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Jonathan Annicks, who was shot and paralyzed two years ago, rides the "L" to the Loop with his mother on Wednesday.

PUSHING FORWARD, NOT LOOKING BACK

After a bullet changed his life, young man sees chance to learn, not loss



MARY SCHMICH

A young man in a wheelchair is racing down a Little Village sidewalk.

His mother trots behind him, trying to keep up. Some days, as he heads to school and she's off to her job as a bank trust officer, she pushes him, over the cracked concrete or through the snow, but he's on his own this morning.

He whizzes past the cotton candy vendor, Nino's Tire Shop, Guerrero's Pizza. At a curb, he pops a wheelie, makes a fast, tight circle and steers in a new direction.

Only a couple of years ago, when he was a senior at Walter Payton College Prep, an elite North Side high school, he was a runner and a cyclist. He still likes speed.

At the entry to the CTA station, he stops to check which elevators are out of order in the Loop — if he's going to get to class on time, he can't afford to get stranded in a station — then rides up to the platform, where he sits with his eyes at the waist level of other passengers.

"I spend a lot of time staring at butts," he says.

When the "L" clatters in, he wheels inside, then wedges his chair into a corner, protection against the train's bumps and turns. His mother sits beside him and braces one of his wheels with her black sneaker.

"Just in case," she says.

As the train pulls away, he grips a

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Chicago falling short in attracting black officers

Push for 1,000 new cops draws applicants, but many don't take the test

By Dan Hinkel and Jennifer Smith Richards
Chicago Tribune

Mayor Rahm Emanuel's administration has consistently stressed its intent to diversify the Chicago Police Department during its push to add more than 1,000 cops and change the image of a force beleaguered by controversial shootings of black men by white officers.

The city succeeded at bringing black candidates into the early stages of the hiring process. Thirty-eight percent of applicants were African-Americans the last time the department held a police exam, a City Hall news release noted in October.

But that effort has not resulted in a significant increase in black cops.

In fact, while the department made a net gain of nearly 800 officers between October 2016 and the end of March 2018, the percentage of African-Americans on the force dropped slightly, according to a Tribune analysis of department data.

African-Americans — who historically have had a strained relationship with the Police Department — make up close to a third of Chicago's population but only about a fifth of the police force.

Department officials say a large percentage of African-Americans who apply for a job with the department simply don't show up to take the entrance test.

Black politicians, meanwhile, allege that African-Americans who do pass the exam are often unfairly screened out of the hiring process by restrictions on indebtedness, the college credit requirement and psychological testing, among other factors.

The department's failure to hire black police in proportion to the city's population is a stubborn problem that could grow more

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For police and health care workers, dealing with mentally ill people who commit crimes can be daunting. For family members, the weight of responsibility can be overwhelming. **Chicagoland, Page 4**

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Parissa Behnia, right, founder and CEO of Sixense Strategy, talks with other attendees at the Midwest Women in Tech Conference in Chicago, part of the advancement effort.

By Ally Marotti
Chicago Tribune

When Betsy Ziegler was named the first female CEO of technology and entrepreneurship center 1871 in February, it didn't immediately sink in for her what that designation would mean.

The more she spoke with female entrepreneurs, however, the better she understood.

"All of them were like, 'The fact that they chose you ... as a female to lead this organization is a massive sign of ... commitment,' " said Ziegler, who previously was chief innovation officer at Northwestern University's Kellogg School of Management. " '(1871 is) choosing the right person, regardless of what their gender is, to lead the organization forward.' "

Women such as Ziegler are moving into

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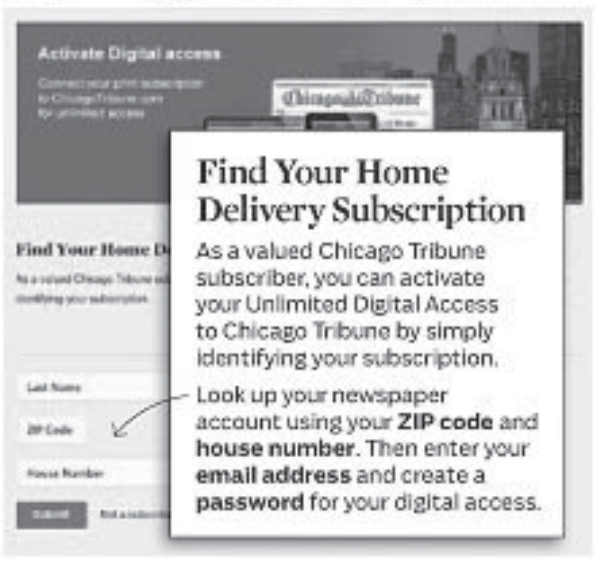
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VISUAL CHINA GROUP

Women wear dresses called cheongsams in Liupanshui, China, in 2016. A Utah teen recently wore a similar style to prom.



John Kass

A pretty Chinese dress leads to something ugly

My friend DaChon, who lives in the same South Side neighborhood where I was born, told me he had a great place for lunch:

5 Rabanitos, at 18th and Wood.

We were there the other day, a black man and a white man in a fantastic Mexican restaurant. Skin pigment really doesn't matter. Taste buds matter. But the diversity police might read this column, so I must take precautions.

"You've got to try the ahogada," DaChon said. He's an accomplished foodie, always trying something new. And he was right about the ahogada.

The ahogada at 5 Rabanitos is beyond delicious.

It is a sandwich of tender pork carnitas, black beans and pickled onions, cut in half and standing on its end in a spicy tomato broth. Ahogada means "drowned," hence, the broth, which fills the bread with a flavor explosion.

It is one of the tastiest things I've ever eaten in my life. And immediately I thought about trying to recreate it and then write about it.

But then I realized something: I did not have the requisite cultural permission slip to make and write about the delicious ahogada of 5 Rabanitos.

Foolish me. I didn't even know where to find the Office of Cultural Appropriation, to obtain a writ of dispensation and celebrate the famous torta of Guadalajara.

Some of you may wonder where this is going, or think I'm being overly sensitive and politically correct. If you think so, then you haven't been paying attention to American culture. And if you haven't been paying attention, you really don't know much about American politics.

"Politics is downstream of culture," said the late, brilliant Andrew Breitbart in perhaps the smartest commentary on our new media age.

American culture isn't just about Bob Dylan selling whiskey or Bernie Bros in fuzzy pink hats Twitter-shaming Kanye West for subversive suggestions that African-Americans don't have to live on the liberal Democratic plantation.

The way things are in this country now, in this nation of diverse people bumping up against each other, it's obvious that rigid rules are being enforced by the political left. It doesn't control the White House or Congress; the left has occupied the Ministry of Culture and rules from there.

If you make the wrong move, if you dare be seen as appropriating sandwiches from another culture, you may be subject to intense hate and withering social media outrage.

And the last thing anyone would want is a mob of social justice warriors calling you a racist simply for admiring (and copying) a tasty sandwich.

Or for wearing a pretty prom dress.

Ask Keziah Daum, the Utah teenager who recently had hate poured down upon her for her selection of a prom dress she found in a vintage store in Salt Lake City.

Her exquisite dress was a red cheongsam, also called a qipao — a traditional Chinese dress. Daum is not Chinese. And that was her sin.

Daum told The Washington Post she wanted a dress that would be attractive and distinctive, "something that would be more unique and bold." If you've seen the photographs, the dress looked beautiful and she looked beautiful in it.

But what happened to her after she posted a photograph of herself and her prom date wasn't the least bit beautiful. It was ugly. The mob swelled to the tens of thousands and began howling at her on social media. The shaming of Keziah Daum was on.

A man named Jeremy Lam was the pack leader in this.

"My culture is NOT your ... prom dress," he tweeted. And he added another, according to the Post. "I'm proud of my culture, including the extreme barriers marginalized people within that culture have had to overcome those obstacles. For it to simply be subject to American consumerism and cater to a white audience, is parallel to colonial ideology."

White. Colonial. This is the whip of the new age. And so the mob howled at Daum for being a racist. It was a pathetic, ugly exercise, racist in and of itself, and depressing. It reveals a pathology in America that some can't even see. But it's real, and it washes down over our politics.

Most reasonable people would object if Keziah Daum had done something idiotic in costume. She did not mock or belittle an ancient culture. All she did was wear a beautiful dress, and for this she was trashed. She responded, and she didn't back down, saying she meant no disrespect.

"I've done nothing but show my love for the culture. It's a ... dress. And it's beautiful."

There is nothing wrong with a girl selecting a beautiful dress. There is everything wrong with a culture where hundreds of thousands of people could get on social media to denounce her for sins she didn't commit.

America succeeds when we celebrate our differences, when we appreciate them and enjoy them and share them with each other.

And America fails when the mob shouts down a young woman for daring to put on a pretty dress for prom.

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The president had said he didn't know about a payment to Stormy Daniels, shown arriving at a court hearing in April.

Pesky fact-checkers are ruining Trump's greatest talent: Lying



REX W. HUPPKE

I really wish people would stop hampering President Donald Trump's lying by pointing out that he's lying.

Every day, without fail, some media knucklehead pops up and notes that something Trump said is verifiably false. First off, that's rude. He's the president and he's allowed to lie with impunity. (It's in the Constitution — GIVE IT A READ, HIPPIES!)

But more important, flagging presidential lies directly undercuts the president's dishonesty and makes it harder for him to accomplish whatever he is trying to accomplish by lying. Sadly, the liberal mendacity obstructionists were out in force last week.

Consider the president's new attorney, Rudy Giuliani, who went on Fox News and revealed that Trump knew about a $130,000 hush money payment his longtime personal attorney made to adult-film actress Stormy Daniels. Giuliani also said Trump had paid attorney Michael Cohen the $130,000 back in installments.

Those two revelations contradicted the president's previous statements on the Daniels matter. Most patriots would have ignored that fact and let the president continue with his discreet presidential lying, but meddling media members decided it was their "job" to point out that Trump had lied, directly and emphatically, on both points.

They screwed everything up. When the president lied about what he knew of the Daniels payoff, he was doing so because he didn't want people to know the truth.

But once Giuliani revealed the truth, why was it necessary to dredge up the fact that the president previously lied? All that did was make the president's life more complicated. He's busy and doesn't have time for trivial things like accountability.

And once you start bringing up one lie, it invariably leads to others. In this case, revealing Trump's lies about the hush money led the news media to realize Trump also told the same lies to White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders.

She stood before the White House press corps in March and said she had "conversations with the president about this" and "there was no knowledge of any payments from the president."

Well, we could have easily forgotten about that if people would have just ignored the truth. But no, everyone had to blab, forcing Sanders to admit she was working with "the best information" she had at the time, which is a nice way of saying Trump had lied to her too.

It's shameful to put our president in a situation like this where his underlings have to realize that he will lie directly to their faces. Think how much harder it will be for Trump to deceive people in his administration now that this has come to light.

And what really burns my biscuits is that lying is one of Trump's true talents. The greatest thing he brings to the table is an unmatched ability to tell you that a table isn't a table, it's a beanbag, even if it clearly has four legs, a flat top and is made of mahogany.

Pointing out that his lies are lies is like strapping a hunk of Kryptonite to Superman's chest.

As if the Giuliani truth bomb wasn't bad enough, we also learned last week that the president's personal physician, Harold Bornstein, now claims he didn't write a letter — released during the presidential campaign — that extolled Trump's amazingly remarkable health. Bornstein says it was Trump who dictated the letter.

Why would Trump engage in such an egregious lie? Duh. Because he wanted everyone to know that he is super healthy, even if he's not. Totally reasonable.

And it would have been a perfectly productive lie if Bornstein had kept his mouth shut and the media had resisted its petulant urge to tell everyone that Trump lied.

Pointing out that Trump's lies are lies is like strapping a hunk of Kryptonite to Superman's chest.

Now the president will have to deal with a fiasco, wasting time he could be spending fabricating other things that protect him and, ipso facto, protect America.

Things like this tweet Trump sent Wednesday: "As everybody is aware, the past Administration has long been asking for three hostages to be released from a North Korean Labor camp, but to no avail. Stay tuned!"

That's a great tweet that makes the president look big and strong and successful while also making the "past administration" look small and weak and dumb.

It could have remained a great tweet had fact fetishists not undercut the president by pointing that two of the three hostages became hostages during Trump's presidency, making it a logical impossibility that the "past administration" had "long been asking" for their release.

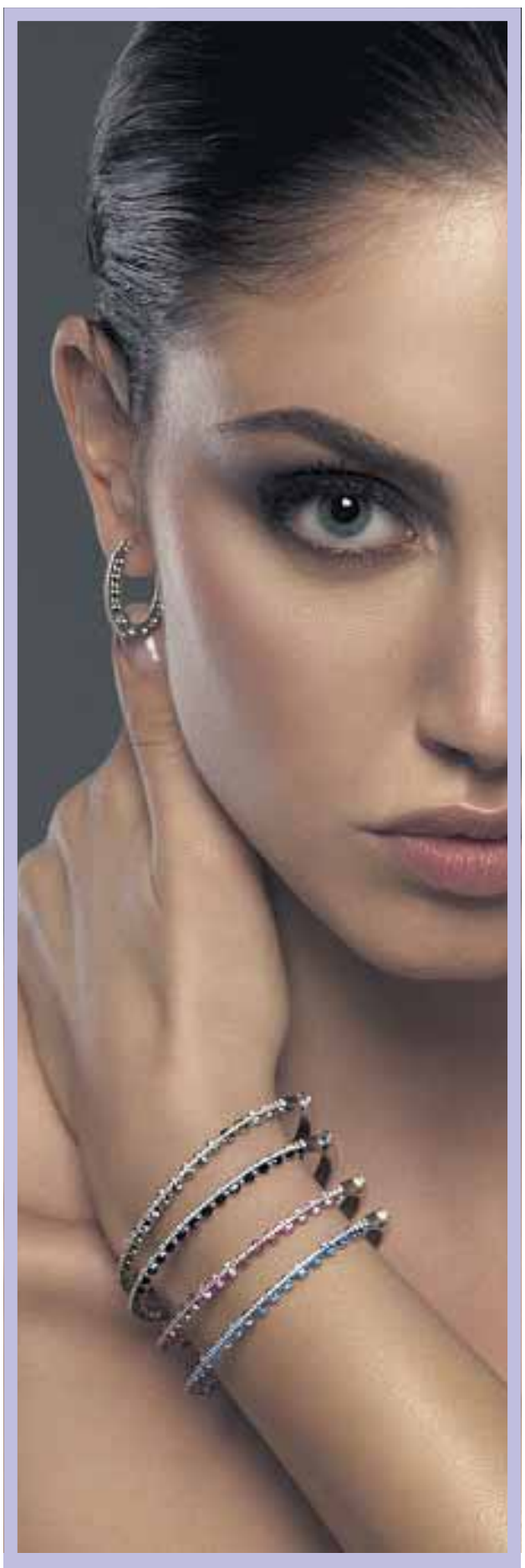
What is wrong with people these days? President Trump is doing his best, day in and day out, to tell lies that make him look good, make his enemies look bad and make all his decisions seem correct.

And somehow that's just not good enough for the media, the liberals, the DUMBocrats and the Deep State truthers. They insist on damaging Trump's duplicity every step of the way.

What do they want? A president who tells the truth?

That's just un-American, folks.

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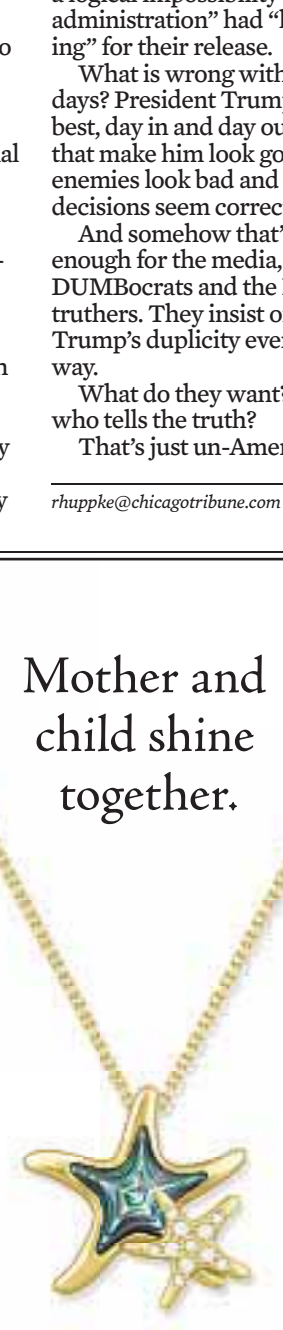
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When crimes burden families of mentally ill

Experts say: Don't blame the relatives for missing signals

By William Lee and Tony Briscoe
Chicago Tribune



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Chicago police fatally shot Michele Robey outside a drugstore in 2017. Her family said she was having a psychotic episode.

With years under her belt, emergency room nurse Anastasia Robey has treated more patients having mental breakdowns than she can count. She can quickly recognize the symptoms of someone who has skipped urgently needed medication, is experiencing a psychotic break or has become temporarily violent.

But even Robey had difficulty seeing the changes in her older sister Michele's personality over the course of a decade. While some unusual traits emerged, Michele Robey — a supervisor at Cook County's CORE Center whose work helped lower HIV transmissions between HIV-positive mothers and their newborns — had managed to keep her life in order until she lost her job.

"The changes are so subtle that it's not really apparent," Anastasia Robey recalled recently. "You just kind of look at the person and ... it just doesn't fit. It's just so hard to put your finger on."

Family members eventually underwent training to learn how to handle Michele Robey's bipolar schizoaffective disorder diagnosis, but it didn't prevent tragedy. In February 2017, the 55-year-old was fatally shot by Chicago police outside a North Center CVS Pharmacy. Authorities said she lunged at officers with a knife. Her family said she was having a psychotic episode after a period of decline.

For police and health care workers, dealing with people with mental illnesses who commit crimes can be daunting. But for family members, the weight of responsibility can be overwhelming. Some families, like Robey's, miss red flags while others turn a blind eye, too ashamed to acknowledge it. Others, who are aware of a relative's illness, may be unable to get the person into treatment or lack the resources or knowledge about where to start.

"I think (Michele's deterioration) was happening long before we even recognized it, and we're a pretty perceptive bunch," Anastasia Robey said. "So if it took us that long to recognize it, people who don't have the tools that we have, they're at even more of a deficit."

Much scrutiny has fallen on the father of Travis Reinking, 29, originally from Morton, Ill., who was arrested April 23 and accused in the AR-15 rifle attack that left four dead and four injured in the Waffle House shooting in Nashville, Tenn.

Tazewell County sheriff's reports show that Reinking's father had taken possession of his son's guns and then returned them at least three times. The reports document odd behavior, a suicide threat and recommendations for mental evaluations.

While only a small percentage of those with mental illness ever display violent behavior — 3 to 5 percent of all violence is attributable to serious mental illness, according to the American Mental Health Counselors Association — relatives and mental health professionals say the long-standing stigma associated with it persists even as public awareness has increased.

"We see very often family members feel embarrassed or ashamed," said Alexa James, executive director of the Chicago chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness. "It's a very painful burden for anybody to bear witness or to experience threatening behavior that is associated with a mental health condition."

In recent years, Chicago — which closed half of its 12 community mental health centers in 2012 — has been home to a number of high-profile cases involving people possibly suffering from mental duress, from Laquan McDonald to Quintonio LeGrier.

More recent incidents include a Central Michigan University sophomore from southwest suburban Plainfield accused of fatally shooting his parents inside his dorm room in early March; a couple of weeks later, a 34-year-old Elgin woman fatally shot by police on Interstate 90; and, in early April, a 21-year-old University of Chicago student shot and wounded by campus police after authorities said he charged at officers with a metal pipe.

