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## N. Korea summit carries risk, reward

But Kim already can claim major win over Trump

By BARBARA DEMICK  
Los Angeles Times

No matter what else comes of it, North Korean leader Kim Jong Un has scored a huge win with President Donald Trump's agreement to sit down for a face-to-face meeting.

For decades, North Korean officials have angled to meet with a

high-level U.S. representative using all measures of persuasion, whining, wheedling and threatening — and even hostage taking.

To secure a meeting with a sitting U.S. president — no less — amounts to success beyond their wildest dreams.

From a propaganda standpoint, getting into the same room with Trump would elevate the 34-year-old Kim, a pariah and terrorist in the eyes of much of the world, to the status of a world leader.

"This has been North Korea's long-standing objective to get the president of the United States to

come," said Sue Mi Terry, a former CIA analyst now with the Center for Strategic and International Studies. "They just got lucky with Trump. They have been monitoring him very closely. They saw him as a window of opportunity with a personality that likes to grab attention."

Proud and isolated, jealous of its capitalist cousin, South Korea, North Korea has long yearned to be treated as a great power.

Its nuclear program has been motivated not only by a desire to protect their system of government but by their hunger for

respect on the world stage, analysts say.

Trump's agreement, announced Thursday, to sit down with Kim is being compared by some observers to President Richard Nixon's meeting with China's Mao Zedong in 1972, which is flattering to North Korea.

"The North Koreans have always been waiting for the United States to treat them like China. The U.S. decision to improve relations with China showed China's centrality," said Scott Snyder of the Council on Foreign Relations. "They want to matter strate-

gically."

The Korean War ended in 1953 with an armistice, not a treaty, and the U.S. has never had formal diplomatic relations with the Communist country.

No sitting U.S. president has met with a North Korean leader. But it was an ex-president, Jimmy Carter, who negotiated a 1994 pact known as the Agreed Framework to provide energy assistance for North Korea in return for gradual denuclearization.

In October 2000, then-Secretary of State

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An aerial view shows the construction at Wrigley Field. The dugouts are being widened and relocated down the foul lines. The home opener is April 9 against the Pirates.

## Cubs ready to stretch out at home

Players eager to check out renovations at Wrigley, especially dugout upgrades

By MARK GONZALES | Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — With less than one month before the home opener, Cubs outfielder Ian Happ is curious about Wrigley Field's renovations.

"I've seen the photos with everything ripped out, so we'll see what it's like when we get back," Happ said.

Three upgrades that likely will be highly pleasing to the Cubs players are the widening and relocation of the dugouts, the addition of two batting cages and the installation of a trainer's room adjacent to their third base dugout.

For 6-foot-5 left-hander Mike Montgomery, the extra space will be pleasing.

"It was cramped in there," Montgomery said of the narrow

dugouts that often created congestion. "They moved the dugouts down the line, so I'm reserved on how that will be. I like being close (to home plate), but the move was much needed. There are a lot of big guys trying to move through there and not hit their head on the walkway while trying to get in and out. You got used to it."

The extra space also allows reserves such as Tommy La Stella to move quicker to the expanded cages to prepare for pinch-hitting duty.

"There are many times when guys are coming off the field

and need to prepare for their at-bat quickly," La Stella said. "And to not have to bump into guys will make things easier."

Despite the plethora of equipment currently on the field and the removal of seats behind the third base dugout, the Cubs say their project remains on schedule.

Much of the excavation on the first and third base sides is designed for the Makers Mark Barrel Room and the W Club, scheduled to open in 2019. Construction on the Catalina Club in the upper level behind home plate also is targeted for

2019.

The American Airlines 1914 Club remains on schedule for the April 9 home opener against the Pirates.

Offseason work also includes expansion of concession areas, although those won't be completed until 2019, said Julian Green, the Cubs' vice president of communications.

This latest construction phase, which includes structural improvements and seat replacements, started Oct. 20, one day after the Dodgers elimi-

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## Prosecutors to seek life term for suspect in fatal shooting of cop

4-time felon indicted on 56 counts in killing of police commander

By MEGAN CREPEAU  
Chicago Tribune

A four-time felon accused of killing Chicago police Cmdr. Paul Bauer has been formally indicted on more than 50 counts of murder, gun and other felony charges, court records show.

The indictment said Cook County prosecutors intend to seek a life sentence for Shomari Legghette if convicted, since Bauer was a police officer killed while performing his official duties.

A grand jury returned 56



Legghette

counts in all against Legghette, including 24 counts of first-degree murder, six counts of armed violence, two drug counts and various weapons violations.

Bauer, 53, a veteran police commander, was shot outside the Thompson Center last month after he heard a police call about a chase, spotted Legghette run past and pursued him on foot, authorities have said.

Legghette, 44, wearing a bright orange jumpsuit, appeared briefly in court Friday

afternoon as prosecutors announced he had been formally indicted. He will return to the Leighton Criminal Court Building on Monday to be arraigned on the 56 counts and learn which judge will preside over his case.

The indictment lists all the charges but little more in the way of detail or narrative.

County prosecutors often seek to indict defendants on multiple counts at first, then drop all but the strongest charges as the case nears trial.

On Feb. 13, officers patrolling Lower Wacker Drive because of a recent shooting and drug sales in the area approached Legghette, but he bolted when an officer

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Martin Shkreli, the pharmaceutical industry bad boy who came under criticism for raising the price of a life saving medication 5,000 percent, was sentenced Friday to seven years in prison for securities fraud that included lying to investors in two failed hedge funds and cheating them out of millions. **Business, Page 7**



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# Cubs eager to see Wrigley upgrades

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nated the Cubs in the National League Championship Series.

Among the other upgrades scheduled for completion by the home opener are two elevators behind the home plate area and faster cell service. The expanding of netting 20 feet farther down the first- and third-base lines also is projected for completion before the opener.

Eight new concession stands are to open by July, but hungry fans can go across the street to sample Smoke Daddy barbecue and Big Star tacos at the Hotel Zachary, which the Cubs announced Thursday is scheduled to open March 26.

A newer version of the McDonald's restaurant that

was razed to make room for the hotel will open near the same spot.

The updates are fueling optimism that the Cubs might have a chance to host their first All-Star Game since 1990.

"It won't be until they finish the locker room for the visitors," Lawry Price said at a Wrigleyville community meeting Thursday night. "That will be the big

steppingstone."

In 2017, the Park at Wrigley, a 50,000-square-foot outdoor plaza marked by a large TV screen, concession areas and shops with merchandise and a tavern, opened amid some concerns, said Heather Way Kitzes, the Cubs' manager of government and community relations.

"Last year, we promised that this would not be a beer

garden, and I think we can all agree that it is anything but," Way Kitzes said. "It's not a disaster waiting to happen as some believed. In fact, it has become our neighborhood town square."

Players who have appreciated previous state-of-the-art amenities don't seem worried about the current state of Wrigley with opening day looming.

"The construction company will be in trouble if they (don't finish) on time," Happ said.

La Stella added: "They haven't missed one (deadline) yet. So I have no reason to expect otherwise."

Chicago Tribune's Tony Briscoe contributed.

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# CHICAGOLAND

## Officials: Deputy failed to aid victim

Driver accused of abuse let go, Lake sheriff's office says

News-Sun

A Lake County sheriff's deputy was charged with official misconduct this week, sheriff's officials say, after he failed to assist a victim of domestic abuse and arrest a man accused of striking her during an incident in Beach Park last fall.

According to a sheriff's office statement released Friday, an arrest warrant was issued Thursday for Deputy Leonard Patterson for four felony counts of official misconduct following an investigation by sheriff's detectives.

Sheriff's officials report that Patterson, a Port Barrington resident, surrendered himself to the custody of the Lake County Jail on Friday morning and was released after posting 10 percent of bail set at \$10,000.

The statement added that the incident that led to the charges took place Nov. 5, when Patterson was on duty and dispatched to meet Waukegan police officers who were on the scene of a domestic altercation that originated in the sheriff's jurisdiction.

"Waukegan officers determined a male and a female were traveling in a vehicle, in the area of Green Bay Road and York House Road, Beach Park," the statement said. "The male who was driving the vehicle struck the female in the face. The male eventually pulled the vehicle into a parking lot in the 2900 block of Belvidere Road, Waukegan."

According to the statement, the woman "exited the vehicle and asked a good Samaritan to call for help," and after Waukegan officers arrived and began investigating, they requested that sheriff's deputies respond due to the jurisdiction issue.

"Patterson arrived at the scene and failed to conduct any sort of investigation or make any effort to speak with any of the involved parties," the statement added. "He failed to provide any assistance to the victim, while encouraging her to get back in the car with the offender, and leave the scene."

"Upon learning of Patterson's failure to act, Sheriff (Mark) Curran ordered an immediate internal investigation which was conducted by the Lake County Sheriff's Office, Office of Professional Standards. Patterson was placed on administrative leave and relieved of his police powers."

The subsequent investigation concluded that Patterson "recklessly failed to perform duties required by law," including not arresting the abusing party; failing to offer the victim of abuse adequate information; failing to provide the victim any referral to an accessible service agency; and failing to make a written police report, according to the statement.

Sheriff's officials report that the criminal investigation was reviewed by the Lake County state's attorney's office, and criminal charges were approved. According to the statement, a Lake County judge approved an arrest warrant with bail set at \$50,000, and that amount was lowered to \$10,000 during an appearance in bond court on Friday.

The statement said Patterson was hired as a police officer in December 2008, and disciplinary proceedings regarding his employment status are ongoing. He is due to appear in court April 5.

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## Ex-prosecutor averts misconduct suit

Former LaSalle state's attorney still facing charges

BY JOHN KEILMAN  
Chicago Tribune

Former LaSalle County State's Attorney Brian Towne has fended off a lawsuit accusing him of abusing his power by establishing his own drug enforcement unit, but a criminal case charging him with official misconduct is still active.

Towne created the State's Attorney Felony Enforcement unit — or SAFE — in 2011, giving police powers to civilians under a statute that allowed him to appoint "special investiga-

tors."

The investigators stopped the cars of suspected drug traffickers on Interstate 80, seizing vehicles, cash and other assets that amounted to hundreds of thousands of dollars.

An Illinois appellate court ruled in 2015 that the unit exceeded the limits of Towne's authority, and the program was later disbanded.

But last year, a Connecticut woman named Alyssa Larson sued Towne and other LaSalle County officials, claiming she was pulled over and her car was searched simply because it had out-of-state license plates — an allegation she said one of the investigators confirmed.

The traffic stop occurred in 2012, though, and Larson said she didn't realize it was unlawful until conferring with an attorney five years later. Towne said that fell outside the state's two-year statute of limitations, and this week U.S. District Court Judge Amy St. Eve agreed, dismissing the case.

Larson's attorney, who had been seeking class-action status, declined to comment.

Even with the lawsuit's dismissal, Towne still faces criminal charges related to SAFE.

The office of Karen Donnelly, who defeated Towne in the 2016 election for LaSalle County state's attorney, last year charged him with paying personal

expenses with money generated through asset forfeitures, among other alleged acts of official misconduct.

That case, which is being led by a special prosecutor, will resume with a status hearing next month.

Towne also faces a new federal lawsuit, filed in January by two out-of-state men who claim they, too, were unlawfully targeted by SAFE investigators.

Matthew Flynn and Steven Pirro said they were stopped on Interstate 80 in separate incidents and were jailed for months on drug possession charges after investigators found marijuana in the cars in which they were traveling. The charges ultimately were dropped in each case.

Flynn and Pirro said their traffic stops and detention were illegal, and are seeking unspecified damages.

As the legal actions continue, Towne is still working for the office of the Illinois appellate prosecutor, though he has no courtroom duties, director Patrick Delfino said.

Towne had been appointed to prosecute former Lake County Coroner Thomas Rudd, charged with perjury over his 2016 primary election petitions, but was pulled off the case after the LaSalle County indictment.

Rudd's trial is scheduled to begin in May.

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During an educational seminar on Friday in Hoffman Estates, Prospect High School junior Peyton McGovern speaks about her struggles with anxiety.

## Demand grows for mental health services

Psychologists see uptick in referrals from area schools

BY KAREN ANN CULLOTTA  
Pioneer Press

Standing before hundreds who gathered Friday for a mental health forum, Prospect High School junior Peyton McGovern shared her struggles that she said came with being sexually abused as a child, followed by the anxiety that frequently kept her out of school.

But after a brief hospitalization and years of therapy, Peyton, 16, of Arlington Heights, said she now attends classes regularly in Mount Prospect and participates in the speech team. Despite her history of anxiety, she said, she is planning to join her classmates next week during the school walkouts being planned across the country to protest gun violence following the school shooting in Parkland, Fla.

"I do worry a little, but I feel safe at Prospect, and I can tell security has been stepped up, with all of the recent threats at other high schools," Peyton said.

Peyton was one of two suburban teens who shared their stories about dealing with mental health issues in front of hundreds of area high school counselors and social workers during an educational seminar on Friday called "Mental Health Issues in the School Setting," which was hosted by Amita Health Alexian Brothers Behavioral Health Hospital in Hoffman Estates.

Many of the profession-



Social workers, psychologists and other professionals attend Friday's seminar on mental health issues in schools.

als who attended, coming from towns like Arlington Heights, Barrington, Lake Zurich, Libertyville and Mundelein, increasingly find themselves on the forefront of adolescent mental health issues, which in recent weeks has meant dealing with a spate of violent threats posted by students on social media in the wake of the Florida shooting.

"The demand for mental health services at schools has increased dramatically," said Steve Hunter, Amita's director of professional education, pointing to an increase in medical referrals from area schools.

The behavioral health hospital's psychologists re-

ceive referrals for eight to 10 students a day in need of mental health services from officials at schools across Chicago and the suburbs, Hunter said.

In addition to mental health issues, including anxiety, depression and addiction, Hunter said, educators are referring an increasing number of teens who are threatening violence to themselves and others.

"I think the kids themselves are the best at identifying other kids at risk because they are the ones reading these social media posts," Hunter said, adding: "Probably most of what constitutes or seems to be a threat is not going to hap-

pen, but there is no bad information, and all of it is worth checking out."

School officials still can encounter challenges when trying to address a student's mental health issues, especially when a student is transitioning back to school after treatment or a hospitalization, and a parent is reluctant to release the information, said Barbara Belke, a counselor at Lake Zurich High School.

"One reason they don't want to sign is they don't want it to become part of a student's personal record, but this information is not going to be seen by colleges or the military," Belke said.

Despite the uptick in

high school students dealing with mental health issues, Jackie Rhew, the assistant director of Amita's School Anxiety/School Refusal Program, said parents and school officials need to keep in mind that adolescent anxiety will not be cured by avoidance or by obsessing over the issue.

"I work with a girl who knows when she has told her parents she is anxious, she didn't have to do what she didn't want to do. ... Kids are smart," Rhew said, adding: "It's important to remember that less is more, and you don't have to do a lot of talking."

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## Extra-alarm fire on East Side

Two people were taken to hospitals after an extra-alarm fire spread through two buildings Friday morning in Chicago's East Side neighborhood. The fire broke out around 9:30 a.m. in the 105th block of South Ewing Avenue, Fire Department officials said. A 2-11 alarm was called when the roof of one of the buildings collapsed. An emergency medical services plan 1 was also called, sending at least five ambulances to the fire. One person was taken in serious to critical condition to Advocate Christ Medical Center in Oak Lawn, and another person went to Trinity Hospital in good to serious condition, officials said. A third person declined treatment. The fire was struck out shortly after 10:40 a.m.

## Judge to weigh 2 sides of man's sanity in slaying

Closing arguments made in Woodstock killing of roommate

By AMANDA MARRAZZO  
Chicago Tribune

A Woodstock man was hearing voices and feared someone was going to harm him when he stabbed and strangled his roommate in their Woodstock apartment, his attorney said Friday, arguing he should be found not guilty by reason of insanity.

Branden Napolitan, 29, is a paranoid schizophrenic who had a "psychotic break" and was hallucinating when he killed his 53-year-old roommate Daryl K. Fox on Oct. 23, 2015, psychologist Robert Meyer testified for the defense when the murder trial began in January.

"He knew killing ... was wrong, but in his mind he was acting in self-defense," Meyer said.

After a break of more than a month, Napolitan's murder trial resumed in McHenry County on Friday, with prosecutors arguing for a different verdict: guilty but mentally ill.

"He knew exactly what he had done and tried to get away with it," prosecutor Randi Freese said during closing arguments Friday.

The defense has pointed out that, just before the murder, Napolitan called 911 and said he was schizophrenic, frightened and hearing voices. Napolitan, who admitted to some cocaine use, was taken to a hospital, where he was evaluated but released. He walked home, and that's when he killed Fox, officials said. They allege Napolitan stole Fox's wallet, cellphone and car, and fled to Madison, Wis., where he was arrested.

At the time of his arrest, Napolitan was agitated, showing "dramatic mood swings" and making "bizarre comments," Meyer said.

He added that Napolitan has had mental illness since he was about 18 and has

been in inpatient care multiple times since then. The psychologist said Napolitan hears threatening voices and sometimes believes that Satan is speaking to him and "dragging him to his destiny, to be in hell."

Napolitan also had hallucinations that he was smoking pot with God, Meyer said.

"There is no way he is faking" his illness, Meyer said.

But Terrance Lichtenwald, a psychologist who testified for the prosecution, disputed Meyer's assessment.

Lichtenwald said he didn't believe Napolitan was hearing voices or having a psychotic break when Fox was killed. The psychologist said he agreed that Napolitan is a paranoid schizophrenic but that mental illness does not make one a killer.

"Spontaneous, random assaults are uncommon," Lichtenwald said. "He did appreciate the criminality of his actions."

The psychologist said Napolitan took substantial steps to cover up the murder, such as closing the blinds to conceal the body before he fled.

He also continued to answer Fox's phone and to say that Fox was OK but unavailable.

The defense countered that Napolitan fled with the knife he used to stab Fox and that the weapon was discovered in Fox's car — suggesting he was not trying to cover his tracks.

"He didn't try to hide it. He didn't try to bury it," public defender Angelo Mourelatos said.

Regarding Napolitan's many hospital stays, Lichtenwald said Napolitan had a pattern of admitting himself when he was broke, out of drugs or homeless.

Judge Sharon Prather said she would render her verdict March 28. Napolitan opted to have a judge, rather than a jury, determine the outcome of the trial.

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## Felon faces life in killing of cop

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stepped out of his police vehicle, identified himself as an officer and approached him, authorities said.

The officer gave chase on foot and radioed a description. Bauer, downtown for a meeting with aldermen after attending training for mass shootings earlier in the day, was on duty and in uniform in his police vehicle at Lake and Clark streets when he heard the radio call of a fleeing suspect. Moments later, Bauer saw Legghette running nearby, got out of his vehicle and ran after him, authorities said.

Bauer chased down Legghette at the top of a stairwell outside the Thompson Center and attempted to detain him, authorities said. The two struggled, ending up on a landing below. Legghette, who was wearing body armor, drew a handgun and fired seven shots, fatally wounding Bauer, prosecutors said.

Bauer's weapon was still holstered. His police radio and handcuffs were found next to his body.

Officers found a loaded 9 mm handgun with an extended magazine in Legghette's possession as well as heroin, marijuana and cocaine, prosecutors said.

Legghette was ordered held without bail last month. He is being held in Kankakee County Jail, records show.

At Legghette's bond hearing, prosecutors revealed that three civilian witnesses identified him as the man who struggled with Bauer at the top of the Thompson Center stairwell. Surveillance video



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Police Cmdr. Paul Bauer, 53, was killed in February.

also captured the struggle, they said, and Legghette's right hand and coat tested positive for gunshot residue.

His court-appointed attorney noted at Legghette's bond hearing that he graduated from Dunbar High School and has worked in construction and maintenance.

Legghette's criminal history includes convictions in two drug cases, a gun offense, a misdemeanor battery and a robbery in the late 1990s in which he and a co-defendant robbed two people at gunpoint before leading police on a high-speed expressway chase, prosecutors have said.

In brief remarks after Bauer's funeral, Chicago police Supt. Eddie Johnson said Legghette "shouldn't even have been out on the street in the first place."

A new police and fire training academy in West Garfield Park will be named after Bauer, authorities announced in the days after his slaying.

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# NATION & WORLD

## U.S. rejects criticism of N. Korea summit

White House points to Kim's promises in the offer to meet

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WASHINGTON — The White House tried to swat away criticism Friday that the U.S. is getting nothing in exchange for agreeing to a historic face-to-face summit between President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un.

White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said North Korea has made promises to denuclearize, stop its nuclear and missile testing and allow joint U.S.-South Korean military exercises. But questions remained over what North Korea means by “denuclearize” and what the U.S. might be risking with a highly publicized summit that will build up Kim's stature among world leaders.

“Let's not forget that the North Koreans did promise something,” Sanders said, responding to a reporter's question about why Trump agreed to a meeting — unprecedented between leaders of the two nations — without preconditions.

“We are not going to have this meeting take place until we see concrete actions that match the words and the rhetoric of North Korea,” she said.

Still, the White House indicated that planning for the meeting was on track.

The previous night's announcement of the summit marked a dramatic turnaround after a year of esca-



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Press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said, “Let's not forget that the North Koreans did promise something.”

lating tensions and rude insults between the two leaders in nerve-rattling Twitter exchanges about nuclear war.

North Korea's capabilities are close to posing a direct atomic threat to the U.S. And the wider world has grown fearful of a resumption of the Korean War that ended in 1953 without a peace treaty.

The prospect of the first U.S.-North Korea summit has allayed those fears somewhat. The European Union, Russia and China — whose leader spoke by phone with Trump on Friday — have all welcomed the move.

North Korea's government has yet to formally comment on its invitation to Trump. South Korea said

the president agreed to meet Kim by May, but Sanders said Friday that no time and place had been set.

Still, some lawmakers and foreign policy experts voiced skepticism about the wisdom of agreeing to a summit without preparations by lower-level officials, particularly given the lack of trust between the two sides. North Korea is also holding three American citizens for what Washington views as political reasons.

“A presidential visit is really the highest coin in the realm in diplomacy circles,” said Bruce Klingner, a Korea expert at the conservative-leaning Heritage Foundation, adding that Trump “seemed to spend it without getting anything in return,

not even the release of the three U.S. captives.”

Some say Trump could be setting himself up for failure amid doubts over whether Kim has any intention to relinquish an atomic arsenal that he has made central to his personal stature and the North's standing in the world. Kim would also boost his own standing by becoming the first of the three hereditary leaders of North Korea to sit down with an American president.

Evans Revere, a former senior State Department official experienced in negotiating with North Korea, warned there is a disconnect between how the North and the U.S. describes “denuclearization” of the divided Korean

Peninsula. For the U.S., it refers to North Korea giving up its nukes; for North Korea it also means removing the threat of American forces in South Korea and the nuclear deterrent with which the U.S. protects its allies in the region.

“The fundamental definition of denuclearization is quite different between Washington and Pyongyang,” Revere said, noting that as recently as Jan. 1, Kim had vigorously reaffirmed the importance of nukes for North Korea's security. He said that misunderstandings at a summit could lead to “recrimination and anger” and even military action if Trump were embarrassed by failure.

“There is good reason to talk, but only if we are

talking about something that is worth doing and that could be reasonably verified,” said former Defense Secretary William Perry, who dealt with North Korea during President Bill Clinton's administration. “Otherwise we are setting ourselves up for a major diplomatic failure.”

The White House maintains that Kim has been compelled to reach out for presidential-level talks because of Trump's policy of “maximum pressure.”

“North Korea's desire to meet to discuss denuclearization — while suspending all ballistic missile and nuclear testing — is evidence that President Trump's strategy to isolate the Kim regime is working,” Vice President Mike Pence, who has visited the region, said Friday in a written statement.

However, other presidents have lodged economic sanctions against North Korea, as Trump has. And the North has made a habit of reaching out after raising fears during previous crises, with offers of dialogue meant to win aid and concessions. Some speculate that the North is trying to peel Washington away from its ally Seoul, weaken crippling sanctions and buy time for nuclear development. It has also, from the U.S. point of view, repeatedly cheated on past nuclear deals.

Without question, the North wants a peace treaty to end the technically still-active Korean War and drive all U.S. troops from the Korean Peninsula, removing what it says is a hostile encirclement of its territory by Washington and Seoul.



MINISTRY OF DEFENSE

Soldiers prepare to help Salisbury authorities investigate the nerve-agent poisoning.

## U.K. military chemical experts aid police in poisoning probe

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LONDON — Dozens of khaki-clad troops trained in chemical warfare were deployed on the streets of the usually sleepy English city of Salisbury on Friday as part of the investigation into the nerve-agent poisoning of a former Russian spy and his daughter.

The sight of the soldiers, and forensic experts in bright yellow hazmat suits, added to the increasingly surreal scenes in a city best known for its towering medieval cathedral and its proximity to the ancient Stonehenge monument.

Sergei Skripal and his daughter Yulia, 33, were found unconscious Sunday on a bench near the River Avon in the city. They remained in critical condition in a local hospital Friday, poisoned with what authorities say is a rare nerve agent.

A police officer who helped investigate was in serious condition, and a total of 21 people have received medical treatment.

Skripal, a former Russian military intelligence officer, was convicted in 2006 of spying for Britain and released by Moscow in

2010 as part of a spy swap. The 66-year-old former agent had been living quietly in Salisbury, 90 miles southwest of London.

Counterterrorism detectives are leading a vast investigation. One line of inquiry is whether the pair were poisoned at Skripal's modest suburban house before going out for Sunday lunch and a visit to a pub.

On Friday, police called in about 180 marines, soldiers and air force personnel with expertise in chemical weapons, decontamination and logistics to help with the probe and to remove vehicles that might be contaminated. Military vehicles arrived at Salisbury District Hospital, where the victims are being treated, to take away a police car.

Authorities say there is no risk to the general public from the attack. Unlike radioactive poisons, nerve agents dissipate quickly.

Detectives were retracing the Skripals' movements as they try to discover how the toxin was administered and where it was manufactured.

Authorities cordoned off Skripal's house, a car, a restaurant, a pub and the cemetery where Skripal's wife, Lyudmila, is buried

and where there is also a memorial headstone for his son, Alexander.

Lyudmila Skripal died of cancer in 2012. Alexander died last year at the age of 43. The cause is unclear: some reports say he died in a car accident while on holiday in Russia, others that he died of liver failure.

Former London police chief Ian Blair said Friday that the police officer who is seriously ill had visited Skripal's house — suggesting the nerve agent may have been delivered there.

Blair told BBC radio that Detective Sgt. Nick Bailey had “actually been to the house, whereas there is a doctor who looked after the patients in the open who hasn't been affected at all. There may be some clues floating around in here.”

Highly toxic and banned in almost all countries, nerve agents require expertise to manufacture — leading some to suspect whoever poisoned Skripal had the backing of a state.

“A well-equipped lab and a very experienced analytical chemist can do it, but it's not the sort of thing a chancer doing kitchen-sink chemistry can get away with,” chemical weapons expert Richard Guthrie said.



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Gov. Rick Scott said the law he signed showed “government can and has moved fast.”

## Fla. governor signs new laws on guns 3 weeks after attack

BY CURT ANDERSON, BRENDAN FARRINGTON AND GARY FINEOUT  
Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — Florida Gov. Rick Scott signed a far-reaching school-safety bill Friday that places new restrictions on guns, cementing his state's break with the National Rifle Association and decades of Republican thinking on gun control in the aftermath of the Parkland high school attack.

Surrounded by family members of the 17 killed in the shooting just over three weeks ago, the Republican governor said the bill balances “our individual rights with need for public safety.”

“It's an example to the entire country that government can and has moved fast,” said Scott, whose state has been ruled for 20 years by gun-friendly Republican lawmakers.

Tony Montalto, whose daughter Gina was killed in the attack, read a statement from victims' families: “When it comes to preventing future acts of horrific school violence, this is the beginning of the journey. We have paid a terrible price for this progress.”

The bill is less than what many survivors had sought.

It raises the minimum age to buy rifles from 18 to 21, extends a three-day waiting period for handgun purchases to include long guns and bans bump stocks, which allow guns to mimic fully automatic fire.

It also creates a guardian program enabling some teachers and other school employees to carry guns.

Hours after the government's signature, the NRA filed a federal lawsuit over the new law and insisted the measure “punishes law-abiding gun owners for the criminal acts of a deranged individual.”

The Parkland gunman “gave repeated warning signs that were ignored by federal and state officials. If we want to prevent future atrocities, we must look for solutions that keep guns out of the hands of those who are a danger to themselves or others, while protecting the rights of law-abiding Americans,” Chris Cox, executive director of the NRA's Institute for Legislative Action, said in a statement.

The signing marked a major victory for the teens from Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School who lived through the attack and became the public faces of a renewed gun-

control movement.

Just days after the shooting, they began holding rallies, lobbying lawmakers and using social media in support of reform.

The governor told the students: “You helped change our state. You made a difference.”

Andrew Pollack, whose daughter Meadow died, called it “a start for us.”

“Let's get the rest of the country to follow our lead, and let's make schools safe,” Pollack said.

Student activists from the attacked school called it “a baby step.”

“Obviously, this is what we've been fighting for. It's nowhere near the long-term solution,” said Chris Grady, a senior at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High.

The 19-year-old former student accused of opening fire at the school made his initial appearance Friday before a judge. Nikolas Cruz faces 17 counts of murder and attempted murder. In the brief hearing, Cruz stood with his head bowed as he appeared via video conference.

Cruz's public defender has said he will plead guilty if prosecutors take the death penalty off the table and sentence him to life in prison instead.

## NEWS BRIEFING

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## Utilities race to restore power after deadly storm in Northeast

BOSTON — The sun came out across much of the Northeast on Friday as utilities scrambled to restore power to hundreds of thousands of customers who lost electricity during the storm that hit the region this week.

