



## A strong showing for Preckwinkle



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Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle savors her easy victory Tuesday night in the Democratic primary.

### Pop tax behind her, she seeks to lead county's Dems

By HAL DARDICK  
Chicago Tribune

Just five months ago, Democratic Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle was widely viewed as politically vulnerable when the pop tax she vociferously defended was repealed by commissioners amid a public backlash.

The tax debacle spawned primary opposition for both Preckwinkle and commissioners who had voted in favor of the penny-an-

ounce tax on sugar- and artificially sweetened drinks.

Doubts about her staying power and electoral influence vanished Tuesday, when Democratic voters nominated her for a third term over former Ald. Bob Fioretti by a 20-point margin. Initial pop tax supporters like Commissioner Stanley Moore of Chicago won their own convincing victories, and all the candidates she backed for board seats were nominated.

On the heels of those successes, Preckwinkle announced Friday that she will run for Cook County Democratic Party chairman next month.

On top of her Election Day victories, she saw some of her greatest critics struggle. Commissioner Richard Boykin of Oak Park, who was the most outspoken Democratic opponent of the pop tax and flirted for weeks with the idea of challenging Preckwinkle, ended Election Day hun-

dreds of votes behind Brandon Johnson of Chicago. And outspoken pop tax critic Commissioner John Fritchey of Chicago lost to Bridget Degnen of Chicago.

"Here were the two guys who defended supposedly the majority (who opposed the pop tax) and they go down," said Commissioner Larry Suffredin, an Evanston Democrat who was the only commissioner to both vote against repeal and

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Loyola coach Porter Moser is the center of attention at Philips Arena on Friday in Atlanta. Loyola plays Kansas State on Saturday, with the winner going to the Final Four.

## Loyola basks in the hoopla



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### Moser, Ramblers won't say it, but they are on brink of 'basketball immortality'

ATLANTA — For a brief moment Friday, Loyola coach Porter Moser permitted his mind to wander to a place he has marked off-limits for his players' thoughts.

"We haven't sat there and said, 'You guys, this is for the Final Four!' which sounds crazy, doesn't it?" Moser said outside the Loyola locker room. "I mean, it sounds really cool. But I haven't said that to the guys."

Moser doesn't have to. They know. After three straight nail-biting victories in March that have turned Loyola into America's team, almost everybody knows the stakes when the Ramblers tip off against Kansas State at 5:09 p.m. Saturday at Philips Arena in the NCAA tournament South Region final.

Heck, they unveiled a bobblehead Friday of Sister Jean Dolores Schmidt, Loyola's lovable

98-year-old team chaplain. Maroon-and-gold scarves haven't been this trendy to wear since the days of Gryffindor, and Clayton Custer's popularity probably rivals Harry Potter's. In Chicago, where the Bulls stunk and the Blackhawks slid, Loyola saved a sports winter from complete discontent by supplying the most entertaining, unlikely local college season since Northwestern went to the 1996 Rose Bowl.

Just don't suggest to Moser that his team has played so well under pressure lately to give the

Ramblers an edge over Kansas State in the first NCAA tournament game ever between No. 11 and No. 9 seeds.

"Oh, we're the underdog," Moser said, correcting his questioner. "We're chasing."

Bruce Weber's edgy Wildcats can be caught, but it won't be easy. They ousted Kentucky on Thursday and plan to carry that confidence onto the court against Loyola seeking Kansas State's first Final Four since 1964, when famed former Bulls

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## 'I'm not leaving. They're taking me.'

Veteran sent to O'Hare for deportation

By MANYA BRACHEAR PASHMAN AND WILLIAM LEE | Chicago Tribune

A green card veteran who served two tours of duty in Afghanistan, then later served time in prison on a felony drug conviction, began a journey back to his birthplace Friday. Immigration officials removed him from a Kankakee detention center and transferred him to Chicago O'Hare International Airport, his lawyer said.

Miguel Perez Jr., 39, told the Tribune on Thursday night in a call from the detention center that all of

his electronic devices had been shut off. His family, he said, had not been notified about his imminent deportation.



Perez

"I'm not leaving. They're taking me," he said. "They're not going to teach me to never give up, and then I give up," he added, referring to his military training.

The move to send Perez back to his native Mexico, where he has not lived since he was 8, could mark the end of what has been a 16-month effort by Perez and his



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Esperanza Montes Perez and Miguel Perez Sr. speak Friday morning about their son's imminent deportation.

advocates to let him stay in the United States. Supporters are holding out hope for an eleventh-hour reprieve, though it is seen as highly unlikely.

Among those supporters is U.S. Sen. Tammy Duckworth, a Democrat from Illinois, who made a long-shot bid to keep him in the country by using a little-

known legal maneuver known as a private bill, which is intended to help specific individuals. The bill is still sitting in committee.

Last week, Perez's petition for citizenship retroactive to when he joined the military in 2001 was

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### ANALYSIS

## Slow Lollapalooza ticket sales telling

Competition, cost, security concerns among head winds

By GREG KOT  
Chicago Tribune

Lollapalooza, the juggernaut of Chicago music festivals, has arrived at a crossroads for the first time since landing in Grant Park in 2005.

Four-day passes for Lollapalooza, Aug. 2-5 with headliners including the Weeknd, Bruno Mars and Jack White, were still available Friday — three days after going on sale. In contrast, weekend passes sold out in 2014 and 2015 even before the lineups were an-

nounced, and when the festival expanded to four days from three in 2016 for its 25th anniversary, passes were snapped up in less than an hour. Last year, weekend passes were sold in less than 2 1/2 hours.

In interviews with concert industry executives and consumers, several factors arose to explain the slowdown, including greater competition than ever from other festivals, ticket cost (\$335 for a four-day pass plus fees), stale headliners and security concerns exacerbated by a series of shootings at music events, including a 2017 mass

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# Moser, Loyola basking in the hoopla

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assistant Tex Winter was coach. Weber, who spent nine seasons at Illinois after a successful stint at Southern Illinois, traditionally builds programs guided by the same principles Moser espouses, which means these are two coaches who never will be on a first-name basis with an NCAA enforcement official or FBI investigator. If Ken Pom ranked integrity, Weber and Moser would be near the top every year.

Weber has enjoyed better consistency than popularity in six seasons at Kansas State but expressed more pride than vindication when asked about criticism he has received for prioritizing high-level character over five-star talent.

"I used to listen to talk radio and then I became a head coach, and I had to go to country music just to have something to listen to and not hear people talk about me," said Weber, 62. "I just tried to do it right, the way I feel it should be done. I don't like what is going on in our business, to be honest. But all I can worry about is myself and making sure that I do things the right way. I know when the paper comes to your door or the news comes on, my kids don't have to worry that I did something I'm not supposed to."

The last time Weber and Moser coached against each other, the biggest loser was a chair. Weber smashed it during a half-time tirade Jan. 4, 2004, when Moser's Illinois State team gave his Illini all they could handle at Assembly Hall. Both were in the middle of their first seasons with their respective teams.

"It sticks in my craw, that game," Moser recalled. "I remember it vividly."

Illinois beat Illinois State 80-73 but needed overtime and a heroic effort from sophomore Deron Williams, who scored 20 points with his jaw wired shut. Moser's Redbirds blew a nine-point lead in the final five minutes.

"We had to play our butts off," Weber said.

From SIU to Illinois to Kansas State, Weber's teams always do. No matter the school colors, the blue-collar emphasis never changes. Weber finds ways to get through to players, often relying on the advice of Oak Brook-based life coach Jim Fannin — with whom he consulted Friday to get Kansas State in the right mindset.

"I have a ton of respect for what Bruce has done at every stop of his journey," Moser said.

So does Loyola guard



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Loyola freshman Grace Molloy, center, covers her head while watching the Ramblers barely squeak past Nevada in the Sweet Sixteen on Thursday.



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Kansas State coach Bruce Weber enters the interview room to address reporters at Philips Arena on Friday in Atlanta.

Donte Ingram, who spent his childhood in Danville, Ill., about 30 miles from Champaign rooting for Weber's Illini.

"I was a big fan of Dee Brown and all those guys and that was a big thing when they were going up against North Carolina on

their great run," Ingram said. "Another guy from the 217 (area code)."

The guy from the 217 knows from experience Moser will have the men from the 773 mentally prepared for anything and everything.

"I know because of Tony

Barone, because of Coach Rick Majerus, guys that (Moser) had gone through, he has a little bit of both those guys, the toughness, the defense, the scheming, the discipline, the shot fakes, all those stuff I watched those coaches do,"

Weber said of Moser. "And

he does it, and that's why they're good. He's a good guy for the business, and I'm happy he got a second chance."

Moser's surprise firing at Illinois State in 2007 sent him on a serendipitous path to Saint Louis under Majerus and eventually

home to Chicago where, seven years after taking the Loyola job, he is 40 minutes away from being the hottest coach in the country.

Nowadays, people listen when Moser questions a flawed NCAA selection committee process that would have left Loyola out of the 68-team field if the Ramblers had stumbled in the MVC tournament. They ask about the detailed notes he hangs in the locker room pregame and his thoughts on the motion offense.

They smile as he relives a White House visit five years ago with the 1963 Loyola national champions to honor "The Game of Change," that broke racial barriers.

They enjoy everything about a Loyola story that stands an excellent chance of getting even better Saturday.

"I love how our team has been embraced because I think we play the right way," Moser said.

Anybody know the way to San Antonio?

"We just want to win the next game," Loyola senior Ben Richardson said.

"We're not necessarily thinking about basketball immortality."

But that's what awaits Loyola with one more victory, an exciting possibility not even its coach could suppress.

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Mega Millions .....  
04 08 23 53 59 / 17  
Mega Millions jackpot: \$421M  
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Lucky Day Lotto midday .....  
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Pick 3 evening ..... 123 / 2  
Pick 4 evening ..... 5731 / 2  
Lucky Day Lotto evening .....  
13 19 20 21 42

March 24 Lotto: \$8.25M  
March 24 Powerball: \$54M

**WISCONSIN**  
March 23  
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Badger 5 ..... 02 07 09 10 20  
SuperCash ..... 05 06 10 18 31 36

**INDIANA**  
March 23  
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Daily 4 midday ..... 6030 / 8  
Daily 3 evening ..... 586 / 2  
Daily 4 evening ..... 1353 / 2  
Cash 5 ..... 09 12 29 39 42

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Deshon Hannah, left, 20, and Dantrell Blake, 21, learned glass-blowing in Project FIRE, an art program for violence victims.

## Cousins shot as teens step up now

Chicagoans to join anti-gun violence march in D.C.

BY NARA SCHOENBERG  
Chicago Tribune

Like many of the young people who are heading to Washington, D.C., for Saturday's protest against gun violence, Dantrell Blake and Deshon Hannah are concerned about deadly school shootings.

But Blake, 21, and Hannah, 20, also have very personal reasons for attending.

Both were shot as teens on the streets of Chicago; Blake still has a bullet lodged in his left leg because doctors determined that removing it would damage bone. His cousin Hannah was hit with 30 buckshot pellets, 24 of which remain in his body.

"I want to be a part of a change in history," said Blake, a Back of the Yards resident who works as a peer counselor at the hospital-based violence prevention program Healing Hurt People Chicago. "What I've gone through is traumatizing, but it makes you want to be part of something more."

Hannah, also a peer counselor at Healing Hurt People, is particularly concerned about assault rifles: "They shouldn't be on the streets, because it's messing up, like, generations," he said.

"The next generation after us — they probably will have to worry about watching over their backs 'cause somebody's trying to kill them."

Blake and Hannah, who were both treated at Stroger Hospital, will attend the march along with Stroger trauma surgeon Dr. Faran Bokhari, who sees 1,000 gunshot wounds a year, and

## March For Our Lives Chicago

The March For Our Lives campaign against mass school shootings was launched by students after 17 people were killed Feb. 14 at Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School in Parkland, Fla. Saturday's Chicago gathering, one of many across the country, will feature speakers and performers under the age of 21. Additional events are planned in some suburbs.

**When:** 11 a.m., Saturday  
**Where:** Union Park, 1501 W. Randolph St.  
**Route:** From Union Park, east on Washington Boulevard to Racine Avenue, north on Racine to Randolph Street, west on Randolph back to Union Park.

**Transit:** The CTA will provide extra service on the Green Line.

SOURCES: March For our Lives; Tribune reporting



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Students pray Friday at Brighton Park's Immaculate Conception Church before leaving for Washington, D.C.'s march.

Andy Wheeler and Carol Reese, trauma social workers at Stroger.

During a recent interview at the oldest firehouse in Chicago, where both men blow glass and do peer counseling, Blake and Hannah were open and upbeat about the progress they've made.

At the times they were shot, Blake at 18, Hannah at 16, both were involved in the small neighborhood gangs that are almost obligatory in Chicago's

toughest neighborhoods, they said.

But with help and support, they've changed direction.

Healing Hurt People, a partnership between Stroger and the University of Chicago Comer Children's Hospital, offers intensive case management for young people injured by violence, including help with coping skills, education plans and employment.

The program connected Blake and Hannah with

Project FIRE, an art development program for violence victims in which they've learned glass-blowing techniques.

Blake, who arrived at the interview in a Chicago Bulls hoodie and track pants, has been commissioned through Project FIRE to make 23 intricate cherry-red bull heads out of glass. Hannah sold a glass eagle and, during an interview at the 1873 firehouse that's home to Project FIRE, he got up to retrieve another finished blown-glass work: a speckled glass bunny with impressively delicate ears.

"I recently graduated high school, something I never thought I'd do," said Hannah.

"I had a lot of people who helped me. I had a mentor; (she) was on me. When I got shot, I wasn't in school, so after I got shot, I (thought) I can't keep living this lifestyle, you know?"

Among his motivations: He wanted to make his mother proud.

"I'm the first out of her kids to graduate," Hannah said. "I really did it because I've got a little brother and two little sisters behind me. I did it for them, so they can have somebody to look up to."

Both men said they're looking forward to Saturday's march.

"I've never been to a big march, so I want to get that feeling: to see what it is to be with a whole bunch of people marching on some positive stuff," Blake said.

"And then I just want to meet people, meet new people and network with them and let them know what's going on in my city and what good I want to come out of this: a new bill or something like that. Something big."

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## Federal jail guard accused of taking bribes

Drugs, cellphones smuggled in for gang member

BY JASON MEISNER  
Chicago Tribune

A guard at the federal jail in downtown Chicago has been charged with taking bribes to help an incarcerated high-ranking member of the Latin Kings street gang smuggle drugs, cellphones and other contraband into the facility.

Rafael Lizak, 28, of Chicago, was charged in a three-count indictment made public Friday with bribery and conspiring to provide contraband to inmates at the Metropolitan Correctional Center, a high-rise jail on West Van Buren Street.

Also charged in the scheme were Felipe Zamora, a convicted gang kingpin who was in the MCC awaiting sentencing for racketeering conspiracy; inmate Carlos Fuentes; and Zamora's sister, Guadalupe Zamora.

All four are scheduled to be arraigned before U.S. District Judge Young Kim on April 8, court records show.

The Tribune first reported on the investigation in December after an FBI search warrant affidavit was made public alleging that Felipe Zamora was paying Lizak thousands of dollars to bring synthetic marijuana into the jail, using the gang leader's sister Guadalupe as a go-between. Fuentes allegedly was responsible for taking contraband "orders" from other inmates and helping distribute the products once they were smuggled into the jail, the charges allege.

Jailhouse calls made by an inmate secretly cooperating with the FBI showed discussion of payments stemming from the smuggling scheme were often disguised as "lawyer fees" for someone named "Monica," who was, in fact, Zamora's sister, according to the affidavit.

The smuggling network appeared to unravel after Lizak went on leave because his wife had a baby, the records show. There were also indications that at the time he left, the guard was suspicious that authorities were onto him.

"He absolutely told me that the way things are right now, he said, 'I can't,'" Zamora's sister said in one recorded call, according to the affidavit. "He goes, 'It's just ... not right, you know?'"

The charges mark yet another embarrassing security lapse for the MCC, a 28-story building that houses about 700 inmates.

The facility has come under fire in recent years for a number of issues, from understaffing and overcrowding to the daring escape in 2012 by two inmates who rappelled some 15 floors down from their window some using a rope fashioned from bedsheets and dental floss.

In 2013, veteran guard Tony Henderson was charged with orchestrating a contraband smuggling scheme in which he instructed relatives of inmates to drop envelopes of cash through the open window of his Mercedes-Benz in a public garage near the jail. He pleaded guilty and was sentenced to two years in prison.

In 2016, Tommy Haire, a religious services worker at the jail, was sentenced to two years of probation for violating a host of security measures, including letting inmates use his cellphone to make calls to outsiders, mailing letters on inmates' behalf without going through the usu-

al screening process and letting inmates "socialize" in his office and surf the internet on his computer.

The issue of drugs being smuggled into the institution also surfaced in a high-profile trial in December 2016 when reputed Hobos street gang leader Gregory "Bowlegs" Chester admitted on the witness stand that he regularly used synthetic marijuana while he was being held at the MCC.

In fact, the trial had to be delayed for two days after a woman was caught trying to pass balloons of synthetic marijuana — known as K2 — to Chester by hiding them in a potato chip bag when they met in the jail's day room, according to court records.

Reached by phone on Friday, Lizak's attorney, Damon Cheronis, declined to comment on the charges. Attorneys for the three other defendants could not immediately be reached. In an email, the U.S. Bureau of Prisons said it could not answer any questions about the charges until Monday.

Records show the investigation of Lizak heated up last August when a jailhouse informant told the FBI that the guard was "planning to smuggle in a large load of contraband, including synthetic marijuana," on Sept. 1. To track the flow of contraband, the FBI had the informant place an order through Zamora to have a smartphone and additional drugs smuggled for \$3,000, according to the affidavit. An undercover agent posing as the informant's friend then arranged a meeting with Zamora's sister and gave her the cash, drugs and phone, which had been secretly outfitted with a GPS tracking device.

The tracking device malfunctioned, however. But records show that shortly after the handoff, Zamora's sister had several text and phone conversations with Lizak. Later that day, Lizak reported to his superiors "that his wife had just had a baby and that he would not be coming to work for several weeks," the affidavit said. An online gift registry still publicly available shows the due date for Lizak's baby girl was Sept. 4, 2017.

The next week, Zamora and his sister had an allegedly coded phone conversation about Lizak's sudden unavailability to smuggle more contraband. Zamora indicated he needed to make money to help support his daughter while he was incarcerated and told his sister to boost Lizak's cut to \$5,000.

"I need the motions filed because I'm going to try to get my baby, my baby from this chick," Zamora said on the recorded call. "Tell him ... if he files them motions so I can get ... this crazy girl off my back for my daughter ... I'll even give him 5."

Over the next week, Zamora's sister exchanged more than two dozen text messages with Lizak, records show. On Sept. 13, the sister then sent another allegedly coded email to Zamora's inmate account.

"The lawyer said he cant represent u right now," she wrote. "Have to find another one."

Zamora, the onetime leader of the Latin Kings' 26th Street region, was resentenced in January to 12 years in prison for a racketeering conspiracy conviction involving murder, beatings and other violence that dismantled the gang's top echelon, records show.

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## Man with 15 DUIs charged in hit-run

Authorities say he was out on bond in pending DUI case

BY GEORGE HOUDE  
Chicago Tribune

A Des Plaines man who has 15 DUI convictions and another DUI case pending was driving on a revoked license when he was involved in a hit-and-run crash last weekend in Arlington Heights, Cook County prosecutors said.

Christopher Clingingsmith, 52, has been charged with violating terms of his bond in the pending DUI case, driving on a revoked license and possessing a fake ID in the hit-and-run, prosecutors said.

Clingingsmith had been free on \$400,000 bond on the DUI charge, but his bond was revoked at a hearing Thursday in Rolling Meadows branch court. Judge Steven Goebel also set bail at \$1 million



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Christopher Clingingsmith, of Des Plaines, could face 30 years if convicted.

for charges related to the crash.

"Anybody that has 15 prior DUIs and who is operating a 2-ton motor vehicle has the potential to be very seriously dangerous," the judge said.

According to prosecutors, Clingingsmith was involved in a hit-and-run crash early March 17 near White Oak Street and New

Wilke Road in Arlington Heights. He was arrested later in Rolling Meadows.

Clingingsmith, of the 1000 block of Arnold Street, was released on his own recognizance in that incident, but police notified prosecutors that he had been arrested. Assistant State's Attorney Denise Loiterstein said an arrest warrant was obtained, charging Clingingsmith with violating his \$400,000 bail bond. He was taken into custody Wednesday, she said.

At Thursday's hearing, Assistant State's Attorney Jennifer Gates said Clingingsmith has five or six prior convictions for driving on a revoked license, along with the 15 DUI convictions and a pending case. She said the exact number of convictions is unclear and officials were continuing an investigation.

Gates said an earlier DUI conviction apparently was overturned.

Clingingsmith is facing

up to 30 years in prison if he is convicted of the current DUI charge, a Class X felony. He has served four previous prison sentences for DUI and other convictions, authorities said.

His pending DUI stems from a case that began in June when Clingingsmith was arrested by Arlington Heights police after he allegedly fled from a hit-and-run accident in Des Plaines, prosecutors said.

He crashed into another vehicle on Northwest Highway and Arlington Heights Road and was taken into custody, prosecutors said. In that incident, he also was charged with possession of a fictitious ID.

Clingingsmith's next court date on the revoked license charge is April 13. His next appearance on his DUI case is April 25. Both cases are in Rolling Meadows branch court.

George Houde is a freelance reporter.

# Preckwinkle now runs to lead county's Dems

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seek re-election.

Suffredin won 57 percent of the vote in a three-way contest in which the issue was scarcely mentioned. He was endorsed by Preckwinkle. "It seems not to have been the point I thought it would have been," he said.

Both Fritchey and Boykin also voted against reinstating a 1 percentage-point increase in the sales tax, which the county approved in 2015, and weren't shy about speaking their minds when they opposed Preckwinkle initiatives. The views of Johnson and Degnen are more in line with hers.

Preckwinkle's Election Day successes could indicate less County Board turmoil in the coming years and smoother sailing for Preckwinkle's agenda, something her spokesman alluded to late in the week.

"Being nominated for a new term in office will allow President Preckwinkle to continue to advance her top policy priorities — public health, public safety and economic development — as well as guide Cook County through challenging fiscal times, as she has done since 2010," spokesman Frank Shuftan said in a statement. "She looks forward to working

with the board and the new commissioners on these important issues without some of the drama that unfortunately was evident in recent years."

At the same time, Preckwinkle made it known she's ready to take on additional duties within the county Democratic Party, saying she would ask her fellow committeemen to elect her chairman at next month's party meeting.

The post is opening up because Assessor Joe Berrios, her longtime ally and the current party chief, lost his re-election effort and decided not to run again for his party post. She had backed Berrios, an unabashed old-school Democrat, in his re-election effort and now serves as the party's vice chairman.

Nevertheless, she suggested Friday it was time for things to change. "To keep Cook County moving forward, we must also reject politics as usual," Preckwinkle said. "Our Democratic Party cannot and must not be a good old boys club."

Suffredin said Preckwinkle had more political difficulty defending her support of Berrios than of the pop tax.

"I think her numbers are depressed because of her insistence on defending Berrios to the end,"

he said. "I think that more people got mad at her not because of soft drinks, but because they heard her on 'Chicago Tonight' or on other forums where she was defending Berrios."

Preckwinkle managed to defuse the pop tax issue to some extent by accepting the repeal and quickly moving months before the election to cut the county's budget, which triggered hundreds of layoffs and the elimination of even more vacant positions. During the campaign, as Fioretti raised the specter of her trying to again impose a pop tax, she said that was not going to happen.

Suffredin, who has been on the board since 2002, said Preckwinkle did manage to put the pop tax issue largely in the rearview mirror, but not entirely.

"I think that she was weakened, but she was wounded, not fatally wounded," Suffredin said. "In a normal election cycle, she would have had — against a weak candidate like Fioretti — 75 percent of the vote. There's a differential there of about 15 percent."

Nevertheless, that issue did not seem to harm Preckwinkle's favored candidates for County Board.

In the 2nd District on the city's South and West sides, she backed

Dennis Deer, who was appointed in July to replace Robert Steele. Deer won nearly a third of the vote in a five-way contest, beating his next-closest competitor by more than 13 percentage points.

In the 3rd District, which stretches from the Near North Side lakefront to the mid-South Side and includes Preckwinkle's 4th Ward, she endorsed attorney Bill Lowry in a crowded seven-person field. Lowry prevailed with about a third of the vote, topping his nearest opponent by more than 11 percentage points. Lowry aims to replace retiring Commissioner Jerry "Iceman" Butler.

In the 4th District, stretching along the South Side lakefront into the south suburbs, she backed incumbent Moore, who initially voted for the pop tax before later voting for repeal. Moore got 48 percent of the vote in a four-way race, beating his nearest competitor by more than 12 percentage points.

In the 5th District, which stretches from the South Side into the south suburbs, she backed longtime Commissioner Deborah Sims of Chicago, who got 77 percent of the vote in a three-way race.

In the 7th District on the

Southwest Side, Preckwinkle provided some late support for Alma Anaya over Angie Sandoval. Anaya, who won the nomination, was endorsed by the district's current commissioner and Preckwinkle's floor leader, Jesus "Chuy" Garcia, who won the Democratic nomination to run for Congress.

Preckwinkle also favored Degnen's nomination over Fritchey in the 12th District, which zigzags from downtown to the Northwest Side. Degnen, an attorney and former medical marijuana dispensary regulator for the state, received heavy union support, while Fritchey was backed by anti-pop tax forces.

In the 1st District, which includes the far West Side and many west suburbs, Preckwinkle jumped in late in the race to back Johnson, a Chicago Teachers Union organizer who also received heavy union support, over Boykin, who was heavily funded by the same anti-pop tax forces involved in Fritchey's race. Late Friday, Johnson led by 419 votes with some mail and provisional ballots yet to be counted. Boykin was not conceding.

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## Slow ticket sales for fest telling

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killing at a country festival in Las Vegas that left 58 dead and 851 injured.

Texas-based promoters C3 Presents, which has staged Lollapalooza since it moved to Chicago 13 years ago, said the slower ticket sales were not a major concern. "It would be a concern if it weren't selling, but we'll be done (selling four-day passes) in a day or two," said C3 Presents co-owner Charles Attal. "We targeted the Chicago area and didn't do as much outside marketing. I look at trends around the world (where some festivals are declining), but I think we're meeting the challenge."

Lollapalooza is facing competition nationally and internationally for a handful of big-name headliners every year. Seven of the eight acts at the top of the bill on the two main stages at the festival this summer have played the festival before; only Mars is a newcomer to the lineup. In addition, the C3 talent buyers have been challenged to fill out the lineup with 180 festival-worthy bands after expanding to four days three years ago. "It's always hard to find 180 bands, or 130 bands," as was the case for the festival when it ran for three days, Attal said. "Some years it lines up perfectly for the headliners, depending on who's available and who's touring. Other years we're searching. I'm already booking for 2019 — we don't stop."

The festival has faced many security and safety challenges in its Grant Park history, including fence-jumpers, drug dealers and weather-related evacuations. But a wave of violence at concerts in recent years around the world has posed perhaps the greatest challenge yet. The Las Vegas shooter was reported to have reserved a room last year in a Chicago hotel overlooking Grant Park on the weekend of Lollapalooza but did not use it. A few weeks later he showed up in a Vegas hotel overlooking the Route 91 Harvest music festival and committed the deadliest mass shooting by a single person in modern U.S. history.



ALEXANDRA WIMLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Music fans welcome rapper Noname to the stage at last year's Lollapalooza in Grant Park. This year, Bruno Mars is the lone big-name newcomer.

"The article about the shooter trying to get a room at the Blackstone really freaked out" his 23-year-old daughter, said a suburban high school teacher who wished to remain anonymous. "I just thought my daughter was being cautious, but all her friends came over and they all decided they're not" attending Lollapalooza this year because of concerns about potential violence. "That was a little disconcerting."

Lollapalooza funnels about \$6 million annually in revenue to the Chicago Park District and reports that its local economic impact is \$245 million while filling Grant Park with 400,000 fans during a typical festival weekend. The promoters meet each year with local law enforcement and city officials to bolster security.

"These are internal discussions that we can't talk about, but each year we're always taking extra steps to make sure security is as good as it can be," Attal said. "It's of the highest importance, the No. 1 most important thing. There are bad things happening all over the world, not just at music events, and you have to address them. But you also have to live your life."

Gary Bongiovanni, the president and editor-in-chief of con-

cert industry trade publication Pollstar, said the heightened awareness of violence at public events has not had a major impact on the festival business. "I mean, just going outdoors in certain parts of Chicago can be a risk," he said. "Security is in the back of everyone's mind right now, but I don't see any indication that it has had a major negative effect on Lollapalooza."

C3 Presents and its partner Live Nation have a long-term deal with the city to stage the festival in Grant Park, but festivals are rarely built to last. A host of '90s music festivals came and went after brief bursts of success, including H.O.R.D.E., Ozzfest, Lilith Fair and the original Lollapalooza itself, which burned out as a traveling festival in 1997 and briefly returned in 2003 before being reincarnated as a destination event in 2005. The Warped Tour, a traveling festival that has been rolling since 1995, has announced that this summer will be its final year.

For the new millennium's biggest festivals, the results have been mixed. Bonnaroo, a four-day camping event in Tennessee since 2002, has seen ticket sales plummet. After averaging about 73,000

four-day ticket sales for a decade, the festival sold only 45,000 tickets in 2016. Even though ticket sales climbed back to 65,000 last year, it still marked the third-worst sales year in Bonnaroo history.

In contrast, the Coachella Valley Music and Arts Festival in California has continued to thrive since 1999. This year's festival, which runs April 13-15 and April 20-22, sold out weekend passes within hours. The festival's daily capacity is 125,000.

Coachella has remained relevant by morphing into a festival that gives hip-hop, dance music and R&B equal footing with guitar-based rock bands, reflecting the tastes of a new generation of listeners. Lollapalooza also has booked a larger percentage of DJs and rappers than ever before in recent years, but its lineup remains stocked with rock bands and is heavily male at a time when the #MeToo movement is shifting the tide of popular music.

In Chicago, there is more competition arriving every year, with street fairs across the city, weekly concerts in Millennium Park and festivals such as Pitchfork in Union Park, Mambo on the Beach on Oakwood Beach and Spring

Awakening at Addams-Medill Park.

"There's more stuff happening in Chicago in the summer, and there are so many other festivals nationwide that are all coming within a few degrees of each other in terms of lineups," says artist manager and booking agent David Viacelli, founder of the Billions Corp. "There's a diminishing pool of viable headliners and only so many midlevel acts and up-and-coming acts for a major festival. Four days is probably too much — unless you're really young, you're probably going to burn out quicker on the four-day experience and not want to go back. What it means is that they'll still probably sell out the event, it'll just take longer."

Attal acknowledges that Lollapalooza will have to keep evolving or else risk fading away.

"We have to keep interacting with the fans and keeping things fresh," Attal said. "The minute you get stale in this business, somebody new comes in that is more relevant."

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## Afghan War veteran taken to O'Hare for deportation

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denied by immigration officials.

Perez was to be flown out of Illinois on Friday, without saying goodbye to his family and without much more than a toothbrush.

At a late-morning news conference at the Lincoln United Methodist Church in Pilsen, Perez's attorney Chris Bergin said he had been told by officials at the Kankakee detention center that Perez was on a list to be deported and had already been moved from the facility.

"About now, I'd say he's approaching O'Hare Airport," Bergin said, standing with another half-dozen of Perez's supporters, including his parents.

The group angrily decried the decision to deport Perez so quickly after his request for citizenship had been rejected but pledged to fight until he is returned to his family.

In Spanish, Perez's parents, Miguel Sr. and Esperanza Montes Perez, said they were heartbroken

but that they would keep fighting for their son's return.

"My son fought in a war (in) which he defended people who are now throwing him out like garbage," Montes Perez said.

At the news conference, activists released a copy of a letter from Duckworth to Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen, asking her to personally review Perez's case.