In a previous Tribune report, Kathleen Thomas, who lives with bipolar disorder, spoke about how she kept a close eye on her 21-year-old son, the U. of C. student, for symptoms of her condition.

"I have never seen him act that way. ... I have never seen anger like that," Kathleen Thomas said after viewing video footage of the incident.

Some experts caution against playing the blame game too quickly, saying the risk factors for mentally ill people to become violent are common.

Tazewell County sheriff's reports show Reinking was ordered to go to a mental health clinic for evaluation after deputies were called to a CVS parking lot in May 2016 after he threatened to commit suicide. In June 2017, a report documents Reinking jumping into a pool in a woman's housecoat and threatening lifeguards. An officer told Reinking's father "he might want to lock the guns back up until Travis gets mental help," and Reinking's father said he would. Two months later, Reinking was arrested after an incident at the White House.

"The real problem is that we cannot predict violence," said Linda Teplin, a professor of psychiatry and behavioral sciences at Northwestern University who has spent years researching youth, mental illness and violence.

"It is tempting to examine the background of a shooter and say, 'We should have known,' " she said. "In reality, predicting violence is neither simple nor straightforward. Why? Thousands of people exhibit risk factors but never become mass shooters. In short, mass shootings, though dramatic and memorable, are too rare to predict. It is like trying to pinpoint where lightning might strike. We need to develop creative ways to address this public health crisis."

James, a licensed clinical social worker, said teens and young adults can present a particular challenge when diagnosing mental illness. "Identifying signs and symptoms in adolescents and teens is challenging because, developmentally, there's a lot of change going on anyway. So parents may not feel like they want to pry, or they may think it's normal adolescence, and I'm sure many times, it is."

Nationally, the country's mental health systems are not designed to prevent people like Reinking from falling through the cracks, James and Teplin say.

In the Chicago area, struggles to treat mental health patients coincide with drastic cuts in recent years to mental health services statewide, according to Mark J. Heyrman, a clinical teacher at U. of C.'s Law School. Preventive screening and more community-based care carry considerable price tags.

To fill some of the gaps, Heyrman and U. of C. law students represent certain people facing criminal charges through the law school's mental health project.

"The frustrating thing is many of the people we represent end up in the criminal justice system or committed to a hospital before they have ever been offered mental health services," Heyrman said. "People will say they never took advantage of mental health services. Well, we never offered them services. And we shouldn't be blaming the victim."

The U. of C. mental health project says there are more people with mental illness in Cook County Jail than in the 185 public mental health facilities in Illinois, and there are more people with mental illnesses in state prisons than in all of the public and private mental hospitals statewide.

Relatives have several options if they suspect mental instability in a loved one. Ideally, a family member or friend would persuade someone to seek treatment voluntarily. Otherwise, relatives could seek to have someone committed against his or her will through the court system. Law enforcement officers also can determine whether a person with mental illness is a danger to themselves or others and take her or him to a hospital for psychological evaluation.

"If you never come into contact with the mental health system, there's no trigger for this happening," Heyrman said.

Reinking visited a mental health hospital at the request of law enforcement, records show. But even though his father took away his guns on several occasions and eventually his firearm owner's identification card was revoked, he did not get the help he needed. "You can think of a lot of reasons why he should've come to someone's attention, where it required action by the school, police or family," Heyrman said. "All those things never happened."

As for Anastasia Robey, she supports mental health emergency training for law enforcement and sending trained de-escalation teams to the scene of emergencies. Her sister's death has inspired her to try to show more compassion for patients who are having even the most disturbing kinds of mental episodes.

"(Often) somebody's out of control and you can't quite get them down off the ledge ... psychotic issues and overdose and just tired and the patient won't come down, no matter how much you medicate them. And then I hear my sister's voice and it's like, 'You can deal with them, Stacey.' And I hear it. So she does serve me. She's with me all the time."

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Vann victims' families hope to 'move on'

Indiana man pleads guilty to murders of 7 women

By Becky Jacobs
Post-Tribune

Lori Townsend was undecided about whether she wanted to attend the trial of a Gary man charged with murdering her daughter and six other women, she said.

The Colorado resident wondered how much of the evidence she actually wanted to see or hear.

"I know the circumstances, but I don't want the picture to be painted any more vividly than it already is," Townsend said.



Vann

Now, Townsend said Friday, she's relieved she won't have to confront those questions.

Darren Vann, 47, struck a plea deal with the state and pleaded guilty Friday in Lake County, Ind., Superior Court in Crown Point to the murders of Townsend's daughter, Afrikka Hardy, 19, of Chicago, and six other women: Anith Jones, 35, of Merrillville; Teaira Batey, 28, of Gary; Tracy Martin, 41, of Gary; Kristine Williams, 36, of Gary; Sonya Billingsley, 52, of Gary; and Tanya Gatlin, 27, of Highland.

The plea agreement came more than three years after Hardy's body was found in the bathtub of a motel in Hammond on Oct. 17, 2014.

Vann told police he became "rough" during sex and that Hardy struck him, the plea deal states. Vann choked her with a brown extension cord he brought with him to the motel and left her in the bathroom while he cleaned up with a pair of white gloves he'd brought, the agreement states.

Vann, who was arrested the next day in Gary, then led investigators to six other women's bodies in abandoned homes in Gary.

Vann led detectives to the 400 block of East 43rd Avenue, where he told them to go in the basement and find Jones' body "under some tires and a teddy bear," the plea deal states.

Jones disappeared after she was last seen Oct. 8, 2014, at Gary City Court, police said at the time. Vann said he killed her for $300 and two eight-balls of crack cocaine after meeting at a house that was for sale in Merrillville to have sex, court records state. He used the same brown cord to strangle Jones that he later used on Hardy, according to the agreement. Her body was stuffed in a garbage can, and he took her to the Glen Park home, records show.

Police found Billingsley's and Gatlin's bodies in a house within sight of where Jones' body was located on East 43rd Avenue, the deal states. Vann directed them to their bodies by a door in the basement. He strangled the two "with either a rope or a clothesline," the agreement states.

Batey's body was found under a wooden bench in a room with the door propped shut with a dresser in the 1800 block of East 19th Avenue, according to the plea deal.

Vann said he "lured" Batey to the abandoned house "with the promise of crack cocaine in exchange for sex" before strangling her with a rope, the agreement states.

Investigators found Martin's body in a closet of a house in the 2200 block of Massachusetts Street. Vann said he "promised to pay 'V' for sex but began punching her once they entered the abandoned house," eventually strangling her, the plea deal states.

Vann told investigators he beat Williams "over a drug debt," according to the agreement. Police found her under "some plastic in the basement" in a house between 42nd and 43rd avenues, the plea deal states.

As the details came out in fall 2014 as the women's bodies were found, the horror rippled through northwest Indiana. "None of them needed to be left in abandoned buildings in Gary for months," Marvin Clinton, Batey's fiance, said Friday.

Vann was scheduled to go to trial in the fall in Hardy's and Jones' deaths. That trial was canceled Friday when he agreed to plead guilty to all seven counts of murder, which came to the relief of some of the women's families.

"I'm happy that it's over and we can move on," Townsend said.

Clinton said Batey's now-6-year-old son has started asking questions about his mother and where she is. "I can tell him the guy that killed your mom will never see the light of day again," he said.

Clinton said he hopes Vann sees the faces of the seven women he murdered when he closes his eyes at night. "I hope they continue to haunt him until the day he dies."

The agreement recommends that Vann be sentenced to life in prison without the possibility of parole on each count, to be served concurrently, and prosecutors agreed to stop seeking the death penalty.



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A boarded-up home in Gary where police say they found three bodies after Darren Vann led them to the site.



Hardy



Batey

Last year, Vann's defense team questioned the constitutionality of the state's death penalty, but their arguments were struck down by the Indiana Supreme Court.

"Life in prison might be more of what he needs. Death was a little more easy," Townsend said.

Before the agreement, attorneys had been assembling juror questionnaires as they prepared for trial. Prosecutors sent subpoenas to prepare for the sentencing phase, court records show, including to Lima Senior High School in Lima, Ohio, where Vann graduated in 1990.

Hearing that Vann was charged with multiple murders came as a shock to a few of his classmates from an auto mechanics class.

"You never know what's going on inside someone's head," Tom Vorhees, 46, said.

"He was a really quiet dude," Larry Hamilton, 46, said.

Vann was calm in court Friday, providing one-word answers as a judge went through the plea deal with him.

Clinton still worries how Vann will act when he's sentenced May 25, he said.

But at least "we know that all seven victims have been accounted for," Clinton said.

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Frozen mosquito samples are tested for West Nile virus in a lab in Northfield in 2017. Between 2007 and 2016, there were 904 West Nile cases recorded statewide.

Bug-bite illness on rise in U.S.: What to watch for in Illinois

By Elyssa Cherney
Chicago Tribune

We learned from a new Centers for Disease Control and Prevention study last week that illnesses from common bug bites — mosquito, ticks and fleas — have spiked nationwide in the last decade-plus, and that made us wonder about the implications closer to home.

From 2007 to 2016, the Illinois Department of Public Health recorded a total of 4,485 cases of disease caused by mosquito and tick bites. In 2016, the most recent year for which data were available, the state saw 685 diagnoses of these diseases. By far, Lyme disease and West Nile virus were the most common type of health issues associated with bug bites.

In a state of about 12.8 million residents, the number getting sick from bug bites is comparatively low. Despite these relatively small number of cases, sickness caused by these insects can have devastating consequences, including a compromised nervous system, intense pain and, for the most vulnerable populations, even death.

Top five insect-borne diseases in Illinois

1. Lyme disease: Carried by the deer tick, it has been the most common insect-related sickness in the state over the past decade. Between 2007 and 2016, there have been 2,020 confirmed cases, according to the health department. And in 2016, there were 237 cases. Lyme disease can affect a person's nervous system if left untreated, leading to body rashes, tingling of hands and feet, and heart palpitations, according to the CDC.

2. West Nile virus: Between 2007 and 2016, there were 904 cases statewide. In 2016, 155 cases were recorded — far below the record number seen in 2002 when Illinois led the nation with 884 diagnoses and 67 deaths. West Nile virus, particularly for people older than 50 or those with weak immune systems, can give way to deadly encephalitis or meningitis. Most people, however, do not develop any flu-like symptoms typically linked to West Nile.

3. Rocky Mountain spotted fever: In 2016, the state recorded 68 cases of this tick-transmitted disease, which causes fever, headaches and rashes. At its height, the disease infected 151 people in 2012, and has caused a total of 748 cases since 2007, the health department said. Ticks carrying Rocky Mountain spotted fever are active when ground temperatures reach at least 40 degrees.

4. Ehrlichiosis: Another disease transferred by ticks, ehrlichiosis accounted for 32 cases reported to the state department of health in 2016. Since 2007, there have been 346 cases of the disease, which causes flu-like symptoms within about two weeks of contact with the tick. In Illinois, the lone star tick, the American dog tick and the deer tick carry the bacteria that causes ehrlichiosis.

5. Dengue fever: This disease, a leading cause of illness and death in the tropics and subtropics, first appeared in Illinois in 2010, according to the health department. That year, 23 cases were reported compared with the 35 cases found here in 2016. Since 2010, 151 people statewide have suffered from dengue. All of the cases have been travel-related and not transmitted locally, the health department said. Dengue causes high fever, severe headaches, joint pain and nosebleeds, according to the CDC.

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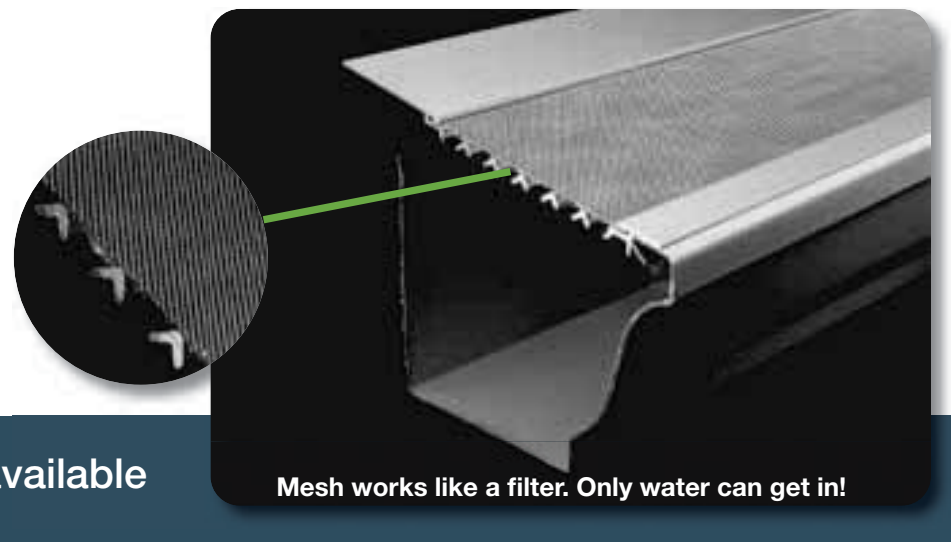
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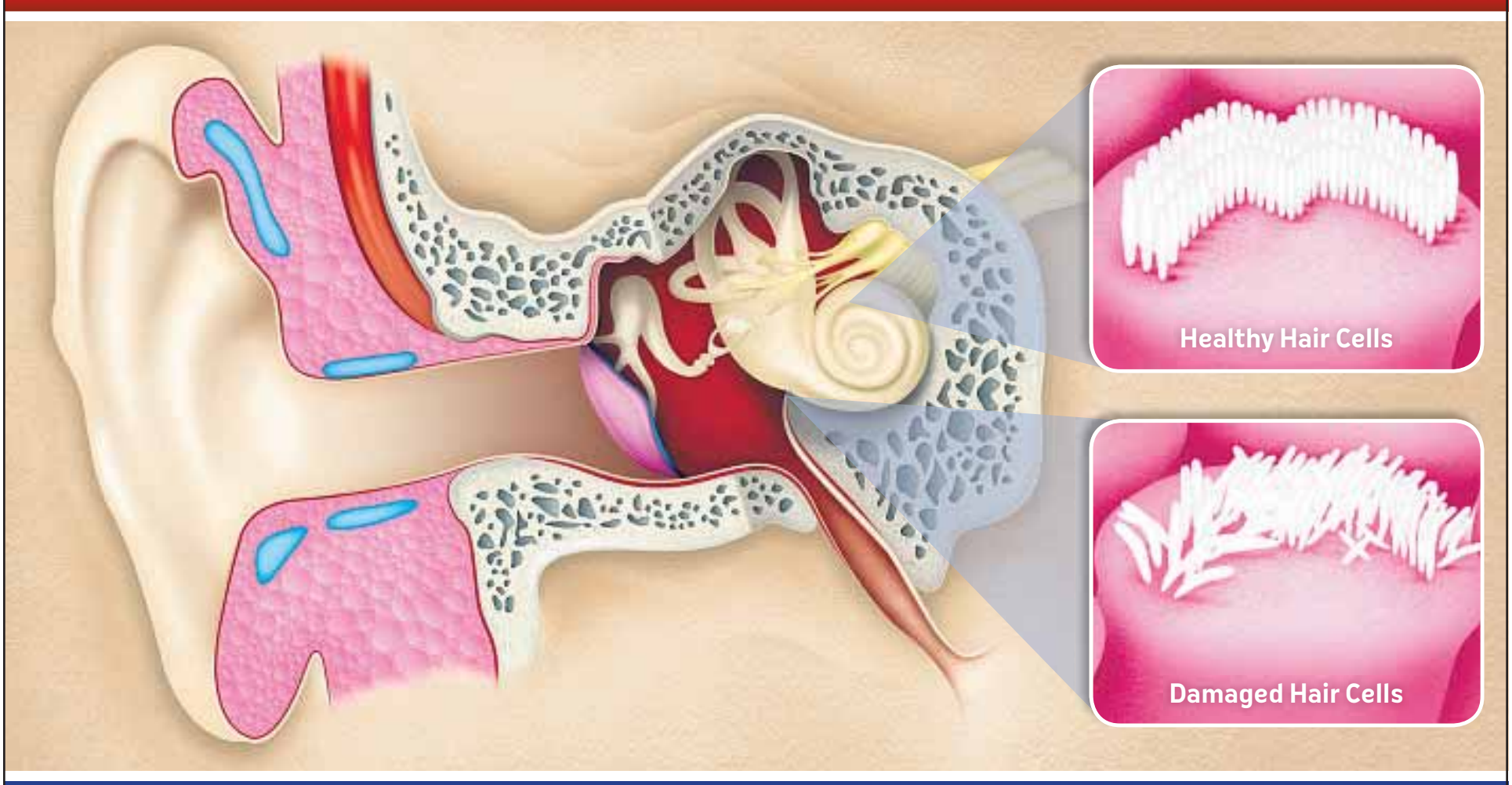
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Ind. newspaper building getting new lease on life

Master's program at IU to set up in architecture mecca



Blair Kamin
Cityscapes

My passion for architecture was kindled in a distinctly Chicago way: fire.

In 1970, 99 years after the Great Fire incinerated most of downtown Chicago, a Christmas Eve blaze destroyed the editorial and business offices of the now-defunct newspaper, The Daily Register, that my father, Arthur Kamin, edited in the Jersey Shore town of Red Bank. I was 13 at the time.

With building a replacement a top priority, our family spent much of the next year touring state-of-the-art newspaper offices and printing plants, as they were known in those days. The one that made the biggest impression on my father (and me) was The Republic in Columbus, Ind., a dazzling Miesian pavilion designed by Myron Goldsmith, a partner in the Chicago office of Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, that opened in 1971.

All these years later, seeing the world through the lens of the neo-Gothic Tribune Tower, it's clear that the single-story Republic building is everything the 36-story Tribune Tower is not: clean-lined, not encrusted in ornament; sweepingly horizontal rather than strikingly vertical; invitingly transparent, not intimidatingly opaque.

Passing pedestrians could stand on the sidewalk and look through The Republic's metal-and-glass pavilion and witness the flow of the newspaper's production process, from the writing and editing of the news to the printing press that produced it. The visual star of the show was a Goss printing press painted a vibrant yellow. As it churned out newspapers, it became a piece of kinetic sculpture.

Modernism is often accused of being cool and incomprehensible to the man or woman on the street. Yet at The Republic, it spoke with resonant clarity and conviction, powerfully symbolizing the transparency of the free press. Goldsmith's delicate brand of modernism, so different from the muscular structural expressionism associated with Chicago, was perfectly suited to its small-town setting. So deeply was the building ingrained in the life of the town that when the printing press was removed in 1998, to be replaced by a larger one that could only be housed in a new facility, the public took notice.

"Alarm bells went off. We fielded dozens of inquiries from people sure that the newspaper had gone out of business. The Republic still appeared each day, but something was missing — the piece of art that created it," the newspaper's retired associate editor Harry McCawley wrote in 2016.

All this is prelude to a significant piece of architectural news: The Republic, which faced an uncertain future after its namesake newspaper moved out in 2016 and the building was sold to the holding company of a local hospital, is getting a new lease on life. Next fall, Indiana University announced Monday, the building will house the university's new master of architecture program, serving as an outpost of the flagship Bloomington campus 36 miles to the west. But this will be no ordinary outpost.



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A printing press was visible through the metal-and-glass exterior of The Republic newspaper building in Columbus, Ind.

At The Republic, modernism spoke with resonant clarity and conviction, symbolizing the transparency of the free press.

Columbus, a small-town architectural mecca, boasts buildings by such renowned architects as Eliel and Eero Saarinen, I.M. Pei and Chicago's Harry Weese. This concentration of architectural riches all but ensures that the school's learning spaces will extend far beyond the former newspaper building at 333 Second St.