Utilities warned that because of the damage caused by the storm, which dropped 2 feet of snow in some areas, pulling down trees, branches and power lines, it could be days before

power is back on.

Power crews were working to restore electricity to more than 300,000 customers Friday. New Jersey and Massachusetts had the most outages, according to the poweroutage.us website. The storm was blamed for two deaths in New York and New Jersey.

The rush is on to restore power as forecasters monitor another system that could move up the coast Monday.

## Trump getting military parade on Veterans Day, Pentagon says

WASHINGTON — It looks like President Donald Trump is getting the military parade he wants in Washington — though he may have to settle for no tanks.

A Pentagon memo released Friday says the parade will only include wheeled vehicles to minimize damage to city streets. But it will end with a “heavy air component,” meaning lots of airplanes flying overhead.

The memo from the office of Defense Secretary Jim Mattis offers initial guidance to the chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, which will stage the parade.

The event is planned for Nov. 11, Veterans Day, along a route from the White House to the Capitol. Trump decided he wanted to have a military parade after he attended France’s Bastille Day celebration last year in Paris.

## Teen charged in fatal shooting of classmate at Alabama school

BIRMINGHAM, Ala. — Authorities charged a high school student with manslaughter and illegal firearms possession Friday in a classroom shooting that killed a fellow student.

Michael Jerome Barber was being held with bond set at \$75,300 in the death of Courtlin Arrington.

Both 17-year-olds were in a classroom at Huffman High when the shooting occurred Wednesday. Barber recklessly caused Ar-

lington’s death after bringing a gun to school, prosecutors said.

The district attorney’s office described the victim as a senior and aspiring nurse, while Barber is a junior who plays on Huffman’s football team and has posted recruiting videos online.

Authorities initially said the shooting could have been accidental. They reviewed videos before filing charges.



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**Winter Games:** Dancers perform Friday at the opening ceremony of the PyeongChang 2018 Paralympic Games in South Korea, where hundreds of athletes will compete.

## Former Trump aide Nunberg appears before D.C. grand jury

WASHINGTON — A former Trump campaign aide appeared for hours before a federal grand jury Friday, just days after he defiantly insisted in a series of news interviews that he intended to defy a subpoena in special counsel Robert Mueller’s Russia investigation.

Sam Nunberg spent over six hours inside the federal courthouse in Washington. He declined to speak with the media on the way in or out of the building, and it was not clear what testimony he offered to the grand jury or what documents he provided.

His appearance marked a turnabout from public statements Monday when Nunberg, in multiple interviews, balked at complying with a subpoena that sought his appearance before the grand jury as well as correspondence with other campaign officials. In doing so, he became the first witness in the Mueller probe to threaten to defy a subpoena.

But later that night, Nunberg, who initially suggested that he considered Mueller’s document demands unreasonable, said he had relented and predicted he’d wind up complying

after all. “I’m going to end up cooperating with them,” he said.

Nunberg said he worked for hours to produce the thousands of emails and other communications requested by Mueller, who is investigating whether Donald Trump’s campaign improperly coordinated with Russia during the 2016 presidential election.

Nineteen people and three companies have been charged in Mueller’s investigation. Trump has denied any wrongdoing. His lawyers are negotiating the terms of a possible interview with Mueller’s office.

## Dozens die in burst of violence across Afghanistan

KABUL, Afghanistan — An Islamic State suicide bomber targeted Afghanistan’s ethnic Hazaras on Friday, blowing himself up at a police checkpoint near a gathering of the minority Shiites in western Kabul, killing nine people and wounding 18, officials said.

In northern Afghanistan, the Taliban assaulted an army outpost overnight in an hours-long firefight, and ambushed policemen sent to help the troops, killing six soldiers and 10 members of the local police.

Basir Mujahid, spokesman for the Kabul police chief, said the bomber was

on foot and was trying to make his way to where the Hazaras had gathered to commemorate the 1995 death of their leader, Abdul Ali Mazari.

The bomber came as close to the gathering as he could and detonated his explosives, the spokesman said.

## Gunman, 3 hostages dead in Calif. vets home standoff

YOUNTVILLE, Calif. — A gunman and three women were found dead hours after he took them hostage inside a veterans home in California, the state Highway Patrol said Friday.

Officials said the gunman exchanged gunfire with a deputy at the center and took the women hostage about 10:30 a.m. The women were all employees of The Pathway Home, a privately run program on the veterans home’s grounds.

Authorities are not identifying the slain gunman and were still working to notify relatives of the victims Friday night.

California Highway Patrol Chief Chris Childs said officers entered the room where the hostages were being around 6 p.m. Friday.

He said they were all found dead inside a room in the veterans home.

**Rene Boucher, the 59-year-old neighbor of Sen. Rand Paul, pleaded guilty Friday in Bowling Green, Ky., to assaulting a member of Congress last year. Paul suffered broken ribs in the attack, which started over lawn care. Sentencing is set for June 15. The charge carries up to 10 years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.**

**Goldman Sachs CEO Lloyd Blankfein has started plans to retire and could do so as soon as the end of this year, The Wall Street Journal reported Friday. However, Blankfein distanced himself from the story, joking on Twitter, “I feel like Huck Finn listening to his own eulogy.” Blankfein, 63, has run Goldman since 2006.**

## N. Korea has long wanted a summit

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tary of State Madeleine Albright traveled to Pyongyang to meet with Kim Jong Il, father of the current leader. The expectation was that her meeting would pave the way for a trip by President Bill Clinton after the November election but before the inauguration of a new president.

The momentum was lost amid the confusion about hanging chads and eventually the presidency of George W. Bush.

Under the Bush administration, the Agreed Framework collapsed. The North Koreans reached out repeatedly to get a meeting with Bush. They failed to get any high-level negotiations going with the U.S. and were frustrated the issue was relegated to six-nation talks led by China.

Although Kim’s invitation to Trump and Trump’s acceptance of the talks without preconditions came as a shock to much of the world — dominating headlines amid Trump’s alleged tangles with porn actress Stormy Daniels and the Russia investigation — North Korea has been laying the groundwork for Trump from the moment he was elected.

“Kim Jong Un is not some young callow kid. He is a very shrewd character,” said Robert Carlin, a former CIA analyst and negotiator, now a visiting scholar at Stanford University. “I think the North Koreans have been on this course for months and months.”

With its Fourth of July test of an intercontinental missile capable of reaching the continental U.S. to its powerful hydrogen bomb test in September, North Korea succeeded in getting Washington’s attention.

Then in November, when Kim announced the coun-



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A South Korean soldier walks Friday in Seoul past a television screen showing President Donald Trump and Kim Jong Un. Trump has agreed to a summit.

try had completed the development of its nuclear arsenal, he signaled that he was ready to launch a new phase that included negotiations.

The decision to participate in South Korea’s Winter Olympics co-opted Seoul — a traditional U.S. ally — in the role of an intermediary with its own prestige on the line to make the talks succeed.

As though anticipating a breakthrough, North Korea in 2016 named a seasoned negotiator, Ri Yong Ho, as foreign minister and just two weeks ago promoted another, Choe Son Hui, to a vice ministerial position.

Meanwhile, the Trump administration has been losing its experienced hands, most notably with the recent retirement of the State Department’s top Korea specialist, Joseph Yun.

To the many North Korean analysts wringing their hands over a potentially

catastrophic war, if not a nuclear Armageddon, the talks come as a relief.

But any relief is balanced by the worry that Trump, inexperienced in diplomacy and anxious for a foreign policy win, will be no match for the wily North Koreans.

“I think it is really dangerous,” said John Park, a North Korea specialist at Harvard’s Kennedy School of Government. “It is one thing thinking you have a minefield map, and another to sprint through.”

If the meeting goes badly, both leaders could give up on diplomacy and “focus on more of the military options.”

Some specialists on North Korea hailed the proposed summit as the first opportunity the United States will have to meet with the only person in North Korea capable of making a decision.

“We have gotten ourselves into a box and the

only way out is negotiations,” said Leon Sigal, a North Korea specialist who has participated in back channel talks with the North Koreans.

Based on those talks, he says he thinks “the North Koreans are looking for a fundamental change in the nature of the relationship with the United States.”

The White House spokeswoman, Sarah Huckabee Sanders, offered a tougher line Friday than she had a day earlier and suggested the summit might not happen.

“We’re not going to have this meeting take place until we see concrete actions that match the words and the rhetoric of North Korea,” Sanders said. “We’ve accepted the invitation to talk based on them following through with concrete actions on the promises that they’ve made.”

Those include, she said, a promise to “denuclearize,”

to stop nuclear and missile tests, and to accept U.S.-South Korean military exercises.

Kim has agreed to freeze further nuclear and missile tests while talks are underway, but he hasn’t offered to eliminate his nuclear weapons program, which he has referred to as a “treasured sword.”

The North Koreans have said they would give up their nuclear weapons only if the U.S. drops its “hostile policy” toward the country, which could include a demand for the withdrawal of U.S. troops from South Korea.

North Korea’s nuclear program is sufficiently advanced that even a freeze would leave the country with enough plutonium to make 10 nuclear warheads.

So far it is unclear where the proposed meeting between Trump and Kim would take place.

One possibility would be

for Trump to join with South Korean President Moon Jae-in at a summit scheduled for April in Panmunjom, the truce village at the demilitarized zone separating the Koreans.

Beijing also has been floated as a possible summit site, given how Trump repeatedly has praised China’s help pressuring Kim.

But Kim has resented that pressure and may not want to elevate China’s importance in the relationship.

Joshua Stanton, an attorney who helped draft the North Korea sanctions law, says that by all means Trump must avoid a trip to Pyongyang.

“That would show that Kim Jong Un is controlling the event and dictating terms to the president of the United States,” Stanton said.

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# Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

## 'Pharma Bro' gets 7 years in fraud case

Judge doubts crying Shkreli's remorse at sentencing hearing

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NEW YORK — The smirk wiped off his face, a crying Martin Shkreli was sentenced to seven years in prison and fined \$75,000 for securities fraud Friday in a hard fall for the pharmaceutical industry bad boy vilified for jacking up the price of a lifesaving drug.



Shkreli

Shkreli, the 34-year-old entrepreneur dubbed "Pharma Bro" for his loutish behavior, was handed his punishment after a hearing in which he and his attorney struggled to make him a sympathetic figure. His own lawyer confessed to wanting to punch him sometimes.

The defendant hung his head and choked up as he admitted to many mistakes and apologized to the investors he was convicted of defrauding. At one point, a clerk handed him tissues.

"I'm not the same person I was," Shkreli said. "I know right from wrong. I know what it means to tell the truth and what it means to lie."

He also said: "The only person to blame for me being here today is me. There is no conspiracy to take down Martin Shkreli. I

took down Martin Shkreli." In the end, U.S. District Judge Kiyo Matsumoto gave him a sentence that fell short of the 15 years prosecutors wanted but was a lot longer than the 18 months his lawyer asked for.

Shkreli was found guilty in August of lying to investors in two failed hedge funds and cheating them out of millions. The case was unrelated to the 2015 furor in which he was accused of price-gouging, but his arrest was seen as rough justice by the many enemies he made with his smug and abrasive behavior online and off.

The judge insisted that the punishment was not about Shkreli's online antics or his raising the cost of the drug. "This case is not about Mr. Shkreli's self-cultivated public persona nor his controversial statements about politics or culture," Matsumoto said.

But she did say his conduct after the verdict made her doubt the sincerity of his remorse. She cited his bragging after the verdict that he would be sentenced to time served. And she quoted one piece of correspondence in which he wrote: "F--- the feds."

The judge ruled earlier



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Defense attorney Benjamin Brafman leaves a New York court after Martin Shkreli was sentenced to seven years in prison for securities fraud.

that Shkreli would have to forfeit more than \$73 million in a brokerage account and personal assets, including a one-of-a-kind Wu-Tang Clan album that he boasted of buying for \$2 million.

Defense attorney Benjamin Brafman described Shkreli as a misunderstood eccentric who used unconviction means to make his defrauded investors even wealthier. He told the court that he sometimes wants to hug Shkreli and sometimes wants to punch him, but that his outspokenness shouldn't be held against him.

"It's like the kids today who hit send before they really understand what they typed," Brafman said.

Prosecutors rejected that notion.

"Mr. Shkreli is not a child," federal prosecutor Jacquelyn Kasulis said.

"He's not a teenager who just needs some mentoring. He is a man who needs to take responsibility for his actions."

Shkreli became the face of pharmaceutical industry evil in 2015 when he increased the price of Daraprim, a previously cheap drug used to treat toxoplasmosis, a parasitic infection that can be fatal to people with the AIDS virus or other immune system disorders.

Shkreli seemed to treat the case like a big joke. After his arrest in December 2015, he taunted prosecutors, got kicked off of Twitter for harassing a female journalist, heckled Hillary Clinton from the sidewalk outside her daughter's home, gave speeches with the conservative provocateur Milo Yiannopoulos and spent hours livestreaming him-

self from his apartment.

He also infuriated members of Congress at a Capitol Hill hearing on drug prices when he repeatedly cited his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination. Afterward, he tweeted that the lawmakers were "imbeciles."

Last fall, the judge revoked his bail and threw him in jail after he jokingly offered his online followers a \$5,000 bounty to anyone who could get a lock of Clinton's hair.

Before sentencing him, the judge said that it was up to Congress to fix the issue of the drug price hike. And she noted that Shkreli's family and friends "state, almost universally, that he is kind and misunderstood" and willing to help others in need. She said it was clear he is a "tremendously gifted individual who has the capacity for kindness."

## Struggling Claire's near to filing for bankruptcy

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Claire's Stores, the fashion accessories chain where legions of preteens got their ears pierced, is preparing to file for bankruptcy in the coming weeks, according to people with knowledge of the plans.

The company is closing in on a deal in which control would pass from Apollo Global Management to lenders including Elliott Capital Management and Monarch Alternative Capital, according to the people, who asked not to be identified because the matter isn't public. Venor Capital Management and Diameter Capital Partners are also involved, the people said. The move should help ease the \$2 billion debt load at Claire's.

A spokesman for New York-based Apollo declined to comment. Representatives for Claire's, based in Hoffman Estates, and the creditors declined to comment or didn't respond to messages. New York-based Monarch specializes in distressed companies, while Elliott Capital is run by Paul Singer, the billionaire and activist investor.

The current debt load is more than 10 times a key measure of its annual earnings, the result of its 2007 leveraged buyout by Apollo. More than \$1.4 billion of its debt matures next year, and more immediate pressure comes from a \$60 million interest payment that's due Tuesday. A Chapter 11 bankruptcy filing, which is typical for retailers, would allow the chain to continue operating and keep creditors at bay until a turnaround plan could be formalized.

Like other chains with a heavy mall presence, Claire's has had to contend with declining customer traffic and online competition. It's worked to find new sources of revenue, including agreements to sell in CVS pharmacies and Giant Eagle supermarkets.

Apollo paid \$3.1 billion to acquire Claire's from the family of founder Rowland Schaefer and began expanding rapidly. It added about 350 stores between 2010 and 2013, with more than 2,700 globally by the time it filed plans that year to go public, according to a company document. But the chain struggled to remain profitable after the buyout, and Claire's withdrew its initial public offering registration in early 2017.

Prices for some of Claire's debt have been at deeply distressed levels, with quotes earlier this month for its 2019 issue hovering under 70 cents on the dollar.

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## U.S. hiring surges 313K jobs in February

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WASHINGTON — U.S. employers went on a hiring binge in February, adding 313,000 jobs, amid rising business confidence lifted by the Trump administration's tax cuts and a resilient global economy.

The robust hiring, reported Friday by the Labor Department, was the strongest in 1½ years. It was accompanied by the biggest surge in 15 years in the number of people either working or looking for work. That kept the nation's unemployment rate unchanged for a fifth straight month at 4.1 percent.

At the same time, average wage growth slowed to 2.6 percent in February from a year earlier. That was down from January's revised pace of 2.8 percent, which had spooked investors because it raised fears of inflation.

The hiring boom caught many economists off guard, because they expected a smaller — though still healthy — increase. Job gains typically slow as the unemployment rate falls, because companies run out of workers to hire.



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The brisk pace of hiring surprised economists, who expected a smaller but still healthy job growth.

The economy has expanded for 104 straight months, or nearly nine years, the third-largest expansion on record, and hiring often declines as recessions fade into the past.

Yet job growth has accelerated in recent months. Companies have added an average of 242,000 jobs a month over the past three months, above 2017's pace of 182,000.

"The February employment report was unambiguously strong, confirming that the U.S. labor

market is on fire," said Michelle Girard, chief U.S. economist at NatWest Markets. "The pace of job growth is gaining momentum — a very impressive development at this stage of the economic cycle."

The Trump administration's tax cuts appear to have lifted optimism among consumers and businesses. U.S. employers have also benefited from a strengthened global economy. And consumers are more confident than they have been since 2000.

Investors celebrated the

## Stocks jump, Nasdaq sets record

NEW YORK — The S&P 500 index rose 47.60 points, or 1.7 percent, to 2,786.57.

The Dow Jones industrial average rallied 440.53 points, or 1.8 percent, to 25,335.74.

The Nasdaq composite surged 132.86 points, or 1.8 percent, to 7,560.81. The Russell 2000 index of smaller-company stocks added 25.18 points, or 1.6 percent, to 1,597.14.

The bull market reached its ninth anniversary Friday, with market indexes nearly quadrupling since March 2009.

The muted wage growth is a relief to Wall Street, because faster raises could spur higher inflation and additional interest rate increases from the Federal Reserve.

The picture drawn by Friday's jobs report is a mixed one for the Fed, which seeks to raise short-term interest rates at just the right pace: enough to forestall inflation but not so fast as to slow growth.

The Fed is considered certain to raise rates when it next meets in two weeks.

The economy has now gained jobs for 89 straight months, the longest streak on record. That has helped address many of the nation's long-term problems dating to the Great Recession.

For example, more Americans are coming off the sidelines and looking for work, reversing a trend from the first few years after the downturn when many of the unemployed gave up on the job hunt and stopped looking.

The proportion of adults working or looking for work jumped to 63 percent from 62.7 percent, still far below its pre-recession levels in 2007. But it has stabilized in the past three years, even as millions of baby boomers have retired. That suggests that enough younger people are stepping in to offset those retirements.

The proportion of adults in their prime working years — defined as ages 25 to 54 — with jobs rose sharply to 79.3 percent, just a few tenths of a point below its pre-recession level.

## Kahlo kin: Mattel got Frida Barbie wrong

Associated Press

MEXICO CITY — Toy-maker Mattel was in a dispute this week with a distant relative of the late Mexican artist Frida Kahlo over rights to a Frida Barbie doll released as part of the company's Inspiring Women series.

Kahlo's great-niece Mara de Anda Romeo said Mattel doesn't have the rights to use Kahlo's image.

Pablo Sangri, a lawyer for de Anda Romeo, said his client doesn't seek money,

but wants Mattel to talk about redesigning the doll.

"We will talk to them about regularizing this situation, and by regularizing I mean talking about the appearance of the doll, its characteristics, the history the doll should have to match what the artist really was," Sangri said.

Critics complain the doll doesn't reflect Kahlo's heavy, nearly conjoined eyebrows, and they say its costume doesn't accurately portray the elaborate Tehuana-style dresses the

artist wore.

That is, it's more Barbie-like than Frida-like.

Barbie is an American icon that has often been criticized as promoting an unrealistic body image and consumerist lifestyle. Kahlo was a lifelong communist who died in 1954 before the doll was introduced.

Mattel said in a statement that it worked with the Frida Kahlo Corp., "which owns all the rights."

"The Frida Kahlo Corporation actively participated in the process of designing

the doll, Mattel has its permission and a legal contract that grants it the rights to make a doll of the great Frida Kahlo," the company's statement said.

The corporation said in a statement that it "celebrates the ideological contributions of Frida Kahlo which have transcended the borders of art and which will influence new generations as a world icon through the Frida Kahlo Barbie, which conserves the essence of Barbie and the legacy of Frida Kahlo."

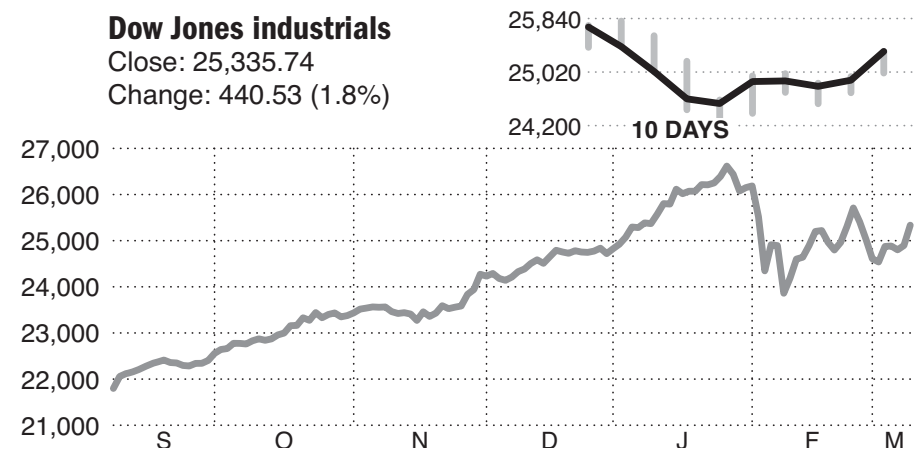


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Mattel's Inspiring Women line: Aviator Amelia Earhart, left, artist Frida Kahlo and mathematician Katherine Johnson.

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## EDITORIALS

# Trump, Little Rocket Man and a chance at history

Leaders, who have traded insults, set for sit-down

If you had to pick a word that best describes the Trump presidency so far, it might be “surreal.” And few developments affirm that more than news that President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un plan to meet for talks this spring. Supposedly they’ll discuss prospects for a denuclearized Korean Peninsula. Yes, “Little Rocket Man” and an American president whom Kim once referred to as a “dotard” in the same room, with a potential to make history.

### Fast-forward a few years:

Trump and Kim meet again, this time in Stockholm to jointly accept their Nobel Peace Prize? Surreal indeed. Fantasy? For now, yes, of course.

Nevertheless, two leaders widely seen as volatile, self-absorbed and belligerent have agreed to do something no other sitting American president and North Korean leader ever have done — sit face-to-face and talk seriously about nukes. As a carrot, Kim has dangled a commitment to halt nuclear and missile testing ahead of the talks, which are slated for the end of May.

Why now? It may be that Kim feels the vise of amped-up economic sanctions and sees in Trump an American leader who, unlike his predecessors, has been exceedingly blunt with threats to “totally destroy” North Korea. Equally likely, however, is Kim’s calculation that Trump would agree to a meeting because, well, he’s Trump: a president supremely confident in his negotiating skills, a leader with the hubris to think he can get done what other presidents couldn’t, and to do it the Trump way — on his own. Stand down, stuffy diplomats.

Kim also comes to the table with a hand that his father and grandfather didn’t have: missiles capped with nuclear warheads. His predecessors also sought newfound legitimacy through a meeting with an American president, but they didn’t have the arsenal that Kim now has. Like his father and grandfather, Kim yearns to be perceived as a leader on equal footing with

the American commander-in-chief. What better way to get there than a sit-down with Trump?

Trump no doubt will go into the meeting with visions of himself at the podium in Stockholm. Cue the skepticism, not only of that scene but of the here and now.

While the meeting would be unprecedented, any flirtatious Pyongyang offer to denuclearize isn’t. In 2005, North Korea pledged to abandon its nuclear weapons program during the “six-party talks.” Three years later, Pyongyang restarted its program.

The hasty timetable could also prove counterproductive. The administration has just two months to prepare. The State Department’s chief North Korea negotiator, Joseph Yun, is on his way out, and the administration has

balked at nominating another experienced negotiator, Victor Cha, the ambassador to South Korea, *The New York Times* reported.

**None of that may matter to Trump**, with his penchant for winging it. But his assent to a meeting is indeed a gamble, and the stakes couldn’t be much higher. Trump has already made it clear that the only acceptable outcome is denuclearization. Will Kim be willing to relinquish the very nuclear weapons that give him so much clout?

If talks end and Trump doesn’t get what he wants, Kim will walk away with strengthened legitimacy — and a nuclear weapons program with American cities as primary targets. Trump will walk away boasting of his reasonableness in meeting with Kim.

That could give him flexibility for whatever comes in the future — such as a preemptive U.S. strike if North Korea becomes more menacing.

Trump crafted a campaign persona as the quintessential deal-maker. Up until now, his foreign policy track record says otherwise. Meeting with Kim gives him a chance to prove his critics wrong. We hope he can. The likely alternative is a return to the threat of nuclear war.

**The hasty timetable could also prove counterproductive.**

# Rise and shine, Loyola Ramblers

Chicagoans measure the decades not merely by the passage of holidays, but by the milestones of sports championships. For instance: The last time the Loyola Ramblers earned a trip to the NCAA tournament (1985), the Chicago Bears hadn’t yet won the Super Bowl (1986).

Quick — who eliminated the Ramblers the last time? If you know it was another Jesuit school, Georgetown, you’re a big fan. Everyone else now has a chance to take the measure of this year’s talented squad, which defeated Illinois State University on Sunday to earn its March Madness berth.

This is a moment to be savored not just by Ramblers fans, but all of the Chicago region.

Chicago suffers its share of sports teams with lo-o-ng championship dry spells. When those streaks end, it is glorious.

Exhibit A: The Cubs. Enough said. Honorable mentions: The White Sox. The Blackhawks.

From two three-peats to huh-uh: The Bulls.

Last year about this time, Northwestern’s basketball team stepped into basketball’s Big Dance for the first time since the NCAA tournament began in 1939. That came after decades of hopes pulverized to a fine dust. Generations of fans grew old waiting for the Wildcats to bare their claws. And then ... it happened.

The same excitement now surrounds Loyola. Chicagoans will be learning players’ names and memorizing statistics. They’ll be judging the team’s chances against tournament powerhouses.

They’ll learn about the school’s sports history, including the famed 1963 regional semifinal known as “The Game of Change.” That pitted the racially integrated Ramblers against an all-white team from Mississippi State University — and against the ugly racism of the time.

The game almost didn’t happen because Mississippi’s governor and other pols tried to stop Mississippi State from playing against teams with black players. Mississippi State’s coach and other team officials mounted a cloak-and-dagger effort to get the Bulldogs out of state to face Loyola. The Ramblers won, 61-51, and went on to defeat Cincinnati, 60-58, for the title. Jerry Harkness, the captain of that 1963 championship team, was courted on Sunday, along with the legendary Sister Jean Schmidt, Loyola’s 98-year-old chaplain and a beloved campus celebrity.

Harkness handed the tournament trophy to coach Porter Moser, who called it a “watershed moment” for the program.

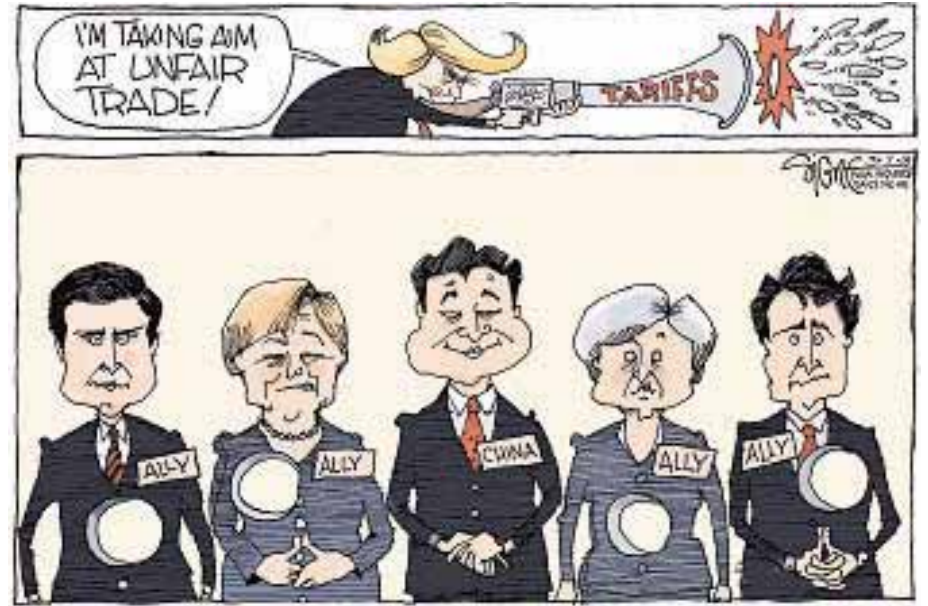
Sure is. The Ramblers now have a chance to captivate a new generation of fans — not just in this area, but across the country. A tourney berth is a great recruiting tool: Nothing fires a high school player’s imagination like the prospect of playing for the championship.

Suddenly a school that wasn’t on the radar for many students, is.

Loyola has much to brag about. A gem of a campus on a gem of a lake in a gem of a town. Take a bow, Ramblers.

Or rather, rise and shine. Your long-deserved moment in the spotlight awaits.