"Beyond the injustice that ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) has laid on Perez ... in his deportation, I would find it shocking to learn that he will potentially be leaving with nothing but the clothes on his back," Duckworth wrote. "This is a deplorable way to treat a veteran who risked his life in combat for our nation."

Perez said Thursday night that in addition to what he was wearing, he had a toothbrush, toothpaste and a pair of thermal underwear.

Perez is one of many legal

permanent residents who have served in the U.S. military, then have had to confront the possibility of deportation to their native countries after committing a crime. His deportation caps a series of attempts to keep him in the U.S.

In addition to the retroactive application for citizenship, he petitioned Gov. Bruce Rauner for clemency and appealed to the 7th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals for relief under the United Nations Convention Against Torture, a protection that resembles asylum. Perez and human rights advocates believe his life will be in danger if he is sent back to Mexico. Drug cartels often try to recruit deported veterans for their combat experience. Both requests for relief were denied.

Raised in Chicago since age 8, he enlisted before 9/11 and served until 2004. He was deployed to Afghanistan and served with the 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, where he participated in

numerous classified missions, Duckworth said.

After his military service, Perez sought treatment at the Veterans Affairs hospital near Maywood, where doctors diagnosed him with post-traumatic stress disorder.

He was supposed to return for more tests to determine whether he also had a traumatic brain injury.

In the meantime, he reconnected with a childhood friend who provided free drugs and alcohol.

On Nov. 26, 2008, while with that friend, Perez handed a laptop case containing cocaine to an undercover officer. Perez pleaded guilty to the drug charge and served half of a 15-year prison sentence.

While Perez was convicted of delivering less than 100 grams of cocaine, prosecutors have said he was arrested for delivering much more and received a reduced sentence after a plea deal.

Prosecutors also pointed out

that Perez was given a general discharge from the military after a drug infraction.

Perez said he discovered the citizenship oversight when he was summoned to immigration court shortly before his September 2016 release from Hill Correctional Center in Galesburg.

Instead of heading home to Chicago from prison, Perez was placed in the custody of Immigration and Customs Enforcement and transferred to a Wisconsin detention center for immigrants awaiting deportation.

He was since moved to the Kankakee center.

"Not for 30 seconds was I illegal in this country," he said. "I went to war for this country out of love for this country."

"I was given birth in Mexico and life in the U.S.," he said.

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## NATION & WORLD

# Trump tweets, then retreats on bill

After veto threat, he signs \$1.3T spending plan, averts crisis

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WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump grudgingly signed a \$1.3 trillion federal spending measure Friday and averted a midnight government shutdown — but only after undercutting his own negotiators and setting off a mini-panic with a last-minute veto threat.

The episode further eroded the already damaged credibility of both the president and a White House staff that had assured the nation he was on board.

Trump said he was “very disappointed” in the package, in part because it did not fully pay for his planned border wall with Mexico and did not extend protection from deportation to some 700,000 so-called Dreamers due to lose coverage under an immigration program the president himself has moved to eliminate.

But Trump praised the bill’s provisions to increase military spending and said he had “no choice but to fund our military.”

“My highest duty is to keep America safe,” he said.

The bill signing came a few hours after Trump created his latest round of last-minute drama by tweeting that he was “considering” a veto.

With Congress already on recess, and a government shutdown looming, he said that young immigrants now



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President Trump, with Defense Secretary Jim Mattis, left, and Vice President Mike Pence, points to the spending bill.

protected in the U.S. under Barack Obama’s Delayed Action for Childhood Arrivals program “have been totally abandoned by the Democrats (not even mentioned in Bill) and the BORDER WALL, which is desperately needed for our National Defense, is not fully funded.”

Trump’s veto threat put him at odds with top members of his administration and Republican House Speaker Paul Ryan, who had said publicly that Trump supported the bill. Advisers inside and outside the White House said they never expected Trump to go through with his threat.

Finally, in made-for-TV scheduling, Trump took to Twitter again to announce he’d be holding a news conference to talk about the

bill. The drama was short-lived: An aide told reporters the signing was on. And it was a monologue by Trump, not a news conference. He answered two questions called out to him as he left the room.

He warned Congress: “I will never sign another bill like this again.”

The giant spending bill, though, expires Sept. 30, and another funding measure will be needed. To boost the party-in-power’s ability to muscle its agenda through Congress, he called for an overhaul of Senate rules to allow for simple-majority votes on all bills and appealed to Congress for line-item veto power to kill specific spending items he disagrees with. The Supreme Court ruled in 1998 that a congressionally

passed line-item veto was unconstitutional.

The will-he, won’t-he episode came hours after the Senate’s early morning passage of the huge spending package aimed at keeping the government open past midnight Friday.

The president had been especially frustrated in recent days by media coverage of the bill and by conservative Republican lawmakers, some of whom had been calling to harangue him and making their cases loudly on cable news shows he is known to watch.

Rep. Mark Meadows, R-N.C., chairman of the House Freedom Caucus and a friend of the president, said in a tweet that the group would “fully support” a veto, adding that Congress

should pass a short-term budget resolution while Trump and congressional leaders “negotiate a better deal for the forgotten men and women of America.”

Sen. Senator Bob Corker, R-Tenn., also egged Trump on to a veto. “Please do, Mr. President,” he tweeted. “I am just down the street and will bring you a pen. The spending levels without any offsets are grotesque, throwing all of our children under the bus. Totally irresponsible.”

Trump’s actions came after a call from Ryan. At around 9:30 a.m. Friday, Ryan encouraged the president to sign the bill, according to a person familiar with the communication, and discussed all the wins it delivered, especially for the military. The person spoke

on condition of anonymity to discuss the private conversation.

It was the second time Ryan had been forced to intervene this week. On Wednesday, the speaker made a surprise trip to the White House, with Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell joining in by phone, to try to keep Trump in accord. A White House official that day denied that Trump was considering vetoing the package, and Ryan emerged from the huddle saying Trump would support the bill.

The veto threat pushed to the forefront concerns over Trump and his staffers’ eroding credibility. The spending bill had been negotiated by Trump’s own aides — with sign-off from the boss on every major decision.

The surprise threat also threatened to undermine future efforts by White House staff tasked with negotiating on Trump’s behalf.

“We don’t have a stable, reliable partner with whom we can work in the White House,” said Rep. Gerry Connolly, D-Va. He added that no deal can be deemed secure until Trump “puts his signature on it.”

“It has consequences going forward,” he added. “Who wants to trust a comprehensive immigration deal and put a lot of time and effort into it, only to see it at the eleventh hour derailed because, I don’t know, he turns on Fox News and somebody criticizes it?”

Trump’s decision to ultimately sign the bill averted what would have been the third federal shutdown of the year, an outcome both parties wanted to avoid.



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Noting that universities were “prime targets,” Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein says the hackers penetrated 320 universities worldwide, including 144 in the U.S.

## U.S. accuses Iran of hacking into universities, companies

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WASHINGTON — An Iranian consulting firm worked for years to steal secrets from universities and companies in the U.S. and around the globe, even hacking into the U.S. Department of Labor and the United Nations, according to an indictment unveiled Friday.

The Mabna Institute, based in Tehran, worked for Iran’s Islamic Revolutionary Guard Corps and other clients in the Iranian government to steal research, proprietary secrets and government data, the indictment claims.

The hacking went on since at least 2013, the Justice Department said.

The company is also accused of breaching the computers of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission and the states of Hawaii and Indiana.

A grand jury meeting in the southern district of New York charged nine people, all living in Iran.

The Treasury Department also announced sanctions against the company and the employees.

The hackers used stolen account credentials to access university professors’ accounts and allegedly

stole journals, dissertations and electronic books in science and technology, engineering, medical and other fields.

The leaders of the company sold the material through two affiliated websites, according to the indictment.

One firm sold a professor’s log-in information that allowed access to on-line library systems.

Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein said the hackers penetrated 320 universities around the world, including 144 in the U.S. He said universities are “prime targets” for cyber-criminals.

By tricking professors into clicking on false links, the hackers got into 8,000 accounts, said Geoffrey Berman, interim U.S. attorney in Manhattan, saying the hackers stole “innovations and intellectual property of some of our country’s greatest minds.”

While it does not yet have the sophistication of hackers in Russia or China, Iranian-sponsored hacking poses a growing threat, officials said.

One recent study from the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace found that “offensive cyber operations have become a core tool of Iranian state-

craft,” sponsored by the government intelligence apparatus.

The hacking is “just the latest example of the Iranian regime’s willingness to use techniques to enrich itself and attack companies and countries around the globe,” said Sigal Mandelker, a Treasury Department undersecretary.

Justice officials would not discuss how the FBI discovered the operation, or how it determined its alleged links to the Iranian government. In some cases, victims reported the hacking, Rosenstein said.

“Today, not only are we publicly identifying the foreign hackers who committed these malicious cyber intrusions, but we are also sending a powerful message to their backers, the government of the Islamic Republic of Iran: Your acts do not go unnoticed,” FBI Director Christopher Wray said in a statement.

The nine defendants, including company founders Gholamreza Rafatnejad and Ehsan Mohammadi, were charged with conspiracy, wire fraud and identity theft. But since Iran does not have an extradition treaty with the U.S., it’s unlikely they will face trial.

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## U.N. reports: Outlook bleak if society doesn’t change

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WASHINGTON — Earth is losing plants, animals and clean water at a dramatic rate, according to four new United Nations scientific reports that provide the most comprehensive and localized look at the state of biodiversity.

Scientists meeting in Colombia issued four regional reports Friday on how well animal and plants are doing in the Americas; Europe and Central Asia; Africa; and the Asia-Pacific area.

Their conclusion after three years of study — nowhere is doing well.

The Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystems was about more than just critters, said study team chairman Robert Watson. It is about keeping Earth livable for humans because we rely on biodiversity for food, clean water and public health, the prominent British and U.S. scientist said.

“This is undermining well-being across the planet, threatening us long-term on food and water,” Watson said.

Scientists pointed to this week’s death of the last male northern white rhino in Africa, severe declines in the numbers of elephants, tigers and pangolins, but said those are only the most visible and charismatic of species that are in trouble.

What’s happening is a side effect of the world getting wealthier and more crowded with people, Watson said. Humans need more food, more clean water, more energy and more land. And the way society has tried to achieve that has cut down on biodiversity, he said.

Crucial habitat has been cut apart, alien species have invaded places, chemicals have hurt plants and animals, wetlands and mangroves that clean up pollu-



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Keeper Zachariah Mutai attends to Fatu, one of only two female northern white rhinos left in the world, in Kenya.



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The outlook’s bleak, but it’s not too late to fix, says scientist Robert Watson.

tion are disappearing, and the world’s waters are over-fished, he said.

Man-made climate change is getting worse, and global warming will soon hurt biodiversity as much as all the other problems combined, Watson said.

“We keep making choices to borrow from the future to live well today,” said Jake Rice, Canada’s chief government scientist for fisheries and oceans, who co-chaired the Americas report. Among the regional findings:

**The Americas:** If current trends continue, by the year 2050 the Americas will have 15 percent fewer plants and animals than now. That means there will be 40 percent fewer plants and animals in the Americas than in the early 1700s.

Nearly a quarter of the species that were fully measured are now threatened, Rice said.

**Asia-Pacific:** If trends continue, there will be no “exploitable fish stocks” for commercial fishing by 2048 and the region will lose 45 percent of its biodiversity and about 90 percent of its crucial corals, said Asia co-chair Sonali Seneratna Sellamuttu, a senior researcher at the International Water Management Institute.

**Europe and central Asia:** Even though it is the region that Watson said may be doing the best, 28 percent of the species that only live in Europe are now threatened. In the last decade, 42 percent of its land plant and animal species have declined, said Europe co-chair Mark Rounsevell of the Karlsruhe Institute of Technology in Germany. Wetlands have been cut in half since 1970.

**Africa:** Africa could lose half of some bird and mammal species by 2100. And more than 60 percent of the continent’s people depend on natural resources for their livelihoods, said report co-chair Luthando Dziba of South African National Parks.

While scientists said society needs to change its ways, individuals can use less energy, less water and eat less red meat, Watson said. The outlook is bleak if society doesn’t change, but it still can, he said.

## NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

## State Dept.: Foreign adoptions by U.S. parents fall by 12 percent

NEW YORK — The number of foreign children adopted by U.S. parents dropped more than 12 percent last year, accelerating a decline that's now continued for 13 years, according to State Department figures.

Sharp drops in adoptions from China and Congo more than offset notable increases from many countries, including India, Columbia and Nigeria.

The department's re-

port for the 2017 fiscal year, released Friday, shows 4,714 adoptions from abroad, down from 5,372 in 2016 and nearly 80 percent below the high of 22,884 in 2004. The number has fallen every year since then.

China, as has been the case for several years, accounted for the most children adopted in the U.S. But its total of 1,905 was down nearly 15 percent from 2016 and far below a peak of 7,903 in 2005.

## New Trump order would ban most trans troops from serving

PALM BEACH, Fla. — President Donald Trump released an order Friday night banning most transgender troops from serving in the military except under "limited circumstances," following up on his calls last year to ban transgender individuals from serving.

The White House said retaining troops with a history or diagnosis of "gender dysphoria" — those who may require

substantial medical treatment — "presents considerable risk to military effectiveness and lethality."

Trump surprised the Pentagon's leadership in a 2017 tweet when he declared he would reverse an Obama-era plan to allow transgender individuals to serve openly. His push for the ban has been blocked by several legal challenges, and three federal courts have ruled against the ban.

## Teen who bombed U.K. subway sentenced to at least 34 years

LONDON — A teenage Iraqi asylum-seeker who told police he had been trained by the Islamic State group has been sentenced to at least 34 years in prison for bombing a London subway train and injuring 51 people.

A judge gave Ahmed Hassan, 18, a life sentence Friday with a requirement that he serve a minimum 34 years. A jury last week convicted Hassan of attempted murder in the

September 2017 attack.

Judge Charles Haddon-Cave called Hassan "a dangerous and devious individual" and said he plotted the subway bombing while pretending to be a model asylum-seeker.

The bomb he placed on a packed London Underground train only partially detonated. Prosecutors said there probably would have been fatalities if the device had functioned properly.



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French forces gather outside a supermarket Friday in Trebes, a town in southern France, where a man took hostages before police units moved in. Sixteen people were injured.

## Extremist slain, 3 dead after rampage in southern France

TREBES, France — A gun-wielding extremist went on a rampage Friday in a quiet corner of southern France, killing three people as he hijacked a car, opened fire on police and took hostages in a supermarket, where panicked shoppers hid in a meat locker or ran through the aisles.

After an hourlong standoff, the 25-year-old attacker was slain as elite police forces stormed the market. They were aided by a police officer who had offered himself up in a hostage swap and suffered life-threatening wounds as a result — one of 16 people injured in the day's vi-

olence.

The Islamic State group claimed responsibility for the attack near Carcassonne, a medieval city beloved by tourists, and the town of Trebes.

It was the deadliest attack in France since Emmanuel Macron became president last May.

The officer who volunteered to take the place of a female hostage was identified as Col. Arnaud Beltrame. He managed to leave his cellphone on so that police outside could hear what was going on inside the supermarket. Officials said once they heard shots inside the market they decided to storm it.

"He saved lives," Macron said.

Macron said investigators will focus on establishing how the gunman, identified as Moroccan-born Redouane Lakdim, got his weapon, and how he became radicalized.

On Friday night, authorities searched a vehicle and a building in central Carcassonne.

Lakdim was known to police for petty crime and drug-dealing. But he was also under surveillance and since 2014 was on the "Fiche S" list, a government register of individuals suspected of being radicalized but who have yet to perform acts of terrorism.

## Mexico Coke bottler closes plant amid violence

MEXICO CITY — Mexico's largest Coca-Cola bottler said Friday that is indefinitely suspending operations in the southern city of Ciudad Altamirano due to violence.

Coca-Cola FEMSA said it was closing the distribution plant in Guerrero state because in January em-

ployees there "began receiving constant threats and attacks by organized crime," a phrase that usually refers to drug cartels. It also cited a "recent unjustified attack" on one of its employees, but did not specify what happened.

In 2014, the company temporarily closed a

smaller facility in the nearby city of Arcelia after four of its trucks were burned.

The area near Guerrero's border with Michoacan state has long been dominated by drug gangs, most recently by the Knights Templar and La Familia cartels.

## Air base crash has no known ties to terror, FBI agent says

ROSEVILLE, Calif. — A 51-year-old man drove a flaming minivan loaded with propane tanks and gasoline cans through the main gate of a major Northern California Air Force base, authorities said Friday, but said the driver had no known links to terrorism.

FBI agent Sean Ragan said Hafiz Kazi was found dead inside the Kia minivan Wednesday shortly after barreling through the main gate of Travis Air Force Base and crashing.

Ragan said five propane tanks, three one-gallon size gas cans and several lighters were found in the van along with three phones and a gym bag with "personal effects."

"We don't have any nexus to terrorism at this point," but investigators haven't determined a motive, Ragan said.

Kazi, who was originally from India, has lived in the U.S. since 1993.

**Afghan blast:** A car bombing outside a sports stadium in Afghanistan's southern Helmand province Friday killed at least 13 people and wounded 40 others, officials said. The explosion occurred after Afghan new year celebrations were winding down and revelers were on their way home. Authorities blamed a suicide bomber.

**Vietnam fire:** Residents startled awake by smoke and loud noise signaled for help with lit mobile phones and crawled onto balconies from their balconies to escape a fire Friday at a condominium complex in Ho Chi Minh City. At least 13 people were killed and 28 injured. Police said it was unclear if anyone was missing.



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# Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

## Sears slashed 50,000 jobs last year

BY LAUREN ZUMBACH  
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Sears Holdings Corp.'s efforts to turn around its struggling chains led the retailer to shutter hundreds of Sears and Kmart stores and shed more than 50,000 jobs over the past year, according to the company's annual report, filed Friday.

The Hoffman Estates-based company slashed its U.S. workforce by about 36 percent, from 140,000 full- and part-time employees as of Jan. 28, 2017, to 89,000 as of Feb. 3 of this year.

Closures hit the Kmart chain hardest. Sears Holdings shut down 303 Kmart stores over the past year, or 41 percent of the chain's locations, and 123 Sears stores, about 18 percent of

the U.S. Sears department stores it had a year ago.

That left the company with 547 Sears and 432 Kmart stores as of Feb. 3. The average size of the remaining Sears stores grew, however, from 139,000 square feet in January 2017 to 159,000 square feet in February, suggesting the retailer is closing its smaller locations.

Sears' Home Services business, which handles appliance repair and home improvement services, also shrank. Sears said it had 5,200 service technicians as of last month — 1,200 fewer than it reported a year ago. Those technicians made nearly 5 million service calls to 30 million households, down from nearly 7 million service calls to 35 million



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Sears Holdings Corp. shut down 123 Sears stores over the past year, as well as 303 Kmart locations nationwide.

households the prior year, according to the annual reports.

Sears changed its Home Services strategy in some rural areas and is partnering

with local third-party service providers to work with customers on Sears' behalf, spokesman Howard Riefs said. Sears also is hiring workers for its home im-

provement business and in-home appliance repair business in more densely populated areas, he said.

Sears said in its annual report that continued operating losses, failure to generate additional liquidity and failure to secure additional funding could lead it to default on its debt.

But the company also outlined steps it's taken to fortify its balance sheet and said it believes a number of actions, including more real estate sales, borrowing and restructuring, will do enough to satisfy its liquidity needs for the next year.

In last year's annual report, Sears acknowledged its past results pointed to "substantial doubt" about its ability to remain in business, prompting specu-

lation about the retailer's demise.

The comments, added to meet regulatory standards requiring management to disclose potential risks a company could face within the year, were "grossly misrepresented" in media reports and commentary that glossed over the company's efforts to fortify its balance sheet, Riefs said in an email.

"Our independent auditors provided Sears Holdings with an unqualified audit opinion, both last year and this year," he said. "This indicates that our company remains a viable business that can meet its financial and other obligations for the foreseeable future."

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French street artist Blek le Rat painted a mural on the Cards Against Humanity headquarters in Chicago that was erased during a graffiti cleanup this week.

## Graffiti cleanup claims mural

BY LAUREN ZUMBACH  
Chicago Tribune

French street artist's work on Cards building inadvertently blasted

A Chicago alderman is planning to introduce an ordinance letting property owners protect graffiti as art after a cleanup blitz near a site being pitched to Amazon claimed an unintended target.

A work by a French street artist on the side of Cards Against Humanity's headquarters was blasted away as the city dramatically stepped up graffiti cleanup near some proposed sites for Amazon's second headquarters in the lead-up to the company's visit to Chi-

cago this week. The maker of the irreverent card game is on Elston Avenue in the Logan Square community area, across the Chicago River from Lincoln Yards, Sterling Bay's more-than-70-acre riverfront site near Lincoln Park and Bucktown.

Department of Streets and Sanitation workers handled 256 requests for graffiti removal around Lincoln Yards during the month that ended Wednesday, according to city data. Among them was the piece

Cards Against Humanity founder Max Temkin invited French street artist Blek le Rat to create on the company's building.

Temkin offered to let Blek le Rat, known for his stencil art, use the building as a canvas to promote his show at a Chicago gallery about a year ago. Temkin was "incredibly honored" to have a piece by one of his favorite artists on the building, he said in a direct message on Twitter, and Ald. Brian Hopkins, 2nd, helped keep graffiti cleanup

crews from taking it down on multiple occasions.

"Obviously street art is meant to be ephemeral, but it was a real point of pride for us, and we loved sharing this special thing to the neighborhood," Temkin wrote.

Hopkins said the Streets and Sanitation workers who typically work in the ward knew it was art and should be left alone. But during a recent "blitz," when staff from all over the city target one area for cleanup, a crew unfamiliar with the mural

removed it, he said.

"We felt pretty bad, and apologized as soon as we found out what happened," Hopkins said.

He said he is drafting an ordinance that would let building owners register with the city murals they want protected and create a placard property owners could affix to the outside of a building to warn Streets and Sanitation crews. Hopkins said he's also looking into whether there are cleanup methods with "a lighter touch" that would be

less likely to damage street art when workers attempt to remove graffiti that vandalizes an existing mural.

The cleanup blitzes happen on a "semiregular" basis and are usually scheduled 30 to 60 days in advance, he said. It "just so happened" that this one coincided with Amazon's visit, Hopkins said.

Temkin seemed unconvinced. "The only thing that can make this right in our hearts is if (Amazon CEO) Jeff Bezos gives us a free piece of priceless art," he wrote.

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## Musk deletes Facebook pages

BY PETER HOLLEY  
The Washington Post

To the delight of many of his Twitter followers, Tesla and SpaceX chief executive Elon Musk on Friday followed through on a promise to delete the Facebook pages of both companies, flushing more than 5 million combined "likes" down the digital drain on a whim.

The Facebook pages for the automaker and aerospace innovator have been replaced by a default page noting that "content isn't available right now."

Musk apparently decided to take down the pages while responding to posts on Twitter, including one from Brian Acton, co-founder of the Facebook-owned WhatsApp. Acton's tweet included the hashtag #deletefacebook. That exchange led to a dare, as well as the revelation that Musk was unaware his aerospace company had a Facebook page tweeting: "I didn't realize there was one. Will do."

It didn't take long for Musk to delete

Tesla's Facebook page, noting that the page "looks lame anyway."

By deleting his company's Facebook pages, Musk joined an online movement calling for Facebook users to sever ties to the social media giant. It began with the revelation that Cambridge

Analytica — a political marketing firm that worked with Donald Trump's presidential campaign — improperly harvested the data of 50 million Facebook users, raising new questions about the network's ability to protect user data.

Accounts for SpaceX and Tesla remain active on Instagram, which is owned by Facebook.

"Instagram's probably ok imo, so long as it stays fairly independent," Musk wrote on Twitter after calls for him to delete the Instagram accounts mounted Friday. "I don't use FB & never have, so don't think I'm some kind of martyr or my companies are taking a huge blow."

"Also," he added, "we don't advertise or pay for endorsements, so ... don't care."



Musk

## WYCC, WTTW to share channel

BY ROBERT CHANNICK  
Chicago Tribune

Chicago public TV station WYCC-Ch. 20, which went off the air in November, is set to return next month thanks to a channel-sharing agreement with former rival WTTW-Ch. 11.

The new channel, dubbed WYCC MHz Worldview, will borrow a portion of WTTW's airwaves beginning at 5 a.m. April 23 to run the full slate of international dramas and newscasts that formerly aired on one of WYCC's secondary digital channels.

"We're excited about it and the potential going forward, and we know that the WYCC audience is eager to see this channel come back," Anne Gleason, senior vice president of marketing and digital media for WTTW's

parent company, said in an email Friday.

WYCC sold its licensed frequency in a Federal Communications Commission spectrum auction last year.

Viewers may have to hunt to find the station's new home. WYCC, which went dark Nov. 27, will broadcast on Channel 20.1, but over-the-air viewers will need to rescan available channels to pick up the new frequency. Chicago-area Comcast subscribers will be able to watch WYCC on Channel 372.

WYCC will air everything from Swedish drama "Missing" to France 24 Live as part of the renewed affiliation with MHz Worldview, a Virginia-based public TV network. WYCC's primary channel — a mix of local shows and PBS staples — is gone for good, Gleason said. City Colleges of Chicago,

which launched WYCC in 1983 as a "distant learning" channel and public TV alternative, sold the station's frequency last year for about \$16 million in an FCC spectrum auction designed to shift a portion of the broadcast airwaves to wireless mobile use.

WYCC had the option to channel-share with another TV station or go off the air.

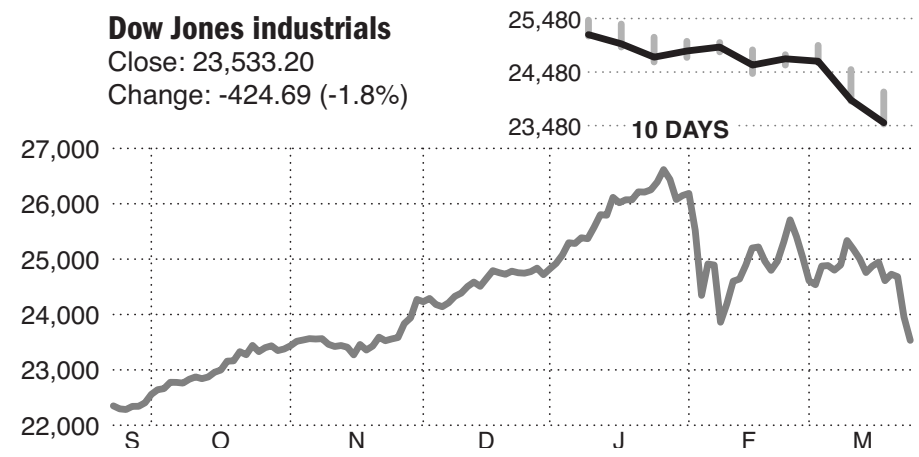
Window to the World Communications, the owner of WTTW, struck a deal in December with City Colleges to share a channel with WYCC. The FCC approved the agreement in January.

WTTW also agreed to buy WYCC's license for \$100,000. The FCC approved the transfer March 13 and the deal is expected to close by the end of the month, Gleason said.

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MARKET ROUNDUP

**Dow** High: 24,108.47 Low: 23,509.06 Previous: 23,957.89



Nasdaq	S&P 500	Russell 2000
-174.01 (-2.43%)	-55.43 (-2.10%)	-33.79 (-2.19%)
Close: 6,992.67	Close: 2,588.26	Close: 1,510.08
High: 7,194.31	High: 2,657.67	High: 1,548.73
Low: 6,992.67	Low: 2,585.89	Low: 1,510.08
Previous: 7,166.68	Previous: 2,643.69	Previous: 1,543.87

10-yr T-note	Gold futures	Yen	Euro	Crude Oil
-0.02 to 2.81%	+22.70 to \$1,349.30	-0.79 to 104.82/\$1	-0.0040 to .8086/\$1	+1.58 to \$65.88

Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P	DOW	NASD	S&P
-5.67	-6.54	-5.95	-7.02	-4.70	-5.79	+14.26	+19.97	+10.42

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	455.25	461.75	446.50	460.25	+4.50
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	376.25	378.25	369.25	377.25	+1.25
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	May 18	1026.50	1034.25	1009.25	1028.25	-1.50
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	May 18	31.86	31.98	31.37	31.42	-0.46
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	May 18	367.90	379.00	360.50	377.90	+9.90
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl- dollars per bbl.	May 18	64.28	66.00	64.11	65.88	+1.58
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Apr 18	2.619	2.627	2.579	2.591	-0.026
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Apr 18	2.0049	2.0438	2.0049	2.0336	+0.0240

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LOCAL STOCKS

Stocks listed may change due to daily fluctuations in market capitalization. Exchange key: N=NYSE, O=NASDAQ

STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.	STOCK	XCHG.	CLOSE	CHG.
Abbott Labs	N	59.50	-1.43	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	83.63	-0.77	McDonalds Corp	N	154.98	-2.06
AbbVie Inc	N	97.46	-0.64	Equity Residential	N	58.36	-0.85	Middleby Corp	O	122.63	-1.93
Allstate Corp	N	92.25	-2.40	Exelon Corp	N	37.71	-0.66	Morningstar Inc	O	40.51	-1.31
Aptargroup Inc	N	86.77	-1.19	First Indl RT	N	28.42	-0.56	Motorsola Solutions	N	104.28	-2.92
Arch Dan Mid	N	42.05	+1.11	Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	N	57.89	-1.80	Navistar Intl	N	31.63	-0.75
Baxter Intl	N	64.29	-1.26	Gallagher AJ	N	66.69	-1.88	NISource Inc	N	23.06	-0.33
Boeing Co	N	321.00	+1.39	Graininger WW	N	270.05	-10.12	Nthn Trust Cp	O	99.45	-3.06
Brunswick Corp	N	58.82	-0.96	GrubHub Inc	N	104.61	-1.30	Old Republic	N	20.83	-0.34
CBOE Global Markets	O	111.71	-0.91	Hill-Rom Hldgs	N	84.17	-0.56	Packaging Corp Am	N	109.20	-3.78
CDK Global Inc	O	63.97	-1.30	Hyatt Hotels Corp	N	76.36	-1.88	Stericycle Inc	O	58.49	-0.92
CDW Corp	O	69.91	-3.34	IDEX Corp	N	142.78	-1.93	TransUnion	N	57.01	-1.13
CF Industries	N	36.92	-0.35	ITW	N	156.91	-5.84	Tribune Media Co A	N	40.36	-3.35
CME Group	O	158.12	-2.04	Ingredion Inc	N	126.74	-1.77	UGS Corp	N	33.51	+0.03
CNA Financial	N	49.28	-1.03	John Bean Technol	N	113.05	-2.75	Ultra Salon Cosmetics	O	202.29	-5.07
Caterpillar Inc	N	144.29	-2.61	Jones Lang LaSalle	N	167.81	-5.03	United Contl Hldgs	N	67.39	-1.06
ConAgra Brands Inc	N	35.50	+0.05	KapStone Paper	N	34.46	-0.18	Ventas Inc	N	48.11	-1.21
Deere Co	N	148.00	-3.58	Kraft Heinz Co	O	60.03	-0.50	Walgreen Boots Alli	O	65.43	-0.21
Discover Fin Svcs	N	70.07	-1.82	LKQ Corporation	O	37.17	-0.74	Wintrust Financial	O	82.00	-3.20
Dover Corp	N	98.35	-0.63	Littelfuse Inc	O	204.73	-5.83	Zebra Tech	O	136.35	-1.94
Equity Commonwh	N	29.57	-0.48	MB Financial	O	40.50	-1.22				