"We just fit right into the building like a glove," Peg Faimon, dean of the university's School of Art, Architecture + Design, said in a telephone interview Thursday. "It needs very little alteration for us to have fantastic studio space."

In addition to the airy, high-ceilinged studios, which will be visible to passersby on Second Street, there will be conference space, classrooms, offices, a wood shop, a metal shop and a "community kind of auditorium space," Faimon said. Twenty-one students have signed up, she added. The building is a short walk from the university's Center for Art + Design Columbus, a 7-year-old teaching facility.

Fittingly, the master's program will be named for J. Irwin Miller, the late chairman of the Cummins Engine Co., who did more than anyone to put the southern Indiana town, now home to about 46,000 people and located 45 miles south of Indianapolis, on the world architectural map.

In 1957, frustrated by the design of schools being built to accommodate the baby boom, Miller proposed a deal to the local school board: Cummins' foundation would pay the architect's fee if the board would pick from a list of top-quality designers whom Miller favored. The plan worked so well that developers of privately owned buildings, including The Republic, commissioned their own top architects. As a result, Columbus is regularly ranked as one of the nation's, and even the world's, top cities for architecture lovers.

The reuse of The Republic, one of several Columbus buildings that are National Historic Landmarks, marks the latest chapter in this rich history of innovation. Yet its significance extends far beyond Columbus, and not just because it breathes new life into a major work of mid-20th-century modernism.

At a time when many newspapers, including the Tribune, are leaving their historic homes, it reminds us that some of the great newspaper buildings of the past were in small towns as well as big cities and that they set their aesthetic gaze forward, not backward, to express the essential role that journalism plays in a democracy.

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"I haven't had time to think of what ifs, because I'm so busy still learning. It's only been two years. I'm still acquiring knowledge."

— Jonathan Annicks, a student at DePaul University who was shot two years ago when he was a senior at Walter Payton College Prep



Herlinda Annicks, right, calls her son Jonathan the family's "pillar." "There are those waiting for him to have some kind of breakdown, throw things," she said. "That's just not him."



During Annicks' freshman year at DePaul University's Loop campus, he had to learn to ask for help, and to navigate crowded restaurants and busy downtown sidewalks.

NOT A LOSS, BUT A LEARNING PROCESS



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Annicks' mom told him to avoid side streets where gangbangers hang out on his way home. He says he sticks to main streets because "If I fall out of the chair, someone will see me."

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metal bar with his left hand, revealing the tattoo on his inner arm:

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April 10, 2016. The day he was shot and paralyzed.

I met Jonathan Annicks shortly after the night two years ago that he was shot sitting in his brother's car outside his home. A shadowy figure had appeared from nowhere that night and fired a gun eight times.

Only one bullet hit him. It severed his spinal cord.

He was near the end of his senior year at Payton then, and he and his family — his parents, Herlinda and Mike, his younger brothers, Joshua and Jacob — couldn't imagine how they would adapt. I went to visit them a few days ago to find out.

"I spent a lot of time feeling trapped," Jonathan said.

He was sitting in his wheelchair in the living room, next to the entryway jammed with boxes full of catheters. His mother remembers when the first supply arrived, at a cost of $3,500, and the insurance company refused to pay, as if her son's catheters were a luxury.

Dealing with insurance has been just one of the challenges. Two years ago, the Annicks family thought they would have to leave their home, an old brick two-flat on a wide Little Village boulevard. It had a tiny bathroom, narrow doorways, stairs in front and back. It was no place for a wheelchair.

They made it work.

They replaced the king bunkbed in Jonathan's room with a low twin bed. Jonathan's brothers or father, a maintenance engineer, were able to carry him in and out of the house, and though his mother couldn't lift him, she could navigate his chair down the stairs, one bumpy step at a time.

"I only dropped him once," she said. She laughed. "In winter."

Eventually, through a city of Chicago program, the family applied for a mechanical lift, and after a long wait, it was installed next to the front porch, allowing Jonathan to come and go on his own.

At last, he could get out and see the world again, and if that was no substitute for his long bike rides and lakefront runs, at least he could breathe fresh air.

While in the hospital, Jonathan met a man, Alfredo, who was also in a wheelchair. Alfredo taught him how to get around without legs.

"He had a house and a car," Jonathan said. "I thought, 'I can do that.' And I did."

He can't do everything on his own. While his family waits on a city program that will help them modify the bathroom, he depends on his brothers and parents to get him in and out of the shower. But he has learned to get in and out of a car by himself and devised a way to strap his feet into the wheelchair so they don't slide out if he hits a bad patch of pavement.



One of his tattoos is of the date he was shot outside of his Little Village home two years ago.

He has found new ways to express himself.

He grew his hair long. He started getting tattoos. The first was the date of the shooting. Recently, he added a giant koi fish, a symbol of good luck and perseverance.

"They swim upstream," he said.

When he felt lonely, he listened to his favorite song by Chance the Rapper, the one with the line, "Everybody's somebody's everything."

Jonathan's freshman year at DePaul University's Loop campus was hard. He had to learn to ask for help, to navigate crowded restaurants and busy downtown sidewalks, to answer the stares and questions.

"I got shot," he'll tell anyone who asks.

"They'll be like, 'Oh really, wow,' and then it's the whole pity thing," he said, mildly.

He has also learned that a wheelchair can be an icebreaker, and that the conversations it starts can lead to friendship.

"If anything, I've created more relationships, more meaningful ones," he said.

Life gets easier, but not easy. Sometimes, out of the blue, his legs spasm, or his fingers twitch, or he'll sweat for no clear reason. The physical work of getting to and from school can be exhausting. His shoulders hurt.

He has learned to ration hope.

"I never tried to sugarcoat things for myself," he said, "because that just stresses me out. If I'm too hopeful and things don't work out, then I get into a mood."

And yet, he's still himself, the devoted big brother, the son his mother calls the family "pillar," the guy with the luminous smile who knows how to talk to anybody.

He coaches two floor hockey teams, and though he can't play anymore, he likes being in charge and seeing his style transmitted to the kids.

He talks of what happened not as loss but as a learning process.

"I haven't had time to think of what ifs," he said, "because I'm so busy still learning. It's only been two years. I'm still acquiring knowledge."

Other people may be surprised by his equanimity. His mother's not.

"There are those waiting for him to have some kind of breakdown, throw things," she said. "That's just not him."

A young man in a wheelchair is whizzing up State Street in the Loop.

He's been to class, he's headed home. He does this leg of his commute alone, his moves as choreographed and fluid as a dancer's.

He hits buttons, opens gates and doors, is back on the Pink Line train and then off in Little Village.

His mother has told him to avoid the side streets where the gangbangers hang out. He does but laughs at the suggestion that her worry is the reason he takes Cermak Road.

"I prefer main streets," he says. "If I fall out of the chair, someone will see me."

Who shot Jonathan Annicks and why remain a mystery, not one he dwells on, and he chooses not to be afraid of where he lives. He plans to spend a lot of the summer on the porch with his brothers.

"The more you give into the mainstream views," he says, "the more you're going to be scared of your own neighborhood."

And when he needs a little extra courage, all he has to do is look at the tattoo that says "4/10/16" and remember the reason he got it.

"Every time I look down on it," he says, "I think: 'Gotta be better.' "

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A graduation ceremony for police officers at Navy Pier in 2017. Diversity is a priority, according to city officials, as the department looks to add to its ranks.

Police hiring goal still falling short

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challenging if African-Americans continue to flee the Chicago area as they have in recent years, according to census figures. Diversity is also front and center as the city prepares to enter a court-enforceable agreement aimed at forcing change in a department with a history of misconduct against minorities.

South Side Ald. Anthony Beale said the department needs to rework its background check and reconsider its rule that recruits have to hold the equivalent typically of two years of college, among other measures.

"I don't care if you have 80 percent African-Americans going to take the test," he said. "You're still going to have the same percentage (hired)."

But Barbara West, chief of the department's Bureau of Organizational Development, said the main challenge to improving the department's diversity remains getting African-American applicants to follow through and take the examination. When the department last held an exam in December, 44 percent of the black prospects who had applied didn't show up, she said.

"The biggest hurdle and the biggest first step is actually showing up for the exam," West said.

The department draws recruits from an eligibility list made up of those who pass the exam.

Though African-Americans are underrepresented on the force, the Emanuel administration often points to diversity in the department's top ranks. Indeed, as of March, half of the 24 highest-ranking officers — including Superintendent Eddie Johnson — are black.

The Tribune's demographic calculations are based on about 95 percent of the force because the department withheld identifying information for officers who serve in units that do covert work. But past records indicate that those units have largely mirrored the racial breakdown of the rest of the force.

Emanuel announced the department's expansion in September 2016 as he faced a pair of urgent political problems — fallout from the video of the fatal shooting of Laquan McDonald and runaway street violence.

The late 2015 court-ordered release of the 2014 video showing white Officer Jason Van Dyke shooting the black teen 16 times sparked calls for Emanuel's resignation and unleashed a torrent of grievances about the Police Department, particularly from African-Americans. An investigation by the U.S. Department of Justice eventually echoed what black Chicagoans have said for decades — that the department had allowed "racially discriminatory conduct" and used force disproportionately against minorities.

Meanwhile, gun violence spiked in 2016 as some 4,300 people were shot and more than 760 were killed, making it the deadliest year in nearly two decades. Some, including Emanuel, blamed surging crime in part on cops' limiting their activity to avoid getting caught up in any incidents that might stoke public outrage.



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Police recruits undergo inspection by Detective Bryan Barlow during training at the police academy in March.



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Cameron Judge-Becker, left, and ChrisDell Harris take a break from classroom activities at the academy.

The mayor's hiring spree has reversed a downward trend in the department's size that played out on his watch. The department lost about 600 officers between the time he took office in 2011 and October 2016.

Department records obtained through the Freedom of Information Act suggested that, as of March, the force was not on pace to hit Emanuel's target of 13,535 cops by the end of the year. Rapid hiring had been offset by departures, leaving the department with about 12,770 cops on the roster at the end of March, a net gain of about 780 since October 2016, shortly before the hiring push kicked off, according to agency records. At that pace, the department would have fallen about 375 officers short of its goal by year-end.

But department officials said that the recent roster provided to the Tribune did not include some 90 officers on leave from the force or 102 cops who joined the department in April. As of late April, the department had 12,950 officers, a gain of about 1,050 cops since the start of 2017, according to West. That rate of growth would put the department on pace to come within 100 officers of Emanuel's goal. West said she believes the city will hit its hiring goal, in part because the department expects fewer officers to leave in 2018 than in 2017.

The department provided personnel records for those 102 new officers only after the Tribune first posted this story online Friday morning.

Over and over, Emanuel has stressed the importance of diversity as he seeks to expand the department while also aiming to improve its relationship with black Chicagoans. The city has paid out at least $167,500 to a contractor, Brown Farmer Media Group, to recruit minority applicants for recent tests, city records show.

> ***"We've been trying to remove every barrier."***
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> *— Barbara West, chief of the Chicago Police Department's Bureau of Organizational Development, on efforts to attract black police candidates, such as eliminating the $30 fee to take the entrance exam, offering test preparation, and sending text and email reminders to applicants to show up for the test.*

"Chicago's greatest asset is our diversity, and with each class of recruits CPD reflects that and uses it to serve our city," Emanuel said in a statement in January.

But the department still falls far short of reflecting the city's demographics.

Among the officers hired in 2017 and 2018 whose race was included on the most recent roster, only 14.3 percent were black. Overall, African-Americans make up about 20.5 percent of officers whose race the department provided. That's down from 21.9 percent in 2016. Blacks make up about 30 percent of the city's population.

Meanwhile, departures by black officers have also hurt African-American representation on the force. Between late 2016 and 2018, about 30 percent of the approximately 950 officers who dropped off of department rosters were African-American, indicating they either departed the force or moved to units with covert officers. That indicates black cops left the department in numbers that were disproportionate to their representation on the force.

The department's struggle to hire and retain African-American police is especially significant as city officials hammer out a federal court agreement that will govern reforms, said Shari Runner, president of the Chicago Urban League. Runner, whose organization was among those that sued the city to force judicial oversight, credited city leaders with trying to build diversity but said the department has to find ways to hire more black officers.

"I don't think that this is an easily solvable problem," she said. "It's not a layup. It's not something that they can do overnight, but the first big step was to be aware of it."

West, who is African-American, said the department has tried to make the hiring process accessible to everyone. The city recently eliminated the $30 fee to take the exam and started offering test preparation, she noted. The department has also been sending text and email reminders to applicants to show up for the test, West said.

The department has surveyed people who didn't show up for the test, West said, and candidates gave reasons ranging from forgetting to go to accepting other jobs in the interim.

For candidates who pass the examination, the department has been holding workouts to prepare for the physical testing and credit repair workshops.

"We've been trying to remove every barrier," West said.

The Tribune requested more detailed information on the ways African-Americans are being struck from the hiring process after passing the exam, but the department did not provide it.

Chicago mirrors cities across the country that have struggled to hire more black officers.

West Side Ald. Chris Taliaferro, a former Chicago cop who is African-American, echoed his City Council colleague Beale in saying the department should consider changes to the hiring process. Taliaferro said he did not pass the department's psychological test on his first attempt and joined the department in 1994 with only a high school diploma. The college credit requirement did not exist then.

"I don't think we're getting a better-quality officer because they have 60 hours of college credit," he said.

Police Department spokesman Frank Giancamilli said the department has instituted more lenient standards in recent years on medical and student loan debt. He also said that the department has an appeals process for candidates who fail the psychological exam.

A spokesman for Emanuel, Julienn Kaviar, said the administration is "committed to ensuring the police department reflects the diversity of our city.

"Under Superintendent Johnson's leadership over the past year and half, CPD has made it easier to apply, supported and prepared candidates throughout the application process and removed barriers to joining the police department," she said in an emailed statement.

Some within the department have complained that increased scrutiny over officers' conduct has made an already dangerous job less appealing. Northwest Side Ald. Nicholas Sposato, a former firefighter, said he felt the city had made a "yeoman's effort" to hire cops but that a climate of hostility toward police has driven retirements and hampered hiring efforts.

"It's just not the job it once was," he said. "It's a dangerous job that could wreck your life."

Martin Preib, the Chicago Fraternal Order of Police spokesman and a consistent critic of local journalists, replied to a list of questions about hiring and diversity with an email asking, "Are you familiar with Walt Whitman's writing?" He did not elaborate and responded to another request for comment by saying, "Nah, I'll just correct it as I do all your writing."

While struggling to increase the rolls of black officers, the department has boosted its Latino ranks, adding more than 500 officers identified as Hispanic. As of the end of March, the department was 25.7 percent Hispanic, up from 23.3 percent in late 2016.

West said that Hispanic candidates have had a lower no-show rate than African-Americans — under 30 percent — for two recent tests.

About 19 percent of white applicants failed to show up for the most recent police exam, department officials said.

West noted that another exam was scheduled for Saturday. "You know, show up," she said.

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Jessica Washington Gutierrez looks on as her father, U.S. Rep. Luis Gutierrez, announces in November that he would not seek re-election to the House of Representatives this year.

Gutierrez's daughter files to run for City Council

She would seek to unseat Emanuel ally in 30th Ward

By John Byrne
Chicago Tribune

The daughter of U.S. Rep. Luis Gutierrez filed paperwork Friday to run for alderman of the Northwest Side 30th Ward, putting her on a path to face a key Latino ally of Mayor Rahm Emanuel next year.

Jessica Washington Gutierrez created the new "Gutierrez for the New 30th Ward" campaign committee with the State Board of Elections, which allows her to start raising money. Doing so made official what Hispanic elected officials have been saying for more than a week: She's going to try to unseat Ald. Ariel Reboyras in the majority-Hispanic 30th Ward, which snakes through the Villa and parts of the Belmont Central, Cragin, Portage Park, Kilbourn Park, Avondale and Logan Square neighborhoods.

Washington Gutierrez did not respond to several messages about her candidacy last week. Her campaign paperwork says the purpose of her committee is "to help elect new democratic candidate for 30th ward," though the city elections are politically nonpartisan.

Reboyras confirmed in a brief phone conversation Friday that he would seek a fifth term.

"I am running for re-election, but I wish not to speak on this matter at this time," he said.

As chairman of the City Council's Public Safety Committee, Reboyras has been out front for Emanuel's police reform efforts, which ties him closely to the controversial mayor in a ward that has shown itself to be progressive in recent elections.

Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders got 57 percent of the vote there in the 2016 Democratic presidential primary. And after Washington Gutierrez's father endorsed progressive Cook County Commissioner Jesus "Chuy" Garcia to succeed him in the U.S. House, Garcia got 64 percent of the vote in the ward in his three-way March primary.

Garcia said last week that Washington Gutierrez had told him she was thinking about running. He said she "has not asked me for an endorsement specifically," and that he told her it was "very early in the process" to consider backing candidates with the municipal elections not taking place until February.

Garcia also said he had not spoken to Luis Gutierrez about endorsing his daughter. And Garcia said there was no agreement to back her for alderman after Gutierrez endorsed Garcia for Congress.

"Absolutely not," Garcia said.

The 30th Ward is one of Chicago's 13 majority-Hispanic wards. But at about 59 percent, it has one of the lower Latino populations among the 13. The ward also has a sizable Polish population, which has been a strong base of support for Reboyras in the past. And it includes portions of the hipster enclaves Avondale and Logan Square, where Washington Gutierrez could be looking to make inroads against the establishment Reboyras.

It remains to be seen where Emanuel will come down in the contest. He would be hard-pressed to turn his back on Reboyras, who has done the politically difficult work of being the City Council's face of the mayor's Police Department overhaul in the years since the 2014 Laquan McDonald shooting. But Luis Gutierrez was a co-chair of the mayor's 2015 re-election bid, giving Emanuel some much-needed credibility among Chicago's big Latino voting bloc as he faced off against Garcia.

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Events like the Midwest Women in Tech Conference, held in Chicago, are growing, and some say they're getting more women involved in the industry.

Women see some tech gains

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leadership roles in the tech industry, and the state's largest public university is seeing more women majoring in computer science. But in Chicago and nationally, technology jobs overwhelmingly are dominated by men. Women in the industry say creating a path for more female leaders is an important step toward addressing many of the problems they face, from the lack of funding for companies they create to the lack of flexibility from employers when they pause their careers to start families.

There have been efforts to empower women in the tech world for years, and some expect the conversations about sexual harassment and gender discrimination sparked by the #MeToo movement to accelerate the cause. More companies have those issues on their radars. Networks of women in tech are growing, and they are working to reduce barriers for their peers.

In the Chicago office of Big Four auditor KPMG, Alex Bell, managing director in the insurance technology group, is working to find more female tech talent and propel the women already at the company into positions of power.

She launched a Women in Tech group at the firm 2½ years ago, and now it's made up of more than 50 women in a range of positions, from partners to new associates. Men joined too.

"When we started this Women in Tech group, a lot of ... male colleagues came to me and said, 'What can I do?' " Bell said. "That, to me, says a lot."

The group has had sessions with the recruiting team on how to find more women for tech roles. It has gone to a high school to talk to students about careers in technical fields and works with KPMG clients to launch similar initiatives in their own companies. Bell is creating a master list of group members' areas of expertise so women can quickly find resources to help solve problems or build skills.

At Chicago-based Relativity, which makes software that analyzes data gathered during litigation, Jennifer Westropp, the company's learning and development manager, started a leadership coaching program for female employees in November. The company hired a consultant to help them develop paths to executive roles.