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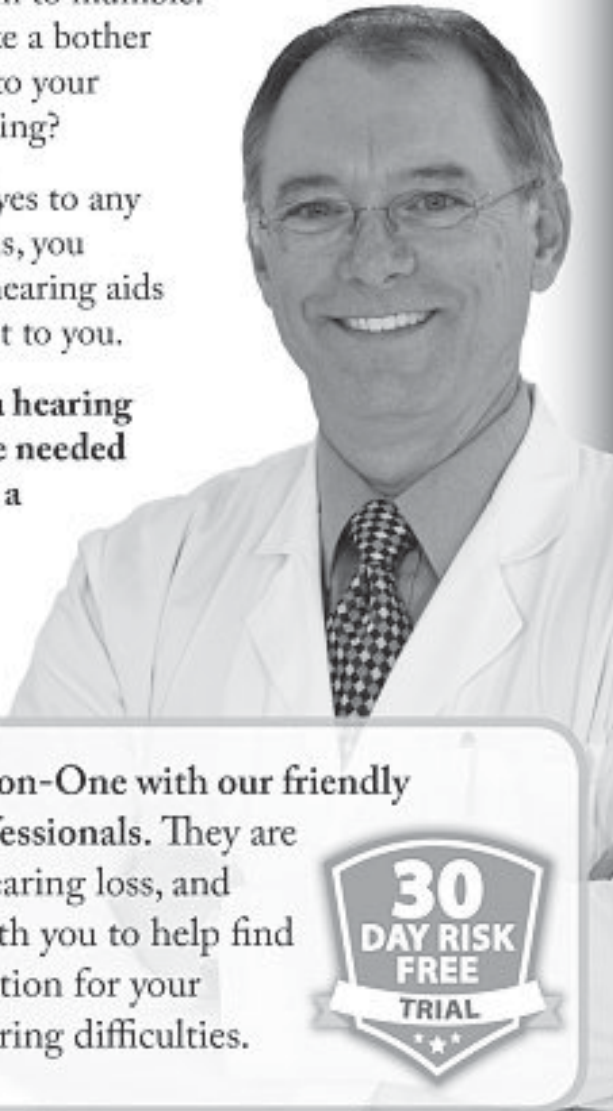
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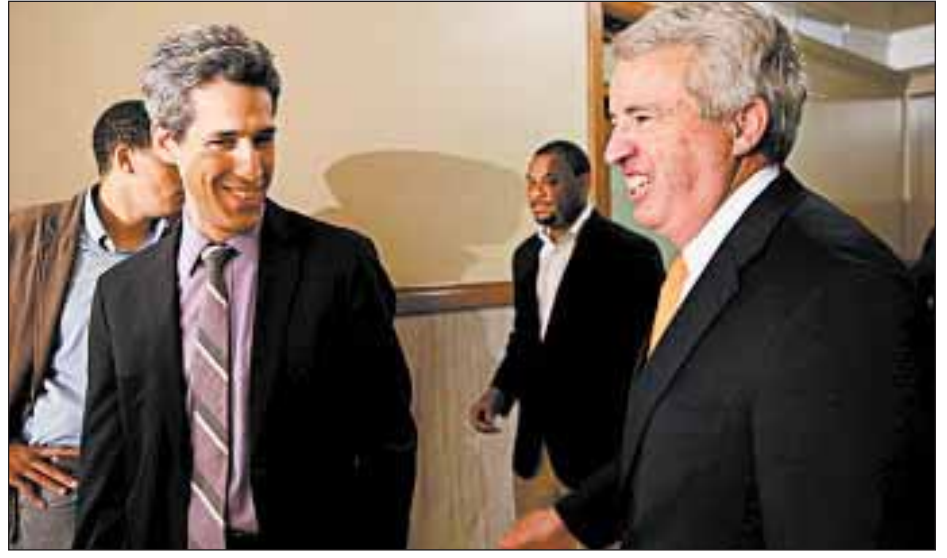
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Democratic candidates for governor Daniel Biss, left, and Chris Kennedy meet in the hallway before they speak in front of the Cook County Democratic Party last year.

### A new approach

Wednesday's article "CDC sees surge in opioid-OD ER visits" shows that it is long past time to end the failed war on drugs. Over the past few decades, the law enforcement approach to drug use and addiction has failed. Communities of color have been devastated by mass incarceration. Meanwhile, drug enforcement has not solved the problems of addiction and overdose, as last year's increase of 66 percent in overdose visits in Illinois shows.

As a pastor in a south suburban community affected by drug addiction and overdose and a leader in a community organizing group working on these issues, I know that the solution to these problems is clear: We must replace a criminal-justice approach to the problem with a public-health and harm-reduction approach. When Portugal decriminalized drugs and increased access to treatment, overdose rates plunged. The way to prevent overdose is to provide access to safer consumption services and treatment for those who want it and to stop criminalizing drug users and distributors, which only serves to put more people in prison and push drug use and distribution underground where the health risks are higher and people's ability to seek help is lower.

For years, public opinion has been moving toward an approach to drug use focusing on treatment and harm reduction rather than enforcement and incarceration.

Unfortunately, our public officials have a ways to go in following suit. According to a report on criminal justice data released recently by Cook County State's Attorney Kim Foxx, 12,371 people were charged with drug felonies by law enforcement in 2017 in Cook County. Foxx was elected in part on a platform of replacing a criminal justice approach to drug use with a public-health approach, but she has not yet made that happen.

It is time for police and prosecutors to stop arresting and charging for drug offenses and for decision-makers at every level of government to decriminalize drugs and provide more resources for treatment and harm reduction.

— Rev. Charles Straight, president, The People's Lobby Education Institute

### Speak up

I feel I must respond to the Thursday editorial in the Tribune on U.S. Rep. Danny Davis' comments about Louis Farrakhan. He is quoted as saying, "The world is so much bigger than Farrakhan and the Jewish question." And: "For those heavy into it, that's their thing, but it ain't my thing." Well, it is my thing!

Jews were in the forefront of the struggle for voting rights for African-Americans. Two young men were murdered by the KKK for trying to register African-Americans to vote in Mississippi. Personally, I have been part of a small Jewish community where we have had part-time rabbis and three — yes, three — of our rabbis marched with the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. Julius Rosenwald built thousands of schools for black children in the South in the early 1900s. What has Farrakhan done that is lasting and would counteract the hate he spreads?

This anti-Semitic rhetoric will only stop when good people do something. And when those with a voice do not speak out against this kind of hatred, then they are complicit. I fear for the future of our country.

— Shirley Feldman, Sterling

### Straw man

Well, the yard signs are out, the endless robo-calls have started, radio and TV stations are airing off-putting ads, and the mailbox is filled with multicolor half-sheets filled with exaggerated claims and promises and half-truths and libelous statements about other candidates. Thus, we are heavily into the primary election season.

In several outings as an election judge, I was appalled by the low voter turnout in the precincts in which I worked — especially for primary elections (where only 19 percent of eligible voters came out to the polls during the last off-year primary in 2014). Then, as now, many positions were contested, and the voters had choices about who should move on from the primaries to compete in the November elections. Eighty-one percent of eligible voters had influence they failed to use.

Those now in office (many for decades) have given us a state with bloated payrolls, dominance by public employee unions, a crushing tax burden (including a recent 32 percent income tax increase), unsustainable debt, population fleeing the state, and businesses deciding they don't want to come to Illinois. National Review labeled Bruce Rauner as the "worst Republican governor in America"; Chicago magazine called House Speaker Michael Madigan "the Real Governor of Illinois"; and, in the

Wall Street Journal, Rauner described Madigan as "the Mafia kingpin of Illinois."

Folks, the current conditions in Illinois conflate to empty your wallet, steal job opportunities from you and your family, and adversely affect your future quality of life. Is this what you want? If not, get registered and go vote out of office those who have ruined our state. It would make no sense for voters to climb back in the car driven by someone who has previously driven the car into the ditch too many times.

The process for change begins with primary elections. Please vote!

— Charles F. Falk, Schaumburg

### New revenue

State Sen. Daniel Biss has an ad where he promises to make billionaires pay their fair share. All Democrats running in the Illinois election have made promises along this line. This sounds good, doesn't it? But, according to Forbes, there are about 17 billionaires who live in Illinois. It's a Democratic fantasy to: 1. Tax the wealthiest Illinoisans and expect that they won't move. 2. Think that we can get unlimited funds by taxing the 17 billionaires in Illinois.

I don't think the Democrats will get as much revenue as they want. So, like always, they will lower the bar. Only 1 percent of Illinois tax returns were for those who earned \$500,000 or more. Not much more to tax here! How about taxing the approximately 270,000 millionaires who live in Illinois, according to researchers at Phoenix Marketing International. But who are those millionaires? Most are likely the seasoned citizens who live next door. They worked hard, scrimped, saved and invested their whole lives, just to have accumulated \$1 million in assets.

Yes, the Democrats love people with money, no matter how hard it was or how long it took them to earn it. The Democrats say they are coming after the billionaires, but they are coming after anyone with money. That means you! Please don't fall for the wealth envy/hatred game. It only makes everyone poor.

— John Zitkus, Mundelein

### 'Bending' history

Chris Kennedy's ignorance was reported Wednesday when he called for the Illinois State Board of Investment to divest state pension investments in firearm-related stocks. Then his "jump on the anti-gun bandwagon" was directed at one of his opponents, state Sen. Daniel Biss, who obliged by saying he now would do the same thing. Ignorance is Biss too.

I was legal counsel to the Illinois State Board of Investment. Its job includes overseeing the investment of pension funds to earn income for future payments of pension system obligations. The firearm manufacturer investments have met all state requirements and selling off those stocks would have no influence or relationship to the purported goals of these would be politicians to "stem the flow" of weapons.

Both of these candidates are wasting our time, but they are letting us see how they think, which is to say anything to get elected, even if it has absolutely nothing to do with solving a problem.

The same article announced that Kennedy has a new TV ad that quotes his father, Robert Kennedy: "Few will have the greatness to bend history." Sorry to deflate the quote, but history doesn't bend — it's true or it isn't. History stays the same, while reporters of history provide accurate information, correct mistaken reports or lie. I don't trust the benders of history, including the Kennedy and Biss bandwagons.

— Robert Tingler, Palatine

### America first

While it should be obvious to us all, I would like to thank the Tribune Editorial Board for reminding its readers that "Russia is an adversary not only with nuclear power but also with a view of the world antithetical to America's." U.S. intelligence agencies have concluded that Russia interfered in our last election and will do so again. To punish Russia, the U.S. House voted 419-3 and the U.S. Senate 98-2 to enact increased sanctions on our adversary.

Yet, our "America First" president has refused to implement these sanctions. And now Russian President Vladimir Putin has boasted to the world that his country possesses nuclear weapons capable of evading our defense systems and striking the U.S. mainland. When it comes to Russia, what is President Donald Trump doing to protect the American people? Nothing. The question is why. I believe we will soon find out when special counsel Robert Mueller concludes his investigation.

— Greg Klaiber, Evanston

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Violinist Leonidas Kavakos, left, performs with guest conductor Emmanuel Krivine leading the Chicago Symphony Orchestra on Thursday.

**IN PERFORMANCE**

# Kavakos offers impeccable Shostakovich with CSO

BY JOHN VON RHEIN  
 Chicago Tribune

The abrupt severing of ties with conductor Charles Dutoit by orchestras in Chicago, Boston, Cleveland and New York, following bombshell allegations of sexual misconduct that broke earlier this year, has forced those ensembles, including the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, to scramble for replacements.

The CSO administration booked the experienced French conductor Emmanuel Krivine, who already had been scheduled to lead CSO subscription concerts in May, to take over the first of Dutoit's two announced program this weekend at Symphony Center.

Krivine, now in his first season as music director of the Orchestre National de France, took over intact the Russian-French program Dutoit was to have led. He drew respectable playing from the orchestra Thursday night at Symphony Center, in familiar music

that sometimes required rather more than respectability.

The chief musical attraction was Dmitri Shostakovich's First Violin Concerto (1948) from the depths of the Soviet era, another of that composer's troubled autobiographies in sound, which he wisely kept locked in a drawer until after Josef Stalin's death, so as to escape official censure. Today we know it as one of the most eloquent of 20th century violin masterpieces.

Every modern virtuoso who takes up this work toils in the long shadow of the great Russian violinist David Oistrakh, for whom it was written and whose definitive interpretation has stood the test of time. Thursday's soloist, the formidable Greek violinist Leonidas Kavakos — back for his second Orchestra Hall appearance after the wondrous Brahms trio marathon he played with Yo-Yo Ma and Emanuel Ax earlier this month — found his own way into this ferociously demanding music.

With him, uncanny technical perfection and immaculate control of the music's long, enfolding lines took precedence.

Russian virtuosos of the post-Oistrakh generation, such as Maxim Vengerov (who joined conductor Mstislav Rostropovich for a memorable performance here in 1999), bring to this concerto a passionate intensity of sound and feeling that are worlds apart from Kavakos' more impassive manner.

This made the opening nocturne feel more contained, less disquieting, than when a soloist and conductor dig deeper into its brooding depths. I also found their scherzo lacking that sense of cumulative desperation that renders it as more than a rowdy caprice. Best, for my taste, was the tragic passacaglia, announced with dour gravity by the four horns and tuba, and sustained by Kavakos with an eloquence that made it the beating heart of his performance. The audience listened in rapt respect.

The long transitional cadenza came off without a note out of place but one wanted more of a feeling of mounting frenzy. The whistle-clean adrenalin flow Kavakos brought to the burlesque finale was exhilarating enough to have the crowd up on its feet in an instant, clamorous in its approval. The encore was the andante from Bach's solo Sonata No. 2, played with the utmost beauty and simplicity.

A violinist himself before taking up the baton later in his career, Krivine made an attentive but cool accompanist in the Shostakovich. He and the orchestra preceded the concerto with a brief Russian curtain raiser, the prelude to Mussorgsky's opera "Khovanshchina" (Rimsky-Korsakov orchestration), which depicts dawn breaking over Red Square in Moscow.

That evocation linked the program opener to the program closer, Debussy's "La Mer," which begins with a delicate evocation of

morning light shimmering across ocean waves. Krivine found himself on safer idiomatic ground in this repertory staple and in the Berlioz "Royal Hunt and Storm" (from "Les Troyens") that preceded it.

His flexible shaping of phrase and pulse bespoke a natural rubato that arose from within Debussy's music rather than being imposed on it, nor was textural clarity won at the expense of coloristic detail or surging amplitude of sound. Here, and in an exciting and richly hued account of the luscious interlude from Berlioz's opera, he had the CSO sounding like the great French orchestras used to sound, only more virtuosic.

The program will be repeated at 8 p.m. Saturday and 3 p.m. Sunday at Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave.; \$30-\$218; 312-294-3000, [www.cso.org](http://www.cso.org).

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**IN PERFORMANCE**

# Haymarket adds to opera scene with rare Rossi

BY ALAN ARTNER  
 Chicago Tribune

One of the more arresting additions to the Chicago music scene is the Haymarket Opera Company's Lenten Oratorio series, which offers early-evening concerts of about an hour guided by period performance practices.

Thursday's program, third in the series, presented at the Chicago Temple two rarities, both attributed to Luigi Rossi (1598-1653), a composer working in Rome for one of the era's greatest patrons of music, Cardinal Antonio Barberini.

In 1989 the "Oratorio per la settimana santa" ("Oratorio for Holy Week") and "Spargete sospiri" ("Diffuse your sighing") from "Un Peccator Penitente" ("A Repentant Sinner") were coupled on a now-famous recording by the French vocal and instrumental ensemble Les

Arts Florissants. The Haymarket's moving presentation kept the same order, but works were played and sung by the original, slightly leaner forces, which nonetheless rang out strongly in the Temple's large space.

The first work was the earliest-known Passion oratorio, which lasting around 40 minutes remains the most concise. Its first part has Pontius Pilate's troubled decision to give in to a crowd calling for the death of Christ; the second features a group of demons who mock the Virgin Mary before her grief is universalized as Christ's suffering is seen to "carr(y) us to paradise." There is no biblical precedent for the demons. Their torment of the Virgin is original and makes for stinging, almost operatic drama.

Mark Haddad's forceful basso profundo gave Pilate's deliberation an an-



TERRENCE ANTONIO JAMES/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Mark Haddad solos with the Haymarket Opera Company in a performance of Luigi Rossi's "Oratorio for Holy Week" at the Chicago Temple on Thursday.

guish unusual in characterizations of the prefect. A crowd of just three members initially seemed to be no match for him. But when joined by demons — commanding baritone Mischa Bouvier and cackling countertenor Drew Minter — the mob's viciousness clearly proved one of Rossi's singular achievements.

Likewise, the back-and-forth between demons and Carrie Henneman Shaw's Virgin had a powerful cumulative effect, this time toward transformation. Early on Shaw's enunciation lacked crispness, and

grimaces plus gestures did not make up for the lamentation that was more in the words than the tone quality of the voice. But by the "Concluding madrigal" all came right, abetted by sterling playing from bass violinist and conductor Craig Trompeter's period-instrument ensemble.

The following "Spargete sospiri" received no program note to tell the audience it came from one of two "Un Peccator Penitente" oratorios attributed to Rossi. Despite its continuing elevation of suffering as "the food of life," it required a longer pause to

emphasize its status as an independent work. Singing and playing, however, was some of the most beautifully heartfelt, with the ravishing added color of a prominent part for harp.

The program will be repeated 5 p.m. Saturday at the Church of the Atonement, 5749 N. Kenmore Ave.; \$10-\$35; 312-898-7446; [haymarketopera.org](http://haymarketopera.org)

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 MOVIES**

**"Thoroughbreds"**

Cory Finley's impressive debut feature drops us into privilege, where young lives of moneyed desperation are on the edge. Lily is the "normal" one, living with her mother and her stepfather. Years ago Lily was best friends with Amanda; more recently, Amanda has become troubled, and after the mutilation of a prized horse, she has burrowed into herself. Arrangements are made, and Lily and Amanda reunite, uneasily. Lily's stepfather is a control freak who's just asking for a fatal comeuppance. The "normal" girl is appalled at the "abnormal" girl's plan to dispatch the stepfather, but "Thoroughbreds" complicates those labels as the plot snakes its way toward violence. These are the building blocks of noir, and "Thoroughbreds" is confident enough to establish Finley as a talent to watch. *R, 1:30, drama*

**CHRIS JONES  
 THEATER**

**"The Wolves"**

The Wolves are players on a fictional, under-17 girls soccer team in this Pulitzer Prize finalist by Sarah DeLappe now at the Goodman Theatre. "The Wolves" isn't so much about the world's most beautiful game as it's about what it feels like to be an adolescent girl, living and moving in a pack.

Under the talented director Vanessa Stalling, the ensemble cast is uniformly excellent, although #46 (Erin O'Shea) not only is especially moving but the most credible as a soccer player. If you have a soccer-playing girl at home, you don't want to miss this piece. *Through March 18 at the Goodman's Owen Theatre, 170 N. Dearborn St.; \$10-\$47 at 312-443-3800 and [www.goodmantheatre.org](http://www.goodmantheatre.org)*

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 CLASSICAL**

**Chicago College of Performing Arts  
 "Vivid" concert**

The third oldest music conservatory in the U.S., marks its 150th anniversary, and Roosevelt University's theater conservatory its 20th, in a combined concert. Taking part in the fundraiser will be the CCPA Chamber Orchestra under Andrew Grams, with pianist Winston Choi. Theater students will present a retrospective of songs, dance and spoken word. *5:30 p.m. Wednesday, Auditorium Theatre, 50 E. Congress Parkway; free, but tickets are required; [www.roosevelt.edu/vivid](http://www.roosevelt.edu/vivid)*

**GREG KOT  
 ROCK**

**Lucy Dacus, "Historian"**

"Historian" features songs like short stories; sneakily hard-hitting arrangements; dreaminess and catharsis, often in the space of a few verses. Dacus remains an unassuming yet persuasive singer. She rarely raises her voice, no matter how turbulent the words or the music become. She knows the lyrics are strong enough to stand on their own, without histrionics, and her confidence is well-founded: "You take me aside/ To solemnly confide/ When it comes the time/ You plan to give your body to the flame." The 10-track album peaks as it enters the final turn. In "Timefighter," time wins in a "landslide," as embodied by the guitar that splinters the calm. Yet just as things appear ready to boil, it cuts off — just like that, it's over.

# 'American Idol' comes back, but do we actually want it?

BY CHUCK BARNEY  
East Bay Times

In the early moments of Sunday's "American Idol" (ABC, 7 p.m.) season opener — shortly after a Disney-ish, when-you-wish-upon-a-star voice-over cameo by Carrie Underwood — the familiar mug of Ryan Seacrest appears on screen and declares, "It's the dawn of a new era!"

Yes, "American Idol" is back and ready to resume the search for chart-topping superstars. OK, but a big, nagging question looms over ABC's high-risk reboot:

Do we actually want "American Idol" back?

To recap: "Idol" aired for 15 seasons on Fox. During much of that run, the singing competition dominated the Nielsens, crushing everything in its path. But toward the end, the ratings plunged and the cost to make the show dramatically rose. Fox — with the cooperation of "Idol" producers — decided to send it off with a "farewell season."

The thinking at the time was that "Idol" surely would return some day. It just needed a break.

But less than two years after its swan song — and before many of us had a chance to miss it — ABC is doing a very pricey revival. How pricey? It reportedly paid \$25 million to secure pop superstar Katy Perry as a judge, then recruited Lionel Richie and Luke Bryan (for leaner paychecks) to join her on the panel. They also brought back Seacrest as host.

Is there, though, any gas left in the "Idol" tank? Will this revival blow up in ABC's face? There certainly are some scary red flags.

Let's begin with Seacrest, who has been dogged by sexual harassment allegations. He vehemently denies the claims.



ERIC LIEBOWITZ/ABC

ABC's "American Idol" has host Ryan Seacrest, standing, with judges Lionel Richie, left, Katy Perry and Luke Bryan.

However, if the controversy gains momentum, it would present a messy dilemma for family-friendly ABC. The network could dump him, but the early episodes of "Idol" are already in the can and Seacrest is woven throughout them. Even if he stays, will his very presence be a turnoff for some viewers in the #MeToo era?

Meanwhile, well before "Idol" left the air, it had been eclipsed by "The Voice" as television's most popular singing contest. "The Voice" recently launched a new season on NBC and, to add insult to injury, boasts the first "Idol" winner Kelly Clarkson as one of its four judges/coaches. Is there still room in prime time for two singing shows? (A third show, Fox's "The Four," ended last month).

A personal observation: Last summer I attended the "Idol" auditions in Oakland, Calif., where only 2,000 wannabe pop stars — give or take a few — bothered to show up. That might sound impressive, but I've covered Bay Area "Idol" tryouts for years and I can recall massive throngs that dwarfed the Oakland turnout.

Clearly, the amount of people who attend a weekend audition isn't the best gauge as to whether a show

will work. On the other hand, it's not exactly encouraging.

But believe it or not, there are signs of hope — mostly pegged to the judges panel. I've only seen Sunday's opener, but Perry, Richie and Bryan appear to have great chemistry. More importantly, they bring a real passion and energy to their new roles. They're genuinely excited to have the chance to make someone's dreams come true.

Perry, especially, is a force. She's got warmth and charisma, and she's not afraid to have some spontaneous fun. At one point, she playfully offers a smooch to a shy male contestant who admits he has never kissed a girl. She dances with another hopeful ("Dip me") and says she'll have to shave her legs after a standout vocalist, because the performance was so amazing that she sprouted new hairs.

Of course, it will all come down to the contestants, as it usually does. Will their talent, personalities and stories be enough to lure back the faithful? In recent seasons, the judges didn't always round up the best bunch. Let's hope Perry and company have better luck.

If they do, maybe "Idol" will have America singing its praises once again.



## ASK AMY

BY AMY DICKINSON

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### Upset over friend's bankruptcy plan

**Dear Amy:** I have a close friend who went through years of fertility treatments in order to have her kids.

She and her partner are now drowning under a mountain of debt. She complains about money all the time.

She recently told me that they are looking into filing for bankruptcy because of all the fertility-related debt.

She and her partner took on this debt willingly, and it seems wrong to me that they should be able to not pay it off. They spent hundreds of thousands of dollars on treatments.

I feel terrible for the way that I am judging her. I know that fertility treatments are very expensive. On the other hand, other people in the same boat choose not to go into so much debt that they can't recover from. What are your thoughts?

— *Trying To Be a Friend*

**Dear Trying:** This couple's financial situation is likely very complicated, and so is bankruptcy. It is less a moral decision than a legal one, for people who have no hope of paying off their creditors.

Bankruptcy does not completely absolve people of paying toward their debts. It is not a cure-all, and doesn't offer a completely blank slate. The couple may lose their home, or other assets, and they will likely have to offer payments toward creditors through a trustee. Their credit will be affected for several years.

If you are really trying to be a good friend, you should urge your friend to do all of her research and to — quite simply — make

the best choice for her family. Relieving themselves of the constant drumbeat of dodging their creditors, simplifying their financial life and basically trying to take charge of their situation might be best for them.

Now that these two are parents, all of their decisions should be pointed toward their family's well-being, and you should be as supportive and nonjudgmental as possible.

**Dear Amy:** My 95-year-old father is in an adult-care facility. I try to visit Dad every day, but I find that these visits are difficult for me.

My father isn't very lucid or communicative. The "conversation," if it can be called that, is basically one-sided.

I find that I run out of things to say and feel awkward. I imagine that I am not alone among your readers who visit elderly or sick who don't talk much.

Can you suggest any strategies and topics that I can use? I really want to engage him because I think it helps him mentally and physically.

— *L in Washington*

**Dear L:** I've noticed that sometimes when loved ones visit with family members in facilities, they will sometimes fill the time through engaging with the staff, rather than their family member. This is understandable, if your loved one isn't able to communicate effectively, or when you are unsure of their comprehension. But rather than conducting what feels like a monologue, reading to your father might make it easier

for you to engage with him.

Many people report that reading my column (or other advice columns) aloud can help them to connect, because they can read the question and then ask, "How would you answer this question?"

You could also read a chapter book from your father's youth — or your own — that you suspect he might remember and/or enjoy. Reading a chapter each day might help both of you to stay more engaged, and will also give you something to look forward to — aside from seeing each other.

Also during visits, play music from the old days, and bring photos or picture books to look at together.

At the end of my mother's life, my sisters and I watched favorite movies with her, and we read aloud from some of her favorite novels. (And, naturally, I shared some readers' questions with her.)

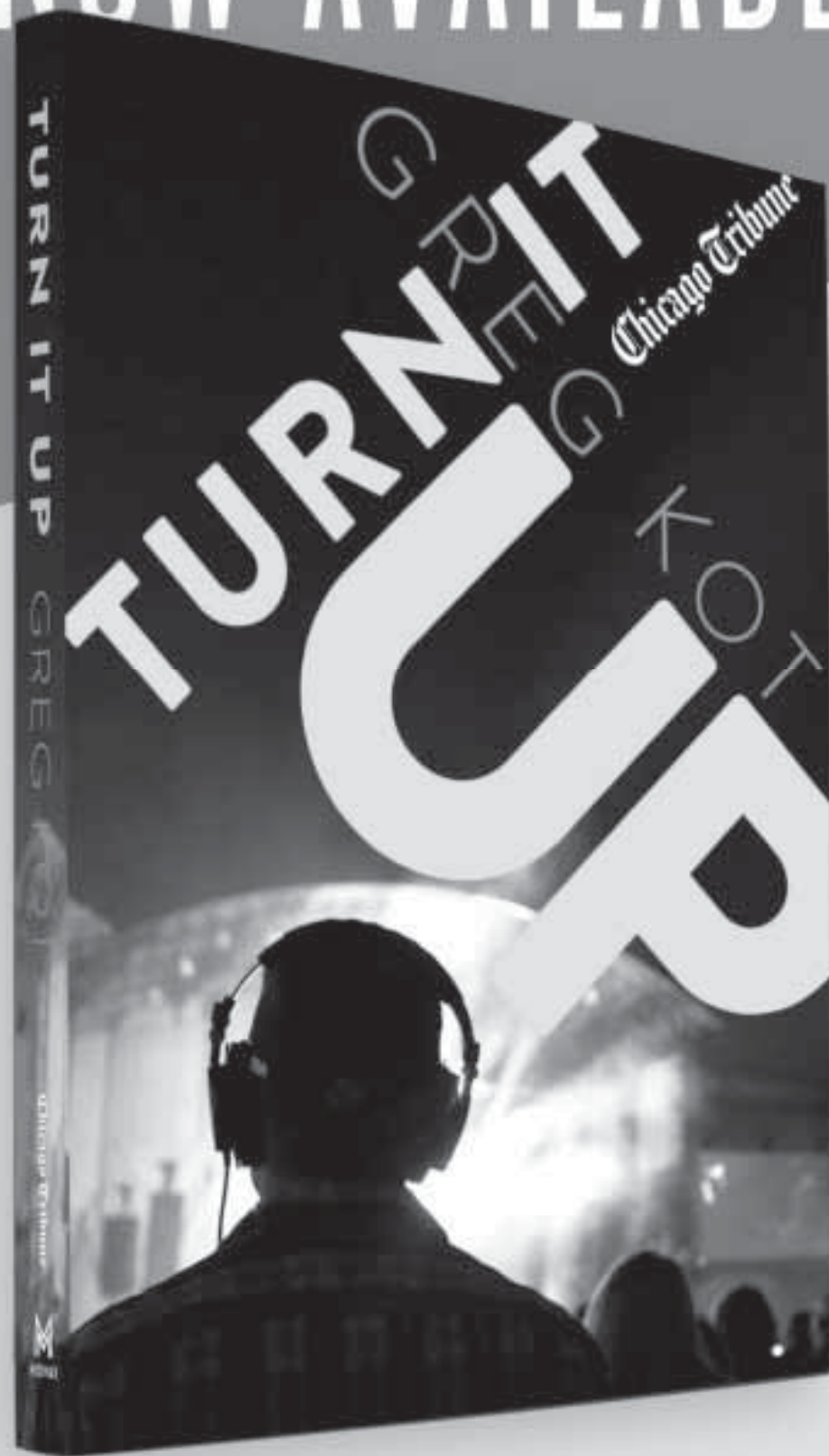
**Dear Amy:** Regarding questions based on DNA test results, no test or process is 100 percent reliable, no matter how diligent and reliable the company. I'd suggest that anyone who receives unexpected results should have the test repeated, preferably by a different company. There may have been an error. My guess is that the odds are slim that this happens, but it would be best to be sure before letting it affect family relationships.