MOST ACTIVE STOCKS

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Bank of America	29.17	-1.38
Gen Electric	13.07	-0.28
Ford Motor	10.56	-0.19
AT&T Inc	34.70	-0.67
Cemex SAB de CV	6.94	+0.30
Citigroup	67.90	-2.41
Wells Fargo & Co	50.98	-1.55
Pfizer Inc	34.49	-1.11
Chesapck Enegy	3.07	-0.04
Twitter Inc	31.03	-1.17
JPMorgan Chase & Co	107.01	-2.94
Vale SA	12.51	-0.07
Oracle Corp	44.79	-1.10
AK Steel Hold	4.40	-1.00
Weatherford Intl Ltd	2.39	-0.10
Square Inc	51.67	-3.49
Kinder Morgan Inc	15.01	-0.35
Exxon Mobil Corp	72.89	-0.61
Rite Aid Corp	1.49	-0.05
Alibaba Group Hldg	181.20	-3.45
Kroger Co	23.28	-1.11
Nike Inc B	64.63	+0.21
Nokia Corp	5.46	-0.04
Forest City A	19.90	-1.37

LARGEST COMPANIES

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
AT&T Inc	34.70	-0.67
Alphabet Inc C	1021.57	-27.51
Alphabet Inc A	1026.55	-26.60
Amazon.com Inc	1495.56	-49.36
Apple Inc	164.94	-3.91
Bank of America	29.17	-1.38
Berkshire Hath A	288755	-8194
Berkshire Hath B	192.46	-5.17
Chevron Corp	112.98	-0.72
Exxon Mobil Corp	72.89	-0.61
Facebook Inc	159.39	-5.50
Intel Corp	49.36	-1.47
JPMorgan Chase	107.01	-2.94
Johnson & Johnson	125.10	-2.28
Microsoft Corp	87.18	-2.61
Royal Dutch Shell A	62.41	+0.04
Source Cap	39.75	-0.50
WalMart Strs	85.42	-1.72
Wells Fargo & Co	50.98	-1.55

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

Based on total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCpA m	32.20	-0.53	+18.8
American Funds AmnBAlA m	26.37	-0.34	+3.6
American Funds CptWdGrInCA m	550.29	-7.5	+14.9
American Funds CptInCBldrA m	59.52	-0.43	+4.4
American Funds EuroPacGrA m	55.76	-0.77	+19.0
American Funds FdmtInvsA m	60.59	-1.05	+14.3
American Funds GrfAmrCA m	50.52	-0.94	+20.5
American Funds IncAmrCA m	22.35	-0.20	+5.9
American Funds InvCAMrCA m	39.09	-0.63	+10.6
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	43.54	-0.75	+19.6
American Funds WAMTInvsA m	64.83	-0.69	+15.1
DFA EMktCorEq	23.12	-0.41	+19.1
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.59	...	+2.0
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	44.62	-0.72	+9.7
Dodge & Cox Stk	196.46	-4.09	+10.2
DoubleLine TtRetBdl	10.48	...	+1.9
Fidelity 500IdxIns	90.87	-1.94	+12.5
Fidelity 500IdxInsPrrm	90.87	-1.94	+12.5
Fidelity 500IndexPrrm	90.87	-1.94	+12.5
Fidelity Contrafund	123.03	-2.87	+23.9
Fidelity ContrafundK	122.98	-2.87	+24.1
Fidelity InvMGradeBd	10.98	...	+1.5
Fidelity LowPrStk	53.08	-0.76	+13.8
Franklin Templeton Inca m	2.26	-0.02	+2.0
Metropolitan West TtRetBdl	10.41	...	+0.8
Oakmark IntlInv	27.39	-0.34	+14.0
PIMCO Inclnstl	12.15	-0.01	+5.0
PIMCO TtRetIns	10.06	...	+2.0
Schwab SP500Idx	40.05	-0.86	+21.5
T. Rowe Price BCGR	100.69	-6.23	+31.1
T. Rowe Price GrStk	64.43	-1.35	+25.4
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl x	238.90	-6.23	+12.5
Vanguard DivGrInv	25.64	-0.39	+9.1
Vanguard HCAmrl	85.22	-1.62	+7.2
Vanguard IntTEAdmrl	13.86	-0.01	+2.1
Vanguard InslIdxIns	235.79	-5.04	+12.5
Vanguard InslIdxInsPlus	235.80	-5.04	+12.5
Vanguard InslTSMInPls	57.60	-1.21	+13.8
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	97.28	-1.52	+30.2
Vanguard MDCpdxAdmrl	187.48	-3.63	+11.6
Vanguard PrrmCpAdmrl	133.38	-3.23	+20.7
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.50	+0.01	+7.0
Vanguard SmCpdxAdmrl	69.19	-1.35	+12.1
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	30.83	-0.28	+8.2
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	18.14	-0.19	+9.3
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	32.94	-0.40	+10.1
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	20.24	-0.27	+11.0
Vanguard TtBMDIdxAdmrl	10.48	...	+9.9
Vanguard TtBMDIdxIns	10.48	...	+9.9
Vanguard TtInBdxAdmrl	21.80	...	+3.4
Vanguard TtInSdxAdmrl x	29.66	-0.46	+14.9
Vanguard TtInSdxIns x	118.62	-1.83	+14.9
Vanguard TtInSdxInsPlus x	118.64	-1.84	+15.0
Vanguard TtInSdxInvm x	17.73	-0.27	+14.8
Vanguard TtSMIdxAdmrl	64.79	-1.37	+12.7
Vanguard TtSMIdxIns	64.80	-1.37	+12.7
Vanguard TtSMIdxInvm	64.77	-1.37	+12.6
Vanguard WngtNAdmrl	69.51	-0.89	+7.3
Vanguard WlsyInAdmrl	62.48	-0.39	+4.1
Vanguard WndrsrIAAdmrl	63.60	-1.25	+6.7

TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	1.69	1.68
6-month disc	1.86	1.88
2-year	2.26	2.30
10-year	2.81	2.83
30-year	3.06	3.06

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1349.30	\$1326.60
Silver	\$16.530	\$16.328
Platinum	\$948.40	\$949.10

INTEREST RATES

Prime Rate	4.75
Discount Rate Primary	2.25
Fed Funds Target	1.50-1.75
Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.33

FOREIGN EXCHANGE

A U.S. Dollar buys ...

Argentina (Peso)	20.1898
Australia (Dollar)	1.2962
Brazil (Real)	3.3101
Britain (Pound)	0.7069
Canada (Dollar)	1.2863
China (Yuan)	6.3185
Euro	0.8086
India (Rupee)	65.0220
Israel (Shekel)	3.4847
Japan (Yen)	104.82
Mexico (Peso)	18.5374
Poland (Zloty)	3.42
So. Korea (Won)	1081.61
Taiwan (Dollar)	29.18
Thailand (Baht)	31.18

NASDAQ STOCK MARKET

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Micron Tech	54.21	-4.71
TOP Ships Inc	.19	+0.02
Dropbox Inc	28.48	...
Adv Micro Dev	10.63	-2.28
Facebook Inc	159.39	-5.50
Comcast Corp A	33.17	-0.06
Microsoft Corp	87.18	-2.61
Apple Inc	164.94	-3.91
Intel Corp	49.36	-1.47
Neovasc Inc	.11	-0.00
Cisco Syst	42.42	-0.65
Genon Corporation	5.64	+0.38
Caesars Entertain	11.25	-0.55
Applied Matls	55.38	-3.58
JD.com Inc	40.87	-1.64
Nvidia Corporation	232.97	-8.88
Sirius XM Hldgs Inc	6.17	-0.09
Qualcomm Inc	53.66	-1.92
Mondelez Intl	40.51	-0.54
Groupon Inc	4.30	-0.30
Zynga Inc	3.80	-0.01
PayPal Holdings	76.44	-2.12
Netflix Inc	300.94	-5.76
On Semiconductor	25.04	-0.86

FOREIGN MARKETS

INDEX	CLOSE	CHG.
Shanghai	3152.76</	

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## EDITORIALS

# John Bolton. Then what?

President Donald Trump just installed a mini-him as national security adviser. John Bolton, former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, take-no-prisoners Fox News talking head, is now at the president's elbow as they confront some of the most corrupt and dangerous regimes in the world. Iran. North Korea. Russia.

Bolton's views are well-known and often mesh with Trump's. On the air and in the op-ed pages, he's argued forcefully that a pre-emptive strike on North Korea is "perfectly legitimate." He has long scoffed at the Iran nuclear deal, as has Trump, and urged the president to tear it up. He wants a tougher stance against Russia's aggressive military and geopolitical actions and policies; Trump has so far been reluctant.

Now Bolton will be front and center in talk — and action — on all fronts. The Iran deal could be history, abrogated by Trump in early May. The president is expected to meet North Korean dictator Kim Jong Un by the end of that month to talk about that country's rogue nuclear program. And Trump says he may parley soon with Russian Strongman-For-Life Vladimir Putin.

We don't know how the addition of Bolton and the subtraction of former national security adviser H.R. McMaster will change the equation. Another variable: CIA Director Mike Pompeo, who is poised to become secretary of state after Trump fired Rex Tillerson.



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**In sacking Tillerson and McMaster**, however, Trump has silenced voices that had tried to mute some of his more bombastic foreign policy instincts, particularly on the Iran nuclear deal. What he'll hear from Bolton presumably will be much closer to what Trump himself has advocated. To what effect? The mercurial Trump reverses course and befuddles friend and foe with often contradictory stances on major issues within hours if not minutes of each other. Where he had voices advising calm, he now has a potential encourager-enabler.

But there's a mantra Trump should invoke when responding to advisers and weighing a case to confront an enemy or aid an ally: *Suppose I do that. Then what?*

Let's say Trump shreds the Iran deal. Then what? Does that raise or lower prospects that Iran will race to build bombs? What will allies like Great Britain and foes like Russia and China do? Will the U.S. be more or less secure?

Let's say Trump pre-emptively strikes

North Korea. Then what? Will the North Koreans attack South Korea, potentially killing hundreds of thousands of civilians? Will they, can they, launch nuclear-tipped missiles toward Chicago and other U.S. cities?

**These aren't implausible game-theory scenarios.** These are possible real-world repercussions from provocative U.S. diplomatic or military maneuvering.

The U.S. national security adviser can't afford to indulge in let's-do-this-and-see-what-happens bluster. If a U.S. leader makes a threat, draws a red line or takes belligerent action, he'd better anticipate the ripple effects.

Leaders in capitals around the world may or may not believe what Trump — or any president — says. They know that the art of the bluff is part of the art of the deal.

But they do watch how a president changes his roster for clues about what he'll do next. They know John Bolton. And if Americans are wondering how Bolton will influence his boss, so are all those foreign leaders.

### WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

Since individuals' investment in their own education is personally rewarding, you might infer that government investment in society's education would be socially rewarding. But this is a classic "fallacy of composition." If one person stands up at a concert, he sees better; it does not follow that if everyone stands up at a concert, everyone sees better. The same goes for education.

Yes, schooling is selfishly lucrative — at least for strong students. On a societal level, however, it is shockingly wasteful for students weak and strong. Federal, state, and local government spends far too much money educating Americans. ...

Education as it actually exists blends crucial training in literacy and numeracy, which yields real skills, with thousands of hours of hoop-jumping to impress future employers. Selfishly speaking, this hoop-jumping pays. But socially speaking, it's a waste. Only one worker can look like the Best Worker in the Country, and only a quarter of workers can look like the Best 25 Percent. ...

At first glance, education's selfish financial benefits look enormous. High school grads out-earn dropouts by 30 percent, and college grads out-earn high school grads by 73 percent. But the true benefits are smaller than they look: High-ability people spend extra years in school, and the labor market independently rewards ability as well as education. As a result, some of what we call the "rewards of education" are disguised "rewards of ability." My best estimate is that just over half of the apparent premium is genuine.

**Bryan Caplan, Reason**

Pressing forward on a strategy of increased sanctions and multilateral pressure is right, but at the same time the Trump administration cannot de-link Venezuela and Cuba, for there will be no resolution in Venezuela without addressing the pernicious influence of the Castro regime in fortifying Nicolas Maduro's grip on power and rooting out any internal opposition to the breakdown of democratic order.

Today, the penetration of Venezuela by thousands of Cuban operatives is complete. ... Certainly, there is nothing new to the

incestuous Venezuela-Cuba relationship. What is new is the Maduro regime's increasing brazenness in pursuing an uncompromising survival strategy straight out of the Castro playbook: ever-more reliance on repression to maintain control, while driving the discontented out of the country. Cuba's fingerprints are all over this human tragedy.

There is very little to be optimistic about regarding Venezuela. Some liken it to an out-of-control bus that needs to crash before anything can be done. But that is an abdication of responsibility by those in a position to prevent such a tragedy and a disservice to the Venezuelan people. Moreover, there will be those who claim the U.S. has no moral authority to act in preventing the destruction of Venezuela. It's very likely, however, that not many of them live there.

**Jose R. Cardenas, Foreign Policy**

Formally, North Korea denies engaging in hacking and describes accusations to that effect as enemy propaganda. It says its overseas computer efforts are directed at promoting its anti-virus software in the global market. The country has for more than a decade been working on such programs, including one called SiliVaccine. It also has a homegrown operating system, Red Star, that software developers have pointed out looks suspiciously like macOS. Kim Jong Un's affinity for Apple products is well-known. In 2013, he was photographed sitting in front of an iMac during a meeting with military officials to discuss missile attacks on the U.S.; a picture released a few years later showed him with an Apple laptop on his private jet.

Kim has also moved to make more smartphones available to North Korea's 25 million citizens and begun rewarding computer scientists with nicer homes and higher salaries. And he's sent increasing numbers of them into neighboring countries, where internet access is better and they can more easily hide their tracks. Defectors say programmers cross the border clutching bean paste, hot pepper paste, dried anchovy, and other comforts of home.

**Sam Kim, Bloomberg Businessweek**

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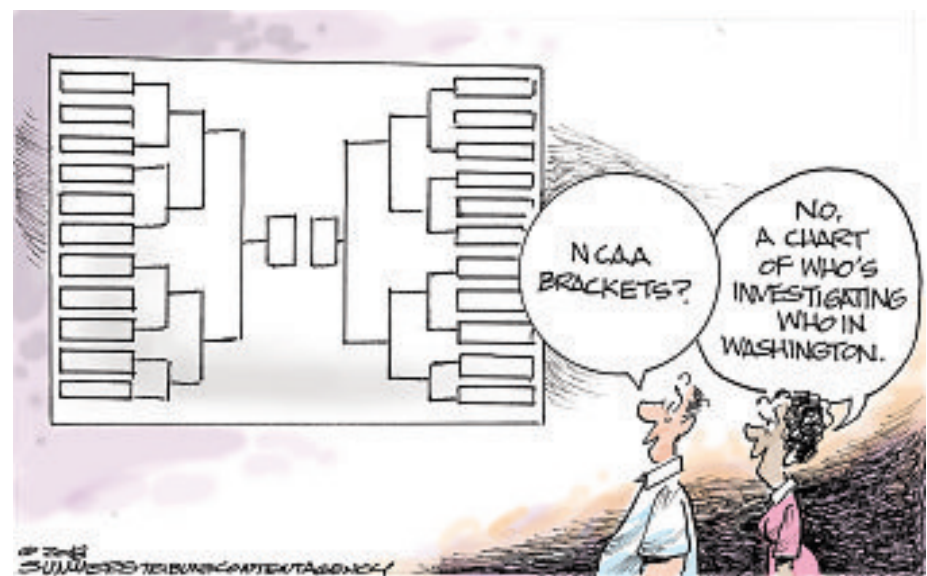
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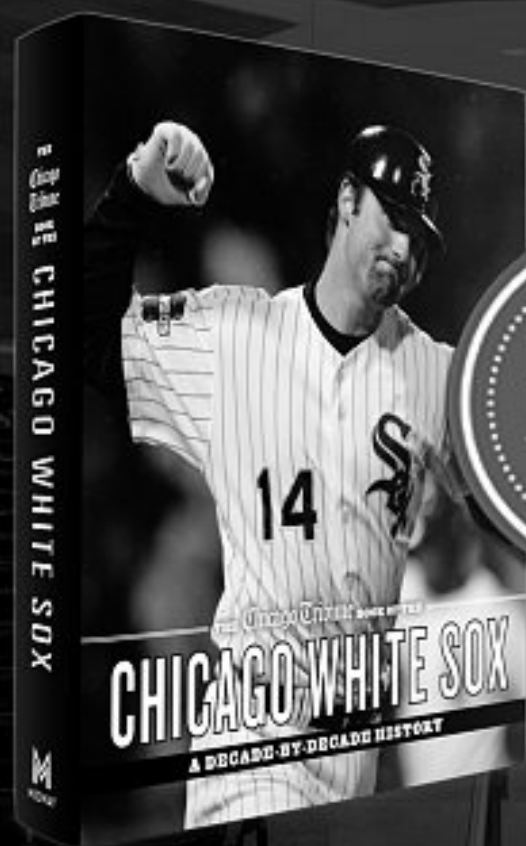
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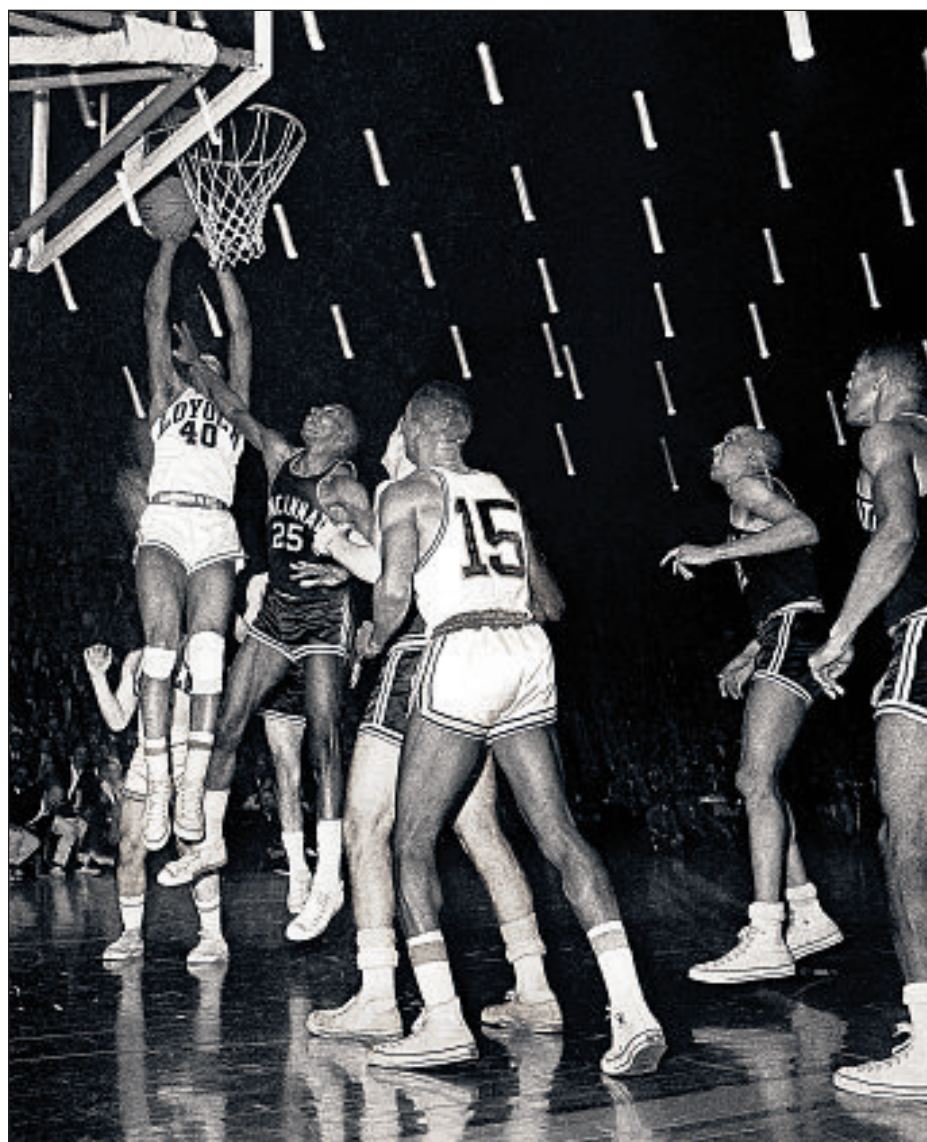
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### VOICE OF THE PEOPLE



Loyola's Vic Rouse scores in the final seconds of overtime against Cincinnati to clinch a 60-58 win and claim the 1963 NCAA championship in Louisville, Ky.

#### A cherished memory

Congratulations to coach Porter Moser and the 2018 Loyola Ramblers men's basketball team. Your exciting quest for the NCAA championship prompted a cherished memory of my dad and me in 1963.

My dad was a Loyola graduate. On March 23, we sat together in the living room of our Lombard home to listen to the live radio broadcast (on our Motorola radio) of the NCAA championship game between the two-time defending national champion Cincinnati Bearcats and the underdog Loyola Ramblers. I was in eighth grade at the time and had followed the team all season long with the help of Red Rush, who served as the voice of the Ramblers on radio.

I had the starters' names memorized: Jerry Harkness (the team's leading scorer and All-American), Ron Miller, Leslie Hunter, Vic Rouse and Johnny Egan. In those days, the NCAA championship game was only available on television on tape delay.

Things went poorly for the Ramblers throughout the first half. Harkness was ice-cold and the Ramblers fell behind by 15 points. My dad grew discouraged and ordered that the radio be turned off. I retreated to the bedroom I shared with my 5-year-old brother. I took out my transistor radio and listened as the team climbed all the way back, went into overtime, and won the game on a last-second tip-in by Rouse. I came back out of the bedroom and found my dad watching TV.

"Don't you want to watch the game now?" I asked.

"Why would I want to watch?" he replied. "I'm sure they got killed."

"Please, Dad. Let's watch."

I finally had to play spoiler: "Dad, they came back and won it in overtime!" The disbelief on his face changed to cheers and smiles as we shared in a father-son moment courtesy of the 1963 NCAA champion Loyola Ramblers.

I hope and believe that there are hundreds of dads and sons sharing the thrill of the 2018 Ramblers together.

— Marty Wiora, Naperville

#### Better government

Your editorial "Whittling government excess? Start with the townships" on March 22 accurately describes the primary functions of the civil servants working in 1,428 townships across Illinois. We plow the snow, fix the roads, assess the property, and provide a safety net for many vulnerable people in Illinois. All good things.

Where our opinions differ is in cost efficiency. Your suggestion that dollars can be saved by using larger units of government from the municipal or county level to instead accomplish township services carries faulty assumptions. Public policy researcher Wendell Cox found that in Illinois, the smallest governments generally spent half as much per capita as those with local governments of populations between 10,000 to 250,000 residents. Much of the township cost savings come from salaries. For example, township salaries are 40 percent lower than state salaries. Plus, townships much more frequently save money by employing a more cost-conscious, part-time labor force.

We seem to agree that the services provided by township government are necessary, but why would anyone argue to replace efficient township workers with higher-salaried alternatives?

— Bryan Smith, executive director, Township Officials of Illinois, Springfield

#### Striking a balance

There was one course of action President Donald Trump could have employed in improving the balance of trade between the U.S. and China that would have been far less antagonistic. Had the president and Congress focused on paying down the national debt, they would have returned billions of dollars into the hands of Chinese investors (many of whom hold U.S.

bonds), which they would then have had to convert to yuan. This action would increase the exchange rate between dollars and yuan. The stronger yuan would result in relatively cheaper American goods and relatively more expensive Chinese goods; imports from China would decrease. Exports to China would increase.

Paying down the national debt would have been far more effective at remedying the trade imbalance and wouldn't have brought us to the brink of a trade war.

— Alex Caffarini, Schaumburg

#### Lacking coverage

I am troubled by the lack of coverage recently for the White Sox. This is apparently attributed to a decision to not assign a beat reporter to the Sox. For years, news organizations in this market have treated the White Sox and their fans as second-class citizens. Even in the World Series year of 2005, more coverage early in the year was given to the other team in town.

And while there has been an extreme lack of coverage, that does not seem to prevent you from taking the team's advertising money.

I grew up in a household that subscribed to and read the Tribune daily. I have maintained my own subscription for over 36 years. If this circumstance is allowed to continue, I will join the ranks of former subscribers.

— Michael R. Polk, Park Ridge

#### Positive campaigns

So now the campaigns ramp up. How about if all the networks refuse to air attack ads? Rather, they will only air political ads where a candidate touts his own strengths and plans instead of slamming the other guy.

Also, since the two major candidates for governor have a lot of money to throw at this race, how about they put some of it into places in the state that need help? A new youth or senior center with one of their names on it would be a much better use of that money than a nasty ad. It would also leave a lasting legacy, win or lose.

— Alice Marcus Solovy, Highland Park

#### Loud and clear

I find it appalling and disgusting that a well-known Holocaust denier and a vile racist is running for a seat in the U.S. House of Representatives. If you visit Arthur Jones' website it is full of disgusting racist, anti-Jewish and anti-LGBT writings. There are also photos of him with prominent neo-Nazis such as Jeff Schoep of the National Socialist Movement.

I had family members who died during the Holocaust, and I had family members who were rounded up by the Nazis in Lithuania in 1941 and taken out with their hands bound behind their backs and shot in the back of the head.

The good people of the 3rd Congressional District of Illinois need to send a loud and clear message in November that racists, homophobes, Holocaust deniers and anti-Semites like Jones will not be representing them in the U.S. House, nor do they share the views of this repulsive individual.

— Brandon Harris, Boonville, Ind.

#### Real power

The primary election is over, and the gubernatorial nominees are already professing their positions and their plans for the state. We should have learned from the past: When Gov. Bruce Rauner originally campaigned that he would "shake up Springfield," he only provoked House Speaker Michael Madigan to display his power to control. The candidates should realize that without Madigan, who controls the Democratic majority, they will not get what changes they are seeking.

Maybe some day we Illinoisans will realize who decides the future of the condition of this state.

— Arnold Krinski, Mundelein

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## IN PERFORMANCE

# A fervent Schubert Mass

Under Muti and Wolfe, CSO Chorus delivers majestic reading

BY JOHN VON RHEIN  
Chicago Tribune

As Riccardo Muti remarked in an interview last week, there are pages in Franz Schubert's Mass No. 6 in E flat of such sublime beauty that an angel could have written them.

Written five months before the composer's tragic early death, at 31, in 1828, this last of his mature settings of the Mass text is one of two distinctly individual choral masterpieces the Chicago Symphony Orchestra music director is conducting here this season as part of the commemoration of the 60th anniversary of the Chicago Symphony Chorus, the other being Rossini's Stabat Mater, which will close the subscription series in late June.

The nearly hourlong Schubert work is a large-scale concert Mass and at the same time a deeply personal expression of faith: music of spirituality and inwardness but also music of confession.

The massive fugues that close the "Gloria" and "Credo" sections are a nod to Bach and Viennese liturgical tradition. But the rest of the music breathes a highly individual romanticism filled with a lyrical ease, bold harmonic progressions and other wonders that look ahead to Anton Bruckner's sacred choral works.

Muti approached the Schubert masterpiece, last heard on the subscription series 43 years ago, with a fervent sense of reverence, mystery and majesty. He had one of the world's great symphonic choruses to lend eloquence to the performance Thursday night at Symphony Center.

Duain Wolfe, nearing his 25th year as director of the CSO chorus, once again proved himself a worthy heir to the mantle of Margaret Hillis, his revered predecessor. Hillis prepared the chorus for the CSO's only previous performances of the E-flat Mass, in 1975 at Orchestra Hall and in 1980 at Ravinia. He has not only maintained the Hillis tradition but taken the choir to new levels of achievement.

His 115 singers addressed God



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Riccardo Muti leads the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and Chorus at Symphony Center on Thursday.

with the voice of an individual believer. One could not imagine more powerful choral utterances or declarations of faith more responsive to the expressive meanings conveyed by the music and Latin text. Intonation and diction were precise, balances exact, both within the choral body and between chorus and orchestra.

Those stern, trombone-colored sonorities undergirding the opening sections set the dramatic tone for the apocalyptic "Sanctus" and an anguished "Agnus dei." What a contrast were the women's voices gently calling for peace at the close. The Chicago Symphony Chorus is celebrated for its ability to sustain tonal body and color at the softest dynamic levels, and they did as beautifully here as they did the full-voiced pages of the Mass.

Schubert uses the five vocal soloists sparingly, and then in only three sections. Paul Appleby and Nicholas Phan intertwined their fine tenor voices in the "Et incarnatus est," joined by soprano Amanda Forsythe, whose bright soprano floated radiantly over the "Benedictus." Completing the capable vocal quartet were mezzo-soprano Elizabeth

DeShong and bass Nahuel Di Pierró.

Muti began the program with the overture to Weber's opera "Oberon," making much of the contrast between the refined introduction and the athletic pages that follow.

This has not exactly been a banner season for CSO-commissioned world premieres. The two works presented thus far, by composer-in-residence Elizabeth Ogonek and Jennifer Higdon, were accessible, well-crafted crowd pleasers unlikely to have lasting imprint beyond their city of origin. The third and final Muti-led orchestral commission of the year, "Three Lisel Mueller Settings," by longtime CSO violist Max Raimi, falls into the same category.

Raimi conceived the 15-minute piece as an homage both to the German-born, Midwest-based poet he greatly admires and to his CSO colleagues Stephen Williamson, Keith Buncke and Alexander Hanna, whose obligato solos (clarinet, bassoon and double bass, respectively) are given prominence in the orchestral Mass.

Mezzo DeShong took the vocally grateful solo part, longer and far more demanding than

what she had to sing in the Schubert.

Mueller's subtle, highly imaginative use of image and metaphor certainly invites musical setting. Raimi's orchestral writing roils with colorful, anxious activity, eruptive outbursts and angry ostinatos of metallic percussion. But one never felt the vocal and orchestral parts quite fit together, the thickness of the instrumentation preventing goodly portions of the texts from projecting clearly, despite DeShong's clear diction and expressive commitment. Raimi writes well for voice, but he writes better for orchestra. He might consider reworking the piece as a purely symphonic work.

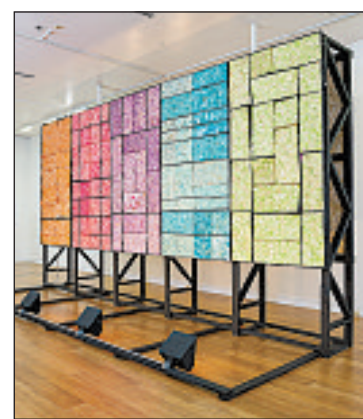
The performance bespoke dedication on everyone's part, and Raimi was applauded by his colleagues as well as the audience.

The program will be repeated at 8 p.m. Saturday at Symphony Center, 220 S. Michigan Ave.; \$34-\$221; 312-294-3000, [www.cso.org](http://www.cso.org).

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## CRITICS PLANNER



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"Unite," by Faheem Majeed, is at the Cleve Carney Art Gallery.

### LORI WAXMAN

#### ART

##### "Faheem Majeed: Unite"

It takes some powers of transubstantiation to turn wood flakes and Kool-Aid into a wall of luminous colored glass, but Faheem Majeed has done it in "Unite," his solo show at the Cleve Carney Art Gallery in Glen Ellyn. The sculptures in "Unite" are both deeply like and radically unlike the many other entries on Majeed's resume. Nine in total and ranging in size, they name beloved institutions like the DuSable Museum of African American History and mimic the advertising displays left blank in socioeconomically challenged areas. They blazon a red "X" and a blue cross, which could be about health care but look much more to be cultural and religious. Made from oriented strand board, a type of wood commonly used to seal up vacant buildings, they stand for neighborhoods in transition or under duress. *Through April 7, the Cleve Carney Art Gallery, College of DuPage, 425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn; [www.clevecarneygallery.org](http://www.clevecarneygallery.org).*

### MICHAEL PHILLIPS

#### MOVIES

##### "Thoroughbreds"

Filmmaker 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

##### "Anna Karenina"

There aren't many townships in the world where you can roll up and find a completely new adaptation of the jottings of Leo Tolstoy. As you can currently find in "Anna Karenina" at Lifeline Theatre in Rogers Park. And Lifeline pulls it off. This world-premiere adaptation by Jessica Wright Buha dramatizes the whole tragic story, all through dialogue and in less than three hours. Buha goes mostly with the sharp edges of the love triangle between Anna (Ise Zacharias), hubby Karenin (Michael Reyes) and, of course, her beloved but illicit Count Vronsky (Eric Gerard). The last few minutes don't rush to enough of a sense of crisis, but that's forgivable. *Through April 8 at Lifeline Theatre, 6912 N. Glenwood Ave.; \$40 at 773-761-4477 and [www.lifelinetheatre.com](http://www.lifelinetheatre.com)*

### JOHN VON RHEIN

#### CLASSICAL

##### Music of the Baroque

Music director Jane Glover, in her final MOB appearances of the season, leads Eastertide performances of J.S. Bach's deeply stirring "St. John Passion." Tenor Thomas Cooley sings the Evangelist, heading a solo vocal roster that includes Yulia Van Doren, Meg Bragle and Michael Sumuel. *3 p.m. Sunday, North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie; and 7:30 p.m. Monday, Harris Theater, 205 E. Randolph St.; \$25-\$78; 312-551-1414, [www.baroque.org](http://www.baroque.org)*

## IN PERFORMANCE 'The Beauty Queen of Leenane' ★★★ 1/2

# A compelling chip off the family block

BY CHRIS JONES  
Chicago Tribune

"I'd die before you'd put me in a home," says the old Irish lady. "Aye," says her daughter, "hopefully."