The company was revamping its leadership development program, and women were asking for more resources on how to advance their careers, Westropp said. The pilot program includes eight women at the 829-person firm.

Software engineering manager Cindy Quendangen said it made her feel proud when she was approached about joining the program. But she hasn't always felt comfortable being one of the few women in the room, a situation she's faced ever since her college computer science classes.



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Betsy Ziegler, who became the first female CEO of 1871 this year, said female entrepreneurs told her what an important step it was — a "massive sign" of commitment by 1871.

"One of the big things that drives a lot of women out of tech is that they feel like they don't belong," Quendangen said.

In the past seven years, the share of technology-related jobs held by women across all industries in the Chicago area has barely budged, moving from 22 percent in 2010 to 22.4 percent last year, according to data from Downers Grove-based trade association CompTIA. Nationally last year, women held 22 percent of tech jobs, including roles like systems analyst, software developer and web developer.

The percentage of all jobs in Illinois' tech industry filled by women, including nontechnical roles, barely improved in recent years, rising to 34.1 percent last year from 33.8 percent in 2015, when CompTIA began tracking those data.

Many corporate boards and senior executive teams in the tech industry are mindful of diversity and have been for at least four or five years, said Sally Beatty, a partner in the Chicago office of recruiting and consulting firm Korn Ferry. In recent months, there has been more interest in reducing the gender gap in executive roles.

But it's still a challenge to find women to fill those roles, said Beatty, who works with technology companies around the world on CEO and C-suite searches.

"There are more men in senior tech roles, which means there's less of a pipeline of (women) to move up," she said. "Change is really slow."

Women in the industry see a variety of obstacles to achieving greater gender equality: Not enough funding goes to startups founded by women; too few girls are being encouraged to pursue careers in science, technology, engineering and math; and it's hard for women to get back into technical occupations after taking time off to start a family.

For all the factors contributing to the problem, there are actions companies and leaders can take now to get more women involved in technology, said Julia Kanouse, CEO of the Chicago-based Illinois Technology Association. She is bullish on increasing the number of women in technology leadership roles and in better-paying positions — such as software engineering — at tech companies.

"You can't keep kicking the can down the road and say, 'It's pipeline, it's pipeline, it's pipeline,' " she said. "Getting women into leadership roles can happen right now."

At times, however, having strong and visible women in charge of technology teams or heading events isn't enough, said Rumi Morales, a local entrepreneur and tech investor. She gave a talk earlier this year on blockchain, the software platform that powers bitcoin, and the women in attendance were vastly outnumbered by the men, Morales said. Some women still don't feel comfortable or confident attending industry events, she said.

Morales, former head of CME Ventures, said she makes an effort to get more women to participate in financial technology events so women can see that Chicago has strong female leaders in the sector. She is on the advisory council for a group called Fintech Women, which works to attract women to the field. The formation of those types of groups is heartening, Morales said, but she'd like to see more women participating.

Ann Yeung, the new head of technology for Morningstar's global retirement and workplace solutions group, started getting involved with women in tech initiatives a few years ago when she worked for Capital One. It was an awakening for her, and she realized she should not settle for being one of the few women in the room.

"It was like, 'OK, this is the norm, but it really shouldn't be the norm. Why are we in this situation?' " she said.

Yeung, the mother of a 10-year-old daughter, said she tries to be a role model, since she's seen many women leave midcareer to start families.

There is a growing awareness among companies of the need to accommodate new moms, which didn't exist a decade ago when Yeung was a software engineer — and a new mom — at another company. She said she didn't feel like she could discuss a more flexible schedule with her bosses.

"The first step to being able to make incremental change is to have this awareness and having people talking about it," she said.

Despite the ongoing problem of underrepresentation, Chicago's tech industry has become more welcoming toward women in recent years, and the cultural shift is noticeable, said Reva Minkoff, an 1871 member. When she was launching her two digital marketing companies six years ago, she said, "the tech scene was kind of a bro fest."

The founder of digital marketing companies Digital4Startups and DigitalGroundUp, Minkoff often was one of the few women at events. She received inappropriate comments at industry gatherings. Once, a man at an event took a photo of her dress without permission.

She hears fewer workplace stories that could just as well have happened in a frat house. "The good news is it's gotten a lot better," she said.

Efforts by coding schools, universities and others are tackling the talent pipeline issue.

Coding boot camp Fullstack Academy recently launched a track in Chicago that defers tuition for women until they land a job. The track is named for computer programming pioneer Grace Hopper, and the first group of eight students is set to graduate at the end of May.

At the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, which routinely ranks among the top engineering schools in the country, the percentage of undergraduate computer science majors who are women rose to almost 26 percent for the current school year, up from 12 percent four years ago.

Among startups spun out of Illinois universities in the past five years, 28 percent have a female founder, according to a recent report from the Illinois Science and Technology Coalition. That's higher than the 16 percent of startups globally that have a female founder, according to Crunchbase, a tech company database.

At 1871, efforts to further the careers of female entrepreneurs predate Ziegler's arrival. The WiSTEM program, which connects women with capital and tech resources, began in 2015 with 13 participants.

WiSTEM graduate Jamie Migdal said women in tech are focused on their work, but industry initiatives help bring attention the change they are creating.

"Once in a while we lift our heads up and say, 'Oh, that's cool; there are more of us.' But let's just keep working," said Migdal, who founded FetchFind, which provides employee training to businesses that deal with animals.

While women in the industry see progress on several fronts, many say the lack of funding for the companies they create is a persistent challenge.

Only 0.2 percent of the nearly $2 billion in venture capital funding that flowed to Chicago-area companies last year went to ventures with only female founders, according to data from research firm Pitchbook. Companies with at least one female founder secured almost 31 percent.

Those numbers are "horrible," said Dimitra Georganopoulou, director of commercialization at Northwestern University's Innovation and New Ventures Office.

The tech industry is starting to pay attention to the lack of inclusion and all the problems that stem from it, said Terri Brax, co-founder of Women Tech Founders, or WTF — an abbreviation that isn't accidental. That wasn't the case three years ago, when WTF launched.

"Women were kind of invisible in the whole startup space, even in tech overall," she said.

Companies now are discussing how to turn their organizations into places where women can excel, Brax said. There's a spirit of camaraderie among women that's driving the change, she said, but there's still work to be done.

"It's like when you push a rock up a hill; (it's) the first push that's so hard, and you still have the whole damn hill," Brax said. "But you're moving."

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Authorities in Porter roll out SafeCam

Video surveillance program used to help after crimes

By Amy Lavalley
Post-Tribune

In Hebron, a video camera at a business captured the getaway car and license plate in connection with the robbery of a nearby liquor store.

In Center Township, a person allegedly posing as a utilities contractor and breaking into homes near Flint Lake Elementary School was caught on a neighbor's video surveillance system.

Officials with the Valparaiso police and the Porter County Sheriff's Department said Thursday those are just two examples of when video surveillance helped locate suspects, but a new program called SafeCam that rolled out Thursday could make the process of tracking down those videos and solving crimes much faster and potentially serve as a deterrent.

Businesses and homeowners with video surveillance systems are being asked to voluntarily register with the police or sheriff's departments on the departments' respective websites, officials said.

After they confirm the information, officers from both departments — and no one else — will be able to check a digital map of where cameras are located so if a crime is committed, they can see whether any of the neighbors had cameras and request that video.

"This is a program that other departments are doing across the country, especially larger cities," said Sgt. Michael Grennes, public information officer with the Valparaiso Police Department, adding that officers now may spend a couple of days after a crime canvassing an area to determine whether anyone has video of what happened.

"It's going to deter crime, and without question this is going to enhance public safety."

— Sheriff David Reynolds on the SafeCam program

With SafeCam, Grennes said, police can find out who has surveillance cameras within minutes of when a crime took place.

"We are not asking for access to their video system," he said, adding that the video would have to be provided by the camera owner.

Sheriff David Reynolds stressed that SafeCam "is a voluntary, free, confidential program," and only the two departments will know where all of the registered cameras are.

"It's going to deter crime, and without question this is going to enhance public safety in all respects," he said, adding that the goal is that word spreading about the network of cameras in the community will deter crime.

While Valparaiso police and the sheriff's department are the only participating agencies in the program in Porter County so far, officials are optimistic that other departments will join in.

"That's what we're hoping, that once this kicks off, more and more agencies will jump on board," Valparaiso police Chief Jeff Balon said.

Balon said he has no idea how many cameras may be located in the community and added that their availability has increased as the equipment has become more affordable.

"A lot of people will come forward with this information (that they have surveillance video of a crime), and now it's a lot more structured," he said.

Amy Lavalley is a freelance reporter.



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Lake County teachers received marigolds as part of their package of plants to grow a school garden. Marigolds help ward off pests.

School gardens help community blossom

U. of I. Extension and grants help Lake County teachers bring new tools to their classrooms

By Sheryl DeVore
News-Sun

Kali Goldberg asks her 3- to 5-year-old students early in the school year whether potato chips are healthy. Nearly all say "yes."

But by the end of the school year, nearly all of them know that fresh vegetables are much healthier than potato chips, Goldberg said, and it's likely because she empowered parents and students to create a school vegetable garden.

Goldberg teaches at the Early Childhood Center in Round Lake Area Community School District 116. She is among seven Lake County teachers — most of them working in low-income school districts — who have been attending monthly gardening classes at the University of Illinois Extension service in Grayslake since October.

On May 1, they just received their diplomas in school gardening — actually, a tray full of basil, tomato, pepper, cauliflower and marigold plants, along with $400 each in grant money to get their gardens growing.

Liberty Prairie Foundation and the Meemic Foundation paid for the grants, and the University of Illinois Extension service of Lake and McHenry counties provided the training.

"I grew up on a large organic farm," said Lake Villa resident Lynn Epperson, who helped secure funds from the Meemic Foundation.

"I am very passionate about farming. I'd love to have a vegetable garden in every single school," added Epperson, who runs a business for educators and also volunteers helping connect teachers with the U. of I. Extension service's garden program.

So many reasons exist to have a school garden, said Dale Kehr, a U. of I. Extension educator.

"School gardens have come and gone over the decades. But I do think they are coming back around now," she said. "There's a need."

Kehr, who works on nutrition and obesity prevention programs, said giving teachers the tools to grow gardens at their schools can translate into healthier families.

"You get kids out moving," she said. "They're in the fresh air. They're getting healthier food. They're learning about vegetables. They're tasting them. And you can integrate science and math into creating school gardens."



Teacher Kali Goldberg of Round Lake Area Community School District 116 receives plants for her school.

Schools with teachers who have attended the majority of the workshops and received grants to grow gardens this spring and summer include Palombi in Lake Villa, Lyons in Waukegan, Washington in Mundelein, Lakeview in Zion and the Early Childhood Center in Round Lake.

The Waukegan Park District is also receiving a grant. In addition, Johnsburg School District 12 has received a grant for students to raise vegetables that can be sold to local food service outlets.

"Last year, we kicked off the program in three schools: St. Gilbert's in Grayslake, Early Childhood in Round Lake and Washington in Waukegan," Kehr said.

More funding was secured this year to help more districts, she said, and schools are signing up for the next program beginning in October. To participate, teachers must be from low-income schools, meaning at least 50 percent of the study body is on a free or reduced-price lunch program, she said.

Throughout the school year, teachers in the program have learned about garden site selection, securing funding, engaging family and community members, ways to get students involved, what to plant, how to manage weeds and disease, and harvesting produce. This September, they'll take one more course on preparing the garden for winter.

Now the time has come to get growing.

"Do you know everything you need to start your garden?" Kehr asked the teachers when they received their plants.

"Sure," they responded. But, of course, the questions came. What kind of garden tools are good for young children? Why are there aphids and white flies in the school greenhouses? When should the plants be set into the soil?

"This is really nice," Goldberg said as she looked over the tags on the plants. "Students have been asking, 'When are we going to plant the garden?' "

Goldberg added that she decided to start a school garden one day when students were snacking on candy.

"I wanted to teach them about where their food comes from and about nutrition," she said, adding that she also wanted to find a way to bring the school community together.

She enlisted parental help and soon received a donation of lumber as well as time and energy to build raised garden beds. She, parents and students grew zucchini, cucumber, cauliflower, carrots and other vegetables.

"The kids (ages 3-5) did what they could, like carry little shovels of dirt to the beds or watering," she said. When harvest time came, students and their parents were able to take home fresh produce, she said, and families from the rest of the school also received any leftovers.

Goldberg added that she loves watching the children's eyes widen when they see how large a zucchini can grow or taste their first fresh tomato. And they now know that fresh tomatoes are a lot healthier than pizza with some tomato sauce on it, she said.

Volunteers checked on the vegetables in summer, watering and weeding, and Goldberg visited occasionally to watch the garden's progress, she said.

The garden "formed a sense of community in our school," she said, and students learned "the life cycle of plants and how to take care of the environment."

Megan Richardt, a science teacher from Winthrop Harbor School District 1, is helping revive a former vegetable garden.

"My mom has a green thumb, so I brought her to the school, and she told me to rip everything out" from the old garden and start over.

Sheryl DeVore is a freelance reporter for the News-Sun.

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Secretary of State Mike Pompeo, left, gets a warm welcome from President Donald Trump during a ceremonial swearing-in ceremony last week in Washington.

A NOBEL PEACE PRIZE FOR TRUMP?



STEVE CHAPMAN

Appearing before foreign service officers and other employees at the State Department on Wednesday, Donald Trump commended them for faithfully performing their most important task — applauding him.

"I must say that's more spirit than I've heard from the State Department in a long time, many years," he asserted. "We can say many years and maybe many decades." He wanted to impress on everyone that their show of devotion was more emphatic and more deserved than that accorded any president in memory.

Trump would have no way of knowing this even if he were a keen student of State Department history, which he is not, and he couldn't care less whether it's true. But that's not important. He never misses a chance to use other people to inflate his achievements and feed his ego.

Those in his presence are often enlisted, willingly or not, as disciples in the cult of personality he has tried to create. The only thing Trump enjoys more than boasting about himself is hearing others brag for him. He treats polite applause, such as what he heard at the State Department, as proof of reverence. But what he really encourages and appreciates is the most extravagant praise.

His personal physician, Harold Bornstein, was deployed in 2016 to attest that "his physical strength and stamina are extraordinary" and that he would "be the healthiest individual ever elected to the presidency." The doctor, who now says that statement was dictated by Trump, obviously knew he had to go along.

White House physician Ronny Jackson was also willing to shower the boss with plaudits. In January, Jackson attested to the "excellent" health and "incredible cardiac fitness" of the exercise-averse junk food addict he had examined.

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That spectacle was evidence of Trump's talent for reducing everyone around him to nonstop fawning. At a Cabinet meeting in June, his subordinates took turns prostrating themselves. Chief of staff Reince Priebus thanked the president for "the blessing that you've given us to serve your agenda and the American people." Attorney General Jeff Sessions exulted, "It's an honor to be able to serve you."

No one has been more worshipful than Mike Pence, who said then, "The greatest privilege of my life is to serve as vice president to the president who's keeping his word to the American people." Not serving the American people — serving Trump.

Many Republicans in Congress have adopted the same mindset. At a White House celebration for the tax bill, Sen. Orrin Hatch of Utah said, "We're going to make this the greatest presidency that we've seen not only in generations but maybe ever." House Speaker Paul Ryan agreed: "Something this profound could not have been done without exquisite presidential leadership."

So it was not surprising to learn that 18 GOP House members have nominated Trump for a Nobel Peace Prize. "Since taking office, President Trump has worked tirelessly to apply maximum pressure on North Korea to end its illicit weapons programs," they said, thus "bringing peace to the Korean Peninsula."

Please. A guy who visited his golf properties more than 90 times in his first year in office has not "worked tirelessly" at anything. And it is only a fond hope that he will achieve anything lasting or important in his meeting with Kim Jong Un.

Awarding the Nobel Peace Prize for fond hopes is something Republicans once opposed. When Barack Obama got it in 2009 — to the surprise of everyone — the Nobel committee was widely criticized for getting ahead of events. Obama himself said he didn't deserve it. Even The Washington Post editorialized that it "almost makes you feel embarrassed for the honoree."

But it is impossible to embarrass Trump by extolling his accomplishments, real or imagined. No one can utter any tribute so preposterous that he has not said it or would not believe it.

Americans have generally regarded their presidents as fallible humans who deserve endless scrutiny and criticism. Extracting fulsome worship is supposed to be the province of medieval monarchs and communist dictators. But Trump sees the presidency mainly as a way for him to bask in glory.

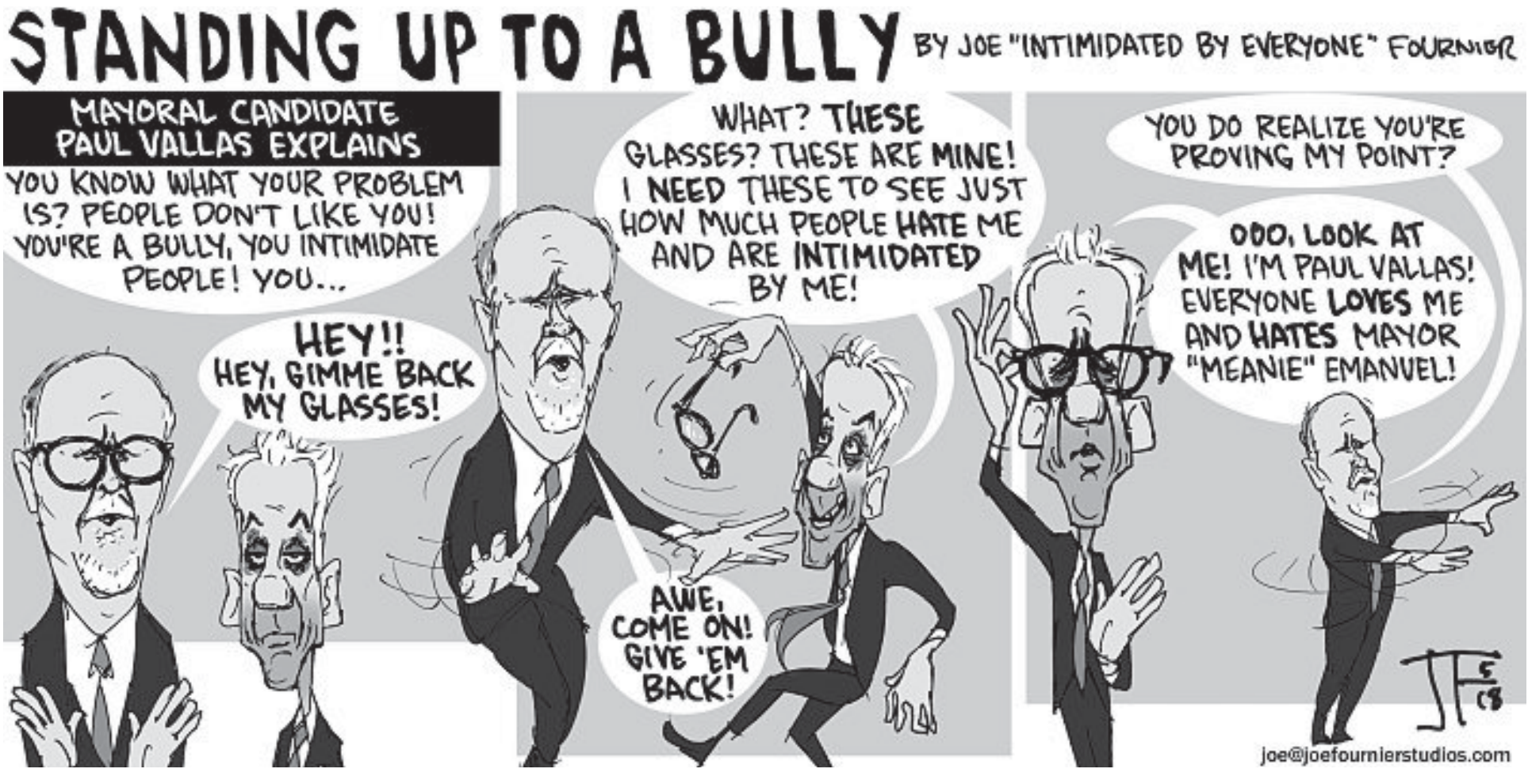
What the president's sycophants obviously know is that plausibility is not necessary. On the contrary, the less believable the praise is, the more welcome he will find it. What Trump wants to know is how far they will go in degrading themselves for his benefit.