— *Lab Scientist*

**Dear Scientist:** Great advice.

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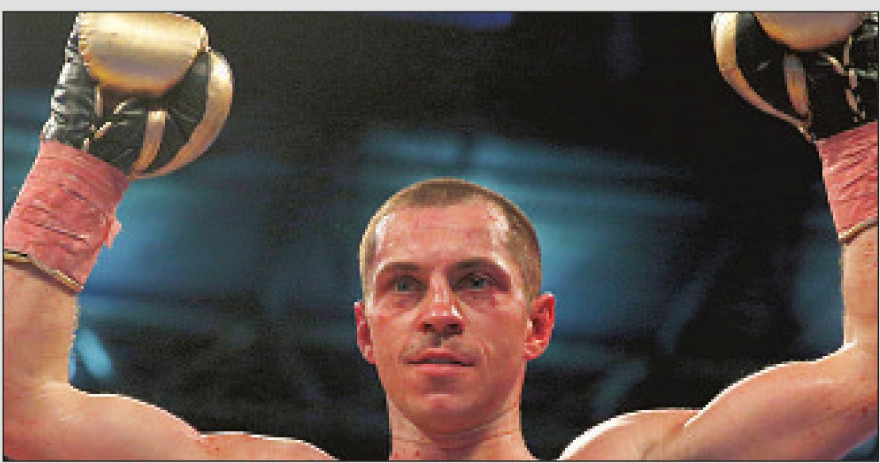
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# WATCH THIS: SATURDAY



Scott Quigg

**"Boxing"** (9:30 p.m., ESPN): Mexican boxer and WBO featherweight champion Oscar Valdez (23-0, 19 KOs) puts his belt on the line when he faces British puncher Scott Quigg (34-1-2, 25 KOs) in a 12-round bout from Carson, Calif. Valdez's opponents have gone the distance (12-rounds) with him in his past two fights, and he also has a TKO since winning his title in 2016. He comes into this match ranked fourth in ESPN's boxer ratings, while Quigg is ranked eighth.

**"My Cousin Rachel"** (7 p.m., 1:30 a.m., HBO): Writer-director Roger Michell's 2017 adaptation on Daphne Du Maurier's mystery novel stars Rachel Weisz in the movie role first played in 1952 by Olivia de Havilland: Rachel Ashley, an enigmatic beauty who may or may not have killed her late husband.

**"Stalked by a Reality Star"** (7 p.m., 11 p.m., Lifetime): Kendra is just a teenager, so she lies about her age to get into a Hollywood party, where she meets Brad, a handsome reality TV star. She soon discovers that Brad isn't quite as charming as he first appears, so she tries to reject him. Unfortunately, Brad's not big on rejection, and his obsession with Kendra drives him to try anything — including dating her widowed mother — to stay close to her. Cynthia Preston, Scott William Wilson and Emily Bader star in this thriller.

**"Churchill"** (7 p.m., 5:15 a.m., Starz): The role of Winston Churchill is catnip for great actors, and not without reason: John Lithgow won an Emmy playing the British prime minister in "The Crown," and Gary Oldman is a current Oscar front runner as best actor for his performance as Churchill in "Darkest Hour." This 2017 World War II drama from Jonathan Teplitzky finds Brian Cox undertaking the role, with Miranda Richardson, John Slattery, Julian Wadham And Danny Webb in the capable supporting cast.

**"Love, Once and Always"** (8 p.m., Hallmark): Lucy (Amanda Schull) is dismayed to learn that her childhood sweetheart, Duncan (Peter Porte), plans to tear down a beloved old estate called Gilded Age and replace it with a golf course, so she mounts a crusade to save the property no matter what. As she and Duncan seek a compromise that would be acceptable to both of them, they discover that embracing the past may also help protect the future in this new 2018 romance.

**"Saturday Night Live"** (10:29 p.m., NBC): The timing likely isn't coincidental for Sterling K. Brown to become a first-time host of this show, since the Emmy-winning actor appears a few nights later in the second-season finale of "This Is Us" ... a series that could find itself ripe for parody here, but probably not overly hard-hitting since it's an NBC show, too. Brown is in the box-office blockbuster "Black Panther," too, so that also might be satirized. Singer-songwriter James Bay makes his first "SNL" appearance as well as the musical guest.

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		MOVIES							
	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	
BROADCAST	<b>CBS</b>	2	NCIS: "House Divided."	NCIS: New Orleans: "No. 1 Fan."	48 Hours: "Who Killed Fabio?"	News (N)			
	<b>NBC</b>	5	Will & Grace	Superstore	Dateline NBC	Saturday Night Live (N)	NBC 5 News at 10pm (N)		
	<b>ABC</b>	7	NBA Countdown (N)	NBA Basketball: San Antonio Spurs at Oklahoma City Thunder. (N)			Eyewitness News (N)		
	<b>WGN</b>	9	(6:30) Madea's Witness Protection (PG-13,12)			WGN Weekend News at Nine (N) (Live)	Man of the People (N)		
	<b>Antenna</b>	9.2	Morning McHale	Knows Best	Jack Benny	Burns/Allen	Jeannie	Bewitched	
	<b>This TV</b>	9.3	The Magnificent Seven	The Magnificent Seven	The Young Riders			Y'ng Rider	
	<b>PBS</b>	11	Johnny Mathis -- Wonderful! Wonderful!	The Bee Gees One for All Tour -- Live In Australia 1989				Bee Gees One	
	<b>The U</b>	26.1	King of Hill	King of Hill	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	Burgers
	<b>MeTV</b>	26.3	Svengoolie: "The 5,000 Fingers of Dr. T."				Batman	Batman	Star Trek
	<b>H&amp;I</b>	26.4	Hunter: "The Black Dahlia."	Hill Street Blues			Hill Street Blues		Wiseguy
	<b>Bounce</b>	26.5	Dear White People	Mad Money (PG-13,'08)			Diane Keaton, Queen Latifah.		
	<b>FOX</b>	32	College Basketball (N)	Postgame (N)	Showtime at the Apollo: "Week 2."		Fox 32 News (N)		Love Connection
	<b>Ion</b>	38	Law & Order: SVU	Law & Order: SVU			Law & Order: SVU		Law-SVU
	<b>Telem</b>	44	(6) The Expendables	The 33 (PG-13,'15)	Antonio Banderas.				Noticiero Crímenes
	<b>CW</b>	50	AHL Hockey: Manitoba Moose at Chicago Wolves. (N) (Live)						
<b>UniMas</b>	60	Un día con el diablo (NR,'45)	Cantinflas.			Derailled (R,'05)	Clive Owen.		
<b>WJYS</b>	62	Paid Prog.	Moses	Bishop	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Ultimate	
<b>Univ</b>	66	(6:55) Fútbol Mexicano Primera División (N) (Live)				Fútbol Mexicano Primera División (N)			
CABLE	<b>AE</b>		Live PD: Rewind (N)	Live PD: "Live PD -- 03.10.18."					
	<b>AMC</b>		Contagion (PG-13,'11)	Marion Cotillard, Matt Damon.			Insidious: Chapter 2		
	<b>ANIM</b>		The Zoo: Bronx Tales (Season Premiere) (N)	The Zoo (N)		(9:01) The Zoo		The Zoo	
	<b>BBCA</b>		(6:50) Planet Earth II	Planet Earth II	Planet Earth II: "Islands."			Planet	
	<b>BET</b>		You Got Served: Beat the World (PG-13,'11)	Tyrone Brown.			ATL (PG-13,'06)		
	<b>BIGTEN</b>		(6:30) College Hockey: Michigan at Ohio State. (N)		The B1G	The B1G	The B1G		
	<b>BRAVO</b>		(6) Tyler Perry's Madea's Witness Protection						
	<b>CLTV</b>		News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	Chic.Best	Weekend	
	<b>CNBC</b>		Undercover Boss	Undercover Boss			Undercover Boss	Boss	
	<b>CNN</b>		The Sixties: "The Assassination of President Kennedy."		The Sixties: "1968."			The Sixties	
	<b>COM</b>		(6:25) Rush Hour 3 (PG-13,'07)		Rush Hour 3 (PG-13,'07)		Jackie Chan.		
	<b>DISC</b>		Naked and Afraid: Bugged Out: "Swarm in South America."					Afraid	
	<b>DISN</b>		(6:30) Toy Story 2	Jessie	Jessie	Jessie	Jessie	Bunk'd	
	<b>E!</b>		(6:30) Fifty Shades of Grey (R,'15)				Fifty Shades of Grey (R,'15)		
	<b>ESPN</b>		GameDay (N) College Basketball (N)				Boxing (N)		
	<b>ESPN2</b>		College Basketball (N)	College Basketball (N)				SportCtr (N)	
	<b>FNC</b>		Watters' World (N)	Justice With Jeanine (N)	Greg Gutfeld (N)			Watters	
	<b>FOOD</b>		Spring Baking	Spring Baking	Spring Baking			Baking	
	<b>FREE</b>		(5:40) The Lion King	(7:50) Beauty and the Beast (G,'91)				Newsies	
	<b>FX</b>		Transformers	Iron Man 2 (PG-13,'10)	Robert Downey Jr., Gwyneth Paltrow.				
	<b>HALL</b>		(6) My Secret Valentine	Love, Once and Always (NR,'18)	Amanda Schull.			Spring Fvr	
	<b>HGTV</b>		Fixer Upper	Fixer Upper	House Hunters Reno (N)			Log Cabin	
	<b>HIST</b>		American Pickers	The Men Who Built America: Frontiersmen				Pickers	
	<b>HLN</b>		Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	
	<b>IFC</b>		The Fast and the Furious: Tokyo Drift ('06)				Fast and Furious-Drift		
	<b>LIFE</b>		Stalked by a Reality Star (NR,'18)	Cynthia Preston.			(9:03) Seduced by a Stranger ('17)		
	<b>MSNBC</b>		Hardball Chris Matthews	The 11th Hour			Deadline: White House	Hardball	
	<b>MTV</b>		(6:30) Talladega Nights: The Ballad of Ricky Bobby				Rush Hour (PG-13,'98)		
	<b>NBCSCH</b>		High School Basketball (N)				Panthers (N) Bensing	Basketball	
	<b>NICK</b>		Thunder (N) Knight (N)	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	Friends	
	<b>OVATION</b>		(5:30) Pulp Fiction (R,'94)	John Travolta.			Artful Detective (N)	Fools Rsh	
	<b>OWN</b>		Iyanla, Fix My Life	Iyanla, Fix My Life (N)	Iyanla, Fix My Life (N)		Iyanla		
<b>OXY</b>		Killer Couples	Snapped: "Shelly Arndt."			Snapped	Snapped		
<b>PARMT</b>		(5) XXX (PG-13,'02)	Fast Five (PG-13,'11)	Vin Diesel, Paul Walker.					
<b>SYFY</b>		(6) Beetlejuice ('88)	Beetlejuice (PG,'88)	Michael Keaton.			Futurama		
<b>TBS</b>		Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Full Frontal		
<b>TCM</b>		Kansas City Confidential (NR,'52)	John Payne.			The Crooked Way (NR,'49)			
<b>TLC</b>		Say Yes to the Dress (N)	Say Yes: \$05 (Season Finale) (N)	Hear Me, Love (N)			Say Yes		
<b>TLN</b>		Exalted	Pacific Garden Mission	In Grace		Humanitarian	Pure Pas		
<b>TNT</b>		The Hunger Games (PG-13,'12)	Jennifer Lawrence, Josh Hutcherson.				Catch Fire		
<b>TOON</b>		Cleveland	Family Guy	Rick, Morty	Rick, Morty	Family Guy	Dragon (N)		
<b>TRAV</b>		Ghost Adventures	Ghost Adventures (N)	The Dead Files (N)			Dead Files		
<b>TVL</b>		Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Mom	Mom	King		
<b>USA</b>		(6) Armageddon (PG-13,'98)	Bruce Willis.			Falling Water (Season Finale) (N)	Mod Fam		
<b>VH1</b>		(6) Boyz n the Hood (R,'91)		Baby Boy (R,'01)			Tyrese Gibson.		
<b>WE</b>		Criminal Minds	Criminal Minds: "3rd Life"			Criminal Minds	Criminal		
<b>WGN America</b>		M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	M*A*S*H	Person		
PREMIUM	<b>HBO</b>		My Cousin Rachel (PG-13,'17)	Rachel Weisz.			(8:50) Here and Now	Crashing	
	<b>HBO2</b>		High Main.	E.T. the Extra-Terrestrial (PG,'82)			X-Men: Apocalypse		
	<b>MAX</b>		Sherlock Holmes (PG-13,'09)	Robert Downey Jr.			(9:10) Kiss Kiss, Bang Bang (R)		
	<b>SHO</b>		Patriots Day (R,'16)	Mark Wahlberg.			Boxing (N)		
	<b>STARZ</b>		Churchill (PG,'17)	Brian Cox.			Counterpart (9:43) Rough Night		
<b>STZENC</b>		Tommy Boy	Zombieland (R,'09)			Spartacus: Blood & Sand	Top Gun		

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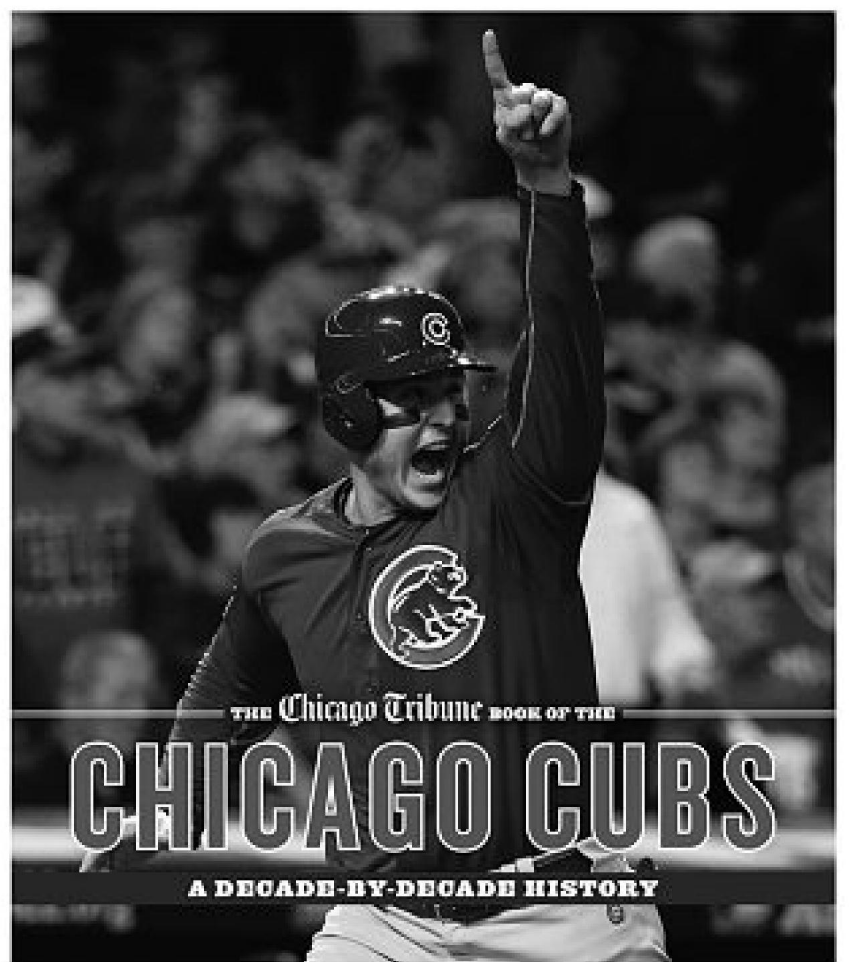
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### Horoscopes



**Today's birthday** (March 10): Growth comes through higher education, travel and investigation this year. Team support is fundamental. Somehow the funding comes. Love builds to a peak this summer, leading to a quiet, introspective phase followed by breakthroughs in work and health.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Get into a testing phase. Don't talk about what you're considering yet. Lay the groundwork for career expansion today and tomorrow. Stick to basics.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 8. Get out and make your connections. Keep a low profile, and stay flexible. Travels and studies could lead to unexpected destinations.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 8. Discuss shared finances and come up with new ideas. Don't gamble with the rent money. Review and revise the budget. Responsibilities fall into place. **Canter** (June 21-July 22): 9. Work with a partner to get farther. Help someone see the bigger picture. Treat each other gently and patiently. Self-discipline is a practical tool.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 9. The pace quickens, and it takes sharp focus to avoid stepping on toes. Slow to save energy. Missed steps might require you to start over.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Let go of a preconception. Play by the rules, and stick to tested routines. Things fall together between you and the object of your passion.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 6. Make changes at home with family. Clear excess stuff and clutter. Include everyone before committing. Spend a little. Play with form, function and color.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Keep editing. Cut out extra words and leave only the gold. Don't share unfinished work yet. Refine and strengthen foundational structures. Avoid unnecessary expense.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. Your work may interfere with your social life; or maybe you can blend the two. Guard against overspending or overindulging. Stick to familiar routines.

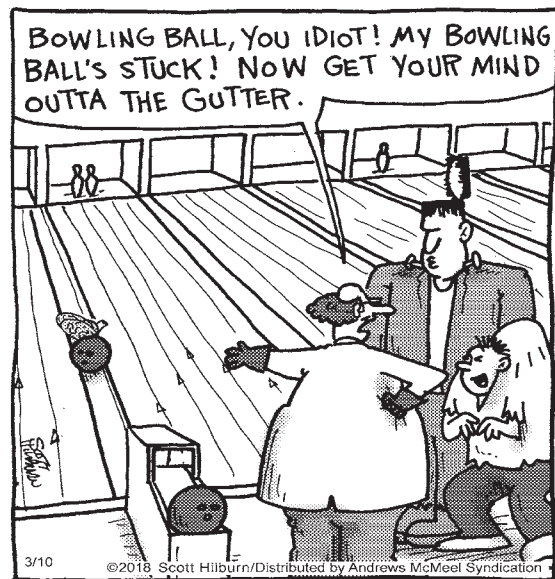
**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 9. Take charge without being pushy or demanding. Diplomacy and grace sidestep a confrontation with an authority. Enjoy yourself, and encourage others to get comfortable.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 6. Sink into thoughtful planning mode. In a stalemate, don't ask for favors. Hold your temper and wait for developments. Avoid risky propositions.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 8. Rely on teamwork to surmount a challenge or clean up a mess. Share the load. Every little bit counts. Show your appreciation and show up.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

### The Argyle Sweater



### Bliss



### Bridge

East-West vulnerable, South deals

<b>North</b>		<b>East</b>	
♠ A 7 4 3 2	♥ 9 8 4 3	♠ J 8	♥ A J
♦ 10 7 5 3	♣ Void	♦ A J 8 4 2	♣ J 8 4 2
<b>South</b>			
♠ Q 5	♥ K Q 10 5 2		
♦ K	♣ A Q 7 6 3		

Today's deal is from a match between teams from Spain and Bulgaria. South was Bulgarian expert Ivan Nanev.

The opening trump lead went to East's ace and Nanev won the jack of trumps continuation with his king — a good start for the defense. A club was ruffed in dummy and declarer was at the crossroads. The play had started the same way at the other table, after a different auction, and the other declarer at this point led a low spade to his queen and ended up down one. Nanev had more information. East's double of the artificial one diamond bid had shown diamonds, while West's double of the natural one heart bid had been takeout for spades and clubs.

**The bidding:**

<b>South</b>	<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>
1♠*	Pass	1♦**	Dbl
1♥	Dbl	4♥	All pass

\*Artificial, 16 or more points

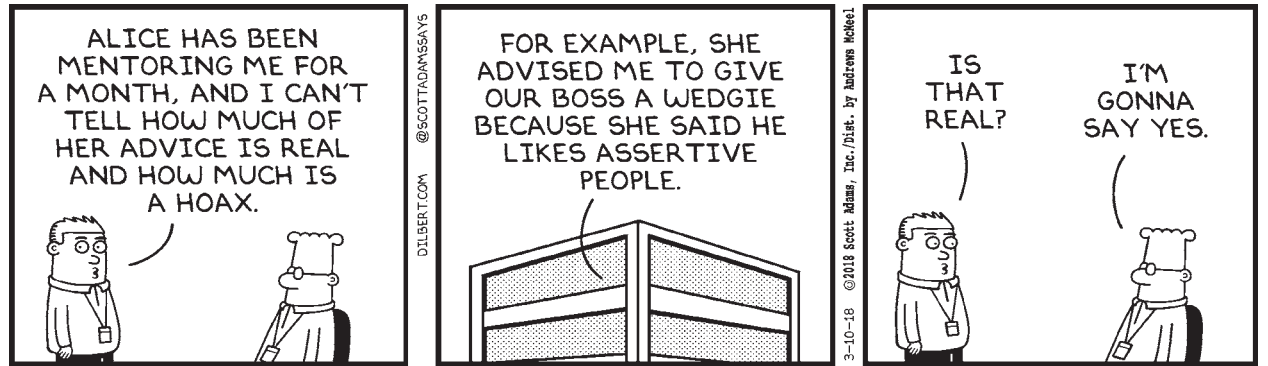
\*\*Artificial, 0-7 points

Opening lead: Six of ♥

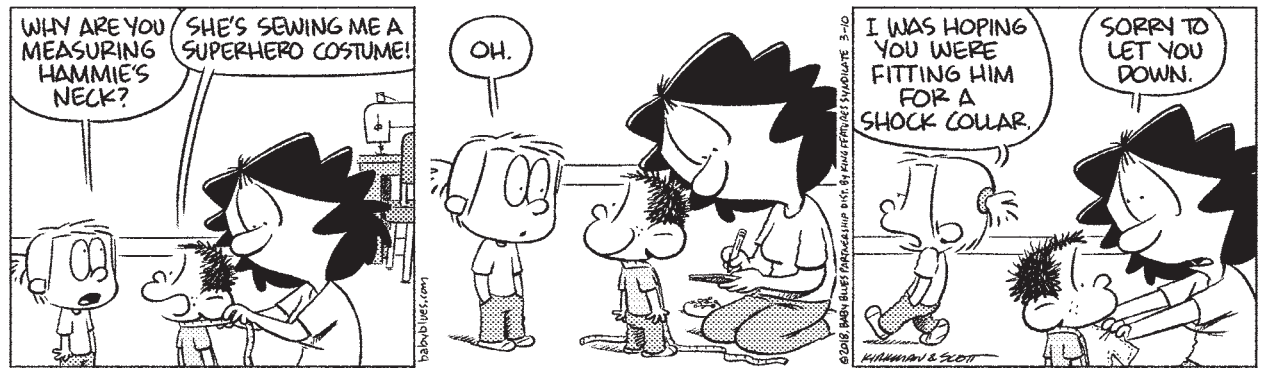
Nanev led a low diamond and East rose with his ace. A spade shift would have defeated the contract, but would have been a disaster had South held the 10 of spades instead of West. East continued with another diamond, ruffed by Nanev. Another club was ruffed with dummy's last trump and another diamond was ruffed, taking away West's last card in that suit. Nanev now completed his brilliant work by cashing the ace of clubs and exiting with the queen of clubs. West won with his king, but had to lead away from his king of spades. Making four! Well played.

— Bob Jones  
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### Dilbert



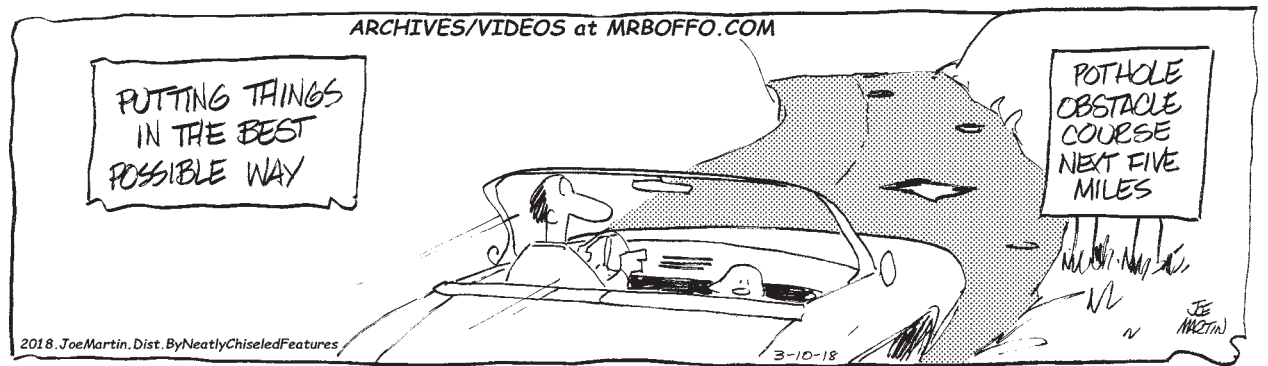
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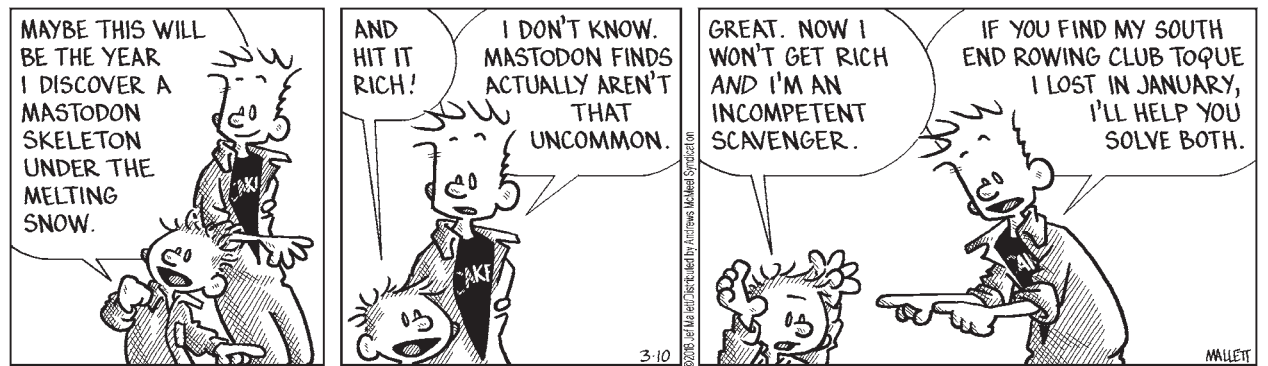
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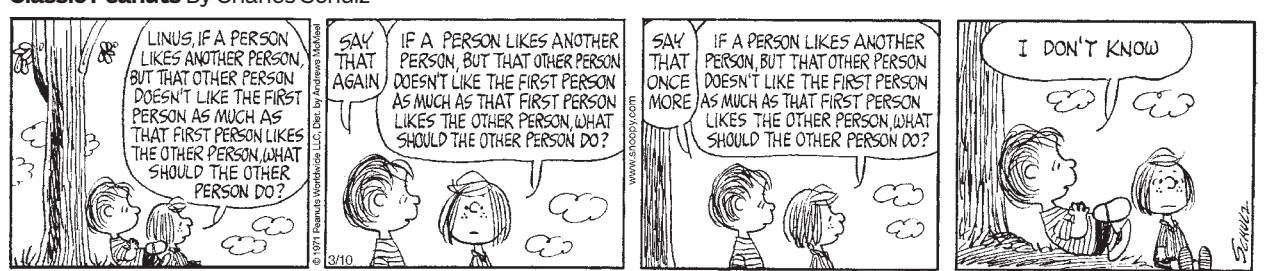
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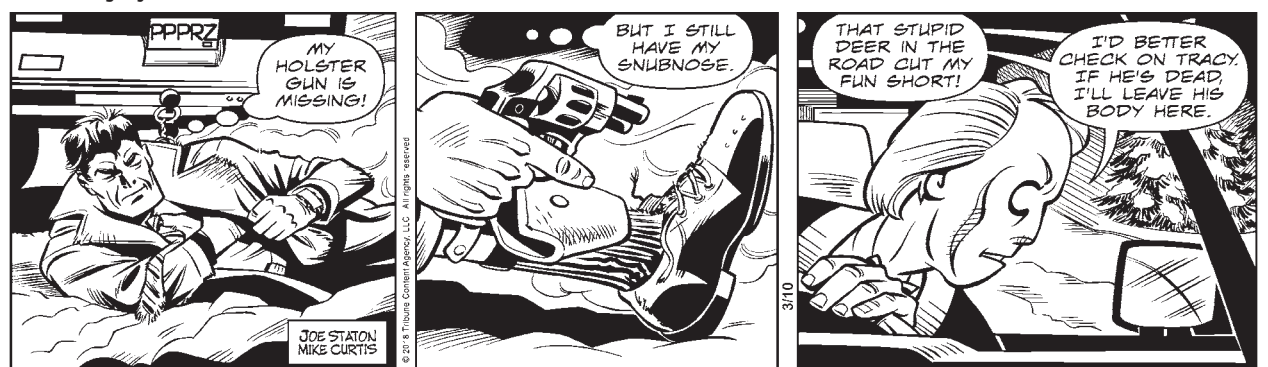
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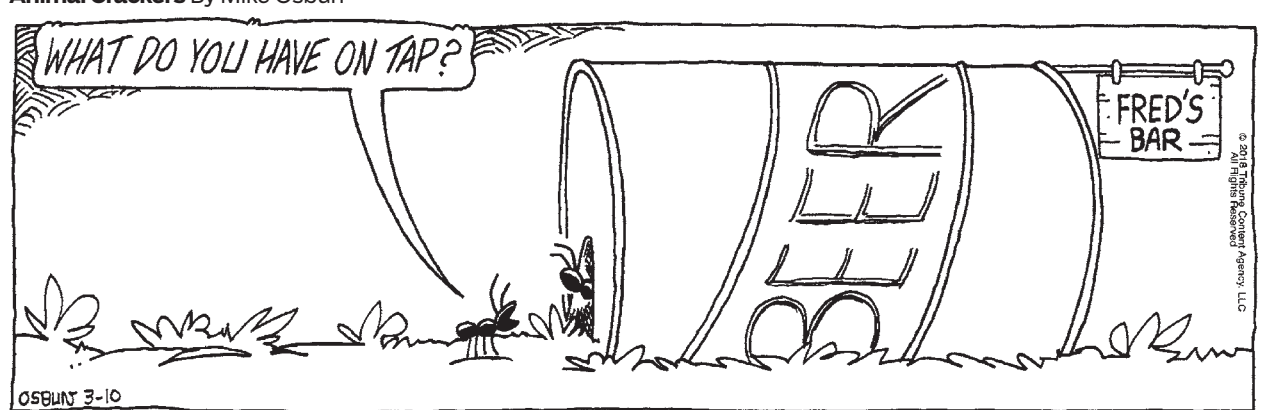
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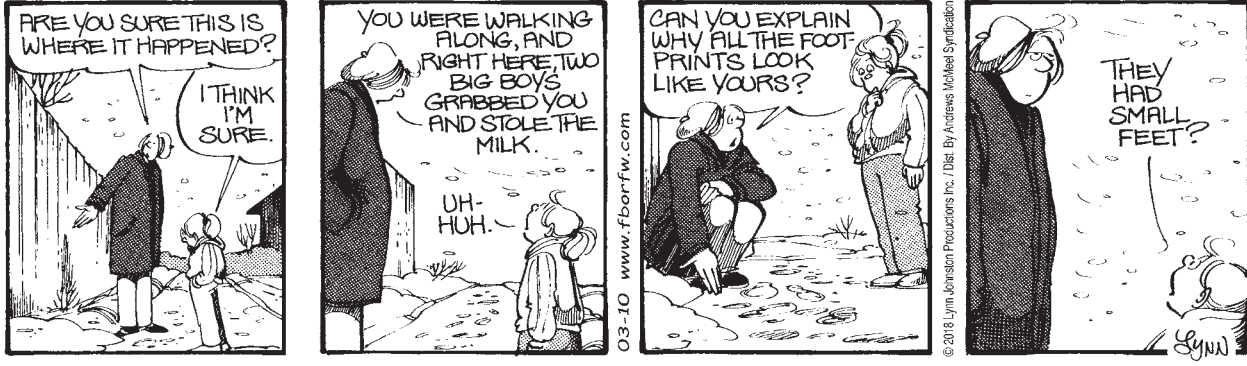
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**For Better or for Worse** By Lynn Johnston



