on stains before washing. Dorothy L. has good luck with Whink Rust Stain Remover (walmart.com, \$3.48) although she's never used it on delicates. Karen B. uses "Iron Out" powder (walmart.com, \$3.96). Andrea I. says for tough stains, use Shout Laundry Stain Remover (grocery stores, \$2.99) "and/or lemon juice and then three hours in the sun and I have found that dish detergent

solves most problems and I would consider soaking a garment in warm water and dish detergent."

Berit M. turns to full strength Dawn dishwashing liquid or Carbona Stain Devils #9 Rust & Perspiration (amazon.com, 7.51). Soak the stain in OxiClean overnight, says Kathleen K. Liz Z. uses Clorox 2 for Colors Stain Remover (previously called Clorox 2 Pre-Treat Stain Remover) directly on the stain, then soaks it in more of the Clorox 2 and water overnight before washing.

From Marianne W.: "My mother used an old standby favorite for any stain — Fels-Naptha soap. Now I use it too! It comes in a bar wrapped in paper and is in the grocery stores by the stain removers. Just wet the bar as well as the fabric and rub it on the stain, leaving a generous amount on the stain for at least a few minutes to overnight. Then launder as usual. It is a miracle stain remover and oftentimes even removes old stains. Nothing like the old tried and true that has lasted over the years."

Reader Rant

From Regan M.: I stopped by Kohl's to see if I could find an inexpensive pair of sweatpants to knock around in — found some in ladies department on sale for \$25. On a whim walked over to boys department and found exactly the same brand that fit me exactly the same on sale for \$10! Ridiculous!

Now it's your turn

Send your questions, rants, tips, favorite finds — on style, shopping, makeup, fashion and beauty — to answerangelellen@gmail.com.

THE GOODS



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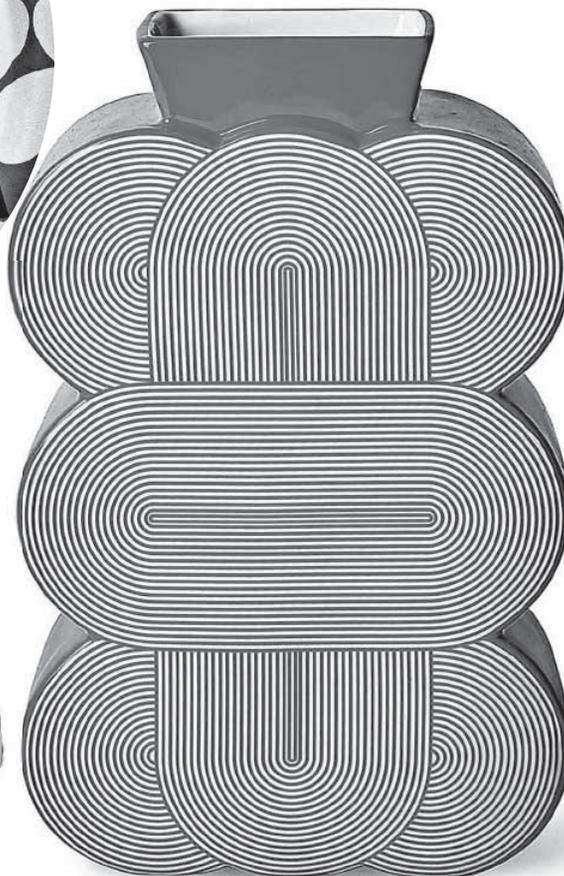
HIVE MODERN

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'60s and '70s prints in fashion and home design

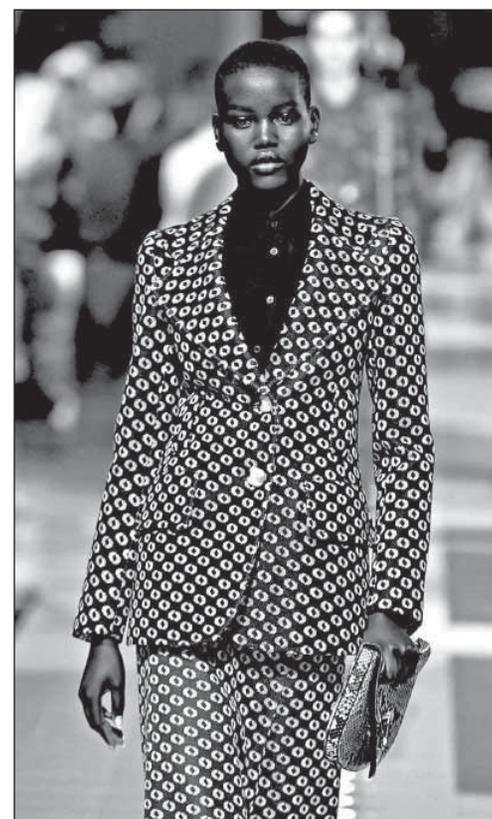
By DAVID SYREK | Chicago Tribune

If you need an early jolt of spring, fashion and interior designers are embracing bold, far-out florals and geometric prints that evoke vintage '60s and '70s-era wallpaper. Fendi's spring collection includes vibrant floral-print dresses and raincoats that are a sure way to shake off winter. For home, ceramicist Jonathan Adler has just launched a chic new collection of pop art Pompidou vases that will update any interior.



JONATHAN ADLER

Jonathan Adler's new collection of ceramics includes this high gloss '70s-inspired Pompidou vase. \$145, jonathanadler.com



GETTY

Prada's geometric jacquard jacket and skirt.



GETTY

Fendi's mod, floral-print velvet dress for spring.