The answer? If there is a limit, we haven't found it yet.

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CHANGE OF SUBJECT

By Eric Zorn



Coming soon: A Laquan McDonald documentary that makes the story even worse

What's new in "The Blue Wall," a just-released feature-length documentary about the shooting death of Laquan McDonald?

It's a fair question. The story of the fallout after McDonald, 17, was gunned down by Chicago police Officer Jason Van Dyke on the Southwest Side in October 2014, is well known locally: The disturbing dashcam video showing McDonald walking away from police as he was struck by 16 bullets, the evidence of a police cover-up, the first-degree murder charges filed against Van Dyke and now his pending trial.

And I assumed, going into an advance screening last month, that the film would be little more than a handy digest of this familiar story aimed mostly at a national audience with little knowledge of the details of the story that put Chicago's police practices under a microscope.

In fact, director Richard Rowley and producers Jacqueline Soohen and Jamie Kalven have fleshed out the story with fresh interviews and rare archival material that are going to make "The Blue Wall" the must-see film of 2018 in Chicago.

I'll start with the ending. In the final moments before the credits roll we hear a recording of police-radio chatter in the aftermath of the shooting.

"I need to get some info on the victim's condition ..." says a dispatcher.

"Offender," says an officer on the scene, correcting her.

"That's what I meant," says the dispatcher.

This exchange, not reported in mainstream media to my knowledge, neatly encapsulates the Police Department's determination to immediately seize control of the narrative and justify the shooting before the facts were known.

That determination to quickly put McDonald in the role of offender is also seen earlier in the film when viewers meet, almost certainly for the first time, Alma Benitez, Jose Torres and Torres' adult son Xavier — citizen witnesses to the shooting. They describe police taking them in immediately for lengthy questioning in which they say detectives badgered them to change their story to have McDonald lunging at Van Dyke instead of moving away.



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"The Blue Wall" is a documentary that examines the 2014 fatal shooting of Laquan McDonald.

Benitez says detectives told her that they had video evidence that she was lying about the number of gunshots she'd heard (the dashcam images corroborated her account).

Of course we see that familiar dashcam video. But we also see rare surveillance video taken minutes before the shooting showing McDonald, who was suspected of breaking into vehicles in a nearby trucking yard, walking down a sidewalk followed, calmly, by a police officer on foot.

The footage suggests that most of the officers involved that night felt they had the situation under control and did not see McDonald as an immediate threat. It was only Van Dyke, who moments later pulled up on the scene and began firing, who overreacted.

Co-producer Kalven is a veteran local journalist and human rights activist who wrote the first long story about this case in Slate after a law enforcement source leaked McDonald's autopsy report to him. His involvement, both behind the scenes and as an interview subject, will allow critics to write off the film as propaganda.

But while "The Blue Wall" does advance the view that police and city officials, including Mayor Rahm Emanuel, attempted to spin and cover up a damning story, it also includes balancing interviews with former police Superintendent Garry McCarthy, former Cook County State's Attorney Anita Alvarez, Van Dyke's attorney Daniel Herbert and former Fraternal Order of Police officials Dean Angelo and Pat Camden.

The filmmakers' efforts to interview Emanuel were unsuccessful.

One of the more memorable moments occurs when an interviewer challenges Camden about how the officers on the scene all gave statements that were consistent with Van Dyke's claims of self-defense but inconsistent with the plain video record. How is that possible, she asks, unless there is a code of silence in the department in which officers are willing to lie to protect one another?

"I've got to be honest with you now," says Camden, "I do not like the way we're going with this interview."

No wonder.

It's outrageous enough that one officer jumped from his car and emptied his gun at a suspect who was not advancing on or otherwise threatening him. But the systemic scandal is that a substantial network of authorities immediately shifted into concealment and denial mode, and that the truth would never have come out were it not for some dogged reporting and the emergence of the dashcam video.

McCarthy, now running for mayor, offers a now-familiar excuse for Van Dyke that the officer faced "a dangerous situation" because McDonald was holding a 3-inch knife and "you could die" if someone with a knife suddenly turned and charged at you.

I'll leave it to the jury in Van Dyke's trial, not yet scheduled but maybe as soon as this summer, to rule on the legal strength of that claim.

But politically, my goodness, particularly after this movie comes to town, what a loser! Even if Van Dyke is acquitted, as I've predicted he will be, the stench of the cover-up that went well beyond him will linger on his defenders.

"The Blue Wall" had its first public showing Tuesday at Toronto's Hot Docs film festival, and its backers say they're hoping to bring it to Chicago sometime around the opening of Van Dyke's trial, whenever that turns out to be.

Watching the old story again will make you mad. Seeing new material will make you even madder.

Re: Tweets

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CHICAGO FLASHBACK

Breaking history since 1847

The hunt for Pancho Villa in Mexico

Woodrow Wilson ordered massive National Guard, Army deployment in 1916

By Ron Grossman

The idea was simple: U.S. military forces along the border with Mexico would show this country's determination to prevent trespassers.

Sound familiar? In April, President Donald Trump called for up to 4,000 National Guard troops to be deployed to the southern border to strengthen security and reduce illegal immigration.

Presidents Barack Obama and George W. Bush took similar action during their presidencies.

But each of those actions was small potatoes compared with what happened in 1916, when President Woodrow Wilson mobilized more than 100,000 National Guard members for duty on the U.S. side of the Rio Grande — plus 14,000 more regular Army troops ready to serve as a mobile strike force in Mexico.

The Mexican Revolution, which had begun in 1910, had lapped over to U.S. soil, and on March 9, 1916, Gen. Francisco "Pancho" Villa attacked Columbus, N.M., burning the town and killing 19 Americans. The Tribune reported that after the battle, a copy of a letter was found that Villa had sent to a rival revolutionary leader.

"I shall not expend another shell on brother Mexicans," Villa wrote in the letter, "but will prepare and organize to attack Americans on their own soil and let them know that Mexico is a land of the free and the tomb of thornless crowns and traitors."

The incident and the letter put enormous pressure on Wilson. The president had been tiptoeing through the tangled web of Mexican politics, but the press demanded action.

The New York Times thundered: "We cannot afford to make this latest Mexican outrage a matter for extended parley and negotiation."

The St. Louis Post-Dispatch seconded the motion: "Hesitation in this crisis would be fatal."

The Philadelphia Inquirer crowed: "President Wilson's pet bandit is not at all grateful."

In fact, Wilson had momentarily backed Villa during the incessant power struggles of the Mexican revolutionary leaders. "Why has never been explained adequately," the Tribune noted, adding its own theory. Wilson's secretary of state, William Jennings Bryan, being an evangelical Christian, favored Villa "after being informed, though incorrectly, that the bandit neither smoked or drank."

In the face of the public outcry, Wilson authorized "a punitive expedition" to pursue Villa, who had crossed back into Mexico. In the deployment that followed, the Illinois National Guard was the first to reach the border. Its mobilization mirrored the social order of the day.

A North Shore artillery unit was known as "the millionaire battery," having been formed by members of the swank University Club. Noting its initial encampment en route to the border, a Tribune headline read: "University Men Members of National Guard Will Take Cannon Through Evanston To Golf Club."

Robert McCormick, the Tribune's publisher, was a major in a National Guard cavalry unit and wrote to a U.S. senator from Illinois pleading for better pay for the soldiers, many of whom he said were "working for the government for criminally small compensation."

"Isn't it about time to bring up in congress the question of adequately paying our soldiers?" he wrote.

Rich or poor, Illinois citizen-soldiers arrived in Texas inadequately equipped, as one guardsman wrote in a letter passed on to the Tribune. "The tentage was not complete," he noted. "Some tents were unserviceable. The poles did not fit."

But the military learned how to improvise. Trucks were brought in to transport supplies, the Tribune reported: "And those who have observed the work of both mule and motor freely observe that the present campaign in Mexico is the last stand of the army mule."

Some officers used their own motor cars during the hunt for Villa. An El Paso, Texas, auto dealer joined that pioneering effort at mechanizing the army. "He took cars from his stock for this purpose and offered them to army officers," the Tribune noted.

The Tribune sent several correspondents on the expedition, and its graphic artists created maps so readers could follow the game of cat-and-mouse with the Mexican general. Villa had home-field advantage. Northern Mexico had few roads, and the Mexican government was, for political reasons, reluctant to have U.S. forces transported by railroad.



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Mexican Gen. Francisco "Pancho" Villa attacked Columbus, N.M., burning it and killing 19 Americans.

Flashback idea?

Share suggestions with Lara Weber at **lweber@tribpub.com** or 312-222-3440.

"The sand storms which sweep across the Chihuahua wastes are similar to the (winds) which have again and again wiped out caravans in the Sahara desert," a Tribune correspondent observed.

On April 2, 1916, the Tribune reported that Villa had been shot off his horse during a battle between his and a rival's forces. Subsequent reports attributed the wound to either a disaffected follower or a peasant reluctant to be conscripted into Villa's force.

On April 7, a Tribune correspondent reported the American column was 500 miles south of the border and its commanders thought that Villa was being carried on a litter, about a half-day's march ahead of them.

On July 8, a Tribune article cited a State Department report that an American in Mexico "had seen and talked with Villa." A few paragraphs later, the same article reported a Mexican telling the American solders that "Villa is dead and his body has been cremated."

In between those dead ends and false leads were occasional clashes between the Americans and Villa's forces. The Tribune's Floyd Gibbons filed a first-person account of an ambush that Gen. John Pershing, who commanded the expedition, narrowly escaped:

"The captain walked up and down on both sides of the line trucks cautioning the men to save their ammunition and to fire only when they saw a flash of light in the darkness," Gibbons wrote. "In the darkness, which was almost black save for a ... cloud blurred moon, the flashes of the rifles were the only means by which the Americans could direct their fire."

But on Nov. 27, Gibbons reported that diplomatic pressure compelled the U.S. to withdraw troops that "found themselves securely fashioned to the end of a State Department leash which slowly but surely dragged them back and away from the enemy." Villa retired to an enormous estate the Mexican government gave him in return for retiring from politics.

American forces continued searching for Villa and preventing other incursions into the U.S. until February 1917.

Not long after the National Guard units returned home, America entered World War I. They were recalled to active duty, having learned invaluable lessons during their Mexican deployment. Guard and Army officers had a better grasp of logistics and command experience.

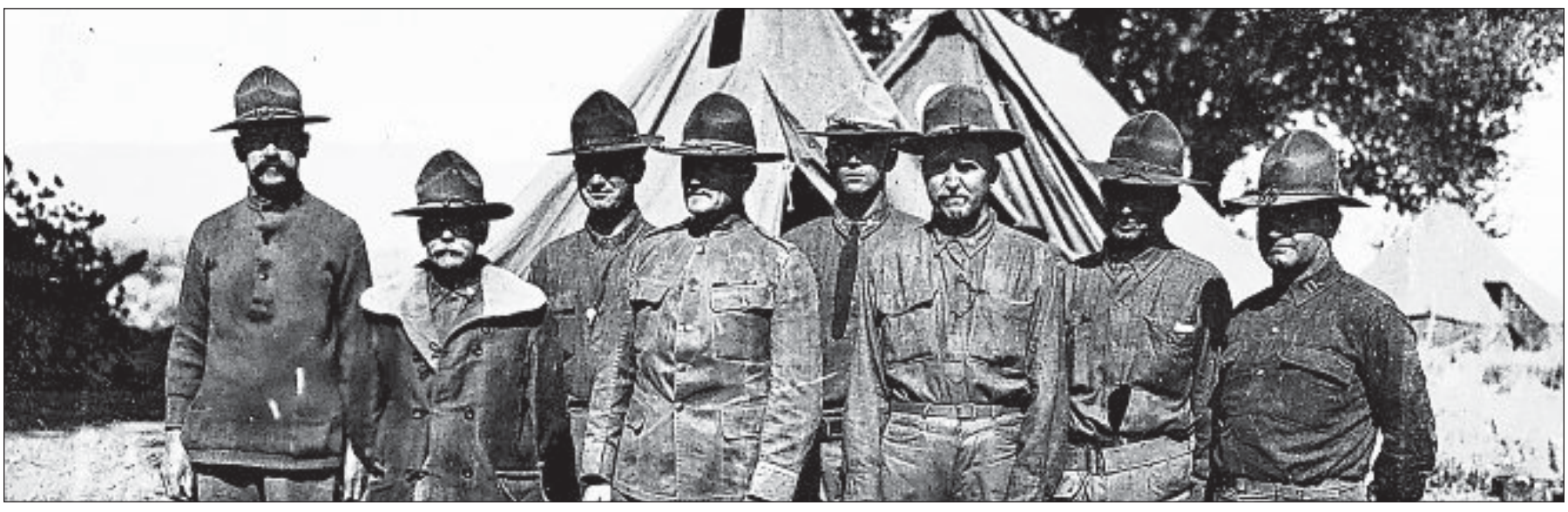
A number went on to distinguished military careers. The organizational talent Gen. Pershing demonstrated in Mexico made him the natural choice to lead the Army when it deployed to France.

The car dealer who lent his automobiles to the punitive expedition proved to have a good nose for the future of defense contracts. Take an internal combustion vehicle, armor-plate it, substitute tracks for wheels, and it becomes a tank. Born in World War I, the armored tank came into its own during World War II, when American tanks went racing across France to the Nazis' doom.

One fleet of tanks was led by Gen. George Patton with the same derring-do he demonstrated as a lieutenant in Mexico in 1916. With a pistol, he foiled an attack by a trio of Villa's horsemen firing rifles.

"I remembered then," Patton told a reporter, "what an old Texas ranger told me. That was to kill a fugitive's horse, which was the surest way of stopping him."

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U.S. field headquarters near Casas Grandes, Mexico, includes staff such as, from left, Col. L.G. Berry, 4th Field Artillery; Col. De R.C. Cabell, chief of staff; Lt. M.C. Schellenberger, aide; Gen. John Pershing; Lt. George Patton, aide; Maj. J.C. Hines, censor; Maj. J.B. Clayton, chief of medical officers; and Capt. W.B. Burt, chief of staff.

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EDITORIALS

When Amazon calls Chicago, how will the conversation go?

One day this year, we expect, Mayor Rahm Emanuel's phone will ring. On the line will be an executive from Amazon — perhaps CEO Jeff Bezos — who will deliver either phenomenal news or a devastating disappointment.

We hope it's a thrilling conversation: *Mayor, we've decided to locate Amazon's second headquarters in Chicago, one of the world's great cities for business.*

Alternatively, this call would sting: *Mayor, we love Chicago, but Amazon requires a stable, business-friendly environment. Illinois doesn't measure up, so we're going elsewhere with our plan to hire 50,000 tech workers.*

Amazon made about 200 such rejection calls to cities when it pared the list of potential HQ sites to 20, including Atlanta, Washington, D.C., and Chicago. In some of those conversations, according to The Wall Street Journal, Amazon executives explained why the city came up short: Detroit lacks a broad public transportation system, Cincinnati is short on tech talent, etc.



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

When we squeeze our eyes shut to imagine the result of Amazon's competition, we conclude Chicago *should* be a top contender. To establish a corporate hub that will employ thousands of engineers, Amazon — according to its own criteria — needs to be in a major city with a deep talent pool, strong universities and an international airport. The winning location will have tons of available office space or buildable land, with trains, buses and bike lanes for all those commuters. Amazon also seems inclined to pick a hip, liberal-leaning city not unlike Seattle, the company's home base.

Can't you just visualize Amazon settling in developer Sterling Bay's planned mega-project near Bucktown along the Chicago River? It will feel outdoorsy like the Pacific Northwest, with all the cafes and craft brew pubs a Seattle exile might want. We could go on extolling Chicago, but Bezos doesn't need our sales pitch. He can see what this city has to offer.

Our message, instead, is for Illinois political leaders, starting with House Speaker Michael Madigan and Senate President John Cullerton, who run the Democratic-controlled General Assembly. They've shown no interest in working with Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner to improve Illinois' shaky finances and lousy reputation. They want to see Democratic challenger J.B. Pritzker win November's election for governor, yet Pritzker doesn't seem focused on making Illinois more attractive to Amazon and other employers.

The reality is Illinois presents employers with high taxes, heavy-handed regulation, plus government dysfunction. All of which is fixable.

Illinois doesn't have to magically transform itself, but elected officials should show Amazon and other employers they have turnaround plans. If those plans include raising taxes, then explain to residents and businesses the benefits they would get in return. Companies won't invest here if they can't calculate their long-term costs. They won't come if they feel bilked by the tax authorities, or abused by regulators. Without employers adding jobs, residents will depart for more vibrant locales.

Amazon was clear in its wish list for a second headquarters city when it used the phrase "stable and business-friendly environment." Still not sure if Bezos is serious? Seattle's City Council is debating whether to hit the company with a $500-per-employee head tax to help pay for affordable housing. The head tax would cost Amazon, Seattle's largest employer, more than $20 million annually. Does it sound business-friendly to use a larger company as a piggy bank to address a city's broad homelessness problem? Amazon abruptly put plans on hold to add 7,000 jobs in Seattle.

Amazon also will make a decision about a possible future in Chicago and pick up the phone. Which way will that conversation go?

Juggling motherhood and jury duty. Why is this so hard?

For as long as there have been portable breast pumps, resourceful moms have employed them in surprising places: under a desk, in a parked car, on an airplane, in the principal's office ...

Judith Miller drew the line at the men's restroom at the Daley Center. Summoned for jury duty last October, she consulted the Cook County website to make sure she'd be able to express milk for her 11-week-old son. Yes, it assured her, there is a lactation room for jurors.

But that was news to the clerk in the jury assembly room. When Miller arrived, eager to serve, she was told the only option with a locking door and a working electrical outlet was the men's room.

All together now: *Ewwwwwwwwww.*

Miller said no thanks and was dismissed. She went home disappointed, and wrote an op-ed for the Tribune, calling for legislation that would require lactation rooms in county buildings throughout Illinois. That bill, sponsored by Sen. Elgie Sims, D-Chicago, passed the Senate unanimously in April and awaits action in the House.

Miller, an attorney and law professor, has also filed a discrimination complaint with the Illinois Department of Human Rights.

It's frustrating to think any of that is necessary in 2018. Breast pumps are not a new thing. Nor is the notion that nursing mothers should be encouraged and accommodated as they work, travel, go to school or otherwise participate in public life.

Equally frustrating is the fact that Cook County's considerable efforts at accommodation have failed for lack of follow-through. All of the county's courthouses have a lactation room for jurors and another for nursing mothers who have other business in the building. Who knew?

Not the clerk who offered Miller a spot in the men's john. And just when we were ready to chalk that incident up to an isolated misunderstanding — because ewwwwww — we heard from another juror who described a nearly identical experience at the Daley Center five years earlier.

Kiana Keys reached out after reading Miller's op-ed in the Tribune. "I know exactly which bathroom they took her to," Keys told us.

