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Fifth-graders from Fox Elementary School in Lake Zurich gather around the covered Eternal Indian statue on Friday in Oregon, Ill.

Trump blasts Syria, Putin

President says 'big price to pay' for alleged gas attack

BY LAURA KING
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump vowed Sunday there would be a “big price to pay” for an alleged poison gas attack that killed dozens of Syrian civilians and issued a rare public rebuke to Russian President Vladimir Putin for backing Syrian President Bashar Assad in the country’s vicious civil war.

Trump’s condemnation of the apparent chemical assault on the rebel-held Syrian town of Douma raised the prospect of U.S. military retaliation almost a year after he ordered a cruise missile strike on a Syrian air base following a similar poison gas attack — a move that won Trump widespread praise.

Early Monday, Syria’s state-run news agency said the military’s air defenses confronted a missile attack on an air base in central Syria and shot down eight missiles. The report said the attack on a military airbase in Homs province “is likely to be an American aggression.”

But U.S. officials told The Associated Press that the U.S. had not launched airstrikes on Syria.

The Syrian news agency said the attack resulted in a number of casualties.

Trump’s homeland security adviser, Thomas Bossert, said Sunday that he “wouldn’t take anything off the table” regarding a possible military response to the illicit use of chemical agents and what he called “horrible photos” of its victims, including young children.

Trump’s secretary of state and national security adviser both were forced

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AFTER SETBACKS, PUSH TO SAVE STATUE REVIVED

Restoring Eternal Indian landmark may hinge on ‘1 or 2 charitable angels’ as supporters try to restart project

BY TED GREGORY
Chicago Tribune

For three years, fifth-grade teacher Becky Fuller and about 100 students have trudged through Lowden State Park to the bluffs of the Rock River as part of their Outdoor Education pro-

gram. The objective: to see the beloved, iconic behemoth known as the Black Hawk statue.

Instead, what they encountered resembles a giant mummy.

The 48-foot-tall, 270-ton national landmark designed by renowned sculptor Lorado Taft has been wrapped in black protective

covering since a restoration effort that started five years ago fell apart. Bureaucratic red tape, the failure of promised state funding and a dispute on the restoration team have turned a cultural attraction that drew about 400,000 visitors a year to Lowden into an eerie eyesore.

“They’re always pretty bummed,” Fuller said of her students from Lake Zurich’s Fox Elementary School, who made their annual trek last week to the park about 100 miles west of Chicago in Oregon, Ill. “The kids

are always impressed with its size but pretty disappointed because they can’t actually see it.”

Oregon writer and historian Jan Stilson is also frustrated that the work remains unfinished. She has kick-started a new push to restore the 107-year-old statue.

Fearful that the statue’s unchecked deterioration would lead to its destruction, she gathered a local group last October and started working with the staff of state Rep. Tom Demmer, a Dixon

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LGBTQ teens’ parents struggle with sex talk

Knowledge gap, unease common, NU study finds

BY ANGIE LEVENTIS LOURGOS
Chicago Tribune

Growing up, Joyce Guo rarely talked about sex or intimate relationships with her parents, conversations that might have been more difficult because she identifies as queer and gender nonbinary.

“I think I probably would have wanted a more open dialogue about gender and sexuality,” said Guo, 20, a sophomore at Columbia College Chicago. “I think the general noncommunication came from both sides.”

New research from Northwestern University explores how parents of LGBTQ teens often struggle with their children, sometimes because of discom-

fort or lack of information. However, a separate university study of gay and bisexual male teens found that many longed to be closer to their parents and better able to converse with them about sexuality and dating.

Historically, there’s been very little academic study of how parenting can affect the sexual behavior of LGBTQ youths, said researcher Michael Newcomb, associate director for scientific development for the Institute for Sexual and Gender Minority Health at Northwestern’s Feinberg School of Medicine.

“We know a lot about how parents can influence the heterosexual teen’s sexual health, but we know very little about how parents can affect the sexual health of LGBTQ teens,” he said. “And in some ways, the same parenting practices would be

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TEMPE POLICE DEPARTMENT

A self-driving car from Uber killed a woman in a crash last month in Tempe, Ariz.

Self-driving cars can’t replace best safety feature

More automation may cause false sense of security for vehicles’ human drivers



MARY WISNIEWSKI
Getting Around

The problem with so-called self-driving cars is that they are not really self-driving — not yet.

Tesla vehicles equipped with Autopilot, a semiau-

tonomous driving system, and cars being tested by Uber have many features that allow them to operate without much help from a human driver but still require someone behind the wheel to react if something goes wrong.

Unfortunately, humans get awfully bored trying to catch a mostly functional machine not working — it’s like watching a clock all day, according to safety experts. Fatal crashes in

the past month in Arizona and California put a spotlight on this problem.

The idea of having a human monitor a machine driving, rather than a machine monitoring a human driving, gets it backward in terms of safety, said Jim McPherson, an attorney who studies autonomous vehicles.

“The better the automation gets, the more humans are lulled into a state of security and fail to catch (problems),” McPherson

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N. Korea summit prep churns below surface

On Sunday, White House officials said North Korea’s government has communicated with the United States to say that Kim Jong Un is ready to discuss his nuclear weapons program with President Trump.

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Nightmare of synthetic marijuana surfaces again



DENISE CROSBY

The news seems to have taken everyone by surprise. Synthetic marijuana is back — as ugly and as fatal as it was the last time we were writing so many headlines about it after the 2011 death of an Aurora teen.

Last week, state officials reported two people have died and 95 have been hospitalized in Illinois after using synthetic pot, popularly known as K2 and Spice.

News reports said one fatality was in Kane County, but according to Chief Deputy Coroner Loren Carrera, "we are investigating a death, however it is way too premature" to link it to synthetic marijuana. "We don't know where that report came from, but it is not this office."

One fatality from fake marijuana, however, did occur locally on June 14, 2011. And you likely remember it because it was such a public tragedy — and because of the crusading mother who was determined her son's death would not be in vain.

After smoking a product called iAroma Hypnotic he bought over the counter at a cigar shop at the Fox Valley Mall, 19-year-old Max Dobner started hallucinating and developed paranoia, then got into his car and began driving at such a high rate of speed that his vehicle went airborne and crashed into a house at the intersection of Mooseheart Road and Route 31 in North Aurora.

Almost immediately after her son's death, Karen Dobner became a passionate advocate, not only creating national awareness about the dangers of fake marijuana and its easy availability but using her voice to help keep these poisonous products from being sold legally as incense or potpourri to our kids here in Illinois.

Three months after Max's death, Aurora became the first municipality in the state to ban the sale of these products, with many surrounding municipalities following suit. And in 2011, the General Assembly passed Max's Law, which made it a felony to sell or possess synthetic marijuana. In the years that followed, fake marijuana appeared to be under control. Illinois was seeing just a fraction of the serious complications from it compared with other states, many of which started using this legislation as a model in their own fight against the dangerous drug.

But as the years passed, Dobner, who had begun appearing on national TV in the weeks after her son's death, was physically tired of traveling all over the country talking about the issue. She was emotionally drained after being in so many civil and criminal courtrooms as the four people who manufactured, distributed and sold the drug to Max were brought to justice.

Last summer, she officially dissolved her To the Maximus Foundation, set up in her son's memory to promote awareness and help state and federal officials try to keep up with the complicated laws regarding these designer drugs that can easily



DENISE CROSBY/BEACON-NEWS

Karen Dobner's 19-year-old son Max died in an accident in 2011 in North Aurora after having a bad reaction to synthetic marijuana and crashing his car.

be manipulated by manufacturers to avoid the controlled substance list.

Still in the process of giving away the last remaining money — about 10 local nonprofits received just under \$15,000 — Dobner told me last Monday, "I swore I'd do no more interviews."

Then came the report from the Illinois Department of Public Health that fake marijuana was responsible for two recent deaths and the hospitalization of 95 more people, all from excessive bleeding.

According to the National Institute on Drug Abuse, synthetic marijuana ranks only behind marijuana as the most popular drug among teens, with thousands, particularly young males, being hospitalized with symptoms that include vomiting, racing heartbeat, elevated blood pressure, seizures and hallucinations. But officials said people were hospitalized in these most recent cases after coughing up blood, having blood in their urine or suffering from severe nosebleeds or bleeding gums.

According to news reports, federal prosecutors found a large amount of synthetic pot laced with a toxic substance often used in rat poison being sold at a convenience store on the West Side of Chicago.

What makes these new drugs so dangerous, said Kane County Sheriff's Lt. Patrick Gengler, is that the bad guys change the formulas on their products so frequently that it's hard to know what chemicals have been added and how a user will react.

"As bad as heroin is," said Gengler, "at least it is a naturally occurring plant. It's the fentanyl and other synthetic chemicals being added that are making these drugs that much more dangerous."

Dobner saw that over and over in her years of active crusading. Despite new laws in place, "there are still a lot of synthetic drugs coming in, and it's certainly easy to buy over the internet," she noted. "Some of these drug dealers don't even know what they are selling, so the buyers certainly have no idea what they are getting."

All of which makes it more difficult to grasp how prevalent synthetic marijuana is in the area.

In 2012, when it was made illegal statewide, the Aurora Police Depart-

ment directed a "substantial amount of enforcement" toward mini marts, which were selling the synthetic marijuana products, said Lt. Rick Robertson of the department's Special Operations Group.

There have been a couple of reports each year involving seizures or ambulance runs mentioning the drug, and the Special Operations Group has shared a bulletin from Chicago police with local officers "to make them aware of a possible resurgence," Robertson added. "However, at this time this is no such evidence in Aurora."

While the Kane County sheriff's department was, likewise, not aware of a surge, Gengler pointed out that fake pot can't be detected by regular drug testing. Nor will some people admit to using it, even if there is a negative reaction.

"We might have a call for someone who is having a hard time breathing," he said, "but the ambulance takes them away and nobody tells us what happened."

Dobner agrees, recalling examples of patients not informing doctors of what they had been using even after suffering violent reactions.

Since the "emotional and stressful" January sentencing of Ruby Mohsin — the owner of the store that sold the synthetic pot to her son got two years in federal prison — Dobner told me she's been able to enjoy a more relaxed and peaceful lifestyle, refurbishing a home she bought in Oswego.

While news about the deaths and injuries from synthetic marijuana quickly brought out the former crusader in her, it also brought out a sort of sad frustration.

"It's painful to read the headlines," Dobner said. "I spent every day of my life for many years talking about how my son died. And now here we are, talking about it again."

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U. of C. seeks to dismiss suit over \$100M gift

University disputes donor's allegations of mismanagement, wants payment

BY DAWN RHODES
Chicago Tribune

The court dispute between the University of Chicago and one of its largest donors is escalating as the university fired back against a lawsuit aiming to negate a \$100 million donation to the South Side school.

In a series of court filings late last week, the university is seeking to dismiss the lawsuit filed by Thomas L. Pearson and the Pearson Family Members Foundation, which accused the university of improperly managing their nine-figure gift to establish a global studies institute in the family's name. The university also filed a countersuit against the Pearsons for failing to pay the latest installment of the donation.

The lawsuit was filed in federal court in Tulsa, Okla., where the Pearsons' foundation is based.

Thomas Pearson and his brother Timothy Pearson pledged

the gift in 2015, making it the second-largest in university history at the time. The money was to go toward launching the Pearson Institute for the Study and Resolution of Global Conflicts as well as the Pearson Global Forum, an annual event meant to convene international scholars and showcase the institute's research.

The Pearsons agreed to pay the gift via the foundation in nine annual installments due June 30 of each year.

The Pearsons allege the university failed to establish a director for the institute, hire faculty or create programming and curriculum in a timely manner. They sued the university in February, seeking a refund of the \$22.9 million they already had paid U. of C.

Part of the Pearsons' initial complaint took issue with faculty members selected to fill the professorship positions at the institute. They argued the university hired James Robinson of the

Harris School of Public Policy as the faculty director, then surreptitiously changed his title to institute director without the foundation's knowledge and in order to meet an agreed-upon deadline. The Pearsons also criticized two other appointments, saying the professors' backgrounds did not include universities matching the U. of C.'s prestige.

In court filings Thursday, the university argues the Pearsons cannot prove the university violated any of the specific obligations of the grant agreement, which is required in order to be able to seek a refund of their donation. Additionally, the university argued that many of the Pearsons' complaints involve issues, including faculty hires, that they had no right to influence under the contract.

"The (grant) agreement protects the university's academic independence by excluding the foundation and the Pearsons from the selection of faculty or staff, setting the institute's research agenda, and managing other academic matters related to curricu-

lum," the university's response states. "These restrictions reflect the university's resolute commitment to academic freedom."

The university also is suing the Pearsons for refusing to pay the \$13 million portion of the gift that was due last June. The university argued that under the grant agreement, Thomas Pearson agreed to cover any payment the foundation did not make.

The foundation paid the first two installments of \$11 million each in 2015 and 2016, then \$900,000 in January, according to the lawsuit.

"As a result of the foundation's and Mr. Pearson's breaches, the university has suffered substantial damages, including the loss of the amount owed under the agreement and lost income to support costs of the institute as a result of its inability to invest the June 2017 payment," the suit states.

There have been similar high-profile instances of disputes between benefactors and universities.

In 2016, telecommunications entrepreneur Eric Suder sued the

University of Alabama to reclaim \$1.3 million his family foundation gave the university for a scholarship program the school discontinued after the seed funding ran out. An appellate court ruled in the university's favor and dismissed the foundation's claims in February 2017.

Descendants of Charles and Marie Robertson, who built their fortune in a popular New Jersey grocery store chain, sued Princeton University in 2002 for mismanaging a \$35 million endowment started in the 1960s to help support students who sought careers in government. The two sides settled in 2008, with the university keeping the majority of the fund but agreeing to pay tens of millions in legal fees toward starting a new foundation.

In 1995, Yale University returned \$20 million from alum Lee Bass, who complained the school had not followed through with its commitment to launch more courses in Western civilization.

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NANCY STONE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS

Metropolitan Nathanael lights candles as he proceeds down the center aisle Sunday during Orthodox Easter services at St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church of Chicago.

RESURRECTION SUNDAY

Orthodox Christians celebrate Easter in worship, song

A young congregant bears her candle Sunday during services at St. Demetrios in Chicago's Ravenswood neighborhood. Orthodox Easter fell a week later than the holy day was celebrated this year by Western churches.



Worshippers stand during services at the North Side church to celebrate Christ's resurrection on the Julian calendar.

Railroad to test new safety system on passenger trains

Positive train control to prevent collisions, derailments on tracks

BY TIM ZORN
Post-Tribune

The South Shore Line announced it will begin field testing a new safety system Monday.

As a result, some trains might have fewer cars.

The field testing is part of the process of installing positive train control, or PTC, a computerized

system designed to automatically slow and stop a train if the engineer fails to take appropriate action.

PTC is designed to prevent derailments and train-to-train collisions caused by speeding, unauthorized movement onto certain track sections or running a train through a switch left in the wrong position.

It is intended to prevent crashes like the one Dec. 18, 2017, in Washington state that killed three Amtrak riders when a train entered a curve almost 50 mph over

the speed limit.

Michael Noland, South Shore president, said PTC is being installed on all 72 of the railroad's motorized cars and on all 75 miles of track it owns in Indiana.

"Safety is at the forefront of everything we do," Noland said in a news release, "so we are looking forward to implementing this new technology."

Metra is installing PTC on its tracks in Chicago that the South Shore uses and on all the lines it operates in the Chicago metropolitan area.

During field testing, the South Shore will try out PTC on empty trains of two to eight cars outside of rush hour.

PTC is mandated by the Rail Safety Improvement Act of 2008. The Federal Railroad Administration has said railroads must install it by the end of this year — at their own cost. South Shore estimates the cost at \$100 million and is seeking a fare increase to help pay for installation and continued operation.

Noland said the South Shore intends to meet that deadline but

is authorized to seek an extension.

Public hearings on the proposed fare increase are scheduled for 7 p.m. Monday at the Northern Indiana Commuter Transportation District's office in Chesterton; 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Hammond Public Library; 7 p.m. Wednesday at Michigan City's City Hall; 6:30 p.m. April 16 at the Gary Public Library's branch in Miller; and 7 p.m. Eastern time at the South Bend airport.

Tim Zorn is a freelance reporter for the Post-Tribune.

Science, art blend to create mobility

JJC students help build new limbs, corrective devices in OPT Program

By **DONNA VICKROY**
Daily Southtown

After she was injured in the Aug. 13, 2011, stage collapse at the Indiana State Fair, Alisha Brennon said she was told she might never walk again, let alone do simple tasks like laundry or opening a refrigerator.

"I was told I would never have the same memory retention," she said.

With the help of physical therapy and the support of friends and family, the 31-year-old Channahon resident not only defied that prognosis, but she also turned the horrifying experience into a positive career change.

Though she already had a degree in business management and was working in mortgage foreclosures, she said, "I was tired of sitting behind a desk every day, and I was tired of being mean."

The disaster at the Sugarland concert helped her realize she wanted to work in a field that gave people hope.

Her search led her to Joliet Junior College's Orthotics and Prosthetics Technology Program.

That, she said, has changed her life.

And that, in turn, will hopefully change the lives of many others, she said.

Now a senior, Brennon is already realizing her dream. She recently returned from a two-week mission trip to Cochabamba, Bolivia, during which she helped make prosthetic impressions and devices for some of the poorest people in South America.

Organized by Steve Morel of the Filadelfia Center for Prosthetics, the trip was an opportunity for Brennon to practice many of the skills she'd learned in the OPT Program.

One of the patients she worked with had lost her leg to flesh-eating bacteria.

"The prosthesis she had was being held together by duct tape," said Brennon, who covered a new device with colorful fabric.

Afterward, she said, "The woman looked at me and said that she finally has a pretty leg."

"That was the best part of the trip for me, completely changing someone's life," she said.

Sculpting mobility

A desire to help others is a universal goal of students who enroll, said Mike Brncick, orthotics professor and coordinator of Joliet Junior College's OPT Program.

Eleven years ago, Brncick, former director of the prosthetics clinical program at Northwestern University, helped start the OPT Program with five students, financial backing from the school's foundation and lab space donated by an electronics professor.

Today, inside the OPT laboratory, aspiring technicians are giving Mother Nature a run for her money.

This is where science and design intersect to create substitute limbs, corrective devices and new opportunities for people



Freshman Kayla Kumiega works recently on a cast of a classmate's ankle during a class project at Joliet Junior College in Joliet as part of the Orthotics and Prosthetics Technology Program.

GARY MIDDENDORF/DAILY SOUTHTOWN



ALISHA BRENNON PHOTO

Alisha Brennon, right, a senior in Joliet Junior College's Orthotics and Prosthetics Technology Program, recently traveled to Bolivia on a mission trip to help patients in need of prosthetic devices.

whose mobility is compromised.

Arthritis, birth defects and injuries are among the many reasons the field of orthotics (to straighten) and prosthetics (to extend) is a rapidly growing one, said Brncick, citing government-compiled job outlook statistics.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention "just estimated there'll be maybe 72 million geriatric patients in the near future," Brncick said. "We need a

lot of people in health care to help the aging population."

And yet Joliet Junior College is one of only six community colleges in the nation that offers the OPT certificate (jjc.edu/academics/technical-education/orthotics-and-prosthetics-technology), which enables graduates to work as technicians and assistants in hospitals, labs or even their own workshops. That is where senior Ryan Baranowski

found his future.

"I have my own central fabrication lab," the 27-year-old St. Anne resident said. "I can make impressions for orthotic companies."

Baranowski said he first set his sights on Joliet Junior College's veterinarian technology program but then decided to switch to OPT. Now nearing graduation, he recently divided his home taxidermy shop in half so he could do prosthetic work for a doctor who doesn't have a lab.

Right, left brain ability

Brncick said 108 students have completed the program, which can accommodate 15 new pupils per year. Enrollment, he said, is selective.

"We look for two things: You have to be able to work with your hands, and you have to be able to handle the academics," he said.

"Our graduates can find jobs anywhere in the country. Our students are now starting to fill up the jobs in the Joliet and Chicago area," Brncick said.

"Some of our graduates are now starting to hire new graduates from here."

Brncick said 80 percent of the program's graduates have found employment in the field.

Though the OPT certificate is a two-year program, it is anything but easy, Baranowski said.

"It's tough. The physics. You just have to keep going over it and over it," he said.

Brennon agreed.

The concept of locomotion is what most students struggle with, she said.

"With every extremity, it's something different: how the foot reacts to the ground, how the ankle reacts to the foot, how the

knee reacts to the ankle," she said. "And you just keep going."

Brncick said enrollment falls evenly along gender lines. Art students, he said, tend to do very well because of the sculpting work.

When he brings prospective students through, he said, the lab is often the deciding factor.

Some see all the handwork requirements and have second thoughts, he said. Others embrace the idea of making resin molds, sewing straps and harnesses, and sculpting body parts.

Students not only practice by making molds and then limbs of each other, but they also make the harnesses that will hold those limbs, Brncick said.

"Then they take the device home to see what it's like to feed yourself and use the bathroom, do ordinary things, to get an idea what it's like to lose a limb and live with a prosthesis," he said.

"They go through the whole process from start to finish," he said.

For those who are blessed with both right and left brain aptitude and have a desire to help people, he said, this profession can be a calling.

Kayla Kumiega, 19, of Downers Grove, loves the medical field but loathes the idea of having to deliver bad news to patients, she said.

"I can't be the person who walks in and delivers bad news. I want to do the good thing. I want them to have pure joy," she said. Prosthetics and orthotics is one field that she expects "will be so rewarding — giving people back a life that they thought they had lost."

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Self-driving cars can't replace best safety feature

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said.

Deborah Hersman, president and CEO of the National Safety Council, an Itasca-based safety advocacy group, said automation eventually can be a huge "game changer" for safety, since human error causes more than 90 percent of crashes. Car crashes caused 37,461 deaths in 2016, according to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

But the transition from partial to full automation will be "challenging," Hersman said.

"The driver is still the car's best safety feature," she said. "They have to pay attention."

Video from the March 18 crash in Tempe, Ariz., shows the Uber test driver looking down and not at the road just before the car strikes and kills Elaine Herzberg, 49, who was walking a bicycle across a street. The official cause of the crash has not yet been determined, according to Tempe police. Uber said it is cooperating with investigators.

Arizona Gov. Doug Ducey has ordered Uber to stop testing its autonomous vehicles on the state's roads.

On March 23, a Tesla slammed into a highway barrier on U.S. 101 in California, killing the driver, Walter Huang, 38. In a blog post, Tesla attributed the severity of the crash to the fact that a barrier designed to reduce the impact

into a concrete lane divider had been crushed in a prior crash and not replaced. Tesla also said the driver's hands were not detected on the wheel for six seconds prior to the collision, and that he had received several visual and one audible hands-on warning earlier in the drive.

The first known fatal crash of a self-driving car occurred in May 2016 in Florida, killing Tesla driver Joshua Brown.

Despite these tragedies, Tesla noted in its blog post that its vehicles equipped with Autopilot are still safer than regular cars, being 3.7 times less likely to be involved in a fatal crash.

How automated vehicles work

Self-driving cars work with the aid of GPS, internal navigational maps, sensors, cameras, lidar and radar to navigate streets and detect objects in the environment. Transportation experts expect that fully self-driving cars could eventually lead to vastly safer roads, since unlike humans, machines cannot get drunk, text while driving or get sleepy.

SAE International, a professional group for automotive engineers, has set standards for the various levels of automation, which range from 0, in which a human controls everything, to 5, a car that can behave like a human driver even in extreme environments like dirt roads.

Autonomous cars are being designed and tested by Volvo, GM, Audi, Toyota, Waymo and other companies. But cars on the market now are not fully autonomous.

The airline industry has already seen the pitfalls of too much automation, and automakers are making many of the same mistakes, according to Christine Negroni, an aviation writer and the author of the book "The Crash Detectives: Investigating the World's Most Mysterious Air Disasters." Several fatal airline crashes have been blamed on the phenomenon of pilots mentally disengaging from a plane that is flying itself, Negroni said.

"The farther you get away from the task, the longer it takes to get back into the task when seconds count," Negroni said. She spoke of a friend with a Tesla who believes his driving skills were deteriorating because of Autopilot.

Negroni emphasized that this is not a case of people being "bad" but being human. "One of the great things about humans is they're constantly looking for stimulation," she said. "You can't give humans a task they are ill-equipped to do and expect them to do it."

Alex Roy, a founder of the Human Driving Association, a safety lobbying group, and editor of the online automotive news site The Drive, agreed that overly trusting semiautonomous systems can lead to skill atrophy. He

favors what he calls a "parallel" or "guardian" system, in which the driver is in charge and has his or her hands always on the wheel, but the car would help prevent crashes. He explains that this augments drivers' abilities, while protecting their freedoms.

This is similar to what's being done in the railroad industry with positive train control, or PTC, a federally mandated safety system that uses GPS, radios and computers to stop trains that are speeding or are in danger of colliding or derailing. With PTC, the engineer is still in charge of driving the train, but if the engineer does not stop or slow down when he should — because he falls asleep or has a heart attack — PTC will take over to stop the train, explained Bruce Marcheschi, Metra's chief engineering officer.

Roy also favors driver education and driver monitoring to make sure the driver's attention stays on task.

"I don't believe that anyone should be testing self-driving vehicles on public roads without a driver monitoring system," said Roy, a rally race driver.

A driver monitoring system could be as simple as a second person in the car — Uber used to employ two testers instead of one, Roy said. Another method is some kind of electronic system to monitor the driver's attention. An example is the GM Cruise, which tracks a driver's eye movements

and head position, said Ben Pierce, a transportation technology expert who spoke last week on a Metropolitan Planning Council panel on autonomous cars.

"If you quit paying attention, they'll start beeping and warning you, 'pay attention, pay attention,'" said Pierce. "If you ignore all of that, it will pull itself over to the side of the road. That's a good way that the technology is starting to mature and catch up and will become about the technology helping us humans be safe, rather than stretching the boundaries of technology."

Transportation song quiz

The song in the last column was about an old-fashioned conveyance that is still the slickest gig you'll ever see. Watch out, poultry. The answer is "The Surrey with the Fringe on Top," from the Rodgers and Hammerstein musical "Oklahoma!" Ed Spence of Arlington Heights was first with the right answer.

This week's song is about a place of arrivals and departures — recorded by this group before its hits about turning and tumbourines. What's the song and the group? The first person with the right answer gets a Tribune Tower guidebook, and glory.

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Alternative to the knife for your knee pain? Non-Surgical treatment success rate soars after using new digital technology

place the treatment inside the joint. Yes THIRTY percent. It is not a typo.

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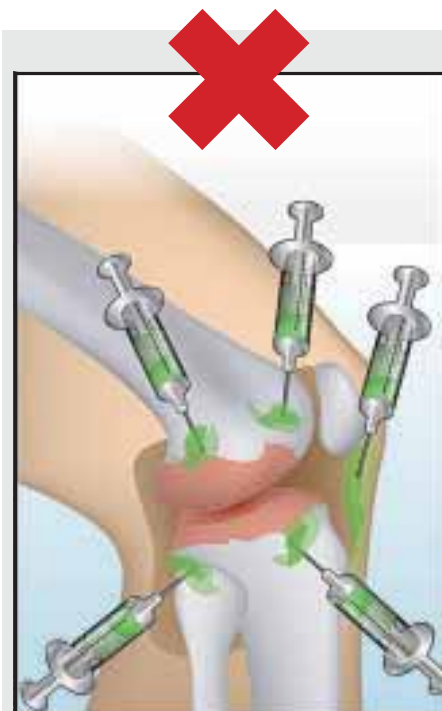
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Statue's future hinges on funds

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Republican. They invited the Illinois Department of Natural Resources to a community meeting, offered to meet state officials in Springfield, even proposed a local purchase of the statue.

IDNR declined all three initiatives, Stilson said. Then the agency offered to meet March 28 in Oregon, with Demmer, the Illinois Conservation Foundation director and members of Oregon Together, a community group, in attendance.

"We just talked over the issues," Stilson recalled, "and how to move forward."

She and other supporters are hopeful. Raising about a half a million dollars to finish the job, however, remains an open proposition.

"I think it's doable," said Frank Rausa, 75, another attendee who, with his wife, Charron, led an earlier rehabilitation fundraising campaign. "There are still some angels who are willing to help, and I've got to believe in miracles."

'Important' for people who care about history, art

Stilson and Rausa said they are encouraged by the group's willingness to move past earlier disputes with what they see as renewed enthusiasm and organized, broad support.

Illinois Conservation Foundation Executive Director Eric Schenck said the meeting helped partners and supporters figure out how and when to complete the work, which he thinks could proceed quickly "if one or two charitable angels" materialize.

Success "really is a reflection of how important this



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The Eternal Indian, also known as Black Hawk, is shown in 2013, the year restoration work began. It has since stalled.

project is to not just local people, but to the state and people who care about the preservation of historic sites and works of art that are significant to Illinois," Schenck said.

Five years ago, prospects looked bright for the Eternal Indian, the monolith's formal name. The Rausas had completed an unlikely five-year odyssey to raise about \$850,000 for the concrete statue's restoration, and work started in 2013.

Enthusiasm was palpable, and the Rausas estimated the restoration would take four to six months.

But \$350,000 of promised state money failed to materialize — a consequence of Illinois' fiscal distress — and obtaining permits took much longer than anticipated.

Despite those setbacks, the restoration moved forward slowly, funded by other donations. Then a disagreement arose between the engineer and conservator over how much of the statue's surface should be replaced.

The original restoration

engineer and conservator left the project. While the debate continued, Landmarks Illinois placed the Eternal Indian on its 2015 list of the state's most endangered places. Work stopped entirely early the next year.

Six months later, Charron Rausa, who in 2008 pitched the restoration idea to her husband at their kitchen table, died. Frank Rausa said he's "determined to do whatever I can" to fulfill his promise to his late wife to complete the effort.

In addition to the money that was earmarked but never paid by the state, the Rausas raised about \$500,000, he said. But after failing to complete work in three years, they had to return \$75,000 from one grant, and only about \$40,000 of the \$500,000 remains, he said.

One of the largest in the world

Dedicated in 1911, the Eternal Indian, also known as the Rock River Colossus, is thought to be the second-largest concrete monolithic



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In 2015, Andrzej Dajnowski, Conservation of Sculpture and Objects Studio director, shows where lightning once struck.

statue in the world. Taft, who also designed the Fountain of Time on Chicago's South Side and Alma Mater statue at University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, chose an outer layer made from 20 tons of pink granite chips to give the statue brightness and sheen.

It was the sculptor's contemplative homage to Native Americans and stands near the former Eagle's Nest artists' colony Taft helped establish.

Although the statue be-

came known as Black Hawk, it looks nothing like the martyred leader of factions of the Sauk and Fox tribes in the brief Black Hawk War that took place nearby in 1832. Some historians in fact say Taft modeled the face after Pulitzer Prize-winning writer Hamlin Garland, an active advocate for Native American rights, member of the Eagle's Nest and Taft's brother-in-law.

Over the decades, the statue has been restored at least twice and repaired

after lightning and earthquake strikes. But deterioration became so extensive by 2013 that a flip of a finger could loosen chunks of its surface.

To draw attention to the renewed restoration effort, Demmer, the state representative, introduced a resolution in the legislature urging the Department of Natural Resources "to explore ways to finance" the work. In an interview, Demmer said the Eternal Indian is historically and culturally important, and a key tourist attraction.

"We spent some time talking about how we don't want to wait and hope for capital funds to become available," Demmer said of the March meeting.

Rausa said the state's \$350,000, if it's paid, could be used as a maintenance endowment for the statue.

An IDNR spokesman called the recent meeting on the restoration "pretty positive" but couldn't say if the state will provide the money.

Rausa and Demmer said they aim to raise the full amount needed to complete the work. Stilson's group plans to meet this week to make more specific plans and speak with a prospective benefactor.

"We feel a certain bubbling to the top of excitement," Stilson said.

Officials say it does appear that visits to Lowden State Park have dropped since the statue was covered and, like the students from Fox, Elementary, many visitors complained about being unable to view the statue.

In a gesture aimed at stoking enthusiasm and providing a short-term benefit, the state plans to remove the protective wrap around the statue and install lights for the spring, summer and fall. Stilson welcomes the idea.

"It looks like it's wrapped in a trash bag," she said. "It's just really sad."

Chicago Tribune's Stacey Wescott contributed.

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Bradley student from Chicago slain in Peoria

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Two people, including a graduate of King College Prep in Chicago, were shot to death and a third was injured early Sunday at a home near of Bradley University campus in Peoria, according to police and the school.

Nasjay Murry, 18, of Chicago, a freshman at Bradley, was fatally shot in the 1800 block of West Bradley Avenue, the Peoria Police Department said. A man with her also was shot to death. The man's name has not been released by officials.

Bradley University, in an email to students and on its Twitter account, said the

second person killed was not a student at the school.

A third person, another woman who also is a student, was shot, Bradley police said. She was taken to a hospital, where she was recovering, officials said.

When police arrived at the home about 1:45 a.m. Sunday they saw a large group of people running from the residence.

When they checked the home, they found the man and the woman later identified as Murry, according to police.

No one has been arrested in connection with the shooting, police said. The investigation is ongoing.

In a tweet, Bradley University wrote: "In Nasjay's honor, campus flags will fly

at half-staff for three days. Hugging our 'Braves' close today."

Another tweet said counseling services would be available Sunday in the Garrett Cultural Center.

On her Facebook page last August, Murry commemorated her first day at the university. The university said Murry was a biomedical science major.

Also on Twitter, the principal of Murry's high school alma mater tweeted about the slain woman.

"I have nothing but fond memories of KCP Class of 2017 alumnus Nasjay Murry. A devastating and tragic loss," wrote Principal David Narain.

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Grandmother to shooter who killed teen: 'Turn yourself in'

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Virvey Wilson woke up Sunday morning and thought it was strangely quiet in her West Side home.

She typically woke up to her 16-year-old grandson, whom she's raised since his mother died, making noise in the kitchen as he put together a bowl of cereal.

"He's gone," Wilson said. "He's really gone."

Her grandson Jaheim Wilson was shot to death Saturday less than half a mile from their Austin neighborhood home.

The shooting happened

about 5:05 p.m. Saturday as Jaheim walked with a 13-year-old boy in an alley in the 5100 block of West Huron Street, Chicago police said. Someone opened fire at them, hitting Jaheim in the hand, leg and head.

The 13-year-old boy was shot in the leg and was taken to Loyola University Medical Center, where his condition was stabilized, police said. No arrests had been made in the case as of Sunday, police said.

Jaheim was the youngest of six siblings whom Wilson and her husband have been raising since her daughter, Latina Wilson, died about eight years ago, she said.

Jaheim was a sophomore at Marshall Metropolitan High School, Wilson said. Her grandson liked playing sports but didn't know what he wanted to do after high school. "I told him just finish school and be somebody," she said.

But Wilson lamented that her grandson didn't even get a chance to do that.

"Turn yourself in," she said, addressing whoever shot her grandson. "You never know, they might be the next victim. Turn yourself in — you took a young man's life for nothing."

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Parents struggle with sex talk

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relevant to LGBTQ teens, like talking to your kids about sex, monitoring who they're hanging out with, who they're dating, all those types of things."

Yet even among parents who were open to talking to their children, many acknowledged a level of ignorance when it comes to LGBTQ sex.

"Those parents are unintentionally leaving out information that's very specific to LGBTQ sexuality that might leave those young people unprepared for the situations they would have to encounter and can put them at risk," Newcomb said.

The study, published last month in the journal Sexuality Research and Social Policy, surveyed 44 parents of LGBTQ teens from across the country in online focus groups.

More than three-quarters of parents reported talking with their teen about using protection and about half described educating their kids about potential health risks. Roughly a quarter were concerned about predators or violence, particularly the parents of gay boys and transgender teens.

"I wanted my daughter to know that if you do not tell your partner you are transgender from the beginning, they might kill you," the mother of a 17-year-old heterosexual transgender teen told researchers.

One mom who was feeling ill-equipped to answer questions sent her bisexual daughter to a lesbian friend.

"I felt challenged that I'm straight, my daughter is dating a gal, and I didn't know anything about that," she said. "All my sex talks were about how not to get pregnant and how babies are conceived."

Some parents reported feeling isolated because they didn't have other parents of LGBTQ teens to talk with or compare parenting strategies with.

"One thing that has me wondering is how other parents of (LGBTQ) teens deal with same-sex overnights," said the parent of a 14-year-old. "At (my child's) age, we would never allow (her) to spend the night with the opposite sex if she were straight."

The majority, though, reported that the sexual orientation or gender identity of the child didn't impair communication or change the content of those discussions. One mother said she gave the same advice to her gay son and straight son.

"Use condoms, no means no, and be careful who you share your body with," she said.

However, Newcomb said this kind of equal and fair parenting can have unintended consequences if parents are leaving out additional information on sexual health and safety that might be necessary for LGBTQ teens, depending on the kind of sex they're having.

In another recent study, researchers from the institute surveyed 52 gay or bisexual teen boys on communication with their parents about sex.

Fifty-six percent said

their sexual orientation had a negative effect on their relationship with their parents, some reporting hostile exchanges or derogatory labels.

One 15-year-old boy said he and his father argue a lot, sometimes about his sexuality.

"He and I were arguing once and he called me and my ex 'faggots,' and that's the worst I've been mad at him," he said.

But 26 percent reported no change after coming out, and an additional 10 percent said relationships with family members actually improved.

While many parents surveyed reported that their children were not having sex or in relationships, some of the teens who were interviewed indicated that they are sexually active or dating but hiding it from their parents.

Newcomb added that there can be more incentive for LGBTQ teens to hide relationships or sexual aspects of their lives if they're more afraid of being judged or misunderstood by adults than straight teens.

"(Me) being gay has made my parents act more cautious about my relationships instead of being happy for them," said one 16-year-old. "For this reason, I don't tell my parents about relationships because I don't want them to be overly worried for no reason."

Newcomb encouraged parents of LGBTQ kids to broach the topics of sex and dating, even if they think their children haven't entered that stage of life yet.

"The more information we can give to people, the more we can demystify what sex is actually like, it allows young people to be more prepared to have sex safely," he said.

Guo, who was not part of the research, said that without communication from their families, many LGBTQ youths search for other outlets like the media or popular culture for guidance on sex and relationships.

"It caused me to fall into not-so-great situations," Guo said. "When it comes to seeing queer representations ... through the eyes of media, oftentimes there's no humanity to it or they're two-dimensional. There's very low standards."

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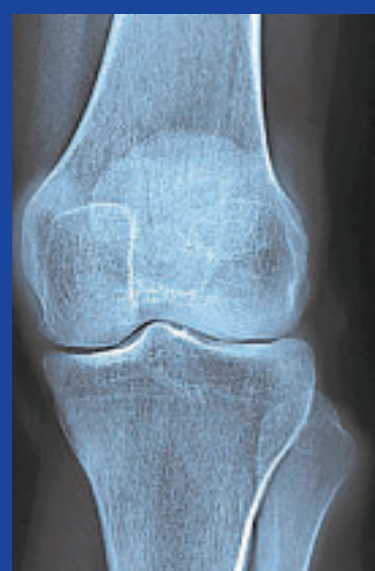


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Summit prep churns below surface in U.S.

As aides scramble, North Korea appears set to discuss nukes

BY TRACY WILKINSON AND NOAH BIERMAN
Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — There's still no confirmed date, meeting site or even a U.S. ambassador in South Korea to run interference.

But officials at the CIA, Pentagon, State Department and elsewhere are scrambling to prepare a potentially historic summit next month between President Donald Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un — while working to lower expectations that the two will achieve a nuclear breakthrough.

But Sunday, Trump administration officials said North Korea's government has communicated with the United States to say that Kim is ready to discuss his nuclear weapons program with Trump.

The confirmation from Pyongyang directly, rather than from third countries such as South Korea, has created more confidence within Trump's administration about the wisdom of holding such a meeting, as U.S. officials make secretive preparations.

Trump stunned allies and apparently North Korea when he accepted a surprise invitation, passed by visiting South Korean authorities last month, to meet with Kim after their own sit-down with the enigmatic leader in Pyongyang.

The White House says the proposed summit is on track for sometime in May, although Kim has yet to comment publicly.

From logistics to content to the details of nuclear weapons, interagency teams across Washington are racing to prepare briefing materials and negotiating plans intended to bolster Trump's ultimate goal of persuading Kim to give up his nuclear arsenal, estimated to be more than a dozen weapons.

Kim, in turn, made his first known trip out of North Korea since he took office in 2011, visiting Beijing last month to meet Chinese President Xi Jinping, sending a clear message that his ties with neighboring China run deep, and he won't be pushed around.

To hear some U.S. officials tell it, one possible outcome is a high-profile, much-photographed get-together of two headstrong leaders who only recently



President Donald Trump plans to meet in May with Kim Jong Un, the White House says.

N. Korea hosts big race as tensions run lower

Associated Press

PYONGYANG, North Korea — Hundreds of foreigners joined in the annual Pyongyang marathon on Sunday despite political tensions that have only recently begun to ease and a ban on U.S. citizens traveling to the country that is still in effect.

Approximately 400 foreign amateurs took part, less than half the number that came last year. They came from about 40 countries and territories around the world. Organizers attributed the lower turnout to tensions that peaked last year. They began to ease in the last few months.

Disabled athletes were allowed to participate for the first time. This year's marathon started in Kim Il Sung Stadium and wound past Pyongyang landmarks such as Kim Il Sung Square and Mirae Street, one of the North Korean capital's recent redevelopment projects.

Thirteen foreign pro-



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Competitors take off Sunday at the start of the Pyongyang marathon, which included about 400 foreign participants.

fessional runners from African countries participated in the elite category.

The men's full marathon was won by North Korean Ri Kang Bom in 2 hours, 12 minutes and 53 seconds. "I'm glad that I was able to fulfill the expectations of the people," Ri said.

The winner of the women's full marathon

was North Korean Kim Hye Gyong, who came in at 2 hours, 27 minutes and 24 seconds, with her twin sister, Kim Hye Song, closely behind.

The competition is officially called the Mangyongdae Prize International Marathon. Mangyongdae is where North Korea says its late founder, President Kim Il Sung, was born. It's part of a

series of events held to commemorate the anniversary of his April 15 birthday.

April 15 is called the Day of the Sun and is North Korea's biggest holiday.

The International Association of Athletic Federations recognized this year's Pyongyang marathon as a Bronze Label Road Race.

were still hurling insults at each other, producing little substantive agreement but with both claiming some sort of victory.

Trump will trumpet be-

coming the first U.S. president to sit down with a North Korean leader.

Kim will claim the global stature that sitting down with a U.S. president awards

him, finally achieving the elusive goal that his father and grandfather — his predecessors in office — both had sought.

Beyond that, U.S. officials

say, success may well be declared if the two leaders do not storm angrily from the room and renew threats of nuclear Armageddon. Some experts say a best-

hope scenario may be for Trump and Kim to show a willingness to engage — and then step back to let veteran diplomats and subject experts carry out negotiations.

Some of Trump's advisers think he and Kim can untangle the impasse on the Korean Peninsula, and open the way for more talks. Others say such a high-level engagement doubles the risk for failure and even military conflict if the summit goes south.

People familiar with Trump's thinking insist he is approaching the summit with realistic expectations.

"Anybody who thinks Kim Jong Un is going to play 'Lucy pulling the football' isn't paying attention," said Jim Hanson, president of Securities Studies Group, a conservative think tank, who's in contact with administration officials on national security issues.

"I don't think Trump is naive about this, just that he has a very positive view of his dealmaking ability, even if it takes a few rounds," Hanson said.

Planning for a major summit, no less the first one ever with the untested leader of a nuclear-armed adversary, would challenge any administration's diplomatic skills. In this case, the White House has no top diplomat in place: Trump fired Secretary of State Rex Tillerson last month, and the Senate has yet to confirm Mike Pompeo to replace him.

There is only an acting assistant secretary of State for East Asia, and Trump has yet to nominate a U.S. ambassador to South Korea. More importantly, perhaps, the special envoy for North Korea abruptly retired in February, reportedly over policy differences with the White House, and has not been replaced.

The Trump administration thus has no clear point person to coordinate policy toward North Korea.

As president, Trump has shown little interest in policy details, preferring to rely more on his gut. That worries diplomats and others.