5 of the best bridal trends for spring

BY KRISTIN LARSON
Chicago Tribune

Brides-to-be have more fashion choices than ever today in terms of what they'll wear to walk down the aisle. From sleek pantsuits and capes to short dresses and colorful frocks, the fashion options are, literally, endless. One thing's clear: The main message in terms of what's trending for spring bridal is to wear what gives you the most confidence and makes you feel the most gorgeous for the big day. "Wedding fashion is all about expressing your individuality now," says Shelley Brown, senior fashion and beauty editor at The Knot. "As couples seek to personalize their weddings, bridal fashion trends become more and more about reflecting a bride's personal style." Still, every bride wants to look current and fashionable, so here are five top and stylish trends for spring that dominated the spring bridal runways.

Wedding attire has moved beyond the perfect white dress. "Couples are being bold with their fashion choices, opting for looks that may stray from conventional wedding fashion, like incorporating pops of color," says Brown. According to The Knot's Real Weddings Study in 2019, 1 in 5 women walk down the aisle in a color other than white. Designers are also taking more inspiration from ready-to-wear fashion trends for bridal, Brown notes. "Think feather details, color, sexier silhouettes and separates."

Volume

A voluminous silhouette is a chic and modern way to make a statement on the big day and we're not just talking ballgown. Think bold, billowy looks, voluminous sleeves and dresses with volume. "Brides are usually wearing very form-fitted looks, I always welcome grandeur, volume, statement silhouettes that will allow you to own the room and



DAVID'S BRIDAL

White by Vera Wang corset sheath wedding dress embellished with floral appliques and beading.

stand apart from your guests who may also be in very elevated looks," says designer Azeeza Khan, whose celebrity clients include Beyoncé, Katy Perry and Barbra Streisand. Volume may be new to the bridal world, but for Khan, it's part of the DNA for her brand, Azeeza. "(The look is) effortless, but still a statement, which is a great combination."

Floral prints and accents

Flowers play a key role at weddings, so it makes sense that floral prints and floral embroideries showed up for spring in a variety of bridal collections, offering unexpected color to traditional white. "A floral print gown is a romantic way to achieve a more fashion-forward look that doesn't

feel quite as edgy or risky as other alternative wedding gowns," says Brown. "And, floral gowns work well in outdoor settings like gardens, vineyards or farms."

Light and airy

Brides who want something truly romantic and dreamy will love the sheer gowns this season. The options range from floor-length, delicate embroidered gowns to sheer styles. Brides may opt to layer a slip underneath so they're not entirely see-through.

"A lot of the dresses are sheer, just layers of sheer fabric. It's the idea of very light delicate sheer fabric and soft styling," says Julie Mersine, a bridal boutique owner.

"There's something sexy and romantic about these really delicate sheer gowns."

Tiers and ruffles

For the bride who wants to steal the show with an over-the-top look, consider today's rendition of the ruffled wedding dress. "While streamlined silhouettes were hot a few seasons ago, bridal maximalism is back — just in a more modern way than the dated maximalism of the '80s," says Brown. Details such as layers upon layers of ruffles and ruffled, puffy sleeves lend to the dramatic styles trending now, the fashion editor notes.

Sparkle and shine

When it comes to bridal fashion, the more sparkle and shine, the better. Brides love bling and this season is no exception, from sparkly embellishments to shiny beading. "But expect more glitz than ever this year. From lustrous silky fabrics, subtle touches of sparkle to allover metallic beaded and sequin dresses, it's the perfect look for your wedding day," says Kelsey Hahn, senior buyer, traditional bridal collections and outerwear at David's Bridal.

Kristin Larson is a freelance writer.



MIRA COUTURE

A light and airy embroidered dress by Eisen Stein.



DREAMSTIME

Complete your wardrobe with the perfect blazer

BY ARAMIDE ESUBI
Tribune Content Agency

A great blazer is a wardrobe staple. It's versatile, can be dressed up or down depending on the occasion, and if properly cared for, will last a long time. With that said, there are some hacks to help you find the right jacket for your body type, so I wanted to share a few tips for getting the perfect blazer.

Evaluate your body type. Before you buy the perfect blazer, you must evaluate your body type and determine what you want the blazer to highlight. Do you want to accentuate your narrow waist? Do you want to add more of an hourglass shape to your figure? If you're narrower on top and wider on your bottom half, do you want to add extra volume at your shoulders to give more proportion to your figure? These are all questions that will help you determine what style of blazer will flatter your body the most.

Focus on fit. First and foremost, make sure the shoulders fit correctly. The seam should hit right at

the outer edge of your shoulder with no overhang. Other elements of a blazer can be tailored to fit your body, but shoulders are hard to adjust without affecting the piece's shape.

Look out for length. If you're vertically challenged like me, opt for mid- to short-length blazers. These shorter styles paired with high-waisted pants make legs look longer and create the illusion of being taller. Tall people have a lot more freedom in terms of length, however, a short blazer might make your body seem a bit disproportionate. Most people will look great in a mid-length style that stops at the middle point of your thigh.

Try on different styles to see what makes you feel your best.

Here are some general guidelines and blazer types that might help you:

■ **Single-structured button blazer:** This structured style helps give an hourglass shape to a boxier figure and will simultaneously cinch at the waist to highlight a narrow waistline. Any time you opt for a jacket that is structured and comes in at the waist, it will

accentuate that body part.

■ **Blazer with structured shoulders:** This option is great if you have narrow shoulders and wider hips, as it will help your body appear more proportionate.

■ **Collarless blazer:** This style elongates the neckline and torso, so it's a great option to try if you have a shorter torso. This option may also work well if you have broader shoulders.

■ **Open-front blazer:** Blazers without front closures are great for women who are on the busty side. It allows for more flexibility so you can ensure that the rest of the blazer fits without having to button it over your chest.

■ **Boyfriend/slouchy blazer:** This style works really well if you have a long and lean body type, as it will add volume to your torso.