That's not a slogan you generally read in the mailers for The Mather, The Claire, The Admiral and certainly not for the Presbyterian Homes of Evanston, located just a couple of miles from Skokie, where Martin McDonagh's famous Irish drama "The Beauty Queen of Leenane" has made a superbly cast reappearance with the indomitable Wendy Robie as Mag Folan and Kate Fry as her dutiful daughter, Maureen.

But I was struck Wednesday night at Northlight by how many ladies much closer in age to Mag than to Maureen were grinning from ear to ear as Fry's Maureen festered and simmered, plotting her escape from the old monster who has sucked away any chance of happiness. When the play turned violent — it is McDonagh, after all — my row was filled with a plethora of throaty senior chucklers. A touch of reverse catharsis, perhaps. Or a bit of frank relief that the saccharine way in which the interplay of carer and caregiver usually is discussed gets chopped up here with a poker. I'll say this: Nobody seemed shocked.

Maybe that was because "Beauty Queen" long has been a favorite in Chicago. I reviewed

**When:** Through April 22

**Where:** North Shore Center for the Performing Arts, 9501 Skokie Blvd., Skokie

**Running time:** 2 hours

**Tickets:** \$30-\$81 at 847-673-6300 or [www.northlight.org](http://www.northlight.org)

the play at the Steppenwolf Theatre in 1999: There it starred Laurie Metcalf, whom I saw Thursday night on Broadway, less than 24 hours after watching BJ Jones' production in Skokie. Metcalf was playing a not dissimilar role in "Three Tall Women," but you'll have to wait for that review.

In 2002, the Ennis Players, an actual Irish company from County Clare, brought "Beauty Queen" here, even going as far as to import their own boiling oil. Sheldon Patinkin did a doozy at the Gift Theatre in 2007 with Mary Ann Thebus. And, in 2011, Shattered Globe Theatre took its own trip to Leenane. McDonagh's popularity did not begin with "Three Billboards Outside Ebbing, Missouri." Not in this town.

Jones' new production is in distinguished company then, but it has the bonus of the aptly named Fry, an actress who never plays the end of a show before she arrives. She's a gentler, kinder Maureen, which makes Mag's tyranny all the more powerful, since you see clearly the life this



MICHAEL BROSILOW PHOTO

Kate Fry, left, and Wendy Robie in "The Beauty Queen of Leenane."

woman might have had, with a different mother. That said, Fry leaves this epic trail of clues as to her own mental instability: they are little ticks, really, but they culminate in a rightly mighty tock.

Watching all those productions over the years has taught me that the best ones make everything that happens feel inevitable, a clash of personalities made all the more intense by their mother-and-daughter genesis, the one being a chip off the old block that is the other.

Jones arrives there, aided by Fry's deep dive into the McDonagh saucerpan and Robie's own rich stew of snark, cruelty and primal desperation. You also get a much better design than you usually see at Northlight: Todd Rosenthal pushes the action downstage and builds walls

that go only so high, allowing the audience to tower over the women's crummy cottage and peek out at the aspirational world beyond Leenane. A world of which Maureen only can dream.

The Dooley brothers in the play — here Nathan Hosner and Casey Morris — are mostly there for context and comic relief. One Dooley represents leaving, the other staying home. These two actors do their job, all right, with Hosner's charmer of a Pato Dooley seeming like a righteous fellow who could well make Maureen the happiest woman alive.

Until Mag decides that does not sit at all well with her. Not at all.

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## TELEVISION REVIEW

## Heart of Getty kidnapping lost in bland, dour 'Trust'

BY VERNE GAY  
Newsday

**The series:** FX's "Trust" follows the 1973 kidnapping of J. Paul Getty III, not to be confused with the Ridley Scott movie "All the Money in the World," starring Christopher Plummer.

**What it's about:** J. Paul Getty Sr. (Donald Sutherland) is at his vast estate in England when he receives word that his eldest son, George, also the future of the Getty empire, has committed suicide. Oh, dear, wonders J. Paul. Now who? At the memorial, an unexpected guest turns up, his 16-year-old grandson, J. Paul Getty III (Harris Dickinson) — also a free spirit with both hands out. He needs \$6,000 to pay off a debt he ran up back in Rome. Granddad is suspicious.

This 10-parter — directed by Oscar winner Danny Boyle ("Slumdog Millionaire") — is based on the story of Getty III's 1973 kidnapping in Rome, and subsequent efforts to save him. It also stars Hilary Swank, as Gail Getty, his mother, and Brendan Fraser, as James Fletcher Chase, a former CIA operative and Getty fix-it man who heads to Rome in search of the missing grandson.

**My say:** FX reportedly pushed "Trust" back a couple of months to put some distance between this and "All the Money in the World" — also about the Getty kidnapping. But neither time nor distance — nor Sutherland, Swank, Fraser or Boyle, for that matter — can overcome the singular immovable object that stands before them. Alas, that would be Getty.

By many accounts, this one emphatically included,



Donald Sutherland is J. Paul Getty Sr., with Amanda Drew as Belinda, one of his mistresses, in FX's 10-parter "Trust."

## 'Trust'

10 p.m. Sunday, FX

the old man wasn't a lot of laughs. He went through five wives, but when "Trust" gets underway, he'd long conceded conjugal ambitions in favor of more informal arrangements. Surrounded by his mistresses — four of them — he asks which one loves him most, then smiles slyly at his bon mot, for that is what King Lear asked of his daughters. They smile too. Neither Lear nor love, after all, has anything to do with this.

He scowls only when he's not glowering, and laughs with all the mirth of a Mr. Burns. In fact, Sutherland plays him as a cross between Burns and Scrooge, only absent the personal charm. His J. Paul is a saturnine reprobate who sucks all the life out of a room, and much of the life out of "Trust."

Then, there are the children. (Ba dum.)

In real life, Getty apparently did have a sly wit (he once called his friend Richard M. Nixon "a cheerful, convivial person"), noting that "money

isn't everything, but it sure keeps you in touch with your children." The three sons here — Paul Jr. (Michael Esper), particularly — drift into his rarefied orbit at the palatial Sutton Place in Surrey only under duress, or for a handout, or for a funeral. They despise him, but need his money. They're also insufferable whiners. They, too, diminish this enterprise by their presence.

That leaves Fraser's Chase and Swank's Gail Getty to salvage "Trust," but the deck is already stacked against them. Fraser plays Chase for laughs, and so does Boyle, who has scored a quasi-spaghetti Western soundtrack for whenever he's on screen. Swank — who arrives in the second episode — is the emotional core of "Trust," also the only character with a functioning heart. In the early episodes, you never quite get to know her, and begin to wonder whether she's worth the effort. But at least over those episodes, she is the reason to watch — the only one.

**Bottom line:** Grim, sour and bloodless, "Trust" is a bummer.



## ASK AMY

BY AMY DICKINSON

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## Cat has first dibs on couple's buffet

**Dear Amy:** My husband and I are friends with a couple, "Rose and Jack," who enjoy entertaining in their home.

Here is the problem: Jack and Rose have a cat that has the run of the house, including tables and countertops, as well as the kitchen sink. This has always made my husband and me uncomfortable, but it does seem to be typical cat behavior, so we try not to think about it.

During a recent buffet gathering, the cat jumped up on the dining room table several times, licking and nibbling the food until someone noticed. Then Jack scooped up the cat while Rose draped foil over the food in an attempt to deter the cat. Neither the "nibbled" food nor the cat were removed.

We are dreading the next invitation. My husband has declared that he can no longer eat there. I (reluctantly) feel the same. We do invite Rose and Jack to our home, but they rarely go out. Clearly they adore the cat and are not bothered by it. Do I dare say something to them? They are very sweet and generous people and we value their friendship.

— Not Hungry

**Dear Not Hungry:** Pet owners often lose perspective about how intrusive their animal companions can be; when I was a child my mother jokingly said she would someday write a cookbook called "After the Cat Has Licked It."

Having an animal walking around on the table where food for people is being served is gross and unhealthy.

Your discomfort is un-

derstandable, but your hosts aren't telepathic, so you are going to have to say something. Before the next gathering, tell them: "We would love to come, but is there a way to keep Tuffy away from the food? We aren't as used to her as you are, and it makes us uncomfortable when she's up on the table."

If they really are great hosts, Jack and Rose will see to their human guests' needs first, and find a compassionate and low-impact way to deal with their animal companion while there are other humans in the house.

**Dear Amy:** One of my mother's guests at her home over the holidays was a bishop in our church. He made a derogatory comment to my mother about my husband.

Later my mother repeated the comment. According to her, he said, "Your daughter is so beautiful and talented, what is she doing with a loser like that?" Mom made me promise not to tell my husband. I am miffed at the man's comment, and I'm wondering what you think of my mother's decision to repeat it to me.

— Miffed

**Dear Miffed:** When someone repeats an unkind comment, the best response (in the moment) is a simple one: "Why did you repeat that to me?"

You are right; both parties have acted badly here. This guest shouldn't have said anything about your husband to your mother, and your mother shouldn't have repeated it to you — or sworn you to secrecy. That's unfair,

childish and manipulative. Worst of all, you are still thinking about it.

In this case, the best thing for everyone (especially you) is to let it go. If your mother brings up the remark again, or repeats this behavior, be firm but polite and tell her you don't want to discuss it, and you think her decision to tell you this piece of bad gossip was a poor one. Otherwise, chalk this up to a holiday party faux pas, and move on.

**Dear Amy:** "Rosalind" was upset by an older man who stopped her in a public place and loudly offered her unsolicited advice about how to handle a health matter.

Your advice was to make eye contact and say, "Hi, friend. Thank you! I'll take it from here."

Why? Why, why, why?

When are we as a society going to stop telling women they need to respond in a "friendly" way to men who stop them in public and loudly offer advice, opinions, etc.?

Why should she thank this complete stranger for interfering in her personal life, loudly, in public?

— Margaret

**Dear Margaret:** The person offering this "advice" was elderly. He repeated himself. I saw this as a respectful way of dismissing an elderly person who did not seem to be well. My advice would have been the same if both parties were men, although perhaps men don't do this to other men.

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## IN PERFORMANCE 'Women Laughing Alone With Salad' ★★★ 1/2

## Dicey slice of sexuality, body image, advertising

BY KERRY REID  
Chicago Tribune

"What does a woman want?" Sigmund Freud famously asked. If he'd taken a glance at 21st-century advertising featuring women, he might well have answered "salad!"

The Hairpin, a feminist blog, first highlighted stock photos featuring women in near-orgiastic delight over bowls of raw veggies back in 2011. Subsequently, "Women Laughing Alone With Salad" became a popular internet meme.

In her play of the same title, Sheila Callaghan takes on body image, sexuality, male insecurity, advertising, the pharmaceutical industry and a whole lot more. Director Devon de Mayo's staging for Theater Wit, featuring a stellar and fearless quartet of actors, tears into the material with gusto. It's ribald and raucous, but also incredibly smart about the complexities of desire and self-disgust, and the seeming impossibility of finding a solid middle ground between the extremes of both denial and decadence.

Callaghan (a writer/producer on the Showtime series "Shameless" and a founder of the Kilroys, an advocacy group for female playwrights) combines pop-culture savvy with a deeper aching gift at startling revelation. Some of her past work has reminded me of playwright Caryl Churchill, and there is indeed a nod to Churchill's "Cloud Nine" here as actors tackle cross-gender roles in the second act, set several years after the events in the first.

After an opening interlude where three women do, in fact, sit together on a park bench and giggle over salad, we meet Guy (Japhet Balaban), a would-be writer. Guy's mother, Sandy (Jennifer Engstrom), is a onetime feminist activist-turned-Manhattan fashionista, using extreme mea-



CHARLES OSGOOD PHOTO

Daniella Pereira, from left, Echaka Agba and Japhet Balaban in "Women Laughing Alone With Salad," written by Sheila Callaghan.

**When:** Through April 29**Where:** Theater Wit, 1229 W. Belmont Ave.**Running time:** 2 hours, 10 minutes**Tickets:** \$19-\$32 at 773-975-8150 or [www.theaterwit.org](http://www.theaterwit.org)

sures to stave off aging. (In one running visual gag, her uterus keeps falling out from between her legs.)

His live-in girlfriend, Tori (Daniella Pereira), is so thin "people worry about her," but she can rattle off the menu at every boite in their neighborhood. When Guy meets carceuous Meredith (Echaka Agba) at a nightclub, the dissonance between what he thinks he should want and what he

actually wants turns his world inside out. (Sandy doesn't help here — when Guys tells her he's attracted to a woman who is "ample," she exclaims, "how ample?")

Callaghan takes a razor dipped in acid to slash through the thickets of the impossible standards of appearance and behavior men impose upon women — and that women then impose on themselves and each other. But confusion and disappointment haunt all the characters. Meredith's seeming self-confidence (she tells Guy early on "I want to yank you out of time and destroy your world") takes a nose-dive after a high-octane sexual threesome with Guy and Tori. (Rachel Flesher is credited as "intimacy de-

signer.")

By the second act, Guy (now played by Engstrom) works at a marketing firm, creating a campaign for Effervatol, an antidepressant. Agba and Pereira play his younger competitive co-workers, and Balaban is his female boss, who sees clearly through Guy's (admittedly crumbling) defenses.

Engstrom, who brings astonishing comedic virtuosity throughout, is breathtaking in this act, particularly in a monologue where the older Guy laments the fact that "I have become the thing I loathe." But all four of the actors work together in near-perfect synchronicity.

Agba shines in an absurdist interlude, "The Dance of the Seven Let-

tuces," where she cavorts about the stage tossing out various greens. Pereira's Tori shows us the psychic costs of being a woman who fends off anything that might make her confront her own depths. And Balaban gets at the heart of what it's like to be a guy who has been blessed with just enough fortune and privilege to keep him at an arms-length from actual empathy — especially for women.

There is an undeniable messiness at points in the story, despite the cool, slick video projections by Joseph A. Burke that reference the original inspiration for the title. (Arnel Sancianco's set and Heather Gilbert's lights create dioramalike rooms for the first act, while Shain Longbehn's sound design

adds a tinge of aural disorientation.)

But it's mostly messy in a really good way as it tackles seemingly well-trod territory on body image with startling frankness. Such frankness may not be to the taste of more sensitive viewers. But Callaghan's deeply original and disturbing funhouse-mirror approach to how women's bodies are commodified and categorized makes us question what we're really seeing. More important, it asks us why we see ourselves the way we do. Given the subject matter, a little self-indulgence is a good thing.

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## WATCH THIS: SATURDAY



John Cena

**"Nickelodeon's 2018 Kids' Choice Awards"** (7 p.m., 9 p.m., Nickelodeon): Actor and professional wrestler John Cena returns to host this year's ceremonies honoring the year's best TV, movie and music acts as voted by Nickelodeon viewers, and broadcast live in most markets from The Forum in Inglewood, Calif.

**"Atomic Blonde"** (7 p.m., 10:15 p.m., HBO): On the eve of the 1989 collapse of the Berlin Wall, elite MI-6 field agent Lorraine Broughton (Charlize Theron) races against the clock to find a list of double agents who are being smuggled into the West. Eddie Marsan, Toby Jones and James Faulkner also star.

**"Paris Can Wait"** (7 p.m., 5:31 a.m., Starz): Eleanor Coppola, wife of filmmaker Francis Ford Coppola, wrote, directed and co-produced this mild 2016 comedy starring Diane Lane as Anne, a prominent movie producer's (Alec Baldwin) wife, who strikes some romantic sparks with her husband's business partner (Arnaud Viard) as the pair makes a road trip from Cannes to Paris. She begins to question whether her feelings are reciprocated, however, when she notices he keeps using her credit card to pay for their gourmet meals along the way.

**"Royal Matchmaker"** (8 p.m., Hallmark): Having earned the nickname "Queen of Hearts" for her peerless matchmaking skills, Kate (Joy Lenz) is summoned to the small nation of Voldavia by its monarch, King Edward (Simon Dutton), who seeks her help finding a partner for his son, Prince Sebastian (Will Kemp, "Reign"). The younger royal is wary when it comes to love, too, so Kate's work is cut out for her, especially if she's to complete her mission in time for a royal jubilee. Eva Trill also stars in this 2018 romance.

**"The Book of John Gray"** (9 p.m., 12 a.m., OWN): In the new episode "The Chapter on Facing Your Fears," John meets with a devastated woman who is deeply in mourning and reeling from the sudden loss of her twin sister. Later, he sits down with a rebellious teenager he has worked with before, who regrettably has fallen back into her past ways of hostility and disrespect. Meanwhile, Aventura is focused on choreographing a dance piece to be featured in an upcoming benefit for Hurricane Harvey relief.

**"The Light Between Oceans"** (10 p.m., Showtime): A lighthouse keeper (Michael Fassbender) and his wife (Alicia Vikander), who has suffered two miscarriages, think their prayers have been answered when a rowboat bearing a newborn baby girl washes up on the shore. They take in the child and raise her as their own, but years later they discover who the real parents are, forcing them into a difficult moral decision. Rachel Weisz, Bryan Brown and Jack Thompson also star in this 2016 drama from writer-director Derek Cianfrance.

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BROADCAST	CBS 2	To be announced		Bull: "Bring It On." ©		48 Hours ©		News (N) ♦
	NBC 5	Hope & Fury: MLK, The Movement and the Media (N) ©				Saturday Night Live (N) ©		NBC 5 News at 10pm (N)
	ABC 7	Over the Hedge (PG,'06) ***	Voices of Bruce Willis, Garry Shandling. ©			20/20 ©		Eyewitness News (N) ♦
	WGN 9	*(6) NHL Hockey: Chicago Blackhawks at New York Islanders. (N) (Live) ©		Blackhawks Extra (N) ©		WGN Weekend News at Nine (N) (Live) ©		Man of the People (N)
	Antenna 9.2	Morning McHale		Knows Best	Jack Benny	Burns/Allen   Jeannie		Bewitched
	This TV 9.3	The Magnificent Seven		The Magnificent Seven		The Young Riders ©		Y'ng Rider ♦
	PBS 11	800 Words ©		Father Brown: "The Hangman's Demise." ©		Death in Paradise ©		Makers © ♦
	The U 26.1	King of Hill	King of Hill	Amer. Dad	Amer. Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	Burgers
	MeTV 26.3	Svengoolie: "Revenge of the Creature." ©				Batman ©		Star Trek ♦
	H&I 26.4	Hunter: "Dead on Target." ©		Hill Street Blues ©		Hill Street Blues ©		Wiseguy ♦
	Bounce 26.5	*(6) S.W.A.T. Firefight ('11)	The Brave One (R,'07) **			Jodie Foster, Terrence Howard.		
	FOX 32	O.J. Simpson: The Lost Confession? ©				Fox 32 News (N)		Love Connection ♦
	Ion 38	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law-SVU ♦
	Telem 44	Killing Jesus (NR,'15) Haaz Sleiman. Se trata la vida y la muerte de Jesucristo. ©						Noticiero
	CW 50	*AHL Hockey: Chicago Wolves at Rockford IceHogs. (N)				Major Crimes ©		Crimes ♦
UniMas 60	For Greater Glory (R,'12) * Andy Garcia, Eva Longoria.						Black Rock ♦	
WJYS 62	Paid Prog.	Moses	Bishop	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Ultimate	
Univ 66	Teletón USA						Programa	
CABLE	AE	Live PD: Rewind (N) ©		Live PD: "Live PD -- 03.24.18." (N) (Live) ©				
	AMC	The Last Stand (R,'13) **	Arnold Schwarzenegger. ©			Rambo Part II ♦		
	ANIM	The Zoo: Bronx Tales (N)	The Zoo (N) ©			(9:01) The Zoo ©		The Zoo ♦
	BBCA	(7:10) Planet Earth: Blue Planet II ©		Planet Earth: Blue II ©		Planet Earth: Blue II ♦		
	BET	Bruno Mars		Bruno Mars		(9:02) This Christmas ('07) ** ©		
	BIGTEN	Women's College Gymnastics: B1G Championships - Session 2. (N)		Coaching		B1G (N)		
	BRAVO	(7:14) It's Complicated (R,'09) **	Meryl Streep, Steve Martin. ©			It's Com ♦		
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	Chic.Best	Weekend	News (N)
	CNBC	Undercover Boss ©		Undercover Boss ©		Undercover Boss ©		Boss ♦
	CNN	CNN Newsroom (N)		The Kennedys		C. Amanpour (N)		Van Jones ♦
	COM	*(5:50) The Waterboy ♦		(7:55) Big Daddy (PG-13,'99) ♦		Adam Sandler. ©		The Sitter ♦
	DISC	Gold Rush: Road to Guyana: "600 Mile Freeze." (N) ©						Gold Rush ♦
	DISN	*(6) Wreck-It Ralph ***		(7:50) Frozen (PG,'13) *** ©				Stuck
	DI	*(6) Bride Wars (PG,'09) ♦		The Blind Side (PG-13,'09) ***		Sandra Bullock, Tim McGraw. ©		♦
	ESPN	*Basketball   Boxing: José Martínez vs. Alejandro Santiago. (N) (Live)						SportCtr (N)
	ESPN2	*College Gymnastics (N)		College Hockey (N)				
	FNC	Watters' World (N) ©		Justice With Jeanine (N)		Greg Gutfeld (N)		Watters ♦
	FOOD	Diners, Drive In/Diners, Drive In		Diners, Drive In/Diners, Drive In		Diners, Drive In/Diners, Drive In		Diners, Drive In
	FREE	*(5:10) Just Go With It **		(7:50) Grown Ups (PG-13,'10) ♦		Adam Sandler, Kevin James. ©		
	FX	Pacific Rim (PG-13,'13) ***		Charlie Hunnam, Diego Klattenhoff. ©				Gianni Ver
	HALL	*(6) The Sweetest Heart		Royal Matchmaker (NR,'18)		Bethany Joy Lenz. ©		Golden Girls
	HGTV	Fixer Upper ©		Fixer Upper ©		House Hunters Reno (N)		Log Cabin
	HISTV	*(6:59) Forged in Fire ©		(7:58) Forged in Fire ©				Forged ♦
	HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Killer ♦
	IFC	Superbad (R,'07) ***		Jonah Hill, Michael Cera. ©				Superbad (R,'07) *** ♦
	LIFE	Marriage of Lies (NR,'16)		April Bowlby. ©				(9:03) Stalked by a Reality Star ('18) ♦
	MSNBC	Hardball (N)		The Last Word (N)		The Beat With (N)		Hardball ♦
	MTV	*Friends With Benefits ***		Pitch Perfect (PG-13,'12) ***		Anna Kendrick, Skylar Astin. ©		
	NBCSCH	*NBA Basketball: Bulls at Pistons (N)		Chicago		MLB Preseason Baseball (N) ♦		
	NICK	2018 Kids' Choice Awards (N)		Knight (N)		2018 Kids' Choice Awards		
	OVATION	*(6:30) Panic Room (R,'02) ***		Jodie Foster.		Artful Detective (N)		Perfect ♦
	OWN	Iyanla, Fix My Life ©		Iyanla, Fix My Life (N) ©		Book, J. Gray (N)		Iyanla ♦
	OXY	Killer Couples ©		Killing Versace		Dahmer: A Serial Killer Speaks ♦		
	PARMT	*(6:30) John Wick (R,'14) ***		Keanu Reeves. ©		Salt (PG-13,'10) ***		Angelina Jolie. ♦
	SYFY	*(5) National Treasure **		The Last Witch Hunter (PG-13,'15) **		Vin Diesel. ©		Futurama
TBS	*Basketball   2018 NCAA Basketball Tournament: Regional, Final: Teams TBA. (N)		Inside (N)					
TCM	The Odd Couple (G,'68) ***		Jack Lemmon. ©		The Prisoner of Second Avenue *** ♦			
TLC	Say Yes to the Dress: "That's How You Dress a Lady." (N) ©				Say Yes to the (N) ♦			
TLN	Exalted		Pacific Garden Mission		In Grace		Humanitarian	
TNT	London Has Fallen (R,'16) **		Gerard Butler. ©				Contraband (R,'12) **	
TOON	Cleveland		Family Guy		Rick, Morty		Family Guy   Dragon (N)	
TRAV	Ghost Adventures ©		Ghost Adventures (N) ©				Ghost ♦	
TVL	Raymond		Raymond		Raymond		Mom ©	
USA	The Help (PG-13,'11) ***		Viola Davis, Emma Stone. ©				Mod Fam	
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WE	Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds: "Roadkill." Criminal ♦			
WGN America	M*A*S*H ©		M*A*S*H ©		Pulp Fiction (R,'94) ****		John Travolta, Samuel L. Jackson. ©	
PREMIUM	HBO	Atomic Blonde (R,'17) ***		Charlize Theron. ©		Boxing		Atomic ♦
	HBO2	High Main. (7:25) Unforgettable (R,'17) **				(9:05) Here and Now ©		Real Time ♦
	MAX	Sister Act (PG,'92) **		Whoopi Goldberg. (8:45) Sister Act 2: Back in the Habit (PG,'93) ***				
	SHO	Billions: "Ball in Hand." ©		The Girl on the Train (R,'16) **		Emily Blunt.		Light ♦
	STARZ	Paris Can Wait (PG,'16) **		Diane Lane. (8:35) Counterpart ©		Mission: Impossible 2 ♦		
STZNC	(7:01) Ghostbusters (PG-13,'16) ** ©				Spartacus: Blood & Sand		X-Men *** ♦	

## IN PERFORMANCE

## Mister Rogers' kids music gets jazzy at Winter's Jazz Club

BY HOWARD REICH  
Chicago Tribune

Generations of kids grew up watching "Mister Rogers' Neighborhood," and its star — Fred Rogers — appears ascendant once again in our culture.

A documentary of the same name premiered at the Sundance Film Festival earlier this year, and Tom Hanks is set to play Rogers in the feature film "You Are My Friend."

Rogers died in 2003, at age 74, but the tributes keep on coming, most surprisingly from a hauntingly beautiful new recording by Chicago jazz singer Keri Johnsrud and her collaborator, pianist Kevin Bales: "Beyond the Neighborhood: The Music of Fred Rogers."

Johnsrud and Bales offered their first live performance of this music on Thursday evening at Winter's Jazz Club, and like the album, the concert presented a window onto their art and Rogers' muse. For Rogers watchers may not realize he wrote the songs he sang on his show, and they're clearly ripe for jazz improvisation.

Like most children's pieces, Rogers tunes such as "It's You I Like" and "I Like to Take My Time" convey their message simply, directly and without pretense. But they're well-crafted enough to convey deeper meanings when interpreted by artists of Johnsrud's and Bales' gifts.

For starters, the openness of Johnsrud's sound and the unaffected manner of her delivery are ideally suited to such music, if its childlike character is to be preserved. So when Johnsrud began the evening singing "It's You I Like," there was no mistaking the warmth of her

instrument, the radiance of her tone or the buoyancy of her approach to swing rhythm. Add to this Bales' all-over-the-keyboard technique, and you had proof positive that Rogers' vignettes could carry a great deal of musical weight.

Johnsrud turned her vocal colors much darker and dusier in "When the Day Turns Into Night," which she and her colleagues made into a reverie. Taking a slow-ballad tempo, Johnsrud spun long and uninterrupted lines, seemingly suspending the passage of time. Pianist Bales led an aptly lush instrumental accompaniment, his solo an expertly conceived, meticulously detailed transformation of the piece.

Depending on whether you loved or disliked Rogers' decidedly sugary persona, these songs can seem either sweet or saccharine. Johnsrud and Bales clearly believe there's more than just surface-deep sentiment in this music, and they made



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Keri Johnsrud offered compelling versions of Fred Rogers' music. Yes, that Fred Rogers.

that case in "You Are Special." For though the singsong lyrics could be understood by a 3-year-old, Johnsrud's gentle melodic

inflections and subtle turns of phrase took this music to a more meaningful level, no small feat.

In the up-tempo "Look

and Listen," Johnsrud's savvy lines and reedy timbre made a seemingly four-square song into something genuinely sophisticated. In

this piece, and others, Bales partnered with bassist Kevin Smith and drummer Marlon Patton in instrumental interludes that deepened the jazz context of the music-making.

The ensemble's work reached a high point in "Find a Star," from a Rogers operetta, performed here on a larger and more dramatic scale than one might have expected from such an evening.

True, one often wished that Johnsrud would follow pianist Bales' model and riff much more freely on Rogers' originals. Perhaps that will come with time.

For now, though, she and Bales have made a compelling case for Rogers' songs, which fare remarkably well in the rhythms and cadences of jazz.

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**Today's birthday** (March 24): Grow a profitable partnership to new levels this year. Organized efforts provide long-term career benefit. Domestic growth this summer beautifies and enlivens your love nest. Changes with community efforts resolve into a winning strategy next winter. Friendship and love are your true wealth.

**Aries** (March 21-April 19): Today is a 6. Household issues require attention today and tomorrow. Stay focused despite distractions to avoid hidden danger, controversy or upsets. No shouting. Think quickly and move slowly.

**Taurus** (April 20-May 20): 7. Research and write your discoveries. A formidable barrier blocks the path. You can see what wasn't working. Work with someone who sees your blind spot.

**Gemini** (May 21-June 20): 8. More income is possible over the next few days. Avoid spontaneous expense or knee-jerk reactions. Stick to the budget and wait for developments.

**Cancer** (June 21-July 22): 8. You're strong and getting stronger. Guard against impulsiveness or overindulging. Self-discipline now saves you trouble later.

**Leo** (July 23-Aug. 22): 5. Review your plans and revise to adapt to current circumstances. Avoid extra expense or upset. Get productive behind closed doors.

**Virgo** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 7. Schedule time with friends. Organize team efforts and group projects. Haste makes waste. Find out what's wanted and needed.

**Libra** (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Your work is attracting the attention of someone you respect. Save caustic comments for later. You can't do everything; get help. Stay on task.

**Scorpio** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Expand your territory. Get into an adventurous phase for a few days. It doesn't need to be expensive. Try new flavors and perspectives.

**Sagittarius** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 7. A lack of funds threatens your plans. You won't need to defer gratification forever; wait until the bills are paid. Think twice before borrowing.

**Capricorn** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Collaborate with your partner to get farther. Two heads are better than one. Don't try a new trick now. Avoid arguments or controversy.

**Aquarius** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Old assumptions get challenged. For different results, try something different. Demand for your work is rising. Exercise builds your energy and strength.

**Pisces** (Feb. 19-March 20): 6. Relax and avoid confrontation or hassle. Choose in favor of family and romance. Make time for joys like home cooking, hot water and fragrant candles.