"I can't see a president who believes preparation is terribly overrated, (and) expertise is not necessary, dealing with these very complicated issues," said Robert Gallucci, who served as chief U.S. negotiator in talks to end a nuclear crisis with North Korea in 1994.

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Amid trade fight, Trump says China will do 'the right thing'

BY JONATHAN LEMIRE
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WASHINGTON — Amid global fears of an escalating trade dispute between the U.S. and China, President Donald Trump suggested that Beijing will ease trade barriers "because it is the right thing to do" and that the economic superpowers can settle the conflict that has rattled financial markets, consumers and businesses.

But fostering more uncertainty, the president's top economic advisers offered mixed messages Sunday on the best approach with China, which has threatened to retaliate if Washington follows through with its proposed tariffs, even as Trump emphasized his bond with Chinese President Xi Jinping.

"President Xi and I will always be friends, no matter what happens with our dispute on trade," Trump wrote. "China will take down its Trade Barriers because it is the right thing to do. Taxes will become Reciprocal & a deal will be made on Intellectual Property. Great future for both

countries!"

But Trump did not explain why, amid a week of economic saber-rattling between the two countries, he felt confident a deal could be made.

The president made fixing the trade imbalance with China a centerpiece of his presidential campaign, where he frequently used incendiary language to describe how Beijing would "rape" the U.S. economically. But even as Trump cozied up to Xi and pressed China for help with derailing North Korea's nuclear ambitions, he has ratcheted up the economic pressure and threatened tariffs, a move opposed by many fellow Republicans.

The Trump administration has said it is taking action as a crackdown on China's theft of U.S. intellectual property. The U.S. bought more than \$500 billion in goods from China last year and now is planning or considering penalties on some \$150 billion of those imports. The U.S. sold about \$130 billion in goods to China in 2017 and faces a potentially devastating hit

to its market there if China responds in kind.

China has pledged to "counterattack with great strength" if Trump decides to follow through on his latest threat to impose tariffs on an additional \$100 billion in Chinese goods — after an earlier announcement that targeted \$50 billion. Beijing also declared that the current rhetoric made negotiations impossible, even as the White House suggested that the tariff talk was a way to spur China to the bargaining table.

The new White House economic adviser, Larry Kudlow, said Sunday that a "coalition of the willing" — including Canada, much of Europe and Australia — was being formed to pressure China and that the U.S. would demand that the World Trade Organization, an arbiter of trade disputes, be stricter on Beijing. And he said that although the U.S. hoped to avoid taking action, Trump "was not bluffing."

"This is a problem caused by China, not a problem caused by President Trump," Kudlow said on



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China has pledged to "counterattack" if the U.S. imposes tariffs on an additional \$100 billion in Chinese goods.

"Fox News Sunday."

But he also downplayed the tariff threat as "part of the process," suggested on CNN that the impact would be "benign" and said he hoped that China would enter negotiations. Kudlow, who started his job a week ago after his predecessor, Gary Cohn, quit over the tariff plan, brushed aside the possibility of economic repercussions.

"I don't think there's any

trade war in sight," Kudlow told Fox.

Treasury Secretary Steve Mnuchin said on CBS' "Face the Nation" that he didn't expect the tariffs to have a "meaningful impact on the economy" even as he left the door open for disruption.

Another top White House economic adviser, Peter Navarro, took a tougher tack, declaring that China's behavior was "a

wakeup call to Americans."

"They are in competition with us over economic prosperity and national defense," Navarro said on NBC's "Meet the Press." "Every day of the week China comes into our homes, our business and our government agencies. This country is losing its strength even as China has grown its economy."

President warns Syria, rebukes Russia

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out in recent weeks, so the issue is likely to be the top agenda item for John Bolton, a vocal supporter of using military power who is expected to take office Monday as national security adviser.

Russia's aggressive military intervention in Syria more than two years ago helped turned the course of the civil war in Assad's favor, and together with Iran, Moscow has emerged as a central power in determining Syria's — and the region's — postwar order.

"Many dead, including women and children, in mindless CHEMICAL attack in Syria," Trump tweeted Sunday. "Area of atrocity is in lockdown and encircled by Syrian Army, making it completely inaccessible to outside world."

In a highly unusual negative reference to the Russian leader by name, Trump added: "President Putin, Russia and Iran, are responsible for backing Animal Assad. Big price to pay. Open area immediately for medical help and verification. Another humanitarian disaster for no reason whatsoever. SICK!"

The White House later appeared to moderate Trump's certainty about the Douma attack. After Trump spoke by phone with Iraqi

Prime Minister Haider al-Abadi, a White House statement said they had discussed "possible chemical attacks near Damascus."

In his own tweet, Vice President Mike Pence demanded a change in Assad's "barbaric behavior" but noted that responsibility for what he called a "likely chemical attack" had not yet been confirmed.

In Douma, Syrian opposition activists and the Civil Defense White Helmets, a volunteer organization, described how entire families were found suffocated in their homes after the gas attack.

Activists and first responders released horrific images of dead or dying children that were widely circulated on social media.

Assad's government denied responsibility, as it has in the past, and Russia on Sunday called accounts of a poison gas attack "bogus."

The prospect of U.S. military action comes days after Trump — to the dismay of some senior advisers and the surprise of Pentagon officials — indicated he was considering a quick pullout of several thousand U.S. troops from Syria, which is in the eighth year of a grinding multisided civil war.

The White House later said U.S. troops would stay to defeat the remaining



SYRIAN CIVIL DEFENSE

A medical worker gives a toddler oxygen Sunday after an alleged gas attack in the opposition-held town of Douma, near Damascus. Syria's government denies the accusations.

pockets of the Islamic State group, but multiple reports said Trump made clear that he wants the Pentagon to withdraw forces by next fall and hand over long-term stabilization of the war-ravaged country to Arab allies.

The Syria situation also underscores a paradox of Trump's relationship with Putin. He has strenuously sought to maintain good personal relations with the Russian leader even as the administration has moved to punish oligarchs closely tied to the Kremlin, and as

Washington and Moscow engaged in large-scale retaliatory diplomatic expulsions.

After British authorities had accused Moscow of using a lethal nerve gas against a former Russian double agent and his daughter in southern England last month, for example, Trump spoke to Putin by phone and invited him to the White House. No summit has been scheduled, but the White House said later that it has not been ruled out.

Then, on Friday, the administration finally an-

nounced sanctions mandated by Congress last year on members of Russia's ruling elite for Russian cyberattacks and meddling in foreign elections, including the 2016 presidential campaign. The group included 17 Russian government officials, a state-owned weapons trading company and seven of the country's richest businessmen.

Several of those put on the sanctions list had links to Trump's campaign or to his associates who have come under scrutiny in special counsel Robert

Mueller's investigation. The group includes the wealthy son of a childhood friend of the Russian president and a billionaire who married his daughter.

Some senior lawmakers said Trump's latest warning on Syria, as articulated on Twitter, may commit him to taking some action — much as he did last year.

On April 7, 2017, Navy warships launched 59 Tomahawk cruise missiles at Syria's Shayrat air base for its role in a gas attack with sarin, a banned nerve agent, on the Syrian hamlet of Khan Sheikhoun.

Now, if Trump "doesn't follow through and live up to that tweet, he's going to look weak in the eyes of Russia and Iran," Sen. Lindsey Graham, R-S.C., said on ABC's "This Week." He called it a "defining moment."

Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, said Sunday's warnings were inconsistent with his assertions last week that U.S. troops should leave Syria soon.

"I think the president is going to have to reconsider his plan for an early withdrawal in light of what has happened," Collins said on CNN's "State of the Union."

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Budapest residents line up to vote Sunday, a big day for Hungary's Fidesz party.

Hungary's prime minister coasts to third straight term

BY PABLO GORONDI
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BUDAPEST, Hungary — Hungarian Prime Minister Viktor Orban easily won a third consecutive term Sunday and his Fidesz party was poised to regain its super majority in parliament, according to preliminary results from the country's election.

With 84.7 percent of the votes counted, Fidesz and its small ally, the Christian Democrat party, had secured 133 of the 199 seats in the legislature, the minimum needed for a two-thirds majority. The right-wing nationalist Jobbik party placed second with 26 seats, while a Socialist-led, left-wing coalition ran third with 20.

Only two other parties, former Prime Minister Ferenc Gyurcsany's Democratic Coalition and the green Politics Can Be Different party were expected to surpass the 5 percent threshold needed to form a parliamentary faction.

Orban won his fourth term overall on a platform that openly demonizes migrants to Europe.

"We created the opportunity to defend Hungary," Orban told supporters late

Sunday night. "A great battle is behind us. We have achieved a decisive victory."

Opposition parties feared that another supermajority would allow the autocratic leader to more easily push through constitutional changes, continue his crackdown on civic groups that he claims work against Hungarian interests and further strengthen his grasp on the highly centralized state power structure.

Orban campaigned heavily on his unyielding anti-migration policies. He claims that the opposition is collaborating with the United Nations, the European Union and wealthy philanthropist George Soros to turn Hungary into an "immigrant country," threatening its security and Christian identity.

"Hungarian democracy is strong," said Gergely Gulyas, the parliament faction leader for Fidesz. "Alongside high voter turnout, the country will have a strong, legitimate parliament."

Government influence on the media was palpable in Sunday's broadcast by state television M1 news channel, where reports

highlighting the negative effects of migration dominated the programming.

On Origo.hu, a formerly independent website now owned by government allies, stories promoted Orban while also focusing on migration. The headlines included "Migrant gangs fought in England," "They can't stand it anymore in Sweden: They've had enough of migrants," and "A migrant in underpants beat a German retiree half to death."

The opposition denies Orban's claims on migration.

Previous uncertainty about Orban's expected margin of victory were due in part to Hungary's complex electoral system, in which voters cast ballots for both an individual candidate in their region and another for a party list.

Opposition parties had urged Hungarians to vote tactically for the candidate with the best chance to defeat the Fidesz candidate in the 106 individual districts. Still, Fidesz improved its results in terms of the 93 distributed based on votes for entire party lists, getting 49.1 percent compared with 44.9 percent four years ago.

Town mourns deaths of 15 after hockey team bus crash

BY JEREMY HAINSWORTH AND ROB GILLIES
Associated Press

HUMBOLDT, Saskatchewan — A hockey arena became the epicenter of grief for a small Canadian town Sunday as friends, relatives and those who housed members of a youth hockey team gathered to mourn 15 people killed when a semitrailer slammed into the team's bus.

Fourteen were also injured, some critically, in a collision that left the country, its national sport and the hockey-obsessed town of Humboldt, Saskatchewan, reeling.

The bus had 29 passengers, including the driver, when it crashed late Friday afternoon on Highway 35, police said. Among the dead are team head coach Darcy Haugan, team captain Logan Schatz and radio announcer Tyler Bieber.

Residents of this town of less than 6,000 people have been leaving flowers, team jerseys and personal tributes on the steps of the arena's entrance, forming a makeshift memorial. One tribute included a Kraft macaroni and cheese dinner box, which was a favorite meal of deceased forward Evan Thomas. A bouquet of pink roses adorned the box, which read: "to Evan, game day special, love your billet brother and sister Colten and Shelby."

While most of the players were from elsewhere in western Canada, they were put up by families in the small town of Humboldt. Billeting families are a large part of junior hockey, with players spending years with host families.

Dennis Locke, his wife and three young children came to the arena to hang posters of forward Jaxon Joseph, who was the son of former NHL player Chris Joseph. The Locke family



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The stairs of an arena in Humboldt, Saskatchewan, form a memorial Sunday as residents left flowers and tributes.

hosted Joseph and treated him like a son.

Team players Logan Hunter, Conner Lukan, Stephen Wack, Adam Herold and Xavier Labelle were also among the dead, according to family members and others. Assistant coach Mark Cross, bus driver Glen Doerksen and stats keeper Brody Hinz, who was 18, were also killed.

The names of all the dead and injured had not been released by police.

As the names of the dead emerge, "it's getting harder and harder," Humboldt Mayor Rob Muench said. "This is going to be a long haul for us."

Resident Norman Mattock said players become part of the community fabric, doing volunteer work or serving in restaurants. Three players who stayed with the same family all died in the crash, he added. "They lost them all," Mattock said.

Team members were close-knit and dyed their hair blond for the playoffs. The bus was driving the team to a playoff game Friday. Team President Kevin Garinger, who reported that one injured player had been released from the hospital, said the team will continue next year.

The pews were full Sunday at St. Augustine Roman

Catholic Church in Humboldt, where the Rev. Joseph Salish told parishioners that if they felt like crying, they should cry.

Between Masses, streams of people hugged each other.

"We're devastated," said hockey club Vice President Randolph MacLEAN. "At the center of this, we have 15 souls who'll never go home again. We have 29 lives that will never be the same."

MacLEAN said the community comes together at the arena on game nights that draw 800 to 1,000 people.

"It's an energy that spreads through the town with road signs saying 'Game tonight,' tickets for sale everywhere," he said.

Canadian police said the truck driver, who was not hurt, was initially detained but later released and provided with mental health assistance. Royal Canadian Mounted Police Assistant Commissioner Curtis Zablocki said it was too early to state a cause for the crash.

Photographs of the wreckage showed the twisted trailer with most of its wheels in the air and the bus on its side with a portion destroyed. The force of the crash sent both vehicles into the ditch at the northwest corner of the intersection.

3 Republican senators voice concern about Trump's EPA chief

BY SEAN SULLIVAN
The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Three Republican senators expressed concern Sunday about embattled Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Scott Pruitt amid growing scrutiny over his spending and management practices.

Sens. John Kennedy of Louisiana, Lindsey Graham of South Carolina and Susan Collins of Maine voiced worry in television talk-show interviews about



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Scott Pruitt is under scrutiny over ethics questions.

Pruitt's conduct.

Their comments came just hours after President Donald Trump defended Pruitt, writing on Twitter that he was doing "a great

job."

Sen. Mike Rounds, R-S.D., also defended the EPA head. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin declined to comment on Pruitt's situation but said he was certain that president had reviewed it.

The sharpest Republican criticism came from Kennedy, who said Pruitt ought to hold a "full-blown press conference" to address the criticism he has received.

"Stop leading with your chin," Kennedy said in an interview with CBS' "Face

the Nation." "Now these are unforced errors. They are stupid. There are a lot of problems we can't solve. But you can behave. I don't mean to denigrate Mr. Pruitt, but doggone it, he represents the president of the United States, and it is hurting his boss and it needs to stop."

Pruitt has come under the spotlight in recent weeks for decisions that have raised ethics questions. These include his \$50-a-night rental from a lobbyist last year, large

raises for two top advisers despite a lack of White House approval and a security detail that has required far more resources than his predecessors needed.

In an appearance on ABC's "This Week With George Stephanopoulos," Graham singled out reports about Pruitt's rental. "The bottom line — this doesn't look good," he said.

Collins, the only Republican senator to vote against confirming Pruitt, said on CNN's State of the Union: "This daily drip of accusa-

tions of excessive spending and ethical violations serve to further distract the agency from accomplishing its very important mission."

On Saturday night, Trump issued a tweet stating: "While Security spending was somewhat more than his predecessor, Scott Pruitt has received death threats because of his bold actions at EPA. Record clean Air & Water while saving USA Billions of Dollars. Rent was about market rate, travel expenses OK. Scott is doing a great job!"

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German van driver had run-ins with police, suicidal thoughts

MUENSTER, Germany — The 48-year-old German man who drove a van into a crowd in Muenster was well-known to police, had a history of run-ins with the law and had expressed suicidal thoughts to a neighbor last month, German prosecutors said Sunday.

The man, whose name was not released, killed two people and injured 20 others Saturday afternoon by crashing into those drinking outside a popular

bar in the western German city's Old Town. He then shot himself to death inside the van.

Police said Sunday that they believed he acted alone but did not explain why they thought that.

Police described the suspect as a Muenster resident who was apparently financially well off but was frequently at odds with authorities and in court often. Local media reported that he is an industrial designer.

Police: 'Vague indications' of attack at Berlin race; 6 detained

BERLIN — Six people were detained in connection with what police and prosecutors allege was a plan to carry out an attack on Berlin's half-marathon Sunday, German authorities said. A police spokesman later said that no athletes or spectators had been in danger.

"There were isolated indications that those arrested, aged between 18 and 21 years, were participating in the preparation

of a crime in connection with this event," prosecutors and police said.

The German daily Die Welt first reported that police foiled a plot to attack race spectators and participants with knives.

The main suspect allegedly knew Anis Amri, a Tunisian who killed 12 people and injured dozens more when he drove a truck into a Berlin crowd in December 2016, Die Welt reported.

Jimmy Kimmel tries to tone down feud with Sean Hannity

NEW YORK — ABC late-night comic Jimmy Kimmel is trying to de-escalate a feud with Fox News host Sean Hannity that began over a joke about first lady Melania Trump's accent.

Kimmel said in a Twitter post on Sunday that his exchanges with Hannity were fun but he didn't want to add to the "vitriol" of their spat, which included Hannity calling Kimmel a "sick, twisted,

creepy, perverted weirdo" during his Fox show on Friday.

Kimmel said he wanted to apologize "to those who took offense."

On ABC's "Jimmy Kimmel Live" on April 2, Kimmel mocked the accent of the first lady, who was born in Slovenia.

Hannity, a fervent supporter of the president, took exception, and he and Kimmel exchanged barbs through the week.



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Orthodox Easter: Greek Orthodox Archbishop Alexios leads a procession during an early Sunday worship service at the Church of St. Porphyrius in Gaza City, Gaza Strip. Orthodox Christians observe Easter a week later than Western churches.

4 hospitalized in Indianapolis attack by knife-wielding man

INDIANAPOLIS — A knife-wielding man injured three people in an attack in downtown Indianapolis after being told to stop playing a siren on a bullhorn, authorities said Sunday.

Four people, including the suspect, were hospitalized after the attack Saturday afternoon on the American Legion Mall. Two were in critical condition and two in serious condition, Indianapolis Fire Department Battalion Chief Rita Reith said.

Gary Madison, 57, of Indianapolis faces three preliminary charges of battery

by means of a deadly weapon, jail records showed.

Taylor George told The Indianapolis Star that she was with a group of family and friends when the man rode up on a bicycle, got off and began playing a siren on a bullhorn. George said she and a female friend asked him to stop. She said her friend has epilepsy and worried the noise would trigger a seizure.

George said no one in the group knew the man, but they had seen him downtown before and that he usually used the bullhorn to speak.

After being told to stop,

the man immediately pulled out a knife and tried to stab her and her friend, George said. George, who is pregnant, said the blade came within inches of her stomach. As the two dodged the man, George said, he threw his bike at them and other members in the group.

Four men in her group rushed the suspect. One was stabbed in the stomach and two in their arms, she said. The suspect stabbed himself in the abdomen accidentally, George said. Another member of the group held the suspect until police arrived, she said.

ICC: Israel, Hamas acts in Gaza may be war crimes

JERUSALEM — The chief prosecutor for the International Criminal Court raised concerns Sunday that Israel and Hamas may have committed war crimes during a current flare-up of violence in the Gaza Strip.

In a statement, Fatou Bensouda's office ex-

pressed "grave concern" over the shootings of Palestinians by Israeli troops during mass protests along Gaza's border with Israel.

Her office said that Israel's "violence against civilians — in a situation such as one prevailing in Gaza" may constitute war crimes. But in an apparent refer-

ence to Gaza's Hamas rulers, she also said "the use of civilian presence for the purpose of shielding military activities" could also be a war crime.

Palestinian health officials say at least 31 people have been killed by Israeli fire, including 25 people killed during protests.

Pakistan summons U.S. envoy over deadly crash

ISLAMABAD — Pakistan summoned the American ambassador to lodge a formal protest after a road crash involving a U.S. Embassy vehicle killed a Pakistani motorcyclist.

The Foreign Ministry said Ambassador David Hale was told Sunday that another man riding on the motorcycle was wounded in Saturday's accident. It said Hale expressed his sympathy and sadness over the loss of life and assured cooperation in the investigation.

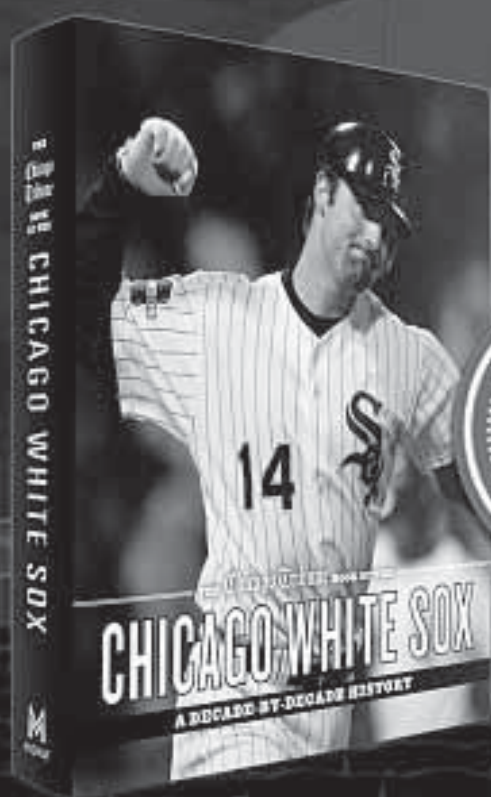
The Foreign Ministry said "justice will take its course" in accordance with local and international laws. The U.S. Embassy has said it is cooperating with the investigation.

Pakistani police briefly detained the diplomat who was driving the embassy car but did not arrest him as he has diplomatic immunity.

Pilots for the company that runs open-side helicopter flights like the one that crashed in March in New York's East River, killing five, had warned repeatedly of safety concerns including about harnesses, The New York Times reported Sunday. Five people drowned when they couldn't remove their harnesses.

Stormy Daniels renewed an effort Sunday to get President Donald Trump to answer questions under oath. An attorney for Daniels filed the motion in federal court. Michael Avenatti wants sworn testimony from Trump and personal lawyer Michael Cohen about a \$130,000 payment to Daniels days before the 2016 election.

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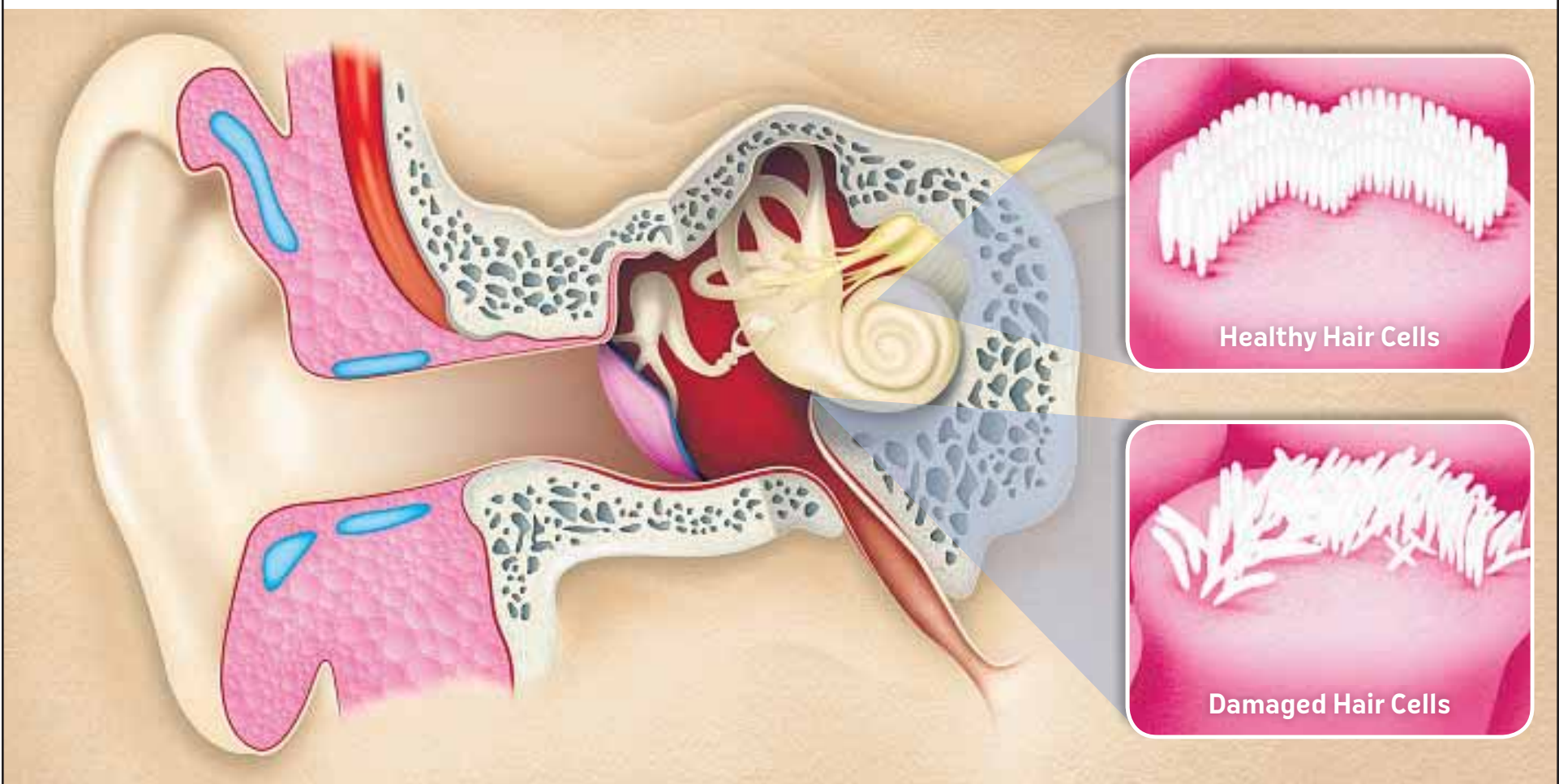
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EDITORIALS

Renewing Pilsen: When Chicago's history and future collide

Parts of Pilsen retain that exotic Pilsen feel. Along 18th Street, cash-only carnice-rias sell carnitas by the pound. Claustrophobic Mexican grocery stores cram fresh tortillas, jars of pickled cactus and canned serranos into aisles not much bigger than shoulder-width. Panaderias waft the aroma of Mexican sweet bread onto the sidewalk.

On Pilsen's east side, however, the creep of neighborhood change is obvious. The restaurants have names like Ca Phe Da Vietnamese Cafe, and Honky Tonk BBQ. You can get a no-chip pedicure at the Lacquer Room, or take a Zumba class at Vive Healthy.

In the lexicon of cities, it's hard to find a dirtier word than gentrification. It's been happening in Pilsen for years. Other neighborhoods face the same metamorphosis.

Humboldt Park, a largely Puerto Rican neighborhood fiercely proud of its character, faces gentrification brought on by the spiffy, 2-year-old 606 biking/walking greenway. On the South Side, longtime residents worry about being displaced by the Obama Presidential Center, planned for Jackson Park.

Pilsen is Chicago's ground zero for gentrification. The new east-side restaurants have been marked as intruders. Literally marked, as with graffiti in black letters on Dusek's Pub at 18th and Allport that said, "Get Out." Other newcomer restaurants have gotten similar treatment, despite the fact that they're hiring workers who live in Pilsen and showing a desire to integrate with the community.

Can neighborhoods evolve without losing their defining features, without



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Canton Regio, center, is among the new restaurants that anti-gentrification activists have targeted. New businesses can help a neighborhood evolve without harming its character.

triggering an exodus of locals whose roots in the community are multigenerational? That can be disruptive. But it's the vital history, and future, of a thriving Chicago. There is indeed room for balance between economic growth and preservation of neighborhood character and affordability. Incoming investment, if managed intelligently by the newcomers and pre-existing residents, doesn't have to mean the death knell of a neighborhood's identity. Instead, it can be that much-needed jump-start.

Long ago, money and developers began radiating westward in Pilsen, stoking higher rents and property values that lower-income Mexican families no longer can afford. But Pilsen became proactive in its own preservation: Residential developers building housing with eight or more units must set aside at least 21 percent of the units as affordable housing. That Pilsen standard is double the 10 percent set-aside that the city's affordable housing ordinance requires. And it allows many

families to stay put as new investment evolves their beloved neighborhood.

Anti-gentrification activists complain about Pilsen "tourists" — people who arrive from elsewhere, amble on the sidewalks and explore one of Chicago's most unique, vibrant neighborhoods. What's wrong with that? What's wrong with the money they spend at Don Pedro Carnitas & Carniceria picking up a couple of pounds of barbacoa, or spending a Saturday afternoon at the National Museum of Mexican Art on 19th Street? That's money and foot traffic coming into Pilsen, lifeblood for any neighborhood.

Gentrification inherently brings change, and change can be hard to accept. Ultimately, though, development usually means more jobs. It seeds commerce that begets still more jobs. Yes, property taxes and rents may rise, and the potential for displacement is real. But affordable housing set-asides, and ensuring that incoming employers fill vacancies with local residents, can prevent displacement, fear and resentment.

A neighborhood that refuses to grow invites disinvestment. Frustrated by flagging schools, lack of jobs and too much crime, families move out.

Pilsen can be the latest on a long list of neighborhoods to successfully leverage its past into a lively future. One cohort likely to embrace that future: millennials of all backgrounds who tend to move to parts of the city where jobs and a nightlife flourish. They arrive with a sense of appreciation and a yen for innovation.

The alternative: Building a figurative wall around Pilsen is a sure way to expedite the neighborhood's demise.

Will teen vaping craze invite a health crisis?

Who knew that in today's classroom, students in middle school or high school could sneak a hit of nicotine from something that looks like a flash drive, or a pen, or lipstick.

They can, and they do.

Nearly a quarter of high school seniors say they vape daily, and more than 1 in 10 eighth-graders say they've vaped in the past year, according to the 2017 Monitoring the Future survey conducted by the University of Michigan. "Vaping" is done with electronic cigarettes, or e-cigarettes, that heat nicotine-infused liquid into a vapor, which is then inhaled by the user. There's no smoke, just flavored vapor that can smell like strawberry, cotton candy or creme brulee.

Why so much adult hand-wringing about this adolescent craze? Vaping's sort of like smoking cigarettes, but without the lung-clogging, cancer-causing tar, right?

Not exactly. There's still a lot we don't know about the long-term health effects of vaping, one reason why parents and school officials should be more hands-on about reversing vaping's popularity among teens.

Along with nicotine, vaping liquids contain a mix of additives, including propylene glycol and glycerol. When heated, those chemicals can form carcinogenic compounds. Then there's the nicotine itself. A recent New York Times article



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These vaping products were confiscated this year from students at Naperville Central High School. Nearly a quarter of U.S. high school seniors say they vape daily.

about vaping among teens reported that school administrators increasingly see signs of nicotine addiction among students who vape. One student cited in the story asked her teacher for permission to stand in the back of the classroom and shake her foot when she felt the urge to vape.

"I'm afraid that we're going to be hook-

ing a new generation of kids on nicotine, with potentially unknown risks," Dr. Mark Rubenstein, a pediatrics professor at the University of California at San Francisco, told the reporter. "We just don't know what the risks of inhaling all these flavorings and dyes are, and what we do know is already pretty scary."

Especially worrisome: growing evidence that vaping among teens leads to smoking cigarettes.

America has made massive strides in turning the tide against smoking among teens. In the late 1990s, a quarter of high school seniors smoked, according to University of Michigan researchers. Today, that number's been whittled to 5 percent. Right now, teens who start to vape are, for the most part, not current or former cigarette smokers. But the 2016 Monitoring the Future study found that, a year after non-smoking high school seniors began vaping, they were four times as likely to have smoked a cigarette as someone who wasn't vaping.

The disturbing paradox: Among grown-ups, vaping is a means to break away from cigarettes. Among teens, vaping's becoming a gateway to tobacco smoking.

We shouldn't be surprised. Today's vaping by the 3-D printer is yesterday's smoking in the bathroom. But it's a problem that could steamroll into a full-blown health crisis if parents, schools and public health officials don't intervene. Vaping may prove to have, or not have, long-term health consequences. But we do know about nicotine and the harm it can do. That alone should be enough to make vaping among teens a trend that vanishes like a puff of creme brulee.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

Why are most infant boys in America circumcised? ...

In most cases, it serves no medical purpose whatever; like all surgical procedures, it involves risk; it's traumatizing and terrifying for the infant himself (just watch a few videos of this barbaric procedure performed on tiny babies, strapped spread-eagle to an operating table); and it is the permanent alteration of an individual's body without his consent. ...

Iceland is now contemplating banning the surgery altogether, The New York Times reports. This follows up on a slew of Scandinavian countries that have begun to outlaw what some Europeans rightly describe as the "violation of a child's physical integrity."

The supporters of the legislation make an underappreciated point: Infant circumcision clearly violates the Hippocratic oath — first, do no harm. If there is no medical reason for operating on a tiny, very delicate penis, wrapped tightly in foreskin, and if the operation can lead to irreparable physical and psychological damage if botched, it is medically unethical.

There remains the important question of religious freedom, which is why this is such a vexing issue. Even though the procedure is barbaric on its face, and a new religion claiming it was essential would be laughed out of court, Judaism and Islam should surely be grandfathered in.

But only Judaism and Islam.

The obvious compromise for a humane and civilized country is to forbid routine male genital mutilation of any infant boy for nonreligious or nonmedical reasons.

Andrew Sullivan, New York Magazine

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PERSPECTIVE



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Why good people won't run for public office

By DILARA SAYEED

Over the weeks since the March 20 Illinois primary, people have texted, emailed, Facebook messaged and stopped me on the street. They begin with “Thank you for running,” and after a brief conversation, usually wrap it up by saying, “I hope you run again. We need more good people in office.”

An entrepreneur, I am a former eighth-grade teacher. I also am an American Muslim woman of color who wears a hijab and advocates for all residents of Illinois. I never thought I would run for elected office, but we have to roll up our sleeves and commit to the hard work of getting Illinois back on track. This is why I tossed my scarf into the ring seeking to become the state representative of the 5th District of Illinois.

Why don't more good people run? When I ask colleagues and friends if they would run for political office, they most often reply, “H#&% no! I can't raise that kind of money, it's too ugly and nothing will change anyway.”

Elected officials manage billions of tax dollars and they make our laws — two excellent reasons why I think it's worth fighting for even a chance at change.

Although I didn't win my party's nomination, I have no regrets about my run. But experiences like mine, and those of many other candidates, provide some answers as to why more

good people don't run for office.

Money. During the campaign, I met dozens of candidates. At one point or another, every one of them shared his or her frustration regarding the amount of money needed to run a successful campaign. Political races fluctuate greatly in expense, but a typical U.S. congressional race can cost more than \$1 million, a state legislator race is around \$300,000 and local races can cost tens of thousands of dollars and up.

If we want more good people to run for office, we have to ensure that candidates are able to spend less time raising money and more time discussing the issues and listening to voters. Candidates who do not have “funder connections” or extensive financial assets should be able to apply for public matching funds. There also should be limits on overall campaign funding. Special interest groups are now able to funnel hundreds of thousands of dollars into campaigns with very little oversight.

Lack of honesty. In the last 12 days of my campaign, an opponent promoted a news article that falsely suggested I had paid money for positive news coverage; delivered campaign literature to voters' homes that called me a National Rifle Association candidate who wants assault weapons on our streets; and apparently was behind the robocalls accusing me of being a

Trump supporter (no offense if you are either of the above, but I am not).

In fact, one woman said to me at the polls, “Girl, I've gotten so many ugly cards about you this last week, you must be doing something right. They are scared you're gonna win.”

My entire professional career has been spent protecting families and teaching children, and I am strong enough to withstand bullying tactics — I have all my life. But voters who did not have time to review my website or whom I didn't meet while I was canvassing door to door are likely to have been easily fooled.

If we want more good people to run for office, we have to hold political candidates and officeholders to the same standards of slander and libel that everyone is held to. “Anything goes” cannot be the rule of thumb in politics. And, unfortunately, the ugly untruths will follow me.

Apathy. Voter turnout in America continues to slide downward. During primaries and nonpresidential elections, it can fall as low as 20 percent. And yet, voters across the nation say they want change.

Going into this election cycle, there were about 30 seats coming open in the Illinois legislature; 30 opportunities for fresh voices and new faces.

Most candidates who won in the primary, however, are establishment candidates, those supported by politicians in power. One race had seven

candidates with pretty clear differences in each of their professional backgrounds as well as their stances on education funding and gun violence. An exasperated contender told me that “the last (candidates) forum had less than 30 attendees. And our district has over 100,000 residents.”

If we want more good people to run for office, we have to get out and vote for them. In addition, voters have to be willing to do some homework before casting a ballot. They can start by reviewing candidates' websites for policies, reading endorsements from major newspapers or other unbiased sources, and watching or attending forums and debates. Nothing will change if voters do nothing before it comes time to vote.

To be sure, there are good people in elected office. But we need more. We have made running for office such a money-driven, toxic undertaking that few good people want to pursue it. Many of those in power won't change the rules because, well, the rules help keep them in power.

You and I, citizens of this country, must step up. And we must demand that our leaders do the same. We have to say more than, “We need more good people in office.” We have to make it possible for them to get there.

Dilara Sayeed came in second in a four-person Democratic race for state representative of the 5th District in the March 20 Illinois primary.

Should paying even a paltry ransom to hackers be a federal crime?

By MEGAN MCARDLE

Atlanta is under attack. Hackers seized control of many of the city's computers on March 22 and are demanding a ransom of \$51,000 in bitcoin to release them. Police officers are filing reports on paper, residents can't pay bills and the courts are frozen.

The irony is that the \$51,000 might represent the most cost-effective use of government IT dollars in history. Does that mean Atlanta should pay it?

It's an interesting game-theory question. The city of Atlanta has a nearly \$650 million annual budget. It is undoubtedly spending more every day trying to fix the problem than it would cost to simply pay the hackers to go away.

Indeed, that is the sinister genius of ransomware attacks: Ransom amounts are generally calibrated so that it makes more sense for the victim to pay than to say, “To hell with you, I'm restoring from backup, no matter how far back I have to go.” There's just one small problem: In the immortal words of Rudyard Kipling, “If once you have paid him the Dane-geld/ You never get rid of the Dane.”

That is not literally true in every case — hackers aren't the same as Kipling's Vikings. Perhaps if Atlanta paid, they would go away and never bother the city again.

But it has been true in enough cases that it's bad public policy to comply with ransom demands. Which is why the U.S. government has a policy that it will not pay ransoms or make other concessions to hostage-takers, even if it means frustrated kidnappers sometimes kill their hostages.

We get this instinctively. We have a revulsion to paying someone money not to harm us. Paying ransoms may seem like the rational thing to do in a given instance, but there's a meta-rationality to our social norms against doing so: If extortionists know people will indignantly refuse to pay a ransom — even at some cost to themselves — these sorts of attacks then rapidly become a bad investment of time and effort.

But what is the alternative? Twenty years ago, when I was a network administrator, a security expert I worked with solemnly explained why his job was so nerve-racking: “The hackers only need to find one way in. I need to find all of them, and close them before the bad guys get there.” Of course, better IT security can raise the cost of these kinds of attacks, so that they won't be worth undertaking for such a paltry ransom. But good security is quite expensive. It is especially difficult for governments to manage, in part because ponderous, fussy government-procurement rules make it hard to keep up with

the technology cycle, in part because civil service wages are rarely high enough to attract top-level technologists.

The federal policy about hostage-takers may point us in the right direction. Essentially we're dealing with a collective-action problem: Society would be better off if we could all agree that no one would pay ransoms to hackers, but individual victims are probably better off paying. How can we get everyone to make a credible commitment in advance that they won't pay?

Luckily, collective-action problems are what governments are for. The federal government could make it a federal crime to pay in ransomware attacks, punishable by a stiff fine (say, double the demanded ransom). This would align the self-interests of the victim with the social interest in thwarting people who demand ransoms.

The details would have to be carefully worked out, of course. For one thing, how do we know someone has paid a hacking ransom? In truth, we can't, and some will do it anyway. But making it a federal crime changes the calculus. In general, Americans are reluctant to break the law; some people will refuse to pay simply because it is forbidden. Others will worry they'll be caught if, say, a disgruntled employee calls a federal tip line. We don't

need to ensure that no victim pays; we just need to make the payoff sufficiently uncertain that it will no longer be worthwhile for attackers to invest their efforts.

Of course, generating the necessary political support for such a law will be tricky if it is seen as punishing victims. We would also need to pair this with some kind of insurance strategy, so that those who are attacked don't suffer excessively for taking a righteous stand against criminals. We will also need to figure out some way to incentivize state governments to comply, since constitutionally, they are protected from federal interference. But there are ways around this problem, for example, by taking away federal matching dollars instead of assessing a direct penalty.

Given the frequency of these attacks, this is something the federal government should be seriously considering. And given the obvious benefits to everyone, and the lack of a clear partisan angle, perhaps our deeply divided legislators could actually agree to do it.

The Washington Post

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PERSPECTIVE



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We still see our ex-foster daughters. Is part-time parenting enough?

BY GEORGENE SMITH GOODIN

It was a bittersweet moment. We were happy for Mom and the girls. But 16 months is a long time to spend with children, and the holes in our hearts were huge. The youngest had been just 9 days old when she came to our home; the middle one, not quite a year, and the oldest, 2½.

Foster parents have no legal rights to see the children they've nurtured once they return to their birth family. But in a twist we never imagined, nearly a year after reunification, Mom continues to allow us regular visits with the girls. It has been a blessing we are so grateful for, and a conundrum we never anticipated.

Pumping the brakes

When the girls reunified, a social worker pressed us to take new children immediately. We held back. We needed time to heal and we wanted to make sure reunification went well. We only had one bedroom for children, meaning that if reunification fell apart, the girls could not legally come back to us while we were fostering other kids.

Mom has her ups and downs trying to juggle everything, but our fear that the girls would end up back in foster care has eased. We told ourselves we'd wait until January, and then we'd consider fostering again. But January came and went, and we haven't jumped back in. The more access Mom gives us to the girls, the harder it is to know how to move forward.

Initially we saw the girls one day on the weekend, but that has grown to include the occasional sleepover. And holidays. And the occasional midweek

hangout.

Figuring it out

Over the past few months, Mom has begun reaching out for help when she has child-care issues. She seems to know she can count on us, and we want to be a safety net.

We don't know if Mom keeps us in the girls' lives out of her own need for assistance or a genuine appreciation of the bond we share; most likely, it's a complex combination of the two. We would love to talk with her about what she wants from us, what she sees our roles being, but there is a language barrier and our recent attempts to find a suitable translator for a meeting have been unsuccessful. The foster care system isn't set up to support the sort of ongoing relationship we have.

My husband and I became "fost-adopt" parents because we couldn't have biological children. Adoption was our long-term goal, and we knew we were entering a system where reaching that goal was not guaranteed. We knew we would come to love the children placed with us, and we knew that we could lose them. Still, we did it.

When we chose this route, we assumed that if our first placement reunified, we would take a new one and move on toward adoption. We never anticipated this complex middle ground.

When we talk about accepting new children, I wonder how the girls will react to knowing their room is no longer theirs. I realize how space constraints would complicate their ability to sleep over. Will the girls resent the new children, feeling their place has been usurped? And how would new children react to being forced to spend

half their weekend with the girls?

There are also time constraints to consider. New children mean new schedules that will make it harder for us to be on deck for Mom during emergencies. And we aren't getting any younger. Visits with the girls sometimes wear me out, so how exhausted will I be if more children are thrown into that mix?

This is like a bad divorce

At times I feel like a divorced parent wrestling with remarrying and having stepchildren. But if I take that analogy further, I'm a divorced parent without a custody agreement; a divorced parent without any legal recourse if Mom decides there is no longer a place for me in her children's world.

We toy with possible scenarios. What if we bring in just one child instead of siblings? What if we wait until the girls are all in school and a little more independent?

For years I've read about the pitfalls of women trying to have it all, the problems that arise from juggling a career and a family. And so I waited until I had the financial stability to give me flexibility. But I never imagined that I would have to decide if I could manage a part-time family and a full-time one.

Breaking it down

We ask ourselves what we meant when we said we wanted to have a family. Why did we want children? What does it mean to be a parent? These are questions that I think are impossible for anyone to answer completely honestly. And when we're being brutally frank, we realize there are benefits to doing this part time. If our

goal was to leave a mark on the next generation, aren't we doing that through our relationship with these three little girls? What is it that sometimes makes me feel less than whole because I don't have a family that's "mine"?

Until now, we've made every decision with the best interest of the girls in mind. Bringing new foster children into our home would be an attempt to fulfill our wishes for a family of our own and, while those new children would benefit, the selfishness inherent in that choice, and the effect it could have on the girls, makes it difficult to make that leap.