Get it tailored. When you go to shop for and purchase the perfect blazer, one of the most important things to keep in mind is that you may have to get the blazer tailored so that it fits you just right. The smallest details can make a huge difference in terms of appearance and fit.

Using points, miles to book wedding travel

BY SAM KEMMIS

NerdWallet

You have no excuses now that the holidays have ended: It's time to book travel for the wedding(s) you agreed to attend in 2020.

Whether you're going to an exotic destination wedding or just flying back to Cincinnati for your awkward cousin's nuptials, wedding travel can get expensive in a hurry. A weekend trip can easily cost over \$1,000 in airfare and lodging — or much more if you're traveling with family.

These costs get so exorbitant because many weddings are:

- In the summer.
- On weekends.
- Near smaller airports.

Any one of these factors drives up the cost of flights and hotels, but all three combined can create a perfect storm of expenses. Short of asking the betrothed to move their ceremony to a less pricey time and location, there are a few options to offset these wedding travel costs.

To pay or not to pay. The sticker shock of weekend summer airfare can be so great, it's natural to wonder if credit card points and airline miles can rescue you. The short answer is an unsatisfactory: "It depends."

Always compare. Many airlines (including American, Delta and United) offer "dynamic pricing" for their award flights, which is a fancy way of saying they can change how many miles a given flight costs however and whenever they want. That means it's extra important to compare the cost of a cash ticket with the equivalent cost of an award ticket you're buying with miles.

To do this, either use a calculator like this one, or do the calculation yourself:

- Get the cost of the flight or hotel room in cash. For example, let's say a round-trip flight costs \$450.
- Find the equivalent cost using points or miles. For example, let's say an equivalent round-trip award ticket costs 40,000 Delta miles plus \$50 in taxes and fees.
- Subtract the fees from the cash



DAVID ZALUBOWSKI/AP

Whether visiting an exotic destination wedding or just flying back home for a relative's nuptials, wedding travel can get expensive in a hurry.

ticket. In this case, \$450 minus \$50 equals \$400.

■ Find the value of the points or miles (e.g., 1.1 cents each for Delta miles). Multiply this by the number of miles needed, then divide by 100. In our example, 40,000 Delta miles times 1.1 divided by 100 equals \$440.

If the number from Step 4 is lower than the number from Step 3, then using points and miles is a good way to save money. If it's much higher than the number from Step 3, you might want to save the points or miles for a better redemption.

Get creative. If you decide to use points and miles to book your wedding travel, then things start

getting fun (if your definition of "fun" is as limited as mine).

One of the biggest benefits of booking award flights is the flexibility and options they afford. For example, some airlines like Alaska and United (sorta) offer free "stopovers" on award flights. Technically, this means you can extend your layover, but it's also an opportunity to get creative and nerdy. For example, let's say you're flying from LAX to a wedding in Seattle. We found a ticket for 7,500 Alaska miles plus \$5.60 one-way.

That's actually a pretty good deal for summer travel. But you can make it even better. Using Alaska's "multi-city search tool," you can add an extra leg to Port-

land (or elsewhere in the Pacific Northwest) for free.

In reality, this is a flight from Los Angeles to Portland with a "stop" (for the wedding) in Seattle, but it effectively acts as two separate tickets for the price of one.

Of course, your own travel needs will vary, but consider extending or fiddling with your itinerary to get more bang from your buck. Rather than treating wedding travel as an expensive use of cash, miles and vacation days, you can treat it like the start of your real summer trip.

Say "I don't" to baggage fees.

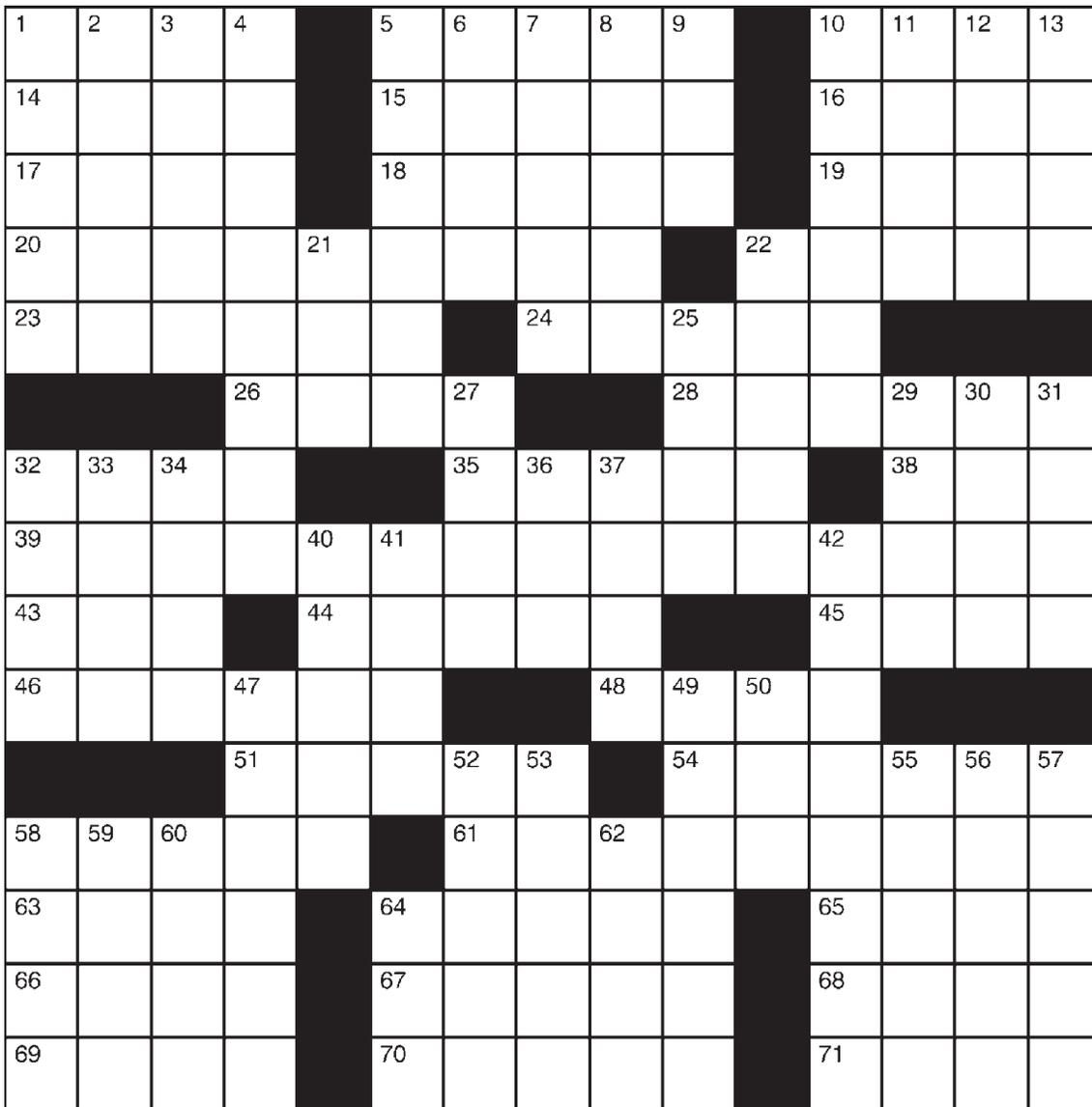
What's the worst part of attending weddings? Not the half-drunk speech from the maid of honor —