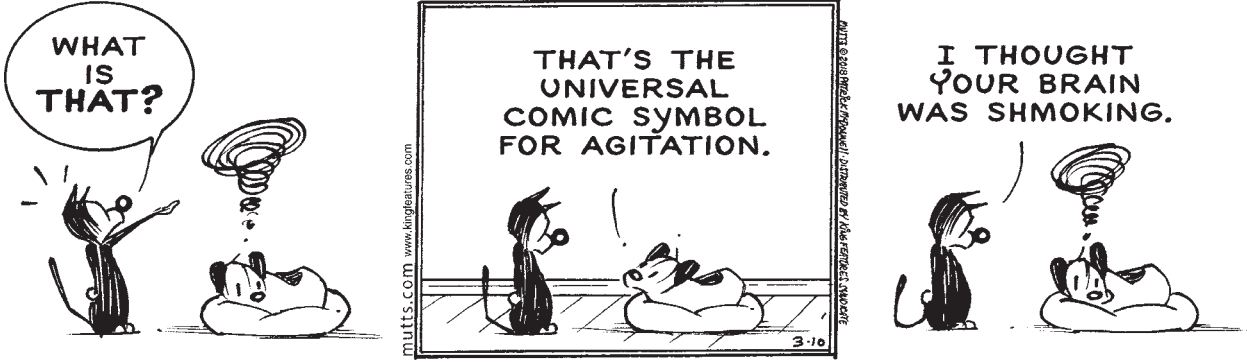
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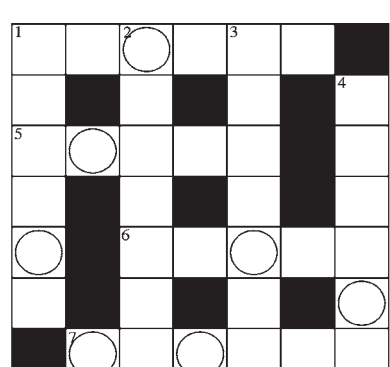
**Broom-Hilda** By Russell Myers



**Trivia Bits**

A pseudonym used by Percy Bysshe Shelley, what is Dr. Frankenstein's first name?  
 A) Alphonse  
 B) Igor  
 C) Victor  
 D) Werner  
 Friday's answer: According to Simon and Garfunkel's "The Sound of Silence," the words of the prophets are written on the subway walls and tenement halls.  
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**Jumble Crossword**



**ACROSS**  
 CLUE ANSWER  
 1. Garden tool TELWOR  
 5. Performed DCEAT  
 6. Clean out UPGRE  
 7. Aft RNSEAT

**DOWN**  
 CLUE ANSWER  
 1. Move, visit TAEIVR  
 2. Type of mollusk POUSOTC  
 3. Support RODENES  
 4. Rule, control VOERGN

How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

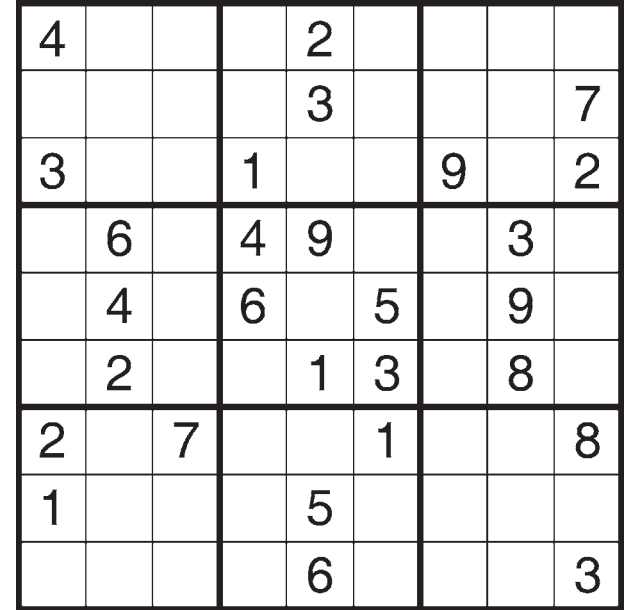
**DOUBLE BONUS**  
 The circled letters can be unscrambled to form two different BONUS answers.  
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CLUE: Nuclear  
 CLUE: Manufacturer

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**Sudoku** 1 2 3 4

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2	6	4	8	3	1	5	9	7
3	8	9	7	5	6	1	2	4
7	1	5	4	9	2	6	8	3
5	3	1	9	7	8	2	4	6
9	7	6	2	4	3	8	1	5
4	2	8	6	1	5	3	7	9
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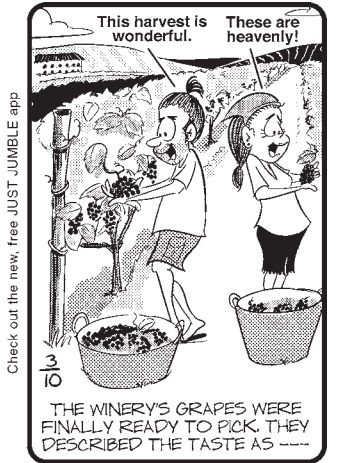
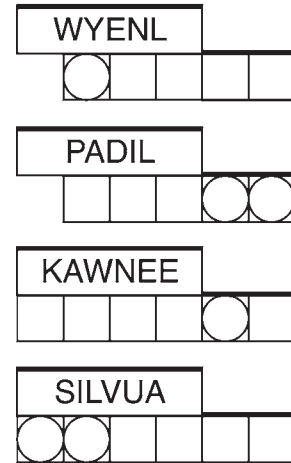
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

**Friday's solutions**

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**Jumble**

Unscramble the four Jumbles, one letter per square, to form four words. Then arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by this cartoon.



Answer here

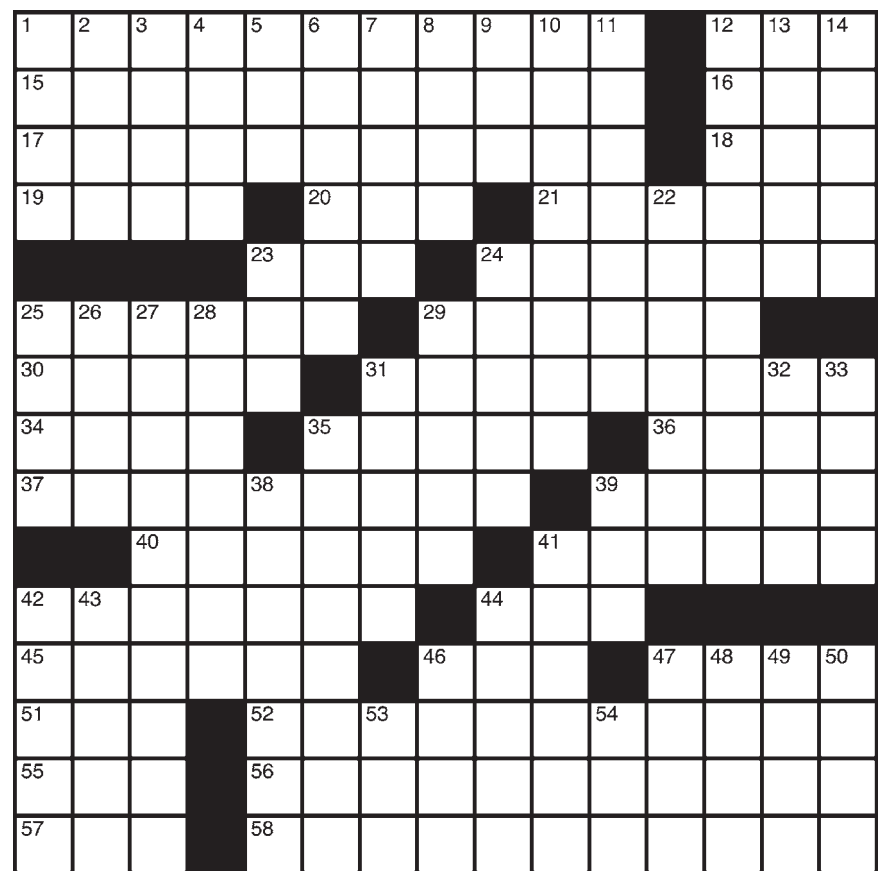


**Friday's answers**

Jumbles: TOKEN DRIFT CASHEW NOGGIN  
 Answer: The harbor master had a busy day scheduled with several ships — ON THE "DOCK-IT"  
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**Crossword**

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**Across**

- 1 Oceanic ecosystem
- 12 Common intruders
- 15 Mexican sugar substitute
- 16 Home Depot purchase
- 17 Black-necked fier
- 18 Knoxville energy agcy.
- 19 Sportscaster Andrews
- 20 Bradlee in "The Post"
- 21 2013 Culinary Hall of Fame inductee
- 23 Key used in shortcuts
- 24 Word of warning
- 25 Downer at a party?
- 29 Waterside accommodations
- 30 Not dense, in a way
- 31 Lindy relative
- 34 Deuterium discoverer
- 35 They usually have spines
- 36 Ornate metalware
- 37 Spots for sports stands

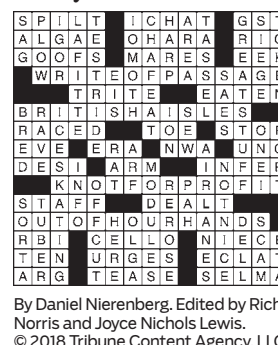
- 39 Forks over, formally
- 40 Collaborate
- 41 "Even so..."
- 42 "Thunderball" setting
- 44 Try hard (for)
- 45 Had taken, as a portrait
- 46 Tagged, perhaps
- 47 Territorial marking
- 51 It may build up gradually
- 52 Skeet participant
- 55 Styling creations
- 56 Italian cooking staple
- 57 Tolkien creature
- 58 Mall attraction

- 25 Numb, in a way
- 26 Marseilles money
- 27 Erratic driver's comeuppance, perhaps
- 28 Pungent spice
- 29 \_ tendinitis: arm muscle ailment
- 31 Two-faced deity
- 32 1997 film character getting a lot of buzz?
- 33 Heroic adventure
- 35 1931 Oscar-winning Western based on an Edna Ferber novel
- 38 "Raging Bull" boxer
- 39 "Wolf" channel
- 41 Mailer, for one
- 42 Something in back of a hit?
- 43 Packer quarterback Rodgers
- 44 Feature of Sousa's music
- 46 Deep-water fish
- 47 Sulk
- 48 Catchall survey opción
- 49 Carnival draw
- 50 Street adornment
- 53 "Preacher" network
- 54 Black \_

**Down**

- 1 Medieval weapon
- 2 Seaweed product
- 3 Indian palace resident
- 4 One of the Karamazovs
- 5 "Deliverance" co-star of Jon, Burt and Ronny
- 6 Allow
- 7 Cause
- 8 Small program opener
- 9 Plains tribe
- 10 Classy wheels
- 11 Religious recluse
- 12 Vehicle for some spiritual experiences
- 13 Boat-lifting device
- 14 Depressed area
- 22 Turned inside out
- 23 Not feel well
- 24 Mrs. \_\_, head of the kitchen in "Beauty and the Beast"

**Friday's solution**



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Because of injuries his first three seasons, Kevin White has made just five regular-season appearances, totaling 21 catches for 193 yards.

## BEARS

## White at crossroads — again

Trubisky: Wide receiver 'busting his tail' to stay healthy, make impact

BY COLLEEN KANE  
Chicago Tribune

Ka'Raun White doesn't know many players with the bad fortune his older brother has dealt with over his first three seasons in the NFL.

Fractured legs in 2015 and 2016 and a broken shoulder blade in 2017 prevented Kevin White from trying to live up to the potential the Bears forecast when they drafted the wide receiver at No. 7 three years ago.

## ON THE CLOCK

4 Days until the new league year — and the opening of NFL free agency.

## MORE NFL

Browns acquire WR Jarvis Landry from the Dolphins, QB Tyrod Taylor from the Bills; Seahawks cut CB Richard Sherman. **Page 6**

But Ka'Raun, a West Virginia wide receiver who is trying to follow Kevin's footsteps to the NFL, is holding out hope his brother can "shock the world" in his return this year.

"He's still humble, hungry, wants to prove everybody wrong," Ka'Raun White told reporters last

week at the NFL scouting combine in Indianapolis. "A lot of people are saying he's a bust, he's glass, he's this. But he don't let all that get to his head. He's still working every day, rehabbing. He'll bounce back."

White hasn't played in a game since Sept. 10, when he suffered the shoulder blade injury. But Bears general manager Ryan Pace said at the combine that because White is recovering from an upper-body injury he has been able to run and work on his route quickness.

Bears quarterback Mitch Trubisky said Tuesday on "Bears All

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## Not all sunshine for star Sox prospects

Rough 24 hours for Jimenez, Kopech, Robert

PEORIA, Ariz. — The three most important players at White Sox camp had a difficult 24-hour stretch leading into Friday's Cactus League game against the Padres.

Top prospect Eloy Jimenez was out with left knee tendinitis and still hasn't played since the opening days of camp.

Top pitching prospect Michael Kopech suffered through his first Cactus League drubbing Thursday, allowing five runs in 2 1/3 innings against the Royals.

And center fielder of the future Luis Robert was out with a left thumb injury on the heels of hitting a grand slam in his first start.

None of the bruises — physical or mental — will last long.

Manager Rick Renner said he is "hoping" to get Jimenez back in action Sunday against the Diamondbacks. Kopech should be back on the mound next week, though it might not be in a Cactus League game.

And though Robert has inflam-



PAUL SULLIVAN  
On the  
White Sox

mation in the thumb and has no return date scheduled, he got a taste of major-league camp, and hitting a grand slam in his final at-bat wouldn't be a bad way to go before being assigned to minor-league camp.

This was supposed to be a camp in which Sox

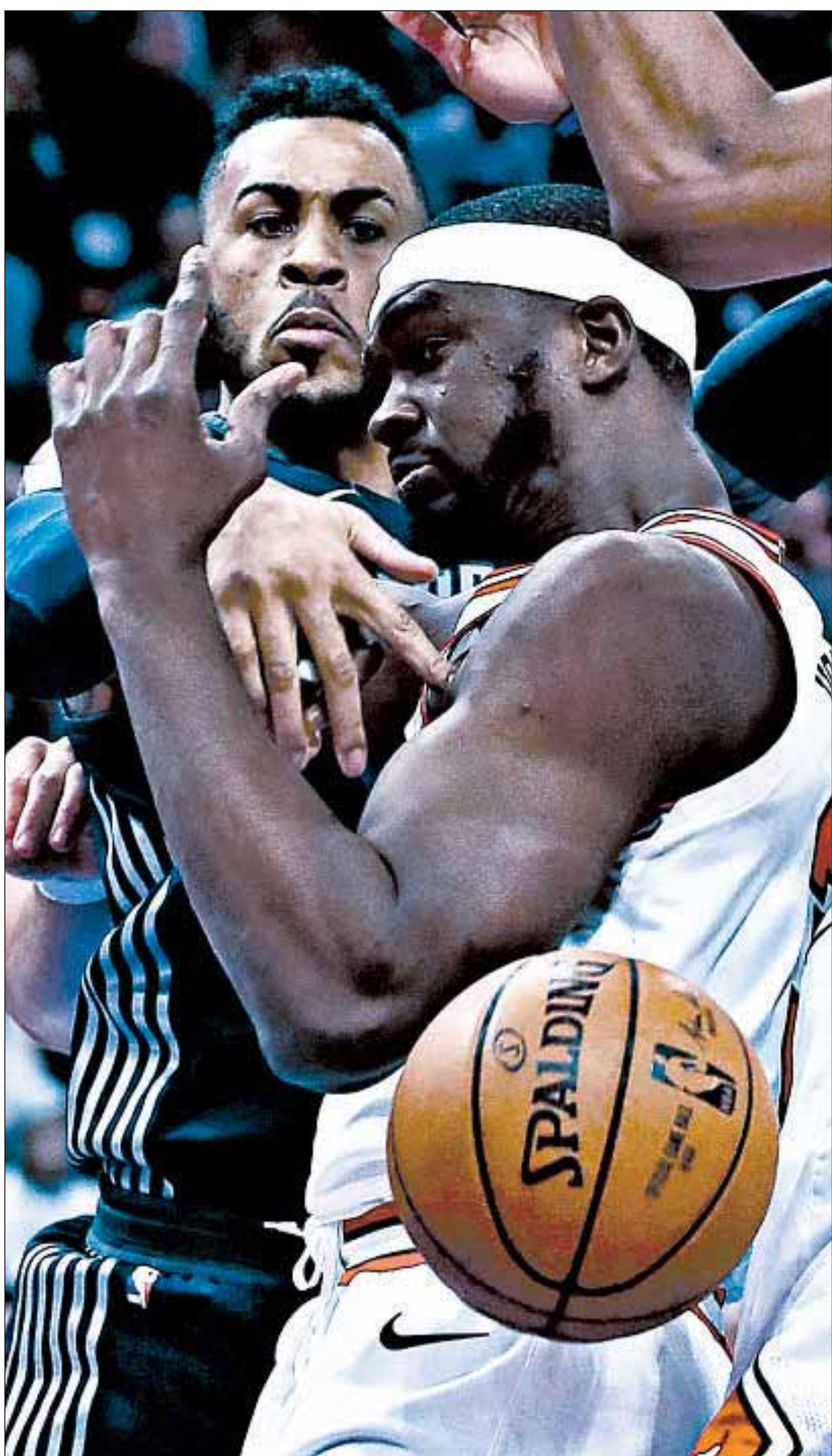
fans got to see the Big Three — the next wave of prospects that began last summer with Yoan Moncada, Lucas Giolito and Reynaldo Lopez.

But only Kopech was able to get much of an opportunity.

In spite of Thursday's start, he has made the most of it, impressing scouts and leaving little doubt he would be part of the rotation early in 2018 if the Sox planned to contend.

Since they're not in that mode, it makes more sense to keep that service-time clock on mute, as Kopech and every White Sox fan know. An extra year of Kopech on the South Side means much more

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CARLOS OSORIO/AP

Pistons forward Eric Moreland, rear, knocks the ball away from Noah Vonleh during the Bulls' loss Friday.

## PISTONS 99, BULLS 83

## Nothing like glory days

LaVine, Markkanen struggle as Pistons walk all over Bulls

BY K.C. JOHNSON  
Chicago Tribune

DETROIT — Just more than 30 miles from the sparkling new Little Caesars Arena, the Bulls and Pistons staged countless memorable contests over the years.

You remember The Palace of Auburn Hills days — Bad Boy-era

supremacy filled with Jordan Rules followed by the Bulls' breakthrough en route to six championships.

Friday night didn't match that. In fact, the Pistons' 99-83 cakewalk in the Bulls' first trip to the new arena merely served as a reminder of how far away the rebuild remains.

Robin Lopez and Justin Holiday helped the Bulls win the first quarter but didn't re-enter the game afterward. But the core of Zach LaVine, Kris Dunn and Lauri Markkanen couldn't build on their last outing that featured

each scoring more than 20 points, and the Bulls were outscored by 21 over the final three periods.

When Cameron Payne leads the Bulls in scoring with a career-high-tying 17 points, something is up.

LaVine in particular struggled, missing 12 of 15 shots and showing some frustration while questioning calls with officials. He finished with eight points.

"It's just frustrating, the inconsistency," LaVine said. "You have

Turn to **Bulls, Page 2**



NANCY STONE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Sox right-hander Michael Kopech, received his first drubbing of the spring Thursday, allowing five runs in 2 1/3 innings against the Royals.

## MLB, Facebook extend streaming agreement

Social media site's deal now will include 25 day games this season

BY PHIL ROSENTHAL  
Chicago Tribune

Major League Baseball and Facebook have struck a deal to live-stream a weekly game that will be produced specifically for the social media platform.

The partnership for weekday afternoon games, announced Friday, was unanimously approved by MLB's 30 clubs. It builds on the 20 games streamed on Facebook last season. Financial terms were not disclosed, but the Associated Press reported a source familiar with the agreement said MLB will receive \$30 million to \$35 million.

Available globally, with the exception of select international markets, the 25 telecasts this season will be produced by MLB Network specifically for streaming across Facebook's supported devices, on the MLB Live page.

MLB Network plans to introduce in-game production elements specially designed for

watching, sharing and interacting on Facebook.

Showcased games will be announced each month but subject to change. Scheduled first is Phillies at Mets on April 4, followed by Brewers at Cardinals on April 11, Royals at Blue Jays on April 18 and Diamondbacks at Phillies on April 26. Announcers have yet to be named.

"This partnership with Facebook reflects the ongoing commitment of Major League Baseball and our clubs to connect with people around the world," Tony Petitti, MLB's deputy commissioner of business and media, said in the announcement.

MLB also plans to post specially curated content on Facebook, including on-demand highlight packages for every regular-season game and team-specific weekly recaps for all 30 clubs.

"We're excited to extend our partnership with Major League Baseball," Dan Reed, Facebook's global sports partnerships chief, said.

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## BLACKHAWKS

# Patience pays off at last for Berube

Journeyman goalie seeing more action as Hawks' fill-in starter

BY PAUL SKRBINA  
Chicago Tribune

Jean-Francois Berube wasn't going to wear the belt.

The wrestling-style strap that sat in his locker stall late Tuesday night isn't a practical fashion accessory anyway. Its symbolism is what's important to Berube.

The belt is given after each Blackhawks victory to the player deemed most valuable in that game. For a journeyman goalie who spent the last two seasons toiling with the Islanders before signing with the Hawks, it meant a lot.

Berube made 33 saves during a 2-1 victory earlier that night over the Avalanche to earn the prize.

"Take a couple of pictures," Berube, 26, said of his plans. "Hopefully I see it back again before the end of the season."

The same likely can't be said about fellow goalie Corey Crawford, whose return from an upper-body injury that has kept him sidelined since the end of December seems less likely by the day. That means the extended auditions will continue for Berube and fellow backup Anton Forsberg.

Berube spent most of his time with the Islanders as the third man in a three-goalie rotation. He started just 13 games and often was left fighting for time even during practices.

"That's where it got frustrating," Berube said. "I wanted to play; it didn't matter where. I'm a hockey player and I play."

"(I'm) not there to observe from the stands. It's hard to improve your game from that position."

The only way Berube could do that, he said, was to treat practices as if they were games, something he described as "grinding mentally." His mental grind continued once he joined the Hawks. He was called up in early December but appeared in just one game in relief.

An injury made Berube the odd man out in late December when Crawford was sidelined, reportedly with concussion-related symptoms. As a result, Jeff Glass was recalled from Rockford instead.

Berube's "patience always pays" approach has recently started to prove true, though. On Thursday, he started for the third time in four games and fourth time this season, stopping 37 shots during a 3-2 loss to the Hurricanes.

Berube has blended flashes of brilliance — 42 saves in 43 chances Feb. 23 against the Sharks — with doses of instability — six goals allowed on 28 shots six days later against the Sharks.

In six games this season, he's 2-2 with a 3.11 goals-against average and .911 save percentage.

"I never played on a consistent basis before, so (it) feels good to get a couple games in a short period of time," Berube said. "I'm learning a lot. I'm getting better."



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Blackhawks goalie Jean-Francois Berube's start Thursday was his third in the last four games.

### BLACKHAWKS AT BRUINS

TV/radio: Noon Saturday; NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720.

**Storylines:** The Hawks will face Tommy Wingels and the Bruins twice in a 24-hour period. Wingels has a goal and two assists in four games since being traded to Boston on Feb. 26.

**Trending:** The Bruins' 15 regulation losses are the second-fewest in the NHL behind the Predators' 14. They are 7-3-0 in their last 10 games and have won five in a row and nine of 12.

The man against whom Berube is competing for that time also is in his corner. Berube and Forsberg dined together during the recent California trip and shared more than a meal.

"That's how I think it should be," Forsberg said. "If you want to be successful, you have to have guys who want to help each other. We can help each other a lot."

That means discussing different ways to do the same job. That means listening and relating after a tough game and sharing joy after a good one.

"It doesn't matter who it is," Forsberg said. "Crow" has been around a long time and he still asks me questions, which is pretty cool. You can always learn something from someone else's philosophy."

Berube shares the same outlook when it comes to Forsberg.

Both goalies are signed through the end of next season. Both want to be Crawford's backup, whenever he's deemed healthy enough to return.

So the rest of this season and all of next are especially crucial for both. Berube will be an unrestricted free agent, Forsberg a restricted one.

"It means a lot for me," Berube said of increased playing time. "This is where I want to be. The two years I was with the Islanders, I would not take anything back because I was an NHL player."

He sees the opportunity. Now he wants to seize the opportunity.

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## BLACKHAWKS NOTES

# Jurco shows willingness to take one for the team

BY PAUL SKRBINA  
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Tomas Jurco already was in his team's good graces when he literally stood up for his coach Thursday night.

The Blackhawks forward instinctively rose from his seat on the bench when an errant Jonathan Toews pass made a beeline toward Joel Quenneville. The puck glanced off Jurco's sweater and spared everyone harm during the 3-2 loss to the Hurricanes.

"I don't even know if I touched it — did you see a replay?" Jurco said. "It was just a reflex. I thought I could have done a better job to catch the puck, but I didn't want to risk injury so I just let it go."

Jurco's instincts on the ice were just as valuable. His deflection of Brent Seabrook's shot 6 minutes, 2 seconds into the first period resulted in his third goal of the season to give the Hawks a 1-0 lead.

Quenneville breathed a sigh of relief once he realized he wasn't hit.

"Cross-ice," he said of the pass. "We all saw it. It was close."

**Feeling for Crawford:** Scott Darling spent four years backing up injured Hawks goalie Corey

### Crawford.

Darling said he keeps in touch with his former teammate, who has been out since late December with an upper-body injury. Darling added that their conversations "are for my ears only" and called Crawford a friend.

"It goes to show what an incredible goalie he is and has been for this organization," Darling said. "When he goes down, (you) see the team (is) not doing as well as (it would like)."

"Hopefully he can get back to the ice soon."