Making it work

So we continue searching for someone to help us talk to Mom, to help us understand who and what we are from her point of view. We tell ourselves we need a better understanding of whether she sees this continuing for the long run. We kick our decision about new kids further down the road, and sometimes it feels like we'll never reach a point where we actually decide. But then visit day comes and the girls clamor at the door as we approach their gate. They tumble down the stairs, calling our names and squealing with delight. There are high-fives and hugs and sometimes a little jump for joy. And when that happens, all feelings of being less than a permanent family vanish, and deferring this decision feels just fine.

The Washington Post

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How does a lifelong ban on voting by ex-felons serve government interest?



GEORGE WILL

The bumpy path of Desmond Meade's life meandered to its current interesting point. He is a graduate of Florida International University law school but cannot vote in his home state because his path went through prison: He committed nonviolent felonies concerning drugs and other matters during the 10 years when he was essentially homeless. And Florida is one of 11 states that effectively disqualify felons permanently.

Meade is one of 1.6 million disenfranchised Florida felons — more people than who voted in 22 states in 2016. He is one of the 20 percent of African-American Floridians disenfranchised. The state has a low threshold for felonious acts: Someone who gets into a bar fight, or steals property worth \$300 — approximately two pairs of Air Jordans — or even drives without a license for a third time can be disenfranchised for life. There is a cumbersome, protracted process whereby an individual, after waiting five to seven years (it depends on the felony), can begin a trek that can consume 10 years

and culminates with politicians and their appointees deciding who can vote.

Meade heads the Florida Rights Restoration Coalition, which gathered more than a million signatures to get the state Supreme Court to approve, and local supervisors of elections to verify, the ballot initiative that voters will decide on Nov. 6. Meade's basic argument on behalf of what he calls "returning citizens" like him is: "I challenge people to say that they never want to be forgiven for anything they've done."

People convicted of murder or felony sexual offense would not be eligible for enfranchisement.

Intelligent and informed people of goodwill can strenuously disagree about the wisdom of policies that have produced mass incarceration. What is, however, indisputable is that this phenomenon creates an enormous problem of facilitating the re-entry into society of released prisoners who were not improved by the experience of incarceration and who face discouraging impediments to employment and other facets of social normality. In 14 states and the District of Columbia, released felons automatically recover their civil rights.

Recidivism among Florida's released felons has been approximately 30 percent for the five years 2011-2015. Of the 1,952 people whose civil rights were restored, five committed new offenses, a recidivism

rate of 0.4 percent. This sample is skewed by self-selection — over-representation of those who had the financial resources and tenacity to navigate the complex restoration process that each year serves a few hundred of the 1.6 million. Still, the recidivism numbers are suggestive.

What compelling government interest is served by felon disenfranchisement? Enhanced public safety? How? Is it to fine-tune the quality of the electorate? This is not a legitimate government objective for elected officials to pursue. A felony conviction is an indelible stain: What intelligent purpose is served by reminding felons, who really do not require reminding, of their past, and by advertising it to their community? The rule of law requires punishments, but it is not served by punishments that never end and that perpetuate a social stigma and a sense of never fully re-entering the community.

Meade, like one-third of the 4.7 million current citizens nationwide who have re-entered society from prison but cannot vote, is an African-American. More than 1 in 13 African-Americans nationally are similarly disenfranchised, as are 1 in 5 of Florida's African-American adults. Because African-Americans overwhelmingly vote Democratic, ending the disenfranchisement of felons could become yet another debate swamped by partisanship, particularly in Florida, the largest

swing state, where close elections are common: Republican Gov. Rick Scott's margins of victory in 2010 and 2014 were 1.2 and 1.1 percent, respectively. And remember the 537 Florida votes that made George W. Bush president.

Last week, Scott's administration challenged a federal judge's order that the state adopt a rights-restoration procedure that is less arbitrary and dilatory. A Quinnipiac poll shows that 67 percent of Floridians favor and only 27 percent oppose enfranchisement of felons. These numbers might provoke Republicans, who control both houses of the legislature, to try to siphon away support for the restoration referendum by passing a law that somewhat mitigates the severity of the current policy. Such a law would be presented for the signature of the governor, who is trying to unseat three-term Democratic U.S. Sen. Bill Nelson.

Again, who is comfortable with elected politicians winning the electorate? When the voting results from around the nation are reported on the evening of Nov. 6, some actual winners might include 1.6 million Floridians who were not allowed to cast ballots.

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Faith activists gather in Chicago in March to show solidarity with people who are in the country without legal permission.

Timing of tweets reveals character

As a teacher, I have taught several young immigrants brought to the U.S. as young children. This is the language and culture they know. America is their home and most work hard to achieve the dreams they share with their neighbors.

Our president's harsh words about

them, in the wee hours of Easter morning, should let any Christians who voted for him know that he is not one of them.

Regardless of one's view on the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, and whether young people brought to this country by no

choice of their own should be allowed to stay, the timing of the president's tweets reveals his character.

President Donald Trump is a mean-spirited human being who uses children as bargaining chips and holidays for hate.

— Ross Freshwater, Milwaukee

Planting a seed

As a senior in Chicago Public Schools preparing for college, I wish to add my voice to those calling for more support for our public colleges and universities. Though this might seem self-serving, it is not, as any action will be far too late to support me. I speak on behalf of those who know that the best time to plant a tree is 20 years ago; the second best time is now.

Illinois needs to totally revise how we pay for education if we are to have a successful future as a state and as a source of contribution to the country. I have seen my teachers and parents contribute their own money for basic classroom supplies. But parents' fundraisers and teachers' philanthropy won't pay for colleges and universities. I see how my parents and those of my peers have to face brutal financial choices, even though, years ago, they may have planted a tree of funding. We need to move to a transparent, accountable and protected system of adequately funding public education, through the graduate level, for all Illinoisans.

This is an issue of survival for our country, and we who are entering voting age will not sit by and watch business as usual.

— Lev Serxner, Chicago



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Veterans deserve better care

I am going to wait to reserve judgment on President Donald Trump's new pick for the Department of Veterans Affairs. David Shulkin was not even a veteran. Let's hope White House Dr. Ronny Jackson can get something done for our veterans. Lord knows they have to wait so long for any kind of care. Allowing the veterans to choose their own doctors would be the best thing that could happen.

My brother (a Vietnam vet) recently spent a few days at the Edward Hines Jr. VA Hospital in Maywood due to severe pain in his back. Turns out he had two swollen discs and stenosis of the spine. He had to wait an entire month to receive a cortisone shot. Seriously? According to the doctors, there

was a backlog of other veterans waiting.

So the doctors gave him a month's worth of pain pills (opioids) until he was to receive his shot. A week or two before he was to get his shot he took himself off of the opioids, so he would know if the shot was going to work. He went through severe withdrawal. And we wonder why so many people are hooked on drugs.

I don't know why everyone is worried about Jackson just because he has no management experience. Lawmakers didn't even read the \$1.3 trillion spending bill they passed. Isn't that like the pot calling the kettle black?

— Matina Kantzavelos, Morton Grove

By popular demand

How do Chicago Public Schools and Mayor Rahm Emanuel determine which schools get new programs, such as the new STEM and international baccalaureate programs that were announced recently?

I would love to see one introduced at schools that have been asking for this type of program for a while, like Foreman High School in Belmont Cragin. STEM programs will prepare students for a good career in the digital world we currently live in. I believe we need more schools to offer practical programs like STEM and IB to benefit the students in Chicago neighborhoods like Belmont Cragin, Humboldt Park and Hermosa, but nobody has asked for my opinion on the matter.

CPS should make all of the data publicly available to the community and stakeholders. That way, when residents feel like they don't have a STEM program nearby, they can request one. CPS and the city should then make their final determination based on actual facts.

This part of the Northwest Side is an underprivileged area with limited resources where many families struggle financially. Having additional resources in the form of quality programming introduced to our community schools can help our students overcome their challenges and move on to successful future careers.

— Alfredo Calixto, Chicago

Taxes don't lead to trust

A "temporary" state income tax rate increase? Hasn't Illinois been down the "temporary" road before? J.B. Pritzker is trying to position his tax plan as some sort of favor to the citizens of Illinois. How about no state income tax?

In his quest for the Democratic gubernatorial nomination, Pritzker appeared oblivious to the financial toilet Illinois is in. Toyota/Mazda negated building in Illinois because of the financial instability here. Likewise Boeing, headquartered in Chicago, chose to build a manufacturing plant in South Carolina.

Pritzker proposes more taxes, yet he has demonstrated his ability to skirt them, as when he removed toilets from a mansion he owns, declaring it uninhabitable, to avoid paying higher property taxes. He has hidden assets offshore to avoid taxes.

Being a true Chicago politician, he too believes that the solution to each and every problem is yet more taxes. And he wants us to trust him?

— Joseph A. Murzanski, Palos Heights

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Short film about moon gazing reveals what's universal



LEONARD PITTS

Have you ever seen the moon?

You will likely answer that you have, many times. But a new short video by filmmakers Wylie Overstreet and Alex Gorosh may have you reconsidering whether you've ever actually seen it at all.

Their names will be unfamiliar to you. A check of the authoritative IMDb website turns up resumes thin to the point of translucence. Overstreet, for example, is listed as "Miscellaneous Crew" on "Taking Chance," a 2009 film starring Kevin Bacon. Gorosh has directed two short films, "The Electronic Afterlife" and "To Scale: The Solar System," neither of which generated Oscar buzz.

But their three-minute film, "A New View of the Moon," has people talking — and looking, having racked up over a quarter of a million views on YouTube alone. The premise is deceptively simple. The pair wandered around Los Angeles with a telescope, an odd-looking (to us nonscientific types, anyway) contraption vaguely resembling a snare drum that slides up from a round canister.

"What is that, bro?" a guy on a bike asks. "It's a telescope," says Overstreet. "Do



WYLIE OVERSTREET AND ALEX GOROSH PHOTO

"A New View of the Moon" captures the awe of people viewing the moon through a scope.

you want to check out the moon?"

The offer is made over and over to a cross section of passers-by in a cross section of places across greater L.A. And one by one, they put their eyes to the viewfinder and gaze upon what they've looked at a million times yet have never seen.

Interestingly, Overstreet and Gorosh show us very little of the actual moon. No, what holds your eyes and feels your soul is the way these different people in different neighborhoods all respond in precisely the same way — with gasps and shouts and whispers of naked wonder at the sudden nearness of lunar soil.

"I'm looking at the moon," says a young, cap-to-the-back white guy into his phone.

"Hold on real quick." Then he puts his eye to the viewfinder. "Oh, my God," he says.

"Oh. My. God," breathes a black man in a hoodie.

"Oh, my God," says a little kid, laughing.

"Oh, my God," says a guy with a mane of gray hair.

"Oh!" says a woman, as if startled. "Oh, my God."

There is something quietly profound in their awe, something that stirs you somewhere deep within like a light breeze moving among tall grass. If you are a person of faith, maybe you have that sense of settled and centered peace that comes from feeling the creator nigh.

But even if you are not, it will be hard to

escape a conviction that we spend too much time looking down and across. We look at our screens and bank balances, at our bills and test results — and we look at one another, too, at all the ways in which skin tone and hair texture, faith, sex, wealth, geography, education and age seem to make us unfathomably different.

Except that we're all just passengers on a rock sailing through an infinite sea. Consider that the greatest scientific achievement of our kind, the one we point to with pride as evidence of the inherent greatness of us, is that after millions of years, and at a steep investment of money and lives, we managed, one day 49 years ago, to fly over to the next rock. We looked around, gathered up some smaller rocks and came back home.

We are, in other words, small against the fabric of All That Is. So far as we've been able to determine, we're out here alone. So each other is all we have. But then, it should be all we need.

Overstreet's and Gorosh's little movie is a gentle reminder of this, a hymn to our common humanity. It is an invitation to put down the remote control once in a while. Put down the cellphone, put down the bills, stop yelling at one other.

And look up.

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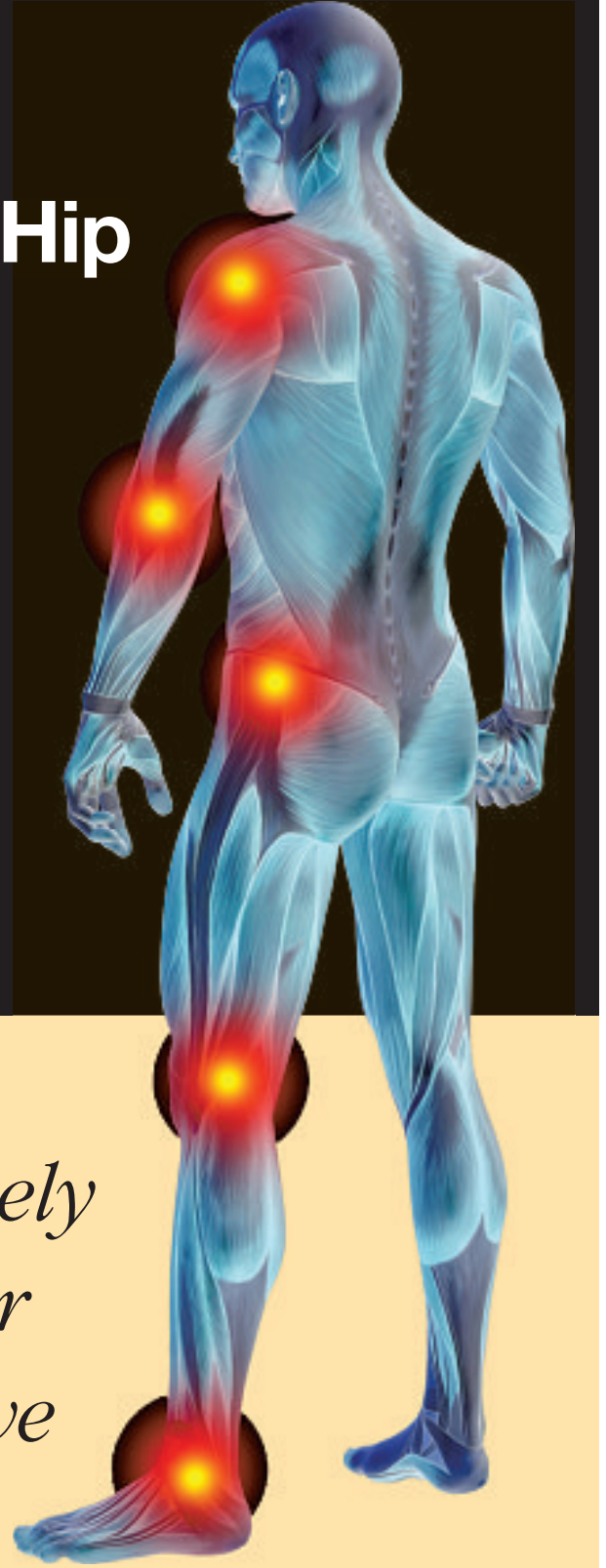
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How we have become a nation of plastic users

Ten years ago, the canary in the financial crisis coal mine died.

In March 2008, investment bank Bear Stearns ceased to exist as an independent company. With the help of the Federal Reserve, JPMorgan Chase agreed to buy Bear for \$2 a share, down from \$159 a year earlier.

It was the beginning of the end of a massive credit bubble that started in the housing market and was amplified with financial products that used even more borrowed money.

In light of the 10-year anniversary, I'm ditching the traditional tin or aluminum gift and will mark the solemn occasion by exploring some of the foundations that led to the financial crisis of 2008. Today, it's credit cards.

Americans were able to purchase "on credit" as early as the 19th century. Those arrangements were usually extended to good customers, who could be trusted to pay in a timely fashion. The earliest cards were available through individual stores, oil companies and hotels in the 1920s.

In 1950, Diners Club rolled out the first universal version, which could be used in a variety of places, and American Express followed suit. Both cards required that users pay their bills in full at the end of each month, so they tended to be used by wealthier people or businessmen.

Bank of America brought the idea of credit access to the masses by mailing 60,000 unsolicited BankAmericard credit cards to select California markets in 1958. Within a year and a half, the company had lost about \$20 million. It had assumed that delinquencies would run at 4 percent, but it actually was 22 percent, and because there were no applications required for borrowers, there was rampant fraud.

The government clamped down on the industry in the mid-1960s, and then in the '70s, the country was in a recession, inflation spiked and interest rates soared to as high as 20 percent. That was a problem for credit card issuers, because state usury laws capped interest rates at 10 to 12 percent.

The industry was rescued by a 1978 landmark Supreme Court decision that changed the credit card industry forever. Marquette National Bank of Minneapolis v. First of Omaha Service Corp. allowed nationally chartered banks to issue cards to customers anywhere in the country, as long as they charged interest rates determined by the laws in the bank's home state. Previously, state usury laws where a bank's customer lived provided the cap to interest rates.

The ruling cleared the way for states to change their top statutory rate levels allowable in order to induce businesses to move their credit card operations. South Dakota was among the trailblazers that hoped the elimination of usury laws would bring jobs to its recession-ravaged local economy.

It worked. In 1981, Citibank moved its card operations to Sioux Falls, S.D., with a promise to create 500 jobs, and other banks followed suit.

The credit card industry soon became profitable, and plastic was on its way to being ubiquitous.

According to the Federal Reserve, in 1970, 16 percent of U.S. families reported having a credit card. By 1983, that percentage soared to 43 percent and by 1989, it was at 56 percent. Today, it's about 80 percent.

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Office etiquette

Do a check to ensure you are not guilty of these annoyances

BY DIANE GOTTSMAN | **Inc.**

When it comes to annoying co-workers, everyone has been there. A survey of 2,000 Americans by Olivet Nazarene University found that 100 percent of respondents reported being irritated by co-workers on the job, which is not surprising because nobody's perfect.

The most common offenses were loudness and complaining (49 percent), gossiping and bullying (32 percent), bathroom and eating habits (12 percent), email and meeting habits (6 percent) and, finally, personal hygiene issues (1 percent).

Whether or not to speak up about said annoying behavior is also an issue, and 71 percent of employees admit that they have been confronted by a colleague about their own annoying behavior.

The offenses can be serious enough to drive employees out the door.

A study found that "1 in 8 people will leave an organization because of (incivility) and not report it," Christine Porath, an associate professor at the McDonough School of Business at Georgetown University and the author of "Mastering Civility: A Manifesto for the Workplace," told Entrepreneur. Porath collaborated on a survey that found 80 percent of participants who experienced impoliteness lost work time worrying about sarcastic replies, eye rolls, condescension and other rude behavior.

Fortunately, most offenses are minor and can be corrected easily. This is a great time to review some of the most common ways that colleagues aggravate each other and how to do an honest assessment of your own behavior.

Improvements to the working environment are always welcome, so if you recognize yourself in any of these typical office annoyances, correct yourself.

Noise makers

Sighing, throat clearing, humming, whistling, knuckle cracking, gum snapping, chewing loudly, typing furiously and finger tapping are mindless habits that can become overwhelmingly annoying over time. Think of those around

you, especially if you work in an open-office plan.

Loud talkers

Whether chatting with other co-workers or talking on the phone, you need to be cognizant of your noise level if you are in an open-concept office without the sound protection that a wall offers.

Keep in mind that your colleagues need silence now and then to focus on their work. If people around you put in their ear buds when you start speaking, that likely means you are being too loud.

Many people tend to talk more loudly when they're on the phone, so if you have a phone conversation scheduled, consider moving to a conference room or some other private space. Also taboo: using a speakerphone so you don't have to hold the phone. This is only acceptable behind closed doors where the sound will not bother anyone else.

Germ spreaders

If you are someone who doesn't wash your hands before cooking in the office kitchen or after visiting the restroom, you can be sure that people notice. They'll also be glaring at you as you stick your hand into the candy dish to fish out your favorite chocolate after coughing or sneezing.

And, if a cold, the flu or strep throat have struck, stay home. That's why sick days were invented.

Conversation monopolizers

Almost every office has at least one

person who is infatuated with the sound of his or her own voice and tends to dominate meetings and even casual chit-chat by the Keurig.

If you find that people don't say much when you talk to them, it may be because you are speaking without pause. Ask questions, practice listening and give other people a chance to talk. Show interest in something besides yourself.

Food offenders

There are so many ways your eating habits may be repulsing your co-workers. Be sure to clean up after yourself when using the office kitchen by taking care of any spills, microwave splatters, crumbs and dirty dishes when you're done.

Nothing is worse than sitting down to a greasy table with crumbs left behind by your co-workers. OK, leaving your food in the fridge until it becomes a science experiment is worse.

Also, if you dip into the communal candy dish and never contribute, you are a food offender.

Distracting details

If people can tell you are around the corner based on the overbearing scent of your cologne or the jangle of your jewelry, it's time to make a change. Go easy on the perfume or cologne, or, given the sensitivities many people have toward scent, avoid it altogether at work.

Wear clothing and jewelry that won't stand out in a negative way. The sounds from your comfortable flip-flops are not only annoying but also unprofessional.

Finally, it may behoove you to do your own investigation. Ask your co-workers what you do that needs improvement. Make the query light and upbeat. You may find you are doing something that can be easily changed.

I asked my associates and was told that I'm an office yeller. I don't use the intercom system as much as I should, and I tend to yell from my office to the next when I have a quick question. Point taken.

In my defense, I have a good attitude and occasionally bring in doughnuts.

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The gift of a home

How to decide whether to help your kids buy real estate



ANYA KAMENETZ

With the mortgage bubble now a decade in the rear-view mirror and lending standards tightened, real estate has returned to its historic place as a solid choice for building wealth.

However, the younger generation is encountering two major obstacles in the quest to become homeowners: too much debt and too little income. The average student loan burden for the class of 2016 was \$37,172. And because of changes in the job market, plus the lingering effects of the recession, millennials are earning about 20 percent less than boomers were at their age, after inflation.

Due to those factors, a 2015 poll from mortgage lender loanDepot LLC found that three out of four young adults needed their parents' financial help with a home purchase.

So, let's say your kids finally are ready to settle down. How can you decide whether to help them do it?

Don't spend more than you can afford to lose

This is the No. 1 rule when giving money to family. Jeff Holzmann, managing director of iintoo, a real estate investment platform, advises parents to be honest with their children and let them know if they can't afford to help out.

Borrowing against the cost of your own home, or worse, raiding your own retirement funds, is not advisable, he says. "How are you helping them by taking a greater risk than you can afford to lose? You're burdening them."

Have an exit strategy

Mobility is the name of the game in today's workforce. Your adult child may find a new opportunity in a different city in the next five to 10 years, so both of you need to wrap your head around possible exit strategies.

If the property is rented out, who will assume the management costs? If the rental opportunities are low in this location, what will you do? Will you sell if they vacate? And what happens to the proceeds? What if the property loses value?

Put everything in writing

It can be difficult to talk business with family. To avoid confusion, write down the details of what you are doing and who



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is responsible for what. Are you purchasing a property on your child's behalf? Making a loan or gifting money for a down payment? If the former, might the loan be forgiven and does the child have a path to owning the property?

Holzmann suggests that just as you want to protect your own assets, you want to protect your child if at all possible from getting in over his or her head.

"You want them to participate, but you want to control the outcome so it will be a learning experience, not a disaster," he says. "It's just like when they were learning to drive, and you might have given them the opportunity to dent the car, but not total it."

Consider the tax and mortgage implications

Down payment gifts are relatively common. However, they can affect someone's ability to qualify for a mortgage. It may be necessary to provide documentation that the money is, in fact, a no-strings-attached gift, and in some cases, the mortgage lender wants to see

the giver's bank statement to confirm that the he or she can afford it.

The givers also have to think about their own taxes. The gift tax exemption is \$30,000 in 2018 for a married couple filing jointly. It's also possible for parents to give that amount to a child and his or her spouse, for a total of \$60,000 tax free.

It's their home, not yours

This is less personal finance than psychology. It can lead to friction when parents assume jurisdiction over their adult children's home. I have had friends whose parents treated their apartment as a pied-à-terre, showing up for long visits, or weighed in on remodeling decisions — or, in one case, scrubbed down the bathroom with a toothbrush.

Decide in advance what the boundaries are going to be, and stick to it.

Anya Kamenetz' most recent book is "The Art of Screen Time: How Your Family Can Balance Digital Media and Real Life." She welcomes your questions at diyubook@gmail.com.



TERRY SAVAGE
The Savage Truth

Shareholders should demand more inclusion

It's proxy season. As America's public companies send out their annual reports and ask you to vote your shares in the way they recommend, you get a chance to voice your opinions. Individually, you might not have much of a voice in corporate governance, but collectively, shareholders can and do make a difference when they vote their proxies.

It's tempting to just review the pictures in the company annual report and perhaps read the letter to shareholders from the CEO. (Shares held inside mutual funds are voted by the fund management company).

The complex financial tables and footnotes can be overwhelming for the ordinary investor. But don't throw out the proxy card, on which you get to vote for some mundane items (re-hiring the company auditors) and make some important choices.

The biggest issue on 2018 proxies is diversity. Shareholders are increasingly letting companies know they expect more inclusion in corporate America. Having more diverse voices to guide business has been clearly demonstrated to improve business returns.

This year, the powerful New York State Common Fund (the state's pension fund with nearly \$210 billion in assets), has announced it will vote its proxy against the re-election of all directors at U.S. corporations that do not have at least one woman on the board.

The evidence

There is plenty of evidence that having a diverse representation in the boardroom and the executive conference room is good for business, profits and the strategic growth of a company.

I don't know of one company in America that sells to, employs or affects only middle-aged white males. How can you best serve your customer, grow revenues and profits, and be a good citizen in your community if you don't even see all those constituents around you during the decision-making process of governance?

A new study from McKinsey & Company found that companies with the most ethnic and cultural diversity in the boardroom were 43 percent more likely to experience higher profits. The 2020 Women on Boards Report shows that women have made great progress in recent years, but still hold only 20 percent of the board seats of Fortune 1000 companies. Minorities have less than 20 percent representation.

The action

Aside from voting your proxy, you can vote with your investment dollars. An interesting place to start is the Pax Ellevest Global Women's Leadership Fund, which invests in a proprietary index of global companies that are leaders in gender diversity. Company founder and chairwoman Sallie Krawcheck is a respected Wall Street leader.

This no-load fund invests only in companies that have at least two women on the corporate board.

In fact, their holdings average 35 percent women in board seats and 29 percent of executive management positions. They include companies like Gap, Inc., Accenture, Target and Kellogg, where women make up more than a third of board seats. The fund also advocates to place pay-equity resolutions on corporate proxies.

The fund demonstrates clearly that good governance is good investment. It outperformed the MSCI World Index for 2017.

In 2020, we will mark 100 years since women won the right to vote. Using the right to vote your investments, as well as your politics, makes financial sense. And that's the Savage Truth.

Terry Savage is a registered investment adviser and the author of four best-selling books, including "The Savage Truth on Money." She responds to questions on her blog at TerrySavage.com.

Get sentimental about saving

Tapping into nostalgic feelings can pay off, study finds

BY ANNE KATES SMITH

Kiplinger

Heirlooms can raise more than feelings of nostalgia. They also can boost your savings rate.

That's the finding of a recent study by Brad Klontz, a psychologist, certified financial planner and associate professor at Creighton University. The objective of the study was to find out whether tapping into emotional connections to nostalgic items could inspire people to save more.

Here's how it worked: In five cities — Atlanta, Austin, Boston, Dallas and Seattle — study leaders invited people to a seminar on savings. When participants arrived, they were sent to one of two rooms. The first group heard a standard presentation on financial literacy, which touched on the importance of saving, the power of compound interest and various saving strategies.

The second group was told to bring an item of sentimental value. People arrived with teddy bears, Grandpa's watch, wedding rings, photos of favorite family vacations and other mementos. In their room, they were given a tri-fold board and art supplies, magazines, scissors and glue.

"It looked like a kindergarten classroom at art time," Klontz said.



VINNSTOCK/DREAMSTIME

After being cued to visualize the memories connected with their items, participants used the art supplies to depict those memories on the first panel of their board. On the third panel, they wrote or depicted the emotions the memories elicited, expressing why the memories were so meaningful and the values underlying them. Concepts conjured up included happiness, family, home, safety, security and adventure.

On the middle panel, participants identified their top three savings goals, in words or pictures. They were told to be as specific as possible — not "retirement," for example, but "retirement home on the beach."

Three weeks later, Klontz found that both groups had increased their rate of saving, as a percentage of gross income. The financial literacy group boosted their savings by 22 percent; the emotional group by 67 percent.

The exercises the participants engaged in may have enabled them to more viscerally relate saving money to the family, life values and goals that mean the most to them, Klontz said.

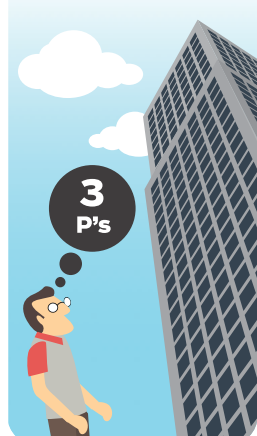
The experiment shows that one way to get around the primal human instinct that makes it hard to delay gratification for some future goal is to connect that goal with other primal, motivating emotions, Klontz said.

To try it at home, find something meaningful and ask yourself what feelings or values you associate with it. Chances are, they're also what underlie your savings goals. To tap those emotions, envision the future as specifically as possible. Tape a picture to your mirror or use an evocative image as your screen saver.

Set up automatic contributions to a savings or investment account while you're fired up, and name the account because you might be inspired to contribute to the Travel the World account.

Anne Kates Smith is executive editor at Kiplinger's Personal Finance magazine. Send your questions and comments to moneypower@kiplinger.com.

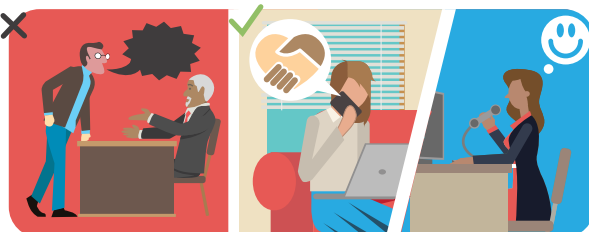
Complain, and win!



SOURCE: Kiplinger

Christopher Elliott, founder of elliott.org, helps consumers resolve disputes with businesses, free of charge. He offers some strategies for getting a satisfying resolution when dealing with a company. Follow the three P's:

The first is politeness. Take a deep breath, maybe wait 24 hours, and then contact the company. Avoid using emotionally charged language. If you say, "I'm a loyal customer, and it would make me really happy if you could address this one issue," it'll be much more effective than saying, "You destroyed my life, and my lawyer is preparing to file a lawsuit." If you treat people respectfully, you typically will get that in response.



The second is patience. You'll usually get a response that will ideally solve the problem within about a week. But if it's an issue that requires a lot of research — say, involving an insurance claim — it could take six to eight weeks or longer.



The third is persistence. Sometimes call centers are designed to make you go away. If you hit a brick wall, try to talk to someone higher up the food chain.

TECH & CULTURE



DREAMSTIME

Some firms hire experts known as “dietary interventionists” to help ensure employees are not overdoing it at the commissary.

Employers get serious about healthier food

By JAMES DALY | Tribune Interactive

Tech startups and giants such as Google and Facebook may provide employees with all the healthful coconut water and seaweed snacks they can handle, but if their employees are reaching past the good stuff and just scarfing down corn chips and Diet Coke at their desks all day, all is not well. Garbage in, garbage out — as the programmers say.

Studies show that 70 percent of Americans 20 and older are overweight; more than one-third (38 percent) are obese. In the late 1970s, just 15 percent of Americans had reached obesity. In a generation, the average amount of daily calories people consume has increased dramatically, and much of that added intake comes at work, a place where perpetual grazing and hours of sedentary activity are the norm. That has significant downsides for both personal and psychological health. A healthy meal can make anyone feel inspired and productive; a crummy one leads to fatigue and stress. Obesity is associated with increased absenteeism and reduced productivity while on the job, which some call presenteeism. Add it all up, and obesity results in \$1,429 higher annual health care costs for people who are obese, says the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

As a result, employers have a keen incentive to keep their staff healthy. That often begins with what they eat. In the past decade, free meals and beverages have become a standard perk at many companies to lure the best talent in highly competitive markets. Free meals offer a good return on investment. Consider an engineer at a tech company, who pulls down a salary of \$150,000. If you can get that code jockey to arrive early for breakfast, or eat lunch at her desk or stay past 6 p.m. for the goat curry, that's a couple of hours of extra work a day. Multiply that by thousands (or tens of thousands) of employees and that's a big productivity bump.

A growing number of companies including Microsoft, Google, Potomac Electric Power Co., Tyndall National Institute research lab and GEICO, are hiring experts known as “dietary inter-

ventionists” to help them ensure employees are not overdoing it at the commissary whether the food is free or not.

The cafes at Microsoft, for instance, offer an array of healthy dining options, as well as a “Real Easy Wellness” food labeling system to help employees spot which foods are the most nutritious. Similarly, Google stocks its cafes and kitchens with nutritious meals that are color-coded for easy identification. The search engine giant also provides smaller plates to help with portion control, as well as on-site cooking classes, so employees can prep healthy meals at home when they break free from the office. Other companies offer everything from individual dietary counseling to online nutrition tracking and meal planning services.

GEICO's dietary intervention project was particularly ambitious. Researchers with the nonprofit Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine teamed with the insurance

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giant to show that office workers can lose weight, lower blood pressure and reduce absenteeism if the company provides healthy low-fat vegetarian alternatives in the company cafeteria. They specifically targeted employees with a body mass index of 25 or above who had Type 2 diabetes.

“People generally want to be healthier, but sometime they don't know where to begin,” said Dr. Neal Barnard, a Washington, D.C., physician and principal investigator of the study. “If the employer supports those healthy goals, it's a real gift.”

In the first 22-week study, participants were offered a low-fat, plant-based diet that included vegetables, hummus, green salads and black bean chili.

They also got cooking demonstrations and educational sessions led by doctors and dietitians so they could change their cooking habits at home. Participants lost an average of about 11 pounds — two lost more than 40 pounds each — and missed fewer hours at work.

In a second 18-week experiment, nearly 300 GEICO employees from 10 regional offices throughout the country moved to a diet high in vegetables, fruits, fiber, legumes and whole grains. They, too, attended weekly support meetings, took classes in healthy cooking, and even toured the grocery store to understand how to find the good stuff.

Participants lost an average of 10 pounds, lowered their LDL or “bad” cholesterol by 13 points, and improved blood sugar control. Participants claimed improvements in productivity as well as a decrease in anxiety, depression and fatigue.

There has been some skepticism in the medical community about the long-term benefits and cost-savings of broad-based employee wellness programs for weight loss, nutrition, mental health and anti-smoking. The National Bureau of Economic Research recently reported on a year-long wellness program at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, which included nearly 5,000 self-selected participants. The researchers didn't find significant causal effects of treatment on total medical expenditures, healthy behavior or employee productivity in the first year. What the agency found was that the self-selected group was already in better shape before the study began and spent \$1,574 less per year than non-participants on medical expenditures.

Barnard remains enthusiastic about these programs. “If employers are wondering ‘Will this work here?’, the answer is yes,” he said.

“When you lose weight, you have a sense of power and accomplishment,” he noted. “You can improve your life as well as the health of the company.”

James Daly is a veteran tech journalist and media entrepreneur. He has written for Wired, Forbes, Rolling Stone, TED, the San Francisco Chronicle and the Los Angeles Times.

THE QUICK FEED

Spot on?

Music streaming giant Spotify went public on the New York Stock Exchange on April 3. Set aside for a moment the long-term bearish case that a 12-year-old company that has never turned a profit and lost \$461 million last year will ever make significant money. Those still interested in getting a piece of the action may want to at least tread slowly. Spotify conducted its IPO as a direct listing, saving itself millions of dollars in fees to investment bankers typically hired to set and stabilize the stock price. But its listing also allows employees and early investors to sell their shares right away. That could keep the stock price gyrating for some time.

SPOTIFY'S TOP HITS

All-time most streamed songs

Shape of You
Ed Sheeran

1.69 billion streams

One Dance
Drake

1.45 billion

Closer
The Chainsmokers

1.25 billion

Lean On
Major Lazer/DJ Snake

1.10 billion

Thinking Out Loud
Ed Sheeran

1.07 billion

Sorry
Justin Bieber

1.05 billion

Despacito
Luis Fonsi/Daddy Yankee

1.04 billion

Love Yourself
Justin Bieber

1.03 billion

Don't Let Me Down
The Chainsmokers

1.00 billion

I Took a Pill in Ibiza
Mike Posner

986 million

Graphic: TNS

Tooth teller

Doctors are always after more data to better tailor care and diagnose problems quicker and more accurately. A team at Tufts University engineering school has developed a novel way to gather data continuously: the tooth sensor — a 2-millimeter square patch that sticks to your front tooth and can transmit information to a smartphone on things such as glucose, salt and alcohol intake.

And you can't get your inkjet to work

A Dutch startup is about to unveil the world's first complete 3-D-printed steel bridge, and it looks like something that broke off an alien spaceship. Thousands of people will be able to walk on the span when it's installed over a canal later this year in Amsterdam's De Wallen red light district. The startup, MX3D, invented a pair of robots that print out steel layers, bit by bit, to create the bridge in midair.

— Tribune Interactive

5 GADGETS YOU SHOULD PACK IN YOUR CARRY-ON

By BRADY MACDONALD | Tribune Interactive

Traveling brings challenges both maddening and mundane: fees for overweight suitcases, tight fits in overhead bins, lost luggage and ever-shifting security policies. Fortunately, gadget makers have your back, inventing all kinds of new devices that may bail you out on a trip and still fit in a carry-on suitcase.

LUGGAGE SCALE \$24.95

It's no fun having to unpack your overweight luggage at the check-in counter so you can avoid additional fees.

The Balanza Mini compact hand-held scale lets you weigh your luggage before you get to the airport.

Attach the USB-powered scale to your suitcase and lift the ergonomic handle. After a few seconds, the back-lit screen displays the weight in pounds or kilograms. The handy scale is about the size of a harmonica, weighs only a few ounces, and stows easily.

Travel & Leisure named the Balanza Mini one of its Ultimate Travel Essentials picks, rating that the little luggage scale is “so functional you can use it on autopilot.”

DOOR ALARM \$11.99

Sometimes you need a little extra peace of mind when you're traveling to an unfamiliar place.

The Lewis N. Clark travel alarm is a reusable sensor that attaches to a door or window in seconds.

To set it up, just slide the motion-sensor blades into the crack between the door and the doorframe, loop the cord around the doorknob and set the alarm. When triggered, the set produces a high-pitched sound and flashing LED light that alerts you and, hopefully, deters intruders.

The alarm runs on two lithium button cell batteries and doubles as an LED flashlight. The pocket-sized device weighs only a couple ounces. The Points Guy calls the Lewis N. Clark travel door alarm a “great little accessory.”



VAGO

COMPRESSOR \$69.99

Winter weather isn't quite over yet, which means trying to find space in your suitcase for bulky items such as sweaters. It's easy to use a vacuum cleaner with compression bags at home. But what do you do once you get to your destination and unpack?

The Vago vacuum compressor (above) solves the problem with a spice jar-sized device that CNET says “makes it easy to vacuum pack your luggage.” The process is simple. Put your bulky clothes inside the compression bag, attach the micro USB-charged compressor and press a button. In less than five minutes, your clothes will shrink to half their previous size. A pressure sensor automatically turns off the compressor once all the excess air is removed.

One con: The Vago comes with only one bag, and additional bags aren't cheap at \$18.99 to \$20.99.



SILVIA TRENTA

SMART WRITING SET \$199.99

Sometimes nothing beats the feeling of putting pen to paper — even if you want the results to end up in digital form eventually. The Moleskine smart-writing set (above) lets you take notes and draw pictures as your work syncs in real time to a smartphone or tablet.

PC Magazine named the Moleskine smart notebook its Editors' Choice for digital note-taking devices.

A dotted grid on the technology-embedded pages pairs the notebook with an infrared camera-enabled smart pen. The companion app lets you adjust stroke thickness or change the ink color on the fly. The micro USB-powered pen's onboard memory can store up to 1,000 pages if you happen to be away from your phone or tablet.

The one knock: It's expensive.



TILE MATE

BLUETOOTH TRACKER \$19.99

It's easy to misplace things when you're traveling. Fortunately, there's a small solution to this big problem: Attach one of Tile's smaller Tile Mate trackers (above) to anything you want to find if it should ever get lost: Your keys, wallet, suitcase or a wandering child.

The Tile Mate uses Bluetooth wireless to connect with an app on your phone. If it's within range (100 to 200 feet, depending on the model), you can push a button on the app to make the Tile sound a ringing noise. Lost your phone? The Tile Mate can find that, too. Press the button in the middle of the tiny square fob twice, and your phone will ring, even in silent mode. The Tile Mate can even track possessions outside of your Bluetooth range. The Points Guy calls the Tile Mate the “best little travel companion.”

OBITUARIES

WILLIAM B. DWYER 1922-2018

Cardiology pioneer at Elmhurst Hospital

By **BOB GOLDSBOROUGH**
Chicago Tribune

William B. Dwyer was a longtime physician at Elmhurst Hospital who specialized in internal medicine and cardiology and served as the hospital's chief of staff on several occasions.

"He was an all-around great guy and a well-respected physician who was one of the early specialists in internal medicine and cardiology at Elmhurst Hospital," said retired Elmhurst Hospital CEO Leo Fronza. "It was just fun to be around Bill."

Dwyer, 96, died of a heart attack Feb. 23 at his home, said his son, retired DuPage County Circuit Judge Mark Dwyer. He had been an Elmhurst resident since 1955.

Born in Chicago's Island neighborhood in the Austin community area, Dwyer graduated from St. Ignace High School, where he participated in football, basketball and track.

He attended John Carroll University in Ohio on a football scholarship, earning a bachelor's degree in three years.

After college, Dwyer joined the Army and began training to become a field technician. The Army sent Dwyer to medical school, and he earned a medical degree from the University of Illinois. He interned at Cook County Hospital before being called back to the Army and serving 2½ years in a hospital at Fort Campbell in Kentucky.

After leaving the Army, Dwyer underwent further specialization training at Cook County Hospital. From 1950 to 1952 he was a medical resident at Hines



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William B. Dwyer "did just about everything" at the hospital, a colleague said.

VA Hospital, and from 1952 to 1953 he was an attending physician at Hines, focused on pulmonary diseases.

In 1953, Dwyer joined the staff of Elmhurst Hospital. One of his primary initiatives was starting a department to perform electrocardiograms, or EKGs, his son said.

"When he first got there, he didn't have the equipment to read EKGs," Mark Dwyer said. "They put them on the Chicago & Northwestern (Railroad) and sent them downtown, and they'd be read at Michael Reese (Hospital) or (Rush) Presbyterian St. Luke's (Hospital). He bought the equipment and set it up and did it for 30 years."

Dwyer earned a reputation at the hospital for being a problem-solver, his son said.

"He was always trying to help people," Mark Dwyer said.

Ronald Cheff, an internal medicine physician who has been on staff at Elmhurst Hospital since 1974, said Dwyer "already was kind of a legend" at Elmhurst by that time.

"In those days there were

very few subspecialists, and Bill was one of the few who took an interest and had a large ability in the field of cardiology, so he was one of the original cardiology consultants before cardiologists actually came on staff, which was probably the early 1980s," Cheff said. "And he did a terrific job managing some very complicated patients. He was a thoughtful decision-maker."

In addition to serving as a physician, Dwyer was chairman of the department of medicine, the head of the medical staff and even served on Elmhurst Hospital's board of trustees.

"He did just about everything you could do at a private hospital," Cheff said. "And he practiced the kind of medicine that is very rare today, in that it was personalized, individualized care, practiced with a deep sense of humanity and a deep sense of ethics."

Fronza recalled going on fishing trips with Dwyer in northern Minnesota.

"He was a great fisherman and a great person," Fronza said.

After retiring from Elmhurst Hospital in 1988, Dwyer spent time relaxing in Florida, reading, golfing and volunteering in his church's parish, his son said.

Dwyer's wife of almost 59 years, Dorothy Ann, died in 2006. In addition to his son, Dwyer is survived by five daughters, Mary Anne Paskvan, Betsy, Joan Therese Aspan, Dorothy Ann and Virginia Dwyer-Aoyama; 19 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. Services were held.

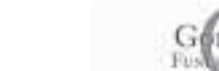
Bob Goldsborough is a freelance reporter.