those are kind of fun. It's the checked-bag fees you weren't expecting to pay until you realized your dress shoes wouldn't fit in a carry-on.

The simplest way to avoid bag fees is to use a branded airline credit card. Many of these offer free checked bags to the cardholder, and some even extend this benefit to other shoe-laden passengers on the same itinerary.

Another sneaky way to avoid the hassle and cost of packing formalwear? Don't. Rent a suit or dress from a service like The Black Tux or Rent the Runway and have it delivered to your hotel. Believe me, there's no better feeling than flying to a wedding with nothing but a backpack.

By the Numbers



ACROSS

- 1. Falling out
- 5. Pedro's pop
- 10. Brook
- 14. Toledo's lake
- 15. Out of town
- 16. Home of Zeno
- 17. Fleshy fruit
- 18. Unsafe ___ Speed: Nader
- 19. WWII battle site
- 20. Blackjack
- 22. Going like ___
- 23. ___ that up to you
- 24. Hampstead odist
- 26. Outfit
- 28. Soup du jour, maybe
- 32. Oh, woe ___!
- 35. Tarawa, for one
- 38. Indian bean
- 39. Peter Horton's age?
- 43. Sniggler's prey
- 44. Mounted
- 45. ___ dixit
- 46. Zany
- 48. Take ___ it comes
- 51. Beluga's bailiwick
- 54. Bellows or Harper
- 58. One of the yard lines
- 61. Part of the old homestead
- 63. Doing
- 64. Championship stake
- 65. Realize
- 66. Japanese general
- 67. Way or well

- 68. Engrossed with
- 69. Hibernia
- 70. Iodine sources
- 71. These follow bees

DOWN

- 1. Ninth mo. opener
- 2. ___ car
- 3. Anouk, from Paris
- 4. Most of us, once
- 5. Higher Power play
- 6. Auburn or Oakland
- 7. Nipped
- 8. Rajput princess
- 9. Doc Savage portrayer
- 10. Lax
- 11. Holly
- 12. Black Beret victim
- 13. Indolent
- 21. Tellico Dam's agcy.
- 22. Marsh bird
- 25. Up to
- 27. Tuba's part
- 29. Wag's gag
- 30. Porch planters
- 31. Ragged ___
- 32. Entry
- 33. Queens' place
- 34. Temperate
- 36. Little piggy
- 37. Potent beginning
- 40. Dick or Spencer
- 41. Cry of dismay
- 42. Bruce Catton word
- 47. Mather or candy
- 49. Buyers
- 50. Dog speak
- 52. Had ___: ate
- 53. Birth
- 55. Cara, of Roots
- 56. Condition
- 57. Goofs on a proof
- 58. Kismet
- 59. Believe ___ Not
- 60. Suva's country
- 62. Fleece
- 64. Finger-wagger's sound

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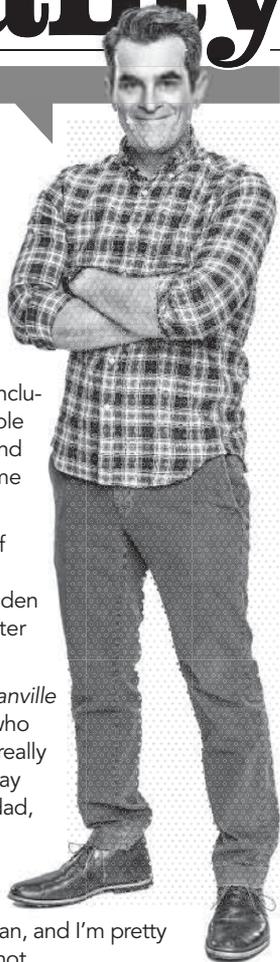
It will be the end of an era for the two-time Emmy-winning actor when *Modern Family* airs its finale (April 8 on ABC) and Burrell, 52, wraps up his role as Phil Dunphy. The groundbreaking comedy that follows the lives of the large and blended Pritchett-Dunphy-Tucker clan ran for 11 seasons.

What are you most proud of about the show? There's an inclusive quality. It brings people together. When we started, people actually watched it on Wednesday nights with their family—and that, hopefully, contributed to stronger families. That makes me really proud.