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The "Unusual No Trump," showing 5-5 in the minors, is a popular convention for tournament players. The West hand is a good example of the bid. When the opponents buy the contract, however, these bids often provide a roadmap for declarer in the play of the hand. The defense to this bid is pretty standard and North's three diamond bid showed spades and at least invitational values. South won the opening heart lead with his ace and led a low club. Dummy's king won when West played low, so declarer crossed back to his hand with the ace of spades and led another club. West rose with his ace and continued clubs to dummy's queen as South shed a low heart. Decision time! West, assuming he was 5-5 in the minors, only had one major suit card remaining. Unless that card was precisely the queen of spades, the contract could not be made with straightforward play. South would have to lose two diamonds and a spade to go with the club trick already lost. Should West's last major-suit card be a heart, the contract could still be made, and South showed us how. He cashed the king of hearts and ruffed a heart as West discarded a diamond. Dummy was re-entered with the ace of diamonds and another heart was ruffed. South exited with the queen of diamonds to West's king, but when West tried to cash the jack of diamonds, East was forced to ruff and lead a spade away from his queen. Making four!

**The bidding:**

<b>South</b>	<b>West</b>	<b>North</b>	<b>East</b>
1♠	2NT*	3♦	Pass
3♠	Pass	4♠	All pass

\*Weak, at least 5-5 in the minors  
**Opening lead:** Nine of ♥

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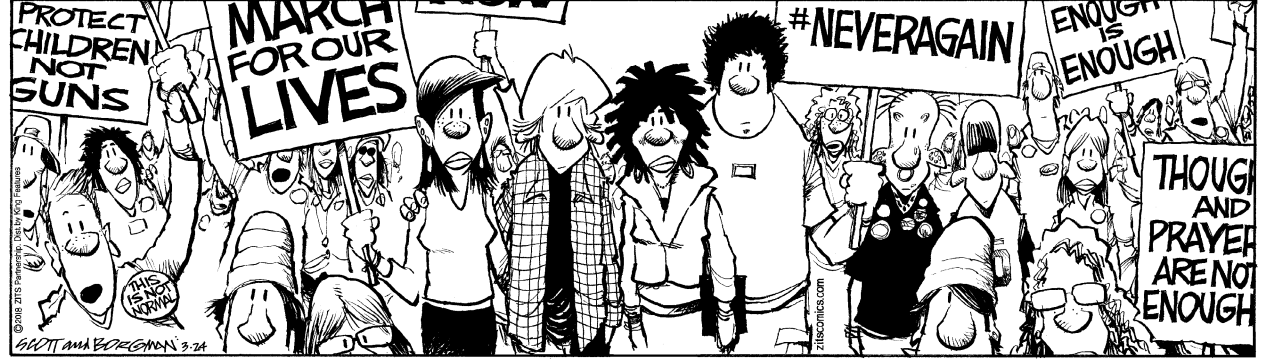
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### Baby Blues



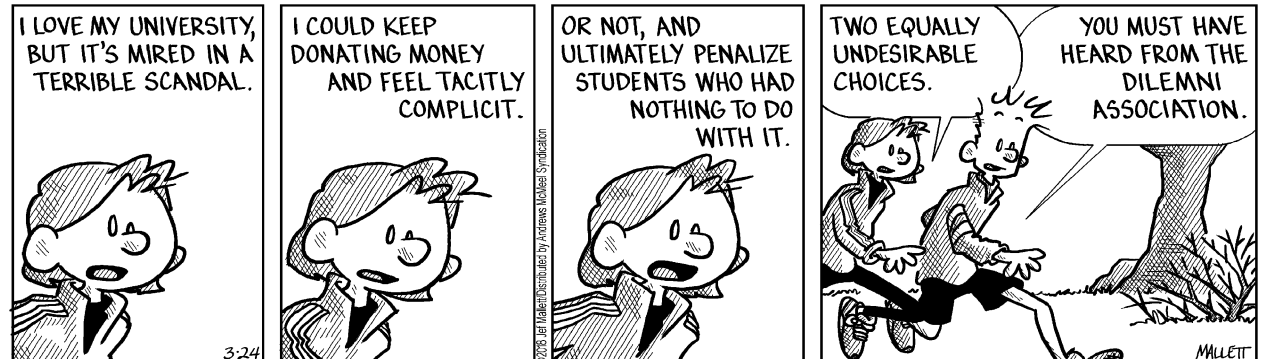
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### Mr. Boffo



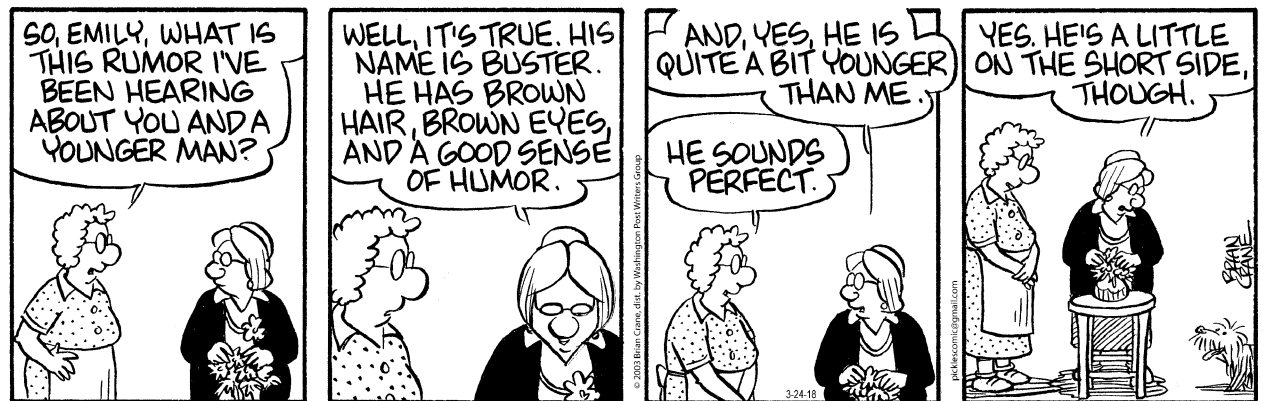
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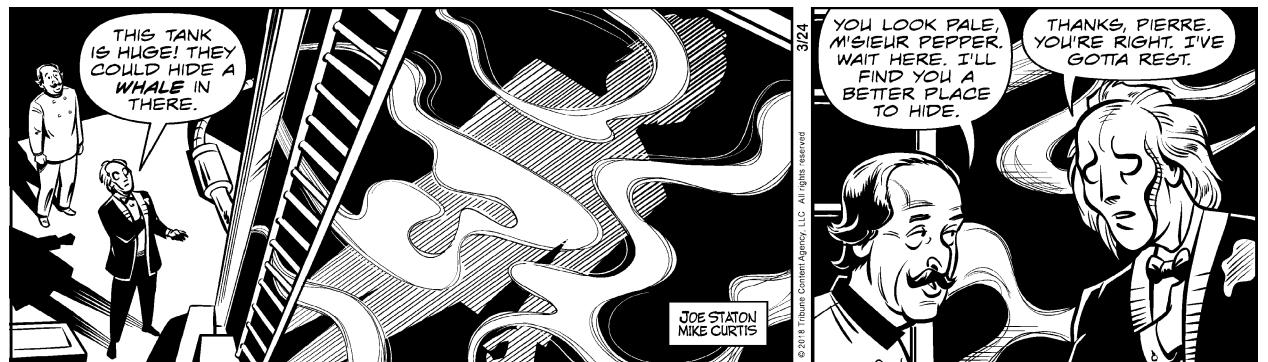
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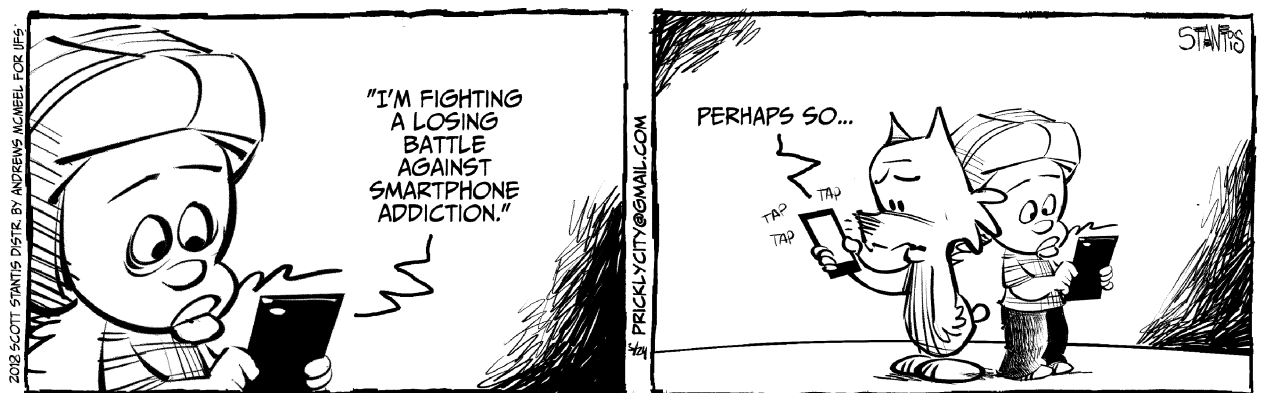
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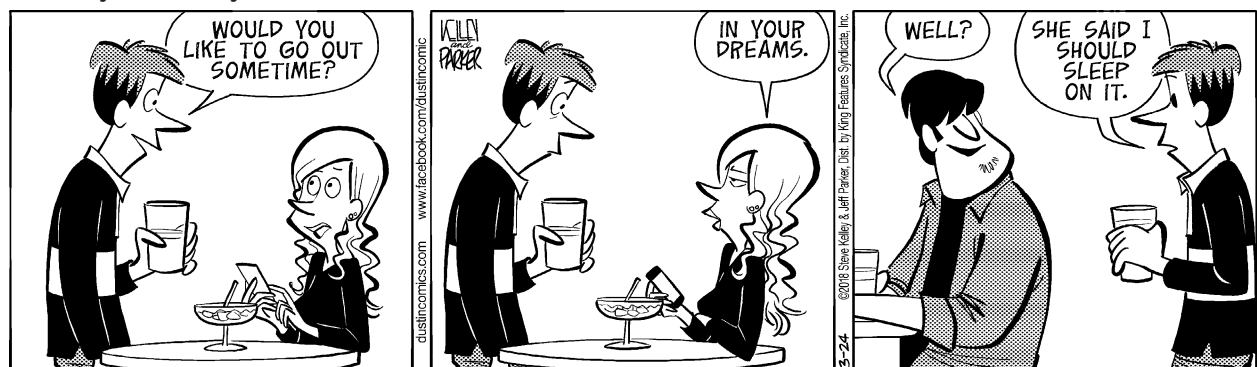
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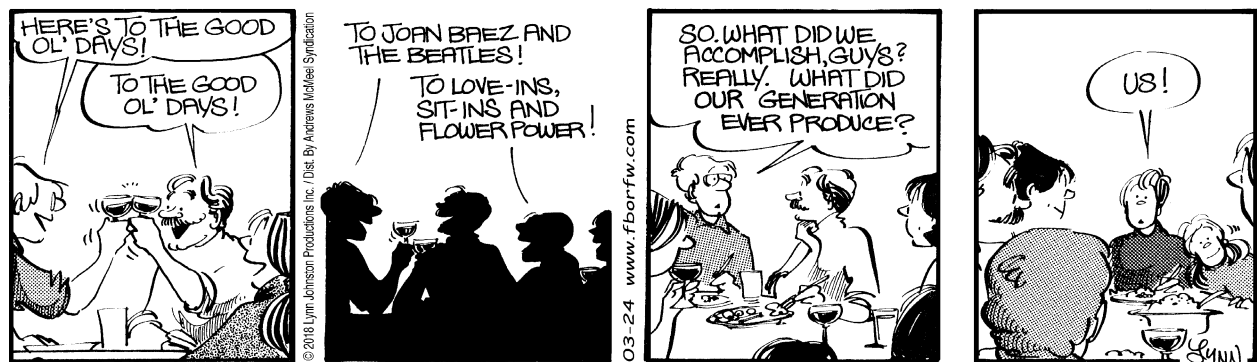
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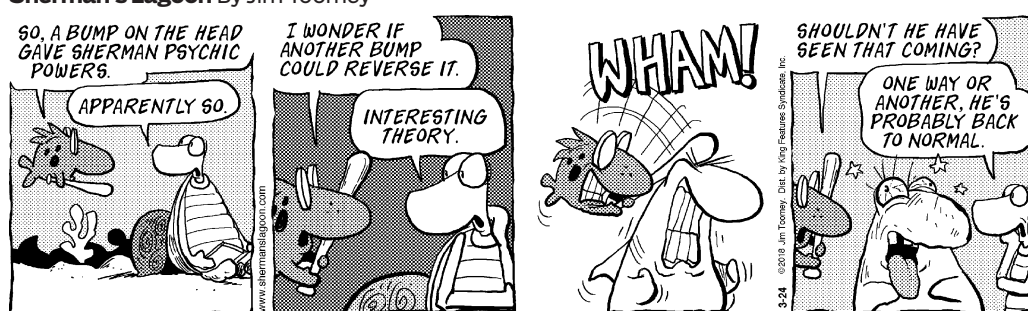
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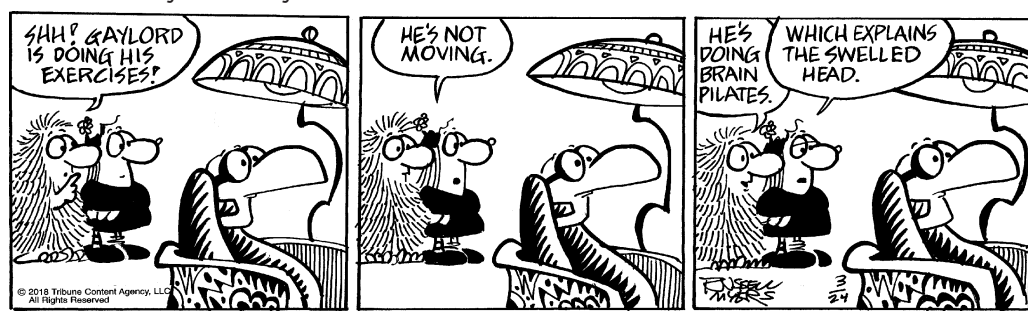
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Which of these was NOT an All-American Girls Professional Baseball League team in the 1940s?

A) Crawfordsville Sunbeams

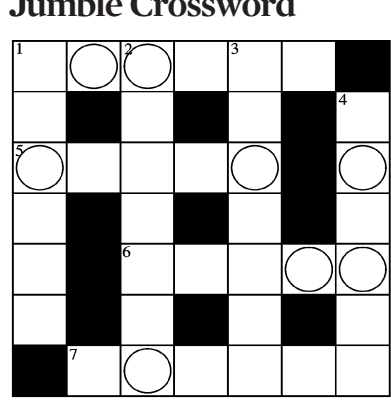
B) Fort Wayne Daisies

C) Milwaukee Chicks

D) Rockford Peaches

Friday's answer: The biggest-selling hit on the U.K. charts in 1983 was "Karma Chameleon" by Culture Club.

Jumble Crossword



CLUE ACROSS ANSWER

1. Coveted VIEOND

5. \_\_\_ printer ORCLO

6. Come to pass SIARE

7. \_\_\_ recipe RESTCE

CLUE DOWN ANSWER

1. Surpass DXCEEI

2. The \_\_\_ People AVILEGL

3. Previously RIERAEL

4. Trustworthy SHOTEN

DOUBLE BONUS

The circled letters can be unscrambled to form two different BONUS answers.

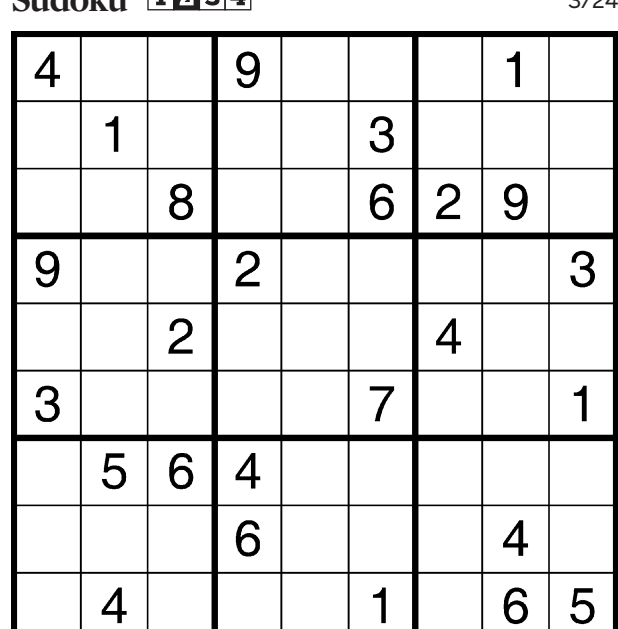
CLUE: Use sparingly

CLUE: A subsidiary of Nike since 2003

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Sudoku 1 2 3 4

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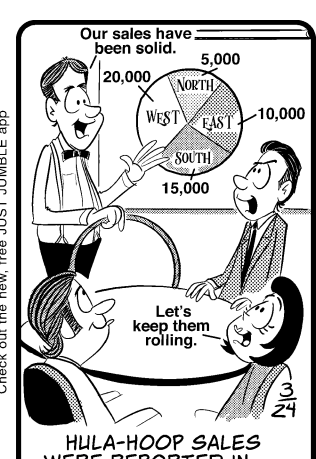
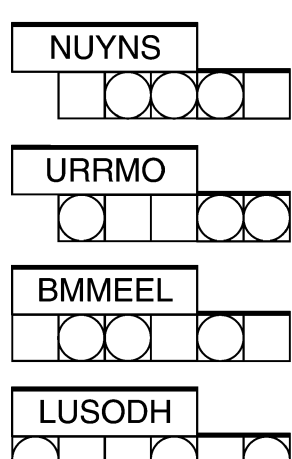
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Friday's solutions

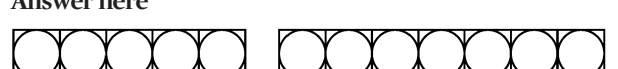
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Jumble

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.



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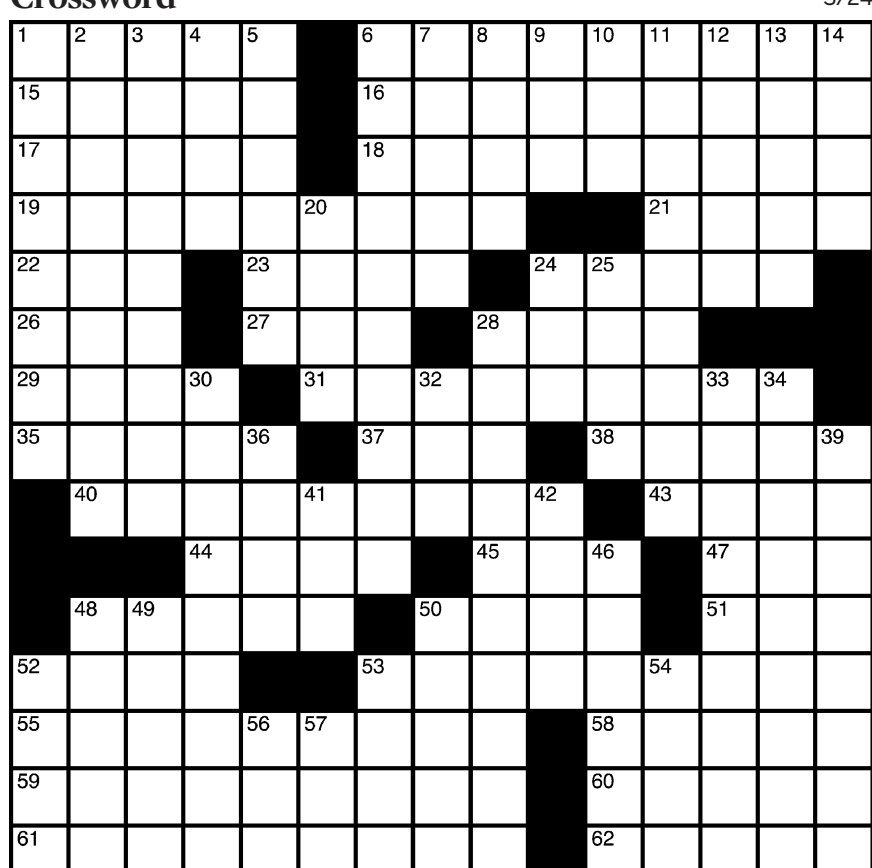
Friday's answers

Jumbles: CRIMP MOOSE TARTAR BUSHEL  
 Answer: In the early days of golf, the flags were made out of "COURSE" MATERIAL

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Crossword

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- Across
- 1 \_\_\_ bar
  - 6 Line used when wrapping?
  - 15 Singer whose three studio albums have numerical titles
  - 16 Was bugged
  - 17 Remove, as a corsage
  - 18 It has a climbing route called "The Nose"
  - 19 Crude
  - 21 Den denizens
  - 22 Nice assent
  - 23 League of Women Voters co-founder
  - 24 Assists a chef
  - 26 White House advisory gp.
  - 27 Six-pack group
  - 28 Fighting chance
  - 29 Comics shriek
  - 31 The African Queen, for one
  - 35 Former first daughter
  - 37 Make a call
  - 38 Conqueror of Valencia in 1094
  - 40 Brain in many an Asimov story
  - 43 British title
  - 44 Part of a flute
  - 45 Kvetching chorus
  - 47 \_\_\_ shooter
  - 48 Buzzed
  - 50 Pokémon that evolves to Kadabra
  - 51 Org. concerned with child support
  - 52 Singer Vannelli
  - 53 1995 AFI Life Achievement Award recipient
  - 55 Spidey sense, basically
  - 58 Skateboard leap
  - 59 Stopped taking orders
  - 60 Home of Armani and Prada
  - 61 News credential
  - 62 Place on a pedestal
  - 10 Con's mark
  - 11 Hyphenated word in a Hawthorne title
  - 12 Put the bite on
  - 13 Many Scheherazade characters
  - 14 XXX, perhaps
  - 20 Big dogs
  - 24 Little dog
  - 25 Self-Operating Napkin creator Goldberg
  - 28 Rides with wing-shaped tailfins
  - 30 Game including golf and bowling
  - 32 Taker of ppm measurements
  - 33 Barbershop quartet style
  - 34 Race against the clock
  - 36 Outdoor party crashers
  - 39 Buster?
  - 41 "Bossypants" memoirist
  - 42 Fictional governess
  - 46 Rita Hayworth's title princess
  - 48 Building subcontractor
  - 49 Just plain silly
  - 50 Outstanding
  - 52 Be a looky-look
  - 53 Genesis creator
  - 54 "Disarming Iraq" author Harris
  - 56 Ceremonial title?
  - 57 Jazz genre

Friday's solution



- Down
- 1 Scientific name involving a repeated word
  - 2 To an annoying degree
  - 3 What Brad's Drink became
  - 4 Settled down
  - 5 Elder or Younger Roman writer
  - 6 Modern-day eruption
  - 7 "The Planets" composer
  - 8 Story lines
  - 9 It can be green, red or yellow

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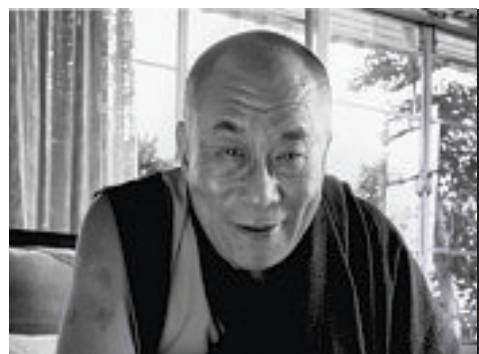
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NCAA TOURNAMENT

# Setting the stage



DAVID HAUGH

In the Wake of the News

## Ex-Illini coach Weber has K-State in Loyola's way

ATLANTA — When Kentucky's Shai Gilgeous-Alexander missed a 3-pointer that allowed Kansas State to go crazy after its 61-58 upset Thursday night at Philips Arena, one thought immediately came to mind.

Loyola wins again.

The Ramblers won Thursday's early game in the NCAA tournament South Region semifinals, a 69-68 thriller over Nevada, and match up better against Kansas State than Kentucky, one of America's tallest teams, which can blame the unpredictability of youth for falling short. The Loyola-Kansas State game at 5:09 p.m. Saturday in the Elite Eight was supposed to be the consolation game of the so-called Kentucky Invitational, but now the winner goes to the Final Four.

When Bruce Weber took Illinois to the Final Four in 2005, he did it with a core predecessor Bill Self recruited and he never received full credit for that coaching job. In his sixth season with Kansas State after Illinois fired him in 2012, this group is all his, and Weber looks all-in emotionally.

Beating a favored Kentucky team overwhelmed Weber, who walked across the court to thank his family and Kansas State fans for cheering the school to its first Elite Eight appearance since 2010. Barry Brown Jr., whose layup with 18.5 seconds left gave Kansas State its most clutch basket of the game, went even farther than Weber, running 10 rows into the Kansas State section as a bunch of people in purple T-shirts mobbed him. Kansas State's first victory over Kentucky in its

Turn to Haugh, Page 2



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## No. 1s get it done

Lagerald Vick and Kansas hold off upset-minded Clemson in the Midwest, while Villanova ousts West Virginia in the East. Page 3



## They like to share: Ramblers' passing proves big asset

BY SHANNON RYAN  
Chicago Tribune

ATLANTA — The easiest decision Clayton Custer could have made was to take the shot himself. In the previous round of the NCAA tournament, Loyola's point guard made the winning shot in the closing seconds against Tennessee to put the Ramblers into the Sweet 16.

But in a South Region semifinal against Nevada on Thursday, Custer drove, drew the defense and zipped the ball to the right corner, where teammate Marques Townes faked, moved to his left and buried a clutch 3-pointer that expanded the Ramblers' lead from a precarious one point to a much more comfortable four with 6 seconds to play.

Custer's decision helped Loyola advance to its first Elite Eight in 55 years.

"Look at Clay," Ramblers coach Porter Moser said. "A lot of guys in that situation would have been like, 'I want to get it again.' He went and drew the corner defender and kicked it. I love guys that can pass."

Typical Loyola.

The Ramblers have enthralled college basketball fans with three dramatic shots to close three wins. What makes the team appreciated by purists, though, is a style of play predicated on spacing and precision passes that usually lead to an open shot by one of their handful of reliable scorers.

As they watch passes rocket from one player to another, fans can celebrate the way the plays themselves unfold as much as the made basket itself.

Take a first-half play against Nevada that ended with a 3-pointer by Townes. The ball whipped around the perimeter about eight times — with several Ramblers passing up good looks at the basket — before Custer found Townes open.

Well, the most open.

Turn to Loyola, Page 2

ELITE EIGHT MATCHUPS

(9) Kansas St. vs. (11) Loyola  
5:09 p.m. Sat., TBS

(9) Florida St. vs. (3) Michigan  
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PICTURED: Loyola's Lucas Williamson faces the media frenzy Friday in Atlanta.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

## Illinois scores big with QB commit

5-star recruit Williams from St. Louis may fill team's significant void

BY JOEL BOYD  
Chicago Tribune

Nine months before the early-signing period in football, Illinois has landed the jewel of its 2019 recruiting class, getting a commitment Friday from a five-star quarterback with a familiar-sounding name: Isaiah Williams.

The St. Louis resident is no relation to Isiah "Juice" Williams,

who played quarterback for the Illini from 2006 to '09 and led them to the Rose Bowl in the 2007 season. But this Williams could be a long-term solution to Illinois' struggles at the position since coach Lovie Smith arrived in 2016.

Williams, who plays at Trinity Catholic High School, is 5-foot-10, 160 pounds and listed as an athlete in 247Sports.com's composite rankings, which have him third in the nation in that position group and 28th overall. He's also the top-ranked recruit in Missouri.

But the Illini see him as a fit at quarterback for the run-based, no-huddle spread offense that new coordinator Rod Smith learned under Rich Rodriguez.

"I love that offense," Williams told Illini Inquirer. "That's how I've been playing my whole life. From little league until high school, I've been playing fast. I love that challenge of getting to the next play quick."

Reeling in Williams punctuates a dizzying two months of activity for Illinois at quarterback

Turn to Illinois, Page 6



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QB Isaiah Williams is the top-ranked recruit in Missouri, according to 247Sports.com.

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## 'All hands on deck' for Cubs' closer role

In an effort to keep Brandon Morrow fresh, Joe Maddon won't hesitate to use other options. Page 4

## Sox playing it safe with Abreu's health

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## Bulls don't back down but drop 4th straight

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## NCAA TOURNAMENT

### NO. 9 KANSAS STATE (25-11) VS. NO. 11 LOYOLA (31-5)

5:10 p.m. Saturday | TBS | WMVP-AM1000  
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**How they got here:** Loyola has advanced with three straight game-winning shots in the final seconds, taking down higher seeds each time. Kansas State has held each tournament opponent to fewer than 60 points. The Wildcats have done so mostly without injured All-Big 12 forward Dean Wade, who logged eight minutes in the Sweet 16 against Kentucky in his first game back since the Big 12 tournament.

**Key storyline:** No matter the winner, the Final Four will feature a Cinderella. This is the NCAA tournament's first No. 9 vs. No. 11 matchup. Three No. 11 seeds have advanced to the Final Four: LSU in 1986, George Mason in 2006 and VCU in 2011. No. 9 seeds are even rarer: Penn in 1979 and Wichita State in 2013 are the only two.

**Kansas State key number:** 71.9. The Ramblers' free-throw percentage. The Ramblers aren't the sharpest at the line. Kansas State has benefited from opponents' free-throw misses. Kentucky made only 62.7 percent in its Sweet 16 loss to the Wildcats. Loyola made 6 of 8 against Nevada but just 11 of 16 against Tennessee and 4 of 9 against Miami.

**Loyola key number:** 78. Kenpom.com rank for Kansas State's offensive efficiency. The Wildcats shot only 35.2 percent in the Sweet 16 victory against Kentucky. This season, they rank 72nd nationally at 46.7 percent. Their best shooting of the tournament — 46 percent — came in the first-round victory against Creighton. Of course, that hasn't stopped them from winning.

**He said it:** "I told the guys, you can't look at the name, you can't look at the league. You've got to look at the team. They're a good team. They beat Florida at Florida earlier in the year. They beat Tennessee, who won the SEC. They beat Miami out of the ACC. So they've got to be pretty good, and whatever they've done here as of late, they're hot. They play together." — Kansas State coach Bruce Weber on facing Loyola.

**Shannon Ryan's pick:** Loyola hasn't shown a hint of being intimidated. The Ramblers have had to rally in all three tournament games but they're playing crisply, sharing the ball, locking down defensively and shooting well. Kansas State's defense can make games ugly, holding opponents to 42.2 percent shooting and forcing 14.4 turnovers per game. The Ramblers have faced teams with more size and skill and will keep it rolling. Loyola 64, Kansas State 60.

#### K-STATE STARTERS

(with points per game)

3 Kamau Stokes, G, 8.9  
5 Barry Brown, G, 16.0  
2 Cartier Diarra, G, 7.1  
20 Xavier Sneed, F, 11.0  
14 Makol Mawien, C, 6.9

#### BENCH

32 Dean Wade, F, 16.2  
0 Mike McGuiri, G, 3.2  
23 Amaad Wainright, G, 2.8  
34 Levi Stockard, F, 1.9

#### TEAM STATISTICS

K-State

71.3 (243)  
66.7 (42)  
-3.3 (299)

+2.8 (32)  
46.7 (72)  
34.5 (202)  
73.2 (103)

#### Averages (w/rank)

Scoring offense

62.4 (5)  
+1.6 (123)  
+0.8 (131)  
50.7 (3)

39.7 (19)  
FT pct.

#### Loyola

71.8 (233)

62.4 (5)  
+1.6 (123)  
+0.8 (131)  
50.7 (3)

39.7 (19)  
71.9 (147)

#### LOYOLA STARTERS

(with points per game)

13 Clayton Custer, G, 13.4  
14 Ben Richardson, G, 6.4  
5 Marques Townes, G, 11.2  
0 Donte Ingram, F, 11.3  
25 Cameron Krutwig, C, 10.4

#### BENCH

24 Aundre Jackson, F, 11.2  
1 Lucas Williamson, G, 4.8  
4 Bruno Skokna, G, 3.3  
23 Cameron Satterwhite, G, 1.8



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Bryan Mullins, left, is in his fifth season as an assistant coach for Porter Moser at Loyola.