Chicago Tribune Death Notices
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Death Notices

Altshuler, Susanne

Susanne Altshuler, nee Glassoff, age 89, beloved wife for 62 years of the late Samuel Altshuler; loving mother of Diane (Gary) Hermanek; Dr. Barry (Claudia) Altshuler, and Sandra (George Knapp) Altshuler, Ph.D.; adored grandma of Julie (Andrew Morris) Shanahan, Lisa Shanahan, Joseph (Mari) Altshuler, Hannah (fiancé Matt Goldberg) Altshuler, Benjamin, Sarah and Joshua Altshuler, Rena and Pavel Knapp; proud great grandmother of Rafi Altshuler; cherished sister of the late Beverly (late Mannie) Kaskel; dear sister-in-law of Dorothy and Judy Altshuler; treasured aunt and friend to many. Service Tuesday, 1:30 p.m. at The Chapel, 8851 Skokie Blvd., Skokie (at Niles Center Rd.). Interment Westlawn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions to the charity of your choice. Info: The Goldman Funeral Group, www.goldmanfuneralgroup.com (847) 478-1600.



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Bauer, Ruth Mary

On April 6, 2018, Ruth Mary Bauer (nee Krystinak) peacefully passed from natural causes into God's hands at the age of 89. She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 28 years, Frank Bauer, in 1978. She was the youngest of 7 children born to Polish immigrant parents, Mary and John Krystinak, in Chicago, Illinois where she was raised. She graduated from Farrugut High School in Chicago, working for several years before becoming a wife and mother to her 3 daughters; Linda Bauer of Fort Wayne, IN, Susan Rivery (nee Bauer) of Orrum, NC, and Cynthia Bauer of Clarendon Hills, IL. She will also be greatly missed and is survived by granddaughter, Kaleena Rivery, and great-grandson, Nathanael Rivery, of Orlando, FL. Life long friends, Blanche Rozner and Elizabeth Kany, will feel her absence in their lives as well. A private ceremony is being conducted by immediate family.

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Bloom, Augusta 'Gus'

Augusta G. Bloom, nee Gudas, 98 and half years young, residing in Evanston for some 25 years, and before that a longtime resident of Chicago's Hyde Park neighborhood, died on February 27. Her given name was Augusta, probably because she was born in August (1919), but most people knew her as Gus. She was affectionately called Gustie by one particularly fortunate person: her late husband, Charles G. Bloom. Two extremely lucky individuals called her Mom: daughter, Elizabeth Albert of Highland Park and son, Jonathan Bloom of Evanston. And two others had the good fortune to call her Nannie: granddaughter, Sarah Levine of Delray Beach, and grandson, Alex Levine of Los Angeles. There were other lucky people: Gus was the favorite mother-in-law of Dan Albert and Socorro Mucino Bloom (and, at one point, of Jake Levine). And she was a spectacular "bonus" grandmother to her kids' step-kids: Candice and Kevin Johnson, and Josh and YD (Marla) Albert, and a great "bonus" great-grandmother to Samuel, Parker, Michael, and Jonah Albert.

In addition to her late husband, Chuck, from whom she was widowed in 1987, Gus was predeceased by two brothers, Fabian Gudas of Baton Rouge, and Gordon "Hank" Gudas of Wheaton. Her parents, Frank and Ursula Gudas died long ago. Gus was witty and quick-witted, creative and generous. To know her was to love her. She was beloved by her "Boston cousins," Reggie, Lenore, and the late Sister Eugenia, her former colleagues at Kennedy-King College and the EPA (Chicago regional office), and by her fellow volunteers at the Evanston Public Library, The Saints, and Music Theater Works. Her last four years she was a beloved member of The Merion retirement community and her last two months, she was lovingly cared for at Symphony of Evanston. A memorial service is planned for her on Saturday, April 14, 1 to 4 pm, Woman's Club of Evanston, 1702 Chicago Ave, Evanston. In lieu of flowers, a charitable donation can be made to Circle Pines Center, Attn: Scholarship Fund, 8650 Mullen Rd, Delton, Michigan, 49046.

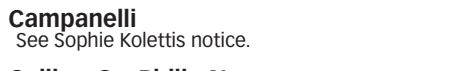
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Bulger, Harry P.
Harry P. "Chip" Bulger, Age 83, Born into Eternal Life on April 8, 2018. Beloved husband of Patricia for 59 years. Loving father of Peg (Walt) Kalisz and Cathy Bulger. Proud grandfather of Bridget (Jim) Palmich, Kevin, Erin (Fiancé Tommy Meyers), and Sean Kalisz. Dear great-grandfather of Mia and Brendan Palmich. Devoted brother of the late John Bulger, C.P.D. Harry was a proud Alumnus of St. Rita H.S. (1951). Family and friends will meet at St. Rita of Cascia Shrine Chapel, 7740 S. Western Ave., Chicago, IL 60620 on Wednesday for visitation at 12:00 Noon prior to Mass of Christian Burial at 12:30pm. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Memorials to St. Rita H.S. are most appreciated. Funeral Info: **Heeney-Laughlin Funeral Directors** 708-636-5500 or heeneyfh.com

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See Sophie Kolettis notice.

Collins, Sr., Philip N.
Philip N. Collins, Sr., age 86. Passed away peacefully April 6, 2018. Beloved husband of the late Louise nee Inman. Loving father of Philip Jr., Linda, Patricia, Terrence, Susan Collins King, John and Robert. Grandfather of Tony, Caitlin, Lionel and Winston. Uncle to Sean, Erin Roberts. Great uncle to many. Dear brother of the late Thomas R. Collins, Jeffery (Sharon) Jamito. Loving friend of Ben Jimms, Dominik and Tony Dugandzic, Robynn Upton and many more. Memorial Visitation Tuesday, April 10th, from 3 to 8pm with prayers & remembrances at 6:30pm, at the John E. Maloney Funeral Home 1359 W. Devon Avenue., Chicago. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be sent to Tree House Humane Society 7225 N. Western Ave., Chicago, IL 60645 would be appreciated. for information (773)764-1617.



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Labahn, Marianne
It is with great sadness that the family of Marianne Labahn announce her passing, on Saturday April, 7th 2018, at the age of 59 years. Marianne will be lovingly remembered by her late parents Marvin and Delphine Labahn Jr. (nee Szymborski), sister Sharon (Jack) Tobias and her late brothers Michael and Mark Labahn. She was a devoted aunt of Nikole (Tom) Zeiger and Alexis (Ross) Murawski and cherished great-aunt of Tyler, Brielle and Brianna. Marianne will also be forever remembered by her numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. Visitation will be held on Wednesday April 11th from 3pm-8pm and Thursday 11am until time of Prayers at 11:30am at the Meadows Funeral Home, 3615 Kirchoff Road, Rolling Meadows. Funeral Mass will be at 12 noon at St. Colette Church, 3900 Meadow Drive, Rolling Meadows. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to American Diabetes Association www.diabetes.org. Info (847)253-0224 or www.Meadowsfh.com

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Fior, Jennifer R.

Jennifer R. Fior, nee Handley. Beloved mother of Alexandra (Ryley) Murphy and Michael Fior. Devoted grandmother of Bryson, Hazel and Emmett Murphy. Loving daughter of Sharon Kirk, nee Pepp and the late Robert Handley. Dearest #1 granddaughter of Charles and the late Ruth Pepp. Dearest sister of Lisa (Edward) Nugent, Meghan Connon, Brittany (Andrew) Stegenga, Maureen Connon, Kevin (Judith) Connon, Matthew Connon and Sarah Connon. Loving girlfriend of Richard DiMaso. Fond niece and cousin to many. Visitation Wednesday 2:00 pm until time of service 6:00 pm at **Malec & Sons Funeral Home**, 6000 N. Milwaukee Ave. Interment private. (773) 774-4100. MalecandSonsFH.com



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Gerson, Alvin

Alvin Gerson, 91, former longtime resident of Malverne, New York, beloved husband of Roselyn, nee Levine, for 70 wonderful years; loving father of Robin Gerson Wong (Denis Wong), Ira (Gayle) Gerson and Roy (Corrine) Gerson; cherished grandpa of Katerina Wong (Dennis Zollo, fiancé), Andrew Wong, Ilyse (Brian) Cody, Sarah Gerson (Ross Vanderwert), Shayna (Brian) Adelman and the late Pamela "Pammy" Gerson; adored great grandpa "Papa Red Hat" of Nathaniel and Finn Cody; treasured brother, uncle, cousin and friend of many. Chapel service Tuesday 10 AM at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society in honor of Pamela "Pammy" Gerson. For information and condolences, 847.255.3520 or shalom2.com



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Golub, Shirlee

Shirlee Golub nee Caplan, 87, beloved wife of the late Alvin, for 58 wonderful years; dearest mother of the late Neal and the late Ellen; loving grandmother of Alexandra "Alix" Golub; cherished sister of the late Maynard "Mickey" Golub. Chapel service Tuesday 12:15 PM at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Chicago-North Shore Hadassah, 60 Revere Drive, Suite 800, Northbrook, IL 60062. For information and to leave condolences (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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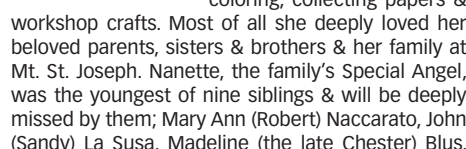
Kolettis, Sophie

Sophie Kolettis, 93, passed away April 1, 2018. Beloved wife of the late George Kolettis. Loving mother of William (Pat), James (Patt), and Venus (John) Campanelli. Devoted grandmother of Diana Kolettis, Niko (Kelly) Kolettis, John and Sophia Campanelli. Fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by her brothers Diog (Virginia and Poly) Galanos, James (Goldie) Galanos, Nick (Ann) Galanos. Visitation Tuesday, April 10th, 10:00 A.M. until Funeral Services at 11:00 A.M. at St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church, 733 S. Ashland Ave, Chicago, IL 60607. Interment Elmwood Cemetery. Please omit flowers. Funeral information call 847-255-7800 or www.friedrichsfh.com

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La Susa, Nanette Lynn

It is with great sadness that the family of Nanette Lynn La Susa announces her passing on April 3, 2018, at age 62 years. Nanette was a resident of Mt. St. Joseph, Lake Zurich, IL. She was born on May 18, 1955 to her parents Salvatore & Virginia (nee Bonadonna) La Susa. Nanette loved music, writing song titles & lyrics, coloring, collecting papers & workshop crafts. Most of all she deeply loved her beloved parents, sisters & brothers & her family at Mt. St. Joseph. Nanette, the family's Special Angel, was the youngest of nine siblings & will be deeply missed by them; Mary Ann (Robert) Naccarato, John (Sandy) La Susa, Madeline (the late Chester) Blus, Salvatore La Susa, Jr., Virginia (Fred) Manno, Vincent (LuAnn) La Susa, Elizabeth (the late James), (Thomas Simpson) Pappas, Lucia (Constantine "Gus") Pappas, & by many loving nieces & nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents & her precious little nephew, Gussie Pappas. Visitation will be held on Wed., April 11, 2018 from 10 AM until the time of Mass at 10:30 AM at Mt. St. Joseph, 24955 N. US Hwy. 12, Lake Zurich, IL. Entombment to follow at Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Crucifixion Garden Mausoleum, 1400 S. Wolf Road, Hillside, IL. The La Susa family extends heartfelt gratitude & appreciation to the Sisters, Nurses & Staff at Mt. St. Joseph, for the endless loving care and attention given to Nanette. Memorial donations can be made to Mt. St. Joseph in her name. For online condolences please visit, www.davenportfamily.com, **Davenport Family Funeral Home**, Lake Zurich, 847-550-4221.



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In 1682 French explorer Rene-Robert Cavelier de La Salle reached the Mississippi River.

In 1833 the first tax-supported public library was founded, in Peterborough, N.H.

In 1865 Confederate Gen. Robert E. Lee surrendered his army to Union Gen. Ulysses S. Grant at Appomattox Court House in Virginia.

In 1866 Congress passed the Civil Rights Act of 1866 over the veto of President Andrew Johnson. It gave blacks citizenship and was the basis for the 14th Amendment.

In 1898 singer, actor and civil-rights activist Paul Robeson was born in Princeton, N.J.

In 1939 about 75,000 people gathered at the Lincoln Memorial in Washington on an Easter Sunday to hear Marian Anderson sing after the great contralto was denied the use of Constitution Hall by the Daughters of the American Revolution.

In 1940, during World War II, Germany invaded Denmark and Norway.

In 1942 American and Philippine defenders on Bataan capitulated to Japa-

nese forces; the surrender was followed by the Bataan Death March, which claimed nearly 10,000 lives.

In 1947 tornadoes in Texas, Oklahoma and Kansas claimed 169 lives.

In 1959 NASA announced America's first seven astronauts: Scott Carpenter, Gordon Cooper, John Glenn, Gus Grissom, Wally Schirra, Alan Shepard and Donald Slayton.

In 1963 British statesman Winston Churchill was made an honorary U.S. citizen.

In 1983 the space shuttle Challenger ended its first mission, landing at Edwards Air Force Base in California.

In 1992 deposed Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega was convicted on eight counts of drug trafficking and racketeering by a Miami jury. He was sentenced to 40 years in a U.S. prison.

In 1993 Benjamin Chavis was chosen to head the NAACP, succeeding Benjamin Hooks.

In 1995 Alberto Fujimori was re-elected president of Peru. Also, two suicide bombings on buses in the Gaza Strip killed seven Israelis and an American college student.

In 1996 Dan Rostenkowski, the once-powerful House Ways and Means chairman from Chicago, pleaded guilty to two mail-fraud charges in a deal that brought with it a 17-month prison term. Also in 1996 President Bill Clinton signed a line-item veto bill into law.

In 1999 Niger's president, Ibrahim Bare Mainassara, was gunned down by members of his own Presidential Guard.

In 2001 American Airlines' parent company acquired bankrupt Trans World Airlines, becoming the No. 1 U.S. carrier.

In 2002 former Arthur Andersen auditor David Duncan pleaded guilty in federal court in Houston to ordering the shredding of Enron documents and agreed to cooperate with prosecutors.

In 2003 jubilant Iraqis celebrated the collapse of Saddam Hussein's regime, beheading a toppled statue of their longtime ruler in downtown Baghdad.

In 2013 a mass stabbing injured 14 people at the Lone State College at Cy-Fair campus near Houston. Also in 2013 Robin Kelly, a Democrat, won the 2nd Congressional District race in Illinois, replacing disgraced former Rep. Jesse Jackson Jr.

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INDIANA	
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Losurdo, Michele 'Mike'

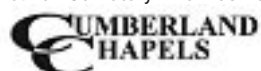
Michele "Mike" Losurdo; Beloved husband of the late Anna Maria nee: Morolla, Loving father of Francesco (Diana), Girolamo, Carmela (Jeffrey) Bernacki, Vito (Michele), Antonia (Patrick) Sanders, Teresa (Michael) Wallace and Michelle (Norris III) Bristow; Dear Nonno of 24, Dear son of the late Francesco and the late Carmela Losurdo; Fond brother of Vito (Teresa) and Louis (the late Grace), Dear son-in-law of the late Girolamo and the late Antonia Morolla; Fond brother-in-law of Marcantonio (Hilary) Morolla and Teresa Morolla; Beloved Zio and father-figure, Friend to many.

Funeral Wednesday, April 11, 2018. 9:00 a.m. from **Salerno's Galewood Chapels**, (Ralph Massey Funeral Director), 1857 N. Harlem Avenue, Chicago to St. William Church, Mass 10:00 a.m. Entombment All Saints Mausoleum. Visitation Tuesday, April 10, 2018 from 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. In lieu of flowers donations to CureSearch for Children Cancer, 4600 East-West Highway, Suite 600, Bethesda, MD, 20814. 800-458-6223 or www.curesearch.org appreciated. For info 773-889-1700

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Mata, Aurora

Aurora Mata, 90, passed away April 6, 2018. Beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and great grandmother. Visitation will be Tuesday, April 10, from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels**, 8300 W Lawrence Ave, Norridge. Family and friends to meet at St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church, Chicago, for Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00am. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Info: 708-456-8300.



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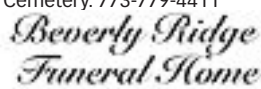
Moore, Frank

Francis "Uncle Frank" Moore - former husband of the late Christine (nee Rowland); adored father of Michelle (John) Hicks and Jacqueline (Charles Glanzer) Moore; loving grandfather of Cecilia and Kelsie Hicks and Christine Glanzer; loving son of the late Francis and the late Molly (Mulhern) Moore; beloved brother of Brigid (the late Patrick) Kildea, the late Paddy (the late Dilly) Moore, the late Mary (the late Jim) Ganley, the late Michael (Mary) Moore, the late Jack (Anne) Moore and the late Patricia (the late Tom) O'Donnell; fond uncle of many nieces and nephews; friend to many and loved by all. Native of Taughmaconnell, County Roscommon, Ireland. Visitation at **Matz Funeral Home**, 410 E. Rand Rd., Mt. Prospect on Wednesday, April 11, 2018 from 3-8 p.m. Funeral Thursday, 9:30 a.m. to St. Emily Church for 10 a.m. mass. Interment All Saints Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations in memory of Frank Moore to Equestrian Connection, Lake Forest, IL would be appreciated <https://equestrianconnection.org/donate>. For info (847) 394-2336 or www.matzfuneralhome.com

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Mutnansky, Frank J.

Frank J. Mutnansky, Veteran US Navy, WWII, age 93. Beloved husband of Anne, nee Gesswein. Dear father of Bob (Penny), Janyce (George) Shields, John (Karen), Joyce (Dan) Kidd, Jim (Jeanette), Jeff (Chris) and Joseph. Loving grandfather of 13 and great grandfather of 26. Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Funeral Tuesday 10:15 a.m. from **Beverly Ridge Funeral Home**; 10415 S. Kedzie Ave. to St. Christina Church Mass of Christian Burial 11:00 a.m. Visitation Monday 3:00 - 9:00 p.m. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. 773-779-4411



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Olst, Ann Barbara

On April 5, 2018, Ann Barbara Olsta (Katzenberger) of Mount Prospect, IL, passed away at the age of 95. Ann was born in 1922 in Chicago, IL. In high school, she enrolled in German class, thinking it would be easy because her parents emigrated from Germany. She was surprised to find that the low German they spoke at home was not the same German taught in school. She met her husband of 64 years, Richard "Dick" F. Olsta, at the Aragon Ballroom in Chicago. To make their wedding cake during World War II, family and neighbors combined ration stamps.

Though Ann spent most of her life as a homemaker in Des Plaines and Mount Prospect, she enjoyed living in Camarillo, California in the 80s and early 90s and worked at a local flower shop. Ann's family will miss her calls to inquire how the family was doing. Though she lost her vision, she was grateful for technological advances that made it possible to call her family by speech alone.

Ann will be lovingly remembered by her children-Dennis "Rick" (Nancy), Patti (John) Pertell, Roberta (the late Michael) Burrows, Jim (Julia), and Roger (Debbie); grandchildren-Christa, Ryan, Jenn, Robin, Vanessa, Cassie, Kevin, Tracy, Amanda, Sean, Christina, Michael, and Kyle; and 9 great-grandchildren. Ann was preceded in death by her husband Richard; her parents John and Mary; and brothers, Marty (Gladys), Johnny, and Frank.

Visitation will be held Sunday, April 8 from 3-7 pm at **Lauterburg & Oehler Funeral Home**, 2000 E. Northwest Hwy, Arlington Hts. Mass will be celebrated on Monday, April 9, at 10 am at St. Raymond, 301 S. I-Oka, Mt. Prospect followed by a service at All Saints Mausoleum, 700 N. River Rd., Des Plaines. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Foundation Fighting Blindness, blindness.org. Sign Guestbook at chicagotribune.com/obituaries

Pullman, Jack

Jack M. Pullman, age 100, beloved husband of the late Sally (nee Kravitz); loving father of Marc (Esther) Pullman and Bonnie Anderson; cherished grandfather of Jeremy (Tracy) Pullman; David Pullman and Libby Anderson; adoring great grandfather of Reece and Channing; past president of B'nai Brith chapter; World War II veteran (4 years active duty): Philippine Liberation Medal. Jack was a hero to his younger sisters Vera and Phyllis who adored and admired him. Chapel services Tuesday 2:30PM at Shalom Memorial Funeral Home, 1700 W Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment to follow at Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the ARK Chicago. For information and condolences: 847-255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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Radin, Shelle Sakol

Shelle Sakol Radin, age 86. Beloved wife of Bernard Radin and the late Ted Sakol. Loving mother of Barre and Amy Sakol, Jerry and Heidi Sakol, Cary and Nancy Sakol and Teri and Al Mina. Devoted step-mother of Michael (Lisa) Radin and Cindy (Gary) Hoefler. Caring grandmother of Kim (fiancé Scott Herbert) Hume, Lauren (Marty) Bolger, Marc Sakol, Robin Mina, Dan Sakol and Samantha (Tucker) Risley. Adoring Step grandmother of Erin (Brandon) Oelling, David (Sarah) Hoefler, Jackie Radin and Stacy Radin. Giving great grandmother to 10. Service Tuesday 12 Noon at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Road (One block north of Lake Cook Road) Buffalo Grove. Interment Westlawn. In lieu of flowers, memorials in her name to City of Hope, www.cityofhope.org or The Muscular Dystrophy Association, www.mda.org.



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Rhodes, Mitchell L.

Mitchell L. Rhodes, 78, of Chicago. Husband of Rhoda, nee Krichilsky, for 54 years. Father of Steve, Dana, and Jeff (Karen Bernstein) Rhodes. Proud grandfather of Emma, Noa, Sam and Lucy. Son of the late Nathan and Dorothy Rhodes. Brother of Lynn (Eric Gray) Rhodes and the late Gerald Rhodes. Uncle and cousin to many. Pulmonary critical care physician dedicated to research, education and patient care, who spent his later career in health care administration. Contributions in his memory may be made to Jewish Child and Family Services or Northwestern's Lurie Comprehensive Cancer Center - Sarcoma Division.

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Suarez, Josephine

Josephine Suarez. Beloved wife of Manuel; dear mother of Liza (Rey Pabon) Suarez; devoted daughter of the late Juanita and the late Pedro Soto; fond sister of the late Ramon and the late Elvira. School teacher at Montessori and known as Miss Josephine to her students. Visitation Tuesday, April 10, 2018 from 4 p.m. to 9 p.m. at **Michalik Funeral Home**, 1056 W. Chicago Ave., Chicago, IL 60642. Funeral Wednesday, April 11, 2018 at 9:45 a.m. from the funeral home to St. John Cantius Church, 825 N. Carpenter St., Chicago, IL 60642 for a 10:30 a.m. Funeral Mass. Interment St. Mary's Cemetery, Evergreen Park, IL. For further information please call 312-421-0936 or sign guestbook at www.michalikfuneralhome.com.



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Sugar, Diane Catherine

Diane Catherine Sugar nee Wolff, age 67, of Evanston, IL. Beloved wife of the late Justin Montrose William Sugar. Dear mother of Brandy Bittinger and Jeffrey Aaron Bittinger. Kind grandmother of Alyssa Stanton. Loving sister of David (Joan) Wolf, Gary Wolff, Christine (Robert) Thompson, Raymond Wolff, Jeannette (Thomas) Lafond, and Carol Houghton. Fond aunt of Marnie and Russell Thompson; Nicholas Houghton and Marissa Swanson. Visitation Wednesday, April 11, 2018, 3:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**, 10045 Skokie Boulevard, at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL 60077. Funeral Service Monday, April 16, 2018, 10:00 a.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**. Interment immediately following at Memorial Park Cemetery, Skokie, IL. Memorials may be made to Specialty Purebred Cat Rescue c/o K. Kranz, P.O. Box 132, Somers, WI 53171. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847)675-1990.



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Szymanski, Harold B.

Harold B. Szymanski, Korean War Army Veteran. Beloved husband of Marie nee Miskovic. Loving father of Mary Purvin, Barbara Kierstein and John (Lisa) Szymanski. Dearest grandfather of Steven, Robert (Jessica) and James Purvin, Ashley (Stephen) Lazzari, Shauna Kierstein and Kylie, Jacob and Timothy Szymanski. Great grandfather of Ellie. Fond brother of the late Gerald (Charmaine) Szymanski. Funeral Wednesday 9:15 AM from **Modell Funeral Home** 7710 S. Cass Avenue, Darien to SS. Cyril & Methodius Church Mass 10:00 AM. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. Visitation Tuesday 3-9 PM. For funeral info: 630-852-3593 or www.modelldarien.com

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Tarnofsky, Shirley Etta

Shirley Etta Tarnofsky. Beloved wife of the late Jack "Jake" Tarnofsky. Loving mother of Maddy Tarnofsky, Yosel Tarnofsky, and Abbie (Stephen) Warnell. Cherished grandmother of Matthew (Kristin) Siville and Shawn Siville, and great-grandmother of Juliana. Dear aunt of Jean Larson and Norman Goldberg, and great-aunt of Debbie Barr and Michael Larson. Funeral service Tuesday, 12 Noon at Evergreen Cemetery Mausoleum Chapel, Evergreen Park. In lieu of flowers, remembrances to Jewish Family Services, 8804 Balboa Ave., San Diego, CA 92123 would be appreciated. Info at **Mitzvah Memorial Funerals**, 630-MITZVAH (630-648-9824), or www.MitzvahFunerals.com



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Thrasher, William D.

William D. Thrasher, 89, a North Side resident, formerly of Glen Ellyn, died March 21, 2018 in La Costa (San Diego), California. Loving brother of Martha L. (the late Donald) Stroben, of San Diego, and the late Lloyd L. Jr. (the late Wanda); proud uncle and great-uncle of many nieces and nephews. Also survived by loving cousins and cherished friends of long standing. His late parents were Lloyd L. and Mary Morgan Thrasher of Glen Ellyn. "Bill" or "Milo" was a former United Airlines employee and a retired librarian from the University of Illinois at Chicago and the Chicago Public Library. Uncle Bill was a loving and generous son, brother and uncle; and a loyal and steadfast friend. He will be missed. Graveside service at 11:00 am on April 14, 2018, at Evergreen Cemetery, Kimmunity. Memorial donations welcome to the Heifer Project International, 3944 W. Irving Park Rd., Chicago, IL 60618, or a favorite charity of the donor's choice. Arrangements by Neal Funeral Home (618) 547-7641.

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Timmis, Mary Jo Herzog

Mary Jo Hezog Timmis nee Hanson, 82, Hall of Fame Tennis Coach. Beloved wife of Tom Timmis; loving mother of Ingeri Belill and Kirsten (Tim) Jura; step mother of Jill (Mark) Zimmer and Sara Timmis; adored grandmother of 13; great grandmother of 5; dear sister of Hank, Ron, Chuck, Marcia, Jim, Kevin, Sanny, Scott and the late Warren. Visitation, Saturday, April 14, 2018, 1:00 p.m. until time of Funeral Service 3:00 p.m. at the **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**, 10045 Skokie Boulevard, at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL 60077. Interment is private. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Alzheimer's Association Illinois Chapter, 8430 West Bryn Mawr, Suite 800 Chicago, IL 60631. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847)675-1990.



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Wolf, David M.

David M. Wolf, age 62, of Glenview, IL. Beloved husband of Judy Ann Wolf nee Maedge. Loving father of Adam Wolf and Michael Wolf. Devoted son of Robert S. Wolf (Sunny Gold) and the late Claire B. Wolf nee Joseph. Dear brother of Philip (Suzy) Wolf and Lori (Rick) Neubauer. Fond uncle of Grace and Olivia Wolf, Jessica (Jeffrey) Mark and Bryan (Shelby) Neubauer; great uncle of Griffin Neubauer. Caring son-in-law of the late Russell and Vera Maedge; brother-in-law of Jay Maedge. Visitation Tuesday, April 10, 2018, 11:30 a.m. until time of Funeral Service 1:00 p.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**, 10045 Skokie Boulevard, at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL 60077. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Misericordia, 6300 North Ridge Avenue, Chicago, IL 60660. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.



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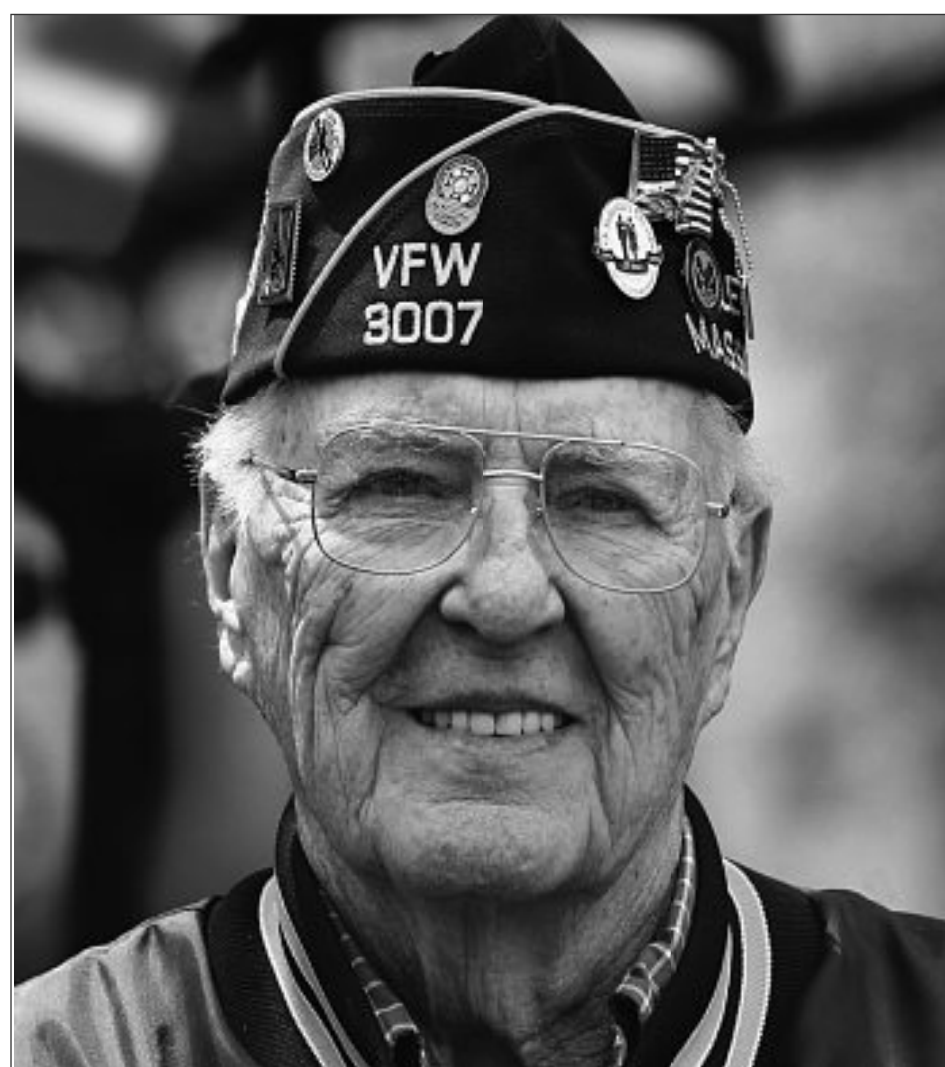
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The executive officers, directors and attributable interest holders of Reorganized Cumulus Media Inc. will be Mary G. Berner, Andrew W. Hobson, Brian G. Kushner, Joan H. Gillman, Thomas H. Castro, Matthew C. Blank, David M. Baum, John F. Abbot, Richard S. Denning, Suzanne M. Grimes, Todd McCarty, Suzanne G. Smith, Radio License Holdings LLC, Cumulus Network Holdings LLC, Cumulus Intermediate Holdings LLC, Cumulus Media Holdings Inc., Intermediate Co., and SP Signal, LLC. SP Signal, LLC's sole attributable interest holder is SP Signal Manager, LLC. SP Signal Manager, LLC's sole attributable interest holder is Edward A. Mule.

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IN THE INTEREST OF Aereon Noel A MINOR NO. 2018JD00371

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Otis Matthews (Father), respondents, and to ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on March 2, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Cynthia Ramirez in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois, ON 04/18/2018 at 9:00 AM IN CALENDAR 52 COURTROOM 2,

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT April 5, 2018

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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF Amy Lopez AKA Amy Alexis Lopez MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Cindy Gomez (Mother) JUVENILE NO.: 13JA00011

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Cindy Gomez (Mother), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on September 5, 2017, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Richard Stevens in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 04/26/2018, at 10:00 AM IN CALENDAR 6 COURTROOM F, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS April 9, 2018

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT JUVENILE JUSTICE DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF Darrell R Davis A MINOR NO. 2018JD00004

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Darrell Davis (Father), respondents, and to ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on January 1, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Stuart Katz in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois, ON 04/20/2018 at 9:00 AM IN CALENDAR 55 COURTROOM 5,

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IN THE INTEREST OF Hamp Miracle Jones AKA Hamp Jones Williams MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Sandy Jones (Mother) JUVENILE NO.: 17JA01150

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Michael Williams (Father) And Any And All Unknown Fathers, respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on November 2, 2017, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Patricia Martin in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 04/26/2018, at 10:00 AM IN CALENDAR 3 COURTROOM C, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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IN THE INTEREST OF Sarah Vazquez MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Linda Moore-Vazquez (Mother) JUVENILE NO.: 17JA01240

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown (Father) Any And All Unknown Fathers, respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on November 22, 2017, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Andrea Buford in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 04/26/2018, at 9:30 AM IN CALENDAR 4 COURTROOM D, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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IN THE INTEREST OF Tracyann Johnson Maria Johnson AKA Desiree Marie Johnson MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Danyanta Richards (Mother) JUVENILE NO.: 17JA01258 17JA01259

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Tracy Johnson AKA Tracey Johnson (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on November 30, 2017, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Patrick Murphy in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 04/26/2018, at 10:00 AM IN CALENDAR 1 COURTROOM A, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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IN THE INTEREST OF Joshua D Williams A MINOR NO. 2017JD02058

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Tonyanika Blackman-Harris, respondents, and to ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on November 21, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Cynthia Ramirez in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois, ON 04/20/2018 at 9:00 AM IN CALENDAR 52 COURTROOM 2,

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IN THE INTEREST OF Sarah Vazquez MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Linda Moore-Vazquez (Mother) JUVENILE NO.: 17JA01240

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

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IN THE INTEREST OF Trevon Q Clay A MINOR NO. 2018JD00489

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Franchon Avant (Father), respondents, and to ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on March 23, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Patricia Mendoza in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois, ON 04/20/2018 at 9:00 AM IN CALENDAR 53 COURTROOM 7,

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IN THE INTEREST OF Tyrese Hearon A MINOR NO. 2018JD00499

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Patrick Reed lets some emotion show after making a 4-foot putt on the 18th hole for a par and the Masters championship, his first major title.

MASTERS

Reed wins in a no-doubter

Fueled by naysayers, he claims 1st major after Spieth's rally falls short

By **TEDDY GREENSTEIN**
Chicago Tribune

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Patrick Reed looks like a guy who spends his Sunday afternoons at the grill, arguing that charcoal makes the meat taste better.

His look is awkward — ill-fitting pants, an upside-down pin on his hat, a magenta shirt that will never catch on. His customary look is a scowl, and fellow Texan Jordan Spieth is infinitely more popular. While observers show-

MORE INSIDE

Jordan Spieth's superhuman focus keys his stunning charge. Teddy Greenstein, **Back Page**

ered Spieth with roars Sunday at Augusta National, they greeted Reed with golf claps.

Reed said he noticed that playing partner Rory McIlroy got a louder ovation when they were introduced on the first tee.

"That played into my hand," Reed said. "Fueled my fire."

Reed will never be the most popular champion, but he is a major champion after grinding out a final-round 71 to win the Masters by one shot at 15 under.

Spieth began the day nine strokes back, threatening to break the Masters record for the greatest Sunday comeback: eight shots. He played the first 16 holes in 9 under, tying for the lead. But Spieth yanked his tee shot on 18 and missed an 8-footer for par, settling for 64 and a 13-under total.

Rickie Fowler shot 67 and finished at 14 under, one shot behind Reed.

The 27-year-old Reed, nicknamed "Captain America" for his superhuman Ryder Cup play, knocked home a 4-footer for par on 18 for the win.

McIlroy, in search of the career

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PAUL SULLIVAN
On the White Sox

Lopez's gem can't be swept from sight

Young righty provides reasons for optimism in cold days of rebuild

If you're looking for small victories in the early stages of Year 2 of the White Sox rebuild, Reynaldo Lopez is your man.

The right-hander turned in the best outing by a White Sox starter this season Sunday, allowing one unearned first-inning run and only two hits in a seven-inning stint against the Tigers.

But if you're looking for real victories, you've come to the wrong place.

The Sox wasted Lopez's fine performance, managing only three hits in a 1-0 loss that handed the Tigers a series sweep.

"I thought it was a decently played ballgame on both sides," manager Rick Renteria said.

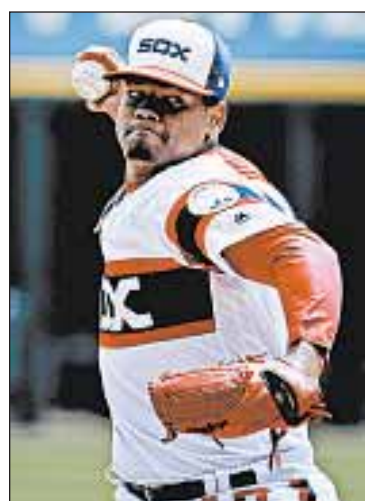
In the battle of AL Central rebuilds, the Tigers seem to be a bit further ahead than the Sox, though it's hard to imagine a team in rebuild mode with Miguel Cabrera in the middle of the lineup.

The Sox have lost five of six after their promising start in Kansas City, and the offense that pounded out a major-league-leading 14 home runs in the first five games has been homerless since returning home.

They'll face Rays ace Chris Archer at home on Monday, weather permitting, so it doesn't get any easier.

Of course the cold weather may have something to do with the Sox's lethargic offensive showing the last two days. They scored one run Saturday on a 32-degree afternoon and were

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Reynaldo Lopez, who pitched his second straight solid game, delivers in the first inning Sunday.

UP NEXT

Rays (Archer 0-0, 6.35) at **White Sox** (Gonzalez 0-1, 9.00) 1:10 p.m. Monday, WGN-9



JEFFREY PHELPS/AP

Ben Zobrist reacts after his fourth-inning home run against the Brewers put the Cubs on top 1-0 on Sunday afternoon. Zobrist is hitting .360.

CUBS 3, BREWERS 0

Home at last

Cubs ready for chilly Wrigley after taking 3 of 4 from Brewers

By **MARK GONZALES**
Chicago Tribune

MILWAUKEE — Before the Cubs looked ahead to their long-awaited return to Wrigley Field, Willson Contreras completed some unfinished business Sunday at the expense of the rival Brewers.

In the eighth inning of the Cubs' sound 3-0 victory, Contreras smacked a triple that caromed far off the center-field wall.

Motivated by an unidentified chirper in the Brewers dugout,

Contreras said he thought about trying an inside-the-park home run. But he ultimately abided by third-base coach Brian Butterfield's stop sign before releasing some emotion.

"When I was playing winter ball (in Venezuela in 2014), he did some stuff to me," said Contreras, who was a high-Class A player in the Cubs organization at the time. "He was saying a lot of bad things to me."

Contreras' triple completed a 10-pitch at-bat in which he fouled off four pitches against Adrian

Houser. Contreras didn't score, but the Cubs had already made their statement at the plate, on the mound and in the field as they took three of four from the Brewers to complete a 5-4 trip to start the season.

The Cubs rose to the occasion without slugger Anthony Rizzo, who is expected to miss his fourth consecutive start in Monday's home opener against the Pirates because of lower back stiffness.

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HOME OPENER



PIRATES AT CUBS
1:20 p.m. Monday, ABC-7
Ivan Nova (0-1, 6.10) vs. **Tyler Chatwood** (0-1, 1.50)

FIRST SKILLING'S FORECAST
Cloudy and cool with a 55 percent chance of rain or snow shower, decreasing as the day goes on. Temperature around 38 degrees with a wind chill of 31. Wind blowing in from center field at 11 mph.

TOP OF THE SECOND



BRAD BIGGS

Meredith call pivots on knee

For an extra \$1 million, the Bears could have ensured Cameron Meredith wouldn't be shopping around the NFL for the best contract he could find.

That's not saying the Bears were thinking with their pocketbook first, because I don't believe that to be the case. That's not saying the Bears' goal was to have Meredith sign an offer sheet elsewhere so they could swoop in, match the deal and become the beneficiary of negotiations completed by another club. I don't believe that to be the case either.

The Bears tendered Meredith, an undrafted free agent from Illinois State in 2015, at the low level of about \$1.9 million. Because Meredith wasn't drafted, the Bears will not receive compensation from the Saints if they decline to match the offer sheet the wide receiver signed with them Friday. The two-year deal is worth \$9.6 million, includes incentives that could take it to a maximum value of \$12.6 million and has \$5.4 million in guarantees. The Ravens also offered a deal to Meredith, giving him some leverage in the process. The Bears have until Wednesday to match the contract or bid Meredith goodbye.

The alternative for the Bears was using the second-round tender at a price tag of \$2.914 million. That effectively would have taken Meredith off the market because no team would sign him to an offer sheet knowing it would have to surrender a second-round pick to the Bears if they declined to match it.

The Bears went low with Meredith, 25, and now they're going to have to make a decision, one that appears more complex than quickly agreeing to match the offer sheet Kyle Fuller, who was on the transition tag, signed with the Packers.

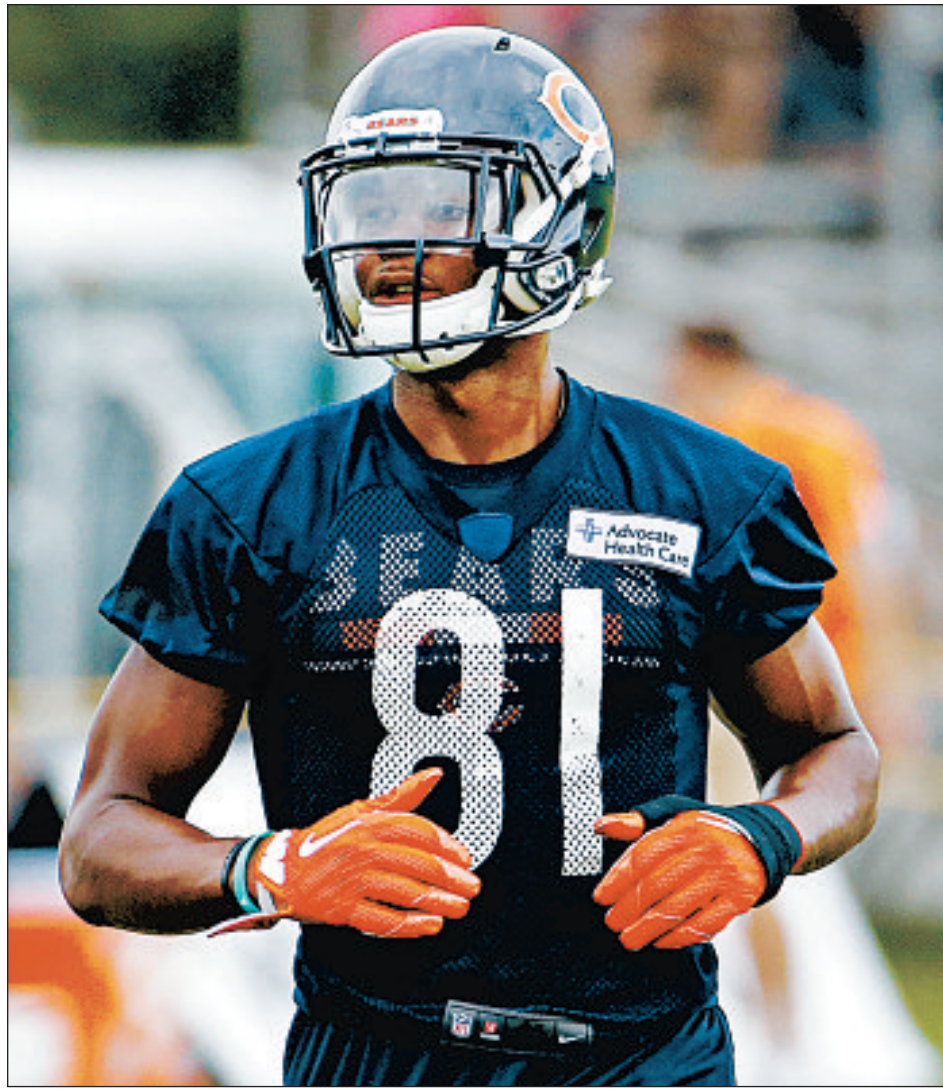
Two factors are in play here. The first — the medical evaluation of Meredith — looms largest. We know how confident the Saints are that Meredith will bounce back from the torn ACL and partly torn MCL in his left knee. They placed value on their medical findings and clearly envision him making plays for quarterback Drew Brees at a position where they have real need.