What was most fun about playing Phil? I really liked all of the physical things that I've gotten to do. I learned to ride a motorcycle. I've walked a tightrope, been on the trapeze, ridden a jet pack. I've just had one amazing physical experience after another. I was very lucky that that's part of who Phil is.

Tell us about the animated sitcom you're in on Fox. *Duncanville* is about this spectacularly average 15-year-old kid, Duncan, who is willing to do anything to achieve his dreams, except try. He really believes that he should be famous, but without the effort. I play Jack, his dad, who is trying everything he can to be a better dad, and Amy Poehler plays the mom.

Now that *Modern Family* is over, how will you spend any extra downtime? I anticipate spending the first part of my downtime with my kids. Then a lot of fishing. I'm a fly fisherman, and I'm pretty obsessed with it. And after, we'll see if I'm going stir-crazy or not.



IS BURRELL THE SAME KIND OF PARENT AS PHIL? GO TO PARADE.COM/BURRELL TO FIND OUT.



QUEEN LATIFAH GETS SOULFUL

The Clark Sisters: The First Ladies of Gospel (April 11 on Lifetime) tells the true story of Detroit's Mattie Moss Clark (Aunjanue Ellis, 51), who did whatever it took to help her five daughters—Twinkie, Karen, Dorinda, Denise and Jacky—become the top-selling female gospel group in history. "I remember being a young kid and my mother playing the Clark Sisters' 'You Brought the Sunshine,'" says Latifah, 50, one of the producers of the film. "Their harmonies always bring me to an emotional place."

KIMMEL WANTS TO BE A MILLIONAIRE

To celebrate *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire's* 20th anniversary, late-night personality **Jimmy Kimmel** will host a special celebrity edition of the iconic game show beginning April 8 on ABC. The celebs will be playing for charity, and to help maximize their winnings, they'll be able to invite guests to join them in the hot seat to help them answer questions. "Regis [Philbin] came to me in a dream, asked me to do this and promised my own line of neckties. I had little choice but to say yes," jokes Kimmel, 52. A new interactive feature will allow viewers to play along from home.



YES, YOU CAN WATCH TV ON YOUR PHONE!

Quibi—short for "quick bites"—is the first short-form streaming-video platform for your smartphone. The new service (launching April 6 commercial-free for \$7.99 a month or \$4.99 with ads) features original programs with episodes lasting 10 minutes or less. Here's a preview.

FLIPPED (April 6) A couple of self-proclaimed home renovation "experts" (Will Forte and Kaitlin Olson) have their plans of becoming TV's next celebrity home-design duo derailed when they're kidnapped by a drug cartel (Eva Longoria, Andy Garcia and Arturo Castro) and forced to renovate their sprawling homes.



THANKS A MILLION (April 6) Jennifer Lopez is a producer of this inspiring series that has public figures—including Kristen Bell, Nick Jonas and Kevin Hart—kick-start a chain of kindness by gifting \$100,000 to an unsuspecting individual who must pay it forward.



50 STATES OF FRIGHT (April 13) Rachel Brosnahan (*The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel*) and others each star in episodes of this horror anthology exploring stories based on urban legends from across the U.S.

THE FUGITIVE (May) After a bomb rips through a Los Angeles subway station, Mike Ferro (Boyd Holbrook) becomes a suspect.

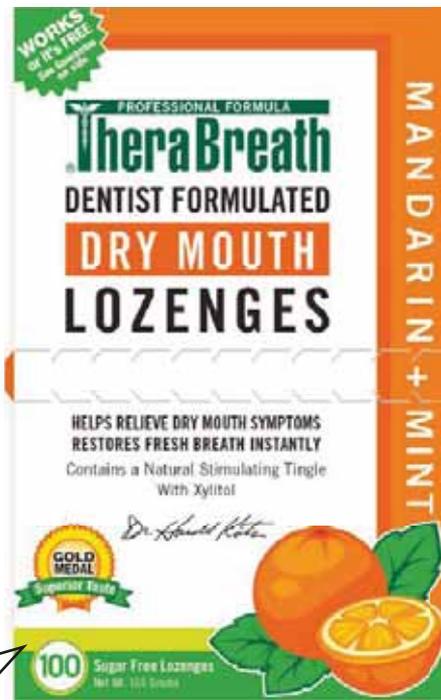
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YOUR STAY-AT-HOME SURVIVAL GUIDE

Whatever is keeping you at home, we've got what it takes to make social distancing more enjoyable.

—Megan O'Neill Melle

Improve your air quality at home (recommends Mehmet Oz, M.D.) with a humidifier like the Crane Ultrasonic Cool Mist Humidifier. It has more than 10,000 positive Amazon reviews and comes in eight colors. (Caveat: Clean any humidifier often!) \$40, amazon.com



Stimulate your brain with the Geode Puzzle. \$65, uncommongoods.com



Wrap up in fuzzy warmth with the Loren Soft Throw Blanket. Colors include cheery Mango. \$60, crateandbarrel.com

PUT THESE SHOWS ON YOUR WATCH LIST



FOR HISTORY BUFFS: *World on Fire* follows civilians in five countries during World War II (England, France, Germany, Poland and the United States). The seven-part *Masterpiece* drama stars Helen Hunt, Sean Bean, Lesley Manville, Blake Harrison, Zofia Wichlacz and Jonah Hauer-King. April 5 at 9 p.m. ET on PBS



FOR LAUGHS: *Brews Brothers:* A pair of estranged brothers (Mike Castle and Alan Aisenberg) team up to run a brewery in a new comedy from real-life brothers Jeff (*The League*) and Greg (*That '70s Show*) Schaffer. April 10 on Netflix



FOR DESIGN LOVERS: In nine episodes, *Home* profiles some of the world's most innovative houses. April 17 on Apple TV+

Go to Parade.com/netflix for 15 inspiring, uplifting movies you can binge while social distancing.