# It's in his blood

## Mullins building strong reputation after following dad's footsteps into coaching

BY SHANNON RYAN

Chicago Tribune

Bryan Mullins would come home from elementary school, sit at the kitchen table and go over his homework until it was perfect.

"He wouldn't settle for a B," his dad, Mike Mullins, said. "He was not one to take a shortcut. He was very focused."

He never did earn a B, graduating from Southern Illinois in 2009 with a 4.0 grade point average as a finance major and earning the Missouri Valley Conference's highest academic honors. He was as meticulous with basketball, a point guard for Downers Grove South High School and his dad's AAU team, the Illinois Wolves.

That same drive and attention to detail are what earned him a role on coach Porter Moser's Ramblers staff.

"He has every quality I'd want in someone on my staff: loyal, hardworking, smart, tough, winning mentality," said Moser, who as a former head coach at Illinois State recruited Mullins. "He checks all those boxes."

Mullins said he was drawn to coaching thanks to his dad and brother's influence. Brendan Mullins is an assistant at Illinois State.

"The best thing my dad taught me and my brothers about coaching is the relationships with the

kids," Bryan Mullins said. "He does it to help kids out. It's unbelievable how many kids come back that he has been a mentor to."

In Thursday's 69-68 NCAA tournament Sweet 16 victory against Nevada, Moser listened when Mullins suggested starting forward Aundre Jackson in the second half instead of center Cameron Krutwig. The idea paid off as Jackson scored 13 of his 15 points in the period and the Ramblers found success pushing the ball for easy layups.

"It was a great suggestion," Moser said. "We went with it, and it really paid off."

A former two-time conference defensive player of the year for Southern Illinois, he led the Salukis to the 2007 Sweet 16. Loyola guard Ben Richardson, the current MVC defensive player of the year, said Mullins has made him "100 times better."

"He's a super knowledgeable guy. He has been in big-time situations," Richardson said. "He's always on me. You might think because I won defensive player of the year I might get to take it easy. But he knows I demand (critiques) from him and he demands my best."

In the Elite Eight, he will be going up against his former Southern Illinois coach Chris Lowery, who is now an assistant at Kansas State under former Illinois coach Bruce Weber.

Lowery recalled telling Mullins' dad he had no interest in recruiting his son. He wasn't fast enough. Then he saw Mullins live in a game — and Mullins became the first player he signed at Southern Illinois.

"He was a winner," Lowery said. "The intangibles were off the chart. That's the way (Loyola) is, their intangibles outweigh their talent."

After graduating from Southern Illinois, Mullins played overseas for four seasons until injuries forced him out.

Fellow coaches told him that he should pursue a path in business, not coaching.

"He's a genius," Lowery said. "I told him, 'Don't coach. Why would you want to do this?'"

His father said he had an "anti-coaching speech" ready to deliver.

"I told him how difficult it was, the crazy lifestyle, how you have to start at the bottom," Mike Mullins said.

Moser was eager to hire Mullins five seasons ago as a director of basketball operations. Mullins figured he would earn his MBA and make sure he was right to follow his heart into this coaching career path.

Of course, he loved it. "I've loved it since I was little," he said. "It's just a passion of mine. At school I did (my) best at whatever I did. But it didn't fulfill me the way coaching did. I knew I wanted to go into coaching."

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# Sharing the wealth

Loyola, from Page 1

"Pass up a good shot for a great shot," guard Ben Richardson said.

In the tournament, Loyola has assisted on 51 of its 77 field goals, or 66.2 percent. Assistant coach Bryan Mullins said about 55 percent of those assists came from at least one previous pass. The Ramblers value what they call "the hockey pass," after the sport that awards an assist to the player who made the pass that led to the pass that led to the goal.

"So much of our offense is based on spacing, getting the spread, driving and kicking and one more (pass)," Mullins said. "There are not a lot of times we make one pass and shoot it."

The Ramblers have made 39.7 percent of their 3-pointers this season.

Almost 40 percent of Loyola's shots are unguarded 3s, according to a Washington Post article citing Synergy Sports.

The Ramblers' goal each game is 15 assists and fewer than 10 turnovers, according to assistant coach Drew Valentine. He remembers a possession earlier this season when the ball moved 10 times.

"We talk about it when we go back and watch film," Valentine said, "and Coach always gives guys a shoutout (for the extra assist)."

Loyola has been close to its goal in the tournament, with 19 assists and 10 turnovers against Miami, 17 and 10 against Tennessee and 15 with 16 miscues against Nevada.

Six Ramblers registered at least one assists against Nevada, led by Townes' five and Custer's four. It helps to have a 6-foot-9 center with soft hands like Cameron Krutwig who can pass deftly out of the post, as evidenced by his four assists against Tennessee.

"You have to have unselfish guys and guys who are talented and gifted on offense," Custer said. "I think Coach got a group that bought into all this stuff and guys who can make plays and shoot."

While Loyola boasted an efficient offense last season — when it went 18-14 overall and 8-10 in the Missouri Valley Conference — Moser said the ball movement didn't match this season's partly because players relied too much on the since-graduated Milton Doyle.

Custer, the Missouri Valley player of the year, has become more assertive.

The first 15-20 minutes of each Loyola practice are focused on ball-movement drills. Terms like "be the domino" and "play downhill" are repeated often.

"We run action with three or four passes and after that action is over, five more passes," Mullins said. "The guys just have to find each other and play. There's no rules. They have to figure out whether the spacing is and where the ball movement is and hand-offs. Then, 'Let's make four passes after this action.' They know they're not going to come down and iso someone one-on-one. That's not our offense."

For years, Moser has told his



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## "Pass up a good shot for a great shot."

— Guard Ben Richardson (above) on Loyola's offense

team to not let the ball "stick." Valentine, whose brother, Denzel, plays for the Bulls, brought the NBA terminology "point-five rule" to the Ramblers.

"Don't ever just catch it and hold it and let the ball stick," Custer said. "Don't catch it and immediately dribble. Catch it and shoot, pass or drive in 0.5 seconds. Make sure the ball keeps popping."

As head coach at Arkansas-Little Rock from 2000-03, Moser ran mostly high-low plays through the post due to personnel. At Illinois State from 2003-07, his offense spaced the floor with ball screens.

After his firing from ISU, Moser took an assistant job at Saint Louis to learn the motion offense from Rick Majerus, but during a rebuilding job, the late Majerus quickly realized he needed to scrap it after a 49-20 loss — a Division I record for fewest points in a game — at George Washington in 2008.

Majerus asked Moser what he ran at Illinois State and started blending spacing with motion and ball screens.

"We had so many dinners over it," Moser said. "He loved it. ... It changed everything."

The offense has changed everything for Loyola, too, culminating in this historic run.

"You draw a defense in and kick it out and maybe (a player) has a shot," Richardson said. "But if they kick it one more time, that guy just created the hockey assist. He passed it and maybe freed him up and he's got one more (pass)."

And then?  
"Then he's wide open."

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# Weber, Kansas State in Loyola's way

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history, a moment framed by some in Manhattan, Kan., as payback for the 1951 national championship game, set off a wild celebration.

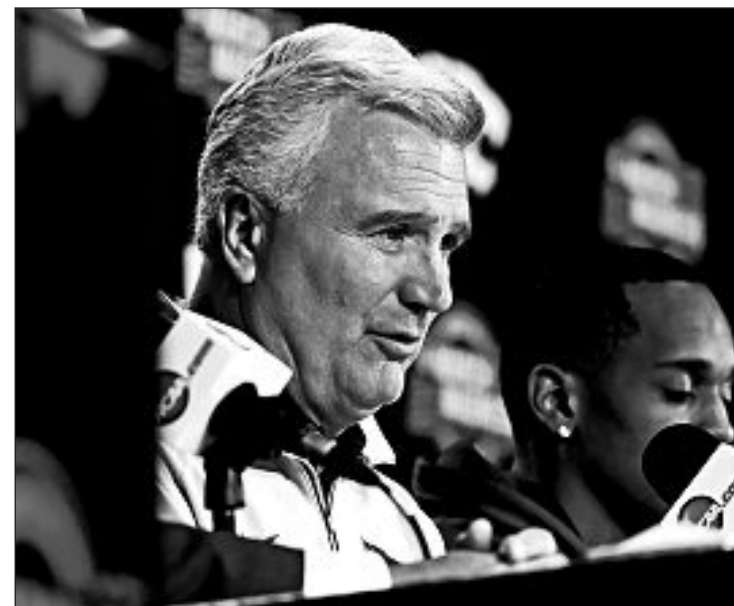
Weber savored every second but was looking at his watch.

"We get to have fun for about 15 minutes tonight, but then we have to get refocused and ready for a chance of a lifetime," Weber said. "It will not be easy because Loyola is a very, very good team."

So is Kansas State, which jumped out to a 13-1 lead against Kentucky. To hear Weber's players afterward, they derived motivation out of ESPN unofficially reseeding the Sweet 16 after the first two rounds and ranking Kansas State 16th. The bottom four teams ESPN ranked — Florida State, Loyola, Michigan and Kansas State — all won Thursday, by the way.

"We've been picked eighth in the Big 12, finished fourth, and we saw (those) seedings come out, 16th in the Sweet 16, so we felt disrespected all year," said Kansas State's Xavier Sneed, who scored a team-high 22 points with nine rebounds. "We just came out here and proved people wrong, and we're going to do that game by game."

It wasn't pretty. Three Kansas State players fouled out, including Sneed in the final minute, and Kentucky went to the line 37 times. Without injured star Dean



JOHN J. KIM/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Kansas State coach Bruce Weber looks to guide a team to the Final Four for the first time since 2005, when he was at Illinois.

Wade in the second half, Kansas State scored just two field goals over the final 9:52, and it shot 35 percent from the field overall.

And survived to advance. "It just shows our resilience, the character of our guys," Weber said. "We've been through a lot this season, and we've been able to keep fighting and battling and making the plays when it matters. We just kept saying, grind, grind, grind. Keep fighting. Don't leave anything out on the court."

An opponent that practiced

the same principles awaits Kansas State on Saturday. Loyola believes it belongs, but so does Weber's bunch. Porter Moser will have the Ramblers ready, but you know Weber, whose first head-coaching job was at Southern Illinois, won't take his Missouri Valley Conference foe lightly.

An Elite Eight matchup nobody expected promises a game everyone will remember.

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# NCAA TOURNAMENT

## WEST REGION

# FSU run a group effort

Win-by-committee working for 'Noles

By BETH HARRIS  
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Florida State takes its win-by-committee philosophy seriously.

The Seminoles crowded six players on the dais with coach Leonard Hamilton on Friday for their news conference at the Staples Center. They were required to bring only five, but nobody gets left out on this team.

Most coaches shorten their bench the closer they get to the Final Four, but Hamilton won't consider going away from his 11-man rotation. As a result, every player believes he's as important as his teammates.

"The coaches preach all the time it's going to be a different guy every night," forward Phil Cofer said. "Everybody is locked into helping each other."

No. 9 seed Florida State (23-11) plays No. 3 seed Michigan (31-7) on Saturday in the West Region final. A victory would move the Seminoles into the Final Four for the second time in school history. They lost to UCLA in the 1972 national championship game.

"We always envisioned this and we always talked about it," guard Terance Mann said. "So to finally be here definitely means a lot."

The Seminoles have knocked off three higher-seeded teams in the NCAA tournament, including No. 1 Xavier in the second round. Each opponent experienced Florida State's so-called "junkyard defense," a scrappy mindset embodied by pressuring the ball and going after little things such as steals and deflections.

"Playing hard to exhaustion," Cofer said. "That's one of the key things of our junkyard defense."

The Seminoles used to keep a picture of a dog with a collar in the locker room and each player touched it on his way to the court.

"We want to be like junkyard dogs that really want to protect their yard," Hamilton said, adding with a laugh: "It doesn't always work now. Sometimes we run into some junkyard lions (and) elephants."

"Coach Ham," as he's known to his players, has fostered an unselfish spirit among his players despite initial skepticism.

"Everybody at first was like, 'Uh, I don't know about this,'" Cofer said. "But winning changes everything."

And when they're trailing and the outcome is in doubt, Hamilton is in his players' ears with positivity.

Hamilton credits his upbringing in the church for his nurturing manner.

Growing up in the South, he would attend a different church every Sunday with his grandmother. Living close enough to hear the church organ in his bedroom, Hamilton developed a passion for gospel music and owns a record label.

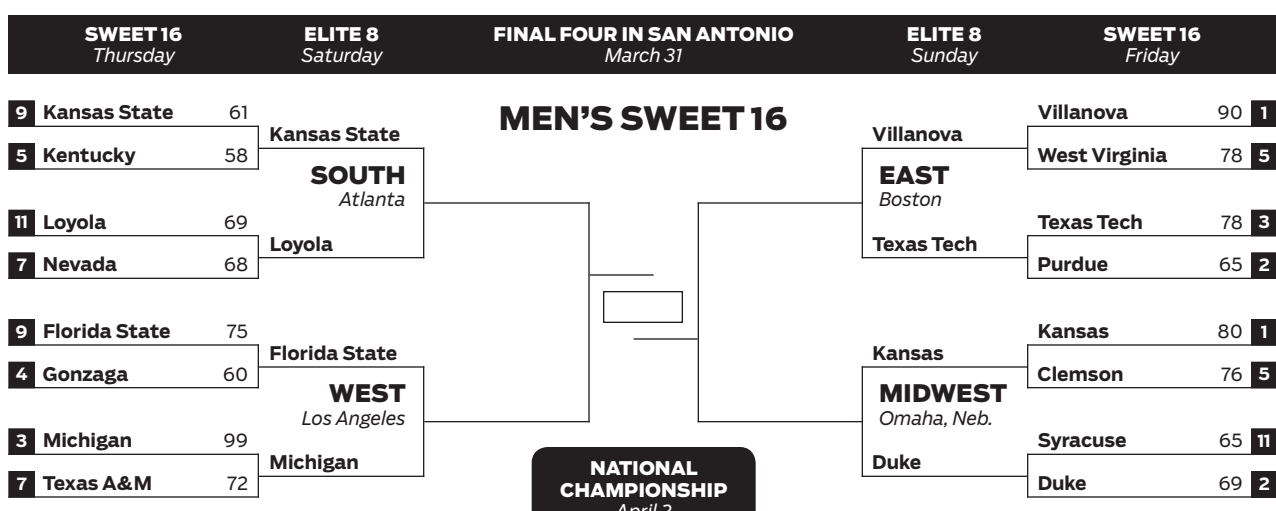
"It's my way of giving back," he said.

## SATURDAY'S GAME

(3) Michigan (31-7) vs. (9) Florida State (23-11) 7:49 p.m., TBS

After two slogs, Michigan ripped through Texas A&M with 52 first-half points on its way to a 99-72 victory. Moritz Wagner, the 6-11 matchup nightmare, had 14 points in the first half against the Aggies. If the Wolverines, one of the nation's top teams in scoring defense, continue this offensive production, this run won't end any time soon. Florida State was just as impressive in defeating Gonzaga 75-60. The Bulldogs didn't have an answer for the Seminoles' length as Florida State advanced to the Elite Eight for only the third time in school history and first since 1993.

— Kansas City Star



Villanova's Jalen Brunson drives past West Virginia's Wesley Harris during Friday's East Region semifinal.

## EAST REGION

# Wildcats execute long-range plan

No. 1 seed uses 3-pointers to overcome tough press, defense of West Virginia

Tribune news services

BOSTON — Villanova's 3-point party rolled past the pressure of West Virginia to bring the Wildcats to the doorstep of another Final Four two seasons after winning a national championship.

Top-seeded Villanova continued its outside feast, downing the fifth-seeded Mountaineers 90-78 on Friday night to earn its second trip to the Elite Eight in three seasons.

"What a game, man," Villanova coach Jay Wright said. "I hope that looked as good as it did from the bench."

"That was the most physically demanding, mentally draining 40 minutes we've played in a long time. They are so relentless."

Jalen Brunson led the Wildcats with 27 points and Omari Spellman added 18 plus eight rebounds as Villanova overcame the West

Virginia press and 16 turnovers by hitting 13 of 24 shots from 3-point range. The Wildcats (33-4) have now made 47 3-pointers in the tournament.

Jevon Carter and Sagaba Konate each scored 12 points to lead the Mountaineers (26-11). Carter encountered foul trouble early in the second half, as did fellow starter Dexter Miles.

Coach Bob Huggins said the fouls "absolutely" stifled the Mountaineers' ability to keep pressure on Villanova.

"When the whistle keeps blowing, it really takes away your aggression," he said.

Villanova's Sweet 16 plan for the team nicknamed "Press Virginia" was to attack the stifling defense head-on.

The Wildcats struggled at times, especially in the first half, but they were able to dig out of a six-point hole in the second half with an 11-0 run.

The Mountaineers stayed close throughout the night, ramping up the pressure and making Villanova play faster than it wanted to early.

West Virginia led 60-54 with just over 11 minutes left, but the Wildcats scored 11 unanswered points to move in front for good.

Villanova kept the momentum going, stretching the lead to 76-66 on a 3-pointer by Brunson.

West Virginia never got closer than four points the rest of the way.

"The deeper you go, the better the teams are going to be," Brunson said. "For us, nothing changes no matter who we play, where we play, what time we play. We play every game as if it's our last."

**Texas Tech 78, Purdue 65:** Keenan Evans had 16 points and five assists as the third-seeded Red Raiders (27-9) pulled away.

Evans scored seven points during an 11-0 run which lasted nearly four minutes and pushed a 58-55 lead to 14.

Carsen Edwards scored 30 points and Vincent Edwards had 12 points and 13 rebounds for the No. 2 seed Boilermakers (30-7).

After trailing most of the first half, Texas Tech scored 10 straight points to take a 30-25 halftime lead.



Kansas' Malik Newman celebrates after a 3-pointer during the second half.

## MIDWEST REGION

# Chalk one up for KU — barely

Jayhawks thwart rally, advance to another Elite Eight

Associated Press

OMAHA, Neb. — For the third year in a row, Kansas made it through the Sweet 16 — although not before Clemson tried its hardest to add another wild chapter to an already-unbelievable tournament.

The top-seeded Jayhawks brought at least a temporary halt to the insanity of this March, withstanding a ferocious rally by fifth-seeded Clemson on Friday for a too-close-for-comfort 80-76 victory.

Malik Newman led the Jayhawks (30-7) with 17 points in a one-time runaway that got much closer and, quite frankly, won't mean much to Kansas fans if their team can't finish the job in the Midwest Region final Sunday against Duke.

As a top seed the last two seasons, Kansas made it through the regional semifinals, only to flop a game shy of the Final Four both times.

"I think about it all the time," said senior Devonte' Graham, who had 16 points. "I just told the guys in the locker room, this year we've got to get over the hump."

It could have ended Friday in horrifying fashion after Clemson stormed back from a 20-point deficit that stunned a crowd filled mostly with Jayhawks fans.

"We just kind of played not to lose down the stretch," coach Bill Self said.

Clemson (25-10) trailed 62-42 but climbed to within six with 2:27 left. Graham's offensive rebound after a Svi Mykhailiuk miss at the 1:57 mark allowed the Jayhawks to run almost a minute off the clock.

Kansas didn't score after Graham's rebound, and the Tigers got the next board for a chance to cut it to a one-possession game. But Shelton Mitchell and Gabe DeVoe each missed from beyond the arc.

DeVoe had a career-high 31 points for the Tigers.

"We didn't have our best game," Clemson coach Brad Brownell said. "Sometimes that's not easy to keep fighting like that."

**Duke 69, Syracuse 65:** Marvin Bagley scored 22 points, Wendell Carter Jr had 14 with 12 rebounds and the Blue Devils defeated the Orange to reach the Elite Eight for the first time since winning the national championship three years ago.

But No. 2 seed Duke (29-7) couldn't shake No. 11 seed Syracuse (23-14) until the final buzzer sounded.

Grayson Allen missed the front end of a one-and-one with 12 seconds left and the Blue Devils up 67-64. Duke fouled rather than let the Orange go for a game-tying 3, and Tyus Battle made only one of two free throws.

Gary Trent Jr. then made two free throws with 6.3 seconds left to seal the win.

Battle finished with 19 points to lead Syracuse.

## WHITE SOX

## With Abreu, Sox still playing it safe

Slugger says hamstringing better, but he may stay on bench until opener

BY FABIAN ARDAYA  
Chicago Tribune

GLENDALE, Ariz. — Perhaps the biggest indicator of **Jose Abreu's** health approaching opening day had nothing to do with baseball.

Standing in the White Sox clubhouse at Camelback Ranch on Friday, the stalwart first baseman sneaked behind a seated **Yolmer Sanchez** and crouched to lift the smaller infielder. As Sanchez yelped to be let down, Abreu's tight hamstring — which has kept him out since Tuesday's game against the Rangers — held firm.

"I'm about to ask (manager) **Ricky (Renteria)** when I can play because I feel I'm ready," Abreu said through a team interpreter. "I'm feeling very, very good right now."

Abreu, who was held out of the lineup for the third consecutive day Friday against the Mariners, has been limited to upper-body workouts and time on the treadmill as the Sox exercise caution with their star veteran. He took some swings in the batting cage, but a return date is not certain.

The team could opt to remain cautious with the opener in Kansas City less than a week away. Renteria hinted Abreu could miss the rest of spring training, save for a possible at-bat Sunday against the Brewers.

"An abundance of caution," Renteria said. "I want to start the season with ... arguably one of the better hitters in the major leagues. He's ready to go. I'm not going to deny it."

The Sox have only three exhibitions remaining. They will wrap up work in Arizona before traveling to Charlotte to play their Triple-A affiliate Monday, then head to Kansas City for Thursday's opener.

"I understand the situation and what they're trying to do," Abreu said. "They're the bosses and I know what they want to do. But I also know my health and want to play."

Abreu, 31, was clean-shaven Friday, save for the thick goatee on his chin. It's a tradition for him to ditch a scruffy beard for a cleaner look, indicating the start of a new season.

This year, he may have had an extra motive.

"My mom told me I was ugly," he said.

**Moncada suffers scare:** Second baseman **Yoan Moncada**, who slugged a monster homer Thursday against the Diamondbacks, appeared to be shaken up Friday after colliding with the Mariners' Taylor Motter on a third-inning slide near third base. Moncada walked off under his own power and remained in the game until being substituted for in the fifth inning.

The Sox said Moncada's substitution was scheduled and not related to the injury.

**Shields ready for opening day:** The next time he takes the mound, **James Shields'** start will count.

Shields, the Sox's opening-day starter, tossed three scoreless innings in his final Cactus League tuneup, utilizing his altered delivery and variety of velocities (his pitches tracked between 69 and 93 mph) to keep Mariners batters off-balance.

The scheduled shortened outing served as a final chance to get a



ARMANDO L. SANCHEZ/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Jose Abreu has missed three straight games but says he feels "very, very good right now."

## ON THE CLOCK

5 Days until the White Sox's season opener against the Royals in Kansas City.

feel for his pitches and Shields was pleased with the results.

"My delivery was right in today," he said. "Every pitch was working, (and) I was getting ahead of hitters. I feel really good. We're ready to go."

**Engel back:** Projected starting center fielder **Adam Engel** was in the lineup and batting seventh after being scratched the previous two days because of a stiff neck, which Renteria said was caused by how Engel slept.

Renteria said he doesn't expect the issue to linger.

**Roster cuts:** The Sox inched closer to finalizing their 25-man roster, reassigning left-handers **Xavier Cedeno** and **Robbie Ross Jr.** and first baseman **Matt Stole** to minor-league camp.

The roster sits at 29 with only a few position battles still brewing. **Omar Narvaez** and **Kevan Smith** are competing to serve as the backup catcher to **Wellington Castillo**, and five pitchers are battling for what likely are three remaining spots in the bullpen.

Renteria suggested more moves could be made Saturday.

Narvaez and Smith each spent significant time in the big leagues last season, combining to start 145 of 162 games while **Geovany Soto** dealt with injury. Sox catchers ranked 12th in baseball with 94 weighted runs created plus but also allowed the second-most stolen bases (120). Smith is 8-for-27 at the plate this spring and Narvaez 7-for-27, each with one extra-base hit.

With **Nate Jones**, **Joakim Soria**, **Luis Avilan** and **Danny Farquhar** essentially locks in the bullpen and non-roster invitee **Hector Santiago** expected to earn a role either as the fifth starter over **Carson Fulmer** or in long relief, the Sox have five candidates for three open spots in an eight-man bullpen: **Juan Minaya**, **Gregory Infante**, **Aaron Bummer** and non-roster options **Bruce Rondon** and **Jeanmar Gomez**.

Minaya, Infante and Bummer finished 2017 on the big-league roster, with Minaya serving as the de facto closer with nine saves after a flurry of trades resulted in the exits of **David Robertson**, **Tommy Kahnle** and **Anthony Swarzak**. Bummer is the lone left-handed option of the five and would give the bullpen three lefties along with Avilan and Santiago.

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## CUBS



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"... Now I have to figure out what I want to do in the role I'm in now," Cubs closer Brandon Morrow says.

## Easing into it

To keep Morrow 'fresh,' Cubs taking it slow with closer

BY MARK GONZALES  
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — Brandon Morrow's mind and arm have shifted gears over an 11-year career that has brought him to a high-profile role with the Cubs.

The chance to regain the closer duties he held during the infancy of his career and the opportunity to pitch for a title contender is accompanied by the responsibility of managing his battle-tested body.

"I think I have a better idea on how to do it now than when I was in Seattle 10 years ago," Morrow said. "I definitely learned a lot last year. It was my first full year relieving in a long time. The regular season doesn't go like the playoffs, but you can control a little bit of it more."

"I'm still learning, and now I have to figure out what I want to do in the role I'm in now. I'm already trying to keep learning, keep evolving."

At the same time, the Cubs won't take any chances in pushing Morrow, 33, who pitched in 65 games last season with Triple-A Oklahoma City (20) and

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the Dodgers (45) and became only the second pitcher to appear in seven games of a World Series.

Morrow faced only two batters Friday in his fifth spring appearance, allowing an infield hit and walk in a six-pitch outing against the Brewers.

"I have to keep him fresh," manager Joe Maddon stressed Friday before the game. "I can't push him three or four days in a row. I think if we stay on track with him, he's going to be productive all year. I really believe that. It's up to me or us. I can't extend him."

Despite the light workload, Morrow appeared exceptionally sharp Thursday in a minor-league game against the Rockies' Triple-A team. He threw 10 of his first 11 pitches for strikes (with the aid of a sharp breaking ball and high fastball) before issuing a walk on five pitches.

"I missed with a cut fastball to lefties a few times," Morrow said. "I'm having trouble with that. But I'm really right where I feel I need to be."

Morrow pitched 60 games as a Mariners rookie in 2007 and 45

the next season. He reached 45 appearances again last season. In between, he's been on the disabled list six times, including four because of injuries to his right arm.

The Cubs were blessed last season, when since-departed Wade Davis converted 32 of 33 save chances. But Maddon has shown a knack to adjust if his primary closer needs a rest.

In 2015, Hector Rondon saved 30 games, but Jason Motte spelled him in June and earned six saves. In 2008, Troy Percival (28) and Dan Wheeler (13) handled the bulk of the closer duties with the American League champion Rays, with Grant Balfour providing late-season help with four saves.

The Cubs have options should Morrow need a break.

"We have a bunch of guys who can do that," said Maddon, adding that he wouldn't necessarily save a reliever for the ninth inning if the key outs are in the seventh or eighth.

Maddon said other closing candidates include Steve Cishek, Carl Edwards Jr. and left-hander Brian Duensing.

"There's no B or 1A," Maddon said. "It's all hands on deck. We'll try to get to those three outs."

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## CUBS NOTES

## Pen plan spells doom for OF Bourjos

BY MARK GONZALES  
Chicago Tribune

MESA, Ariz. — Outfielder **Peter Bourjos'** short stint with the Cubs at least had a memorable ending.

Bourjos hit a game-tying single Friday in the fifth inning of a 4-3 victory over the Brewers, only to be pulled for pinch-runner **DJ Wilson**.

The Cubs announced that Bourjos left because of minor left calf soreness, but Bourjos was seen smiling as he left the Cubs dugout.

A source confirmed after the game that Bourjos will be released so he can have a better chance of joining another major-league team.

The developments occurred about three hours after manager **Joe Maddon** announced the Cubs will opt for an eight-man bullpen, with **Eddie Butler** likely landing the final spot. The final roster spot will be an-

nounced Saturday, with veteran **Chris Gimenez** and switch-hitter **Victor Caratini** competing for the backup catcher role but Gimenez likely destined to get the job. Caratini has minor-league options.

Bourjos, 30, is an eight-year veteran outfielder who signed a minor-league contract with the Cubs. He batted .326 this spring but was caught in a numbers game when the Cubs opted for an extra reliever.

Bourjos could return to the Rays, for whom he batted .223 in 100 games in 2017.

Other relievers who remain in camp are non-roster invitees **Justin Hancock**, **Anthony Bass** and **Kyle Ryan**. The Cubs are hopeful veteran **Pedro Strop** will be ready by Thursday's opener at Miami.

Left-hander **Mike Montgomery** and **Butler**, both projected as long relievers, will pitch in split-squad games Saturday night.

**Tyler's time:** Starting pitcher **Tyler Chatwood** capped an all-around performance with a double that scored the go-ahead run in the fifth inning.

Chatwood finished his first spring with the Cubs with a 2.91 ERA after striking out five in 5<sup>2</sup>/<sub>3</sub> innings. Chatwood is lined up to face the Brewers on April 8 at Miller Park.

"Overall, I felt ready for the season to start," said Chatwood, who will stay in Arizona to pitch in a minor-league game Wednesday before joining his teammates in Miami, where the Cubs open the season against the Marlins on Thursday.

**Extra innings:** **Jon Lester** will pitch in a minor-league game Saturday morning in his final tuneup for his opening day assignment. ... Cubs minor-league pitcher **David Garner** received a 50-game suspension for a second positive test for a drug of abuse.

## BASEBALL NOTES

## Bumgarner to miss 4-6 weeks

Tribune news services

LHP **Madison Bumgarner** arrived at spring training as fit as ever. Now, the Giants ace is hurt again.

He fractured the pinkie finger on his pitching hand when hit by a line drive off the bat of Royals 2B **Whit Merrifield** on Friday and is expected to miss 4 to 6 weeks. ESPN reported Bumgarner will have pins inserted Saturday to help the injury heal.

This comes after a dirt bike accident last April that cost him nearly three months.

**Wright suspended 15 games:** Red Sox RHP **Steven Wright** has accepted a 15-game suspension under MLB's domestic violence policy after his arrest Dec. 8. Wright publicly apologized to his wife, **Shannon**, after Commissioner **Rob Manfred** announced the penalty. The suspension will

start when he is put on the active roster and will cost him about \$100,000 of his \$1.1 million salary.

**No penalty for Sano:** 3B **Miguel Sano** will not be suspended after being accused of assault. The commissioner's office said in a statement "there was insufficient evidence to support a disciplinary determination against Sano." Sano was accused of assault in December by a photographer. She tweeted that he attempted to kiss her several times at a mall in 2015.

**Extra innings:** 2B **Daniel Murphy** is likely to remain in Florida when the Nationals break camp as he recovers from knee surgery. ... Dodgers LHP **Clayton Kershaw** finished spring with a 0.00 ERA. ... Minor-league players were stripped of the protection of federal minimum-wage laws under a provision in government spending legislation.