How confident are the Bears in Meredith's rehabilitation? The Ravens are typically conservative when it comes to medical evaluations, and they failed offensive lineman Roberto Garza on a physical before he joined the Bears in 2005. Thus, it's notable they passed Meredith.

The second factor is: What type of role does coach Matt Nagy envision for Meredith in the offense after the team splurged for wide receivers Allen Robinson and Taylor Gabriel and pass-catching tight end Trey Burton in free agency?

The medical far outweighs everything else, but don't overlook roles and the new price tag Meredith carries. Maybe the Bears would like a draft pick in their mix on the depth chart as well.

It's worth wondering if the Bears distin-



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The Bears must decide whether to match the Saints' offer to receiver Cameron Meredith.

guished between the second-round tender at \$2.9 million and the no-compensation tender at \$1.9 million because of the knee. If they wouldn't go to \$2.9 million with their tender offer, why would they match a deal with \$5.4 million in guarantees over two years?

It's one thing to match the offer sheet your No. 1 cornerback Fuller signed. It's another thing when the decision involves either your second or third wide receiver who posted 66 catches for 888 yards and four touchdowns two years ago. Remember, the Bears signed Gabriel to a four-year, \$26 million contract with \$14 million guaranteed. They quickly have become one of the biggest spenders at the position in the league. Without Meredith, the Bears rank fourth in 2018 cap dollars committed to wide receivers, according to spotrac.com. They rank third in annual average salary for wide receivers. Those figures would bump up if they match the offer sheet.

Consider the Bears are fourth in cap dollars committed to tight ends, according to spotrac.com, and second in annual aver-

age salary for that position and you can see the team has put major resources into skill-position players for quarterback Mitch Trubisky.

Does general manager Ryan Pace have the cap space and cash to bring back Meredith? No question about it. Meredith is a great fit in the locker room and a great story as a quarterback at St. Joseph High School before changing positions in college. The offer sheet is a big win for him and his agents, especially after injury wiped out his contract year.

The Saints know Meredith well because their wide receivers coach, Curtis Johnson, had that role for the Bears in 2016 when Meredith had his breakout season. No team, the Saints included, has a better handle on Meredith's medical situation than the Bears.

Ultimately, they're going to tell us if they have \$5.4 million worth of faith in his left knee.

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THE LINEUP

Milestone, not a capper



Carli Lloyd became the sixth American to score 100 international goals, putting the United States ahead as it rallied for a 6-2 win over Mexico in an exhibition Sunday in Houston.

Lloyd, a two-time FIFA Player of the Year, scored in the 34th minute, heading the ball into the open goal net.

The 35-year-old midfielder became the 16th woman to reach the century mark, joining fellow Americans Abby Wambach (184), Mia Hamm (158), Kristine Lilly (130), Michelle Akers (105) and Tiffeny Milbrett (100). Wambach holds the women's world record.

Wearing the captain's armband, Lloyd made her 252nd appearance with the national team.

"It's obviously a great milestone, but I've got a lot of things I still want to accomplish left in my career," Lloyd said. "To look back on where I started in 2005 to the player I've become, you don't very often get to sit back and reflect because you're always waiting for that next big thing." AP

For Manziel, it's a start



The plan for Johnny Manziel was to use the Spring League game Saturday to show off in front of NFL scouts, proving that he is capable of playing quarterback at a high level.

There were flashes of the old Johnny Football, but the results were ... mixed. He completed his first seven passes, including one for a touchdown, but was sacked three times and, at the end of the day in Austin, Texas, he had completed 9 of 15 attempts for 82 yards in about two quarters of play.

"It's disappointing, some of the things that happened," said Manziel, 25, who was playing in his first game in nearly 2 1/2 years, "but nevertheless, it's a huge step for me. I put pads back on. A lot of people wrote me off just to even get to this point. I'm definitely emotional about it. I'm definitely happy about it. This isn't the end goal for me, but I'm having fun again. I have a smile on my face."

One way or another, he is likely to be back in football soon. If a NFL team doesn't bite, he has said he'll head to the CFL, where the Hamilton Tiger-Cats hold the rights to negotiate with him.

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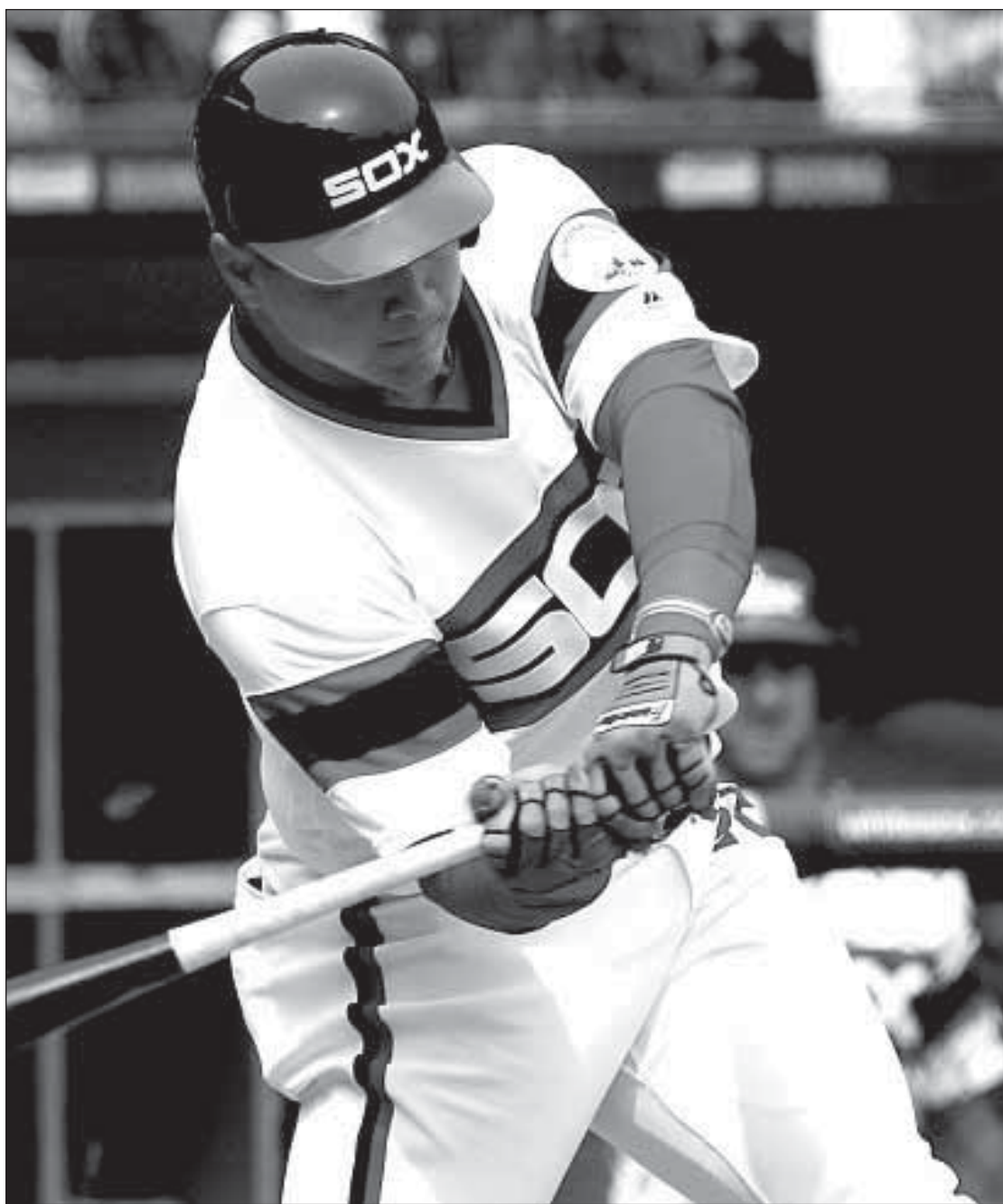


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TIGERS 1, WHITE SOX 0



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Avisail Garcia, who had two of the Sox's three hits, follows through on a single to left in the third inning.

Lopez stays hot

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shut out by Mike Fiers and the Tigers bullpen Sunday on another frigid day.

"We've been putting together some good at-bats," shortstop Tim Anderson said. "We haven't been getting great results, but we've definitely been scratching and putting the barrel on the ball."

The saving grace of the afternoon was Lopez, who struck out five and walked five but managed to bear down with men on base. He gave up a single leading off the game to Leonys Martin, then watched Martin steal second, advance on a passed ball by Wellington Castillo and score on a sacrifice fly by Cabrera.

Fiers escaped a base-loaded jam in the first inning and cruised the rest of the afternoon, throwing six shutout innings and allowing only three hits and a walk. Two scoring chances, in the seventh and ninth, were thwarted by double-play grounders by Castillo and Jose Abreu, respectively.

"Not the way we would've wanted to end the ballgame," Renteria said. "But today one run was what it took (to win)."

The Sox didn't have many threats and were 0-for-3 with runners in scoring position, leaving them at .202 (14-for-69) in that category for the year. Meanwhile, Lopez didn't allow a hit after the second inning and lowered his earned-run average to 0.69.

The hard thrower who came in the Adam Eaton deal couldn't choose which of his outings was more impressive.

"I think this one was a good one too," he said. "Even with the walks, I didn't let them bother me and I didn't let them make me lose my focus in the game. I was mad with the walks, but I was able to keep my focus."

White Sox fans may be buying into the rebuild, but Sunday's diehard-only crowd, which was announced at 11,131, suggests not everyone is on board yet. A game-time temperature of 36 degrees made it uncomfortable for fans from the outset, and many season ticket holders probably opted to eat their tickets rather than come out after freezing through the first two games of the series.

Another factor may have contributed to the absence of fans. The popular weekend ticket plan was changed in 2018, and now it includes only two Sunday dates — April 22 against the Astros and Aug. 19 against the Royals.

But the Sox knew it wasn't going to be easy to draw fans early in the season, especially without a hot start.

And it figures to be another sparsely attended game Monday afternoon, when snow and possibly rain are forecast and the Cubs are opening at Wrigley Field at the same time.

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THE BOX SCORE		AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
DETROIT						
Martin cf	3	1	2	0	0	.233
Candelario 3b	4	0	0	0	0	.200
Cabrera dh	3	0	0	1	0	.276
Castellanos rf	4	0	0	0	0	.324
Goodrum 1b	2	0	0	0	0	.250
Mahook lf	3	0	0	0	0	.160
Hicks c	3	0	0	0	0	.000
Iglesias ss	3	0	0	0	0	.077
Machado 2b	2	0	0	0	0	.281
TOTALS	27	1	2	1	0	
WHITE SOX						
Moncada 2b	4	0	0	0	0	.176
A.Garcia rf	4	0	2	0	0	.343
Abreu 1b	3	0	0	0	0	.273
Davidson dh	3	0	0	0	0	.250
Delmonico lf	2	0	0	0	0	.211
Castillo c	3	0	0	0	0	.231
L.Garcia cf	3	0	0	0	0	.250
Anderson ss	3	0	1	0	0	.276
Sanchez 3b	3	0	0	0	0	.296
TOTALS	28	0	3	0	0	

Detroit	100	000	000-1	2	1
White Sox	000	000	000-0	3	0

E: Candelario (2). **LOB:** Detroit 5, Sox 4. **RBI:** Cabrera (9). **SB:** Martin (1), Goodrum (3), Anderson (5). **CS:** Machado (1), A.Garcia (1). **SF:** Cabrera. **SO:** Candelario (1), Cabrera (2), Castellanos (1), Goodrum (1), Mahook (2), Hicks (2), Moncada (2), A.Garcia (1), Davidson (3), L.Garcia (1), Sanchez (2).
Runners left in scoring position: Detroit 1 (Hicks); Sox 3 (Moncada, Castillo 2). **RISP:** Detroit 0 for 2; Sox 0 for 3. **GDP:** Abreu, Castillo. **DP:** Detroit 3 (Hicks, Machado), (Machado, Goodrum), (Iglesias, Machado, Goodrum).

DETROIT	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Fiers, W, 1-0	6	3	0	0	1	6	0.00
Wilson, H, 1	2/3	0	0	0	1	0	4.70
Stumpff, H, 1	1/3	0	0	0	0	0	0.00
Jimenez, H, 1	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.00
Greene, S, 2-2	1	0	0	0	0	1	4.91

WHITE SOX	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Lopez, L, 0-1	7	2	1	0	5	5	0.69
Avilan	1/3	0	0	0	0	0	3.38
Rondon	1/3	0	0	0	0	4	0.00

HBP: Fiers (Abreu). **PB:** Castillo (2).
Umpires: H, Jeff Kellogg; 1B, Chris Segal; 2B, Marvin Hudson; 3B, James Hoye. **Time:** 2:38. **A:** 11,131 (40,615).

HOW TIGERS SCORED
TIGERS FIRST: Martin singled. Martin stole second. Candelario struck out. On Castillo's passed ball, Martin to third. Machado hit sacrifice fly, scoring Martin. Castellanos filed out. **One run. Tigers 3-0.**

PLAYERS TO WATCH
DETROIT: Fiers (Abreu). **WHITE SOX:** Lopez (Lopez).

RAYS AT WHITE SOX
All games on WGN-AM 720.
Monday: 1:10 p.m., WGN-9.
RH Chris Archer (0-0, 6.55) vs.
RH Miguel Gonzalez (0-1, 9.00).
Tuesday: 1:10 p.m., NBCSCH.
LH Blake Snell (0-1, 5.00) vs.
RH Carson Fulmer (0-0, 5.40).
Wednesday: 1:10 p.m., NBCSCH.
TBA vs. RH James Shields (1-0, 5.73).

WHITE SOX NOTES

4 straight K's: Rondon better than OK

By PAUL SULLIVAN
Chicago Tribune

On Sunday morning, new White Sox reliever **Bruce Rondon** accidentally went to the wrong clubhouse, where former teammate **Miguel Cabrera** pointed out he was no longer a Tiger.

"Hey, 'Loco,' what are you doing here?" Cabrera said, using his preferred nickname for Rondon.

Rondon sheepishly left and found his way to the home clubhouse. But ultimately he had the last laugh on Cabrera, striking out the Tigers slugger Sunday in his Sox debut.

The Sox called up the 27-year-old reliever from Triple-A Charlotte to replace **Juan Minaya**, who was sent down Saturday after walking four straight hitters. Rondon wound up striking out four straight hitters, the only ones he faced, in his first outing.

A power arm who has lacked consistency, Rondon hit 100 mph on his second pitch to Cabrera and averaged between 97 and 100 on his fastball.

The Sox aren't expecting to

use him as a late-inning option, but they may have no choice if he pitches like that.

Rondon had a 5.00 career ERA with the Tigers in 123 appearances from 2013 to 2017, but he was non-tendered last November after posting a 10.91 ERA in 21 outings.

Manager **Rick Renteria** said the Sox were "very impressed with him last year in Detroit," apparently ignoring his unsightly numbers. Rondon signed a minor-league deal with the Sox in January but made only five spring appearances after arriving late to camp because of a visa problem and then having a lower back injury.

"The outings he did have with us were very efficient, got through them very quickly," Renteria said. "Did throw one inning in Charlotte without any incident. Did a nice job. He's been in the big leagues in the past. I think that the hope is that we can harness that power, have him command the strike zone more consistently and maybe we get something that's long-lasting and effective."

Or at least long-lasting enough

to get through the first half and deal him for prospects in July.

Rondon was the first of what could be many call-ups from Charlotte during the season. The Sox began the day with a 6.39 ERA, the worst in the majors, and a 7.71 bullpen ERA, also last in the majors.

Since none of the relievers is part of the rebuilding core, the Sox can't really ask for patience as they can with starters like **Reynaldo Lopez**, **Lucas Giolito** and **Carson Fulmer**.

Rondon said the nickname "Loco" was given to him by Cabrera. As most know, it means "crazy" in Spanish.

So is Rondon crazy? "No," he said with a laugh.

Former voice of Sox silenced: Former Bears and White Sox broadcaster **Joe McConnell** died Sunday at 79 after a long illness. McConnell teamed with **Harry Caray**, **Jimmy Piersall** and **Rich King** on Sox radio broadcasts in 1980-81 and with **Early Wynn** and **Lorn Brown** in 1982-84, which included the "Winning Ugly" Sox team that won the AL West in 1983.

CUBS 3, BREWERS 0

Return to Wrigley an old, cold story

By MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

MILWAUKEE — Kris Bryant recalled when former Cubs teammate Jorge Soler would spread Vaseline over his body to combat the frigid conditions that are expected to resurface for Monday's home opener.

"I don't know if anyone does it here," Bryant said. "But if anyone has any tips from any Chicagoans out there, let us know."

Bryant and his teammates can only hope there's enough heat distributed in the recently widened dugouts to keep them comfortable.

"We'll have to figure (it) out," Anthony Rizzo said. "Maybe have a powwow and huddle around."

Some players were tempted to take a peek at the dugout and expanded batting cages after returning Sunday night from Miller Park.

Left-hander Justin Wilson is grateful that the bullpens were moved under the outfield bleachers two years ago, especially after experiencing raw elements in Detroit.

"Sit by the heater, use hand warmers, put on extra layers, don't stop moving," Wilson advised. "There's an initial shock when you run onto the field."

Wilson doesn't use baby oil to cover his body because he fears it would cause a slick grip on the ball.

"But guys that use it say it

PIRATES AT CUBS

All games on WSCR-AM 670.

Season series: First meeting. Cubs won 10-9 in 2017.

Monday: 1:20 p.m., ABC-7.

RH Ivan Nova (0-1, 6.10) vs.

RH Tyler Chatwood (0-1, 1.50).

Wednesday: 7:05 p.m., WGN-9.

LH Steven Brault (2-0, 1.13) vs.

LH Jon Lester (1-0, 2.89).

Thursday: 1:20 p.m., NBCSCH.

RH Trevor Williams (2-0, 1.59) vs.

RH Kyle Hendricks (0-0, 4.09).

works," Wilson said.

The 6-foot-5 Bryant reminisced about the old dugouts, which were frequently congested and needed padding on the edge of the ceiling so tall players like him wouldn't bump their heads.

"I kind of liked the cramped dugouts," Bryant said. "It made it fun. You're always so close to each other, ducking your head. You felt the history (of Wrigley Field) because it's so old."

"But the improvements are nice. I bet there are other things they can't wait to show us."

Manager **Joe Maddon**, who often wears a ski cap in cold conditions, had one specific request.

"There better be some heat at the new perch," Maddon said.

Extra innings: **Jose Quintana** is 3-1 with a 0.96 ERA in four career starts at Miller Park. ... **Albert Almora Jr.** has hit safely in each of his four starts.



STACY REVERE/GETTY

Jose Quintana delivers against the Brewers on Sunday in Milwaukee. Quintana pitched six shutout innings and had six strikeouts.

Cubs shut out Brewers

Cubs, from Page 1

"If I had to bet, I'd bet he's not starting," manager **Joe Maddon** said. "Don't be surprised if that occurs."

There wasn't much of a drop-off at first base as Victor Caratini hit a single and scored an insurance run in the seventh and made a sweeping tag on the leg of Ryan Braun in the fourth.

The play of Caratini and Ben Zobrist helped compensate for the Cubs' lack of bench depth.

Zobrist hit a home run in the fourth and is 9-for-17 lifetime against Chase Anderson. Zobrist is batting .360 with a .448 on-base percentage, and he waded off Gold Glove right fielder Jason Heyward to make a running catch of a shallow fly by Manny Pina to end the second.

After a rough start in Miami, the rotation pitched well, capped by six shutout innings Sunday from left-hander Jose Quintana.

A once-fatigued bullpen didn't allow a hit over the final three innings and boasts the majors' lowest ERA (0.94) in 38 2/3 innings. Brandon Morrow earned his second straight save after pitching only once in the first seven games.

The only blemish in the first nine games was the lack of timely hitting as the Cubs were 1-for-10 with runners in scoring position. Kyle Schwarber went 0-for-14 and is now hitless in his last 14 at-bats.

"Moving forward, the one thing that's going to get us going is moving the baseball when we need it," Maddon said.

The Cubs completed a two-week stretch in which they traveled more than 3,600 miles — from Phoenix to Fort Myers, Fla., to Miami, to Cincinnati and Milwaukee (after a one-day pit stop in Chicago). They will be the last team to play their home opener, which prompted Maddon to joke

THE BOX SCORE		AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
CUBS						
Almora cf	3	0	1	1	1	.190
Bryant 3b	4	0	0	0	0	.324
Zobrist 2b-1f	4	1	2	1	1	.360
Contreras c	3	0	2	0	0	.286
Schwarber lf	4	0	0	0	0	.172
Russell ss	4	0	0	0	0	.267
Caratini 1b	4	1	1	0	0	.211
Heyward rf	3	1	1	0	0	.222
Quintana p	1	0	0	0	0	.000
b-La Stella ph	1	0	0	0	0	.333
Baez 2b	1	0	0	0	0	.148
TOTALS	32	3	7	2	0	
MILWAUKEE						
Cain cf	4	0	2	0	0	.293
Santana rf	3	0	0	0	0	.250
Braun lf	4	0	0	0	0	.156
Aguliar 1b	3	0	0	0	0	.264
Perez 3b-2b	3	0	0	0	0	.083
Pina c	3	0	0	0	0	.185
Villar 2b	3	0	1	0	0	.294
Arcia ss	3	0	0	0	0	.133
Anderson p	1	0	0	0	0	.250
a-Sogard ph	1	0	0	0	0	.071
Shaw 3b	1	0	0	0	0	.282
TOTALS	29	0	3	0	0	

Cubs	000	110	100-3	7	0
Milwaukee	000	000	000-0	3	1

a-lined out for Anderson in the 6th. b-reached on error, advanced to 2nd for Quintana in the 7th. **E:** Aguliar (1), Villar (1). **SB:** Contreras (1), Zobrist (1), off Anderson. **RBI:** Almora (2), Zobrist (3). **CS:** Cain (1), St. Quintana. **SO:** Almora (1), Bryant (1), Schwarber (1), Russell (1), Caratini (2), Quintana (1), Baez (1), Cain (1), Santana (1), Braun (1), Aguliar (1), Perez (1), Pina (2), Villar (1), Anderson (1). **Runners left in scoring position:** Cubs 5 (Bryant 3, Russell, Caratini); Milwaukee 3 (Cain, Aguliar, Perez). **RISP:** Cubs 1 for 10; Milwaukee 0 for 6. **Runners moved up:** Braun. **GDP:** Contreras. **DP:** Cubs 1 (Contreras, Caratini); Milwaukee 1 (Arcia, Villar, Aguliar).

CUBS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Quintana, W, 1-1	6	3	0	0	2	6	4.50
Wilson, H, 1	1	0	0	0	2	0	0.00
Edwards, H, 2	1	0	0	0	0	1	1.80
Morrow, S, 2-2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.00

MILWAUKEE	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Anderson, L, 0-1	6	4	2	2	2	3	3.38
Williams	1	2	1	0	0	3	0.00
Houser	2	1	0	0	0	3	0.00

HBP: Anderson (Contreras). **WP:** Quintana.
Umpires: H, Fieldin Culbreth; 1B, Brian O'Nora; 2B, Chad Whitson; 3B, Chris Conroy. **Time:** 2:41. **A:** 39,282 (41,900).

HOW THEY SCORED
CUBS FOURTH: Zobrist homered. Contreras hit by pitch. Contreras out advancing to second. Schwarber grounded out. Russell lined out. **One run. Cubs 1-0.**
CUBS FIFTH: Caratini struck out. Heyward walked. Quintana sacrificed. Heyward to second. Almora Jr. doubled, scoring Heyward. Bryant popped out. **One run. Cubs 2-0.**
CUBS SEVENTH: Russell struck out. Caratini singled. Heyward singled. Caratini to second. La Stella safe at second on Aguliar error, scoring Caratini. Heyward to third. Almora Jr. struck out. Bryant struck out. **One run. Cubs 3-0.**

that they haven't been home since Christmas.

"It feels like a long time since 'training' Zobrist said. "I'm looking forward to opening day. Even though it will be cold, there will be a lot of people excited for that."

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BASEBALL

PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

NATIONAL LEAGUE	2018 TEAM	2017 vs. OPP
TEAM PITCHER	W-L ERA REC	W-L IP ERA
Pit Nova (R)	0-1 6.10 1-1	2-1 16.2 4.86
Cubs Chatwood (R)	0-1 1.50 0-1	0-0 6.0 1.50
Atl Teheran (R)	0-0 10.13 2-0	3-1 25.0 3.24
Wash Scherzer (R)	1-1 1.64 1-1	2-2 32.2 4.41
Cin Reed (L)	0-0 0.00 0-0	1-0 2.0 0.00
Phi Lively (R)	0-1 2.49 0-1	0-0 0.0 0.00
Mil Chacin (R)	0-1 7.00 1-1	0-1 4.2 7.71
STL Mikolas (R)	1-0 6.35 1-0	0-0 0.0 0.00
NYM Syndergaard (R)	1-0 5.40 2-0	1-0 13.0 1.38
Mia Urena (R)	0-1 4.91 0-2	2-1 24.0 2.25
SD Richard (L)	0-1 4.50 0-2	2-2 22.2 6.75
Col Gray (R)	1-1 2.45 1-1	2-0 17.0 2.65
ARI Hodley (R)	1-0 1.29 1-0	0-1 4.1 10.38
SF Gottard (L)	0-1 5.40 0-1	0-0 0.0 0.00

AMERICAN LEAGUE	2018 TEAM	2017 vs. OPP
TEAM PITCHER	W-L ERA REC	W-L IP ERA
TB Archer (R)	0-0 6.55 1-1	0-2 7.0 5.14
Sox Gonzalez (R)	0-1 9.00 0-1	0-0 0.0 0.00
Det Liriano (L)	1-0 1.35 1-0	0-0 2.0 31.50
Cle Kluber (R)	1-1 2.40 0-2	3-1 31.1 3.73
Tor Happ (L)	1-1 5.40 0-1	0-3 17.2 3.06
LAA Bundy (R)	0-0 0.69 1-1	2-0 19.0 0.95
BAL Richards (R)	1-0 5.06 1-1	0-1 5.0 3.60
Tex Fister (R)	1-1 3.12 1-1	0-1 6.0 4.50
Hou Verlander (R)	1-0 2.31 2-0	0-1 5.0 7.20
Min Lynn (R)	0-1 11.25 0-1	0-0 0.0 0.00
Sea Gonzales (L)	1-0 4.26 1-0	0-0 4.0 11.25
KC Junis (R)	1-0 0.00 1-0	1-0 8.0 11.13

TEAM REC: Team's record in games started by today's pitcher. VS OPP-Pitcher's record versus this opponent 2017 statistics.

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

SUNDAY'S RESULTS	WEDNESDAY'S SCHEDULE
Detroit 1, WHITE SOX 0 Pittsburgh 5, MILWAUKEE 2 BOSTON 8, Tampa Bay 7 Baltimore 6, N.Y. YANKEES 7 (12) CLEVELAND 3, Kansas City 1 Miami 6, PHILADELPHIA 3 PITTSBURGH 5, Cincinnati 0 HOUSTON 4, San Diego 1 Arizona 4, ST. LOUIS 1 Toronto 7, TEXAS 4 Atlanta 4, COLORADO 0 L.A. Dodgers 2, SAN FRANCISCO 1 (10) N.Y. METS 6, Oakland 1 N.Y. ANGELS 6, WASHINGTON 5 (12) Seattle at Minnesota, p.p.d.	Tampa Bay at White Sox , 1:10 Pittsburgh at Cubs , 2:05 Atlanta at Washington, 12:05 Houston at Minnesota, 12:10 Milwaukee at St. Louis, 12:15 Seattle at Kansas City, 1:15 San Diego at Colorado, 2:10 Arizona at San Francisco, 2:45 Detroit at Cleveland, 5:10 Toronto at Baltimore, 6:05 Cincinnati at Philadelphia, 6:05 N.Y. Mets at Miami, 6:10 N.Y. Yankees at Boston, 6:10 L.A. Angels at Texas, 7:05 Houston at Minnesota, 7:10 Milwaukee at St. Louis, 7:15 Seattle at Kansas City, 7:15 San Diego at Colorado, 7:40 Oakland at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 Arizona at San Francisco, 9:15

TUESDAY'S SCHEDULE	THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE
Tampa Bay at White Sox , 2:10 Detroit at Cleveland, 5:10 Toronto at Baltimore, 6:05 Atlanta at Washington, 6:05 Cincinnati at Philadelphia, 6:05 N.Y. Yankees at Boston, 6:10 N.Y. Mets at Miami, 6:10 L.A. Angels at Texas, 7:05 Houston at Minnesota, 7:10 Milwaukee at St. Louis, 7:15 Seattle at Kansas City, 7:15 San Diego at Colorado, 7:40 Oakland at L.A. Dodgers, 9:10 Arizona at San Francisco, 9:15	Fisher, HOU 2 Bogaerts, BOS 9 N.Y. YANKEES 8, Baltimore 3 N.Y. METS 3, WASHINGTON 2 Seattle 11, MINNESOTA 4 ST. LOUIS 5, ARIZONA 6 KANSAS CITY 1, CLEVELAND 0 PHILADELPHIA 20, Miami 1 Cincinnati 7, PITTSBURGH 4 HOUSTON 1, San Diego 0 (10) TEXAS 5, Toronto 6 SAN FRANCISCO 7, L.A. Dodgers 5 (14) COLORADO 3, Atlanta 2 (10) Oakland 7, L.A. Angels 3

NL LEADERS

BATTING	G	AB	R	H	BA
Eaton WAS	7	23	10	435	
Hoskins Phi	7	23	10	435	
Tucker Atl	7	23	10	435	
Freeman Atl	7	22	10	409	
Johan Santana	6	22	9	409	
RFlaherty Atl	7	25	7	400	
Owings Ari	8	25	7	400	
Panik SF	7	28	6	393	
Anderson Atl	6	37	4	370	
Bryant CHC	8	23	5	364	

HOME RUNS

Harpur, WAS	5	Harrison, PIT	11
Blackmon, CO	4	Hosmer, SD	11
Cespedes, NY	3	Ozuna, STL	11
De Jong, STL	3	Panik, SF	11
Molina, STL	3	Shaw, MIL	11
Panik, SF	3	DOUBLES	
Thames, MIL	3	Hosmer, SD	6
Polanco, WAS	3	Pollock, AZ	6

RBIS

Eaton WAS	10	TRIPLES	
Freeman, ATL	10	Baez, CHI	2
Harrison, PIT	10	KMartez, AZ	2
Albies, Atl	8	SMARTE, PIT	2
Blackmon, CO	8	STOLEN BASES	
Freeman, WAS	8	Taylor, WAS	4
RBI		Turner, WAS	4
Francis, Phi	11	STRIKEOUTS	
Polanco, PIT	11	Corbin, AZ	20
Freeman, ATL	10	Ray, AZ	17
Harpur, WAS	10	Scherzer, WAS	17
Tucker, Atl	9	Syndergrd, NY	17
HITS		through Saturday	
Bryant, CHI	12	through Saturday	

ORIOLES 8, Yankees 7 (12)	INDIANS 3, Royals 1
BALTIMORE AB R H BI AVG. Mancini 1b 5 0 0 1 .231 Machado ss 6 0 2 0 0 .310 Machado 2b 3 1 1 0 0 .432 Jones cf 6 1 3 0 0 .267 Valencia dh 4 2 1 2 0 .167 Alvarez ph-df 0 1 0 0 0 .250 Beckham 2b 6 1 2 0 0 .186 Santander rf 6 1 3 3 0 .207 Gentry cf 6 1 3 3 1 .333 Joseph p 5 0 0 0 0 .000 TOTALS 50 8 16 3 7	KANSAS CITY AB R H BI AVG. Jay If 2 0 1 0 1 .292 Merrifield 1b 4 0 2 0 0 .222 Castro 2b 3 0 0 0 0 .000 Duda dh 4 0 1 0 0 .207 Soler rf 4 0 3 0 0 .200 Goinz ds 4 0 0 0 0 .125 Escobar ss 3 0 1 0 0 .174 Gordon cf 3 0 1 0 0 .174 Gallagher c 3 1 0 0 0 .000 TOTALS 32 1 9 1 1

NEW YORK	ASTROS 4, Padres 1
BALTIMORE AB R H BI AVG. Gardner cf 6 1 2 0 0 .238 Judge dh 5 0 0 0 0 .000 Stanton rf 7 0 0 0 0 .167 Walker 2b 6 2 2 1 0 .250 Austin lb 5 2 2 1 0 .226 Andujar 3b 5 2 2 1 0 .250 Peterson lf 6 0 2 0 0 .333 Romine c 5 0 3 3 0 .400 Torreyes ss 3 0 1 1 0 .357 Gregorius ph-ss 5 0 1 0 0 .375 TOTALS 50 7 16 7 7	ASTROS AB R H BI AVG. Gardner cf 6 1 2 0 0 .238 Judge dh 5 0 0 0 0 .000 Stanton rf 7 0 0 0 0 .167 Walker 2b 6 2 2 1 0 .250 Austin lb 5 2 2 1 0 .226 Andujar 3b 5 2 2 1 0 .250 Peterson lf 6 0 2 0 0 .333 Romine c 5 0 3 3 0 .400 Torreyes ss 3 0 1 1 0 .357 Gregorius ph-ss 5 0 1 0 0 .375 TOTALS 50 7 16 7 7

BALTIMORE	NEW YORK
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New York 500 010 100 000-7 16 1	New York 500 010 100 000-7 16 1

E. Wright Jr. (1), Branch (1), Stanton (1), **ZB:** Beckham (2), Austin (2), Torreyes (2), **GR:** (5), **HR:** Valencia (1), off Montgomerly: Santander (1), off German: **RBIs:** Machado (5), Valencia (2), Beckham (3), Santander (3) (4), Gentry (1), Walker (3), Andujar (2) (3), Romine (3) (4), Torreyes (2), **SO:** Mancini (2), Machado (1), Schopp (2), Jones (2), Valencia (2), Beckham (2), Santander (1), Joseph (3), Gardner (2), Judge (2), Stanton (5), Austin (1), Peterson (1), Romine (1).

BALTIMORE IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Wright Jr. ½ 5 2 2 1 1 7.94
Arjona 2½ 1 0 0 0 5 5.87
Castro 2 3 1 1 0 4.32
Scott 1½ 2 1 1 1 5.40
O'Day, **BS-1-1** 1½ 2 0 0 0 2 1.00
Bleier, **W-2-0** 3 3 0 0 1 1 1.04
Brach, **S-3-1** 1 0 0 2 1 3.18
Mauer, **L-0-1** 1 0 0 0 0 0.00
NEW YORK IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Montgomery 4½ 10 4 1 2 4 4.82
German 2½ 3 3 3 1 5.12
Betances 1 1 0 0 0 2 4.50
Chapman 1 0 0 0 0 1 1.80
Sheve 1 0 0 0 0 0 0.00
Robertson 1 0 0 0 0 0 0.00
Warren, **L-0-1** 1 2 1 1 1 3 4.91

Inherited runners-scored: Arjona 2, O'Day 2. **Runners-left:** 4:48, A: 37.096 (54,251).

Blue Jays 7, Rangers 4	Dodgers 2, Giants 1 (10)
TORONTO AB R H BI AVG. Pearce lf 3 1 1 1 0 .324 Granderson ph-df 2 0 1 1 0 .364 Donaldson 3b 5 0 1 0 0 .237 Smoak 1b 5 2 1 0 0 .351 Solarte 2b 2 1 2 0 0 .308 Morales dh 4 1 2 1 0 .190 Pillar cf 4 1 1 3 1 .270 Grichuk rf 4 0 0 0 0 .059 Mallie 1 0 0 0 2 1 3.33 Diaz ss 4 0 0 0 0 .227 TOTALS 37 7 11 7 7	DODGERS AB R H BI AVG. Taylor cf 5 0 1 0 0 .205 Seager ss 3 0 0 0 0 .006 Pulig rf 5 1 2 0 0 .205 Khrishoff 1b 0 0 0 0 0 .000 Chargois p 0 0 0 0 0 .000 Cingrani p 0 0 0 0 0 .000 Fields p 0 0 0 0 0 .000 Farmer ph 1 0 1 1 0 .182 Jansen p 0 0 0 0 0 .000 Granden c 3 0 1 0 0 .321 Kemp lf 3 0 2 1 0 .273 Pederson lf 1 0 0 0 0 .133 Forsythe 3b 2 0 0 0 0 .250 Barnes 1b 2 0 0 0 0 .000 Utley ph-2b 2 0 1 0 0 .300 Kershaw p 3 0 0 0 0 .296 Bellinger 2b 2 0 1 0 0 .273 TOTALS 37 2 10 2 27.3

TEXAS IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Choo rf 5 1 2 1 0 .326
Odor dh 3 0 1 0 0 .205
Andrus ss 4 0 1 1 0 .372
Beltré 3b 5 1 1 2 0 .289
Chirinos c 3 1 0 0 0 .071
Profar 2b 3 0 0 0 0 .154
Roa lf 2 0 1 0 0 .138
Mocci ph-1f 1 0 1 0 0 .306
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Robinson ph-cf 1 0 0 0 0 .250
 TOTALS 35 4 9 4 4

Toronto 401 002 010-7 11 0
Texas 100 002 010-4 9 2

E: Andrus 2 (3), **LOB:** Toronto 5, Texas 11.
ZB: Mallie (3), Choo (3), Odor (2), Beltré (5), Rua (1), **HR:** Pearce (2), off Hamels: Galleo (3), off Garcia: **RBIs:** Pearce (3), Morales (3) (6), Pillar (3), Morales (4), Granderson (2), Choo (6), Andrus (4), Gallo (2) (8), **S:** Odor: **SO:** Pearce (1), Donaldson (2), Morales (3), Pillar (3), Choo (2), Mallie (1), Diaz (1), Choo (1), Odor (1), Beltré (2), Chirinos (2), Profar (1), Rua (1), Tucci (1), **Runners left in scoring position:** Texas 5 (Choo, Andrus 2, Gallo 2), **RISP:** Toronto 5 for 7; Texas 3 for 7.

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Garcia, **W-1-0** 5½ 5 3 3 2 5 3.18
Clippard ½ 0 0 0 0 1 1.38
Lopez ½ 2 0 0 0 0 7.36
Tepera, H, 3 1 0 1 2 2 3.00
Harris, L ½ 2 0 0 0 0 3.60
Osuna, **S-4-4** 1 0 0 0 0 1 0.00
TEXAS IP H R ER BB SO ERA
Martins, **L1-1-2** 8½ 7 5 2 5 5.06
Hamels, R ½ 1 0 0 0 1 3.60
Colon 2 1 0 0 0 4 1.12
Claudio 1 1 0 0 0 0 4.26

Inherited runners-scored: Tepera 2, Osh 1, Osuna 2, Gallo 2. **HBP:** Osuna (Odoor). **Time:** 3:04, A: 26,902 (49,115).