Books We Love

Staycation Reads

You'll find greed, guilt and white-collar crime in ***The Glass Hotel*** (Knopf) by Emily St. John Mandel, a mystery-meets-ghost-story that follows the unraveling of a wealthy financier's Ponzi scheme. **\$27**



It's "*Steel Magnolias* meets *Dracula*" in ***The Southern Book Club's Guide to Slaying Vampires*** (April 7, Quirk), a supernatural '90s-set thriller by Grady Hendrix in which wine-drinking Charleston housewives must deal with darkness to bravely protect their community from a handsome, mysterious stranger. **\$23**



A study of music, imagination and the power of a mother's love, Jennifer Rosner's ***The Yellow Bird Sings*** (Flatiron) finds Róza and her child-prodigy daughter hiding in Nazi-occupied Poland. **\$26**



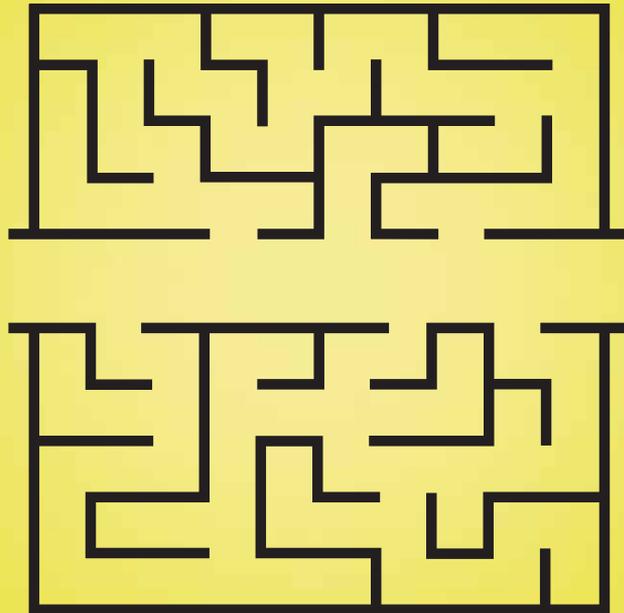
Russian-born Boris Morros was a Cold War-era Hollywood big-timer at the heart of American politics and culture, but it was all a front. Jonathan Gill's ***Hollywood Double Agent*** (April 7, Abrams) explores Morros' extraordinary life as a KGB spy and eventual counterspy. **\$27**



Check out ***Stories of the Saints*** (Workman) by Carey Wallace for illustrated tales of grace and courage. It's designed for kids 8 and up, but who doesn't want to read the origin stories for 60 saints, including Francis, Teresa and Thomas Becket. **\$25**



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Stay Healthy

Eat for Your Eyes

A vitamin-rich diet can help preserve your peepers. *By Sheryl Kraft*

Did you roll your eyes when your mother insisted you “eat your carrots for good eyesight”? Turns out, she was right. Carrots are rich in beta carotene, which the body converts to vitamin A, an essential nutrient for overall eye health. In fact, there’s new proof to support the “your eyes are what you eat” argument: A landmark study by the National Eye Institute revealed a link between nutrition and age-related macular degeneration (AMD). What nutrients should you add to your daily diet? Add these foods to your shopping list.

Vitamin C

C is an antioxidant that helps protect the body from free radicals (molecules that can damage and kill cells) and aids in the growth and repair of new tissue cells, says registered dietitian and nutritionist Bonnie Taub-Dix, author of *Read It Before You Eat It: Taking You From Label to Table*. Free radicals are found in fried foods, tobacco smoke and the sun’s rays. Vitamin C’s antioxidant actions might prevent or delay conditions like AMD, cataracts and glaucoma.

EAT THIS Focus on citrus fruits (like oranges, grapefruits, lemons and tangerines). Other foods rich in C are peaches, red bell peppers, tomatoes and strawberries.



Vitamin E

E can help keep cells healthy and protect them from oxidative damage, says ophthalmologist Rebecca J. Taylor, M.D. Some studies suggest that vitamin E can help slow the progression of AMD and cataracts.

Since your body doesn’t produce enough vitamin E, adding it to your plate is smart.



EAT THIS Find vitamin E in foods like avocados, nuts, seeds and vegetable oils.

Vitamin A

This vitamin helps your retina absorb light and convert it into the images you see. It also contributes to keeping your eyes moist. “Lack of vita-

min A can cause very severe dry eyes, as well as retinal changes that make seeing at night difficult,” says Cleveland Clinic ophthalmologist and retinal specialist Aleksandra Rachitskaya, M.D. Foods rich in A may also help reduce glaucoma risk, according to the Glaucoma Research Foundation.



EAT THIS In addition to carrots, vitamin A can be found in butternut squash, cantaloupe, beef liver, milk and eggs.

Zinc

Considered a “helper molecule,” zinc transports vitamin A from the liver to the retina to help it manufacture the protective pigment melanin. Zinc helps promote retinal health and may protect the eyes from the damaging effects of light. If you have early-stage AMD or are at high risk for developing it, zinc supplements may help slow its progression. But experts at Cleveland Clinic say it’s best to take a supplement with a mix of nutrients rather than just zinc alone.

EAT THIS Find zinc in red meat, poultry, eggs, raw oysters, wheat germ, mixed nuts, black-eyed peas, beans and



tofu. Zinc is also in some fortified cereals.

Lutein and Zeaxanthin

These antioxidants filter damaging wavelengths of blue light. They help protect and support healthy cells in the eye and may reduce the risk of chronic eye diseases like AMD and cataracts.



EAT THIS Look for green, leafy vegetables like kale, romaine lettuce, collards, turnip greens and spinach. Broccoli, peas and eggs are also rich in lutein and zeaxanthin.