Keys reported for jury duty in July 2012 and shared details with her online moms group throughout the day. She was apprehensive at first, but settled in with a book after a clerk in the assembly room assured her there was a place she could pump. When the time came, though, she was shown to the men's room.

Taken aback, she locked herself in and gamely began to sanitize and set up. But she quickly became disgusted. She returned to the desk to request another room and was told there wasn't one. Surely, Keys insisted, she couldn't be the first to object to this arrangement. An argument ensued, and the clerk finally handed Keys a check for her service and told her she was dismissed.

The American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois has logged complaints from other nursing mothers at other courthouses, too.

Keys didn't know it, but she could have been excused without showing up. Since 2006, state law has allowed nursing moms to opt out of jury duty. Cook County recently updated its website to make that clear, along with posting detailed information about the availability of lactation rooms in city and suburban courthouses. The County Board recently pledged to survey and update its buildings with an eye to accommodating nursing mothers.

None of that will matter if public-facing employees don't know where the rooms are and how to access them. Which is why state lawmakers are poised to pass a bill that would require all counties to provide suitable lactation spaces in courthouses — and to train their employees not to direct nursing moms to a men's bathroom instead.

We shouldn't need a law to force governments to accommodate nursing mothers in public buildings. But apparently we do.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

The world economy will enjoy two years of abundance and it is all thanks to Donald Trump. That was the gist of forecasts from the International Monetary Fund, dominated as they were by the U.S. president's tax cuts and their inevitable consequence: a big rise in the U.S current account deficit. ... Mr. Trump's protectionist instincts are often described as a threat to global prosperity. For the next two years, however, his stimulus means we will be living with a Trump boom. Let us hope the contradictions inherent in his policy do not end with a Trump crash.

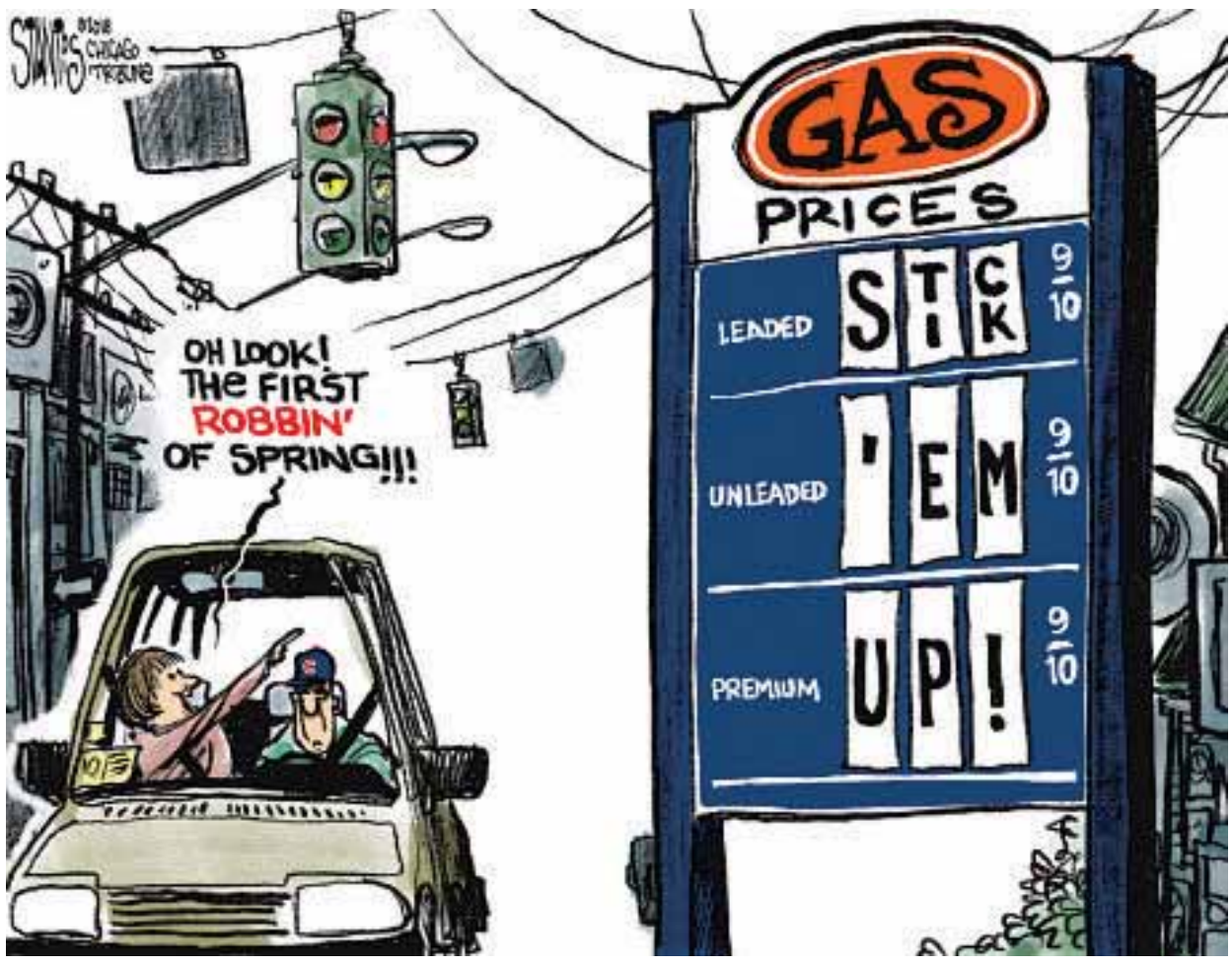
Robin Harding, Financial Times

The news outlets that cover Congress obsessively have been reporting that Joseph Crowley, a representative from Queens, appears perched to succeed Nancy Pelosi as the leader of the House Democrats. ... If Mr. Crowley became the House leader, the Democrats would be led by two legislators from New York City. And that is deeply weird. The Democrats are coming off an election in which their presidential candidate won only 487 of the nation's 3,141 counties. Four years before, Barack Obama won just 689 against Mitt Romney. The party is in severe geographic retreat, and it has happened with alarming speed. ...

They got decimated in 2010 and 2014, and maybe there just wasn't that much they could have done about it. But they could have identified some young comers from swing and heartland states and elevated them to positions of greater prominence than they did. ... And if you're wondering whether the Republicans do the same thing in reverse, no, they don't. Their Senate leader, Mitch McConnell, comes from their Southern base, but their last three House leaders have been from Wisconsin, Ohio and Illinois — two purple states and one blue one. Kevin McCarthy, the party's No. 2 in the House and the leading contender to replace Paul Ryan as its leader this fall, comes from California.

Michael Tomasky, The New York Times

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PERSPECTIVE

Senators saw Sen. Duckworth as a mom. What about the rest of us?

By Kate Zinsser

As a mom, I was overjoyed when the U.S. Senate allowed senators to bring their babies onto the floor, a move spurred by the April birth of Democratic U.S. Sen. Tammy Duckworth's daughter. While we applaud Duckworth and her colleagues for this action, we must be realistic that working families like mine have challenges that require more significant action by Congress. My wife and I have a son, Graeson, and a daughter arriving any day now. A challenge we face is finding affordable, high-quality infant child care.

As a developmental psychologist, I am well-versed in what to look for when researching child care, but there is a dearth of care, especially for infants and toddlers in Chicagoland.

We felt this acutely when the care arrangement we depended on had to close suddenly. With only one week's notice, we researched a dozen places to find an opening that was licensed, physically safe and affordable. Unfortunately, it was not emotionally supportive enough, and for seven months, Graeson cried each morning we left him. I knew that the caregivers' social-emotional practices were developmentally inappropriate, expecting him to manage his feelings and behaviors like a much older child

My wife and I constantly doubted ourselves, wondered if she should work part-time. But the financial and professional ramifications were too high — we had just bought our first home. Ultimately, we waited out the lower-quality care arrangement until he turned 2 and could enter an amazing program nearby.

With a new baby coming, we are back in this turmoil and have been looking for infant care since we got pregnant. We are lucky to have supportive employers and, if need be, we can keep her home for several months, but it will be logistically and financially difficult. For many families the strain would be untenable. Paid family leave would offer young families a real solution for these precious first few months; it's the law in some states right now, but not in Illinois nor across the entire country.

Our story is just one example of why we must make investing in babies and toddlers our national priority. A national paid family leave program would mean that all parents have time to bond with their babies without sacrificing financial security. Lawmakers on both sides of the aisle have committed to this issue, but it needs more support.

Our country can do more to increase access to quality, affordable child care for working families. Congress recently passed a historic increase in child care funding for low-income working families. But this is only a down payment on what is needed to ensure that all babies and families who need it have access to high quality care.

The science is clear — babies' brains grow faster between birth and age 3 than at any later point in life. In fact, their brains form more than 1 million new neural connections every second, laying the foundation for all future learning and development.

Sadly, if we don't focus on childhood development, there are consequences, such as lifelong developmental, educational, social and health challenges.

On Tuesday, Graeson and I head to Washington, D.C. We're hoping to meet with Sen. Duckworth. We will join families with babies like us from across the country to raise our voices for what working families need to nurture our children and America's future.

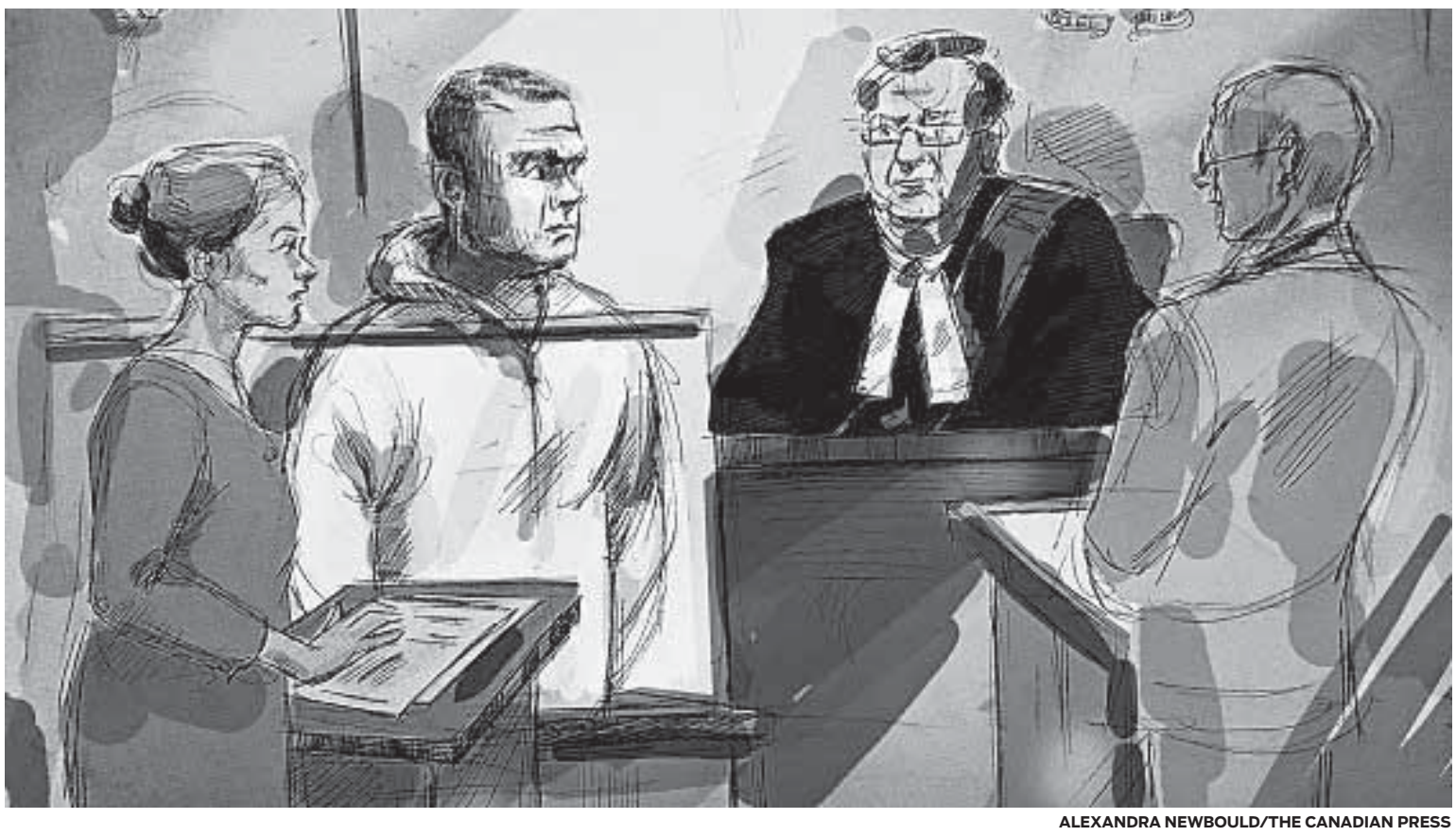
We call our effort Strolling Thunder and are ready for Congress to see us for who we are — proud Americans and proud parents who want Congress to know that the future begins with babies.

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The 'incel' mind: As if hating women will get you a girlfriend



Clarence Page



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In this sketch, self-described "incel" Alek Minassian, second from left, appears in a Toronto court, charged in the deaths of 10 people.

What are we to make of "incels," the oddball community of frustrated guys who go online to complain about how they can't find women who want to have sex with them? Gee, I wonder why.

There's room for all sorts of opinions on the web, I like to think. But this one has turned deadly. An incel, which stands for "involuntary celibate," is blamed for driving a rented van that jumped the sidewalk and plowed into pedestrians on a Toronto street April 23.

Police charged Alek Minassian, 25, of Toronto with killing 10 people and injuring 15, most of whom were women. Before the attack, authorities say he posted a message on his Facebook page to announce his incel ties.

"The Incel Rebellion has already begun!" it said in part. "We will overthrow all the Chads and Stacys! All hail the Supreme Gentleman Elliot Rodger!"

That's incel-speak. "Chads" in their world are guys who are cool and good-looking enough to attract what incels feel unfairly denied: sex with attractive and sexually active "Stacys." The "supreme gentleman" and "perfect guy" is how Elliot Rodger, perversely an incel patron saint, described himself in a lengthy manifesto before he killed six people and injured 14 others in a 2014 shooting rampage in Isla Vista, Calif.

He wrote a manifesto blaming women for his loneliness and the fact that he was still a virgin. "I'm the perfect guy and yet you throw yourselves at these obnoxious men instead of me, the supreme gentleman," he wrote.

Now, that sad, delusional loner appears to have inspired his own sick posthumous personality cult.

Other mass murderers are treated like heroes in the looniest incel chatter. "Going Sodini," for example, refers to George Sodini, 48, who opened fire in a women's dance class at an LA Fitness gym near Pittsburgh, killing four — including himself — and wounding nine others.

Incel postings sometimes include disturbing reverence for Marc Lepine, a Canadian who opened fire at the Ecole Polytechnique, a Montreal engineering school, in 1989, killing 14 women and wounding 10 other women and four men before killing himself.

Incels evolved out of the men's rights activism that emerged on the heels of the 1960s feminist wave to advocate for such legitimate issues as men's rights in child custody cases.

Since then, we have seen an array of online communities — men's rights activists, pickup artist (or "seduction") communities and others — amounting to "male supremacist" movements, according to Alex DiBranco, a Yale doctoral candidate who writes about incels and other extremist groups for The Public Eye, a publication of the progressive Political Research Associates.

She sees a sense of "aggrieved entitlement" at play in explicitly misogynist attacks similar to white supremacist groups, "which tell white men that they have been unfairly deprived of their rightful place in society," she told me in a telephone interview.

Citing sociologist Michael Kimmel, author of such influential critiques of male culture as "Guyland" and "Angry White Men," she notes that entitled killers need "to believe that they were justified, that their murderous rampage was legitimate."

Kimmel, citing former prison psychiatrist James Gilligan, also has observed that shame and humiliation underlie virtually all violence: "Because I feel small, I will make you feel smaller."

What is to be done? Robin Hanson, a George Mason University economist, provocatively argues that "the desire for some sort of sexual redistribution" may be no more ridiculous than the notion of redistributing income to the less advantaged.

Sex adviser Dan Savage proposes the incel phenomenon offers an argument for loosening our laws and attitudes toward professional sex workers. Others have proposed stepping up development of sex robots.

None of these alternatives strikes me as particularly satisfying in the long run. Among us "normies," incel slang for normal non-incel folks, young people often discover that their desire for sex masks an underlying deeper desire to be loved. An inability to love and care about other people may be the real tragedy of the incel world.

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Positive steps

I have been talking and writing for decades in an effort to bring about a reduction in gun violence in our city, state and country, and I regret to say that, up until the past few months, I have very little to show for it. If you are like me, you are appalled by the occurrence of mass shootings, urban violence, ambushes of police officers, domestic shootings, suicides and, most tragically, attacks on innocent school children. It is clear that easy access to firearms is a major contributing factor to these tragedies.

At long last, thanks in large part to the strength of the Parkland high school students, some positive steps have been taken to keep firearms out of the hands of the wrong people, and more are under consideration. Of course, the gun lobby continues to oppose these positive changes, bellowing that more guns mean a safer society.

This weekend, tens of thousands of people are attending the National Rifle Association convention in Texas (kicked off with speeches from our flip-flopping president and our vice president among others). That might sound like a lot of people, but that crowd is dwarfed by the hundreds of thousands who have marched for stronger gun laws since February.

The vast majority of our citizens want laws that make it more difficult for the wrong people to get their hands on guns or that make guns smarter. If the gun lobby continues to maintain its platform of lies, it is in grave danger of overplaying its hand with the result that its fears about guns being taken away from citizens may, in fact, come to pass. If you are a member of the NRA or similar organization, recognize that their agenda is controlled by firearm manufacturers, and vow to drop your membership unless they take positions that will really save lives. And, while you are at it, let your elected officials know that their election depends on supporting stronger gun laws.

— Richard Nielsen, Chicago

Accidental achievement

Maureen Dowd ruined my day. Not because she was wrong, but because she was right. "If (President Donald Trump) could pull off denuclearizing North Korea," she wrote, "he would deserve (the Nobel Peace Prize) more than Barack Obama did when he had that bouquet thrown at him seconds into his presidency."

I've been voting in presidential elections since Richard Nixon vs. George McGovern in 1972. Sometimes my guy won, sometimes not. In most cases, I wouldn't have had a problem if the other candidate had won. Both major political parties have had ample opportunity to end western civilization and have thankfully failed.

What I think about President Trump would be the same if he had won the White House as a moderate or liberal Democrat. Even now, do we know what he believes politically, really?

My father observed that some people are smarter by accident than they are on purpose. I'm wondering if this could be true of our possible negotiations with North Korea. If Trump's bluster truly made Kim Jong Un reconsider his saber rattling, is that the result of keen foreign relations deal making, or just dumb luck? If a lasting peace results, does it matter why? It wouldn't be the first time luck was better than know-how.

My father had another saying, especially when I got too big for my britches. "Jim," he'd say, "even a broken clock is right twice a day." That always put me back in my place.

Whatever you think of President Trump, I think we all know that he will take credit if peace breaks out between the U.S. and North Korea.

If that happens, we have until November 2020 to determine if President Trump was smarter by accident than on purpose, and how much it matters.

— James Newton, Itasca

Rude rhetoric

Bill Ruthhart and John Byrne wrote an article on May 3 titled, "Vallas lashes mayor in campaign kickoff." A better headline would have been, "Who is the bully now, Paul Vallas?"