Blue Jays 7, Rangers 4
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Granderson ph-df 2 0 1 1 0 .364
Donaldson 3b 5 0 1 0 0 .237
Smoak 1b 5 2 1 0 0 .351
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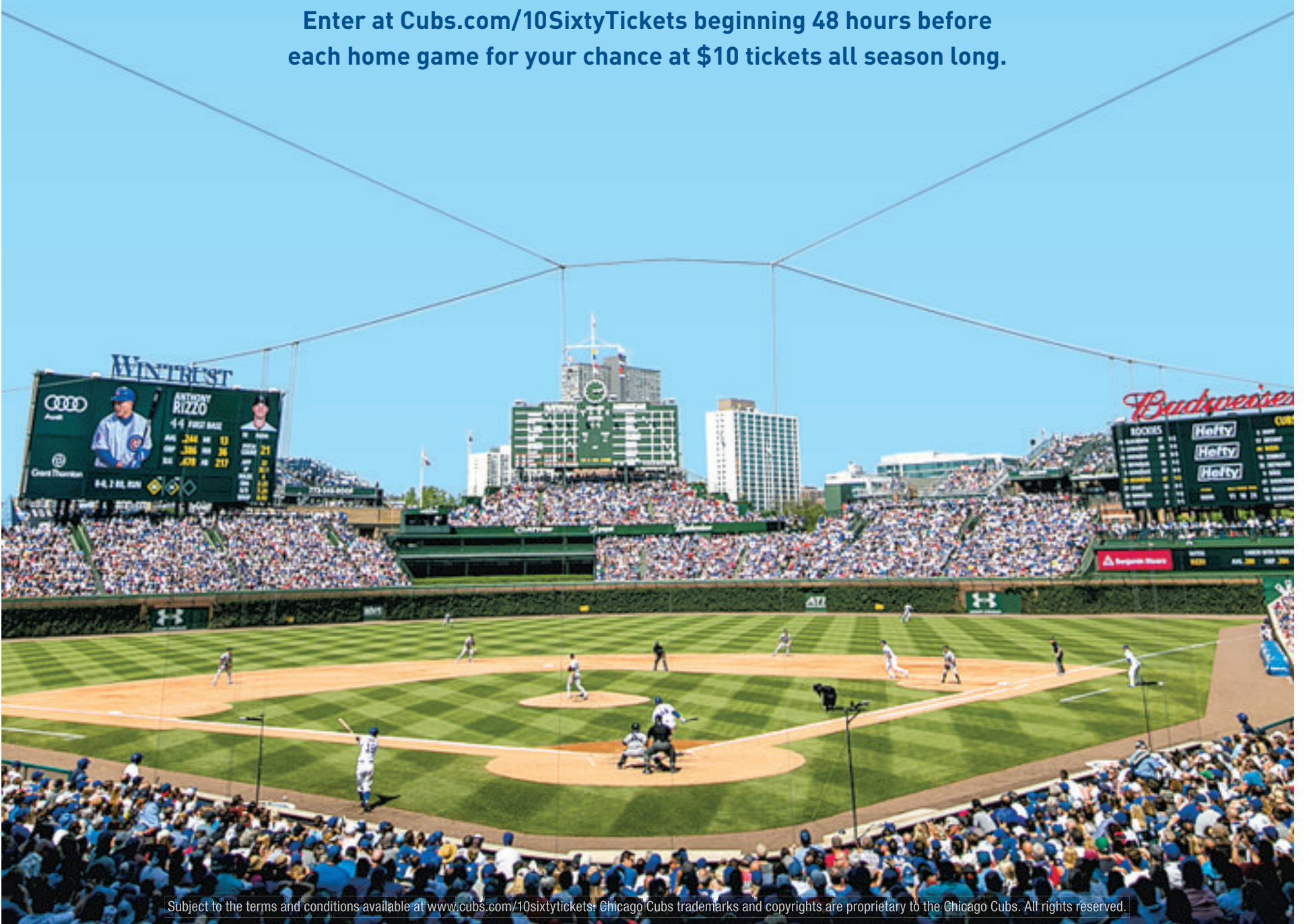
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SCOREBOARD

CALENDAR

TEAM	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
	PIT 1:20 ABC-7 AM-670		PIT 7:05 WGN-9 AM-670	PIT 1:20 NBCSCH AM-670	ATL 1:20 NBCSCH AM-670	ATL 1:20 NBCSCH AM-670	ATL 1:20 WGN-9 AM-670
	TB 1:10 WGN-9 AM-720	TB 1:10 NBCSCH AM-720	TB 1:10 NBCSCH AM-720	@MIN 7:10 NBCSCH AM-720	@MIN 7:10 NBCSCH AM-720	@MIN 1:10 WGN-9 AM-720	@MIN 1:10 NBCSCH AM-720
	@BKN 6:30 NBCSCH AM-670		DET 7 NBCSCH AM-560				
							LAG 2:30 AM-1200

MONDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB							
1:10 p.m.	Rays at White Sox		WGN-9, WGN-AM 720				
1:20 p.m.	Pirates at Cubs		ABC-7, WSCR-AM 670				
6 p.m.	Brewers at Cardinals		ESPN				
COLLEGE BASEBALL							
6 p.m.	Duke at Wake Forest		ESPNU				
NBA							
6:30 p.m.	Bulls at Nets		NBCSCH, WSCR-AM 670				
6:30 p.m.	Cavaliers at Knicks		NBA TV				
9:30 p.m.	Pelicans at Clippers		ESPN				
BUNDESLIGA SOCCER							
1:20 p.m.	Bayer Leverkusen at Leipzig		FS2				
TENNIS							
3 p.m.	U.S. Men's Clay Court Championship		Tennis Ch.				
5 a.m. Tue.	ATP Grand Prix Hassan II		Tennis Channel				

GOLF: THE 82ND MASTERS

FOURTH ROUND SCORES

Augusta (Ga.) National GC;							
Purse: \$11 million; 7,435 yards; par 72							
274 (-15)	\$1,980,000						
Patrick Reed (600)	69-66-67-71						
275 (-14)	\$1,588,000						
Jonas Blieden (330)	70-72-65-67						
276 (-13)	\$748,000						
Jordan Spieth (210)	66-74-71-64						
277 (-11)	\$528,000						
Jon Rahm (150)	75-68-65-69						
279 (-9)	\$386,375						
Rory McIlroy (106)	69-71-65-74						
Cameron Smith (106)	71-72-70-66						
Henrik Stenson (106)	69-70-70-70						
Bubba Watson (106)	73-69-68-69						
280 (-8)	\$319,000						
Marc Leishman (88)	70-67-73-70						
281 (-7)	\$286,000						
Tommy Fleetwood (80)	68-74-73-66						
Dustin Johnson (80)	73-68-71-66						
282 (-6)	\$231,000						
Charley Hoffman (68)	69-73-67-67						
Louis Oosthuizen (68)	71-71-69-69						
Justin Rose (68)	72-70-71-69						
283 (-5)	\$192,500						
Paul Casey (60)	74-75-69-69						
Russell Henley (60)	73-72-71-67						
284 (-4)	\$170,500						
Tommy Fleetwood (56)	72-72-66-74						
Justin Thomas (56)	74-67-70-73						
285 (-3)	\$154,000						
Hideki Matsuyama (53)	73-71-72-69						
286 (-2)	\$128,500						
Jason Day (48)	75-71-69-71						
Franco Molinari (48)	72-72-70-70						
Webb Simpson (48)	76-73-67-70						
Jimmy Walker (48)	73-71-71-71						

287 (-1)	\$93,775						
Branden Grace (39)	73-73-74-67						
Adam Hadwin (39)	69-75-72-71						
Si Woo Kim (39)	75-73-68-71						
Bernard Langer (39)	70-73-72-72						
288 (E)	\$76,450						
Kevin Kisner (33)	72-75-69-72						
Satoshi Kodaira	71-74-71-72						
Matt Kuchar (33)	68-75-72-72						
Ryan Moore (33)	74-72-70-70						
289 (+1)	\$63,663						
Daniel Berger (26)	73-74-71-71						
Haotong Li	69-76-72-72						
Adam Scott (26)	75-72-72-71						
Tiger Woods (26)	73-75-72-69						
290 (+2)	\$55,275						
Zach Johnson (22)	70-74-74-72						
Phil Mickelson (22)	70-79-74-67						
291 (+3)	\$46,200						
Rafa Cabrera Bello (18)	69-76-74-72						
Fred Couples (18)	72-74-73-72						
Bryson DeChambeau (18)	74-74-72-71						
Matthew Fitzpatrick	75-74-67-75						
Bernhard Langer (18)	74-74-71-72						
Jhonattan Vegas (18)	77-69-72-73						
292 (+4)	\$35,200						
Kiradech Aphibarnrat	70-74-72-71						
Brian Hartman (12)	73-75-76-69						
Tyrell Hatton (12)	74-73-74-73						
Ian Poulter (12)	74-75-72-71						
294 (+6)	\$30,140						
Martin Kaymer (11)	74-73-74-73						
295 (+7)	\$28,600						
Vijay Singh (10)	71-74-74-73						
296 (+8)	\$27,720						
Xander Schauffele (9)	71-78-72-75						
Doug Ghim	76-72-74-74						
297 (+9)	\$27,060						
Adam Pataky (9)	75-73-74-73						
298 (+10)	\$26,400						
Chez Reavie (8)	76-71-75-76						

PAST MASTERS CHAMPIONS

YR	CHAMPION	P	M	R	EARN
2018	Patrick Reed	-15	3	\$1,980	
2017	Sergio Garcia	-13	3	\$1,980	
2016	Danny Willett	-5	3	\$1,800	
2015	Jordan Spieth	-18	4	\$1,800	
2014	Bubba Watson	-8	3	\$1,620	
2013	Adam Scott	-8	3	\$1,500	
2012	Bubba Watson	-10	3	\$1,440	
2011	C. Schwartzel	-14	2	\$1,440	
2010	Phil Mickelson	-16	3	\$1,350	
2009	Angel Cabrera	-12	3	\$1,350	
2008	T. Immelman	-8	3	\$1,350	
2007	Zach Johnson	+1	3	\$1,305	
2006	Phil Mickelson	-7	2	\$1,260	
2005	Tiger Woods	-12	3	\$1,260	
2004	Phil Mickelson	-9	1	\$1,170	
2003	Mike Weir	-7	1	\$1,080	
2002	Tiger Woods	-16	2	\$1,080	
2001	Tiger Woods	-12	2	\$1,000	
2000	Vijay Singh	-10	3	\$828,000	
1999	Jose M. Olazabal	-8	2	\$720,000	
1998	Mark O'Meara	-9	1	\$756,000	
1997	Tiger Woods	-12	2	\$630,000	
1996	Nick Faldo	-12	5	\$450,000	
1995	Ben Crenshaw	-14	1	\$396,000	
1994	Jose M. Olazabal	-9	2	\$360,000	
1993	Bernhard Langer	-11	4	\$306,000	

HOW AUGUSTA NATIONAL PLAYED, 2018

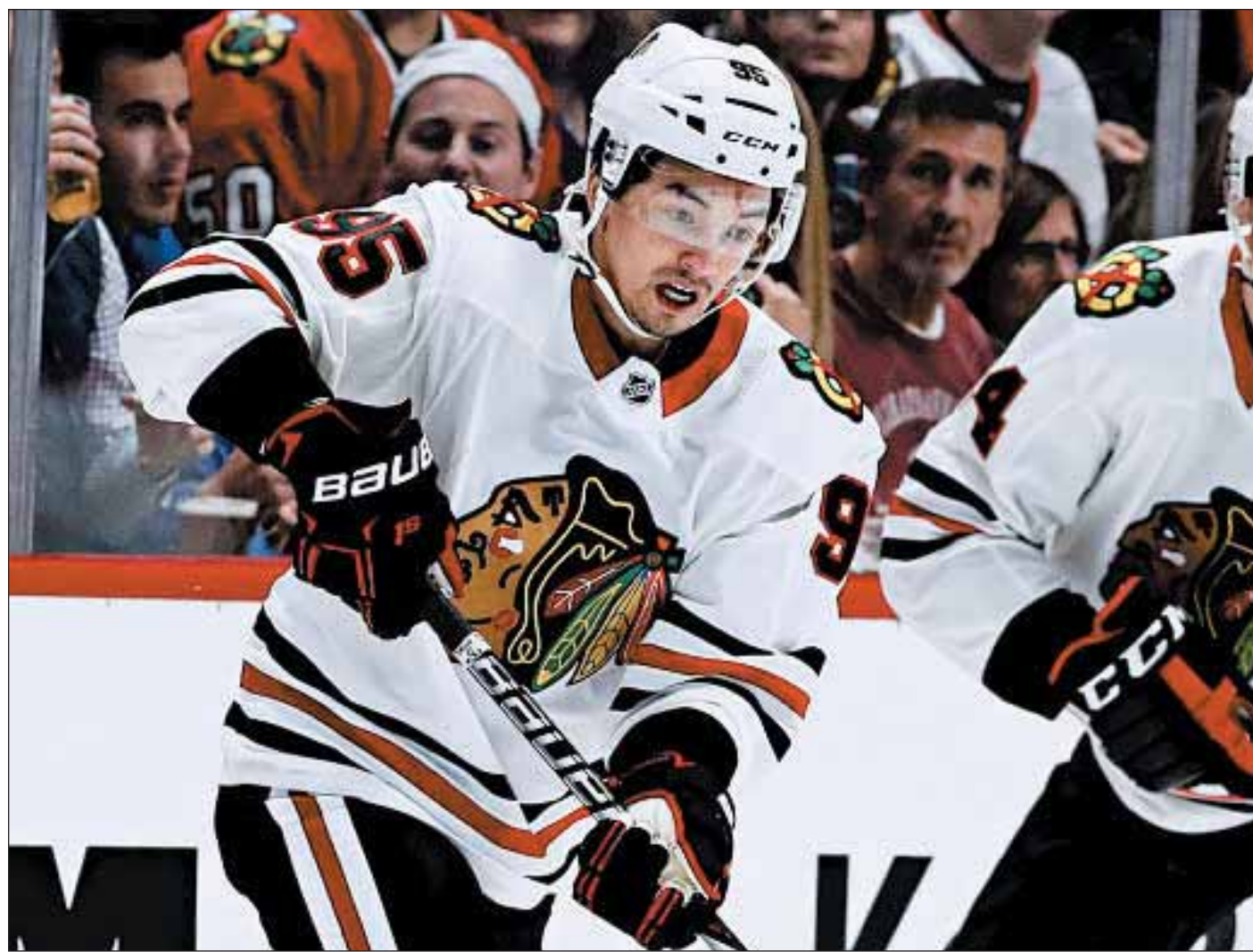
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1	445	4	4,278.6	3	0	18	179	71	12
2	575	5	4,801.7	15	3	86	154	36	1
3	610	5	4,614.3	8	1	98	184	38	1
4	240	3	3,179.2	2	0	18	162	94	6
5	485	4	4,164.3	6	0	26	186	64	4
6	150	3	3,128.6	8	0	31	188	56	5
7	450	4	4,207.1	4	1	42	150	73	14
8	670	5	4,719.9	7	0	47	159	69	9
9	460	4	4,142.9	7	0	37	176	58	9
OUT	3725	36	36,639.9	10	404	1545	509	52	
10	495	4	4,082.1	11	0	45	177	50	8
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TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL							
AMERICAN LEAGUE							
White Sox:	Selected the contract of RHP Bruce Rondon from Charlotte (L).						
Baltimore:	Recalled LHP Tanner Szymanski from Norfolk (IL). Optioned RHP Jimmy Paredes from Norfolk (IL).						
Boston:	Optioned RHP Marcus Valdes from Pawtucket (IL). Reinstated LHP Eduardo Rodriguez from the 10-day DL.						
Seattle:	Sent RHP Erasmo Ramirez to Modesto (CA) for a rehab assignment.						
NATIONAL LEAGUE							
Arizona:	Optioned RHP Matt Koch to Reno (PCL). Recalled 1B Christian Walker from Reno. Sent RHP Randall Delgado to Visalia (CA) for a rehab assignment.						
Atlanta:	Signed LHP Bobby Sexton.						
Atlanta:	Sent RHP Chase Whitley to Florida (FSL) for a rehab assignment.						
Los Angeles:	Reinstated RHP Josh Fields from paternity leave.						
Los Angeles:	Designated RHP Jacob Turner for assignment. Selected the contract of RHP Tyler Clavin from New Orleans (L).						
Milwaukee:	Placed OF Christian Yelich on the 10-day DL, retroactive to Thursday.						
Philadelphia:	Optioned RHP Brandon Woodruff to Colorado Springs (PCL). Recalled RHPs J.J. Hoover and Taylor Williams from Colorado Springs.						
Philadelphia:	Optioned RHP Jake Thompson to Lehigh Valley (IL). Recalled RHP Jake Arrieta from Clearwater (FL).						
St. Louis:	Placed LHP Ryan Sherriff on the 10-day DL, retroactive to Friday. Recalled RHP John Brebbia from Memphis.						

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BLACKHAWKS



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Dylan Sikura keeps his eyes on the puck against the Avalanche on March 30. He had three assists in the last five games of the season.

Sikura hits his goal

Rookie built confidence, strong work ethic on his journey to Blackhawks

BY RICH CAMPBELL | Chicago Tribune

As tears ran down Dylan Sikura's face that day in January 2015, he had a choice.

His frustration as a struggling freshman at Northeastern University in Boston was devolving into despair. His shifts had shortened. His ice time had diminished. Suddenly, his career arc, a promising trajectory forged by deft offensive instincts, had flatlined.

"You play the sport you love, and you're supposed to come in here every day and have fun, have a smile on your face," Sikura said recently. "When you come in angry, pissed off at the coaching staff or whatever, it's pretty tough."

Sikura, who turns 23 in June, has always been self-driven to improve his puck-handling or shooting accuracy by staying after practice. But with his college career sputtering and his emotions boiling that day, he dressed and escaped Northeastern's practice facility in a hurry.

He didn't get far, though. Jarrett Fennell wouldn't let him. Fennell, a junior at the time, chased after his friend, still wearing his skates as he walked onto the pavement outside. The moment was that urgent.

"He needed to realize," Fennell said, "that he had to take things into his own hands."

Four years later, Sikura's recent Blackhawks debut was the product of that realization. And as his professional career ramps up this summer, he's emboldened to take on whatever new developmental challenges he might encounter.

"I just wanted to stick with it," Sikura said. "I thought I'd put my head down and work at practice and hopefully get to the point I'm at now."

That point — three assists in a five-game, season-ending cameo with the Hawks — always seemed possible to Fennell and Northeastern coach Jim Madigan.

Sikura began playing for Madigan in 2014 just months after the Hawks drafted him in the sixth round. Madigan's early impression was binary.

"His stick skills and his hockey sense are on a high level," Madigan said. "He's got quick hands, he thinks the game quickly and he processes it quickly. You knew that if he got stronger, that with all that talent and high-end hockey IQ, that you'd get a player."

That was the issue, though. Sikura weighed less than 150 pounds with a 5-foot-11 frame. Midway through his freshman season, that shortcoming overshadowed his skill.

"Dylan just wasn't strong enough to fight through the traffic," Madigan said. "He was on the perimeter because he was (so slight)."

His light weight was so problematic that Sikura was scratched for 11 games that season. He became disillusioned. He began to question whether Northeastern was the right place for him and whether college hockey was the best springboard to the Hawks. Maybe returning to juniors was a smoother road.

All around him, though, was positive reinforcement. The Hawks director of development for forwards that year was Mike Sullivan, now the coach of the two-time reigning Stanley Cup champion Penguins. His message to Sikura: Stick to the developmental process.

Madigan preached the same. So did Fennell, who has known Sikura since Sikura was 16. Before Northeastern, they played for the same junior league team in Aurora, Ontario. Fennell was the captain.

"Us coming from Canada, we kind of thought we were the big dogs up here until we got to the States and sort of realized,

hey, there's a whole different hockey world," Fennell said. "Getting to Northeastern, we had a big gap to fill there."

"Dylan knew deep down, and I knew deep down, what he could do. I had seen it before. He knew he could do it. He just needed some time to get his feet wet a little bit before he could grow into them."

Among Sikura's 11 scratches as a freshman was a streak of seven straight that January. A major disappointment was being scratched for the first game of the Beanpot tournament in Boston that Feb. 3.

The day Sikura broke down after practice, Fennell hugged him, changed out of his skates and took him to lunch. After renewing his dedication, Sikura got back into the lineup in mid-February and scored three goals in two games against Maine.

That generated some momentum for him entering that summer. He stayed in Boston to train, and he leaned on his brother, Tyler, who, not coincidentally, has 22 goals in 71 games this season for the Hawks affiliate in Rockford.

From there, Dylan blossomed. As a junior, he had 21 goals and 57 points. As a senior, he had 22 goals and 54 points.

"With a little more confidence comes a little opportunity, too," Dylan said. "It came together and was super special."

Now, those positive traits that Madigan recognized years ago are becoming evident to Hawks coach Joel Quenneville.

"I like his play recognition," Quenneville said. "He likes to make plays and he sees plays. I think (over) time, quickness and strength added to his game could give him a little bit more speed, and that will make him a better player."

Sound familiar?

Once again, Sikura has a plan to improve his game. Developmental summers have been good to him before. This year there will be no tears. Just work.

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BULLS

Pressure's finally off for Felicio

Trying to justify big contract weighed on center early on

BY K.C. JOHNSON | Chicago Tribune

After 80 games, Cristiano Felicio finally is unburdening himself.

He's putting the poor play that defined his season's start behind him, playing passable minutes in his gift-wrapped opportunity as a starter. And he's finally admitting that he felt pressure to perform better after signing a four-year, \$32 million contract as soon as free agency began last summer.

"At some point, I let the contract get in my head a little bit," Felicio said. "I felt I had to prove myself more than I did last year. And I think at some point that frustrated me a little bit because I wasn't playing as well as I did last year. And then I started not getting any minutes. And that frustrated me even more. I knew I had to get out of that funk. I talked to the coaches and they helped me."

With Nikola Mirotic out with broken bones in his face and Bobby Portis on the suspended list, Felicio began the season in the rotation. It didn't go well.

Instead of building on the solid reserve minutes that led to his free-agency windfall, Felicio often looked a step slow defensively. His ability to run the floor and roll to the rim after screens disappeared too often. His hands — often a problem with catching passes — hadn't improved.

"I was a little bit out of rhythm," Felicio said. "And then Niko and Bobby came back and got my minutes. That kind of frustrated me and got to my head. I had to get in my head that I have to keep working no matter what because my opportunity is going to come. And once it did, I had to play hard so the situation that happened early in the season didn't happen anymore."

Felicio at least has done that. The contrast in his numbers as a starter and reserve are striking. He's averaging 4.1 points and 3.2 rebounds in 14 minutes off the bench and 9.3 points and 6.9 rebounds on 60.5 percent shooting in 26.5 minutes during his starts.

"Cris has been better," coach Fred Hoiberg said. "I was just talking to our staff about that. He's had some games where he's been very effective. He's rolling to the rim. He's doing little things that he was doing the past couple years as far as helping the team out. A lot of times it doesn't result in Cris getting a basket. But when he rolls hard to the rim, it may open up something for another player."

With his contract, Felicio isn't going anywhere. Despite playing just 119 minutes over a 2½-month period as Robin Lopez, Lauri Markkanen, Portis and Mirotic made up the rotation, he projects to be the backup center next season.

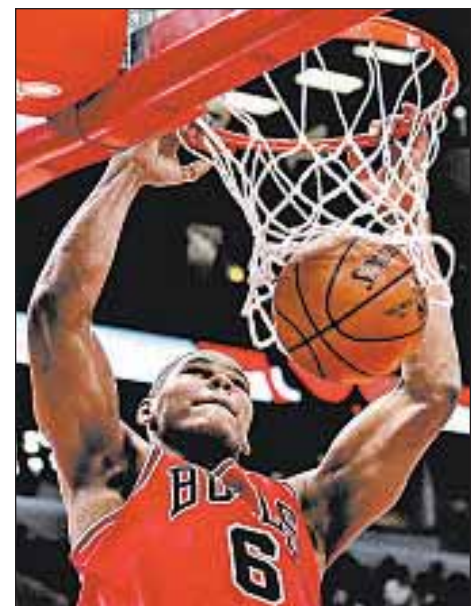
Like Markkanen, Felicio said he's committed to his national team — Brazil for him, Finland for Markkanen — for the first, smaller window from late June to early July and then undecided if he'll commit to the longer time away from the Advocate Center in September.

After all, there's work to do.

"I feel like the first few games back playing I was a little bit out of condition, out of game shape," Felicio said. "Once I got going, I feel pretty good about what I did on the court. I'm just trying to play hard, take my shots, go get rebounds, set screens, and I think I've been doing that pretty well."

"I don't know who's going to be on the team next year. I just know I have to keep playing the way I'm playing now, playing strong, getting rebounds, taking my shots and most of the time making them, setting screens. Next year, just look to the group of guys we have and see how I fit in."

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Bulls center Cristiano Felicio has been able to increase his productivity as a starter.

BULLS AT NETS

TV/radio: 6:30 p.m. Monday; NBCSCH, WSCR-670 AM.

Storylines: This is a huge game for the draft lottery standings and concludes a home-and-away series that featured the Nets prevailing Saturday. The Nets don't have a first-round pick and thus won't be resting players like the Bulls.

Trending: The Bulls have lost two straight road games in this series, including the first meeting this season. Lauri Markkanen, who sat out Saturday, has averaged 20.4 points in 24.8 minutes over his last five games.

Sharp speaks: Grateful for long career

BY RICH CAMPBELL | Chicago Tribune

WINNIPEG, Manitoba — Blackhawks forward Patrick Sharp played his 939th and final NHL game Saturday night, and did so in his birthplace.

Only 24 hours after an emotional farewell tribute in front of fans in Chicago, Sharp ended a 14-year career that includes three Stanley Cup championships.

After the Hawks finished their season with a 4-1 loss to the Jets, Sharp met with reporters at Bell MTS Place. Here's the full Q&A.

What were your emotions tonight in your final game?

That was tough. I thought we got it out of the way last night in Chicago in front of family and friends. A lot of emotions, and the game was going well until they acknowledged me (for) the crowd. I'm not sure if that was Chevy — (Jets general manager) Kevin Cheveldayoff — doing that or the Jets organization or what. But being born in Winnipeg and then hearing the ovation from the crowd, seeing the other team tap their sticks and clap their hands, that hit hard. I'm just thankful for it, grateful for it. It's pretty special that I got a chance to do that. I wish the Jets the best in the playoffs. They've got a great team. For me, that was real special.

There's a love of the game, obviously, but is your body and mind kind of glad, relieved that you're done now?

I know what you're saying. The competitiveness never leaves. You'll always have that, whether you're professional or not. I've been doing it since I was 5, dreaming of being in the NHL and

thinking hockey, training to be a hockey player. That has been my whole life. I'm relieved that those two games are over. I wish it would have been a playoff scenario so I didn't have to think about it. I would've been more focused on playing. I'm very lucky to be able to go through something like that. I had a great career with the Hawks, with the Stars and being drafted by Philly. So it's a good day, and I'm extremely happy.

You seem to believe that this team can turn it around quickly, that the pieces are here to make this season an aberration, not a trend.

Yeah, now that this season is over, we'll have some time to get away and reflect on what the hell happened. I can tell you I believe in the organization. I believe in the guys that I've won with. I've played enough with some of these young guys now this year that you can see the potential and the talent. Hopefully this season is enough to motivate our organization to do better next year. It's maybe a little early right now for me to comment on exactly what went wrong, but we've got some time to worry about that. The Hawks (will) get back.

To fill in the blanks between when we saw you (Friday after the 4-1 loss to the Blues in Chicago) and today, what did you do after the game last night? Were you able to stick around long enough to soak it in a little bit before you had to get on the plane?

A little bit. A little longer than usual. My two girls were at the game right until the end. They were playing in the wives' room. They usually don't stay that late, so it was

fun to see them after the game. My mom and dad were there. They were pretty emotional. It was tough to see them in that setting. They've been along for the ride every day, as well. A time like this, it's kind of all about you. But, for me personally, I'm thinking of them, my wife, my brother Chris, my wife's family — everyone that's been along this whole ride. As a professional athlete, it's all about your schedule, right? You've got to eat and train, and it's your schedule, your timetable. And now it's time for me to thank everybody that has helped me along the way.

What would the city of Winnipeg mean to you, as a youngster and now seeing (the Jets) play in the playoffs — would it be a little extra special to see the Jets get a couple wins?

I'm a Hawks fan. But I was born here in Winnipeg. There's something about playing in Canada and the Canadian fan base. This building is going to be awesome next week with the white out, and as loud as they can get to support their team. Being another Central Division rival, you want to see them represent and do well. I know a couple of the guys over there and have a lot of respect for their team, their coaches. (Former Hawks assistant coach) Jamie Kompon is (an assistant) coach, and I played with Buff (Dustin Byfuglien, with the Hawks in the late 2000s). It's nice to see Paulie (Paul Stastny) out there. We have some history. He helped me win a truck at the All-Star Game one year; he was feeding me all game long. So it was nice to thank him for that. Those are the kind of memories you have as the game goes on. Like I said, I'm very lucky and thankful for all of it.

MASTERS

All action, no distraction

Spieth keeps focus on his game — not on the leaderboard



TEDDY GREENSTEIN
On the Masters

AUGUSTA, Ga. — There's focus, there's laser-like focus and then there's an otherworldly level at which Jordan Spieth operates.

Even more incredible than the fact he birdied the first, second, fifth, eighth, ninth, 12th, 13th, 15th and 16th holes at Augusta National was that he refused to look at a scoreboard Sunday.

While Masters fans saw those red numbers surging and thought they were hallucinating, Spieth wore metaphorical blinders.

"The first time I saw the leaderboard was after I tapped in on 18," he said. "Honest to God. Didn't look once."

Guess he knows what he's doing considering, at 24, he already has won three majors and contended in four of his five Masters.

The rest of us get to the 18th tee, glance at the card, attempt some math and think: Hey, I need a par to break 90.

Spieth is fixated on the process. Were he playing on Mars, he'd simply ask caddie Michael Greller for the yardage to the next crater.

"When I finished, I looked at the board and I could have been in the lead by two or down four; neither would have surprised me," he said. "That was my plan. Go out and just have fun. Don't worry about the golf tournament itself, worry about playing Augusta National. With eight people ahead of me starting the day, to get that much help and shoot a fantastic round was nearly impossible. But I almost pulled off the impossible."

Spieth started the day nine strokes behind Patrick Reed, six back of Rory McIlroy and four south of Rickie Fowler. It's not like all three were going to choke. The online books offered 50-1 on Spieth. We're talking Loyola-making-a-deep-run odds.

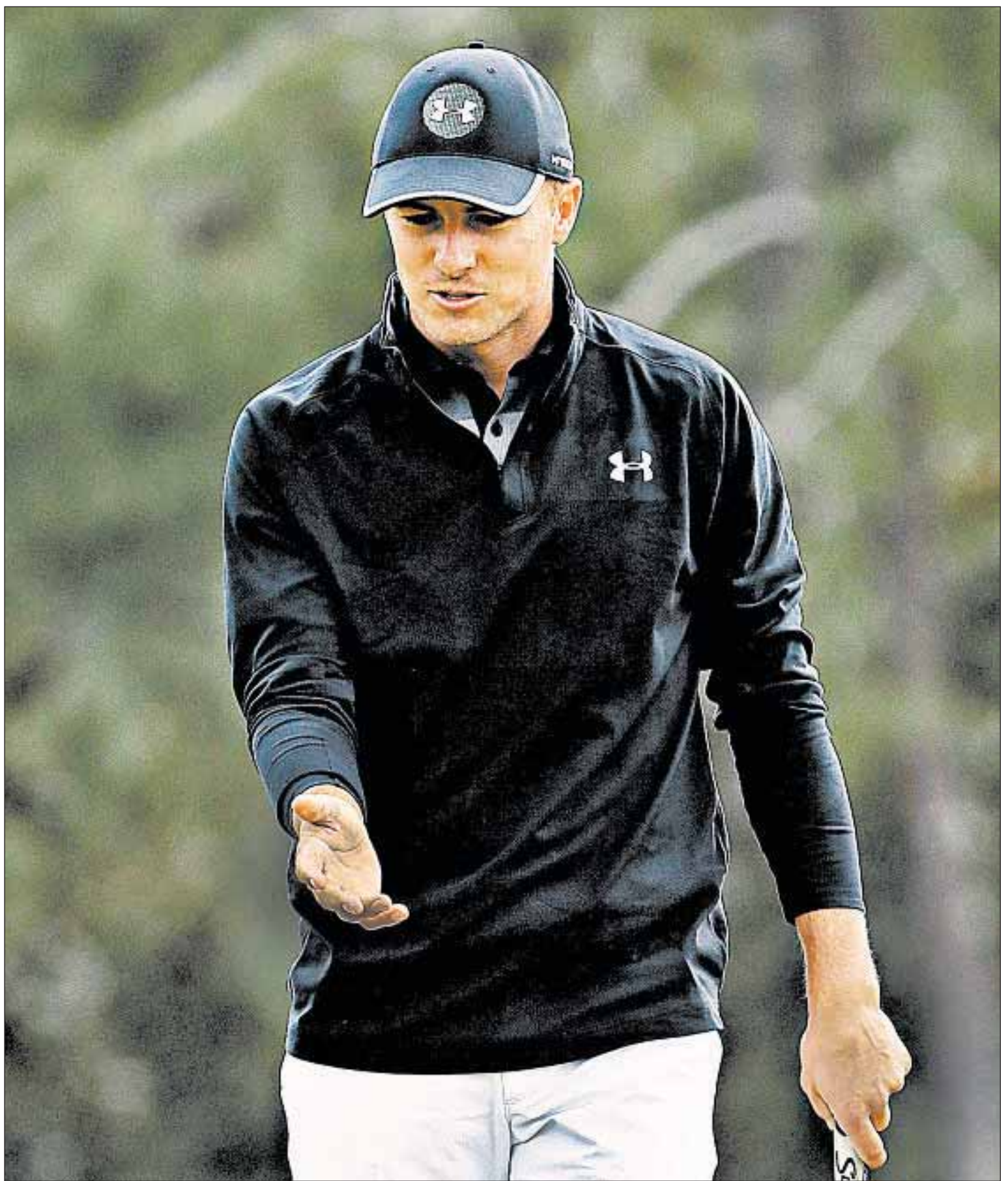
The largest Sunday comeback in the Masters was eight shots by Jack Burke Jr., and that record has lasted since 1956.

Spieth's round was stuffed with highlights, but we'll select two.

His selection would be No. 12, the scary shot over Rae's Creek that played to 154 yards. This is where Spieth surrendered the 2016 Masters, putting two in the water.

"What we did on 12 was really cool," he said. "It was probably the most pressure-packed shot I've ever hit. (Given) my history there, to hit the shot to the safe zone to knock that putt in (from 27 feet) was massive."

Spieth sprayed his drive a bit on 13, leaving a full 230 yards to the hole. With his ball in the pine straw, Spieth initially selected a 4-iron. Then he switched to a hybrid, and the crowd cheered.



JAMIE SQUIRE/GETTY

Jordan Spieth watches his par putt miss on the 18th, costing him the Masters record for the lowest Sunday round. He settled for an 8-under 64.

TV microphones picked up Greller telling him: "Hybrid ... fits the hole better and gives you more margin of room."

Apparently, caddies don't like to say the word "error."

Spieth hit it perfectly, yielding a 12-foot eagle putt. Though he missed, the birdie got him to 12 under, in smelling distance of Reed.

Spieth birdied 15, pointing to Greller to signify an assist. He made a 33-footer for birdie on 16, and the grounds erupted.

Tie ballgame.

He needed to play the final two holes in even par to shoot 63 and tie the Masters' all-time tournament record (Nick Price, Greg Norman).

But he pulled his drive on 18, saying, "Are you kidding me?"

By missing a 9-footer for par, he missed out on the tournament record for low Sunday round. His 64 tied Maurice Bembridge (1974), Hale Irwin (1975), Gary Player (1978), Norman (1988), David Toms (1998) and Bo Van Pelt (2012).

Spieth, though, didn't ponder that might have been. He spoke forcefully of what was.

"I look back and, man, I did everything right," he said. "This round was fantastic. I mean, nobody's going to have a great Sunday every year at Augusta National. To be able to have a chance to win this tournament five years in a row is really, really cool."

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DAVID CANNON/GETTY

Patrick Reed slips on his new green jacket after holding on to his lead to win the Masters, keeping Jordan Spieth and Rickie Fowler at bay.

Low amateur Ghim is highly motivated

BY TEDDY GREENSTEIN
Chicago Tribune

AUGUSTA, Ga. — It wasn't enough for Doug Ghim to make two eagles Thursday, knocking one in from 188 yards on the 18th hole.

Or to finish tournament play as the Masters' low amateur, earning a Sunday evening trip to Butler Cabin for the green jacket ceremony.

Good things come in threes, and Ghim made a 3 on his final swing by holing out from the left bunker on 18.

"I heard it hit the pin," Ghim said, "and then I heard the crowd just go nuts."

He added during his Butler Cabin interview with Masters Chairman Fred Ridley: "I guess I just really don't want to putt on 18."

That sense of humor will serve Ghim well once he graduates from the University of Texas in May and returns home to Arlington Heights. That's when he will prepare for the U.S. Open at Shinnecock Hills and the next phase of his life — golf professional.

"He's not flashy but very solid," said his father, Jeff.

"Hopefully he will be a major winner."

Jeff is a golf instructor and the only swing coach Doug has ever had. He also caddied for his 21-year-old son at Augusta National, saying after the 72-hole jaunt: "I'm walking on the clouds."

Jeff, though, said his days of looping are numbered.

"I think he needs someone better than me," Jeff said. "Maybe someone who can save him a couple of strokes."

Ghim will keep Dad on the bag for the U.S. Open, pointing out that it's Father's Day weekend.

"He wants the absolute best for me and he loves me so much," Ghim said. "I want to do so well for him, and at times it can become difficult."

"It's already difficult enough that my ball is 194 from the pin and there's trouble everywhere. That extra desire to hit the shot (well) makes it a lot more difficult to just focus on the shot itself."

Ghim wore a Cubs hat when he earned his Masters invitation by winning his semifinal match in the U.S. Amateur. Jeff wore a green Masters cap after being



CHRIS CARLSON/AP

Doug Ghim of Arlington Heights finished as the low amateur at this year's Masters.

told the Cubs cap he brought would not fly.

"We represent Illinois and Chicago," Jeff said.

Ghim tied for 50th, shooting 72-76-74-74 as the only amateur to make the cut.

Anticipating his visit to Butler Cabin, he said: "To think I could stand next to greatness and be inspired is incredible. It's also motivating, because I want to be one chair over. When I get back, I'll be as motivated as ever to get better."

Reed wins a no-doubter

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Grand Slam, hit just eight greens and shot 74.

"Frustrating," he said. "I'll sit down and reflect over the next few days and see what I could have potentially done better."

Reed was due. Overdue, actually. He's a superb player who had never broken 70 in 12 rounds at Augusta National before this year. And because he led Augusta State to two NCAA championships, many expected him to find immediate success here.

Of course, golf often works in reverse. Just ask McIlroy. The more you want something...

"As a kid growing up, it's always: This putt is to win a green jacket," Reed said. "Today was the hardest mentally a round of golf could possibly be. The Ryder Cup is a totally different type of pressure. You have a whole nation on your back, (but) win or lose your match, you still have a bunch of other guys that could pick you up."

Reed began the day with a three-shot lead over McIlroy and was the slight betting favorite. But he said he watched Sunday morning as every Golf Channel analyst — save for Notah Begay — predicted that McIlroy would prevail.

"At that point it seemed like the pressure was kind of lifted," he

said. "No one expects me to go out and win. I expect myself to go out and win. My family and I believe. Seemed like everyone else was saying ... Rory's going to win."

Spieth put it like this: "I almost pulled off the impossible." Down nine shots on the first tee, Spieth binged on birdies. On 13, he hit the green with a hybrid from the pine straw, hollering, "Go, go, go, go!" before his ball landed softly and fed to 12 feet.

Reed was fully aware of Spieth's climb, keeping one eye on the leaderboard at all times.

A key moment came, Reed said, when caddie Kessler Karain convinced him to lay up from 196 yards (partially blocked by trees) on No. 15.

"I wanted to go for it because I had a tiny, little window," Reed said. "He's like, 'No, we have the lead. Chip it down there. Let's try to make birdie with your wedge. Worst-case scenario, we'll make par.'"

"And when I made par on 15, he looked at me and said, 'Don't look at that board. It doesn't matter. It all comes down to us. Go out and play golf and we'll win this golf tournament.'"

As for the shirt, Reed said it was selected because it matches the azaleas at Augusta National: "Seemed fitting."

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Raiders expect bountiful harvest from WR Nelson

BY JERRY McDONALD
San Jose Mercury News

Considering that they let go of Michael Crabtree and signed a man nearly three years older to a contract worth up to \$15 million, you could say the Raiders have bet the farm on Jordy Nelson.

The shoe fits too. Nelson grew up on a farm in Kansas — 1,000 head of cattle on 4,000 acres. He still goes back most years to help with the wheat harvest before training camp and is fond of joking that it takes him a while “to get back into farming shape.”

This next part is no joke, though. “It set the foundation of who I am,” Nelson said of farm life. “The hard work, the day-in, day-out grind. Understanding that you have to go to work every day.”

Nelson, who turns 33 in May, isn't being counted on just for running routes and catching passes. The Raiders also think the 6-foot-3, 217-pound wide receiver can help a locker room that seemed to fray last season as the team tumbled to a 6-10 finish.

New Raiders wide receivers coach Edgar Bennett was in Green Bay for the entirety of Nelson's nine-year career with the Packers and believes Nelson's NFL success began with his upbringing.

“That's the starting point, and the way he is I'm sure came from how he was raised by his parents, being able to stay true to who he was, being disciplined,” Bennett said. “There's a carryover to his football career.”

Until the Raiders signed Nelson, their public stance on Crabtree had been that he was in their plans. But it was clear something had gone wrong in that relationship in the second half of last season. There was the one-game suspension for his fight and ongoing feud with Broncos cornerback Aqib Talib, and there were times when Crabtree was not on the field when game situations suggested he should be.

The Raiders contacted Nelson on March 13, the day he was released by the Packers. Two days later, he was in Alameda, Calif., and he didn't leave until putting pen to paper. Crabtree, 30, was released and signed with the Ravens.

The swap hasn't exactly been met with universal acceptance, given that Nelson had a significant drop in production last season, catching 53 passes for 482 yards and a career-low 9.1 yards per catch in 15 games. In 2016, Nelson had 97 receptions for 1,257 yards (12.9 yards per catch).

Former Raiders defensive backs coach and Hall of Famer Rod Woodson recently joined the chorus of those who say Nelson has lost a step.

James Jones, the former San Jose State star who played with Nelson in Green Bay, isn't buying it.

“I know a lot of people are thinking, ‘Oh, man, Crabtree is younger and better,’” Jones said. “Jordy has a lot left. And you're getting a guy with a chip on his shoulder. He will never say it, but trust me, when he does go out here and have a big-time year, he's going to have one eye on the Packers, saying, ‘I told you I can still play this game.’”

In the middle of nowhere, between the Kansas towns of Leonardville and Riley — combined population 1,412 — sits Nelson Angus Farms.

Nelson spent his youth there, glued to ESPN and participating in football, basketball and track, but only after his completing his daily chores on a farm that has been in the family since his great-great grandfather emigrated from Sweden.

Mike Nelson, Jordy's brother and 18 months his senior, runs the farm, and Jordy plans to rejoin him someday.

“I want to be my brother's hired man,” Jordy Nelson told Wisconsin Agriculturalist in 2016. “He can pay me when I work, and if he has to lay me off, I think I will be able to survive.”

Nelson was driving pickup trucks loaded with hay into town by age 12 and operating a combine as a teenager. Green Bay, which became Nelson's home in 2008 when he was drafted in the second round by the Packers, is a metropolis by comparison.

Jones was one of several Packers who visited the farm and experienced the culture shock.

“Every house is three miles away from the other,” Jones said.

“There's only one restaurant,” he added, “and Jordy owns it.”

Nelson didn't make his Green Bay guests get up with roosters and do chores. Players went four-wheeling, played some evening Wiffle ball with the family, dropped by the family-run sports bar “Jordan's Landing” and even went golfing.

“One of the worst golf courses I've ever been on,” Jones said with a laugh. “No putting greens, just rock. Once you hit the ball off the tee you're in a grass area, but when you get on the green it's always going to take a two-putt because it's all rock.”

The fun and games stands in stark contrast to a typical day on the farm.

“You get tired of doing the work when all your buddies are playing basketball,” Mike Nelson said. “But after a while, it's what you know and what you want to do. You develop a passion for it, and the next thing you know you love it. It's a good life.”

In between chores, Jordy Nelson excelled at Riley County High School in football, basketball and track. In his senior



JERRY HOLT/MINNEAPOLIS STAR TRIBUNE

As a receiver for the Packers, Jordy Nelson spikes the ball after catching a touchdown pass against the Vikings in 2016. He's now a Raider.

year at quarterback, he passed for more than 1,000 yards and rushed for 1,500 more. But no Division I scholarship offers came to him, so Nelson walked on at Kansas State, a 20-mile drive his parents had made many times as football season ticket holders.

Nelson began his career at Kansas State as a defensive back until a fateful meeting with legendary coach Bill Snyder.

“I told him I thought he might have a better chance to play a little quicker at wide receiver and that I wanted him to at least think about it, and then come and see me tomorrow,” Snyder said. “He said, ‘Coach, I don't have to think about it. If it's something you think I should do, then that's what we'll do.’”

It was a fairly standard reaction from Nelson, a player from whom Snyder said he never once saw a self-aggrandizing or look-at-me moment.

“He is the epitome of consistency,” Snyder said. “He's not one way one day and another way the next day. He's the same Jordy Nelson, day in and day out. There's no pretense to him whatsoever.”

In his senior year, Nelson caught a school-record 122 passes and was drafted in the second round by the Packers. (The Raiders took Darren McFadden in that draft.)

Nelson's transition to the NFL was gradual. His coming-out party was a nine-catch, 140-yard game with a touchdown reception in Super Bowl XLV, a 31-25 win over the Steelers after the 2010 season.

The next season, Nelson exploded. He caught 68 passes for 1,263 yards and 15 touchdowns, becoming the prime target for quarterback Aaron Rodgers.

Coming off a two-year run in which he averaged 91 catches for 1,416 yards and scored 21 touchdowns, Nelson missed the 2015 season after tearing his right ACL in an exhibition game. But he was back the next season — all the way back. After catching 97 passes for 1,257 yards and 14 touchdowns, Nelson was named the NFL's comeback player of the year.

Last year's dip was at least in part attributable to an injury to Rodgers. His replacement, Brett Hundley, struggled mightily in eight games.

“We're not playing fantasy football,” Raiders coach Jon Gruden said. “I realize his production fell off, but so did Davante Adams, so did Randall Cobb and so did the Packer offense when Aaron Rodgers went down.”

Nelson dismisses claims that he's no longer fast enough to separate from defensive backs, noting that he was never a burner when it came to the 40-yard dash but has always been plenty fast enough in shoulder pads.

“It's still there,” Bennett said. “He still has the ability to catch the football, catch it in traffic, run after the catch, create separation. He can do all those things.”

When Nelson visited the Raiders in March, quarterback Derek Carr took him on a drive to the Tri-Valley area where he

lives to help alleviate whatever big-city concerns Nelson might have been feeling.

Nelson laughed out loud when asked about the sticker shock of home prices. He is so tight with a dollar he says he won't spend a single one of them to get the No. 87 jersey he wore in Green Bay from Raiders teammate Jared Cook.

No surprise to his brother Mike, who understands how difficult it is to make a farm work financially: “It's easy to grow up conservative around here because you really learn how to push the pennies.”

Nelson's value system, Snyder said, remains intact.

“He comes back home and works on the farm. His family has a restaurant and he works in the restaurant,” Snyder said. “That's what I appreciate so much about him. He hasn't let the NFL go to his head. To me, Jordy has not changed. He's not any different the last time I saw him then when he graduated from here. When you get down to it, he's a small-town, working-class young man.”

Nelson concedes he'll have to get used to Bay Area traffic. But Carr's guided tour served its purpose.

“We were driving around and seeing the hillside, the grass and cattle and deer running around,” Nelson said. “I think there's still that aspect there. But it's also going to be great to be close to the city and be able to go downtown and experience some different things. I think you get the best of both worlds here.”

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One-armed catcher now a social-media celebrity

BY SAMANTHA PELL

Washington Post

Luke Terry crouches behind home plate each game, full catcher's gear on as he sticks his left arm out, ready to corral the next pitch.

The baseball comes flying toward him and Terry snags it with his glove, pops the ball up in the air, drops the glove and grabs the ball in midair with his bare left hand, firing it back to the mound or to a base to try to get a runner out.

Terry repeats the same smooth motion, pitch after pitch. It's a process that took six to seven years to perfect, and he is still trying to make it quicker.