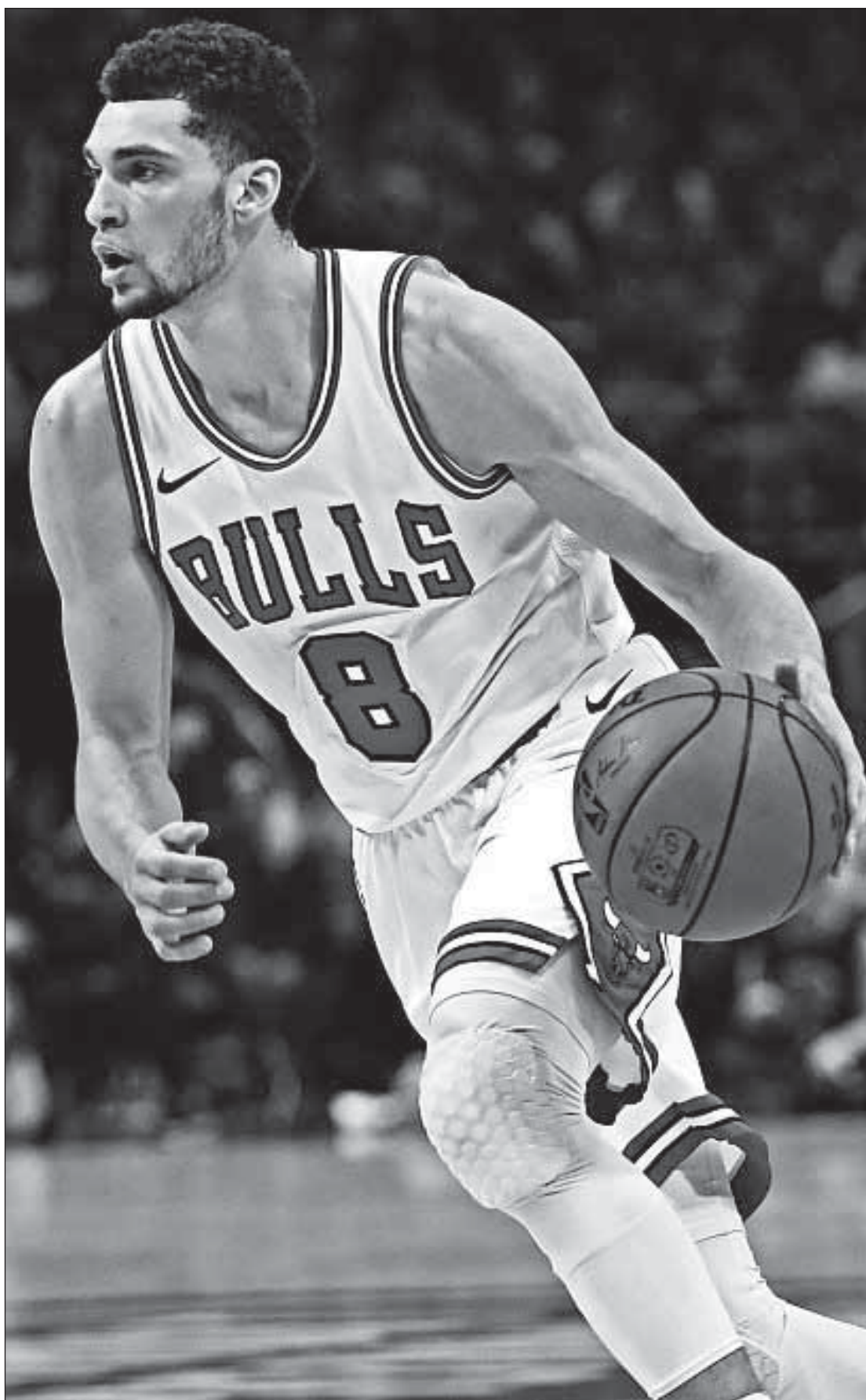
**First things first:** Scoring first is the last thing the Hawks want to do lately.

They have done so 14 times in their last 18 games but have just five wins to show for it. They are 22-13-5 overall this season when doing so.

"We've been talking about this every game," Jurco said. "We go into the second and third period and always say the same thing: to keep playing hard. For some reason (it) never works. I guess we have to be better."

**One-timer:** The Hawks assigned defenseman Carl Dahlstrom to Rockford on Friday. He had three assists in 11 games.

## PISTONS 99, BULLS 83



CARLOS OSORIO/AP

"It's just frustrating, the inconsistency," Zach LaVine said of the Bulls' play. "You have to fight through it."

# Bulls fall apart

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two good games, two bad games, good game, bad game. I'm not used to having that. You have to fight through it."

Markkanen shot 3-for-12 for six points but added eight rebounds. Bobby Portis missed 9 of 10 shots with four turnovers. The Bulls shot 35.5 percent.

"There is inconsistency," coach Fred Hoiberg said. "I don't think it's too unexpected with Kris being out for a month (with a concussion) and Zach being out for almost a full calendar year and Lauri at this stage of his career playing a ton of minutes. This is nothing he ever has been through before."

You could say the same for veterans like Holiday and Lopez, who aren't used to playing 12 straight minutes and then sitting for the remainder of the game. But such is the oddness of the situation after the league invoked its new rest rules to stop the Bulls from resting the veterans so they can better evaluate their young players.

"It was a little different," Lopez said. "I enjoy new situa-

THE SUMMARY										
BULLS	MIN	FG-A	FTA	REB	A	PF	PTS			
Holiday	12:00	2-6	0-0	0-2	0	0	6			
Markkanen	26:59	3-12	0-0	2-8	2	0	6			
Lopez	12:00	4-4	0-0	0-2	0	1	9			
Dunn	25:17	6-12	0-0	0-1	4	3	13			
LaVine	26:49	3-15	2-3	0-3	0	3	8			
Valentine	31:09	2-7	0-0	1-8	5	4	4			
Portis	27:50	1-10	0-0	2-5	3	2	2			
Nwaba	23:13	0-4	2-2	0-0	2	2	2			
Payne	22:41	6-10	1-1	0-1	0	2	17			
Vonleh	19:19	3-8	1-2	3-6	1	0	8			
Felicio	9:53	2-3	2-2	2-3	1	4	4			
Blakeney	2:49	2-2	0-0	0-1	0	0	4			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>33:93</b>	<b>8-10</b>	<b>10-42</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>83</b>				

**Pts:** FG .355, FT .800. **3-pointers:** 9-31, 290 (Payne 4-6, Holiday 2-5, Lopez 1-1, Dunn 1-2, Vonleh 1-3, Nwaba 0-1, Markkanen 0-3, Portis 0-3, Valentine 0-3, LaVine 0-4). **Team rebs:** 13 (Portis 4, Nwaba 3, LaVine 2, Payne 2, Holiday, Vonleh). **Steals:** 11 (Dunn 3, LaVine 2, Payne 2, Portis 2, Valentine 2). **Technical fouls:** None.

DETROIT										
BULLS	MIN	FG-A	FTA	REB	A	PF	PTS			
Ennis III	31:16	6-10	0-1	2-3	1	3	14			
Griffin	34:49	9-17	4-4	1-8	8	2	25			
Drummond	29:58	2-7	1-4	4-17	1	0	5			
Bullock	32:34	9-12	0-0	0-3	1	1	21			
Smith	31:19	5-10	2-2	0-3	3	0	12			
Kenard	31:14	2-9	5-5	1-6	4	1	10			
Moreland	18:01	4-5	0-0	2-7	1	3	8			
Nelson	16:40	1-5	2-2	0-0	3	3	4			
Tolliver	12:15	0-5	0-0	1-3	0	0	0			
Ellenson	0:55	0-1	0-0	0-0	0	0	0			
Hearns	0:55	0-0	0-0	0-0	0	0	0			
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>38-81</b>	<b>14-18</b>	<b>11-50</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>99</b>				

**Pts:** FG .469, FT .778. **3-pointers:** 9-27, 333 (Bullock 3-6, Griffin 3-7, Ennis III 2-3, Kennard 1-6, Nelson 0-2, Tolliver 0-3). **Team rebs:** 6. **Team turnovers:** 16 (18 PTS). **Blocks:** 9 (Drummond 4, Moreland 3, Kennard, Nelson). **Turnovers:** 16 (Nelson 4, Griffin 3, Moreland 3, Kennard 2, Bullock, Ennis III, Smith, Tolliver). **Steals:** 8 (Ennis III 3, Nelson 2, Drummond, Moreland, Smith). **Technical fouls:** coach Pistons (Defensive three second), 8:16 third.

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tions. You get to work on something you haven't done before. You have to value those minutes so I can help my teammates as

efficiently as I can."

In his first action since before the All-Star break on Feb. 14, Lopez's first-quarter stint featured the steady play that has defined his season. He made all four of his shots, including his third 3-pointer of the season — and his career — on a shot he said he has been practicing in his down time.

"It was nice to see that go down," Lopez said. "My teammates, coaching staff had a lot of confidence in me. Probably helped the ball go in a little bit I think."

Holiday added two 3-pointers for six points. Hoiberg, who praised both the team's effort and Dunn's leadership, went back to starting Portis and David Nwaba in the second half.

"It's our job to play under those circumstances," LaVine said of the changing lineups. "So we have to make it happen. At the end of the day, it comes back and it's on us. We're the ones playing. It is frustrating a little bit. But it's what we're dealing with."

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## BULLS NOTES

# Van Gundy sees flaws in tanking rules

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DETROIT — Stan Van Gundy paused, either contemplating whether to decline to answer the question or to form his typically strong thoughts to do so.

After being asked about the league invoking its new player rest rules to make the Bulls play healthy scratches Justin Holiday and Robin Lopez, the Pistons' coach and president of basketball operations chose the latter.

"I mean, the big teams have tried to build their organizations that way and now you're going to step in and tell other teams they can't?" Van Gundy said before his team beat the Bulls 99-83 Friday night. "Look, I admire what (NBA Commissioner Adam Silver) is trying to do, but I just don't think he's going to be able to control it."

"There have been some proposals that would eliminate all

incentive to lose games. But so far the league hasn't wanted to go that way. And I'm not saying that's a bad thing. I'm just saying that until you do that, you're going to have this issue."

Van Gundy wouldn't disclose what those proposals are. Asked about draft lottery reform that goes into effect in 2019, wherein the odds for the No. 1 overall pick are level for the teams with the three worst records, Van Gundy downplayed it and cited the 76ers' multiple-season massive losing to stockpile high picks under former executive Sam Hinkie.

"I don't think that does a whole lot," he said of lottery reform. "There's still incentive ... maybe a little bit less but not much. Look, the (draft lottery) system was set up to help the teams at the bottom. The Philly situation has brought it to light. It has worked — if you're willing to lose to that level. So now other teams are adopting it."

**'D' it up:** Zach LaVine is known as an offensive player. The Bulls want him to be a complete player.

"The biggest improvement with Zach has been his on-ball competitiveness. He wants to guard the best player. He has given us some very good minutes with on-ball defense. Off the ball, he still needs work," coach Fred Hoiberg said.

"We watch film with him every day on that to make improvements where he's a complete defensive player. It's understanding where to be and the right spots. ... And I think he'll get better as he continues to get in better shape and works on his timing."

**Layups:** The Bulls brought two-way signee Antonio Blakeney up from Windy City of the G-League and activated the guard. ... Paul Zipser missed his seventh straight game with his sore left foot. He joined Omer Asik as inactive.

## CUBS

# Venable offering another option

Cubs hope coach can be valuable resource for younger players

BY MARK GONZALES  
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — As Will Venable shifts from the spacious batting cages to a crowd of young outfielders, the nights of cramming for an anthropology exam or guarding the likes of Kirk Hinrich, J.J. Redick and Steve Blake seem so distant.

But those experiences provide a balance for Venable as he embarks on his first season as



the Cubs first base/outfield coach after retiring from baseball following the 2016 season.

In hiring Venable, who spent seven of his nine big-league seasons with the Padres, the Cubs weren't afraid to take a chance on someone not far removed from his playing days.

Much of the Cubs' faith in Venable, 35, is rooted in his ability to relate instantly to younger players. "You want the experience of older coaches (such as) Chili (Davis) and (Brian) Butterfield, as well as Joe (Maddon)," general manager Jed Hoyer said. "But having a couple of guys who are not far removed (from their playing days) is a nice balance when a player has a conversation he might not feel an older guy can necessarily relate to."

It hasn't hurt that Venable long ago learned how to manage his time efficiently and effectively. He earned a bachelor's degree in anthropology from Princeton while managing to play basketball and baseball in his junior and senior seasons.

"It has been pretty crazy," said Venable, who joined the organization last August as a special assistant and was one of four new coaches the Cubs added in the winter.

"But when they presented me with the opportunity to interview for the job and talk through some of the things they thought I might be of value for, it was less intimidating to take on the role. Some of the things they wanted me to do lined up well with the things I believed I could do well."

Venable's athletic and academic success at Princeton included averaging more than 10 points per game in his final three seasons as a 6-foot-3 guard, batting .344 and .385 in his two baseball seasons and earning an Ivy League degree.

"It was very important for me to graduate in four years and not have to go back to finish it," Venable said. "I know guys who do that, and they say it's tough. Once I decided to play baseball (after being drafted in the seventh round of the 2005 draft), I was able to focus all my energy there and have a nice degree in my back pocket."

He appreciated the support from former Tigers basketball coach John Thompson III and baseball coach Scott Bradley in managing his time. But Venable recalled the struggles of a computer programming class he eventually had to drop.

"I had no business taking the class," he said. "I try to erase that memory."

Anthropology might seem a curious field of study, but Venable said his experience of growing up as the son of a major-league player (outfielder Max Venable played parts of 12 seasons) and spending time in Latin America and Japan (where he was home-schooled when he was 10 years old) exposed him to various cultures.

The upcoming NCAA tournament brings back pleasant memories for Venable, even though the Tigers lost to Texas in the first round of the 2004 tourney.

"It was a great experience to have the structure of basketball in balance with the academic schedule," Venable said.

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Jon Lester, who threw five scoreless innings Friday, thinks the Cubs are "in a good place" entering the season.

## CUBS NOTES

# Learning their lesson

BY MARK GONZALES  
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — The positive vibes around the Cubs spring clubhouse suggest a lesson has been learned after the team fell short of a second consecutive World Series appearance.

"Guys (were) going through that for the first time and not knowing how to deal with it," Jon Lester said Friday after throwing five scoreless innings in a 6-1 victory over the Angels.

"We were feeling good about ourselves. We just broke a 108-year curse, and I'm sure when we came to camp there was that feeling of we'll just show up and do it again. I don't know if that's true, (but) it's good sometimes to get your butt kicked and get knocked down, especially after you've tasted success."

"So I think we're in a good place. Other than (Javier Baez's injury), we've been relatively healthy. That's all spring training is for — to get our feet under us, stay healthy and come into the season ready to go."

Lester's five-inning performance was so efficient that he threw an extra 15 pitches in the bullpen to raise his pitch count to 65.

**Backing off Baez:** Manager Joe

## CUBS RECAP

A 10-hit attack Friday paced the Cubs to a 6-1 victory over the Angels before a sellout crowd of 15,481 at Sloan Park. Jason Heyward and Albert Almora Jr. hit consecutive doubles in the first inning, and Kyle Schwarber smacked a two-run homer in the third.

**At the plate:** Infielder Mike Freeman remains a long shot to make the opening-day roster, but he continues to make a case for himself in the event of a player injury. Freeman singled in the second and doubled in the sixth to raise his spring average to .560.

**On the mound:** Reliever Brandon Morrow's fastball was clocked at 96 mph, but in the sixth he drilled Michael Hermosillo in the back with a pitch that led to Luis Valbuena's sacrifice fly. Brian Duensing's breaking pitch looked sharp as he struck out two in the seventh.

**In the field:** Right fielder Peter Bourjos leaped to rob Valbuena of an extra-base hit in the first and third baseman Tommy La Stella ranged quickly to his left to retire Kaleb Cowart in the fifth.

**Key number:** 3 — Cubs players with eight RBIs this spring.

**Up next:** vs. White Sox, 2:05 p.m. Saturday at Sloan Park. RH Kyle Hendricks vs. RH Lucas Giolitto; vs. Dodgers, 8:05 p.m. Saturday at Camelback Ranch. RH Luke Farrell vs. LH Rich Hill.

Maddon said Baez, who suffered a left hamstring cramp Thursday, probably won't play in either of Saturday's split-squad games.

Maddon also tempered a reporter's suggestion that Baez needed more at-bats this spring to stop being such a pull hitter.

"Once he stops swinging at that slider in the dirt, this guy becomes a superstar," Maddon said. "I think that's accurate."

Maddon prefers not to force Baez to hit into the gaps.

"Just work on it in pregame and practice, but don't push it to

where it becomes obsessive," Maddon said.

**Dazzling defense:** Backup catching candidate Chris Gimenez nearly picked Michael Hermosillo off first base, then caught Kaleb Cowart in a rundown off third base after faking a throw to second on a steal attempt in the third inning.

"He did a lot of good things," said Lester, who praised Gimenez's pitch selection.

"It seems like he's very comfortable. That's big for us pitchers."

# La Stella goes the extra smile

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN  
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — Joe Maddon won't bother dusting for fingerprints. He has a pretty good idea of who paid to have a bouncy house constructed in the parking lot of the Cubs' Under Armour Performance Center.

Tommy La Stella, you little rascal.

"That's the unique kind of stuff that adds to the day," Maddon said. "I drive up and started smiling, immediately. I probably thought it was Tommy; it probably is Tommy. I'm into all this stuff."

To get you caught up, La Stella earlier pranked President Theo Epstein and general manager Jed Hoyer by swiping their parking spots. The Cubs execs responded Monday by issuing a polo shirt and pair of Hoyer's khaki pants for La Stella to wear during a workout. Which he did.



TEDDY GREENSTEIN/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Cubs President Theo Epstein had to find a different parking location when his spot was filled by an inflatable bouncy house in Mesa, Ariz.

La Stella then dropped a clue, telling reporters that Epstein and Hoyer would have their parking spots back — "for now."

That ceasefire ended Friday as the colorful bouncy house took up residence.

"(Tommy) likes to do it on the sly," Maddon said. "I think it's a great idea. I'm certain it's there for the families and kids — although Tommy may be into that kind of stuff. And he easily fits in there."

When asked Friday if he was responsible, La Stella said: "Potentially."

La Stella said the bouncy house is intended for children.

What about executives?

"Of course, anybody," he said. "All sizes as well."

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## BASEBALL

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# Red Sox rein in Sale for debut

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The Red Sox want LHP Chris Sale to go slowly this spring. Sale pitched four innings of one-run ball in his first spring training game Friday against the Marlins. He threw 58 pitches and allowed two hits, struck out five and walked none in the Red Sox's 5-4 loss.

The Red Sox are monitoring Sale's workload, so he began his preparations for the season in minor-league games on the back fields of the team's training complex. He got into the upper 90s in the first inning against the Marlins, and manager Alex Cora and pitching coach Dana LeVangie suggested he dial it down.

"Had to change it up after that," Sale said. "I'm still working on that buildup. You get out there the first time in front of a crowd and you want to go out there and compete. But you have to understand the end goal."

**Jansen misses game:** Closer Kenley Jansen was held out of what was to have been his first big-league spring training game this year due to an injured upper right hamstring. "When he was getting ready today, his pregame stuff and kind of getting his legs loose, it tightened up on him," Dodgers manager Dave Roberts said.

Jansen never warmed up in the bullpen and RHP Zach Neal came out to pitch the ninth inning for the Dodgers in a 6-4 win over the Royals. Roberts said he expects Jansen will pitch in a minor league game on Monday, then hopefully work in his first big league spring training game next Thursday against the Royals.

A two-time All-Star, Jansen has been brought along slowly in spring training after 78 games and 85 innings last year, including the postseason. Jansen also dealt with a flu-like virus that caused several Dodgers to miss some time earlier in spring training.

**Union criticizes Marlins:** Players' union head Tony Clark claims the Marlins' rebuilding decision is different from the ones that led to World Series titles for the Cubs and Astros because the Marlins broke up a competitive club.

"Those teams didn't tear themselves down," Clark said. "Those teams went through rough stretches. And then they added, too. When you start with a team that has a number of talented players and you tear that down, it's a different conversation than starting from scratch and building up."

The union filed a grievance two weeks ago against the Marlins, Pirates, A's and Rays, accusing them of not properly using money received in revenue sharing to improve their team's ability to win.

After the Marlins were sold in October to Bruce Sherman's ownership group, the management team headed by former Yankees star Derek Jeter traded NL MVP Giancarlo Stanton, Marcell Ozuna, Christian Yelich and Dee Gordon for prospects.

Clark said those decisions impacted the free-agent market and "can be a detriment to the industry as a whole."

**Extra innings:** Angels RHP Shohei Ohtani allowed six runs while pitching three innings in a B game against the Mexican League's Tijuana Toros. The 23-year-old Ohtani struck out six and walked one. ... Indians RHP Corey Kluber struck out seven in 3<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> innings, allowing one run and two hits, in an 8-5 win over the Rockies. ... Mets LHP Steven Matz pitched four shutout innings in a 4-4 tie against the Tigers. Matz gave up 10 runs over 1<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> innings during his first two appearances. ... C Jarrod Saltalamacchia agreed to a minor-league contract with the Tigers and will report to big-league spring training. The move adds depth behind James McCann and John Hicks. If added to the 40-man roster Saltalamacchia would receive a one-year contract with salaries of \$650,000 while in the major leagues and \$150,000 while in the minors.

## WHITE SOX

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## Renteria wants closer options he can trust

BY PAUL SULLIVAN  
Chicago Tribune

PEORIA, Ariz. — The battle for White Sox closer's job could go down to the final days of camp, and manager **Rick Renteria** isn't tipping his hand between **Nate Jones** and **Joakim Soria**.

"We're looking at guys that have done it in the past," Renteria said, naming a handful of relievers.

Jones appears to be the leader, but it's still early. Could the Sox even go with a bullpen-by-committee?

"(Many) of those guys are available and are capable of fireman-type of situation, putting out a difficult moment," Renteria said. "That flexibility allows us to use multiple guys to either put it out or finish the game."

"I don't want to say a committee. I want to make sure I have a couple of guys I can rely on. ... I don't want to tie myself down and say ultimately you won't have a **(Juan) Minaya** closing out a ballgame or a **(Gregory) Infante** or even **(Danny) Farquhar**. ... but I do know (Jones and Soria) have done it."

Jones has not allowed a run in his three outings and has struck out five with no walks.

"They haven't said anything about what roles guys are going to play," Jones said. "There are several of us that have been around that know (this) will shake itself out. No reason for us to worry about what role we're going to be in because we're all flexible."

"We've all played each other's role. That's going to be a great part of this bullpen."

**Robert update:** Renteria said prized outfield prospect **Luis Robert** suffered his left-thumb injury Wednesday on a headfirst slide into second base.

## WHITE SOX RECAP

Starter **Carson Fulmer** was much improved over his first two outings, but the White Sox offense was missing against the Padres in a 2-0 loss.

**On the mound:** Fulmer allowed two runs in three innings on back-to-back home runs in the third. **Aaron Bummer** struck out the side in the fourth inning.

**At the plate:** After **Ryan Cordell's** leadoff single, the Sox managed only four hits the rest of the way.

**On the bases:** The Sox ran themselves into a 4-2-5-4 double play on a grounder to second in the third inning.

**Key number:** 11. Bummer has 11 strikeouts in only five innings.

**The quote:** "I want this spot. I worked really hard to get here and had a lot of success to get that (job) out of camp." — Fulmer on his rotation spot.

**Up next:** At Cubs, 2:05 p.m., Saturday in Mesa. RH Lucas Giolito vs. RH Kyle Hendricks.

"We didn't know about it, and he didn't say anything in the dugout," Renteria said. "He continued to play and obviously hit the grand slam in the ninth. There was no indication for us anything was wrong, but he felt it a little bit taking (batting practice Thursday)."

**Roster moves:** The Sox released outfielder **Willy Garcia** and reassigned pitching prospect **Alec Hansen** to minor-league camp. Garcia hit .238 with the Sox last season and was part of an all-Garcia outfield — with **Avisail** and **Leury** — the first time three players with the same surname started in the same game.

Also reassigned to minor-league camp were pitchers **Brian Clark**, **Tyler Danish** and **Jordan Stephens**. **Jace Fry** was optioned to Triple-A Charlotte.

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL



ANDY LYONS/GETTY

Freshman Collin Sexton jumps for joy after helping Alabama upset No. 16 Auburn in the SEC tournament in St. Louis. Sexton scored 31 points.

SEC ALABAMA 81, AUBURN 63

## As Tide turn, Tigers buried

Huge 2nd half propels Alabama to upset win in tourney quarterfinal

BY CHARLIE CLARKE  
Associated Press

ST. LOUIS — Auburn's offense was flowing at the end of the first half.

Desean Murray hit his third 3-pointer and ripped off five straight points to put the Tigers up by 10 points over Alabama at halftime. Then the Collin Sexton show started.

Sexton finished with 31 points and the Crimson Tide used a strong second half to defeat No. 16 Auburn 81-63 on Friday in the quarterfinals of the SEC tournament.

Alabama will face Kentucky in the semifinals Saturday. The Wildcats advanced with a 62-49 win over Georgia.

Alabama (19-14) started the second half on a 28-3 run keyed by three consecutive 3s by Sexton. The Tide's surge put the Tigers away early in the half, and Alabama outscored Auburn 50-

22 after the break.

"I didn't raise my voice," Tide coach Avery Johnson said. "I used understandable English, no bad words, and we just talked about how we needed to improve in the second half. And they did it."

Mustapha Heron led Auburn (25-7) with 18 points, 11 of which came in the first half. Murray scored 15, all in the first half. The Tigers moved the ball well on offense and drilled seven 3s before halftime.

After halftime, it was all Sexton as the freshman scored 21 of his points. The performance came one day after Sexton scored 27 points and hit the game-winning shot against Texas A&M.

Auburn shot just 24 percent in the second half and went 1 of 14 from 3-point range. The Tigers shot 32 percent from the field for the game.

"It was a tale of two halves," Auburn coach Bruce Pearl said. "We did what we wanted to do in the first half. At the start of the second half, they came down and flipped the table on us really quickly."

## ROUNDUP

## UNC holds off Duke rally

Tribune news services

Luke Maye scored 17 points with 5:33 left as No. 12 North Carolina (25-9) held off a late rally by No. 5 Duke to advance to the ACC title game with a 74-69 victory in Brooklyn.

The Tar Heels led by 15 when Maye hit a jumper with 5:33 left, but Duke went on a 13-0 run, drawing within three on Gary Trent Jr.'s 3 with 50 seconds left.

Marvin Bagley III had 19 points and 13 rebounds for the Blue Devils (26-7).

North Carolina will play No. 1 Virginia (30-2), which defeated Clemson 64-58 behind Kyle Guy's 15 points.

**Big East:** Alpha Diallo hit a go-ahead jumper with 2:22 left in overtime and fifth-seeded Providence (21-12) rallied from a 17-point second-half deficit and stunned top-seeded and No. 3 Xavier 75-72 in the semifinals in New York.

The Friars will play Villanova in Saturday's final after the No. 2 Wildcats (29-4) throttled Butler 87-68. Mikal Bridges had 18 points and Jalen Brunson added 17 for Villanova.

## GOLF

## PGA VALSPAR CHAMPIONSHIP

## Woods in hunt for lead

BY DOUG FERGUSON  
Associated Press

PALM HARBOR, Fla. — Corey Connors knew Tiger Woods had finished his second round at Innisbrook because he couldn't see him. He was only about 50 yards from the ninth green, but there were too many fans covering every inch of grass, packed in a dozen deep because of Woods.

Woods brought the Valspar Championship to life Friday with his best round of a comeback that is building momentum toward the Masters.

Connors was happy to play a quiet round in the afternoon and wind up with the lead.

The Canadian rookie ran off three birdies before a careless error set him back, and he finished with a 2-under 69 for a two-shot lead going into the weekend. Right on his heels was Woods, who kept a clean card until his final hole and shot 68.

Connors was on the putting green when Woods and his entourage — officials, security, media and stragglers — walked along the edge of the green, in front of another group waiting to tee off on No. 1 and toward the scoring area.

"I definitely saw that," Connors said. "I've seen that the last few days as well. Pretty cool. Hopefully, I can be in a position where I get some followers Sunday."

Until that moment, the closest Connors ever got to Woods was at the Masters three years ago when he watched him on the range. Connors played at Augusta National that year as the U.S. Amateur runner-up.

Being close to him on the leaderboard is an entirely different dynamic.

Connors was at 6-under 136 and will play in the final group with Paul Casey, who had a 68. Woods and Brandt Snedeker (68) will be in the group in front of them, with thousands of fans lining the fairways and surrounding the greens.

"I don't think this will be leading, but at least I'm there with a chance going into the weekend," Woods said when he finished. "Today was a good day."

Woods has been slowed by mistakes, some leading to big numbers.

The second round at Innisbrook was all about control of his shots that rarely put him out of position off the tee and especially on the green, where he could attack putts from below the hole.

He took the lead with a drive that was heading left, struck a cart path and caromed back into the fairway on his 14th hole, the par-5 fifth. That set up a long iron into the front right bunker and a delicate shot from the sand to about 5 feet for his fourth birdie of the round.

He saved par with a 12-foot putt on No. 7 and was heading toward a bogey-free round until his wedge on the par-5 ninth rode the shifting wind to the right and into the gallery, his ball on a woman's bag. After getting a drop, his chip came out too strong and hit the flag, leaving it only 6 feet away.

He missed the putt and didn't seem all that bothered.

Just over five months ago, Woods still didn't have clearance to begin hitting full shots, much less to play without restrictions.

In his fourth PGA Tour event in seven weeks, he looks like a contender.

"I've come a long way in that span of time," Woods said.



SAM GREENWOOD/GETTY-AFP

Tiger Woods shot a 3-under 68 and sits two shots off the lead at the Valspar Championship.



NANCY STONE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

White Sox right-hander Carson Fulmer likely will start the season in the team's rotation. He allowed two runs in three innings Friday.

## Bad day for prospects

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than seeing him start on opening day.

Instead, it appears the Sox will stick with Carson Fulmer in the rotation. After a strong finish to 2017, Fulmer struggled through two ineffective spring starts before Friday's game against the Padres.

Fulmer cruised the first 2 2/3 innings before serving up back-to-back solo home runs, a double and a walk. Should he be worried about keeping that rotation spot?

"I don't think he should be worrying about it," Renteria said. "I think he should just be out there and pitching. That's what we try to tell all these guys. There are a lot of things you can't control ..."

You can guess the rest of the sentence.

The bottom line: Fulmer came in with a chance to show he deserved to be a big part of the Sox's future. He still can be, but it's a hard sell in the Cactus League right now.

Perhaps the best thing that has happened to the Sox this spring has been James Shields' strong four-inning outing against the Rangers on Thursday in Surprise, Ariz. Renteria, who chose to manage the split-squad game with Shields instead of the one with Kopech, was impressed by Shields' offspeed stuff, particularly his changeup.

When Shields froze Rouded

Odor on a change-up for a called third strike, he smiled like he was the first guy in the drive-in line at the In-N-Out Burger.