The article starts out with Vallas' assertion that Chicago politics are all about pay-to-play; and he is going to change all that. I observe him generating a lot of free publicity in the Tribune everyday with his tactics. Ald. Michelle Harris, 8th, said she was a little insulted, as I am with some of his rhetoric and backpedaling. He accuses Mayor Rahm Emanuel of lying and finishes by saying, "People don't like the mayor. Sorry, they don't like you. You're a bully. You intimidate people." Well, Mr. Vallas, all I hear you doing is bullying, and I don't like it!

— Barbara Murphy, Chicago

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Trump assails foes as friend probed

Flogs immigration in Ohio amid news of ally's interview

By Cathleen Decker
Washington Bureau

President Donald Trump flared Saturday at Democrats, immigration laws and Mexico, crowed again that his poll numbers are higher than President Barack Obama's and insisted the country is doing better than ever even as reports emerged that investigators probing possible coordination between the Trump campaign and Russia in the 2016 election have interviewed one of his closest friends.

Though his journey to the Cleveland Public Auditorium on Saturday was billed as a presidential visit and therefore funded with taxpayer money, Trump was overtly political in his remarks ahead of Tuesday's primary election. He celebrated his own poll numbers, repeatedly attacked Sen. Sherrod Brown, D-Ohio, and urged Ohioans to elect Rep. James Renacci, R-Ohio, who is running against Brown.

"We need your vote, we need your help, so go out and help Jim," Trump said, with Renacci seated by his side. "Get it done."

In opening remarks at what was billed as a tax discussion, the president started off talking about trade and quickly moved to the issue of immigration. He suggested that Mexico had gone easy on immigrants who recently traveled north to the border in a peaceful caravan.

"I really thought they would be much tougher and better to us on the caravan. Didn't quite work out, but that's OK, that's OK," Trump said in a tone that suggested it was anything but.



MANUEL BALCE CENETA/AP

President Donald Trump speaks Saturday during a roundtable discussion on tax reform at Cleveland Public Auditorium.



EVAN VUCCI/AP

The special counsel has interviewed Tom Barrack, a close confidant of President Trump's.

"You just take a look at that mess that's on television right now," said Trump, apparently referring to coverage of the caravan, which had shrunk to a few hundred migrants when the group reached the U.S. border a week ago.

Seated beside Renacci, the Republican candidate for the Senate, the president repeatedly blamed Democrats and the incumbent Brown for pushing through weak immigration laws. But the policies he cited, particularly the "catch-and-release" practice governing treatment of asylum seekers, began in the George W. Bush administration or with court decisions and have been continued by Trump's administration.

"This is a Democrat rule, Sherrod Brown," said the president, employing shorthand. He added: "These are the problems we have to deal with."

As he often does on the topic of immigration, Trump relied on falsehoods to sell his argument. In particular, he repeated his criticisms of foreigners who seek entrance legally through a lottery — a reflection of his desire to sharply limit legal immigration into the United States.

"Can you imagine!" the president said. "We take people based out of a lottery. You think a country is putting their finest in a lottery? I don't think so. I don't think so, alright?"

Those seeking entrance via a lottery apply themselves; their countries do not control their access. The would-be migrants are vetted before being accepted.

Trump on Saturday also reiterated his campaign promise to build a border wall between the United States and Mexico, and said this nation needs secure borders "even if we have to think about closing up the country for a while."

Meanwhile, investigators working for special counsel Robert Mueller have interviewed one of Trump's closest friends and confidants, California real estate investor Tom Barrack, The Associated Press has learned.

Barrack was interviewed as part of the federal investigation of possible coordination between the Trump campaign and Russia in the 2016 election, according to three people familiar with the matter who spoke on condition of anonymity to discuss private conversations.

One of the people who spoke to AP said the questioning focused entirely on two officials from Trump's campaign who have been indicted by Mueller: Trump's former campaign chairman, Paul Manafort, and Manafort's longtime deputy, Rick Gates.

Gates agreed to plead guilty to federal conspiracy and false-statement charges in February and began cooperating with investigators.

This person said Barrack was interviewed "months ago" and was asked a few questions about Gates' work on Trump's inaugural committee, which Barrack chaired, but there were no questions about the money raised by that committee.

A second person with knowledge of the Barrack interview said the questioning was broader and did include financial matters about the campaign, the transition and Trump's inauguration in January 2017.

Barrack's spokeswoman, Lisa Baker, declined to comment.

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Eagerness for deal leaves future of troops uncertain

Signals conflicting over U.S. presence on Korea peninsula

By David S. Cloud
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WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump said Friday that he hopes to eventually withdraw U.S. troops from South Korea but would not use a pullout as a bargaining chip when he meets with North Korea's Kim Jong Un seeking a deal to curb Pyongyang's nuclear weapons.

"At some point into the future, I would like to save the money" it costs to keep up to 32,000 American troops in South Korea, Trump told reporters on Air Force One.

He said a withdrawal will not be on the table at the first planned U.S.-North Korean summit after more than six decades of hostility. U.S. and North Korean officials have agreed on a date and location for the nuclear summit, Trump said, promising to announce the details shortly. The White House said South Korean President Moon Jae-in will visit the White House on May 22, so the summit is unlikely before then.

Trump's vow not to offer a U.S. withdrawal, a longstanding demand by Pyongyang, may be aimed at easing concerns among his military advisers and U.S. allies in the region that, in his eagerness for a deal, Trump would bargain away a cornerstone of U.S. security strategy in northeast Asia.

But Trump only added to the uncertainty Friday by repeating his vows to bring at least some U.S. troops home from South Korea because he considers the deployment a costly waste.

His comments came after weeks of conflicting signals from administration officials, including reports that Trump's aides had to talk him out of ordering a withdrawal from Korea.

The topic is so sensitive that John Bolton, Trump's national security adviser, denounced as "utter nonsense" a New York Times story Friday that said Trump had asked the Pentagon for withdrawal options. Like Trump, Pentagon officials have given conflicting statements about a possible drawdown.

Defense Secretary James Mattis has said that troop levels were "one of the issues we'll be discussing" with allies and with Pyongyang if North and South Korea sign a peace treaty to formally end the Korean War, which halted in 1953 with an armistice.

In a statement Friday, Lt. Col Christopher Logan, a Pentagon spokesman, said the mission in South Korea "remains the same and our force posture has not changed."

He said the Defense Department is "developing and maintaining military options for the president, and reinforcing our ironclad security commitment with our allies. We all remain committed to complete, verifiable and irreversible denuclearization of the Korean Peninsula."

The U.S. has stationed troops in South Korea since the Korean War. Together with U.S. air and Navy bases in Japan, the Pentagon keeps a massive military presence in northeast Asia to support a defense treaty that requires the U.S. to come to South Korea's aid if it is attacked.

South Korean officials also have dismissed the idea that U.S. troops would be removed. A spokesman for President Moon told reporters last week in Seoul that Moon considered U.S. troops "a matter of the South Korea-U.S. alliance" that "has nothing to do with signing a peace treaty" with Pyongyang.



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South Korea pays more than $890 million a year, about half the annual cost for the U.S. troops deployed there.

Over the decades, Washington has gradually shifted the cost of keeping troops onto the government in Seoul. South Korea now pays more than $890 million a year, about half the annual cost for the deployment, not including personnel costs that the Defense Department would have to pay no matter where the troops were located.

Trump has insisted repeatedly, and inaccurately, that Japan and other U.S. allies contribute little or nothing to the United States for their own defense.

Advocates for reducing the U.S. presence in South Korea argue that if the threat from North Korea diminishes, so would the need for keeping large number of U.S. troops on the peninsula.

"The U.S. posture on the peninsula can be adjusted according to the threat South Korea perceives from North Korea," said Abraham Denmark, a former senior Pentagon official responsible for Asia. "That's different than it being a bargaining chip."

Opponents argue that U.S. troops will be required for years to deter a conventional attack by North Korea even in the unlikely event it agrees to eliminate or reduce its nuclear and missile stockpiles after the Trump-Kim summit.

North Korea has more than 1.2 million troops, a massive if obsolete ground force that poses a threat to Seoul, only 35 miles from the demilitarized zone dividing north and south.

Any reductions in the size of North Korea's armed forces are likely to occur over years — as would any withdrawals of U.S. troops, officials said.

Unlike his father and grandfather, who previously ruled North Korea, Kim has not made a withdrawal of U.S. troops from South Korea a priority and may not demand it at the summit, analysts say.

"I don't think he would object to having them leave, but I'm not sure he would push for that, either," said Gi-Wook Shin, director of Stanford University's Walter H. Shorenstein Asia-Pacific Research Center.

The U.S. troops give Kim leverage with China, which sees North Korea as a buffer state between its border and a well-armed U.S. ally. A U.S. withdrawal could lessen North Korea's importance to Beijing, costing it economic aid and other support.

Pentagon officials view U.S. bases in Korea and Japan as key to the regional contest for influence with an increasingly assertive China. It's another reason they are likely to resist any push by Trump to withdraw unilaterally.

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No Nobel literature prize this year but 2 prizes next

Group too deep in crisis to choose a winner, leader says

By Jan M. Olsen
Associated Press

COPENHAGEN, Denmark — Following weeks of internal bickering, sex-abuse allegations and a financial investigation by police, the body that hands out the prestigious Nobel Prize in Literature announced Friday that no prize will be awarded this year.

The academy said two Nobel Prizes in Literature will be handed out next year, the 2018 prize and the 2019 prize.

The decision was made Thursday at a weekly meeting of the Swedish Academy in Stockholm on the grounds that the group was in too deep a crisis to choose a Nobel winner properly.

"The present crisis of confidence places high demands on a long-term and robust work for change," said Anders Olsson, the academy's permanent secretary. "We find it necessary to commit time to recovering public confidence in the Academy before the next laureate can be announced."

It will be the first time since 1949 that the prestigious award has been delayed.

"It has occurred before. This year we're doing it because we've had a very, very unusual situation, with conflicts in the academy and a weakened academy in terms of the number of members," Olsson told Sweden's TT news agency.

The internal feud within the academy — which hands out only one of the Nobel prizes — was triggered by an abuse scandal linked to Jean-Claude Arnault, a major cultural figure in Sweden and husband of poet Katarina Frostenson, an academy member.

The academy has admitted that "unacceptable behavior in the form of unwanted intimacy" took place within its ranks, but its handling of the allegations has shredded the body's credibility, called into question its judgment and forced its first female leader to resign.

About the same week next year that the Swedish Academy will announce two Nobel Literature Prize winners, the Norwegian Nobel Committee, a separate body, will announce who gets the coveted Nobel Peace Prize for 2019.

U.S. Republicans have nominated President Donald Trump for the 2019 Nobel Peace award for bringing North Korea to the negotiating table.



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Anders Olsson, permanent secretary of the Swedish Academy, says his group must focus on change.

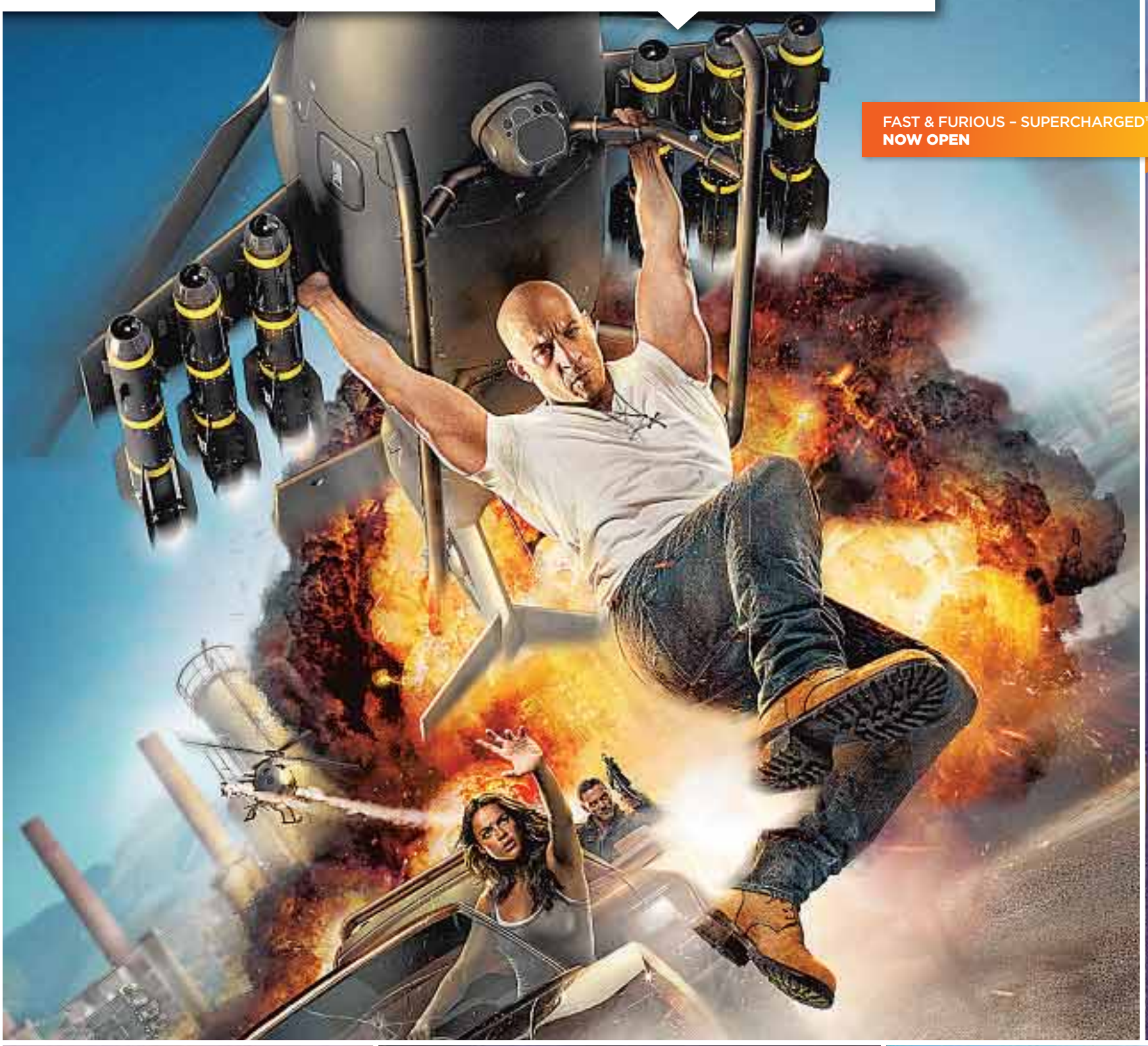




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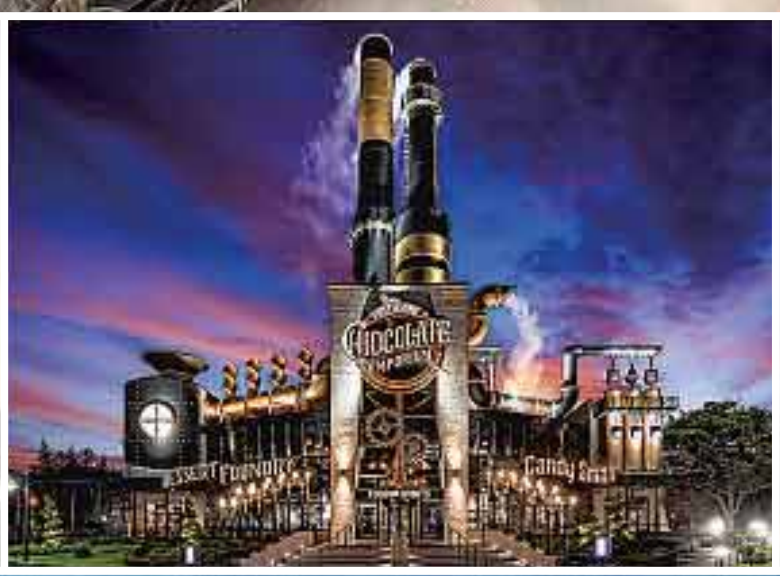


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Hiroshima bones offer radiation insights

Experts measure astounding level of absorption

By Kristine Phillips
The Washington Post



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A jawbone of a Hiroshima atomic bombing victim had absorbed 9.46 grays of radiation, nearly twice the lethal exposure.

At 8:15 a.m. on Aug. 6, 1945, the United States dropped the first combat atomic bomb, "Little Boy." It exploded 43 seconds later, creating a massive fireball that incinerated much of Hiroshima. Nearly 350,000 people were in the Japanese city that day, and most were civilians.

Twenty-seven years later, a scientist from across the Pacific Ocean arrived in Hiroshima with what was considered then a novel idea. Brazilian physicist Sergio Mascarenhas, at the time a visiting professor at Harvard University, said that exposure to radiation makes human bone magnetic, and that "magnetic memory" existed in the bones of atomic bombing victims years after the explosion. Scientists could measure radiation exposure by examining the bones of victims, Mascarenhas proposed.

With the help of two Japanese scientists in Hiroshima, Mascarenhas obtained several samples of victims' bones, including a jawbone that belonged to a person who was less than a mile away from ground zero. They were able to estimate the amount of radiation present in the bones, according to a paper Mascarenhas presented to the American Physical Society meeting in April 1973 in Washington, D.C., but specific calculations could not be achieved with 1970s technology.

Mascarenhas brought the samples home to Brazil, where they sat in storage for the next four decades — until two other Brazilian scientists continued his research using more advanced technology. The result was astonishing.

Using a technique called electron spin resonance, the researchers measured that the jawbone had absorbed 9.46 grays of radiation from the Hiroshima attack. (A gray or Gy is a unit used to measure the amount of radiation absorbed by an object or a person.)

To place this in context: A cancer patient receiving radiotherapy treatment is exposed to about 2 to 3 grays on a very localized part of the body where a tumor is located. Whole-body radiation with about 5 grays — nearly half of the amount calculated from the jawbone — is enough to kill a person, Oswaldo Baffa, one of the researchers and a professor at the University of São Paulo, said told The Washington Post on Tuesday.

Teeth have been used to measure the amount of radiation a person had been exposed to. In 1997, scientists from Taiwan measured the radiation dose that patients with nasopharyngeal cancer (in which cancer cells form near the throat behind the nose) had absorbed from radiotherapy by examining their jawbones. But the researchers in Brazil said this is the first time that bones were used to precisely measure the amount of radiation absorbed by bombing victims.

"Many papers have dealt with reconstruction of the radiation dose received during radiological accidents. However, the samples analyzed in this work have important historical value because they belong to fatal victims of the first and only moment in history when nuclear weapons were used against civilian targets," according to the research paper published in February by the Public Library of Science.

The researchers said their findings are timely and significant, given the risk of terrorist attacks in some countries, including the United States.

"Imagine someone in New York planting an ordinary bomb with a small amount of radioactive material stuck to the explosive," Baffa told a Brazilian science news site last week. "Techniques like this can help identify who has been exposed to radioactive fallout and needs treatment."

The research, born out of Mascarenhas' earlier findings, was the postdoctoral work of Baffa's former student, Angela Kinoshita, now a professor at University of the Sacred Heart in Brazil.

The sample, which had been stored in a box in a laboratory, was first washed and oven-dried. A portion of the sample was then crushed with a mortar and pestle. The researchers exposed several portions of the sample to certain amounts of radiation. Using a spectrometer and computer software and a combination of different techniques, they calculated the amount of radiation that the victim was exposed to in 1945.

"When one imagines all the processes involved in an episode such as this, there were many doubts about the possibility of using this methodology to determine the (radiation) dose deposited in these samples," Kinoshita said. "This work demonstrates this possibility and may open several possibilities for future work that may analyze details of this nuclear attack that can be clarified with the determination of these doses."

The Post was unable to reach Mascarenhas, who is nearing his 90s and has retired. But, his research is not over, he told the Brazilian science news site.