The 15-year-old from Marshall County in Tennessee isn't trying to be flashy but has built the routine out of necessity. He only has one arm.

"I've had a bunch of people reach out and tell me how inspiring it is," said Terry, who is a ninth-grader at Cornersville High and recently saw his story go viral after a video of him playing catcher was posted on Twitter.

"I don't really know how to explain it. It feels good."

Said Dana Terry, Luke's mother: "It just makes my heart full every time I watch it because I've seen him play and seen him grow, and now everybody is finally seeing what I have been watching for years."

When he was 19 months old, Terry had to have his right arm amputated because of an E. coli infection. He had a total of eight surgeries resulting from the infection, and he flatlined three times, requiring doctors to restart his heart.

Terry went into surgery the first time to relieve the pressure in his arm, but doctors discovered that parts of it were already dead. They had hoped the second surgery was only to remove his hand, saving his arm from the elbow up, but they couldn't.

"When they went into surgery the second time to amputate it, they could see the infection growing, so they were rushing into surgery," Dana said. "We were running into surgery, and it would have killed him if we didn't have it."

After the second surgery, Luke spent 10 days in the intensive care unit before undergoing surgery six more times to get the infection out.

Now he is healthy and playing for the varsity baseball team at Cornersville, a small high school in central Tennessee. Terry is one of three catchers on the team, and when he is not catching he is in the outfield. But catcher is his favorite position.

"It is one of the most active positions out there," Terry said. "You get the ball almost every single play."

Terry also hits, and he has built the strength needed to swing with one arm after his parents and coaches helped him perfect the technique.

The teen started playing baseball when he was 4 years old, taking after both his parents, who played sports, and older sister Morgan. Hanging around the ballpark for days on end, Terry decided he too wanted to join in on the family tradition. Since then, he hasn't stopped playing.

Terry said that because he grew up with no right arm, life is seemingly normal to him, both at school and in sports. His mother said he has always been accepted in his small community in Tennessee.

"It doesn't seem to have bothered him," Dana said. "He didn't make it a big deal. He would just find a way to do it and he would do it."

Terry has received recognition before, including being the subject of a story in the Tennessean and being invited to an Orioles game as a special guest. But his story went viral again over Easter weekend after the video of him catching during a game was posted on Twitter.

As of Wednesday afternoon, the tweet had been retweeted over 97,000 times and liked by over 283,000 users. The video has over 6.5 million views. It caught the attention of former NFL star Deion Sanders, who tweeted that he wanted to meet Terry and get him some new gear. Former



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Video of ninth-grader Luke Terry playing baseball with one arm has gone viral on Twitter and been viewed more than 6.5 million times.

Braves great Chipper Jones also took notice, praising Terry and saying Terry could play on his team anytime.

"It was kind of shocking to know that it went viral," Terry said. "Everybody was texting me and asking me if I saw the video and I was like, 'I don't know what you are

talking about.' Then they finally showed me, and I couldn't believe it."

Sanders called Terry on Monday night and asked him what kind of equipment he wanted, how he has been playing baseball for so long and what it meant for the 15-year-old to be an inspiration to others.

"Luke came into the house grinning (from) ear to ear," Dana said. "You can't fathom it. It's like it's unreal. I grew up watching Deion Sanders play, and now he's watching my son. It's awesome."

"It's gotten to where everyone knows who Luke is."

Frost bringing physicality back to Cornhuskers

BY ERIC OLSON

Associated Press

LINCOLN, Neb. — Scott Frost often harkens to his playing days in the 1990s when the Tom Osborne-coached Nebraska teams used brute force to impose their will on overmatched opponents.

Three national championships in four years validated that way of doing things.

Upon his return as the Cornhuskers' new coach, Frost found a team that had gone soft — something apparent to those who watched a 4-8 season in 2017. The winter strength and conditioning program was, by all accounts, extremely taxing and went a long way to get the players in better shape.

Now Frost is using spring practice to toughen them up.

"We're going to try to keep the guys healthy," he said, "but we need to learn how

to be physical."

Practices were famously not physical under Mike Riley. Full contact was extremely rare. Riley, maybe only half-jokingly, once characterized a practice as "recess."

Frost said he ramped up the amount of contact in practices during Central Florida's 13-0 campaign in 2017. That decision was based on advice he received from Osborne last summer.

"Back in the '90s, during the season we would have some live reps on Tuesday and Wednesday," Frost said. "I remember as a player thinking how that kept us so much sharper, and when we hit the field on game day that wasn't as hard as Tuesday and Wednesday."

"We adopted that last year and we actually went live to the ground even during the season, and I think it made a difference

for us. We need to be able to run and hit, and we need reps at it, so we're going to take some live reps this spring."

Across the sport there's been a move toward less contact in practices. For now, Nebraska is going against the trend.

"It's definitely why a lot of guys play football," linebacker Will Honas said. "They love the physical aspect, and it's good to get the pads popping."

Said running back Greg Bell: "It brings the best out of everybody."

Frost said he's been impressed with how the players have responded, especially the offensive linemen.

"I'm seeing them start to get some movement up front and get us some yards coming off the ball," he said, "and that all comes down to the weight room. It's been that way (traditionally) in Lincoln and we're going to keep pushing the envelope."

Tackling remains a concern for a defense ranked among the worst in the nation last season. Two years ago, Nebraska paid the Seattle-based company Atavus \$100,000 to consult coaches on how to implement rugby-style tackling, an experiment that lasted a year.

"Tackling consultant? Hey, they pay us good money to coach," Frost said. "If we don't know what we're doing, then they probably need a different coach."

Frost, who played quarterback at Nebraska and switched to safety in the pros, said he was a poor tackler in the NFL until his coaches in Tampa Bay taught him the proper way. He said he wants to see relentless effort in the tackling.

"We're going to work on it every single day until these guys master it," Frost said. "I want guys to try to make the big hit instead of being afraid to make that play."

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Jason Kretche, 41, of Madison, Wis., as Drax from "Guardians of the Galaxy."



Court Carmody, 24, of Ohio, as Peridot of animated series "Steven Universe."



Kristin Gannon, 38, of Madison, Wis., as Pennywise from the "It" book and films.



Eugene "Stryder" Brown, 41, of Nashville, Tenn., as the Hip-Hop Trooper.



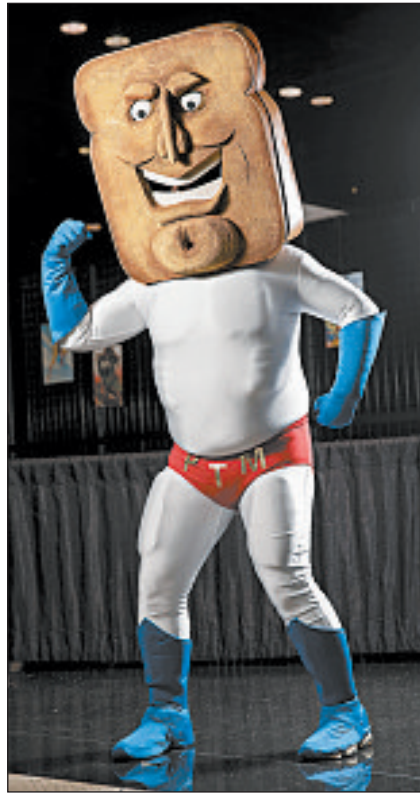
Grace Pierzyski, 18, of Michigan, as Eleven from Netflix's "Stranger Things."



Michael Lejrاند, 36, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, as superhero Black Panther.



Danny Diaz, 47, left, and Calvin Senethavisouk, 19, both of Bartlett, as Baymax and Hiro, respectively, from "Big Hero 6."



Allan Pugeda, 42, of Bolingbrook, as "Ren & Stimpy's" Powdered Toast Man.



JAY L. CLENDENIN/LOS ANGELES TIMES 2017

"Weird Al" Yankovic brought out the less well-known gems from his 14 albums in a stripped-down, five-piece rock concert.

IN PERFORMANCE

Weird Al's set of deep cuts pays off at the Vic

BY ZACH FREEMAN
 Chicago Tribune

Five songs into musical comedy legend "Weird Al" Yankovic's second sold-out night at the Vic for his "Ridiculously Self-Indulgent, Ill-Advised Vanity Tour," I scanned the crowd and caught a beautiful moment. A boy — probably 10 or so — turned to his dad with a big grin on his face and gave him a high-five. The two then turned back toward the stage, excitedly belting out song lyrics along with the band.

It's a moment that has surely played out during innumerable rock concerts for decades: father and son connecting over their shared love for a band or a particular song, the father proud that he can share this experience with his son, the son impressed by his father's impeccable taste in music. But how often has the sonic backdrop for this particular scene been a Christmas song, being played in April, describing in gory, sing-songy detail "The Night Santa Went Crazy?"

"And he ground up poor Rudolph into reindeer sausage!" the happy, bonding duo sang cheerily with the rest of the crowd.

Really, it's not a lyric you'd expect to hear anywhere, even at a "Weird Al" concert. Four-time Grammy winner Yankovic is best known for — and has made a career spanning four decades from — his work as a parodist, taking popular songs and re-writing them with outrageous premises. "The Night Santa Went Crazy" — which appeared on the 1996 album "Bad Hair Day" — is neither a parody, nor was it ever a hit.

And yet, the majority of the packed-house audience cheered wildly when the song started. They did the same for the other 16 original (read: nonparody) songs the band played. With this tour, Yankovic has made a huge adjustment to his standard performance and taken a risk, drop-

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Inclusiveness and artistry at C2E2

Fandoms of all shapes, sizes and colors converge at McCormick Place

BY DARCEL ROCKETT AND WILLIAM LEE | Chicago Tribune

The days were long, the steps on the Fitbit were many and as the days of Chicago Comic & Entertainment Expo, or C2E2, at McCormick Place went on, Marvel and DC comic heroes and villains walked the convention concourse posing for a sea of smartphones, fake FBI agents made sure their faux earpieces were in and parents often came to the aid of their children's costume issues.

A turn of the head took in a father (donning a Star Trek uniform) holding

the hand of his daughter, Princess Elsa from "Frozen." And in the peripheral vision, one caught fans asking for pictures with women dressed as members of the Dora Milaje.

Within these walls, this weekend was a place where any person could be a rock star in her own right via cosplay. Striking poses every few steps may have impeded a walk to grab a drink, but it made children grin ear to ear. So what if it took Jason Kretche, of Madison, Wis., hours upon hours to cut out the exact

tattoos of Drax from "Guardians of the Galaxy" from a PDF? He wanted accuracy, and his wife, who helped adorn his gray body with the art, made it happen.

Tina Pierzyski, 46, of Plymouth, Mich., came to the event for the third time with her daughter Grace — mom was dressed as Dustin from Netflix's hit "Stranger Things," and Grace came as Eleven.

What is it about the annual gathering of fandom?

"I just like to do something with the kids," Pierzyski said. "It gives us a chance to be geeky together."

"I love the family-friendly environment of this con," said Bolingbrook resident Allan Pugeda, who donned a

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Erika Henningsen plays Cady Heron in the Broadway production of "Mean Girls."

Fey's 'Mean Girls' hits Broadway

The 2004 movie "Mean Girls" has been smartly updated by Tina Fey in a new musical on Broadway. The girls are now armed with iPhones and — biggest change — Janis and Damian are now center stage as our alt-art narrators. Read the review from the Tribune's Chris Jones. **Page 3**

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Cardi B, whose first album is set for a No. 1 Billboard debut, performs on the most recent episode of "SNL."

Cardi B reveals her baby bump on 'SNL'

Rapper Cardi B revealed during a "Saturday Night Live" performance that she's pregnant.

The Grammy-nominated artist wore a fitted white dress showing off her bump.

It's been long speculated that Cardi B, whose real name is Belcalis Almanzar, was expecting. Her fiancé is rapper Offset of the hip-hop group Migos.

Offset, whose real name is Kiari Kendrell Cephus, posted an Instagram photo of the two with a caption reading: "Thank you for all of your support. We feel so blessed." The couple has been engaged since October.

Cardi B's debut album was released Friday. "Invasion of Privacy" is set for a No. 1 Billboard debut.

The record comes 10 months after her smash hit "Bodak Yellow." She performed that, "Bartier Cardi" and "Be Careful" on Saturday night.

— Associated Press

April 9 birthdays: Actor Dennis Quaid is 64. Designer Marc Jacobs is 55. Actress Cynthia Nixon is 52. Actress Keshia Knight Pulliam is 39. Actor Jay Baruchel is 36. Actress Kristen Stewart is 28. Actress Elle Fanning is 20.

Box office

1. A Quiet Place
\$50 million
2. Ready Player One
\$25.1
3. Blockers
\$21.4
4. Black Panther (tie)
I Can Only Imagine (tie)
\$8.4
5. Tyler Perry's Acrimony
\$8.1
6. Chappaquiddick
\$6.2
7. Sherlock Gnomes
\$5.6
8. Pacific Rim Uprising
\$4.9
9. Isle of Dogs
\$4.6

SOURCE: Associated Press, estimated sales, Friday-Sunday.



JORDAN STRAUSS/INVISION

Kate Hudson expecting a girl: Kate Hudson, above, and her musician boyfriend, Danny Fujikawa, popped black question mark balloons to let loose the pink in an Instagram reveal that their baby will be a girl. Hudson, her two sons and Fujikawa each popped balloons, jumping up and down and cheering when pink confetti and smaller pink balloons descended in the Friday post. Hudson didn't say when the baby is due. It's her third child and her first with Fujikawa. The two began dating a year ago last December.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Reaction to snowball fight irks mom

Dear Amy: Last night my 6-year-old son was participating in a snowball fight with a group of friends after school.

One of the other boys threw a snowball into my son's face, which cut the bridge of his nose. My son's reaction was to punch the other boy in the face, which gave that boy a bloody nose. Both my husband and the other boy's father agreed that both boys were wrong and they were made to apologize to one another.

What bothers me is that everyone I have told about the incident, when they hear how my son reacted, has said something along the lines of, "Good for him!"

I, on the other hand, am upset that my son responded to violence (which may very well have been accidental) with more violence.

As soon as our son started school, my husband and I told him that if he witnessed or is ever a victim of someone else's bad behavior, that he should stand up for himself with words, and/or tell an adult.

Others seem to think that when hit, it's perfectly OK to hit back. But then again, we don't want our son to be labeled a "tattletale." What is your take on this, Amy?

— Anxious for Spring

Dear Anxious: Your son is six. His father (and the father of the other boy) responded appropriately in the moment.

I agree that you and your husband should talk to your boy about the imbalance of responding to a snowball hit with a punch to the nose.

When kids are playing, accidents (and incidents) happen. It should be a universal "rule" to NEVER aim anything at anyone's head. However, sometimes during play, people do get hurt. When this happens, play stops while everybody makes sure everybody else is OK. That's all part of being a good sport.

The appropriate response when you're playing is to retaliate with the same "weapon" that was used in play. In soccer, for instance, you kick a ball — not throw your fist — at your opponent.

In short, this is a snowball fight, not "The Untouchables."

If you relate this snowball story to an adult, and the adult commends your son for hitting another child, you should ask, innocently, "Do you really think it is right for one child to punch another in the face? Because we're teaching our son otherwise."

If you equate telling a young child to go to an adult with a problem with being a "tattletale," then you should rethink your own equivalencies. Your message to your children should be that they can — and should — ALWAYS come to an adult when they have a dilemma, problem or hurt.

Dear Amy: My 11-year-old nephew was staying with my family (out of town) during his spring break.

Two days into the visit, his mother (my sister) was upset that he hadn't called her the night before and she couldn't reach us the next morning, while we were at a museum with no cell service.

I had him call her as soon as we left, but I made the mistake of joking about him not wanting to call her. Her response quickly escalated. She yelled at him, claiming he was deliberately ignoring her, even though it was my phone. When I tried to speak with her privately, she then decided to come and get him that same night because I questioned her parenting.

My nephew did nothing wrong and my husband and I are at a loss for how her emotional insecurity grew so quickly that she took such action against her son. We fear that we won't be able to have him, or his sisters, visit again. How do we move forward after such extreme retaliation was taken out on our nephew for no reason?

— Disappointed Aunt

Dear Aunt: First rule: Don't mess with a parent who is separated from her son. Your motivation was to joke with her, and yes — she definitely overreacted. She clearly is not ready to part with her child and entrust him completely to your care.

Apologize to her for your role in this miscommunication, and urge her to move forward from this unfortunate episode.

Dear Readers: I still receive, read and appreciate "Ask Amy" postal mail. I have a new postal address, so I am noting it here. People wanting to write to me can address mail to "Ask Amy" PO Box 194, Freeville, NY, 13068.

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IN PERFORMANCE

Vivica Genaux revels in Vivaldi's arias

By JOHN VON RHEIN
Chicago Tribune

As Third Coast Baroque, the city's newest period-instrument ensemble, continues to develop a profile and a presence, its Vienna-based artistic director, Ruben Dubrovsky, is attracting soloists from his cadre of international early music specialists. The final concerts of the group's second season over the weekend brought one such performer, the charismatic mezzo-soprano Vivica Genaux, to perform Vivaldi opera arias as part of its first-ever orchestral program.

The Venetian baroque master wrote dozens of operas that are seldom heard beyond recordings, so the six Vivaldi arias Genaux presented (two of them as encores), along with another rarity, the motet "In turbato mare irato" (RV 627), made refreshing discoveries at the concert I caught Saturday night in Galvin Recital Hall at Northwestern University.

Written to display the virtuosity of some of the leading castratos and mezzos of the Italian baroque, these pieces explode with rapid-fire vocal pyrotechnics — dizzying leaps and descents, dazzling scales, arpeggios and the like — demanding the utmost coloratura agility, precision and brilliance that the Fairbanks, Alaska-born singer summons with ease. Such is her deep expressive sensitivity, however, that when the fury and agitation embedded in Vivaldi's impossibly florid acrobatics gave way to tender expressions of love and regret, Genaux brought those scenes to life most affectingly.

The sorrowful "Io sento in questo seno" (from "Arsilda"), with its telling descents into the contralto register, contrasted effectively with the gutsy coloratura of arias from "La fida



JIM YOUNG/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Vivica Genaux sings with Third Coast Baroque at Northwestern University's Ryan Center for the Musical Arts on Saturday.

ninfa" and "Catone in Utica" on either side of it. Dubrovsky's energizing direction as he led from the baroque lute made him a sympathetic partner. Both artists recognize there is far more to these gems of the baroque vocal art than mere flamboyance.

Genaux's two encores sealed the bargain spectacularly — the arias "Sposa son disprezzata" (from the pasticcio "Bajazet") and "Agitata da due venti" (from "Griselda"). The soulful "Bajazet" piece stood in satisfying relief against its incredibly ornate counterpart.

Dubrovsky's eight string players, plus Mark Shuldiner on harpsichord and Brandon Acker on theorbo and baroque guitar, include some of the city's finest period players. Their gutsy vitality was just the ticket for Vivaldi's Concerto grosso in G minor (RV 156)

and Violin Concerto in G major (RV 298). It was good to encounter a Vivaldi violin concerto *not* from "The Four Seasons," and concertmaster Martin Davids did the piece proud, impulsively dropping to his knees at the climax: Vivaldi as fiddling rock star.

Resonant Bodies Festival

One wonders what Vivaldi, who was not above testing the technical capabilities of singers, would have thought of the radical contemporary vocal experimentation that is the raison d'être of the Resonant Bodies Festival.

The Chicago collective of vocalists, composers and permutations thereof began in 2013 and has grown to become a thriving fixture of the city's teeming new music scene, and touring versions are planned for

Los Angeles, Sydney, Banff and other cities.

Given the close Chicago connections of founder-director Lucy Dhegrae and several of her resident artists, a Chicago edition of Resonant Bodies was bound to happen as well. Hence the festival's local debut in three performances last weekend at Constellation, where I caught the Friday opener.

True to the ensemble's artist-focused format, each event gave three performers the freedom to program a set of their choosing. Friday's young, enthusiastic crowd heard six pieces, four of them world premieres. Of these, three were performed by the composers themselves — Jenna Lyle, Nina Dante and Alejandro T. Acierto.

Much of what transpired in the course of the evening sounded like a work in progress, with each com-

poser-performer trying to outdo the other in raucous aural monotony crossing over into bizarre uses of voice and body that bore no relation to what is normally associated with singing.

Take Lyle's "Louise," for example (and you may). Wrapping herself in a "Sonic Fragment" garment by the feminist fashion designer Scarlet Le and sound artist Alyce Santoro, Lyle turned herself literally into a resonant body. Writhing, twitching, huddling, reclining and upending herself inside a wired fabric cocoon, her amplified movements created disturbances in the electronic drone audience members heard as they took their seats. How this relentless sonic barrage (its 35 minutes seemed interminable) related to the work of the abstract expressionist sculptor Louise Nevelson, the piece's inspirational

namesake, was unclear in this world premiere.

Dante's set of three pieces — Stratis Minakakis' "Aggeloi III — a 6," Pablo Chin's "Si Chevala met Matta" and her own "El canto mio es un grito" — went down more accessibly with their distortions of fragmented texts as various series of gasps, grunts, sighs, clicks, heavy breathing, guttural exhalations, pitched and unpitched sounds, and spoken word.

The Chin and Dante works are related by the longtime collaborators' interest in the music of the iconic Mexican singer Chavela Vargas. Dante's world-premiere piece (translated as "My song is a scream of freedom," a quotation from Vargas) took on a modicum of histrionic interest, as if the singer were unable to speak and all she could produce was a frustrated frenzy of muffled cries and hyperkinetic gibberish.

Any hope that the two Acierto works — "Cavities I-IV" and "Transmit 4.x," the latter a world premiere — would offer aural relief was futile. Separated from the first piece by a brief pause, the second promised a clever riff on how our smartphones are stifling rather than furthering communication. But the result was more of the same: tiresome torrent of amplified inhalations, monosyllabic shrapnel and rapid-fire gobbledygook, sometimes overlaid with roaring electronica that suggested the landing of an alien spacecraft. Beam me up, Scotty.

Acierto threw himself into his performance with a deadpan, heroic bravura that was nothing short of — you should pardon the expression — jaw-dropping.

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BROADWAY REVIEW

Arty geeks take 'Mean Girls' spotlight

BY CHRIS JONES
Chicago Tribune

NEW YORK — “Sometimes I feel like an iPhone without a case,” muses one of the teens in the new Broadway musical “Mean Girls,” written by Tina Fey and set among the cliques and geeks of what now is a carefully veiled stand-in for New Trier High School in Winnetka. “I know I’m worth a lot and I have good functions, but I could just shatter.”

That line tells you two things. One is that Fey still writes funnier, smarter, sharper satire than most anyone else in the business. Another is that we are no longer in 2004, the home habitat of Regina George. Her lunch table in the original movie might have been the epitome of elitist exclusion — put your hair in a pony tail once too often and you were sent to Siberia with the math geeks — but it was not filled with teens staring at their screens. In 2004, all of the conflict was delivered face to face. Halcyon days. Mean the girls may have been, but they at least looked in the eyes of their victims as they injected their venom. No more, folks, no more. Now you just hit post and scurry away.

In a lobby eye-poppingly crammed with a plethora of Instagram-able displays, interactive pink experiences, gaggles of tripping teens and merch for days, “Mean Girls” has chosen to update its brand. The musical that opened Sunday at the August Wilson Theatre focuses not as much on the women who watched the film as teens themselves and now view it as nostalgic (viewings ideally accompanied by good old friends and a nice bottle of red), but on their daughters who are watching it on Netflix and quoting it on Snapchat (although you better believe they’re hoping the parents



JOAN MARCUS PHOTO

Erika Henningsen, from left, Ashley Park, Taylor Louderman and Kate Rockwell in “Mean Girls” on Broadway.

will buy the tickets).

On the stage, it’s a bit more complex. As with a lot of movie-to-musicals (this one features satirically rooted music by Jeff Richmond, Fey’s husband and the former Second City musical maestro, and lyrics by Nell Benjamin), the updating has to wrestle with some aspects of the material that feel rooted in a time period, not the least of which is the high school caste system that was the root of the movie. That’s not entirely gone away, and Fey has updated her satire to include a table of intimidating “woke seniors” and other new scary groups. But it has changed more, I think, than this musical can admit, since it wants to be based on the original narrative.

The story revolves around a formerly homeschooled girl named Cady

Heron (played on stage by Erika Henningsen) trying to navigate the affluent but unforgiving halls of her new place of learning and finding herself doing battle with Queen Bee Regina (Taylor Louderman, whose hilarious program bio begins with “is a little bit nicer in real life”) and her sidekicks Gretchen (Ashley Park) and Karen (Kate Rockwell).

The film was very much about Cady, played mostly as a normative character by an early-career Lindsay Lohan. The musical, though, is narrated (sporadically) by the two self-styled alt-arty outsiders in the school, Janis (the breakout star Barrett Wilbert Weed) and Damian (Grey Henson), and you now see the story much more through their eyes.

It was a smart way to go: It is a nod to how much

status in high schools has changed, and the terrific Weed and Henson are the most empathetic and likable of the performers, although Louderman’s old-school performance really is a hugely admirable feat of unstinting alpha-gal intensity. If you know the film, though, you might be surprised to know that Janis now is the character whose emotional trajectory is at the moral heart of the story. By the end of director Casey Nicholaw’s production, Cady (more a mid-career Lohan, you might say) feels lumped in with the girls she just vanquished. She’s talking a new game, but you wouldn’t trust her for a second not to go back to being mean.

Fair enough. Janice is the gal for our now. We perk up every time she shows up. But a lot of the show — Cady learning that defeat-

ing the existing power structure is not as good as replacing that hierarchy with mutually supportive Winnetka egalitarianism — feels less exciting, especially since Henningsen really doesn’t change all that much as the show unfolds. It’s like old-school satire bumping up against the realities of the current moment. Janice and her sidekick Damian have the heart of the story, but not the stage-time. And that, in the end, is a structural strain.

All of Fey’s long-form shows have unfolded at rapid paces, and “Mean Girls” is no exception. It’s packed with body-twisting and often witty choreography from Nicholaw, whose show, with a set by Scott Pask, is so stocked with stimulation (verbal, physical, digital) that it rests not for a second, a choice

that does not help Henningsen really change, given that Richmond’s score, as energetic and funny as everything else here, is hardly centered on self-reflective ballads. But that likely will delight much of the audience who’ll be trying to figure out why that dance number had boys in drag (don’t ask me) and that one had that Easter egg and so on. At the Saturday matinee I saw, the balcony was having so much whoop-it-up fun, I was worried about someone’s tucked-away phone falling and smacking me on my balding pate.

From my perch, the most fascinating aspect of “Mean Girls” is watching Fey, whose peak moment of cultural influence was longer ago than you think now, wrestling with how to marry her singularly brilliant satiric instincts with the demands of a new moment. The show feels very much like the work of parents, which I don’t mean pejoratively, but to note that great care has been taken in thinking about what the fans in the balcony will take away.

Great satirists can’t entirely be moralists, even now, being as the latter contradicts the former. And you see the old Fey of Second City all over some of these lines, some from the film, some not. The killer Halloween parody — girls comes dressed as Sexy Corn, Sexy Abraham Lincoln, Sexy Rosa Parks — has all of that going on. So does the parody mall with “Suburban Outfitters” and “1,3,5.” And, in the opening sequence, poor Cady, stuck in a world of isolation, makes a tiny friendly overture to a girl in the hall.

“Unsubscribe!” gets spat in her face.

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Theo Bleckmann, from left, Alicia Olatuja and Joanna Majoko with drummer Ulysses Owens Jr. in “Songs of Freedom.”

IN PERFORMANCE

‘Songs of Freedom’ digs into 1960s

BY HOWARD REICH
Chicago Tribune

The transcendent moment in “Songs of Freedom,” drummer Ulysses Owens Jr.’s reflection on music of the turbulent 1960s, sneaked up on listeners.

For after hearing inspired but straightforward readings of music identified with Nina Simone, Abbey Lincoln and Joni Mitchell, the audience Friday night at the University of Chicago’s Logan Center for the Arts encountered something ethereal, mystical and fearlessly experimental.

Singer Theo Bleckmann — one of the evening’s three vocalists — stood before Owens’ jazz quartet and alongside a sound board jammed with knobs, dials and levers. He opened “Balm in Gilead,” a spiritual Simone helped popularize, by singing hushed high notes that he synthesized through the electronic equipment. Soon these wordless pitches were echoing in the room, as if a church choir were at work, the newly recorded and looped tones now forming an accompaniment for

Bleckmann’s lead vocals.

In effect, a cascade of voices was reinventing “Balm in Gilead,” drummer Owens’ instrumentalists providing a softly cushioned backdrop. Rarely has a jazz vocalist achieved such sanctity of expression in a concert hall purely through otherworldly sounds of his own making. Had Bleckmann gone on for 20 minutes this way, it wouldn’t have been too long.

Though this was the high point of the “Songs of Freedom” project, which Owens developed for Jazz at Lincoln Center in New York, it was but one facet of a deep exploration of music of social protest.

Like Simone, Abbey Lincoln gave voice to the battle for civil rights, nowhere more ferociously than in “We Insist! Freedom Now Suite,” by drummer Max Roach and Chicago singer-songwriter Oscar Brown Jr. The landmark recording opens with “Driving Portrait of the evils of slavery, sung on this night by Joanna Majoko over an earthy blues accompaniment from the band. Majoko’s sweet-toned timbre at first might

have seemed too genteel for this music and this message, but before long she was summoning the piercing cries and gutsy growls the song demands.

Singer Alicia Olatuja could be considered the most traditional of the evening’s three vocalists, but she was not content to offer a conventional reading of Joni Mitchell’s “Both Sides Now.” Bringing operatic complexity to her vocal embellishments and punctuating the song’s famous melody with gospel-tinged interjections, Olatuja made a jazz aria of the piece, significantly broadening and deepening its impact.

Any evening invoking the music and memory of Simone must come to terms with “Mississippi Goddam,” her clenched fist anthem against racism in general, the Southern variety in particular. Singer Majoko’s honeyed tones and once-overlightly interpretation suggested a young artist still struggling to get to the core of one of the most incendiary of such indictments in the repertoire. When she offered bits of scat singing, her interpretation began to take

flight.

Yet to hear Bleckmann, Majoko and Olatuja collaborate on “Four Women,” another Simone landmark, was to understand the caliber of vocal work they represented. For after each sang a monologue, the three singers improvised exquisite, three-part counterpoint. Their lines bobbed and weaved, intertwined and overlapped in ways too complex to have been put to paper, a sure testament to what spontaneous music-making can achieve.

Throughout, Owens did what few drummer/conceptualizers choose to do, keeping his contributions and that of his instrumental colleagues succinct, understated and deferential to the vocalists. Yes, Owens often punctuated the proceedings with dramatic accents and allowed for a few atmospheric instrumental solos.

But he knew this evening was largely about the lyrics and wisely allowed them to ring out.

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IN PERFORMANCE

Lucy Dacus brings life to ‘Historian’ at show

BY BRITT JULIOUS
Chicago Tribune

Poised, charming, eloquent — Lucy Dacus seems to have it all. And nowhere was this as apparent as during her sold-out set Friday at the Empty Bottle.

The Richmond, Va.-based singer-songwriter, who just released her sophomore solo album, “Historian,” in March, approached the stage with a confidence and assured resolve that far outpaces her 21 years of age. Accompanied by a glowing neon image of the faceless figure from the cover of “Historian” and primary-colored mood lighting, Dacus commanded the stage (and her multiple guitars) with aplomb.

Although her late-night set began with a series of technical difficulties — from squawking vocals to dropped sound (none of which was her fault) — Dacus remained as graceful as ever. By her third attempt to kick off the show with the new single, “Addictions,” she found a sort of middle ground, pushing past the apparent sound problems even as they persisted well into the track. It didn’t hurt to be strengthened by the warm, enraptured embrace of the audience.

Many songs during Dacus’ set became singalongs, especially during the first half of her show, which featured a collection of tracks from “Historian” played in the album order.

“It’s just the biggest compliment you can give a songwriter, just to sing at them their own songs,” she said. Luckily the early technical problems dissipated, leaving Dacus to command the attention of the room. Her unruffled vocals, which sound as precise and clear live as they do on record, make her lyrics about adolescent confusion and lost innocence stand out.

“This next song is about



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Singer-songwriter Lucy Dacus performs Friday at the Empty Bottle.

knowing that your surroundings aren’t perfect and that your home could be better and having the bravery to ask for that and know that it’s possible,” Dacus said before she gave a shoutout to Art 180, a nonprofit working for youths from disenfranchised communities in her hometown, then dove into “Yours & Mine,” one of the most emotionally vulnerable tracks on her new record.

Dacus made room for her most famous hits, including “I Don’t Wanna Be Funny Anymore” and “Night Shift,” which book-ended her hour-plus set. But the real highlight of the evening came sometime around the middle when Dacus left room for the “Historian” highlight, “Timefighter.”

Progy and pointed, the track ruptured into its most excellent, most potent form live, with spindly, piercing guitars and rumbling vocals. It’s a departure from Dacus’ lighter, more lyrically driven ditties, but the song snaps, worming its way into your psyche. Here, Dacus proves she’s more than just a wunderkind. “You wanted a landslide/I’m just as good as anybody,” Dacus roared. And you believe her.

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A con for all ages

C2E2, from Page 1

Powdered Toast Man costume of “The Ren & Stimpy Show” fame. “I’ve never met a mean person at this convention — it’s just a big party.”

Ricky Whittle, who plays Shadow Moon on “American Gods,” said this convention was like “Disneyland for adults.”

Illustrators, such as Brianna Garcia with her Disney Princess Comics artwork, added to the fun. The artist from southern California came to C2E2 for a second time because she loves the atmosphere.

“Some of the other cons have gotten so big, they became a bit impersonal, but I love this con because of the size — the one-on-one interaction is better, so I get to meet more new people,” she said.

Morgan Kendric Sawyer is the artist behind the five-part miniseries comic “Welcome to Paradise” by Scout Comics. The Richmond, Va., resident said his book deals with a lot of social-class issues.

“I like the act of storytelling — telling stories of our time means something,” he said.

TV, film, comic and literary celebrities were on hand for autographs, photos and panels wherein audience queries ran the gamut from the “sensitive nipples” line made in the second “Guardians” film to the significance of the new “Doctor Who” regenerating into a female — a first for the franchise. Comments included, “It needed to evolve to stay relevant” and



Six-year-old Jack Morris, left, and Charlie Morris, 4, of Chicago, as Ghostbusters Saturday at McCormick Place.

“It’s been a long time coming,” as well as theories about how statistically impossible it would be for Doctor Who to still be a white man.

There was also a panel that focused on mental illness and trauma in the comic universe. Experts (composed of comic creator Mark Waid and local psychologists) debated which superhero they would like to have in session and who would be the most resistant to therapy. What would happen if Superman felt less alien? Would Clark Kent cease to exist? (We’ve all wondered about these things, have we not?)

(Full disclosure, Tribune reporter Darcel Rockett moderated the “Strong

Female Voices in Speculative Fiction” panel on Friday.)

Other panels touched on topics like the 20th anniversary of the U.S. release of “Harry Potter and the Sorcerer’s Stone” as well as representation in pop/geek culture from people of color to LGBTQ characters in comics. Panelist Dawn Xiana Moon, a local belly-dancer who sometimes dances as The TARDIS, mentioned how she cried when she was given Rose and Paige Tico action figures from “Star Wars: The Last Jedi” as a gift.

“I’m not a crier, but I started bawling because I finally have heroes that look like me,” she said. “It’s a huge thing — you can’t



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Morgan Kendric Sawyer is the artist behind the miniseries comic “Welcome to Paradise.”

underestimate the importance of representation.”

Michael Lejrland, a 36-year-old from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who posed for photos dressed in a padded version of the “Black Panther” costume, said Marvel’s most recent blockbuster inspired him to think beyond simply dressing as his favorite comic book character. He’d like children who attend to see a positive image up-close and inspire them to express themselves creatively.

“Representation is important, and I want young black kids, boys and girls of all races just to see people doing different things and saying they can do it, too,” Lejrland said.

Others came with their own spin to popular characters. Kristin Gannon from Madison, Wis., arrived in a gender-bent version of the evil clown Pennywise of the “It” book and films. Her husband, Michael — who

spoke for her because her spiky false teeth prevented chitchat — said she has a creative flair for coming up with unique female versions of male characters.

Christian Floski, 26, turned plenty of heads as a leggy, 6-foot high-heeled version of “Star Wars” favorite Princess Leia. Floski, who performs drag as Jessica Tux, said he was surprised to be so embraced by attendees, saying it was part of the charm for fantasy and cosplay.

“I was a little apprehensive going out like this, but I haven’t gotten anything but smiles and only interacted with happy people. ... It’s totally inclusive. That’s why I love cosplay.”

But if an award for combining cultures were being handed out, it might go to Nashville, Tenn., cosplayer and hip-hop enthusiast Eugene “Stryder” Brown, whose Hip-Hop Trooper outfit, complete with red

Stormtrooper armor and nonregulation boombox, combines his love for “Star Wars,” hip-hop music and ’80s pop culture.

Eliza Diaz, 19, a cosplayer from Bartlett who attended Saturday with her boyfriend and her dad, who came as “Big Hero 6’s” Hiro and Baymax, said the focus on inclusiveness will keep fantasy and nerd culture plugged into the mainstream for some time to come.

“I actually don’t see it falling off in any way, especially when you have conventions like this,” she said. “This is basically where everyone can gather around, be themselves — be able to wear what they want to wear, to express themselves as whatever character they desire.”

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Yankovic set a gift to fans

Weird Al, from Page 1

ping the venue size (for comparison, he performed at the Chicago Theatre in 2015) and the spectacle (no costumes, dance numbers or big hits) and is instead bringing out the less well-known gems from his 14 albums in a stripped-down, five-piece rock concert (the light show is still on point).

So does it pay off? A thousand times yes. Anyone who tells you otherwise is either an AI noob or just someone who can't appreciate a good accordion solo (you know the type). As a side note, my date whispered to me in complete awestruck earnestness at one point, “This is the first accordion solo I’ve ever seen live.”

Yankovic was all straightforward sincerity from the start. “We’re just gonna play a bunch of old

songs,” he said nonchalantly as the band took the stage, pausing for only half a second before announcing, “Like this one!” and launching immediately into the stalker love song “Melanie.”

For almost two hours, Yankovic — seated on a stool centerstage, with guitarist Jim West on his right, bassist Steve Jay on his left, and drummer Jon “Bermuda” Schwartz and keyboardist Ruben Valtierra behind him — laid into unexpected deep cut after unexpected deep cut, spanning decades of albums and a mishmash of genres. From the manic 17 seconds of “Let Me Be Your Hog” to the rambling 11 minutes-plus of “Albuquerque,” they played songs in their entirety that most Yankovic fans never expected to hear live.

Yankovic is an expressive performer, and though he stayed seated for the majority of the show, he put his full body into his singing, often nodding his head to the rhythm and using his left hand to make various gestures. And though the vast majority of his lyrics are intentionally ridiculous, his serious and often intense delivery belies the absurdity of what he’s saying — he commits fully to the spirit of the song, whether he’s admonishing youngsters (“When I Was Your Age”) or admiring a piece of art (“Velvet Elvis”).

There’s plenty of speculation about how an accordion player who writes silly send-ups of hits could forge such a lengthy and successful career. Aside from Yankovic’s clear musical talent, and that of his band, this complete dedication to the musical bits — and they are certainly bits, though in song form — is an obvious factor. The focus on ensuring that the emotions are real, that there is honest-to-goodness heartfelt feeling behind his most over-the-top lines, takes what is already good material to the next level.

“I knew that we were having problems when/ You put those piranhas in my bathtub again,” he sorrowfully laments in “You Don’t Love Me Anymore.” Pathos.

“I sued Delta Airlines/ ‘Cause they sold me a ticket to New Jersey/ I went there, and it sucked!”

Set list

1. “Melanie”
2. “Bob”
3. “Velvet Elvis”
4. “Nature Trail to Hell”
5. “The Night Santa Went Crazy”
6. “Midnight Star”
7. “I’ll Sue Ya”
8. “One More Minute”
9. “Let Me Be Your Hog”
10. “My Own Eyes”
11. “That’s Your Horoscope for Today”
12. “When I Was Your Age”
13. “UHF”
14. “Mr. Frump in the Iron Lung”
15. “Young, Dumb and Ugly”
16. “You Don’t Love Me Anymore”
17. “Albuquerque”
18. Medley: “Eat It, I Lost On Jeopardy, Amish Paradise, Smells Like Nirvana, White and Nerdy, Rocky Road, Like a Surgeon”

Encore: “Last Train to Clarksville” and “Yoda”

he screams in “I’ll Sue Ya.” Passion.

“When I see Mr. Frump in his iron lung, this is what I hear him say (accordion air valve release noise),” he cheerfully recounts in “Mr. Frump in the Iron Lung.” Poignance.

“This is the 31st show out of 77,” opener Emo Philips, who headlined at Zanies in August and will be back this November, remarked during his superb 30-minute set. “The show keeps getting better and better. So the next 40 will be better than this one.”

The night ended with a medley of parodies remixed to different tunes and a brief encore (“This is virtually unprecedented,” remarked Yankovic after a staged delay between the end of the show and the encore) that included a straight (and excellent) cover of The Monkees’ “Last Train to Clarksville” and the hit parody “Yoda.”

If this comedy rock concert — or rocking comedy concert — actually gets better every night as Philips promises, the number of fathers and sons high-fiving during a song about Santa’s psychotic break will certainly be unprecedented.

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WATCH THIS: MONDAY



Neal McDonough

"DC's Legends of Tomorrow" (7 p.m., CW): Guest star Johnathon Schaech returns as Jonah Hex in the adventure's Season 3 finale, "The Good, the Bad and the Cuddly." The Legends encounter him again when they return to the Wild West after a failed attempt to eliminate the threat from Mallus. Damien Darhk (Neal McDonough) is under the watch of Ray (Brandon Routh) while Sara's (Caity Lotz) attention is focused elsewhere.

"Kevin Can Wait" (7 p.m., CBS): To some people, he'll always be "The Karate Kid" ... but a very grown-up Ralph Macchio guest stars as the new owner of Enzo's (Joe Starr) restaurant in the new episode "The Smoking Bun." Kevin and Vanessa (Kevin James, Leah Remini) are against his plan to tear down the eatery, until he offers them jobs — leaving them debating where their true convictions lie. Taylor Spreitzer, Ryan Cartwright and Gary Valentine also star.

"Man With a Plan" (7:30 p.m., CBS): Adam (Matt LeBlanc) is a bit too fond of pulling pranks for Andi's (Liza Snyder) comfort, so she sets out to give him a dose of his own medicine in the new episode "April Fools." The question is whether Adam is savvy enough to detect what's happening before Andi's scheme succeeds. Sherri Shepherd and Tim Meadows guest star. Kevin Nealon, Stacy Keach and Matt Cook also star.

"iZombie" (8 p.m., CW): With her latest season of "Crazy Ex-Girlfriend" now over, Rachel Bloom pops up on another CW show as a guest star in the new episode "My Really Fair Lady." She's sufficiently present though her actress character is the latest murder victim whose past is probed by Liv and Clive (Rose McIver, Malcolm Goodwin).

"Living Biblically" (8:30 p.m., CBS): Though Chip (Jay R. Ferguson) clearly is all in as far as following the Good Book goes, his mother-in-law (guest star JoBeth Williams) takes a different view in the new episode "Let Us Pray." Her scientific background does much to fuel her opinions, leaving Leslie (Lindsay Kraft) to mediate between the people she loves.