## SCOREBOARD

## CALENDAR

TEAM	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
	EXH @SEA, 8-40 COL, 9 NBCSCH	EXH @KC, 2 WGN-9 AM-670	EXH @BOS 5:05	EXH @BOS 12:05 ESPN		@MIA 11:40a WGN-9 AM-670	@MIA 6:10 WGN-9 AM-670
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## SATURDAY ON TV/RADIO

## MLB EXHIBITION

Noon Astros at Red Sox MLB

9:05 p.m. Rockies at Cubs NBCSCH, WSCR-AM 670

## COLLEGE BASEBALL

11 a.m. Arkansas at Florida ESPN2

7:30 p.m. Louisiana State at Vanderbilt ESPNU

## NBA

6 p.m. Bulls at Pistons NBCSCH, WSCR-AM 670

7 p.m. Pelicans at Rockets NBA TV

## MEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL: NCAA TOURNAMENT

2 p.m. Division II championship CBS-2

5 p.m. Loyola vs. Kansas State TBS, WMVP-AM 1000

7:30 p.m. Michigan vs. Florida State TBS, WMVP-AM 1000

## WOMEN'S COLLEGE BASKETBALL: NCAA TOURNAMENT

10:30 a.m. South Carolina vs. Buffalo ESPN

1 p.m. Connecticut vs. Duke ESPN

3 p.m. Notre Dame vs. Texas A&amp;M ESPN

5:30 p.m. Oregon vs. Central Michigan ESPN

## BOXING

7:30 p.m. Jose Martinez vs. Alejandro Santiago ESPN

## WOMEN'S CURLING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

1 p.m. Semifinal NBCSN

## FIGURE SKATING WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

11 a.m. Ice dance free program NBCSN

## GOLF

9 a.m. WGC Dell Match Play round of 16 Golf Channel

1 p.m. WGC Dell Match Play quarterfinals NBC-5

1 p.m. PGA Corales Puntacana Championship Golf Ch.

4 p.m. Champions Rapiscan Classic Golf Channel

7:30 p.m. LPGA Kia Classic Golf Channel

## COLLEGE GYMNASTICS

Noon Men, Penn State at Michigan BTN

2 p.m. Women's Big Ten championships BTN (more, 7 p.m.)

6 p.m. Women's SEC championships ESPN2

## NHL

6 p.m. Blackhawks at Islanders WGN-9, WGN-AM 720

6 p.m. Capitals at Canadiens NHLN

## AHL

6 p.m. Wolves at IceHogs WPWR-50

## MEN'S COLLEGE HOCKEY: NCAA TOURNAMENT

Noon Cornell vs. Boston ESPNews

2:30 p.m. Ohio State vs. Princeton ESPNU

3:30 p.m. Michigan vs. Northeastern ESPNews

## BOYS HOCKEY STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

3 p.m. Loyola vs. Stevenson NBCSCH

## MOTORSPORTS

10 a.m. NASCAR Trucks qualifying FS1

1 p.m. NASCAR Trucks Alpha Energy 250 FS1

4 p.m. NASCAR Cup qualifying FS1

## PREMIERSHIP RUGBY

9 a.m. Harlequins at Saracens NBCSN

## COLLEGE SOFTBALL

2 p.m. Tennessee at South Carolina ESPN2

4 p.m. Texas A&amp;M at Florida ESPN2

## TENNIS

10 a.m. ATP/WTA Miami Open Tennis Channel (more, 6 p.m.)

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL

## MEN'S NCAA II TOURNAMENT

SOUTH REGIONAL 7-11 a.m.

Saturday's regional championship

Loyola (31-5) vs. Kansas State (25-11), 5:09 (TBS)

WEST REGIONAL Saturday's regional championship

Michigan (31-7) vs. Florida State (23-11), 7:49 (TBS)

## MEN'S POSTSEASON NIT

Tuesday's semifinals

At Madison Square Garden, New York

Western Kentucky (27-10) vs. Utah (22-11), 6

Penn State (24-13) vs. Mississippi State (25-11), 8:30

## COLLEGE BASKETBALL INVITATIONAL

(Best-of-3); (x-if necessary)

Monday Game 1: North Texas (18-17) vs. San Francisco (21-15), 9

Wednesday Game 2: San Francisco (18-17) vs. San Francisco (21-15), 9

Friday, March 30 x-Game 3: San Francisco at North Texas, 6

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Saturday's quarterfinal

C. Michigan (21-14) at Liberty (21-14), 1

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## BUCKS 118, BULLS 108

# With thin lineup, expected result

Payne decent, most of young core sits out latest defeat

By K.C. JOHNSON | Chicago Tribune

For five games, Lauri Markkanen's bark barked. On Friday night at the United Center, with Markkanen back, Cameron Payne barked.

He did so at Brandon Jennings, with the jawing leading to double technical fouls as the competitive guards left the floor at halftime of the Bucks' eventual 118-105 victory over the Bulls.

"He was just talking to me, and I'm not going to back down," Payne said. "I have to say something back. I guess he felt pressured. I like competing."

It spoke to Payne's growing confidence as he continues to put last season's disastrous rotational turn in the past and provide evidence he can be a viable piece for the rebuild. Payne, who retreated to the locker room in the third quarter after mildly spraining his right ankle, finished with 17 points, six assists and four rebounds while committing just one turnover in 31 minutes.

"I know I can play in this league," Payne said.

Payne scored eight points in the first three minutes and sank a big 3-pointer to give life to a fourth-quarter comeback attempt that fell short. But he also committed the type of turnover you simply can't — a cross-court pass against a set defense — that underscored the growing pains he and the Bulls are experiencing.

"I rolled my ankle a little bit, came down on it when the ball was dead. Always roll my ankle when nobody's around," Payne said. "It's fine. I'm playing (Saturday)."

As for Markkanen, he finished with nine points and six rebounds on 3-for-7 shooting in just 22 minutes, 17 seconds. He sat for the final 16 minutes as the Bulls continue to take conservative approaches with victories, um, injuries.

Zach LaVine, Kris Dunn, Paul Zipser and Antonio Blakeney all sat as the Bulls started their 19th different lineup this season. A 20th could be coming Saturday in Detroit because Markkanen stayed behind in Chicago along with LaVine, Dunn, Zipser and Blakeney.

"I felt OK," Markkanen said. "Of course you think about (the back) a little bit. But it was good to get some work in."

Markkanen said he understood the plan to sit him for the second of back-to-back games, saying: "I want to play every game, but you have to be smart too. I've only had one practice."

Shabazz Muhammad scored 21 points off the bench to lead seven Bucks in double figures as they navigated a road victory without Giannis Antetokounmpo, who

### THE BOX SCORE

MILWAUKEE	MN	FG-A	FT-A	REB	A	PF	PTS
Middleton	34:34	5-14	4-4	0-3	6	2	16
Parker	30:04	3-10	0-0	1-3	4	3	6
Henson	28:29	5-10	0-0	4-12	1	2	11
Bledsoe	20:16	4-8	4-4	0-4	4	3	13
Brown	7:44	1-5	0-0	0-1	0	1	2
Terry	29:47	3-4	1-1	1-2	2	2	10
Jennings	27:44	5-11	4-4	0-4	5	1	16
Snell	21:30	6-6	2-2	0-0	0	1	18
Muhammad	20:21	9-12	1-1	0-5	3	2	21
Maker	19:31	2-7	1-3	1-2	2	3	5
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>43:87</b>	<b>17-19</b>	<b>7-36</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>118</b>	

**Pts:** FG .494, FT .895. **3-pointers:** 15-30. **500** (Snell 4-4, Terry 3-4, Muhammad 2-2, Jennings 2-6, Middleton 2-6, Henson 1-1, Bledsoe 1-3, Maker 0-1, Brown 0-3). **Team rebs:** 4. **Team turnovers:** 5 (5 PTS). **Blocks:** 7 (Bledsoe 2, Henson, Jennings, Maker, Middleton, Muhammad). **Turnovers:** 5 (Middleton 2, Jennings, Maker, Terry). **Steals:** 8 (Middleton 4, Muhammad 2, Jennings, Maker). **Technical fouls:** Jennings, 00:00 second.

### BULLS

MILWAUKEE	MN	FG-A	FT-A	REB	A	PF	PTS
Markkanen	22:17	3-7	2-2	1-6	0	3	9
Valentine	32:39	7-13	2-2	0-5	3	3	20
Felicio	32:08	4-10	3-4	7-12	3	0	11
Holiday	22:00	4-12	2-2	1-2	2	1	11
Payne	30:49	6-12	3-3	1-4	6	3	17
Nwababa	25:40	2-7	6-6	3-4	1	2	10
Grant	22:02	3-6	2-2	1-1	4	3	9
Portis	21:57	6-14	1-2	3-6	1	3	16
Vonleh	19:53	1-4	0-0	1-8	0	3	2
Arctidiacono	10:20	0-2	0-0	0-2	1	0	0
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>36:87</b>	<b>21-23</b>	<b>18-22</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>105</b>	

**Pts:** FG .414, FT .913. **3-pointers:** 12-26. **462** (Valentine 4-7, Portis 3-4, Payne 2-4, Grant 1-1, Markkanen 1-2, Holiday 1-3, Nwababa 0-1, Arctidiacono 0-2, Vonleh 0-2). **Team rebs:** 8. **Team turnovers:** 14 (29 PTS). **Blocks:** 2 (Portis, Valentine). **Turnovers:** 14 (Valentine 5, Grant 3, Nwababa 2, Felicio, Payne, Portis, Vonleh). **Steals:** 3 (Valentine 2, Payne). **Technical fouls:** coach Bulls (Defensive three second), 5:15 second; Payne, 00:00 second.

Milwaukee	24	37	29	28	118
Bulls	34	27	21	23	105

**Officials:** Mike Callahan, Karl Lane, Curtis Blair. **T: 2:08. A: 21,698.**

### BULLS AT PISTONS

**TV/radio:** 6 p.m., NBCSCH, WSCR-670 AM.

**Storylines:** The teams split the first two meetings this season. Blake Griffin scored 25 points in the Pistons' victory. The Bulls will be without Zach LaVine, Kris Dunn, Lauri Markkanen, Paul Zipser and Antonio Blakeney.

**Trending:** The Bulls are 2-9 in the second of back-to-back games. Griffin fell one rebound shy of posting back-to-back triple-doubles his last two games.

sprained his right ankle Wednesday. The Bucks' bench also got 18 points on a 6-for-6 shooting night from former Bull Tony Snell and 16 points from Jennings.

In fact, the Bucks reserves' 70-37 edge over their Bulls counterparts snapped a streak of 10 straight games in which the Bulls bench had outscored its opponent.

The Bulls responded to their dismal showing Wednesday against the Nuggets with at least a competitive pulse. Cristiano Felicio scored in double figures for his career-best fourth straight game and added his second double-double in that stretch. Bobby Portis posted his career-best seventh straight game with 15 or more points. And Denzel Valentine scored a team-high 20 points.

"I loved our effort, especially early," coach Fred Hoiberg said. "I thought the ball was really moving."

But the loss pulled the Bulls within a half-game of the Kings for seventh place in the draft lottery standings. And that, ultimately, is the goal these days.

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### BULLS NOTES

# Blakeney shows his stuff

By K.C. JOHNSON | Chicago Tribune

Given his aggressive offensive style, it wouldn't be surprising if Antonio Blakeney lobbied to play through his fractured left wrist to finish the season since his shooting hand still works.

Actually, that wrist got sprained, too, which made Blakeney scoring six points and taking nine shots in 23 minutes Wednesday against the Nuggets all the more remarkable.

An MRI exam Thursday revealed the small fracture that initial X-rays from Monday night in New York didn't catch. Bulls athletic trainer Jeff Tanaka said Blakeney will wear a hard cast for six weeks and then is likely to be cleared for on-court activity. Blakeney averaged 7.9 points in 19 games.

"I definitely think I showed a little bit of what I can do," Blakeney said. "I have a lot more to show. I have to move on and get better this offseason."

**Familiar faces:** Jabari Parker started for the Bucks for the first time this season in his 21st game Friday night against the Bulls. It also marked his first game against his hometown team since he debuted in early February following his second torn ACL.

While praising the former No. 2 overall pick's work ethic and demeanor while rehabilitating the same major injury twice, interim coach Joe Prunty also cited rebounding and defense as areas the Simeon product can improve.

"He has worked extremely hard to get back in the position that he's in," Prunty said.

The Bucks also started rookie Sterling Brown, the Proviso East product.

**Layups:** Bulls coach Fred Hoiberg said the plan is for Robin Lopez to play some on the upcoming three-game trip that begins Tuesday in Houston. ... Hoiberg on Saturday's Loyola-Kansas State matchup: "I have to go to the Ramblers."

# Illini score big with Williams

Illinois, from Page 1

that began when Jeff George Jr. announced his plan to transfer and Chayce Crouch retired from football the same day with a year of eligibility remaining. That left only one scholarship quarterback on the roster, Cam Thomas, who played in four games with two starts as a freshman.

Illinois signed three incoming recruits — Peoria's Coran Taylor, MJ Rivers of Frisco, Texas, and Matt Robinson of San Juan Capistrano, Calif. — who will join the team this summer, as will graduate transfer A.J. Bush of Virginia Tech.

Amid the turnover, Lovie Smith also made a change at offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach, firing Garrick McGee and hiring Rod Smith, who had been at Arizona. But it was another offseason hire that likely played a bigger role in landing Williams.

His former high school coach, Cory Patterson, is now Illinois' tight ends coach. Nine other Trinity Catholic players with Power Five offers visited Champaign with Williams last weekend, according to Illini Inquirer.

"Coach Patterson has been like a father figure for me since I was 6," Williams told

Illini Inquirer. "I stayed with him from time to time. He got me into schools."

With Crouch, George and Thomas taking turns last year, Illinois had one of the worst passing offenses in the country, ranking 106th in yards per game (174.8), 120th in completion percentage (49.6) and 125th in passing efficiency rating (98.12).

Williams' commitment — for which the Illini beat out essentially every powerhouse program in the country — continues Lovie Smith's recruiting momentum that started with a commitment two weeks ago from four-star athlete Marquez Beason of Dallas, who's projected to play cornerback or wide receiver.

Williams is Illinois' third Class of 2019 commitment — three-star tight end Griffin Moore of Bloomington, Ill., committed last week — and despite the small numbers so far, the group ranks seventh in the Big Ten and 24th nationally.

Illinois also landed a commitment Thursday from wide receiver Jalen Greene, a graduate transfer from USC who will play his final college season for the Illini this fall.

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#### Berlow, Fern

Fern Berlow, nee Savage. Beloved wife of the late Robert Berlow. Loving mother of Patricia (Fred) Cipkin and Richard Berlow. Proud grandmother of Lauren and Kira Cipkin, Shivaun and Phillip Berlow. Service Monday 1 PM at Chicago Jewish Funerals, 8851 Skokie Blvd (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her name to Parkinson's Disease Research Society, C/O M. Rezak, M.D., Central DuPage Hospital, 25 N. Winfield, 4th North Tower, Winfield, IL 60190, www.parkinsonsprogress.org. Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals — Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com.

#### CHICAGO JEWISH FUNERALS

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#### Chechopoulos, Louis G.

Louis G. Chechopoulos, age 93, passed away on Friday, March 23, 2018; beloved husband of Athena Chechopoulos, nee Koritsas; Loving father of George (Eleni) Chechopoulos and Effie (Dino) Costa; proud grandfather of Fay Costa (Kieron Tse), Louis (Stacy) Costa, Valerie (Thomas) Strickland, Laurel (Joshua) Scheib, Despina and Kalliope Hatzihristodoulou; great-grandfather of Noah and Penelope Costa, Thalia Costa-Tse and Jaxson Strickland; fond godfather of David Skoirchet. Visitation on Sunday from 4:00 - 9:00 pm at Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home, 185 E. Northwest Hwy., Palatine. Family and Friends will meet on Monday, March 26, 2018 at St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church, 2350 E. Dempster St., Des Plaines for Funeral Service at 12:00 noon. Interment in Elmwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. John the Baptist Icon Fund. For information 847-359-8020

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#### Coy, James Richard 'Jim'

James Richard Coy, II



James "Jim" Richard Coy, II, 60, of Park Ridge, Illinois, passed suddenly on Sunday, March 18, 2018. Beloved son of the late James Richard Coy, M.D. and survived by his mother Ellen Kroehle Coy; loving husband to Patricia (Pat) and father to Jimmy, Christina, Clarissa and his pup Freshly. Jim was a cherished husband, father, son, brother, colleague, and friend.

Jim was born July 17, 1957 in Lakewood, Ohio. He is a graduate of University School in Shaker Heights, Ohio and Northwestern University in Evanston, Illinois. Jim enjoyed following local high school as well as college and pro sports teams. He loved the Northwestern Wildcats, The Browns, The Cavs, and the Cubs.

Other surviving family members include his brother Dale L. Coy, M.D., sister-in-law Rayanne Coy and their children, Nick, Addison, Matthew and Alexa Coy; brother-in-law Anthony Obrzut, his nephew Nicholas; brother-in-law Mike Obrzut, wife Barb, niece Morgan and nephew Michael Obrzut.

A celebration of life service will be held at 3:00 p.m., Friday, March 23 at the Alice Millar Chapel, 1870 Sheridan Road, Evanston, IL, 60208.

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#### Fleischman, Shirley

Born 3/27/21; married for 44 terrific years to the late Miles Fleischman (having been widowed by Jerry Abelson in 1950 with two young children); the middle of three daughters of Evelyn and A.J. Clonick; beloved sister of the late Jane (the late Norman) Gordon & Lois (the late Burt) Zollo; fond sister-in-law of Richard (Donna) Abelson; devoted mother of Nancy (Donald) Borzak & Scott (Corinne O'Kane) Fleischman; loving grandmother of Jonathan (Tracey) & Adam (Danielle Zucker) Block, Julie Fleischman & Kristie (Fleischman, husband Kevin) Marx; proud great-grandmother of Kira, Eli & Skylar Block, Blake & Landon Marx. Her last years were greatly enhanced by the dedicated and loving care of Debbie Leynes & her family. A memorial service celebrating a long and good life will be held at Temple Shalom on Sunday in the main sanctuary at 1:30PM. Donations may be made to the Temple or any charity of your choice. Arrangements entrusted to Lakeshore Jewish Funerals 773-625-8621.

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#### Glomb Jr, Rudolph 'Rudy'

Rudolph "Rudy" Glomb, Jr., age 83 of Bridgeview, formerly of Chicago, passed away Thursday, March 22, 2018. He was born January 23, 1935 to his loving late parents, Rudolph and Stephanie Glomb, nee Bomba. Loving brother of Kenneth J. (Carol) Glomb, Sr. Dearest uncle of Kenneth J. Glomb Jr., Brant (Jennifer) Glomb, Clayton (Angie) Glomb, and Blake Glomb. Adored great-uncle of Keaton, Baker, and Simone Glomb. Rudy was a 29 year dedicated employee for Chicago Streets and Sanitation Department and helped operate his family business, Glomb's Tavern and Liquors for many years. He was an avid White Sox Fan! Funeral Service Sunday, March 25th 2:30 p.m. at Lack & Sons Funeral Home, 9236 S. Roberts Rd. (8000 W.) Hickory Hills, IL. 60457. Visitation Sunday, March 25th from 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. at Lack & Sons Funeral Home. Entombment is private at Resurrection Cemetery, Justice, IL. Info: 708-430-5700.

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#### Harris, William R.

William R. Harris, age 75. Retired Captain and 29 year U.S. Navy veteran. Graduate of Annapolis and MIT, Vietnam veteran, and submarine engineering officer. Captain Harris was active in the North Shore post of the Jewish War Veterans. His work helping other veterans prepare and film oral histories of their service was recognized with a special recommendation by the mayor of Highland Park. Retired Vice President of MFRI Perma-Pipe, Niles, IL. Beloved husband of Nan Lorraine Harris nee Gibbs. Loving father of Gregory Harris, Dr. David (Cheryl) Harris and Brenna Switzer. Dear grandfather of Elliot, Ari, Benjamin and Eilah. Cherished brother of Dr. Roger (Linda) Harris, Rachel (Bob) McCoy and Hope Harris. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions to Jewish War Veterans, Post 29, PO Box 291, Highland Park, IL 60035, or MPN Research Fdn, 180 N Michigan Ave, Suite 1870, Chicago, IL, 60601 would be appreciated. Service Sunday 2PM at Chicago Jewish Funerals, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Road (One block north of Lake Cook Road) Buffalo Grove. Interment Arlington National Cemetery. Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals - Buffalo Grove Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

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#### Murray, Richard T.

Richard T. Murray, Navy Vietnam Veteran; beloved husband of Cheryl, nee Helmick; loving father of Heather Byrd, Amy (Bryan) Johnson, Karl (Rich) Conforti and Beth (Tom) Steg; cherished grandfather of Joe, Ryan, Alex, Kaleigh, Zach, Nathan, Mason, Caden, Lucas and Sydney; also nieces and nephews. Visitation Sunday 3 to 8 P.M. at Modell Funeral Home, 7710 S. Cass Ave., Darien where a funeral service will be held Monday 10:00 A.M. Interment Private. In lieu of flowers, donations to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation appreciated. For info: (630) 852-3595 or www.modelldarien.com

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#### Pasciuto, Joseph N.

Joseph N. Pasciuto, 81 of Elmhurst, Devoted father of Steven J. and David M. Pasciuto; Former husband of Mary Ann Graziano, Loving son of the late Joseph and Rose Pasciuto; Dear brother of the late Marie Grasso, the late Angela Iacovelli and the late Rachel Spatola. Mr. Pasciuto was a veteran of the United States Marine Corp. Funeral Monday, family and friends are asked to gather 9:30 a.m. 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 10:30 a.m. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Visitation Sunday 3:00-9:00 p.m. For info 630-889-1700 or www.salernofuneralhomes.com. Memorial donations may be made to VA Great Lakes Health Care System, www.hines.va.gov.



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#### Paspalis, Androniki

Androniki "Niki" Paspalis, nee Kondololi, age 85. Beloved wife of the late Tom Paspalis. Loving mother of Effie (John) Jost, Mary (John) Giannakopoulos "Janis". Cherished YiaYia of Christina, Kevin, Nicholas, Elaine and Alec. Loving sister of Letero (Elias) Bacci, George (Florida) Kondololi and the late Niko (Effie) Kondololi. Dear aunt and great aunt of many nieces and nephews. Androniki was born October 17, 1932 in Skores, Albania to the late Dimitri and Hrisanthi Kondololi. Visitation Sunday from 3 to 8 PM at Ahlgrim & Sons Funeral and Cremation Services, 330 W. Golf Road, Schaumburg. Funeral prayers Monday 9:15 AM at the funeral home to St. Nectarios Greek Orthodox Church, 133 S. Roselle Rd, Palatine. Interment Elmwood Cemetery, River Grove. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to St. Nectarios Greek Orthodox Church. Funeral information or online condolences, www.ahlgrimfuneral.com or 847-882-5580.

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#### Pellitteri, Carmela

Carmela Pellitteri age 92, of Elmhurst formerly of Chicago. Deeply beloved wife of the late Carmelo; devoted mother of Enza (Frank) Parrella and Rosalie (Dr. Victor) Cimino; cherished grandmother of Michael Jude Parrella and Louis Gaetano and Jackie Mela Cimino; dear sister of Carmelo (Gina) Martorana, Rosetta (the late Luigi) Albanese and the late Marianna Schifano; loved aunt of many. Visitation Sunday March 25, from 3 to 9pm at Hallowell & James Funeral Home 1025 W. 55th St., Countryside. Funeral Monday, March 26, prayers will begin at 9:30am from the chapel and proceed to St. Symphorosa Church in Chicago for a 10:30am Funeral Mass. Entombment Resurrection Mausoleum. Service Info: (708) 352-6500 or www.hjfunerals.com

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#### Rosenthal, Jerold I.

Jerold I. Rosenthal, age 87. Loving husband for 65 years to Sandra nee Lipsitz. Devoted father of Scott (Michele) Rosenthal and Cary (Jill) Rosenthal. Proud grandfather of Mason, Ben, Savannah and Cindy. Dear brother of Carol (the late Lionel) Brazen. Fond brother in law of Gerald Lipsig and Lynn (the late Sheldon) Wolin. Will be missed by many nieces, nephews and the handball community. Service Sunday 11AM at Chicago Jewish Funerals, 8851 Skokie Blvd (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Shalom. In lieu of flowers memorials can be made to the Ark, 6450 North California Avenue, Chicago, Illinois 60645 www.arkchicago.org. Arrangements by Chicago Jewish Funerals - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com



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**FINAL NOTICE AND PUBLIC EXPLANATION OF A PROPOSED ACTIVITY IN THE 100-YEAR FLOODPLAIN AND WETLAND MARCH 24, 2018**

To: All interested Agencies, Groups and Individuals

This is to give notice that Cook County has conducted an evaluation as required by Executive Order 11988 and/or 11990, in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR 55.20 Subpart C Procedures for making Determinations on Floodplain Management and Wetlands Protection. The activity is funded in the 2017 CDBG Program year.

The Cook County Department of Planning and Development has determined that there is no practicable alternative for project activities in the floodplain and wetland for the following projects:

**1706-002** Village of Belwood Street Reconstruction - Washington Boulevard between Eastern Avenue and Addison Creek. This project located in Belwood has been identified in FIRM# 17031C0381 as being totally within the 100 year base floodplain

**1706-008** Village of Chicago Ridge Street Reconstruction - Marshall Avenue between Austin Avenue and 103rd Street from Austin Avenue west to its terminus and 106th Street between Central Avenue and Major Avenue. This project located in Chicago Ridge has been identified in FIRM# 17031C06091 as being partially within the 100 year base floodplain.

**1707-012** City of Markham Street Reconstruction - Winchester and Wolcott Avenues between 163rd and 165th Streets. This project located in Markham has been identified in FIRM# 17031C0733J as being totally within the 100 year base floodplain.

**1706-015** Village of Midlothian Street Reconstruction - Keating Avenue between 149th Street north to its terminus; 150th Street between Kenton Avenue and Kilbourne Avenue; Kildare Avenue between 151st Street and Waverly Avenue; 145th Street between Springfield Avenue and Hamlin Avenue; Avers Avenue between 145th Street and 146th Street; Hamlin Avenue between 145th Street and 146th Street; 144th Street from Ridgeway Avenue west to its terminus; Central Park Avenue between 147th Street and 148th Street and 148th Street between Central Park Avenue and Saint Louis Avenue. This project located in Midlothian has been identified in FIRM #17031C0726J and FIRM #17031C0639J as being partially located in the 100 year base floodplain.

**1708-061** Sertoma Center Mental Health Center Parking Lot and Sidewalk Renovation with ADA access at 4331 West Lincoln Highway in the Village of Matteson. This project located in Matteson has been identified in FIRM# 17031C0738J as being located in the 100 year base floodplain.

**1708-075** South Suburban Council on Alcohol and Substance Abuse Replacement of light fixtures at their facility located at 1909 Checker Square in the Village of East Hazel Crest. This facility located in East Hazel Crest has been identified on FIRM# 17031C0733J as being located in the 100 year base floodplain.

Environmental files that document compliance are available for public inspection, review and copying upon request at the times and location delineated in the last paragraph of this notice for receipt of comments.

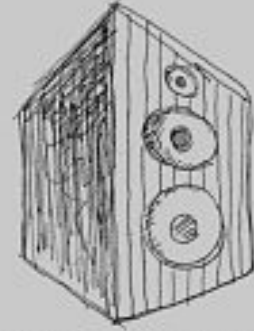
There are three primary purposes for this notice. First, people who may be affected by activities in floodplains/wetlands and those who have an interest in the protection of the natural environment should be given an opportunity to express their concerns and provide information about these areas. Commenters are encouraged to offer alternative sites outside of the floodplain/wetland, alternative methods to serve the same project purpose, and methods to minimize and mitigate impacts. Second, an adequate public notice program can be an important public educational tool. The dissemination of information and request for public comment about floodplains/wetlands can facilitate and enhance Federal efforts to reduce the risks and impacts associated with the occupancy and modification of these special areas. Third, as a matter of fairness, when the Federal government determines it will participate in actions taking place in floodplains/wetlands it must inform those who may be put at greater or continued risk.

Written comments must be received by Cook County at the following address on or before April 9th 2018: Cook County Department of Planning and Development, 69 W. Washington, Suite 2900, Chicago, Illinois 60602 and 312 603-1000, Attention: Mr. Michael Jasso, Bureau Chief. A full description of the project may also be reviewed from 9:00 am and 4:30 pm at the above address.

**LEGAL NOTICES**

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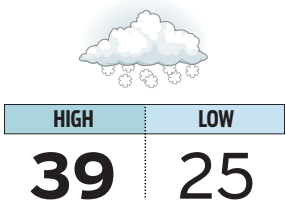
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SATURDAY, MARCH 24 NORMAL HIGH: 50° NORMAL LOW: 32° RECORD HIGH: 79° (1939) RECORD LOW: 5° (1974)

## Winter storm to hit portions of Chicago area

### LOCAL FORECAST



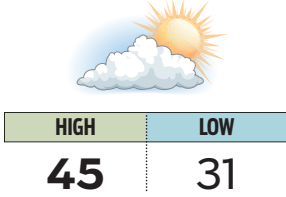
■ **Winter storm advisories over a large portion of the area south and west of Chicago through Saturday.**  
 ■ Cloudy with heavy, wet snow likely — 4 to 10 inches possible to south and west of Chicago, tapering off close to the city due to strong, dry, easterly winds gusting to 30-35 mph evaporating precipitation.  
 ■ Light snow melting as it falls over Chicago, north. High temps in upper 30s.  
 ■ Snow ends from the west and north during the afternoon and early evening. Becoming partly cloudy overnight.

### NATIONAL FORECAST



Heavy wet snow spreads into the Chicago area from the west Saturday with winter storm warnings/advisories up for most areas west and south of Chicago. Snowfall totals up to 10 inches are possible in western and southern counties Lee, LaSalle, Livingston, Grundy and Ford, with a sharp gradient of decreasing snowfall totals as you move toward Chicago.  
 A strong very dry wind out of the east, gusting over 30 mph will hold back the eastward progression of snow by evaporating the precipitation as it falls out of the clouds over, to the north and just to the west and south of Chicago. Thus accumulations will likely drop off from 10 inches in LaSalle County to an inch or two in northern Will County — a matter of about 50 miles.  
 Snowfall will taper off and end by evening from the north and west.

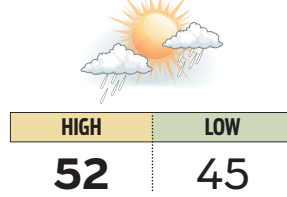
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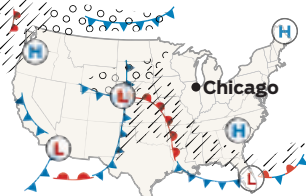
Partly sunny and cool with afternoon highs in the mid to upper 40s well inland. Readings in the upper 30s along the lakefront. Partly cloudy overnight. East to southeast winds.



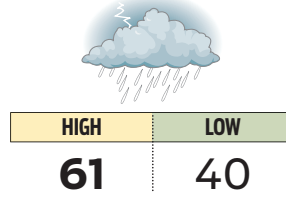
### MONDAY, MARCH 26



A sunny start with a gradual increase in clouds. A chance of rain from the west later in the afternoon. Highs in the lower 50s. Rain with a chance of thunderstorms overnight. SE winds.



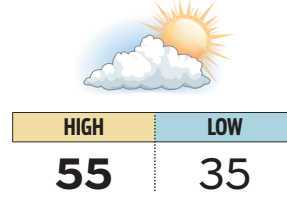
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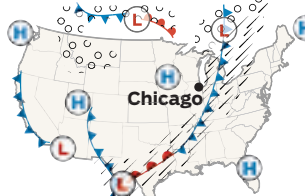
Cloudy and mild with occasional showers and a few thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 50s to lower 60s. A good chance of rain overnight. Southwest winds shift northeast at night.



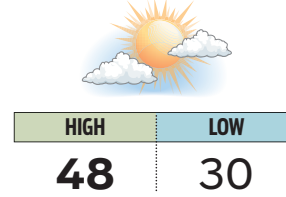
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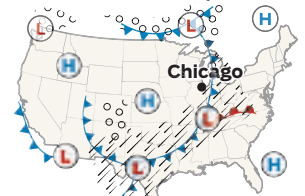
Mostly cloudy before noon, becoming partly sunny in the afternoon. Highs for the most part in the middle 50s. Partly cloudy overnight. Northwest winds.