"I yanked a changeup a little, and it went across and came back over the plate," Shields said of the at-bat. "It's a work in progress, tinkering with some things. My arm angle was a little erratic today from what I'd like, but again, it's a good first outing."

Shields, who figures to be the opening-day starter, will throw on a back field Tuesday on the Sox's off day. For most of the spring, no one has seen Shields pitch other than a Sox employee or a fan who was lost and wound up on a back field.

"It is a little weird," Shields said of pitching to no one. "It's whatever."

If he can return to some semblance of the old James Shields, the Sox can flip him for prospects, save some money and hand his spot to Kopech — if he's not already up.

So camp goes on, and Nate Jones said you can tell a difference.

"Maybe it's the excitement level," he said. "We made those trades last year and a lot of these guys are in big-league camp now and we're seeing what they got."

Wish we could've seen more of Jimenez and Robert, but one out of three ain't bad.

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## SCOREBOARD

## CALENDAR

TEAM	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
EXH SOX, 2 AM-670 @LAD, 8		EXH @OAK 3:05		EXH @SD, 3 MLBN SF, 9	EXH @KC 3:05	EXH ARI 3:05	EXH @SOX 3 MLBN
EXH @CUBS, 2 WGN-9 AM-720		EXH ARI 3:05 AM-720	EXH @SEA 8:40 AM-720	EXH @MIL 3:05	EXH @LAA 8:10	EXH @CUBS 3:05 NBCSCH	
@ATL 2:30 WGN-9 AM-670			LAC 7 NBCSCH AM-670		@MEM 7 WGN-9 AM-670		
@BOS Noon NBCSCH AM-720		BOS 11:30 am NBC-5 AM-720				@WIN 7 NBCSCH AM-720	
KC 5							

## SATURDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB EXHIBITION	MLBN
Noon Mets at Yankees	MLBN
2:05 p.m. White Sox at Cubs WGN-9, WSCR-AM 670 WGN-AM 720	
7 p.m. Mariners at Reds	MLBN

## NBA

7:30 p.m. Spurs at Thunder	ABC-7
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## MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

10 a.m. America East final	ESPN2
11:30 a.m. Ivy semifinal	ESPNU
Noon American semifinal	CBS-2
Noon MEAC final	ESPN2
Noon SEC semifinal	ESPN
Noon Atlantic 10 semifinal	CBSSN
2 p.m. SEC semifinal	ESPN
2 p.m. Ivy semifinal	ESPN2
2:30 p.m. American semifinal	CBS-2
2:30 p.m. Atlantic 10 semifinal	CBSSN
4 p.m. SWAC final	ESPN2
5 p.m. Big 12 final	ESPN, WMVP-AM 1000
5 p.m. Mountain West final	CBS-2
5:30 p.m. Big East final	FOX-32
6 p.m. Mid-American final	ESPN2
7 p.m. Big Sky final	ESPNU
7:30 p.m. ACC final	ESPN, WMVP-AM 1000
7:30 p.m. Conference USA final	CBSSN
8 p.m. Southland final	ESPN2
9 p.m. Pac-12 final	FS1
9 p.m. WAC final	ESPNU
11 p.m. Big West final	ESPN2

## WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL

10 a.m. Mid-American final	CBSSN
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## BOYS BASKETBALL STATE FINALS

11 a.m. 1A third place	NBCSCH+
12:45 p.m. 1A championship	NBCSCH+
5:30 p.m. 2A third place	NBCSCH
7:15 p.m. 2A championship	NBCSCH

## BOXING

9:15 p.m. Sergey Lipinets vs. Mikey Garcia	Showtime
9:30 p.m. Scott Quigg vs. Oscar Valdez	ESPN

## GOLF

Noon PGA Valspar Championship Golf (more, 2 p.m., NBC-5)	
4:30 p.m. Champions Toshiba Classic	Golf Channel
11 p.m. Indian Open	Golf Channel

## WOMEN'S COLLEGE GYMNASICS

1 p.m. Utah at Michigan	BTN
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## NHL

Noon Blackhawks at Bruins NBCSCH, NHLN, WGN-AM 720	
3 p.m. Blues at Kings	NHLN
6 p.m. Penguins at Maple Leafs	NHLN

## AHL

7 p.m. Moose at Wolves	WPWR-50
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## MEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY

4:30 p.m. Big Ten semifinal	ESPNU
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## MEN'S COLLEGE LACROSSE

11 a.m. Albany at Maryland	BTN
1:30 p.m. Denver at Notre Dame	ESPNU
3 p.m. Towson at Ohio State	BTN

## MOTORSPORTS

Noon NASCAR Xfinity qualifying	FS1
3 p.m. NASCAR Xfinity DC Solar 200	FOX-32
6 p.m. Monster Supercross at Daytona	FS1

## PARALYMPICS

9 p.m. Sled hockey, wheelchair curling	NBCSN
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## RUGBY: SIX NATIONS CHAMPIONSHIP

2 p.m. Ireland vs. Scotland	NBCSN
4 p.m. France vs. England	NBCSN

## PREMIER LEAGUE SOCCER

6:25 a.m. Liverpool at Manchester United	NBCSN
8:55 a.m. Southampton at Newcastle	NBCSN
11:25 a.m. Crystal Palace at Chelsea	NBCSN

## BUNDESLIGA SOCCER

8:20 a.m. Augsburg at Hannover	FS2
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## MLB SPRING TRAINING

RECORDS	NATIONAL LGE	FRIDAY'S RESULTS
AMERICAN LGE	CUBS 11-2-2	Cubs 5, L.A. Angels 1
WHITE SOX 7-8-1	Arizona 8-7-1	White Sox 0
Baltimore 6-8-1	Atlanta 7-7-1	
Boston 8-7-1	Cincinnati 5-11-1	
Cleveland 9-6-1	Colorado 6-8-1	
Detroit 6-9-1	Los Angeles 8-7-1	
Houston 11-5-1	Milwaukee 8-5-2	
Kansas City 7-6-1	New York 5-9-2	
Los Angeles 7-9	Philadelphia 6-9	
Minnesota 10-4	Pittsburgh 5-7-2	
New York 10-2	St. Louis 6-7-2	
Oakland 7-5-2	Tampa Bay 8-6-2	
Seattle 10-4	Texas 4-2	
Tampa Bay 6-8-1	Washington 7-7-1	
Texas 4-2		
Toronto 7-8		

## PADRES 2, WHITE SOX 0

W. SOX	AB	R	H	BI	SD	AB	R	H	BI
Cordell cf	3	0	1	0		Spnrbg 2b	3	1	3
AEngel cf	1	0	0	0		ESRuiz pr	1	0	0
Mndck pr	1	0	0	0		FGVis ss	3	0	0
Dvdsn lf	1	0	0	0		Rlopez cf	1	0	0
Gilbert 1b	1	0	0	0		CRdro cf	2	0	0
LDpolo rf	1	0	0	0		GArias 3b	1	0	0
Lnr3 2b	2	0	0	0		Hdlj 3b	3	0	0
M.Skole pr	1	0	0	0		Jnkski pr	1	0	0
K.Smith 3	0	0	0	0		LPrela lf	2	0	0
D.Palka rf	3	0	0	0		Wliva 1b	3	0	0
TIpolo rf	1	0	0	0		Hdges c	2	0	0
MADfo dh	3	0	0	0		MSzchr dh	3	0	0
LBsabe lf	2	0	0	0		MSzchr rf	1	1	1
ALCall lf	1	0	0	0		Hrmslto 2	1	0	0
JRrind ss	2	0	0	0					
Yzrrasi ss	1	0	0	0					
TOTALS	29	0	5	0		TOTALS	27	2	6

## WHITE SOX

WHITE SOX	AB	R	H	BI	SD	AB	R	H	BI
E: Richard (1), DP: White Sox 2, San Diego 2						E: Almora Jr. (2), DP: LAA 0, Cubs 1, LOR: LAA 5, Cubs 3, 2B: Hayward (2), Almora Jr. (2), Freeman (3), 3B: Gibbons (2), HR: Schwarber (2), Bote (1), SB: Hermosillo (2)			
L: L. Spangenberg (2), Calvin (2), Headley (1), HR: Spangenberg (2), Szczur (1), SB: Ruiz (2), CS: Jankowski (2).						(4), CS: Cowart (2), SF: Valbuena (1).			

## WHITE SOX

WHITE SOX	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Fulmer, L (0-3)						
Bummer	1	0	0	0	0	3
Soria	1	1	0	0	0	1
Ross Jr.	1	1	0	0	0	2
Santiago	2	0	0	0	1	1
SAN DIEGO	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Richard, W (1-1)	4	2	0	0	2	1
Luchessi, H 1	3	1	0	0	1	2
Hand, H 1	1	0	0	0	2	1
Makita S (1-2)	1	0	0	0	2	2

## HBP: P. Makita (Smith), WP: Richard, Umpires: Home, Scott Barry; First, Adrián Johnson; Second, Jim Reynolds; Third, Brian Knight; Time: 2:40. A: 5,331

## TRANSACTIONS

<b>BASEBALL</b>	
<b>AMERICAN LEAGUE</b>	
White Sox: Optioned LHP Jace Fry to Charlotte (IL). Reassigned RHP Tyler Danish, Jordan Stephens and Alec Hansen and LHPs Brian Clark and T.J. Ross Jr. to their minor-league clubs. Released OF Willy Garcia.	
New York: Optioned RHPs Albert Abreu and Jonathan Loaisiga to Tampa (FL) and Optioned INF Thairo Estrada to Trenton (NJ).	
<b>NATIONAL LEAGUE</b>	
Cubs: Named Chris Denorfia special assistant to the president/general manager and Matt Murton baseball operations assistant. Promoted Vijay Tekchandani to director of team travel and clubhouse operations. Optioned RHPs	

## ADBERT ALZOLA, OSCAR DE LA CRUZ AND DUANE UNDERWOOD JR. TO TENNESSEE (CL).

## ASSIGNED RHAPS CRAIG BROOKS, DAVID GARNER, AND THOMAS HATCH; LHPs BALDANO, DANIEL CAMARENA, AND MICHAEL ROBY; INF JASON VOSELER; OFs CHANCER BURKS AND BJAN RADNEMACHER; AND C Ian Rice to their minor league camp.

## HOCKEY

## NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

## Blackhawks: Assigned D Carl Dahlstrom to Rockford (AHL).

## NHL: Fined Boston F Brad Marchand and Arizona F Nick Cousins \$2,000 each for diving/embellishment.

## St. Louis: Recalled G Ville Husso from San Antonio (AHL).

## LATEST LINE

## NBA

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## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Kentucky 4% Cincinnati 16% Rhode Island 7% Harvard 6 Pennsylvania 7

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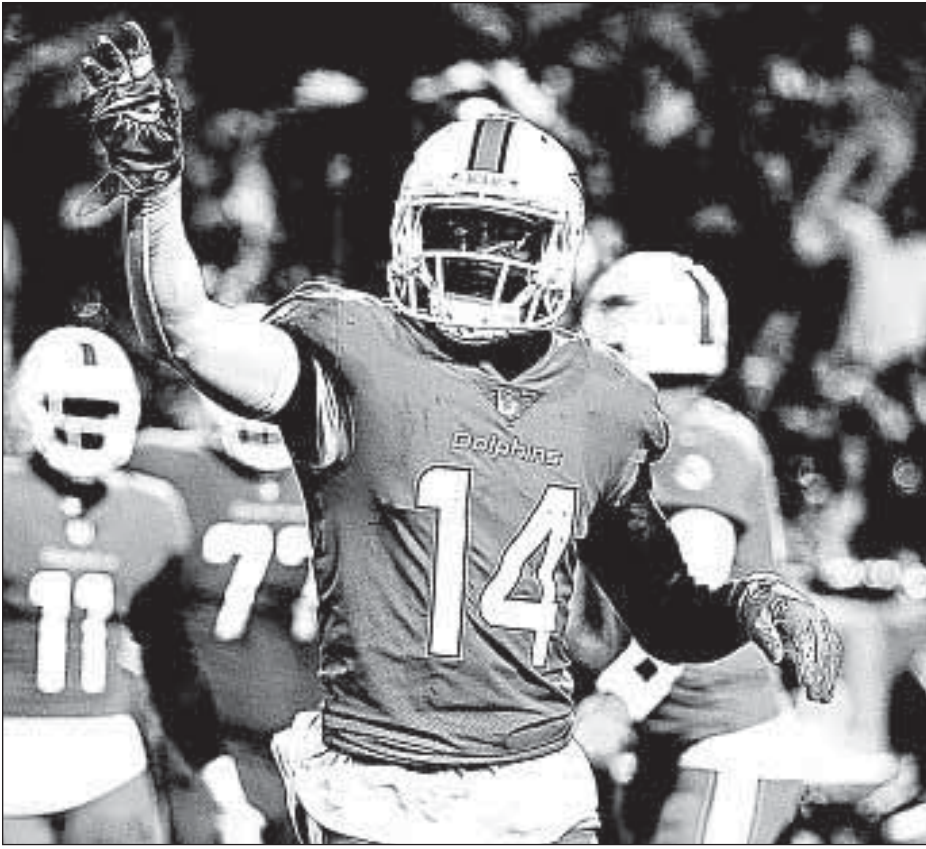
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NFL



WILFREDO LEE/AP

Former Dolphins wide receiver Jarvis Landry will play for the Browns next season.

NFL NOTES

# Browns make 3 major trades

Taylor, Landry, Randall on their way to Cleveland; GM sends QB Kizer to Packers

Tribune news services

Maybe the losing and laughing will finally stop. The Browns aren't fooling around.

With three stunning trades on the eve of free agency, the Browns landed a proven starting quarterback, a game-breaking, three-time Pro Bowl wide receiver and a shutdown cornerback.

After 16 straight losses on the field, victory.

Two months after a winless season mercifully ended, new general manager **John Dorsey** addressed major roster needs Friday by acquiring mobile quarterback **Tyrod Taylor** in a deal with the Bills, wide receiver **Jarvis Landry** from the Dolphins and cornerback **Damarious Randall** from the Packers, a person with direct knowledge of the overhaul told the Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

Teams are not permitted to announce trades until next week.

In exchange, the Browns shipped former Notre Dame quarterback **DeShone Kizer** and swapped late-round picks with the Packers, gave the Dolphins a fourth-round pick this season and a seventh rounder in 2019 and sent the Bills the No. 65 overall pick in this year's draft.

All in a day's work for Dorsey, who brought in major talent without giving up any of the team's five picks in the first two rounds this year.

And the makeover came as the team awaits word from Pro Bowl left tackle **Joe Thomas** on his future. Thomas, who played more than 10,000 straight snaps before tearing his left triceps last season, is mulling retirement.

The Browns gave him more to think about.

The acquisition of Taylor would seem to change the Browns' plans to pursue a veteran quarterback in free agency, which begins Monday when teams are permitted to contact agents. It was assumed the Browns would target the Bengals' **AJ McCarron**, whom they tried to land in a trade last season before the deal was squelched when the teams failed to properly file paperwork to the league.

The Browns' next starting quarterback will be the team's 29th since 1999.

Landry signed a \$16 million, one-year franchise tag Thursday with the Dolphins, clearing the path for his trade. The Dolphins began shopping him when the parties were unable to reach an agreement on a long-term contract, which he's likely to get from the Browns.

**Extra points:** The Seahawks are releasing **Richard Sherman**, cutting ties with the star cornerback after seven seasons. Sherman will be 30 going into next season and coming off an Achilles tendon injury that cost him half of the 2017 season. ... WR **Mike Evans** and the Buccaneers agreed to a five-year, \$82.5 million contract extension that makes him the second-highest paid receiver in the NFL. The deal includes \$55 million guaranteed and also makes Evans the highest-paid player with the Buccaneers with an average annual salary of \$16.5 million. ... Pro Bowl long snapper **Jake McQuaide** agreed to a three-year contract extension with the Rams. ... The 49ers will not pick up the contract option on pass rusher **Elvis Dumervil**. The 49ers also said they tendered a one-year contract to exclusive rights free agent RB **Raheem Mostert** and picked up the 2018 contract option for LB **Dekoda Watson**. ... The Eagles agreed to trade WR **Torrey Smith** to the Panthers for CB **Daryl Worley**. ... The Titans told backup QB **Matt Cassel**, safety **Da'Norris Searcy** and WR **Eric Weems** that they will be released. ... The Buccaneers re-signed backup QB **Ryan Fitzpatrick**.

# White ready for another shot

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Access" on WSCR-AM 670 that White was working out with him in California this week. Host Jeff Joniak referenced a recent Instagram post of White flexing with his shirt off in Hawaii, saying his muscles looked "ripped."

"I'm not trying to boost his confidence more than it already is," Trubisky joked. "I said, 'Hey, put a shirt on buddy. We have work to do.'"

"Kevin is working really hard to get back, and I have a lot of faith in what he's going to be able to bring to the table this year. He's looking good while we're throwing together out here. We just have to continue to put in that work, and I know he's busting his tail to really do big things this year."

The work is necessary if White wants another chance with a Bears receiving corps that is certain to look different in two months after the team makes acquisitions in free agency and the draft.

White has made just five regular-season appearances in his career, totaling 21 catches for 193 yards.

"He kind of has a chip on his shoulder now," Pace said. "We're going to add more to that room. But Kevin, it's just unfortunate with the injuries, but we're still excited about where he's at."

New coach Matt Nagy hasn't met with the Bears players yet, per NFL rules, but he said he views it as his own challenge to get White back up to speed.

"You don't make any promises that anything's going to happen," Nagy said. "But you see a kid like that, you know his road and where he's at, and I look at that as a personal challenge to get him to a place where we want to get him."

Ka'Raun said he believes Kevin has remained "the same guy" through his most recent trials, though the brothers —

## Former Bears tight end Gedney dies at 47

Former Bears tight end Chris Gedney, the team's third-round draft pick in 1993, died Friday, Syracuse University announced. He was 47.

No cause of death was given. An All-American at Syracuse, Gedney spent seven seasons in the NFL, the first four with the Bears. He worked for his alma mater doing color commentary for football games and was a senior associate athletic director.

Gedney battled injuries during his Bears career. He suffered a broken collarbone in his rookie season and had a heel problem and a broken leg before being placed on injured reserve before the start of the 1996 season with a stress fracture in his foot.

Gedney, a Liverpool, N.Y., native, appeared in 28 games for the Bears and caught 28 passes for 307 yards and three touchdowns. He went on to play three seasons with the Cardinals.

— Brad Biggs

including safety and draft prospect Kyzir White — don't discuss football much when they're together.

"It's stressful, especially for him," Ka'Raun said. "He hasn't been able to do what he has loved to do in the past three years, so we don't like bringing it up."

"It's just three years in a row. Hopefully, this season coming up he can bounce back and shock the world once again."

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Death Notices

**Colodny, Irene**

Irene Colodny, nee Green, of Chicago, Illinois; passed away Friday, March 9, 2018; beloved wife of the late Manny Colodny and Leonard Deutsch; loving mother of Robin (Jeff Pullen, Randy (Sharon) Deutsch, and Don (Trish) Deutsch; proud nana of Jason and Colton Seidman, Simeon and Michol Deutsch, and Phoebe Deutsch; preceded in death by her parents, Raymond and Fannie Green and her sister, Shirlee Mizel. Also survived by many beloved family and friends. Irene was a gifted educator for 30 years at Peterson Elementary School in Chicago. Her creativity, love of learning, and artistic talents endeared her students, children, and grandchildren. Service Sunday March 11th at 9:30 A.M. in the chapel of Westlawn Cemetery and Mausoleum, 7801 W. Montrose Avenue, Norridge, where interment will follow. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hadassah Chicago-North Shore, 60 Revere Drive, Northbrook, IL 60062. Arrangements entrusted to Lakeshore Jewish Funerals, 773-625-8621

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**Dritz, Jeannette**

Jeannette Dritz, nee Albert, recently celebrated her 100th birthday with all her family, internationally acclaimed classical concert pianist; beloved wife for 65 years of the late Dr. Irwin Dritz; loving mother of Robert (Phyllis) Dritz, Neil (late Ruth) Dritz, and Dr. Steven (Barbara) Dritz; adored Grandma Jeannette of Dr. Jay (Dr. Michelle) Dritz, Ruth (Dan) Levin, Josh (Emily) Dritz, Jeff (fiancée Gabi Sulman) Dritz, Lauren (Mike) Leach, and Eric (Alana) Dritz; proud great-grandmother of Hannah, Jonah, Jeremiah, Sarah, Hayden, Jaxon, and Ellie; devoted daughter of the late Irving and the late Freda Albert; dear sister of the late Philip Albert and the late Manny (Rita) Albert. Service Sunday, 10:00 a.m. at The Chapel, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Rd., Buffalo Grove (1 blk N. of Lake Cook Rd.). Interment Westlawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the charity of your choice. Info: The **Goldman Funeral Group**, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.

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**Fogelson, Georgia Bender**

Georgia Bender Fogelson, aged 77, of Chicago IL and Rancho Mirage, CA, died March 7, 2018 at Eisenhower Hospital in Rancho Mirage CA. She died of pneumonia and chronic lung disease. She was born on May 24, 1940 to William Elwood and Shirley Smith Elwood in New Kensington Pa. Georgia is survived by her husband Gerald Fogelson, daughter Molly Heilmann, and her stepsons, Bruce Fogelson and Doug Fogelson. She is also survived by her brother, Smith Kalita and sister Cheryl Hason. Additionally, Georgia has five adoring grandsons.

Georgia attended University of Pittsburgh, then moved to Chicago. In Chicago, she ran a successful marketing research firm, Georgia Bender Research for over 15 years, retiring shortly after her second marriage to Gerald Fogelson. Georgia and Jerry had a great love affair and were married for 35 years. They split their time between Chicago IL, La Porte IN, and Rancho Mirage, CA.

Georgia was involved in many philanthropic efforts, and was active in organizations in both Chicago and the greater Coachella Valley including Columbia College in Chicago, Young Women's Leadership Charter School in Chicago, and Game-On in the Palm Springs area. But her true joy and passion was for the Palm Springs Art Museum, where she sat on their Board of Directors, led their Education Committee, and led countless visitors through the museum as a docent.

She was known for her bright energy and big smile. Well loved by friends and coworkers for her engaging and thoughtful spirit, she will remain in our thoughts and prayers.

A memorial service will be held in her honor on April 7 at 10:00 am at the Palm Springs Art Museum.

The family suggests that any donations be made to the Georgia Fogelson Scholarship at the Palm Springs Art Museum. <http://tickets.psmuseum.org/donations>

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**Freund, Peter G. O.**

Dr. Peter G. O. Freund, 81 Beloved husband of Lucy nee MacAlpine. Loving father of Pauline (John Smither) Freund and Caroline (Simeon Djankov) Freund. Cherished grandfather of Madeleine Smither, Raphael Smither, Charlotte Smither, Andrei Freund and Marko Freund. Dear cousin of Eva Debreczeni. He was a renowned physicist and a passionate opera lover. Graveside service Sunday, 1:00 pm at Oak Woods Cemetery, 1035 East 67th Street, Chicago. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the Lyric Opera of Chicago, 20 North Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60606 [www.lyricopera.org](http://www.lyricopera.org) would be appreciated. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Buffalo Grove Chapel, 847.229.8822, [www.cjinfo.com](http://www.cjinfo.com)

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**Graham, Richard E.**

Richard E. Graham, age 76, a resident of Chicago, passed away on Tuesday, Feb 6, 2018. He was Born in Sardin, Mississippi on April 30, 1941. Husband of Doris nee Peoples.

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**Holabird, Janet Connor**

Janet Connor Holabird died peacefully at home, at The Admiral at the Lake, in Chicago, IL, on February 25, 2018. She was 91. Born in Chicago, she graduated from Marquette Elementary School, Lyons Township High School, LaGrange, IL and Purdue University in 1948. She adored planning special events for Marshall Field's both immediately after college from 1948-53 and again from 1978-1995. After a few years in Park Forest, IL, she spent 22 years in Flossmoor during which time she was the Village Clerk, School Board Member and very active in the State and local League of Women Voters. She was a member of The Fortnightly of Chicago and on The Women's Board of the Field Museum for many years. An overall lover of life, she particularly enjoyed politics, current events, reading, traveling, entertaining and meeting new people. She is predeceased by her former husband Peter F. Connor (28 years) and husband John A. Holabird (13 years). She is survived by her beloved "Chief of Staff", Valerie Booth, daughters Sarah Connor (Tom Dardak) and Catie Connor (Andres Schcolnik) and four grandchildren (Nicholas, Ana, Emily and John), all of Chicago. Throughout her life and until the very end, she inspired people with her optimism, inquisitiveness and "can do" spirit. Drop-in Celebration is March 18, 2018 at The Admiral at the Lake from 2-5PM. Interment will be private. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to WBEZ "In Memory of Janet C. Holabird", either online or by check mailed to 848 East Grand Avenue, Chicago, IL 60611.

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**Lizius, Barbara**

Barbara A. Lizius, age 79, of The Villages, FL passed away on Friday, March 2, 2018. She was born in Chicago, IL on April 10, 1938.

Barbara owned and operated a Beauty Parlor in Tinley Park, IL for 20 years. She moved to The Villages from Willow Springs, IL in 2013. Barbara enjoyed bowling, golfing and crafting greeting cards. She was Catholic. Barbara was a member of the South Marion-The Villages Elks Lodge #2730 and Berwyn, IL Moose Lodge # 424.

She is survived by her husband George Lizius; sister Bonnie Shanahan; numerous cousins, nieces and nephews in Sweden and the United States. She was preceded in death by parents Thurston and Marion Carlson.

A celebration of life will be held at Hiers-Baxley Funeral Services, 1511 Buenos Aires Blvd, The Villages, FL on Friday, March 16, 2018 at 10:30am with reception to follow. Inurnment will follow at Florida National Cemetery, Bushnell, FL.

Online condolences may be made to the family at [www.hiers-baxley.com](http://www.hiers-baxley.com). Sign Guestbook at [chicagotribune.com/obituaries](http://chicagotribune.com/obituaries)

**Mayol, Miriam Silvia**

Miriam Silvia Mayol-Hevia age 92. Beloved wife for 63 years of the late Fernando Juan Mayol. Loving mother of Maria Eugenia Mayol, Fernando (Bill) and Carlos (Sheila) Mayol. Proud grandmother of Sara and Raymond Mayol. Dear sister of Rosario, Mercy and the late Felix. Visitation Monday, March 12th from 10am until time of Funeral Mass, 11am at St. Gertrude Church 1420 W Granville (corner Granville & Glenwood Ave) Chicago. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. For information **John E Maloney Funeral Directors** (773)764-1617.

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**Ramlose, Herbert Jr.**

Herbert V. Ramlose Jr. of Mundelein and formerly of Chicago died February 21st, 2018. He was preceded in death by his parents, Herbert Sr. and Loretta K. Ramlose, and his sister, Beverly J. Bell. He was a graduate of Lane Tech High School, North Park College (University) majoring in English and Speech, Drama, and Northeastern Illinois University with a MAT in English and a type 75 Administrative Certificate. He began his English teaching career at Alvernia High School in 1969 where he taught for nine years before retiring from Zion-Benton High School where he taught for 29 years and where he twice served as English Department Chair, the second time the last ten years of his career. He was named Teacher of the Year in 1986 and 1992. He was a long standing member of the National Council of Teachers of English which awarded him the Illinois Affiliate Excellence in Education Award in 2007 and served as State Treasurer of the Illinois Association of Teachers of English for over 20 years and from which he received a Lifetime Achievement Award in 2006. He was an avid writer particularly of poetry and belonged to the Chicago Associates of the Stratford Festival Theatre in Stratford, Ontario, Canada. He will be missed by those whose lives he touched and by those lives that touched him. Services will be private. His remains will be interred at Mt. Olivet Memorial Park in Zion, IL. Memorial donations for Herbert can be made to any of the organizations or schools mentioned above. Any donations made to Alvernia should go to the School Sisters of St. Francis, a favorite charity of Herb's. [www.congdonfuneralhome.com](http://www.congdonfuneralhome.com)

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**Shindler, Bernard 'Buddy'**

Dr. Bernard "Buddy" Shindler, age 81, of Northbrook and Delray Beach, FL, respected chiropractor for over 50 years, beloved husband of the late Gloria; cherished partner of Doris Kaplan; loving father of Rob (Andi), Keith (Sharel) and David (Cari); adored grandfather of Emily, Isabella, Oliver, Simon, Dylan, Sage, Samantha and Grant; dear brother of Arnold (Sherry); fond brother-in-law of Beverly (Ralph) Wallace. Buddy was loved by all he touched. Memorial Service Sunday, 3:15 p.m. at Am Shalom, 840 Vernon Avenue, Glencoe, IL 60022. Interment was private. In lieu of flowers, contributions to Am Shalom, [www.amshalom.com](http://www.amshalom.com). Info: The **Goldman Funeral Group**, [www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com](http://www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com) (847) 478-1600.

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### Simon, Earl L.

Earl L. Simon, 73, beloved husband of his b'shert Frannie nee Malin for nearly 50 years; loving father of Sheila (Craig) Zeldin and Stephanie (Neil) Uhler; cherished Grandpa and Zaide of Chloe, Kylie, Gabriel and Michael; devoted son of the late Ann and Sam Simon and son-in-law of the late Max and Molly Malin; dear brother of the late Sheila Simon. Professionally he was a passionate and beloved lawyer. He was also an avid reader, a proud University of Illinois alumnus and a life long White Sox fan. Most importantly, he was a dedicated husband, father and grandfather who would go to the ends of the earth for his family. Chapel service, Monday 12:15 PM at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to JDRF or the International Pemphigus and Pemphigoid Foundation (IPPF). For information or condolences, (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com.