Omega-3 Fatty Acids

Diets rich in omega-3 fatty acids from cold-water fish may help reduce the risk of developing AMD later in life, research suggests. And since omega-3s help tear function, consuming other foods rich in these healthy oils may help ease dry eye too.

EAT THIS Find omega-3s in cold-water fish like tuna, salmon, mackerel, herring and sardines and in nuts, seeds and

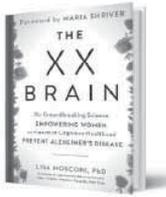


plant oils (flaxseed, soybean and canola). Some eggs, yogurt, juices, milk and soy beverages come fortified with omega-3s.

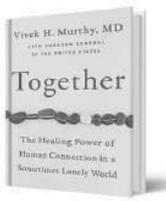
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In ***Together: The Healing Power of Human Connection in a Sometimes Lonely World*** (April 28, Harper Wave), former U.S. Surgeon General Vivek H. Murthy tackles an often-overlooked crisis in America: loneliness. He explores its unintended consequences and suggests how to create more connected lives. \$30



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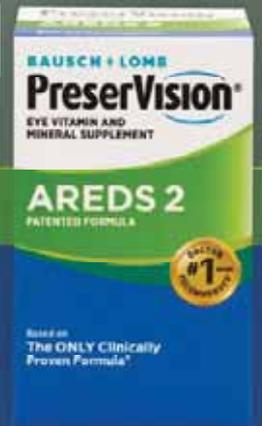
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What PEOPLE EARN 2020

Welcome back to our most popular *Parade* issue of the year: our annual look at salaries and job trends. This year we showcase the highest-paying opportunities out there for folks without a four-year degree and shine a light on how climate change is creating new jobs. Plus, we peek into the paychecks of everybody from shock jock Howard Stern and the stars of *Outlander* to regular people like you and me.

By **Kathleen McCleary**

Salary research and reporting by Kaylen Ralph and Dillon Dodson



HOWARD STERN, 66
Manhattan, N.Y.
Radio host
\$93 million (est.)

HOT SPOT: INFRASTRUCTURE

America has a demand for workers who can build, repair, maintain and oversee our nation's many construction projects.



MOLLIE CURRID, 23
Las Vegas
Project engineer
\$63,000

"I oversee every scope of work, such as electrical, plumbing, site utilities, drywall, concrete, etc. People are very surprised to hear that I have a degree in construction. I love being that 'outlier' and being a face for many young girls who are at that point in their life where they are trying to decide what career field is right for them."

Visit [Parade.com/salaries](https://www.parade.com/salaries) to read about more real-people and celebrity jobs.



JEFF NAPSHIN, 50
Los Angeles
Hollywood tour guide
\$45,000

"I love the excitement of the tour group when we see a real star. Recently, we were pulling up outside of actor Al Pacino's Beverly Hills home when the gate suddenly opened and out drove Mr. Pacino. Moments like these make the job so much fun."



ALLYN BAILEY, 26
Oxford, Miss.
Nurse practitioner
\$110,000



ANNAMARIE RUSSOW, 34
Wheaton, Ill.
NICU lead clinical research coordinator
\$69,000

"I work in the department of neonatology at a children's hospital. We study outcomes of babies who were in the NICU. This job lets me work on fascinating research studies with other health care professionals, but I'm in the wings keeping everything organized, something I'm incredibly good at."



VICKI SAMPSON, 63
Nitro, W.Va.
Gas chart integrator
\$21,910



KRIS LARSON, 54
Los Angeles
Battalion chief,
firefighter
\$244,000

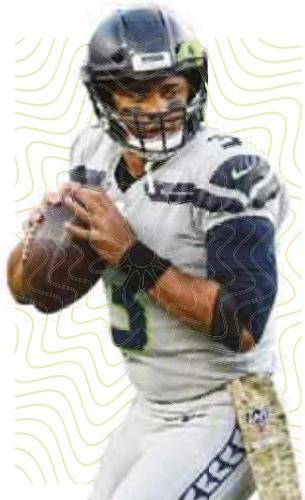
"My job is to help people and assist the community in times of need. I am in charge of the recruitment of new firefighters, the Fire Cadet Program, Youth F.I.R.E. programs, high school magnet programs and Girls Camp. I like being a role model for young girls who might want to pursue nontraditional jobs."

HOT SPOT: INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Opportunities are booming for physicians and health care personnel who study infectious diseases, which were the third leading cause of death (170,000 each year—a figure that has nearly doubled since the early 1980s) in the U.S.—and that was before the coronavirus.



ROBERT REDFIELD, M.D., 68
Atlanta
Virologist/director, Centers for
Disease Control & Prevention (CDC)
\$209,700



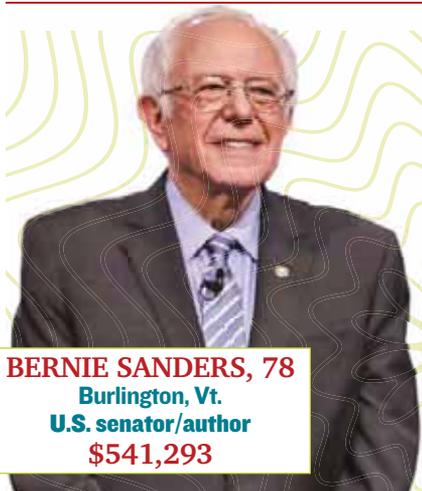
RUSSELL WILSON, 31
Seattle
Seattle Seahawks quarterback
\$89.5 million (est.)*