"The Crossing" (9 p.m., ABC): Giving an indication of how this series will play around with the saga's timeline, the new episode "A Shadow Out of Time" moves ahead to almost the end of the 22nd century, where Reece (Natalie Martinez) decides to assume guardianship of the orphaned Leah (Bailey Skodje). However, Reece has problems in the present time, as an elite task force is willing to do whatever it takes to place her in custody.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Actor Dax Shepard; actor Grant Gustin.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actor John Mulaney; Cardi B guest co-hosts and performs.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actress Amy Schumer; former Secretary of State Madeleine Albright; chef Giada De Laurentiis.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Celebrity guests and comedy skits.*

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	ABC 7	American Idol: "110 (Top 24 Celebrity Duets)." (N) ©				The Crossing: "A Shadow Out of Time." (N) ©	News at 10pm (N) ♣	
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FOOD	Spring Baking		Spring Baking (N)		Vegas (N)	Vegas	Cake (N)	
FREE	† Forrest	We Bought a Zoo (PG,'11) ** Matt Damon, Scarlett Johansson. ©			700 Club ♣			
FX	† (6) Jack Reacher (PG-13,'12) ** Tom Cruise. ©				Jack Reacher (PG-13,'12) ** ©		Golden Girls	
HALL	Last Man	Last Man	The Middle	The Middle	The Middle	The Middle	Golden Girls	
HGTV	Hunters	Hunters	Flipping Virgins (N) ©		Hunters (N)	Hunt Intl (N)	Hunters	
HISTV	American Pickers		American Pickers (N)		Pawn (N)	Pawn Stars	Pawn ♣	
HLN	Unmasking a Killer ©		Unmasking a Killer ©		Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	
IFC	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Two Men	Sin City (R) ♣	
LIFE	Mary Kills People (N)		Mary Kills People (Season Finale) (N)		(9:02) UnREAL (N) ©		First 48 ♣	
MSNBC	All In With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show (N)		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)	
MTV	Teen Mom OG ©		Teen Mom OG (N) ©		Teen Mom: Young and Pregnant (N) ♣			
NBCSCH	† NBA Basketball: Chicago Bulls at Brooklyn Nets. (N)				Chicago	The Loop (N)	The Loop (N)	
NICK	Full House	Full House	Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	
Ovation	† (6:30) Grumpy Old Men (PG-13,'93) **				X Company (N) ©		Silverado ♣	
OWN	Dateline on OWN ©		Dateline on OWN ©		Dateline on OWN		Dateline ♣	
OPY	Dateline: Secrets (N)		In Ice Cold Blood		In Ice Cold Blood ©		A Killer	
PARMT	† Friends ©	Friends ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	Cops ©	
SYFY	† Jurassic	Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory (G,'71) ***			(9:45) Into the Woods ♣			
TBS	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	Family Guy	American (N) Final Sp. (N)		Conan (N) ♣	
TCM	Sunset Boulevard (NR,'50) **** William Holden. ©				Stalag 17 (NR,'53) *** ©			
TLC	Trading Spaces (N) ©		Trading Spaces (N) ©		Nate & Jeremiah		Trading ♣	
TLN	Supernatural	Humanit	Faith Chi	Gaither Homecoming	Tru News		Robison	
TNT	We're the Millers (R,'13) ** Jennifer Aniston. ©				How to Be Single (R) ***			
TOON	King of Hill	Amer. Dad	Cleveland	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	
TRAV	Delicious	Delicious	Bizarre Foods/Zimmern		Bizarre Foods/Zimmern		Delicious	
TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Mom ©	Mom ©	King	
USA	WWE Monday Night RAW (N) (Live) ©						Ninja ♣	
VH1	Love, Hip Hop (N)		Teyana (N)	Stevie (N)	Love & Hip Hop: Atlanta		Teyana	
WE	Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Criminal Minds ©		Criminal ♣	
WGN America	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	M*A*S*H ©	Collateral ♣	
PREMIUM	HBO	Dinner for Schmucks (PG-13,'10) ** Steve Carell. ©				(8:55) Barry	Silicon	Paterno ♣
	HBO2	Westworld: "The Original." (8:09) Westworld ©				(9:10) VICE ©		Sports ♣
	MAX	War Dogs (R,'16) ** Jonah Hill, Miles Teller. ©				(8:55) Born on the Fourth of July (R) ♣		
	SHO	Homeland: "Useful Idiot." ©		Billions ©		Homeland: "Useful Idiot." ©		Billions ♣
	STARZ	Howards End ©		Sled Dogs (NR,'16) ©				(9:25) Office Space ***
STZNC	† Addams Family Values		Bewitched (PG-13,'05) ** ©				(9:45) Reality Bites ***	

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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (April 9): Work together for an especially profitable year. Meditate on what you truly want. Reduce, revise and simplify. Lay professional plans for a coordinated summer push. Domestic comforts and joys nurture your family and sweetheart.

Change directions with a team project for winter profits.
Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 9. An intensely creative moment flowers naturally between friends. Passion blossoms through communication. Celebrate your accomplishments together, and plan new adventures.
Taurus (April 20-May 20): 9. A professional opportunity requires spontaneity. Can you manage it without overextending? It's possible. Learn by doing; practice makes perfect. Refine and tweak as you go.
Gemini (May 21-June 20): 7. Investigate, and explore the possibilities. Study, research and travel for first-person experience. Make reservations and handle arrangements.
Cancer (June 21-July 22): 9. Make financial arrangements, transfers and decisions. Talk with your partner to get on the same page. Listen with your heart. Get everyone paid.
Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 9. Conversation can spark into romance with your partner. Listen, and affirm that you heard. Your creative collaboration is getting even more interesting.
Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 9. Dig into a big job. Your work and time are in demand. Guard health and fitness routines that build and maintain your energy. Practice moderation.
Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Relax, and enjoy yourself. Have fun with people you love. Talk over your latest ideas and find out the latest. Play together. Listen and learn.
Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Domestic renovation projects come into focus. Discuss with family what changes to prioritize. Research for best value and quality.
Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. Keep digging to discover an answer you've been seeking. Make connections, and ask your networks for ideas. Reach out to experts.
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 9. Pour on the steam for increased income. Repay debts and favors. Invest in home, family and real estate. Call in reinforcements if needed.
Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 9. You're attracting attention. Polish your presentation and appearance. Pamper yourself to feel your best. Prepare your words and actions. Step into the spotlight and shine.
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 7. Contemplate your next move. Find a private spot for peaceful meditation. Listen to your heart and intuition. Review the situation, and explore your options.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss



Bridge

Here are the answers to the weekly quiz:

Q.1—Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:
 ♠ AK 7 6 ♥ K Q 9 ♦ J 9 6 ♣ Q 6 5

Right-hand opponent opens one spade. What call would you make?

A.1—It's a bit dangerous, but you have to take responsibility for your values. Bid one no trump.

Q.2—East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:
 ♠ J ♥ 8 3 2 ♦ Q 8 6 3 ♣ K 7 6 5 4

Partner opens one spade and right-hand opponent doubles. What call would you make?

A.2—You would have responded had right-hand opponent passed, but only as a courtesy. This hand is not worth a free bid. Pass.

Q.3—North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:
 ♠ AK 8 4 ♥ AK J ♦ AQ J 8 6 ♣ 9

West	North	East	South
3♥	Pass	Pass	?

What call would you make?

A.3—Should you double, partner will always bid clubs. It's the law! Maybe he'll have a club stopper. Bid three no trump.

Q.4—Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:
 ♠ Q 9 8 7 2 ♥ A J 3 ♦ 9 7 5 2 ♣ 5

North	East	South	West
1NT	Pass	2♥*	Pass
2♠	Pass	?	

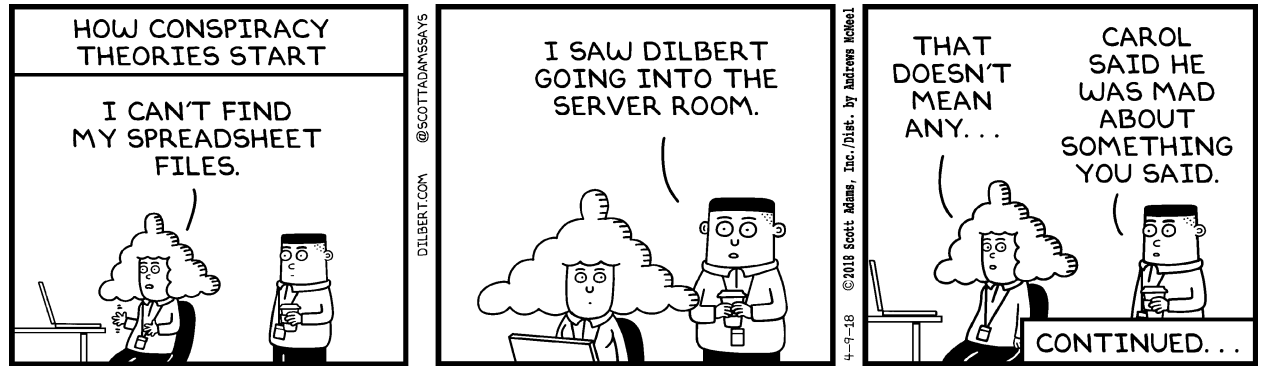
***Transfer to spades**

What call would you make?

A.4—You might have a game on some magical day, but that's not the way to bet. Pass.

— Bob Jones
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Dilbert



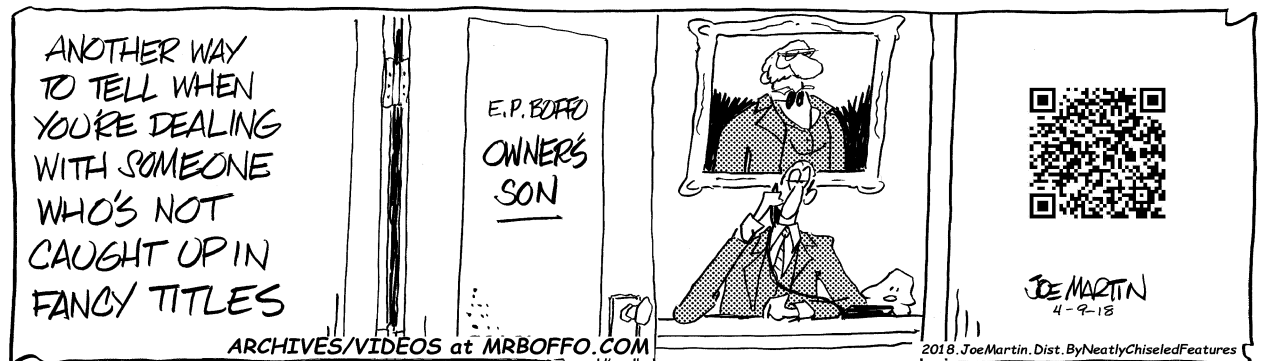
Baby Blues



Zits



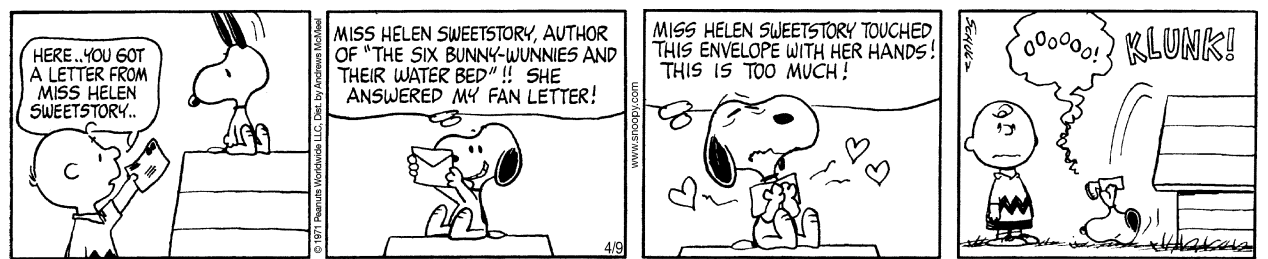
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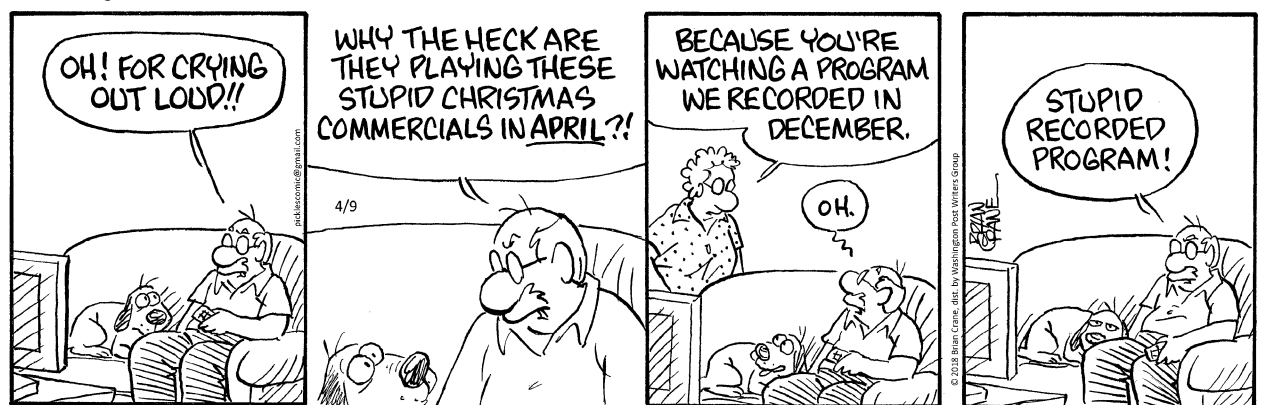
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Classic Peanuts



Pickles



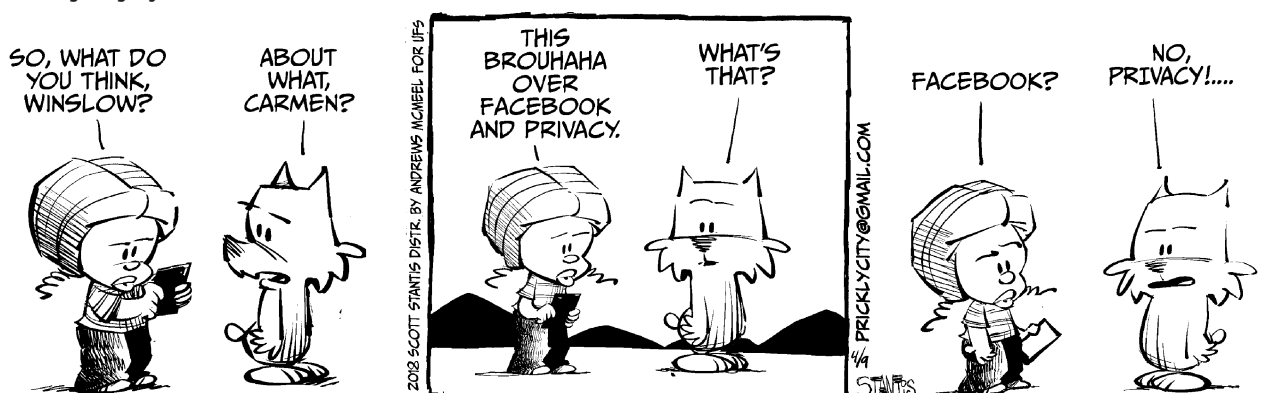
Dick Tracy



Animal Crackers

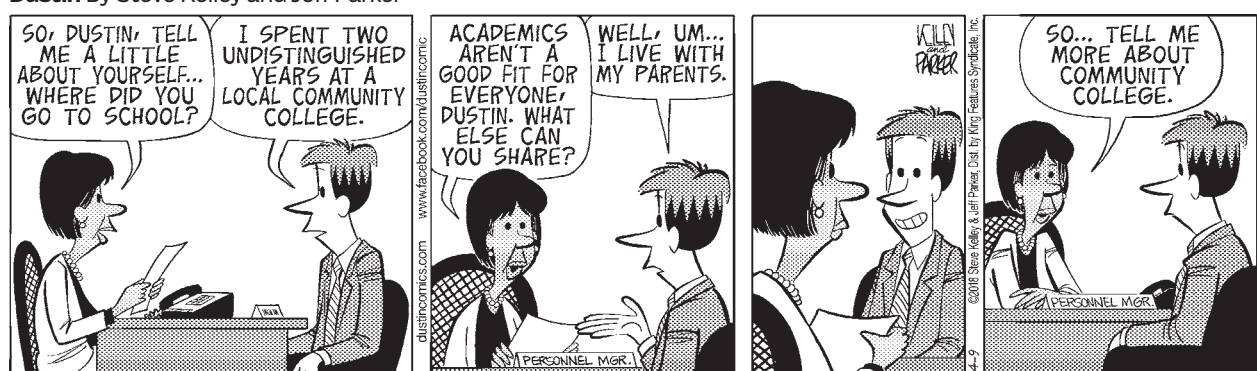


Prickly City

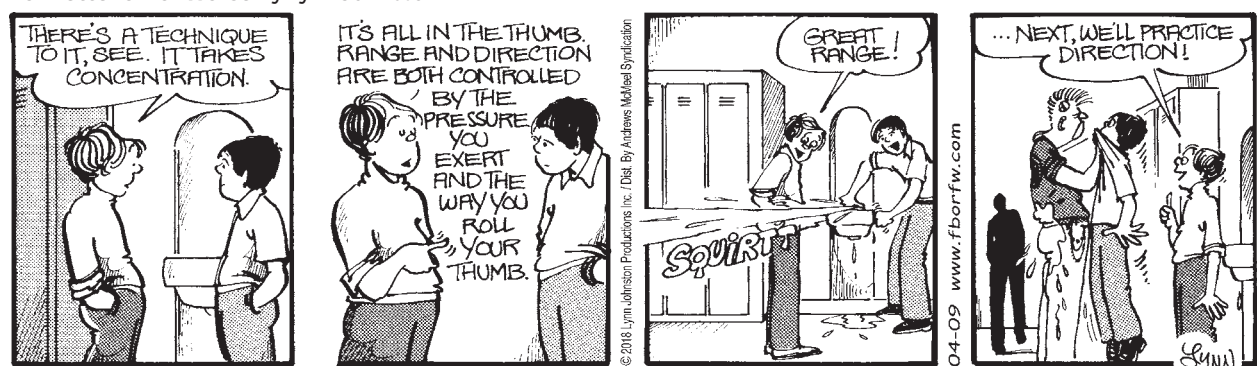


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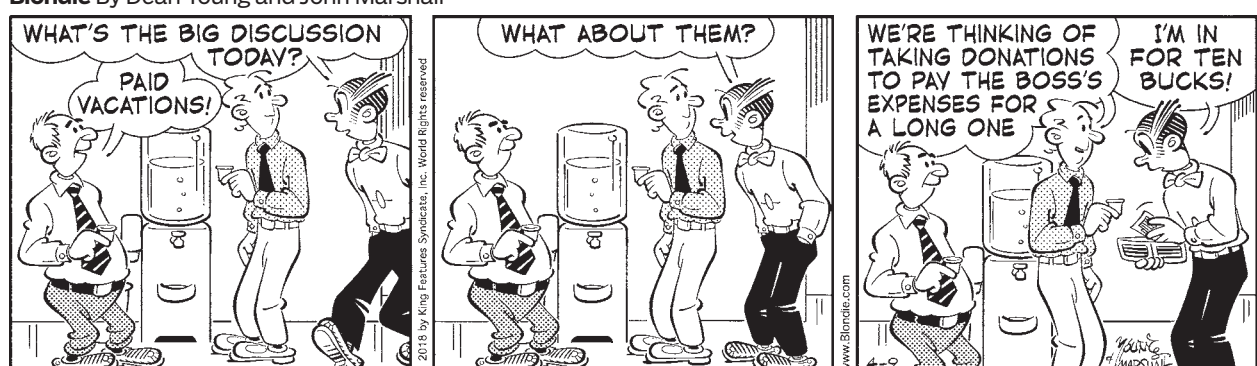
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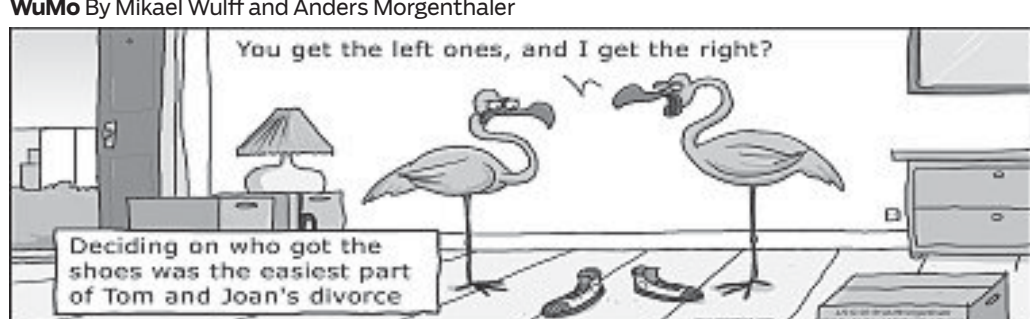
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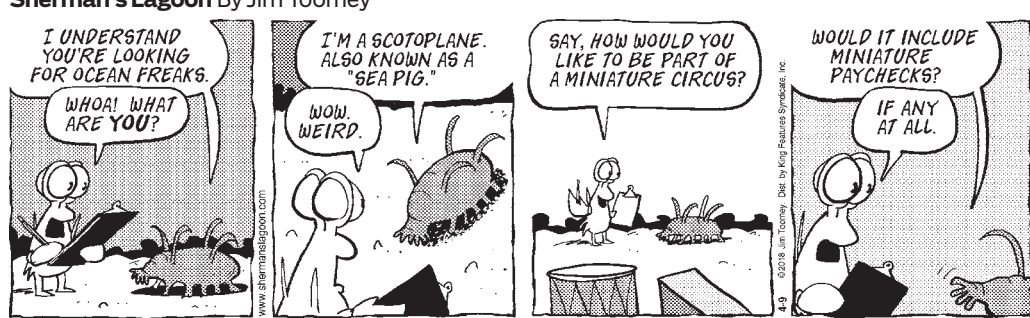
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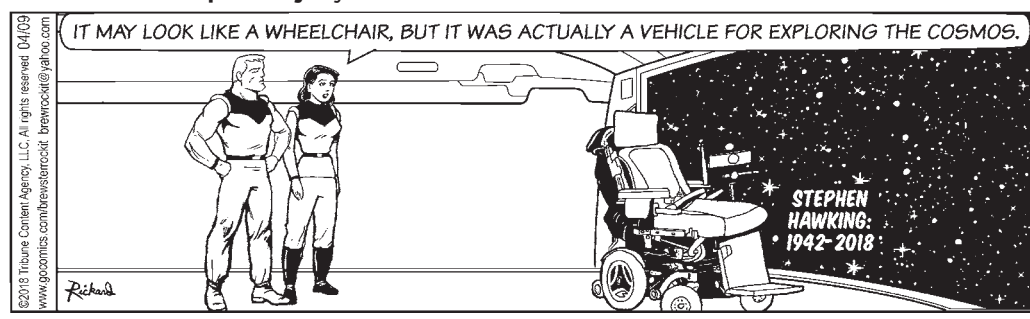
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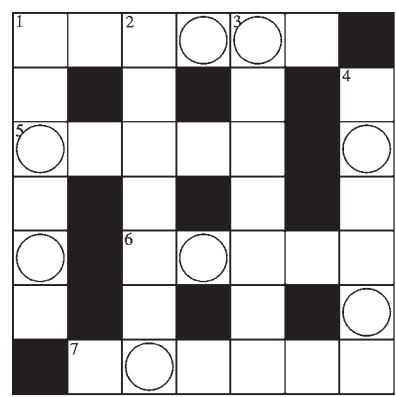
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Trivia Bits

In Greek mythology, the Pleiades were the seven daughters of what titan?
 A) Atlas
 B) Helios
 C) Prometheus
 D) Selene
 Saturday's answer: The government of China's Sichuan province announced plans for the Giant Panda National Park, expected to be twice the size of Yellowstone.
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Jumble Crossword



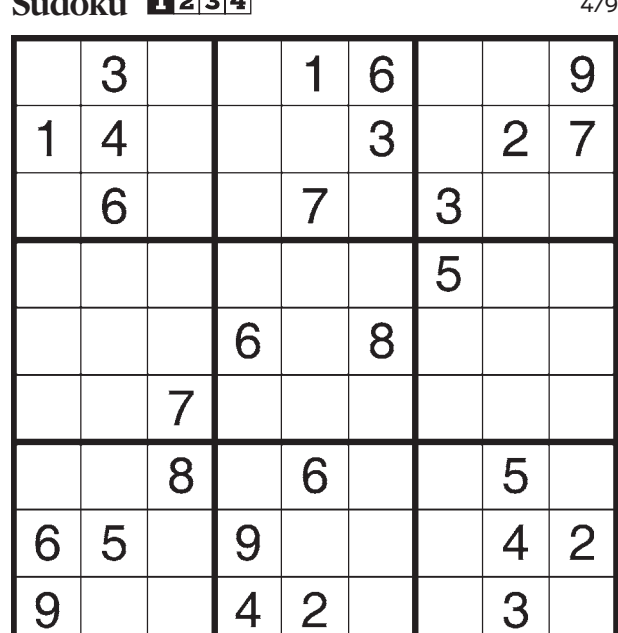
- CLUE ACROSS**
 1. From side to side
 5. ___ lessons
 6. Bet
 7. ___ pedal
- CLUE DOWN**
 1. ___ machine
 2. Fresh start
 3. Deceptive dexterity
 4. Pressing need
- ANSWER ACROSS**
 SRCOAS
 NDAEC
 GREAW
 UHCCLT
- ANSWER DOWN**
 DGAIND
 NARELWE
 TLISGHE
 CRSTHA

4-9-18 CLUE: This is home to about 5.5 million people.

BONUS: [A row of 10 empty circles]

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 ANSWERS: 1-A. Dance 5-A. Dance 6-A. Dance 7-A. Dance 8-A. Dance 9-A. Dance 10-A. Dance 11-A. Dance 12-A. Dance 13-A. Dance 14-A. Dance 15-A. Dance 16-A. Dance 17-A. Dance 18-A. Dance 19-A. Dance 20-A. Dance 21-A. Dance 22-A. Dance 23-A. Dance 24-A. Dance 25-A. Dance 26-A. Dance 27-A. Dance 28-A. Dance 29-A. Dance 30-A. Dance 31-A. Dance 32-A. Dance 33-A. Dance 34-A. Dance 35-A. Dance 36-A. Dance 37-A. Dance 38-A. Dance 39-A. Dance 40-A. Dance 41-A. Dance 42-A. Dance 43-A. Dance 44-A. Dance 45-A. Dance 46-A. Dance 47-A. Dance 48-A. Dance 49-A. Dance 50-A. Dance 51-A. Dance 52-A. Dance 53-A. Dance 54-A. Dance 55-A. Dance 56-A. Dance 57-A. Dance 58-A. Dance 59-A. Dance 60-A. Dance 61-A. Dance 62-A. Dance 63-A. Dance 64-A. Dance 65-A. Dance 66-A. Dance 67-A. Dance 68-A. Dance 69-A. Dance 70-A. Dance 71-A. Dance 72-A. Dance 73-A. Dance
 By David L. Hoyt.

Sudoku 1 2 3 4



7	9	6	8	2	5	4	3	1
5	4	8	3	1	7	2	9	6
1	3	2	4	9	6	5	7	8
8	2	4	6	5	9	7	1	3
9	6	1	7	4	3	8	5	2
3	5	7	2	8	1	6	4	9
4	7	3	1	6	2	9	8	5
2	1	9	5	7	8	3	6	4
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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.

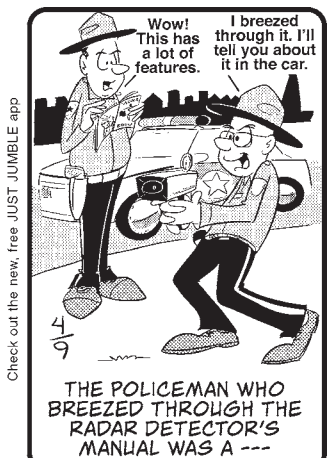
Saturday's solutions

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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.

CXLEE
 ODPOR
 SREYDS
 HANSEK

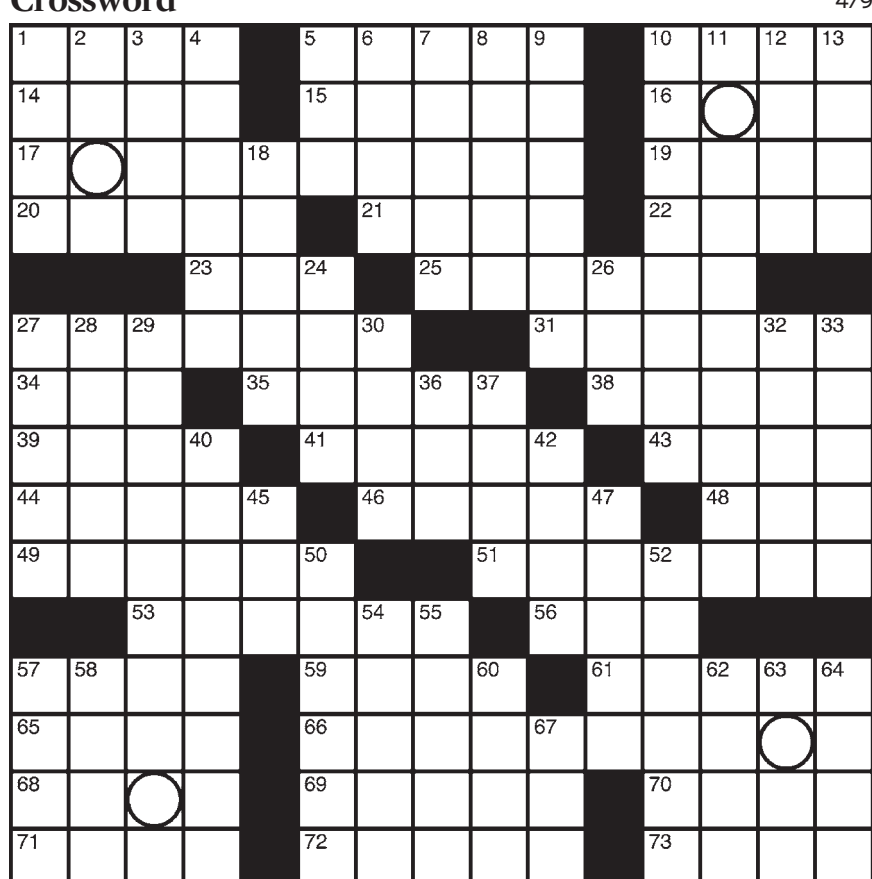


Answer here
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Saturday's answers

Jumbles: WINCE BRISK VACANT EXPAND
 Answer: To dream about surfing, the surfer needed — BRAIN WAVES
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Crossword



- Across**
 1 Romantic kissing at the mall and such, briefly
 5 Skier's challenge
 10 Ref's decisions
 14 Finnish architect
 15 Egg-shaped
 16 Tipsy
 17 Rich
 19 To be, in Bordeaux
 20 English china
 21 With 61-Across, seriously overweight fictional sleuth
 22 Chick's cry
 23 Tree-topping tool
 25 "That's cheating!"
 27 Wine evaluators
 31 Get in your face about
 34 Lisbon hello
 35 Shankar's instrument
 38 Personal, as thoughts
 39 Break in relations
 41 Lawyer's backlog
- Down**
 43 "I'm paying for the drinks"
 44 Dined at home
 46 Indian breads
 48 "A mouse!"
 49 Sound equipment that may pick up a private remark
 51 Prayerful chants
 53 Scold loudly
 56 Sticky stuff
 57 "Cosmos" author
 59 Chief Asgard god
 61 See 21-Across
 65 Healthful berry
 66 Object of the puddy tat's pursuit
 68 Skinny
 69 Dominican Republic neighbor
 70 Triangle calculation
 71 Prefix with -pathic
 72 Max of Dadaism
 73 Consider
- Saturday's solution**
 SCRAPPAPER SKA
 TOETHELINE GLOP
 EASTEREKGS ROBS
 ATE NUS PEWEEE
 DITTOS SCIENTS
 KLEPTOCRATIC
 TOGO DORITO APR
 IDOSO MEN NURSE
 FEE RIOTED STOW
 FASHIONGRAZE
 DOODAH MORTAR
 ALUMNI SPY UPI
 CATE ZEROESINON
 ABCS ETHERNTIES
 LISH DONTASSIME
- Down**
 1 Benches flanking church aisles
 2 Thoughtful
 3 Guthrie at Woodstock
 4 Went for in an auction
 5 Pizzeria bartender
 6 Homer's baker
 7 Ancient Greek physician
 8 In ___: not yet born
 9 Batted first
 10 1993 film with an instrument in its title
- 11 2000s best-seller involving flying toys, with "The"
 12 Fairy tale meanie
 13 Herding dog name
 18 Evil spells
 24 Guitarist Clapton
 26 Muhammad in a ring
 27 Hebrew scroll
 28 Samuel on the Supreme Court
 29 Protective bar on a flat roof
 30 X-Men co-creator Lee
 32 Mythical lion's home
 33 Arduous journeys
 36 Words that connect each pair of four-letter words intersecting at a circle
 37 Unit at Staples
 40 Facebook feature
 42 Stocking tear
 45 Zip, in soccer
 47 Wintry and white
 50 Provide apparel for
 52 "Tough!"
 54 No-holds-barred commercial competition
 55 Advertising link
 57 Suffragist Carrie
 58 Tooth pain
 60 Brooklyn NBA team
 62 Old Italian cash
 63 Priceless?
 64 Cheese from the Netherlands
 67 Tiny songbird

CHICAGO WEATHER CENTER

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MONDAY, APRIL 9 NORMAL HIGH: 56° NORMAL LOW: 37° RECORD HIGH: 80° (1887) RECORD LOW: 20° (1989)

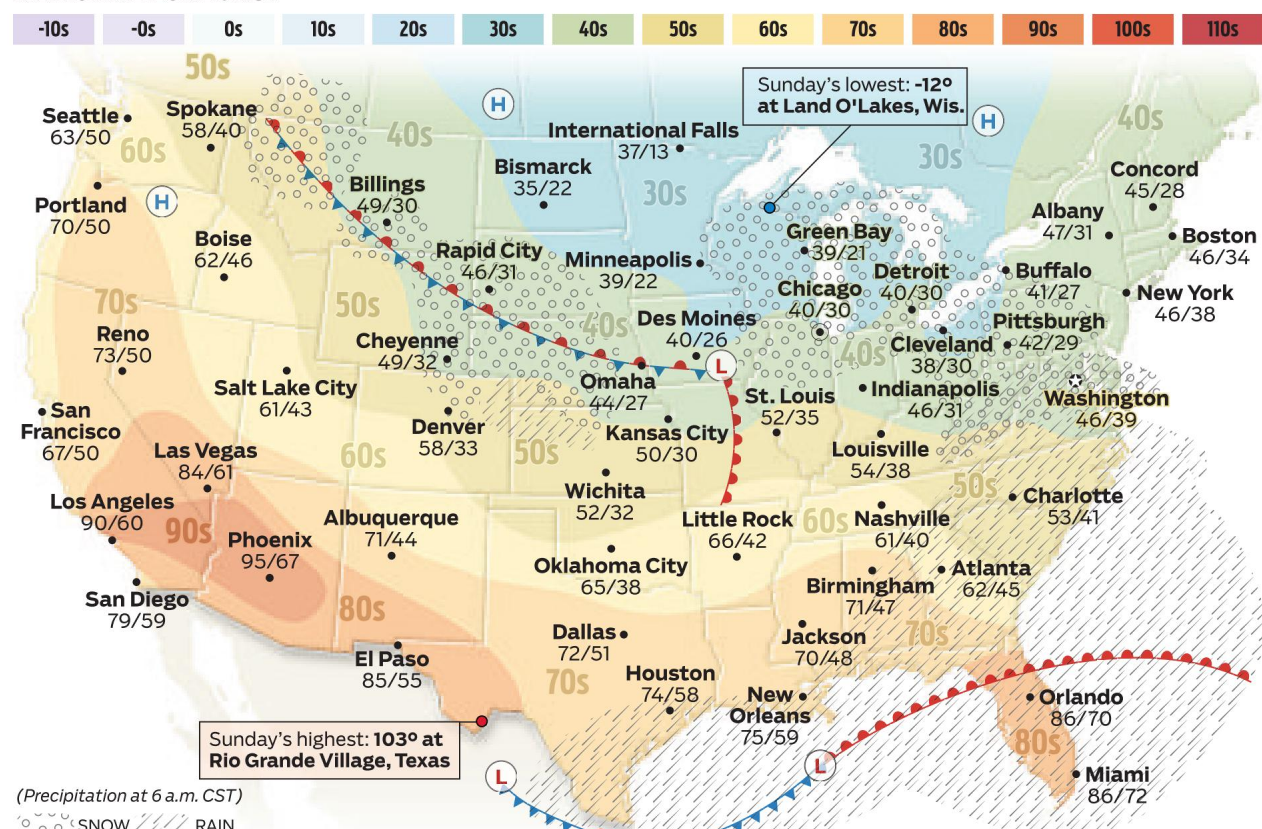
More snow, then a fling with spring weather

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 40 **LOW** 30

■ April's unseasonable chill continues accompanied by some light snow/rain.
 ■ Snow diminishes in the morning after about an inch of accumulation on grassy areas, especially south and west of the city.
 ■ Some spotty rain/snow in the afternoon.
 ■ Highs struggle to the lower 40s inland and hold in the upper 30s lakeside. East-northeast winds 8-15 mph.
 ■ Partly cloudy overnight with lows ranging from the upper 20s inland to lower 30s lakeside.

NATIONAL FORECAST



This week will open and end on a chilly note, but in between, Chicagoans will finally get some spring in their step. Overnight snow will taper to light snow or sprinkles Monday morning, leaving up to an inch of accumulation, mainly on grassy areas south and west of the city.

Temperatures will continue well below sea-level normal, currently in the mid-50s, as the mercury struggles to reach 40. The weather will improve after that as the mercury rises to around 60 on Wednesday and reaches the 70s for the first time this year as brisk southerly winds push a warm front north of the city. Some showers and thunderstorms will accompany the arrival of the warmer air, but colder weather returns by Sunday as another chilly air mass sweeps into the area following the passage of a strong cold front.

TUESDAY, APRIL 10

HIGH 45 **LOW** 35

Sunshine returns as temperatures moderate a bit into the middle 40s but still at levels more than 10 degrees below normal.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11

HIGH 61 **LOW** 45

Sharply warmer as gusty south winds boost temperatures to 60 for the first time since late February. Gathering clouds with a chance of showers at night.

THURSDAY, APRIL 12

HIGH 60 **LOW** 42

A sun/cloud mix with brisk west-northwest winds 12-22 mph. Seasonably mild with highs clustering around 60 degrees. A few showers possible at night.

FRIDAY, APRIL 13

HIGH 71 **LOW** 47

True spring weather finally arrives on gusty south winds. Scattered showers, possibly a t-storm. Large north-south temperature range from near 60 far near Wisconsin and along the lakeshore to the middle 70s far south.

SATURDAY, APRIL 14

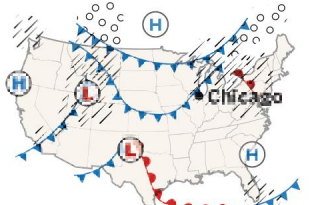
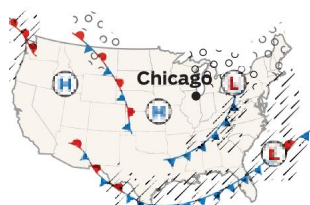
HIGH 55 **LOW** 32

Mild early. Cloudy with scattered showers and thunderstorms. Turning colder as winds shift into the west with readings falling back into the 40s.

SUNDAY, APRIL 15

HIGH 42 **LOW** 29

April reverts to its chilly ways. Mostly cloudy and windy with gusty northwest winds. Highs struggle to the lower 40s.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
 Historically, who has better opening day weather, Cubs or Sox?

— Peter Lusk

Dear Peter,
 With both baseball teams opening in Chicago in early April, the weather gods have not been overly kind to either team.

The Cubs' coldest was 32 degrees in 2003; the White Sox, 35 degrees in 2016. Of course there have been some warm days — the Cubs' warmest was 86 degrees in 1960; the White Sox, also 86 in 1985.

Both teams had home openers snowed out or played in swirling flurries.

Perhaps the White Sox can lay claim to the worst opening day weather. In 1982, the opener was postponed by snow and cold for three straight days, finally being rescheduled for April 16. That day, torrents of rain fell, resulting in a fourth straight cancellation, with the season finally beginning April 17.

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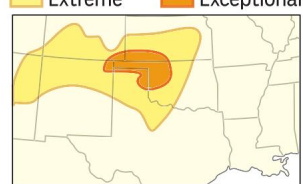
A break in April's chill on the way, with 70° possible Friday

WHILE EXCEPTIONAL DROUGHT GRIPS PORTIONS OF THE OKLAHOMA AND TEXAS PANHANDLES...

Little, if any rainfall or snow since late 2017

Drought conditions (April 3)

Extreme Exceptional



RAINFALL (SINCE JAN. 1) AND SNOWFALL (SINCE OCT. 1) (AND DEPARTURE FROM NORMAL)

LOCATION	RAINFALL	SNOWFALL
Amarillo, Texas	0.25" (-2.77")	Trace (-17.2")
Borger, Texas	0.05" (-3.02")	2.0" (N/A)
Dallhart, Texas	0.01" (-2.34")	2.3" (-15.9")
Guymon, Okla.	0.06" (-2.61")	Trace (N/A)

Area under critical fire weather threat as temps warm and winds increase.

HEAVY RAINS/MOUNTAIN SNOWS TARGET PACIFIC NORTHWEST AS FLORIDA GETS DRENCHED



SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

APRIL 2018 OPENS CHILLY

The 5th-coldest April open (through Sunday)

AVERAGE TEMP

31.6°

■ Logs five sub-40° highs

■ The coldest since 1975 (31.4°)

■ Month to date also cloudier than normal.

PERCENT OF POSSIBLE SUNSHINE: 44% NORMAL: 52%

CUBS HOME OPENER

A damp, chilly affair

First pitch forecast:

3:00

Some spotty rain or snow with EAST/NE Winds 10 MPH (Blowing in)

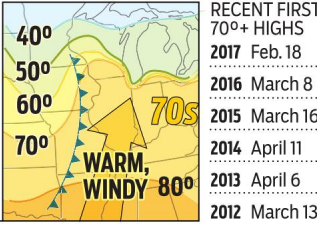
OPENING DAY CLIMATOLOGY

Coldest April 8, 2003 (32°)

Warmest April 22, 1960 (86°)

WARMTH IN CHICAGO!

City likely to finally notch season's first 70° high temp Friday



Average date for first 70°+ high: March 25

Earliest: Feb. 11, 1999

Latest: May 7, 1874

RECENT FIRST 70°+ HIGHS

2017 Feb. 18

2016 March 8

2015 March 16

2014 April 11

2013 April 6

2012 March 13

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CHICAGO DIGEST

SUNDAY TEMPERATURES

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	43	15	Midway	40	28
Gary	37	19	O'Hare	39	21
Kankakee	42	19	Romeoville	43	19
Lakefront	35	28	Valparaiso	44	19
Lansing	39	16	Waukegan	36	17

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

PERIOD	2018	NORMAL
Sun. (through 7 p.m.)	0.00"	0.11"
April to date	0.28"	0.84"
Year to date	8.20"	6.86"

CHICAGO SNOWFALL

PERIOD	O'HARE	MIDWAY
Sun. (through 7 p.m.)	0.0"	0.0"
Season to date	33.1"	35.7"
Normal to date	35.8"	36.6"

SOURCE: Frank Wachowski

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

MONDAY	TUESDAY
Wind E/NE 10-15 kts. WNW 10-15 kts.	
Waves 1-2 feet	
Fri. shore/crib water temps 40°/39°	

LAST WEEK'S PEAK POLLEN LEVEL

POLLEN	LEVEL
Tree	Moderate
Grass	0
Mold	Low
Ragweed	0
Weed	0

SOURCE: The Gottlieb Memorial Hospital Allergy Count, Dr. Joseph Leija

CHICAGO AIR QUALITY

Sunday's reading	Good
Monday's forecast	Good
Critical pollutant	Ozone

BEST VIEW/SET TIMES

Sun	6:22 a.m.	7:24 p.m.
Moon	2:20 a.m.	12:07 p.m.



April 8 April 15 April 22 April 29

MONDAY PLANET WATCH

PLANET	RISE	SET
Mercury	5:46 a.m.	6:13 p.m.
Venus	7:16 a.m.	9:17 p.m.
Mars	2:03 a.m.	11:07 a.m.
Jupiter	9:56 p.m.	7:58 a.m.
Saturn	1:42 a.m.	11:56 p.m.
BEST VIEWING TIME DIRECTION		
Mercury	Not visible	
Venus	8:15 p.m.	10.5° W
Mars	5:15 a.m.	22° SSE
Jupiter	3:00 a.m.	31° S
Saturn	5:15 a.m.	24° SSE

SOURCE: Dan Joyce, Triton College



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