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### Thiesse, Gilbert

Gilbert Thiesse peacefully passed away at his home in San Diego, CA on 3 March. He was 100. Wake will be held at **Pedersen Ryberg Mortuary**, 435 N York Road, Elmhurst, 3-8 PM on 12 March. Service at Redeemer Lutheran, 345 S Kenilworth Ave, Elmhurst 11 AM on 13 March.

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### Webber, Anna B.

Anna B. Webber, 78, passed away March 8, 2017. Beloved wife of the late Donald. Dear sister of the late Peter (the late Rosemarie) Randazzo, the late Gloria (the late Manny) Garcia, the late Babe (the late Mary) Randazzo, and the late Butch Randazzo. Fond sister-in-law of Patricia Jones, Susan (Steven) Boren, Linda (Robert) Damitz, and Steven Webber. Loving daughter-in-law of Ruth Webber. Fond aunt of Tony (Carla) Garcia, Robin (Erik Patterson), Jeff Garcia, Pat Randazzo (Rob Lenz), Barb Randazzo (Patrick Foley) Peter Randazzo, Robert Randazzo, Debra Randazzo, Laura Randazzo, Nick Randazzo, Wendy (the late Bob) Jenkins, Robert Jones, Dena Nash, George Jones, Jennifer (Martin) Paratore, Jeremy (Melanie) Webber, Marine Cpl. Brandon Webber, Natalie Jones, Nathan Jenkins, Jason Jenkins, and Stephanie Jones. Great great aunt of Brendan and Aiden Foley. Beloved friend of Circus Club. Visitation will be Sunday, March 11, from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels**, 8300 W Lawrence Ave. Funeral Service will be held Monday at 10:00 a.m. at the funeral home. Interment Mt. Carmel Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Save-A-Pet, Grayslake, IL. Info: 708-456-8300 [www.cumberlandchapels.com](http://www.cumberlandchapels.com)



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### Wisnauski, Marilyn Dolores

Marilyn Dolores Wisnauski of Bensenville died on March 7, 2018, at the age of 83. She was born in Chicago on February 6, 1935, to Thomas and Gertrude (Raebe) Berney. Marilyn married the love of her life, Joseph Victor Wisnauski, on May 7, 1955, at Our Lady of Victory Church in Chicago. Marilyn is the dear mother of Jeff (Jody), Kevin, and Brian Wisnauski, Lynn Niess, Cindy Poremski, Janet (Michael) Pacione, Laura (Eddie) Finley, Lisa (George) Post, Sharolyn (Johnny) Ramirez, and Charity (Michael) Atchison; loving grandmother to Timothy Wisnauski, Carrie (John III) Carey, Marissa and Derek Niess, Sean Suda, Vincent Pacione, John, Joseph, and Kayla Malinowski, Jordan and Taylor Ramirez, and Emily and Alex Atchison; adored great grandmother of Joseph Wisnauski, Amber, Christina, and Samantha Carey, and Jack Suda. Visitation Sunday, March 11, 2018 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 Noon at **Salerno's Rosedale Chapels** 450 W. Lake St. Roselle, IL. 60172 (3/4 mile west of Bloomingdale/Roselle Rd.) Funeral Service will begin at 12 Noon. Interment Private. For info 630-889-1700 or [www.salernofuneralhome.com](http://www.salernofuneralhome.com)



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Applications will be available beginning on **Wednesday, March 21, 2018 at 8:30 am.** To apply, please log onto the HACC's website at [www.thehacc.org](http://www.thehacc.org) and from HACC's homepage click on the link "See Open Waitlists." Under Affordable Multi-Family Housing, the applicant must select Cook County Senior Redevelopment (CCSR) and then select "Applicant to Apply" for housing.

Applications must be submitted electronically through the website; no other form of application will be accepted. The wait list will close once HACC has received 150 pre-applications. In the event HACC does not receive 150 qualifying pre-applications, HACC will re-open the wait list.

### IMPORTANT

If you or anyone in your household is a person with a disability and requires a specific accommodation or seeks assistance with the completion of the pre-application, please contact the housing authority at (312) 542-4786.



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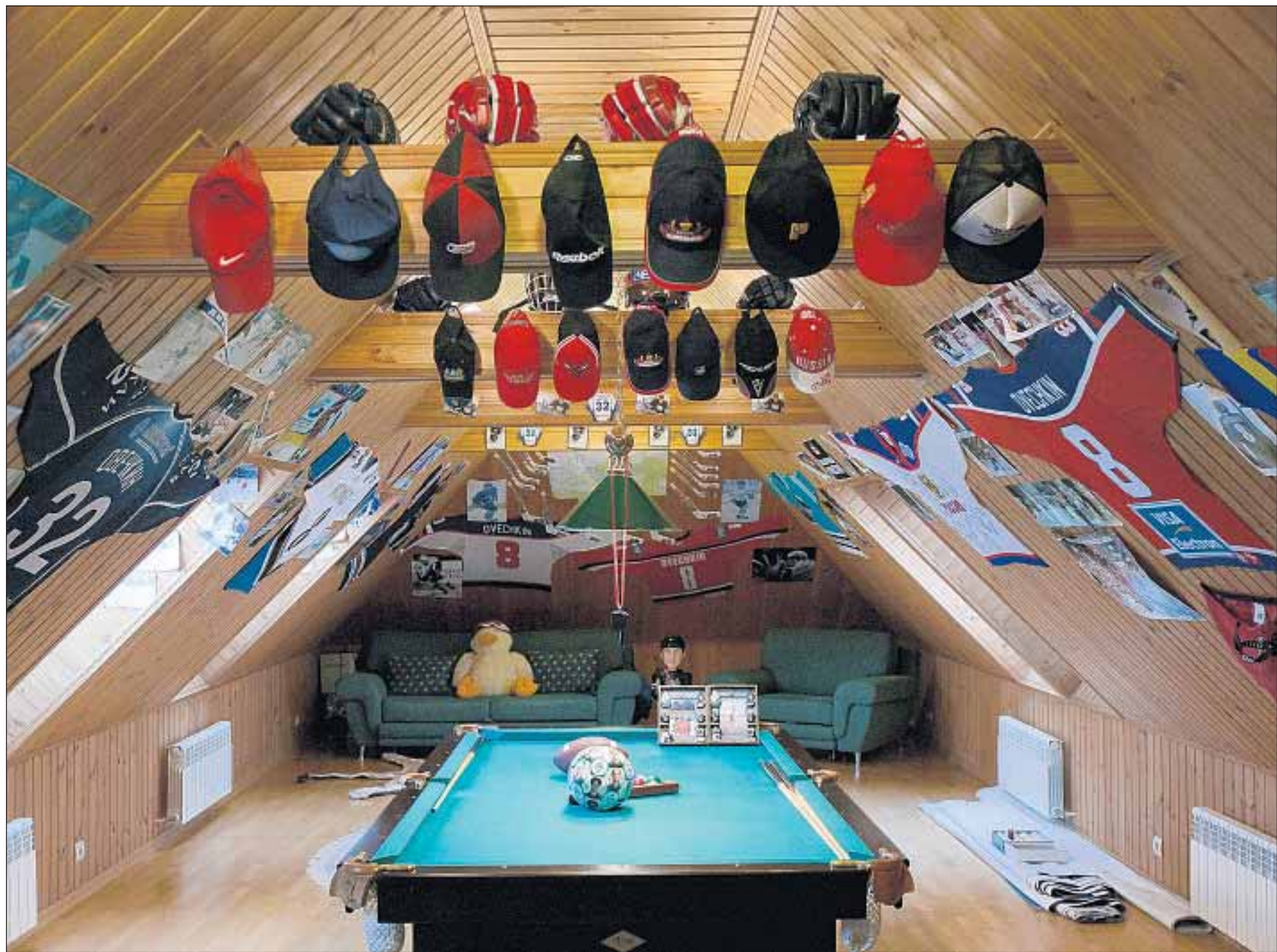
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Alex Ovechkin's family dacha in Russia holds hundreds of souvenirs from his early hockey career. The Capitals' captain saves an item from every milestone from his NHL career.

## Memento for every hockey occasion

Ovechkin has keepsake from each big moment from his NHL career

BY ISABELLE KHURSHUDYAN  
Washington Post

MOSCOW — The full collection of the Alex Ovechkin museum spans roughly 5,000 miles with an ocean in between two main branches. The original exhibit, though, sits 90 minutes from downtown Moscow, past a guarded gate and up the stairs of the pool house.

First, have some tea while watching last night's Capitals game in the breakfast nook. Don't mind the five German shepherd dogs; they're friendly. Check out the tennis and basketball courts in the back yard, blanketed by snow in early February.

Welcome to the Ovechkin family country home, or "dacha" in Russian. The pool house is just a few steps from the back deck. As the stairs wind up, a banner of Ovechkin during his rookie season hangs along the wall. A few more steps and photos from Ovechkin's stint with the Moscow Dynamo are taped to the wood paneling.

Enter the loft, and start the tour. Ovechkin's old Russian national team jerseys line the wall with matching photos. An Ulf Dahlen Sharks jersey, the first piece of NHL apparel Ovechkin's father ever bought him, is also displayed. Old gloves and helmets sit atop the ceiling's wood beams. Five tickets from the 2004 NHL draft, when Ovechkin was picked first overall by the Capitals, are tacked into the wall, next to the draft jersey Ovechkin was presented on stage.

"It feels like he just got to the NHL, but it's been 13 years," Ovechkin's mother, Tatiana, muses. The matriarch of the family points out an Ovechkin statuette in the back of the room, a gift from Capitals owner Ted Leonsis during Ovechkin's first season.

Every chapter of Ovechkin's storied hockey career has been preserved so it can be appreciated. The dacha features memorabilia from the early years, when Ovechkin's father, Mikhail, was the one proudly displaying his son's accomplishments. But Ovechkin has carefully maintained — and expanded — the collection himself, saving the stick from every milestone NHL goal he scores. The next one will be from the 600th tally of his career, and in what has become a tradition, Ovechkin will ask the players who record an assist on the goal to sign the stick before displaying it in the basement of his northern Virginia home.

"It's pretty cool for a guy like him who scores so many goals,"



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"I think this is for my future generation, you know? Kids, grandkids," Ovechkin said of his hockey collections.

said Capitals center Nicklas Backstrom, who has signed several Ovechkin sticks over the course of their 10 years playing together. "It shows how important everything is to him. Everything's got a value."

**Ovechkin has the stick** he used to score the 50th goal of his career, recorded in his rookie season — the first of seven 50-goal campaigns. He kept the stick from when he scored his 61st goal of the 2007-08 campaign because that marked a single-season franchise record.

When Ovechkin scored his 50th goal the next year, he placed the stick down on the ice and fanned his gloves over it, the famous "hot stick" celebration. He kept that one, too. Most recently, Ovechkin saved his stick from the Capitals' game against the Wild last month because he recorded the 1,100th point of his career that night.

Ovechkin isn't the only NHLer who has kept mementos from his career, but his collection has been described as on the "extreme" side. The saved sticks are behind glass in what Ovechkin calls his gym "because there's some heavy stuff there." It's a sort of attraction for those who visit his house in McLean, Va.

"His basement is definitely a shrine," forward Tom Wilson said.

It feels as if he's already immortalized at the family dacha in the Moscow suburbs. In the summers, he spends most weekends here. A banner with a close-up photo of his face lines the back fence of the basketball court, and a second one runs along the tennis court. There's a painting in the living room depicting Ovechkin riding a horse while playing the mandolin. Old posters and cardboard cutouts of him advertising everything from a brand of hockey equipment to a Russian bank are scattered throughout the sprawling property. Of the five German shepherds, his mother points out the one named "Ovi."

"Look how strong Ovi is," she says, referring to the dog.

Ovechkin calls his mother every day, and Tatiana and Mikhail stream every game in their breakfast nook. "It's like we're in Washington," she says. A framed Russian magazine article with a photo of a dapper Ovechkin is beside the TV. An Ovechkin Russian nesting doll sits atop a nearby shelf. At his parents' apartment in Moscow, there are three more glass cases with plaques, photos and signed hats, everything from medals signed back 16 years to a DC Sportsman of the Year award from 2008 to the puck from his first NHL goal. It all has a place, and nothing is too insignificant to

be discarded.

"There's more. But Sasha has to display it for himself," Tatiana says, referring to her son by the affectionate Russian diminutive for Alexander.

That exhibit resides back in his McLean basement, another elaborate display that should soon grow larger still.

"He obviously takes a lot of pride in it, but it's almost like a museum — an Ovechkin museum in his basement," Capitals defenseman Brooks Orpik said. "I don't even know how to describe it. There's one thing where it's like a life-size mannequin dressed up in his gear."

That would be everything Ovechkin was wearing when he scored the 500th goal of his career two years ago. The 600th one, just two pucks away now entering Thursday, will mark his 42nd goal of the season. Entering Wednesday, Ovechkin, 32, led the NHL in goals and could record the eighth 50-goal campaign of his career. Just four players in NHL history have scored at least 50 goals at 32 or older; Jaromir Jagr was the last to do so during the 2005-06 season. If there was any doubt Ovechkin is shooting for that mark, his reaction to scoring his 40th goal of the year Saturday night cleared that up. "Forty is nice," he said, "but 50 is better."

**Coming off a down season** by his standards — 33 goals in 82 games last year — there was some concern age had finally caught up to Ovechkin. As salary cap constraints forced the Capitals to part with two top forwards last summer and rely on less experienced and less expensive players, Ovechkin has carried the load, scoring 20 percent of Washington's goals this season. He's on his best points-per-game pace (1.11) in five years, even as he's poised to play in his 1,000th game April 1 against the Penguins.

"I feel like we've already seen four or five milestones this year," center Jay Beagle said. "I don't even know what they are, but he just keeps collecting pucks."

"I think this is the quickest season of my life, you know?" Ovechkin said. "Time moves fast."

His memorabilia collection is a reminder of that — a combination of his personal history, hockey history and the intersection. When Ovechkin was a 20-year-old rookie, the Penguins' equipment manager sought him out after a Capitals practice in Piney Orchard, Md. He had a gift for Ovechkin: a signed Mario Lemieux stick. It was the first one he had ever received from another player, so Ovechkin then started asking other stars for their sticks, typically offering one of his in an exchange. He has roughly 100 sticks from other players now, including Penguins centers Sidney Crosby and Evgeni Malkin and the Oilers' Connor McDavid.

Even as his basement has started to rival Toronto's Hockey Hall of Fame, Ovechkin has acquired other memorabilia. When Capitals goaltender Olie Kolzig retired, Ovechkin asked for his glove as a way to remember a dear teammate. After Braden Holtby won the Vezina Trophy two years ago, the league's top netminder, Ovechkin asked for Holtby's goalie pads from that season. At his parents' apartment in Moscow, there's a Marty Turco mask from the 2007 All-Star Game in Dallas that Ovechkin had other players there sign for him.

"It's pretty cool," Ovechkin said. "It's something when I'm going to be retired that I'm going to remember."

Ovechkin doesn't need reminding of what's still missing from his collection. A first Stanley Cup would complete it, a perfect complement to the scores of individual accomplishments and the sticks of other stars who have already celebrated a championship. But the Alex Ovechkin museum is far from a finished product.

"I think this is for my future generation, you know? Kids, grandkids," Ovechkin said. "They will see it, and I think it's a proud moment."

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The versatile Mikal Bridges, who is averaging better than 17 points per game for Villanova, has seen his stock rise for the NBA draft, where he is projected as a possible lottery pick.

## 'Coachable' Bridges grows up by leaps, bounds

Villanova star now playing like legit NBA lottery pick

By **JOE JULIANO**  
Philadelphia Inquirer

PHILADELPHIA — The skills that Mikal Bridges has developed over the last seven years — his defensive prowess, moving without the basketball, his ability to knock down a 3-point shot or drive to the hoop for an emphatic dunk — are about to make him a certain lottery pick in the next NBA draft.

However, his coaches during that time, both at Great Valley High School in Malvern, Pa., and at Villanova, will tell you there's more to Bridges than talent alone. It's being a good teammate in his dedication to working within the framework of the team. It's his attention to detail and preparation. It's taking coaching without complaint and always striving to improve.

In the view of Jay Wright, "he's humble and coachable."

"It's probably his intelligence and his patience, to be smart enough to understand that his path to being a great player was going to take some natural physical maturity," the Wildcats coach said. "It's getting big-

ger and stronger. It's a mental maturity. It was going to be natural. You just couldn't do it in a year. You couldn't do it in two years.

"It's having the intelligence to enjoy that process. He never rushed it. He never complained. He just kept getting better in every phase. I'm really proud of him, and I'm impressed."

Bridges' coach at Great Valley, Jim Nolan, said he would describe the player as "coachable, coachable, coachable."

"He was a good teammate and a good leader, but he was coachable and a good decision-maker," Nolan said. "In our program, we get on kids. I get on kids. It's about focus and concentration, doing the right thing. There were no special cases, and that included Mikal. But he always gave that effort and did what we asked him to do. He did the things necessary to be successful. Plus, he's a great character guy."

**The 6-foot-7 Bridges likely** is entering the home stretch of a college career in which he has become, in his redshirt junior season, one of the top 10 or 15 players in the country. Entering the Big East tournament, he is second on the team in scoring with a 17.6-point average and first in 3-point baskets with 76.

Following a 97-73 win over Georgetown last Saturday, he was shooting 51.1 percent from the floor, 42.0 percent from the 3-point arc, and 84.5 percent on free throws. Combine his shooting efficiency, range and ability to get out in transition with the quickness, long arms and intelligence he exhibits on defense (a team-high 1.6 steals per game), it's no wonder NBA teams covet him.

Recent NBA mock drafts have shown him to be going anywhere from No. 8 to 11 in the first round. Bridges has one more year of eligibility but Wright has joked more than once, "If he's going to be picked that high, I'm booting him out of here."

"It's his versatility," he said. "He can guard anybody, any position. He can shoot 3s. He can handle the ball. We've watched gradual progress in him every year. I think what the scouts see is if he keeps improving at that rate, we could have something special."

But the NBA is not something Bridges thinks about, at least in public.

"There's no thinking ahead during the regular season to the draft or to next week's game," he said. "It's all about getting better every day and preparing for each opponent that's coming up. I don't think about any of this draft stuff at all.

It's not going to be helpful for my teammates.

"Obviously friends will tell me some stuff, but if your mind's the right way, then it won't affect you and you won't think about it that much."

**Bridges' basketball story began** before his sophomore year at Great Valley. He grew serious about the sport after a growth spurt of three inches to 6-6 and focused on what he needed to do to develop his skills and gain knowledge about the game.

His objective was to be an all-around team player at both ends of the court. Nolan worked with him in understanding the game more, "helped me a lot with moving without the ball, passing and cutting, knowing a lot about the game that helped me out," Bridges said.

Nolan said Bridges' work ethic grew. "He was always there — on time to practice, giving a little bit more of an effort after practice, coming early, wanting to get in the gym in the offseason," he said.

The other Great Valley players appreciated him. Ryan Buchholz, now a defensive end at Penn State, called him "a great teammate on and off the court."

"On the court, he's not going to yell at you. He's not

going to put you down if you mess up," Buchholz said. "He's always going to bring you back up. I always see that now when I'm watching their games. I always see him with a lot of energy. I always see him helping his teammates out."

Bridges began attracting much college interest during his junior season. Nolan estimated he already had 18 to 20 offers, including strong interest from St. Joseph's, by the time Villanova got involved.

Bridges said he already liked the Wildcats, and the fact that assistant coach Ashley Howard had recruited him for Xavier before Howard took a job on Wright's staff helped influence his decision.

**Another major step in Bridges' development** came after he arrived on campus. Although Wright liked the way he played that summer, he chose to red-shirt Bridges because the player needed to get stronger and because he wouldn't turn 18 until around the start of fall semester classes.

"I don't know of a kid who wouldn't want to play at this level right away," Bridges said. "But the red-shirt idea made sense for me and my family. I was young for my grade, too. So I stuck with it for the year and kept improving, getting

better and stronger."

Bridges made an impact in his first season of competition as someone who could play the point in Villanova's 1-2-2 zone press, a role he has stayed with. He made strong contributions throughout the season, but none as important as his five steals and clutch defense down the stretch in the win over Kansas that got the Wildcats to the Final Four and the eventual 2016 national championship.

As a sophomore, with another year of playing with Josh Hart and Kris Jenkins, Bridges became more confident in his offensive game, working on his shot and making the right plays. He also grew as a leader, learning from Hart and Jenkins, "watching how they did things and helping me get to where I'm at right now."

And that place is a pretty good one. Those who have followed Bridges from the beginning look forward to seeing where that takes him.

"I think it's pretty crazy that you could say I'm really good friends with someone who's going to be a top-10, top-15 pick in the NBA draft," Buchholz said.

"I'm just excited for him," Nolan said. "It's exciting to have coached a player and been around a player who goes that far. And a national champion too."

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## BIG CASH REPORT

# Porsche 911 Targa 4 GTS – worth the extra \$63K?

By Brian Wong, Cars.com

**W**hen Porsche finds something it likes, it sticks with it. For evidence of this, look no further than the 911. Cars.com lists 21 different trim varieties of the 911 for 2018, an impressive amount of variance within one model. Among those models, there are also large gaps in price, which made us curious: Are the more expensive trims of the 911 appreciably better, and therefore worth opening up the wallet even more for?

Last August, I tested the base version of the 2017 911: a 911 Carrera coupe with a seven-speed manual that stickered for \$97,010. And earlier this year, I had the chance to get behind the wheel of a model at the far opposite end of the 911 spending scale.

**What we tested:** 2017 Porsche 911 Targa 4 GTS

**Powertrain:** A 450-horsepower, twin-turbocharged 3.0-liter six-cylinder boxer engine that makes 405 pounds-feet of torque; seven-speed PDK dual-clutch automatic transmission (\$3,720); all-wheel drive

**Fuel economy:** 20/26/22 mpg city/highway/combined

**Key features:** Center-lock wheels, sport exhaust, speed-extending rear spoiler, Targa convertible top, Alcantara upholstery (\$3,850), rear axle steering (\$2,090), 18-way adaptive sport seats (\$3,025)

**Price:** \$160,465 (with destination)

The price gap between the two 911 models that I tested was substantial, to put it lightly: \$63,455. The Targa 4 GTS would have to be exceptional and unique in some way to justify the exorbitant price difference.

### Talkin' Targa

First off ... what's a Targa? It's a convertible where the middle section of the roof can be removed, a design that first appeared in 1966 on the Porsche 911. Other companies make vehicles with similar roof designs (think the T-top on a Chevrolet Corvette or the retractable hardtop on a Mazda MX-5 Miata RF), but only Porsches can be Targas - the brand owns the trademark. 911 Targa models are easily identifiable by the large glass dome on the back, which also helps with rear visibility.

If we were basing this on interior features, the answer to the cost-benefit question would be a no. The interiors between the two cars aren't functionally that different, and because of how Porsche sets up its options, you could outfit a base 911 (or even a standard 911 Targa 4) with the same seats mentioned above and even the same Alcantara-wrapped steering wheel.

### Performance Proposition

But working in the Targa 4 GTS' favor is the fact that it is a transcendent sports car. The 911 Carrera is a very sharp performer in its own right, but the Targa 4 GTS takes it to another level on all fronts. It starts with the jump in power: The two cars have the same six-cylinder engine, but the Targa 4 GTS has larger turbochargers and more boost pressure. That bumps power up to 450 hp versus 370 hp, and torque to 405 pounds-feet versus 331 pounds-feet. You also get a Sport Response button on the steering wheel that you can press to unleash maximum acceleration in 20-second intervals.

With it on or off, there's a noticeable difference in power between the GTS models and the Carrera. Combine this with the Targa 4's all-wheel-drive system and it's practically magical. The Targa 4 GTS puts power to pavement like few other cars I've driven, and in all sorts of conditions — from a stop, at low speeds, at high speeds.

### Confident Through the Curves

I was also struck by how much more balanced the Targa 4 GTS felt than the Carrera. The Carrera is a pretty neutral-riding car in its own right, but you can get it to wobble on the edge — especially if you jump on the power a little early coming out of a corner. In those situations, the rear end gives you a little twitch that reminds you to pull back to avoid wrapping around a tree.

But that's eliminated in the Targa 4 GTS, its all-wheel-drive system making those corner exits a dream. You can get on the power sooner and carry speed more cleanly into the next corner. It's sublime; I wasn't able to fluster the car in my time with it, and it ran my gauntlet of canyon roads with a scoff and a dismissive wave of the hand. To really push the car to its limits would require a track and more skill.

### Final Verdict

Also working in the Targa 4 GTS' favor is ... I mean, look at it. I personally think the Targas are the most attractive members of the 911 family, and for 2017 they got drool-worthy center-lock wheels off the 911 Turbo S.

I've fully talked myself into this: If it were within my means (and maybe even if it weren't), I'd stretch out for the 911 Targa 4 GTS because it passed every test I threw at it with flying colors. If you're throwing down money for a 911, it's because you value performance, which this car has in spades and style to match. And the good news is, if you're not as fond of the Targa top as I am, there's a 911 GTS coupe that's more modestly priced than the Targa (the 2018 coupe starts at \$121,750, while the Targa is nearly \$20,000 more at \$140,950).

**Would I be happy in a 911 Carrera? Undoubtedly. Would I be much happier in a 911 Targa 4 GTS? Undoubtedly.**



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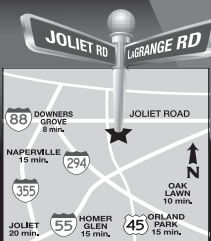
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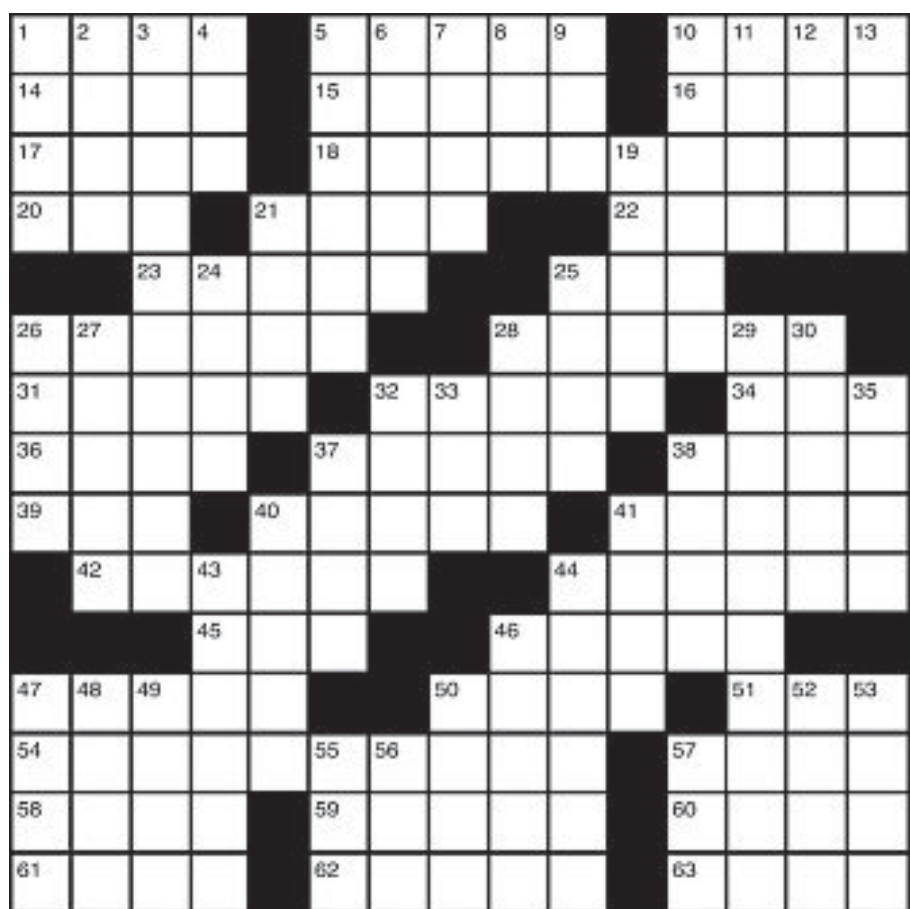
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- ACROSS**
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  - Pass on, as a message
  - Fencing sword
  - Nylons
  - Ooze out
  - Maize
  - Sydney's nation: abbr.
  - Fortress
  - Sorority letter
  - Captain in "Peter Pan"
  - Movie parts
  - One of the five senses
  - Actress West
  - Grow older
  - Infuriate
  - Diminish
  - Hillside
  - Actor Kilmer
  - Solitary
  - Shapeless masses
  - Lucie's dad
  - \_\_-tac-toe
  - Barking marine mammals
  - \_\_ Maria; ship for Columbus
  - Wiggle room
  - One who dies for his beliefs
  - acted as host
  - Japanese 3-line poem
  - Comic \_\_; "Peanuts," e.g.
  - Give to a borrower
  - Everyone
  - Sickening
  - Primary color
  - As well
  - Hula or hora
  - BPOE folks
  - Secluded valley
  - \_\_ at; show contempt for
  - Peepers
- DOWN**
- Fellow
  - Rawls and Dobbs
  - Help
  - Teacher's favorite
  - Install new shoe bottoms
  - Praise
  - Move furtively
  - Hullabaloo
  - Japan's dollar
  - Reverberated
  - Swimming spot
  - Author \_\_ Stanley Gardner
  - Finishes
  - A, B, C, D or F
  - In this place
  - TV remote button
  - Atlas diagrams
  - Thick drink
  - As sore as \_\_
  - Crowds
  - In the long run
  - Disgusting
  - Murder
  - Texter's giggle
  - Dishonest one
  - Drop of sweat
  - Unilluminated
  - Steal
  - Uttered
  - Tesla rival
  - "Away in a \_\_"; Christmas carol
  - Therefore
  - Obstacle
  - Like a skyscraper
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