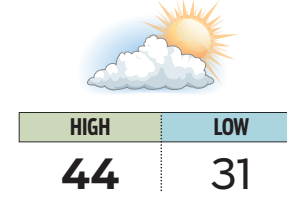
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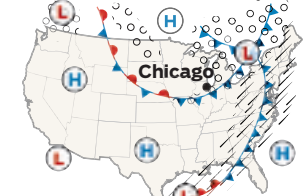
A mix of clouds and sun, with high temperatures in the upper 40s, although significantly cooler near the lakefront. Partly cloudy overnight. North to northwest winds.



### FRIDAY, MARCH 30



Partly sunny and cool. High temperatures in the low to middle 40s. Clear skies overnight. West to southwest winds.



### ASK TOM

Dear Tom,  
 It seems as if Chicago's air is humid much of the time. True?  
 — Terry Yungsten

Dear Terry,  
 Chicago's annual average relative humidity is 71 percent, with winter humidity averaging 75 percent and summer averaging 68 percent. Winter relative humidity is higher because of a peculiarity of air: the higher the temperature, the greater the amount of moisture the air can contain; at lower temperatures, air can contain less moisture. It takes much more moisture to saturate hot air than it does to saturate cold air. Consequently, less moisture is required to elevate humidity in the winter, and so winter humidity tends, on average, to be higher than summer humidity. However, airborne moisture is more plentiful in summer because of high evaporation rates, plant growth and occasional infusions of humid air from the Gulf of Mexico.

Write to: ASK TOM  
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 asktomwhy@wgnv.com

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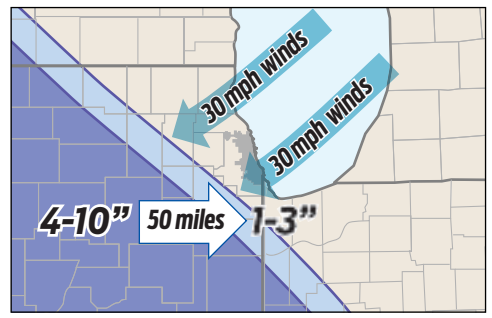
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## Dry east wind keeps snow west/south of Chicago proper

**Heavy snow can be a health risk**  
 ■ Heavy, wet snow can put a big strain on the heart.  
 ■ Stay hydrated and take frequent breaks.  
 ■ Only move small amounts with each shovel pass.

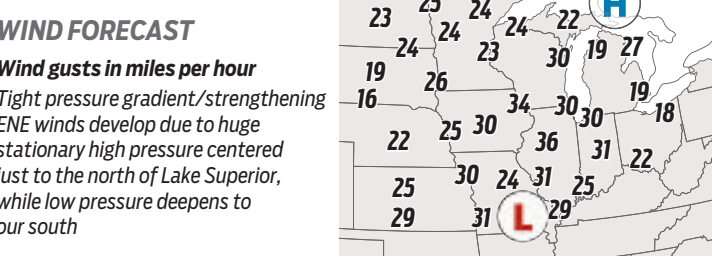
**COOL DRY ENE WINDS FORCE A SHARP CUTOFF IN EASTWARD SPREAD OF HEAVY SNOW**  
 Dropoff of 8-9" snowfall in a matter of 50 miles



### CHICAGO TEMP TREND

39° SAT 3/24	45° SUN 3/25	52° MON 3/26	61° TUE 3/27	55° WED 3/28	48° THU 3/29	44° FRI 3/30
	-5°	+1°	+10°	+3°	-4°	-8°

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### MIDWEST CITIES

SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	rs	52	36	cl	50	37
Carbondale	rs	34	23	pc	39	26
Champaign	rs	36	25	pc	42	28
Decatur	rs	36	25	pc	42	28
Moline	rs	36	25	pc	42	28
Peoria	rs	37	25	pc	41	27
Quincy	rs	41	33	pc	46	35
Rockford	rs	38	24	pc	46	35
Springfield	rs	38	29	pc	43	30
Sterling	rs	36	22	pc	43	25
Indiana	rs	36	28	cl	44	30
Bloomington	rs	42	36	cl	50	37
Evansville	rs	42	36	cl	50	37
Fort Wayne	rs	42	36	cl	50	37
Indianapolis	rs	35	25	pc	43	29
Lafayette	rs	36	23	pc	43	27
South Bend	rs	43	21	pc	43	27
Wisconsin	rs	37	27	pc	42	28
Green Bay	rs	38	25	pc	42	28
Kenosha	rs	38	25	pc	42	28
La Crosse	rs	42	26	pc	50	30
Madison	rs	39	22	pc	44	25
Milwaukee	rs	37	25	pc	43	29
Wausau	rs	38	20	pc	43	27
Michigan	rs	40	21	pc	39	29
Detroit	rs	42	21	pc	44	27
Grand Rapids	rs	29	13	pc	38	23
Marquette	rs	34	14	pc	33	25
St. Ste. Marie	rs	31	21	pc	33	25
Traverse City	rs	41	21	pc	44	28
Iowa	rs	34	25	pc	36	29
Ames	rs	36	28	cl	41	33
Cedar Rapids	rs	37	23	pc	43	27
Des Moines	rs	37	23	pc	43	27
Dubuque	rs	37	23	pc	43	27
El Paso	rs	82	60	pc	87	64

### OTHER U.S. CITIES

SAT./SUN.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Abilene	rs	85	61	cl	89	64
Albany	rs	40	24	cl	42	23
Albuquerque	rs	71	43	pc	69	42
Amarillo	rs	76	50	pc	80	50
Anchorage	rs	34	16	pc	37	21
Asheville	rs	44	38	sh	42	32
Aspen	rs	53	31	pc	50	28
Atlanta	rs	71	58	sh	61	40
Atlantic City	rs	48	31	pc	41	32
Austin	rs	84	67	pc	81	67
Baltimore	rs	50	32	pc	44	32
Billings	rs	50	31	cl	44	28
Birmingham	rs	76	60	sh	73	49
Bismarck	rs	36	30	rs	39	26
Boise	rs	48	33	ss	46	30
Boston	rs	42	32	ss	35	27
Brownsville	rs	88	72	pc	87	71
Buffalo	rs	33	23	pc	39	26
Chattanooga	rs	65	57	sh	60	45
Cheyanne	rs	59	30	cl	54	30
Charlotte	rs	47	38	sh	47	33
Charlottesville	rs	62	56	sh	63	43
Charlton SC	rs	61	45	pc	49	30
Chattanooga	rs	65	57	sh	60	45
Cincinnati	rs	55	37	pc	44	31
Cleveland	rs	36	25	pc	38	32
Colo. Spgs	rs	63	39	pc	65	36
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Columbus	rs	41	28	pc	45	29
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Former Louisville coach Rick Pitino says of the FBI investigation, "There's not a shred of evidence that I did anything wrong." Even so, Pitino admits he misses coaching.

## Pitino dying to return

Insisting he's innocent, ex-Louisville coach can't shake bug, desperately wants back on sideline

BY WILL HOBSON | Washington Post

MIAMI — When the NCAA basketball tournament games tipped off March 15, Rick Pitino was sitting in a lounge chair on the patio of his palatial waterfront home on a tiny island dubbed the "billionaire bunker."

He'd just finished a round of golf. His son, owner of a margarita salt company, watched the early games with him but left in the afternoon because his children were in the school play, "Mary Poppins." Pitino's wife went, too, leaving him alone at home, where he watched the late games in bed.

"I went to the rehearsal," Pitino said, in apparent effort to head off any criticism of absentee grandfathering. "It was grandparents day."

Pitino's celebrated tenure at Louisville ended in September amid accusations, in court documents sworn to by an FBI agent and approved by federal prosecutors, that he had knowledge of a \$100,000 payment from Adidas to the father of a recruit. Since then, the 65-year-old coaching legend has been leading a quiet, inconspicuous life of quasi-retirement.

He spends his days in the gym and on the golf course. He has been doing more reading. When he wants solitude, Pitino takes his boat, The Floating Cardinal — "I know, I'm going to change the name," he said — on a short trek over to Shuckers, a dockside bar attached to the back of a Best Western where the locals tend to leave him alone as he sits at the bar, orders a salad and watches a game.

It's a life of extreme comfort, Pitino

acknowledges. He's miserable.

This is the first time he has been unemployed during the NCAA tournament since 2001 and just the second time since he graduated from college in 1974. After initially claiming he was done with coaching last fall, Pitino wants back in.

"I miss it terribly," Pitino said. "I don't know how to explain it in words. ... There's just this emptiness."

The next day, over a breakfast of oatmeal, blueberries and raisins at the Four Seasons, Pitino discussed for more than two hours the FBI's investigation into college basketball, offering his most detailed explanation to date of the whirlwind recruitment of a player last summer that, on the heels of a prior scandal involving an assistant who hired strippers to entertain Louisville recruits, has threatened to end his career in disgrace.

**Pitino allowed a reporter** to review what he and his lawyers said are transcripts of hundreds of text messages he exchanged with every major figure in the alleged pay-for-play scheme, records he says he provided voluntarily to federal prosecutors in an effort to clear his name.

At turns defiant, combative and wounded, Pitino lashed out at federal prosecutors, whom he accused of including him in court documents for notoriety.

"I'm not on any wiretap," Pitino said. "There's not a shred of evidence that I did anything wrong. ... They basically blew up my life ... for one reason: publicity. I have my faults, like we all do ... but I've never cheated to get a player."

A spokesman for the U.S. Attorney's

Office in the Southern District of New York declined to comment, and a spokeswoman for the FBI in New York did not respond to a request to comment.

Whether Pitino can return to college coaching will hinge, in part, on whether he can persuade someone he's right and the FBI and federal prosecutors are wrong. Pitino says he knew nothing about payments from an Adidas executive to a recruit's father. An aspiring NBA agent was lying, Pitino said, when he claimed during a sting operation that Pitino was instrumental in arranging the payment. And a Louisville assistant coach in the room during that same sting operation, according to the FBI, was there without Pitino's knowledge or approval, he said.

It's similar to the explanation Pitino has offered since 2015, when a local escort alleged a Louisville assistant had paid her for years to bring strippers to a campus dormitory to entertain recruits.

Pitino knows, to many, it strains credulity.

"I hired the wrong people," he said. "I understand the perception. ... I have to take ownership, as the leader of the team. ... There's two assistant coaches who didn't do the right thing ... but they were taught to do the right thing. But people just don't want to believe that."

To Pitino's many disciples across the coaching community, pieces of the case against him don't add up. The aspiring NBA agent has credibility problems. He made similar claims on wiretapped phone calls, they note, about Miami coach Jim Larranaga, who also has not been charged with a crime and also has adamantly denied allegations.

And then there's the pride Pitino derives from his reputation as a coach who doesn't need to cheat, or chase

one-and-done NBA lottery picks, because he can mold modestly talented teams into championship contenders.

"It would shock me," said Ralph Willard, the former head coach at Holy Cross, Pittsburgh and Western Kentucky who also served as an assistant to Pitino at Kentucky and Louisville. "I just couldn't fathom that he would arrange for someone to pay a player. It was always really important to him that nobody in his program broke the rules. ... Now, every paper you look up, he's the biggest cheater in the world. It's unbelievable."

**The recruitment that would** become the centerpiece of a sprawling FBI investigation began with a text message Pitino received just before 9:30 p.m. May 23.

"Coach, this is Christian Dawkins. I dealt with you on Jaylen Johnson. Would you have an interest in Brian Bowen, or are you done recruiting?"

Dawkins, 24, is a Michigan native who had acquired a reputation as a bit of a hustler as he tried to break into the NBA agent industry by working as a runner. In 2016, Cleveland-based International Management Advisors sued NBA agent Andy Miller because, according to a complaint, Dawkins had been working as a runner for both at the same time, charging more than \$60,000 in travel expenses to IMA while he actually steered clients to Miller. (The agencies settled the case.) In May, Miller fired Dawkins for running up more than \$40,000 in Uber charges on a client's credit card.

Pitino did not know about Dawkins' agent connections, he claims, which would have raised a red flag. To him, Dawkins was someone he knew for a vague role with a travel basketball team

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Rick Pitino, coaching Louisville in 2017, says he'd love to return to the sideline but insists, "I want you to believe in me and what I teach, how I mentor, how I motivate."

called Dorian's Pride that had produced several college players, including Johnson, who played at Louisville from 2014 to 2017.

"He called himself the general manager," Pitino said. "I barely knew the guy."

The text messages Pitino shared appear to support this claim. From 2013 through 2017, Dawkins texted Pitino periodically, often reintroducing himself for his association with Dorian's Pride, as he pushed players. Dawkins never mentioned an association with agents or money, Pitino's records show.

A minute after he received Dawkins' text, Pitino texted his assistant David Padgett: "Who is Brian Bowen?"

Padgett replied, "Top ranked uncommitted player left in the 2017 class."

"We would love to have him," Pitino texted Dawkins, and then the two had a 13-minute phone call in which Pitino said they discussed Bowen's background, his parents and what they were looking for in a college. Dawkins was a family friend of Bowen, who had played on Dorian's Pride. Dawkins, through his attorney, did not dispute Pitino's recollection of their phone conversations or his summary of text messages.

Dawkins scheduled a visit for the Bowen family to Louisville for the following week. The day before the visit, May 27, Pitino got a phone call from a contact at Adidas, who left a voicemail.

"Coach, Jim Gatto with Adidas, hope all is well. Sorry to bother you over the weekend, but I just got a call about a player I want to discuss with you," Gatto said, according to a transcript of the voicemail provided by Pitino's lawyers. Gatto, through his attorney, also did not dispute Pitino's recollection of phone conversations and summary of text messages.

Pitino called back, and the two spoke for two minutes, Pitino said. Gatto asked Pitino if he was interested in Bowen, Pitino recalled.

"I said, 'Yeah ... why do you ask?' He said, 'Because I know some of the people in the family, and I could put in some good words for you.' ... That was it," Pitino said.

The conversation struck Pitino as unusual for a few reasons. Bowen had played for Nike-sponsored youth teams, so Pitino felt it unlikely an Adidas executive would have much sway. And despite their long-running financial relationship — Adidas paid Pitino \$1.5 million annually — Pitino claims he had actually long felt Adidas ignored him and Louisville and steered more top recruits in the company's grass-roots leagues toward UCLA and Kansas.

Regarding this instance with Bowen, Pitino felt Gatto was trying to take credit for a recruit Louisville was about to land on its own.

"I already knew we had the kid," Pitino said. "So I just felt like he was trying to take a bow, so to speak."

**The night of May 28**, a Sunday, Pitino, the Bowen family, and Dawkins had dinner at Griff's, a Southern comfort-food restaurant in Louisville. Over chicken fingers and fries, Pitino said, he asked questions about something that

bothered him: Why was such a good player still uncommitted this late in the year?

Many schools had given all of their basketball scholarships for the following year, and Louisville had only one left. Louisville also had used up all of its official visits allotted by the NCAA, so the Bowens had to pay for their visit.

Bowen had considered Michigan State and Arizona, he and his parents explained, but both teams had players they had expected would leave for the NBA who decided to remain in school, making it unlikely Bowen would start as a freshman.

"That made complete sense to me, so my antennas came back down," Pitino said. When the meal ended, Pitino said, he paid for his chicken fingers, Dawkins and the Bowens paid for theirs and the coach headed home brimming with confidence that he'd just landed perhaps the missing piece for his eighth Final Four team.

"I felt like he was running out of time, didn't have a scholarship and I was the last guy on the block," Pitino said. "This was the luckiest thing that had ever happened to me in recruiting."

On June 1, news that Bowen was committing to Louisville began to circulate. Gatto, the Adidas executive, left Pitino a voicemail.

"Heard the good news, um, it's going to be great, and I'm excited for you guys," Gatto said, according to Pitino's records. Pitino didn't call back, instead texting the next day, asking for a pair of Yeezys, Kanye West's shoe line with Adidas.

"For recruiting," Pitino explained. "My longest conversations with Gatto have been about the Yeezys, which he could never get for me."

In interviews and text messages after Bowen's announcement, Pitino repeatedly expressed amazement that he'd landed a five-star recruit who paid for his own visit.

"Never spent a penny," he texted Willard, his former assistant. "Most athletic talent I've had since 96 UK."

Unbeknownst to him, Pitino claims, someone had agreed to spend some money to get Bowen to Louisville. According to the FBI, while he was helping the Bowen family navigate the college recruitment process, Dawkins also had been negotiating with Gatto, who agreed to pay \$100,000, in four installments, to Bowen's father to ensure his son attended one of Adidas' premier endorsed teams.

On July 13, Dawkins made a phone call to Bowen's father, Brian Sr., that was recorded via wiretap, according to the FBI. The two discussed an upcoming trip in which Bowen's father would drive to New Jersey to pick up \$19,500 in cash. Left unexplained is what happened with the remaining \$5,500 in Adidas money that was supposed to go to Bowen's father.

On Sept. 13, according to a complaint, Gatto was recorded on a wiretapped call with another Adidas official discussing arrangements for the next \$25,000 payment. The money never got to Bowen's father.

On Sept. 26, the FBI arrested Gatto,

Dawkins and eight others, including assistant coaches at four schools. While no coaches at Louisville or Miami were arrested, criminal complaints alleged coaches at both schools knew of Adidas agreeing to pay for recruits.

That morning, Pitino was sitting in his office on campus at Louisville with David Novak, the former chief executive of fast-food conglomerate Yum! Brands, recording a podcast about motivation and leadership. Pitino was in an especially good mood, he recalled, and a conversation scheduled for 40 minutes had topped two hours when Pitino's executive assistant threw open the door.

"Coach, we got a problem," his assistant said. "The FBI just stopped (Louisville assistant) Jordan Fair at the airport."

"The FBI?" Pitino replied. "What are you talking about?"

Pitino was not recorded speaking to either Dawkins or Gatto when the FBI had their phones wiretapped, according to his attorney, Marc Mukasey.

"There's no case against him," Mukasey said. "He's got nothing to fear."

This is not necessarily exonerating information, however. It appears, in court records, that the FBI didn't begin recording Dawkins' phone until June 19 and Gatto's until Aug. 7 — both well after Bowen's recruitment.

"I wish I was on a wiretap because that would declare my innocence, 100 percent," Pitino said.

Even if Pitino avoids charges, however, the most difficult evidence for him to explain to a prospective employer will be what took place in a Las Vegas hotel room July 27, when Louisville assistant Fair was in town to scout the Adidas summer championships. According to the FBI, Fair attended a sting operation in which Dawkins and several other men, including an undercover FBI agent, discussing paying another recruit's family.

Fair, whom Louisville fired last fall, has not returned multiple phone calls, and neither has his attorney. According to Pitino, in two brief phone calls in September, Fair claimed he had made an innocent mistake. He ran into an old friend — Brad Augustine, who managed an Orlando-area travel team sponsored by Adidas — and decided to have a drink at a hotel. Augustine invited Fair to a meeting in a hotel room, and Fair pleaded ignorance to Pitino about the nature of the meeting.

"He said to me ... I saw an envelope on the table, so I left the room right away. That's what he told me. And I screamed at him," Pitino said.

The FBI's description of that meeting in a criminal complaint suggests Fair was more involved. At one point, an FBI agent asserted, as Dawkins discussed paying the mother of a high school player from Florida to ensure her son attended Louisville in 2019, Fair said, "We've got to be very low-key," because Louisville was on probation for the stripper party scandal.

Later in the meeting, an undercover FBI agent handed Augustine an envelope containing \$12,700 cash that was meant for the mother of a recruit.

Fair had left the room, however, when Dawkins made a claim the FBI has repeated in court documents: that a few months before, when Dawkins was running the recruiting process for Bowen, another shoe company had briefly outbid Adidas, and he urged Pitino to make a phone call to Gatto to get more money.

"The reason he did that was the assistant of mine would have gone berserk," Pitino said. "He waited for him to leave the room."

In the various factions that have formed around this case, there are several theories about what actually happened, based on the evidence made public so far.

Those skeptical of Pitino note that he could be lying and escaping criminal charges not because he wasn't involved in arranging the payments for Bowen's father but because the FBI didn't have wiretaps on Dawkins and Gatto during Bowen's recruitment.

Those supporting Pitino, meanwhile, offer a theory that could explain why, in addition to Louisville, no one at Miami has been arrested, even though the FBI has also asserted Miami coaches were involved in arranging an Adidas payment for a recruit, also based on statements made by Dawkins: Maybe Dawkins was lying, boasting about Pitino and Larranaga to establish his bona fides as a legitimate dealmaker on the college sports black market.

As the FBI was listening to Dawkins' phone calls last summer, he was trying to start his own professional sports agency. During that meeting in Las Vegas, the undercover FBI agent was posing as a potential investor in Dawkins' new company.

In their meetings with prosecutors in New York, Marcos Jimenez — one of Pitino's lawyers, also a former federal prosecutor — said he floated this theory.

"I told them this case is just Dawkins shooting his mouth off," Jimenez said. "They (the prosecutors) reacted like I hit a nerve. Like they were concerned it might be true."

**In the weeks after** Louisville fired him in October, Pitino told family and friends he was done coaching. This sentiment did not last.

"When you're somebody who's been at the height of this game for so long, you certainly want to be able to go out on your terms," said Richard Pitino, Rick's son and head coach at Minnesota. "This would be the exact opposite of that."

His children want him to work in the NBA, while his wife would like him to return to the college ranks. He has hired an agent and had preliminary discussions with a few schools, Pitino said, declining to specify which ones. He acknowledged his next job offer might not come from a school at the level of Kentucky or Louisville and said that doesn't bother him.

"It doesn't have to be for a lot of money, it doesn't have to be at a high level," he said. "But I want you to believe in me and what I teach, how I mentor, how I motivate. If you believe in me, I'll consider it."

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## JEEP REPORT

# '18 Wrangler: 5 things for non-enthusiasts to enthuse over

By Brian Wong, Cars.com

Cars.com reviewer Aaron Bragman has been leading much of our coverage on the redesigned 2018 Jeep Wrangler, which makes sense: He owns a Wrangler of the previous generation (called the JK) and is eminently qualified to comment on the changes to this vehicle. He even recently highlighted 10 changes that will get previous Jeep owners excited.

But I felt a bit left out. I don't own an old Wrangler. I've driven them before — including two models out of the JK generation — and while they were fun to run around in for a few weeks, I didn't think I could own one.

I grew fond of saying that the Wrangler was good at everything except for being a car. It's safety features left a lot to be desired, fuel economy was terrible and the cabin was raucous at highway speeds. However, after driving the updated 2018 Jeep Wrangler, which kicks off the JL generation, its day-to-day livability has increased significantly to the point where I could finally see myself driving one every day.

**Here are 5 things that should have non-Jeep enthusiasts just as excited as the enthusiasts about the 2018 Wrangler JL:**

### 1. Easy Access to Sunlight

The previous tops on Wranglers were an exercise in frustration, but the new model does an excellent job of putting those exercises to rest. There are three available tops now: a manual soft top, a hardtop and a power soft top. The manual soft top used to require unzipping a bunch of panels that invariably refused to go back on correctly once you took them off. Now, the top is on a track and you just flip it back to take the roof off, while the other panels are on channels and simply slide in and out.

For the hardtop, the panels are now lighter and the front portion is latched in — no more awkwardly sized hand bolts that were a pain to store. Of particular note is the new powered soft top, which rolls back the cloth top at the push of a button. The rear panels and windows remain removable, as well, for those who want to really feel like the Wrangler's cabin has been left wide open.

### 2. Improved Technology

Technology was a big weakness of the previous-generation Wrangler. The screen looked like something out of a mid-2000s sedan, and it lacked even basic features like a backup camera. Jeep took this seriously in developing the new Wrangler, and it shows: Technology is now an asset, not a liability.

Sahara and Rubicon models now come with a standard 8.4-inch touchscreen that is high-resolution and features greater connectivity with both Android Auto and Apple CarPlay integration. A backup camera also is standard now.

Other area of notable improvement: charge ports. The Wrangler now offers up to four USB-A (the USB port everyone is used to), as well as three USB-C changing ports, which offer better future-proofing. Even though the USB-C ports are located next to USB-A ports, Jeep representatives told me you can charge through both at the same time, which gives some models capability to charge seven devices at once — not even counting the two 12-volt charging ports.

### 3. Places to Store the Bolts

Part of the fun of owning a Wrangler is taking things off of it, whether that be the doors or the roof, or even lowering the front windshield. The trunk area now has a place to store those bolts after they're removed, under the cargo floor — so you don't end up just tossing them into the glove box or center console. It's a simple and very welcome solution.

### 4. Powertrain Diversity

The 3.6-liter Pentastar V-6 is a carryover from the previous generation. That used to be the only engine option, but the 2018 Jeep Wrangler adds two more: a turbocharged 2.0-liter four-cylinder gas engine and a turbocharged 3.0-liter EcoDiesel V-6. The two gas engines are available now, with the diesel set to arrive for the 2019 model year. We don't have official gas-mileage figures yet, but both optional engines should improve fuel economy, which remains pretty abysmal on the Wrangler (that's what happens when a vehicle is shaped like a brick).

The turbocharged 2.0-liter four-cylinder gas engine is still up to the task off-road, and provides plenty of punch on-road. It is, however, only available with the eight-speed automatic transmission, which is standard on V-6 models now, as well. Those wanting the six-speed manual will have to stick with the V-6.

### 5. Still Incredible Off-Road

All these updates and tweaks left the Wrangler's core intact: It is still a transcendent off-road machine. I took the Sahara four-door out on the off-road course behind a Cherokee Trailhawk, a fairly capable vehicle in its own right. There were multiple times where the Cherokee ended up on two or three wheels while running over large ruts on the trail, but the Wrangler just simply walked through the same portions of trail with all four tires on the ground, and without breaking a sweat. The amount of articulation and control you get out of a Wrangler is pretty astounding.

This is what makes the 2018 Wrangler such a success in our eyes. It kept the things that you want from previous Wranglers, like the unique styling and the off-road capability, while removing many of the pain points that used to come along with Wrangler ownership. This, along with the thorough modernizing of the technology and cabin, helps to establish the 2018 Wrangler as more than just a one-trick pony.

## Wild off-road concepts Moab-bound

Every year, the team over at Jeep trots out half a dozen new concept vehicles to display at the premier off-road single-brand event of the year, the Easter Jeep Safari in Moab, Utah. It's a week's worth of trail running, rock climbing, special events, vendors and all things celebrating Fiat Chrysler Automobiles' Jeep brand — and the company uses it to test some possible design directions and aftermarket parts ideas on the assembly of die-hard fans.

We'll see the new concepts next week when Jeep unveils them on March 20, but two teaser images have been released now to whet our appetite. One shows a Jeep Wrangler flying through deep sand, presumably some kind of dune runner. The other shows a concept with an iconic



historic name: Jeepster. It features a white fastback hardtop and half-doors.

Historically, Jeep has come up with a bunch of crazy concepts, and we can't wait to see what brand design boss Mark Allen and his crew have cooked up this year!

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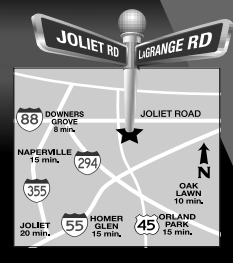
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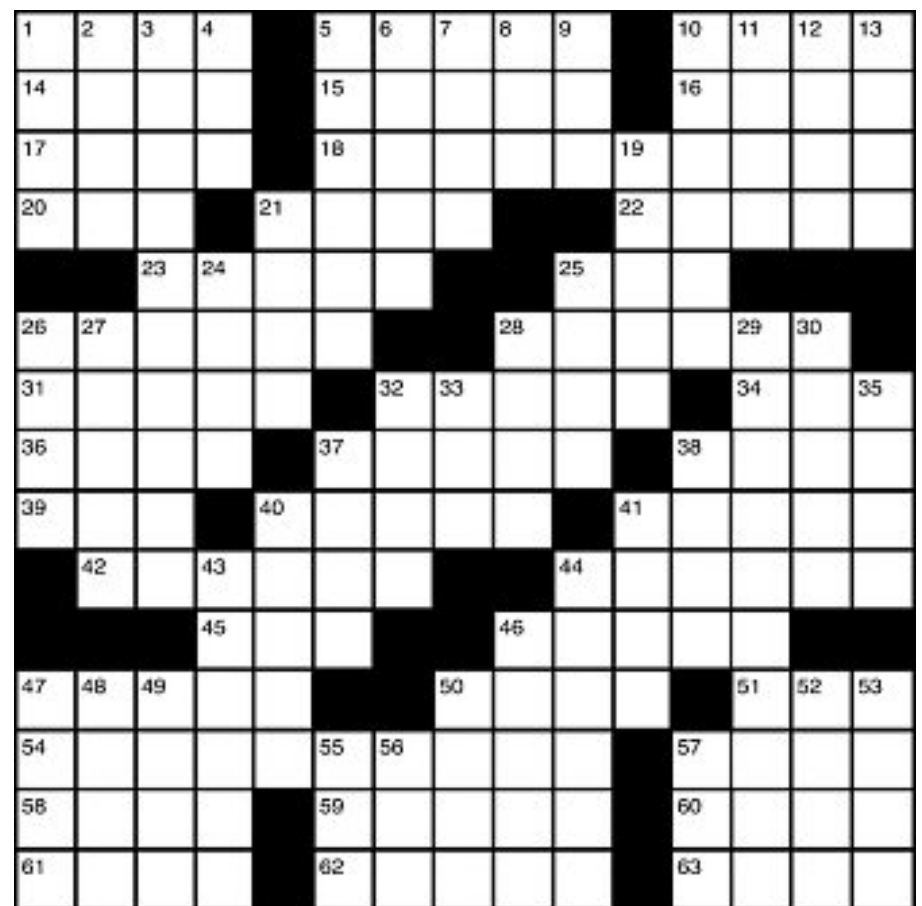
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Be flexible
  - 5 Thespian
  - 10 Sluggish
  - 14 Woodwind
  - 15 Accident-; very clumsy
  - 16 Roll along the runway
  - 17 Dallas team, for short
  - 18 Skydivers' needs
  - 20 Not \_\_\_ long shot; in no way
  - 21 Area mowed
  - 22 Give one's two cents' worth
  - 23 Beach souvenir
  - 25 \_\_\_ tai; colorful cocktail
  - 26 Ruin a Slinky
  - 28 Flower bed
  - 31 Hotel bookings
  - 32 Steer clear of
  - 34 Actor Kilmer
  - 36 Memo
  - 37 Door-to-door pitch
  - 38 Mr. Arnaz
  - 39 Enjoy a winter sport
  - 40 Dog woes
  - 41 Yuletide visitor
  - 42 Holy
  - 44 One who dies for his beliefs
  - 45 Uncooked
  - 46 Japanese 3-line poem
  - 47 Play a guitar
  - 50 \_\_\_ for; summon
  - 51 Mar.'s follower
  - 54 Introducing
  - 57 Azure or navy
  - 58 Dad's sister
  - 59 Coerce
  - 60 Sandwiches, for short
  - 61 Brooklyn team
  - 62 Ne'er-do-well
  - 63 Closed sac
- DOWN**
- 1 Grenade
  - 2 Auction site
  - 3 Canadian province
  - 4 \_\_\_ Moines, IA
  - 5 Horrify
  - 6 Move very slowly
  - 7 Experiencing mixed feelings
  - 8 "Cat \_\_\_ Hot Tin Roof"
  - 9 \_\_\_ room; place for a pool table
  - 10 Thictheaded
  - 11 Scale pair
  - 12 Plow pullers
  - 13 \_\_\_ as an owl
  - 19 Accumulate way too much

### Solutions



- 21 Garlands
- 24 Residence
- 25 Send via USPS
- 26 Fancy vases
- 27 Breakfast \_\_\_; kitchen areas
- 28 Departs
- 29 In the long run
- 30 Unkind
- 32 Made fun of
- 33 By way of
- 35 Dishonest one
- 37 Murdered
- 38 \_\_\_ horse;
- 40 Picture border
- 41 Uttered
- 43 Pie bottoms
- 44 "Away in a \_\_\_"
- 46 Thus
- 47 Bridge
- 48 Accurate
- 49 Torn in two
- 50 Gentlemen
- 52 \_\_\_ off; delays
- 53 Take a break
- 55 Org. for Rams and Ravens
- 56 "It's \_\_\_ Late"; Carole King hit
- 57 British network

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