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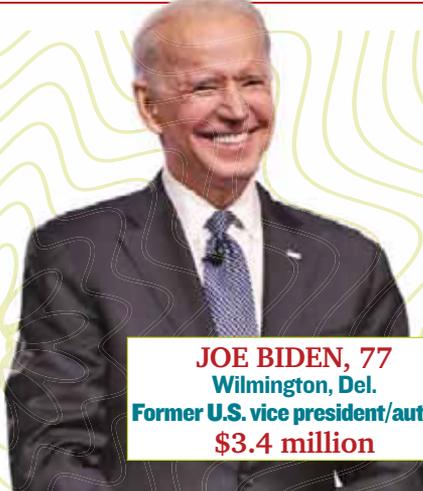


JAMES JOE, 42
Bronx, N.Y.
Fire and life safety director
\$105,000

"My duties include making sure the building I work in is up to fire code, and as a life director I must execute procedures necessary to address any natural disasters, terrorist attacks and active shooter situations in a safe and timely manner. It is a tough job that takes intelligence and courage to do, but I enjoy it."



BERNIE SANDERS, 78
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criminal investigator



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assistant



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EMILY SHEN, 30
Los Angeles
Senior creative producer
\$95,000

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SURYA PATEL, 27
Manhattan, N.Y.
Graphic designer
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"I work as an editorial designer on publications for various clients."



SEAN McCONNAUGHY, 26
Temple Terrace, Fla.
High school social studies teacher
\$38,000

"I teach economics and financial literacy to seniors at a Title 1 high school. I teach the same students every day, and yet there is barely a day where I feel bored or unchallenged. It's one of the joys of working with teenagers: They keep you on your toes."

HOT SPOT: ENVIRONMENT

Jobs related to protecting the environment and public health are expected to grow 8 percent.



CHRISTA RODGERS, 47
Charlotte, N.C.
Forester
\$92,000

"I manage 8,000 acres of urban forest-land for drinking water and biodiversity protection. It feels good to know that the forest management I do (timber management, prescribed fire, invasive-species control) makes a long-term difference to forest health and sustainability. Healthy forests mean healthy people!"



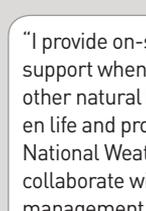
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Phoenix
CEO, water treatment company
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FERNANDO RENZO SALAS, 33
Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Hydrologist
\$108,316

"I work for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Association, where I build computer models that predict when and where it will flood. We are evolving the nation's water prediction capabilities to inform the public about dangerous water hazards."



MARY WISTER, 49
Pendleton, Ore.
Incident meteorologist
\$83,840

"I provide on-site weather support when wildfires or other natural hazards threaten life and property. At the National Weather Service, we collaborate with emergency management, school districts, departments of transportation and law enforcement on a unified public message to increase public awareness and response to weather hazards."



LUCY RUSHANOVA, 35
San Francisco
Higher education account executive
\$75,000

"I sell custom digital learning solutions in the higher education (edtech) space with the goal of enhancing learning experiences for students."



KEVIN GEORGES, 64
Albuquerque, N.M.
Principal architect
\$140,000

"I help people solve their problems with an aesthetically pleasing solution."



LOREAL TORRES, 32
Brooklyn, N.Y.
Chief people officer
\$120,000

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EAGLES
Rock band
\$100 million (est.)



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JAIME IBANEZ, 19

Fort Worth, Texas

YouTuber/
vending machine owner

\$144,000

\$144,000

"I have 30 vending machines in public businesses, which I restock weekly. The goal is to have 100 by the end of the year. My favorite part is always having snacks in my house! I also film [YouTube videos] of myself collecting money from the machines and restocking them. I make about \$10,000 a month from that."



BRITTANY SWEENEY-LAWSON, 32

Phoenix

Resource facilitation manager,
certified brain injury specialist
(CBIS)

\$55,000



SHELISA DEMUTH, 31

St. Paul, Minn.

Director of administration

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JAMES BAUER, 28,
Aurora, Colo.
Emergency medicine physician
assistant
\$105,000



JENNIFER ANISTON, 51
Los Angeles
Actress
\$28 million (est.)



ROBIN O'CONNOR, 57
Kewanee, Ill.
School social worker
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JUSTIN RICHARDSON, 31
Hadley, Mass.
Soil scientist
\$92,635

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NEITH LITTLE, 32
Baltimore
Urban agronomist
\$56,520

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CINDY SHUSTER, 50
Lutherville, Md.
Certified parent coach
\$12,000

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SOFIA VERGARA, 47
Los Angeles
Actress
\$44.1 million (est.)



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ONE-SKILLET

Chicken Dinner

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CHICKEN FLORENTINE

In a large skillet over medium-high, heat 2 Tbsp olive oil. Sprinkle 4 (6-oz) skinless, boneless chicken halves with 2 tsp kosher salt and 1 tsp freshly ground black pepper. Dredge in ½ cup all-purpose flour, shaking off excess. Working in batches, if needed, place chicken in pan. Cook 7–8 minutes per side, turning once, or until golden brown and an instant-read thermometer inserted into thickest part registers 165°F. Transfer to a plate; keep warm.

Reduce heat to medium; add 2 Tbsp butter to melt. Add ½ cup minced shallots (about 2 large) and 3 cloves garlic, minced; cook 1–2 minutes, stirring often, or just until softened. Add 1 cup dry white wine, scraping up any browned bits on the bottom of the pan. Simmer 5–7 minutes or until liquid is reduced by half. Add 1 cup heavy cream. Cook 5 minutes, stirring often, or until mixture is thick enough to coat the back of a spoon. Remove pan from heat. Add 4 cups baby spinach (about 3 oz) and ¾ tsp kosher salt. Stir until spinach is wilted. Cut chicken diagonally across grain into 1-inch strips. Return to skillet. Sprinkle with 1 Tbsp chopped parsley and serve with ½ lemon, cut into 4 wedges. Serves 4.

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