"The measurement we obtained in this latest study is more reliable and up to date than the preliminary finding, but I'm currently evaluating a methodology that's about a thousand times more sensitive than (electronic) spin resonance," he said. "We'll have news in a few months."

From 90,000 to 166,000 people died after the Hiroshima bombing. An additional 60,000 to 80,000 died in Nagasaki, where the U.S. dropped a second atomic bomb on Aug. 9, 1945.

U.S. strikes aggressive trade stance with China

Trump wants to cut deficit by end of 2020 by $200B

By Gillian Wong and Dake Kang
Associated Press



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Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin, center, leaves his hotel on Friday as part of a U.S. delegation in Beijing.

BEIJING — The Trump administration has asked China to reduce its trade deficit with the U.S. by $200 billion by the end of 2020, striking an assertive stance in talks aimed at averting a trade war between the world's two-largest economies.

A U.S. official confirmed the authenticity of a document making that and other requests that was presented to China ahead of two days of trade talks that ended Friday.

The official spoke on condition of anonymity because of the confidential nature of the talks.

President Donald Trump had said he wanted Beijing to cut by $100 billion the chronic U.S. trade deficit that Washington says stood at a record $375.2 billion last year.

After the talks wrapped up, the Commerce Ministry said the two sides had agreed to set up a mechanism to try to work through their dispute, though differences remained, Chinese state media reported.

The report did not give specifics, suggesting little progress had been made.

The U.S. document is described in an introductory disclaimer as being provided to the Chinese ahead of the visit to Beijing by U.S. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin and other U.S. officials last week.

It also included demands that China stop providing subsidies to industries listed in a key industrial plan. China must end some of its policies related to technology transfers, a key source of tension underlying the dispute, the list says.

The U.S. wants China not to retaliate against U.S. measures being pursued against it. The U.S. says China should agree not to target U.S. farmers or agricultural products, and "not oppose, challenge or otherwise retaliate" when the U.S. moves to restrict Chinese investment in the U.S. in sensitive sectors.

Analysts said the Chinese were likely to view the aggressive posture struck by the U.S. as unreasonable and akin to bullying, potentially making it difficult to tone down friction over such issues.

Yu Miaojie, professor at Peking University's National School of Development, described some of the demands as "like lions opening their mouths."

"When it comes to negotiations, both sides can provide a list of requests, and we will seek common ground while reserving our differences," Yu said. "If one side provides a list with unreasonable requests, the Chinese government is unable to accept it."

The list was widely circulated on Chinese social media platforms Friday, drawing hundreds of comments from Chinese internet users criticizing the U.S.

"China won't be frightened by this kind of threat," wrote Hu Xijin, the chief editor of the Global Times, a nationalistic tabloid affiliated with the Communist Party mouthpiece, in a post on the Sina Weibo website.

Hu said he thought China would engage in talks seriously but also be fully prepared for them to fail.

"China will never trade off its core interests," Hu wrote.

Still, the list was welcomed by a U.S. business group that has lobbied the Trump administration for greater clarity on what it wanted China to do.

"We've been saying that the Trump administration needs to define success and what specific outcomes it is seeking," said Jake Parker, vice president for China of the U.S.-China Business Council.

The list submitted to China helps "lead to a solution and avoid tariffs and other sanctions."

China's Commerce Ministry did not respond to a request for comment on the U.S. demands and did not refer to them in the remarks released by state media Friday.

The two sides "reached consensus in some areas," the official Xinhua News Agency said. "Both sides realized that there are still relatively big differences over some issues and that they need to continue to work hard to make more improvements," the report said.



U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

A web image is from a research camera mounted in the observation tower at the Hawaiian Volcano Observatory in the Big Island of Hawaii shows an active vent on Saturday.

Hawaiian volcano emits toxic gas from new cracks

By Amy B Wang and Lindsey Bever
The Washington Post

A day after the most active volcano on the big island of Hawaii erupted, two major earthquakes — including the strongest to hit Hawaii in more than four decades — jolted residents there who were in the midst of evacuating from the lava flows and toxic gas that threatened their homes.

Two new cracks in the ground began spewing lava from Kilauea volcano on the island of Hawaii on Saturday morning, and new cracks are emitting toxic gas, the U.S. Geological Survey said.

"The sulfur dioxide gas is very intense" and a "dangerous hazard in the area," said USGS volcano scientist Wendy Stovall.

The two new cracks raised the number of lava-flowing fissures that have emerged in the Leilani Estates neighborhood to eight since Thursday, Stovall said.

Lava flows have so far destroyed two homes.

The lava activity has been touch-and-go since lava started coming out of the ground in the rural residential area. Only one or two fissures have erupted with lava at any one time. Earlier Saturday morning, all fissures had stopped emitting lava when suddenly two new cracks formed.

The Kilauea volcano first erupted Thursday, sending fountains of lava gushing out of the ground on the eastern side of the island. Residents there were ordered to flee amid threats of fires and "extremely high levels of dangerous" sulfur dioxide gas.

After the eruption, the island shook at regular intervals, but especially so around midday Friday: A 5.6-magnitude quake hit south of the volcano around 11:30 a.m. local time, followed about an hour later by a 6.9-magnitude temblor, according to the U.S. Geological Survey.

The latter was felt as far away as Oahu and struck in nearly the exact same place as a deadly 7.4-magnitude earthquake had in 1975, according to the USGS.

Videos posted to social media showed homes visibly shaking, items clattering to the floor at supermarkets and waves forming in swimming pools as the 6.9 magnitude quake rattled the Big Island on Friday afternoon.

The Hawaii County Civil Defense Agency reported that the threat of a tsunami was low following the earthquakes, though officials warned that residents were not in the clear yet.

"Everything is still elevated," agency administrator Talmadge Magno said, according to Hawaii News Now. "It kind of gets you nervous."

Kilauea's eruption Thursday had sent white, billowing clouds of steam and volcanic ash into the sky and prompted emergency officials to order mandatory evacuations.

Authorities warned residents to stay out of the area Friday as molten rock shot high into the air from cracks in the ground in Leilani Estates, a subdivision in the island's eastern Puna district that is filled with wooden homes tucked away on lush, tropical plant-filled lots. About 1,700 people live in Leilani Estates.

The civil defense agency said there was "active volcanic fountaining" in the neighborhood, meaning the lava was springing up from ground fractures; reports indicated it was shooting 80 to 100 feet into the sky.

At least eight fissure vents have opened in the subdivision so far, and more outbreaks are likely to occur along the rift zone, the Geological Survey said.

Drone footage showed lava oozing forth along the fissures that had formed, inching toward homes in Leilani Estates and leaving lines of smoldering trees in their wake. At least two homes in the subdivision caught fire, Hawaii News Now reported.

Los Angeles Times contributed.



SHARIF HASSAN/THE WASHINGTON POST

Actors on "Shabake Khanda," or "Laughter Network," take part in a skit skewering a member of parliament.

Afghanistan's 'Laughter Network' spares few

By Sharif Hassan
The Washington Post

KABUL — On a recent Friday night in Ghulam Faryad's grocery store, half a dozen customers gathered for a weekly dose of comic relief from the tribulations of daily life in the Afghan capital.

Watching a flat-screen TV above the counter, they smirked as two inept policemen made fun of a man who was trying to report that his uncle had been robbed and killed.

A few minutes later, they roared as a member of Parliament, obviously drunk, beat someone who complained about his son smoking hashish.

"They are showing the truth," Faryad said, as everyone in the store nodded appreciatively. "They raise awareness."

"Shabake Khanda," or "Laughter Network," the wildly successful Afghan version of "Saturday Night Live," is watched by millions once a week, with reruns airing twice more during the week.

No one — not powerful politicians, corrupt bureaucrats, even President Ashraf Ghani — is spared its skewering.

The regular impersonation of Ghani by comic actor Mohammad Ibrahim Abed — who casually mocks the president's peevishness and political tin ear — is so popular that even palace aides call the show to complain if a Friday passes with no roast of their boss.

"Laughter Network's" producers at the private TOLO television channel say its satire gives struggling Afghans an outlet for frustration and brings the powerful down a peg.

It tackles topics from air pollution to crime and corruption.

"I am proud of what I am doing," said Nabi Roshan, one of the two actors who portray Abdullah Abdullah, the government's chief executive officer.

"When I play someone's role to convey a message, I feel like I am in the front line of a war, like a soldier."

Dems run for seats and away from Pelosi

Candidates try to distance selves, call for new leaders

By David Weigel and Paul Kane
The Washington Post



PABLO MARTINEZ MONSIVAIS/AP

Nancy Pelosi is a prolific fundraiser and skilled politician as well as a deeply polarizing figure used against Democrats.

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Democrats sense a growing opportunity to unseat Republicans as part of a national wave that could put the House speaker's gavel back in their party's hands.

There's just one catch: Many Democratic contenders aren't willing to say they support returning their party's leader to power.

"I've said since Day One that I wouldn't vote for Nancy Pelosi as speaker," said Dan McCready, 34, who is running in a North Carolina district that stretches from Charlotte's suburbs into more rural counties.

"I think we need a whole new generation of people in D.C. That's part of why I'm running; we need some new blood."

Democrats across the country are locked in an awkward dance in which candidates sensing a chance to win GOP-held seats are distancing themselves from the party's longtime liberal leader from San Francisco — at the same time that the 78-year-old congresswoman is boldly holding on to power.

Ten Democratic candidates have said they would oppose Pelosi's return to the speakership, while at least another 10 have declined to express support for her, according to interviews with several candidates and a Washington Post review of statements collected by Republicans.

They are following in the footsteps of newly elected Democratic Rep. Conor Lamb, who scored a stunning upset in March in a Republican Pennsylvania district after saying he would oppose Pelosi.

This clamor for change at the top underscores the generational tensions within the House Democratic caucus as younger lawmakers look to replace not only Pelosi but also two other septuagenarians — Minority Whip Steny Hoyer, D-Md., 78, and Assistant Democratic Leader James Clyburn, D-S.C., 77.

Pelosi stands as the Democratic conundrum, a prolific fundraiser and skilled politician, as well as a deeply polarizing figure used by Republicans as a club against Democrats.

The dynamic sets the stage for a potential showdown — should Democrats win the majority — between Pelosi allies, who would relish the historic moment of returning a woman to one of the most influential positions in the country, and her critics, many of whom would have won office by promising a change in leadership.

"We will win. I will run for speaker. I feel confident about it. And my members do, too," Pelosi recently told a meeting of Boston Globe reporters and editors.

Earlier, at an event in New York City, she introduced several of her fellow House Democrats to the crowd by highlighting which committee they would lead next year, assuming a Democratic majority.

"It's important that it not be five white guys at the table, no offense," Pelosi said in Boston, a reference to the top leaders in the House and Senate and President Donald Trump. "I have no intention of walking away from that table."

There is the question of whether Pelosi would have the votes to win the job.

Unlike other leadership posts, which are selected by secret ballot in the respective caucuses, the entire House must vote for the speaker in early January. The minority party never votes for the majority's speaker-designate, so it would require Pelosi to get at least 218 votes from her side of the aisle.

So, if Democrats ended up with a caucus of 235, Pelosi could afford to lose 17 votes when the speaker vote is held on the floor.

Pelosi's strength comes from several sources, the first among equals being her fundraising on behalf of candidates and the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee.

Her advisers attributed 45 percent of the committee's $34 million raised in the first quarter of 2018 to Pelosi.

But there are other, beneath-the-radar reasons Pelosi feels confident in her post. Despite GOP claims, Pelosi is not as unpopular as she was eight years ago when she was speaker. Back then, 58 percent of Americans had an unfavorable view of Pelosi, including 41 percent who held a strongly unfavorable view.

In a Washington Post-ABC News poll last month, just 44 percent of Americans held an unfavorable view, with those strongly disliking her down to 29 percent.

That played out in Lamb's victory. Outside Republican groups spent more than $6 million on TV ads in southwestern Pennsylvania, the lion's share of it on commercials trying to tie Lamb to Pelosi.

But the 33-year-old Democrat ran an ad making clear he would not support Pelosi, calling for new leadership on both sides of the aisle.

It helped to inoculate him against the Pelosi attack line. GOP operatives now worry that other Democrats will follow Lamb's lead and that there will be even less potency in the anti-Pelosi campaign that they have been hoping will save their majority in the fall.

Most Democrats have distanced themselves from Pelosi but have tried to avoid taking a hard-and-fast position on how they would vote if she is the Democratic nominee for speaker.

Kathy Manning, a Democratic candidate in western North Carolina, said in an interview that she would like to see an open contest for party leader.

"I would make that decision like I make all my decisions: Get as much information as I can, find out who's running, find out what their positions are, then vote for the person who'd make the best leader," Manning said.

This sort of nuanced answer is one that Republicans will use to try to turn her into a Pelosi clone. North Carolina Republicans have already begun highlighting Manning's $500 and $1,000 donations to Pelosi's political committees in 2002 and 2004.

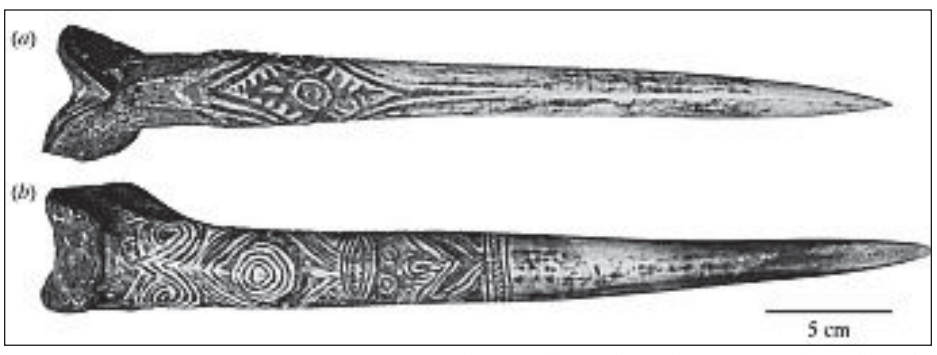
Pelosi and Hoyer have held the top two spots in leadership for more than a dozen years, while Clyburn has held the No. 3 post since 2011.

Clyburn raised eyebrows a few weeks ago when he told Politico that this year's midterm elections were an up-or-out moment for the trio, that all three would have to step down if Democrats failed to secure the majority.

Democrats are not demanding a loyalty pledge from candidates who might flip the majority their way. McCready and Manning have been added to the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee's "Red to Blue" list, denoting them as candidates who can expect party support in their primaries and the general election.

In an interview, Elissa Slotkin, a "red-to-blue" candidate in a GOP-held southwest Michigan district, said she would prefer an alternative to Pelosi.

"I think it's clear that on both sides of the aisle, people are seeking new leadership, and I'm going to be looking for someone who best represents my district and what we care about here. And I believe that's a new generation of leaders," said Slotkin.



NATHANIEL J. DOMINY/HOOD MUSEUM OF ART, DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

Daggers carved from human bone, top, and from the bone of a cassowary bird, below.

Daggers carved from bone gave warriors a leg up

By Ben Guarino
The Washington Post

A hundred years ago, if you lived in the Sepik region of New Guinea and you wanted to impress your neighbors, you'd strap a dagger made of bone to your biceps.

Not just any skeletal parts would do. The most common bone weapons came from the legs of giant flightless birds called cassowaries.

But the most prized materials were human femurs, removed from a vanquished enemy — or from your father's remains upon his death.

Nathaniel J. Dominy, an anthropologist at Dartmouth College, has been studying these bone daggers for the better part of a decade. He was exploring the Hood Museum of Art in Hanover, N.H., when he found the museum's collection of bone weapons. The ornate designs cut into the daggers captivated him.

The most powerful symbols were carved into the grip, Dominy said, so a wielder could derive strength from holding a dagger. "They're really striking objects," he said. "Formidable, fierce-looking and beautiful."

Human-bone daggers are also rare. Of the 500 or so bone daggers held at the American Museum of Natural History in New Haven, Conn., and the Field Museum in Chicago, only 21 are carved from human parts. The last New Guinean people to make such daggers did so at the end of the 19th century and the beginning of the 20th. It was not possible to determine how old this tradition was, Dominy said, because there are few records beyond the contemporary accounts of European colonial observers.

Dominy and his colleagues, in a new study in the journal Royal Society Open Science, quote German anthropologist Leonhard Schultze-Jena, who described the weapons in 1914: "The dagger serves not only to stab into the main arteries but at the same time as a lever with which one twists the punctured neck of the enemy in order to tear the throat and, with sufficient power, break the neck."

Bone daggers were status symbols. "All cultures on Earth will decorate utilitarian objects like pots and pans or their own bodies," Dominy said. These daggers are no different. Slaying a cassowary was a source of status, and better still was to have a dagger carved from a warrior's bones, Dominy said, to capture that person's symbolic power and strength.

Dominy set the scene: "These are only used for hand-to-hand combat," he said.

The anthropologist wanted to know how the New Guineans managed this violent action without breaking their prized weapons. Dominy took 10 of the daggers, five cassowary and five human-bone weapons, to Dartmouth-Hitchcock hospital. Dominy and his colleagues sent the items through a CT scanner, which revealed a pattern — the bird-bone daggers were flatter and straighter than the human ones.

The scientists also purchased a modern cassowary bone dagger carved in the 1970s. The scientists drove the tip of the weapon into urethane, to simulate jabbing the dagger into a joint. Then, through mechanical tests, they bent and twisted the bone until it snapped.

This demonstration showed that cassowary bones are "extremely dense," Dominy said. The giant birds do not have pneumatic bones — that is, they are not filled with air sacs like the bones of most flying birds. In fact, in terms of their mechanical properties, the cassowary bones are "striking similarly to our human femur."

Given the similarities between bird and human bone, the scientists applied the cassowary data to 3-D computer models of the human weapons. In the simulations, the human daggers proved to be much stronger than the cassowary versions.

Police want 'paintball wars' inspired by video to end

By Ivan Moreno
Associated Press



DAVID GOLDMAN/AP

Atlanta rapper 21 Savage began posting YouTube videos in April with the message, "Guns Down, Paintballs Up."

MILWAUKEE — Police across the country have responded to hundreds of paintball fights in recent weeks, a trend that authorities say began around the time an Atlanta rapper began posting YouTube videos encouraging people to trade real guns for paintball weapons.

But what started as an attempt to reduce gun violence has become anything but harmless. Police believe the phenomenon led to shooting deaths last month in Greensboro, N.C., and near Atlanta. The fast-moving paintballs have also injured bystanders caught in the crossfire and caused property damage in Milwaukee, Detroit and Atlanta.

"The message we want to put out is that while there's a movement to curb violence, this particular activity is a nuisance, and it causes significant damage. And we strongly believe this particular activity led to the death of a young man," said Capt. Nathaniel Davis of the Greensboro Police Department.

When officers responded to an April 20 report of a shooting, they found 19-year-old Zyquarius Shalom Quadre Bradley with gunshot wounds and paintball damage around his car. Police also found paintball guns and a mask. The investigation continues. No one has been arrested, Davis said.

A few weeks earlier, on April 1, a 3-year-old boy was killed in Dekalb County, Ga., when a teenager shot a real gun at his attackers during a paintball fight. One of the bullets struck the boy, police said.

Greensboro police have responded to nearly 40 reports of paintball fights since the start of April.

The numbers are larger in bigger cities. Milwaukee police received at least 65 calls about paintball battles over the past week and arrested one person. Hours after Milwaukee officers held a news conference Monday to alert the public, a 32-year-old bicyclist was shot in the eye with a paintball.

During the news conference, police emphasized that paintballs can do serious damage on the streets because they travel up to 300 feet per second. At venues where people pay to play, participants wear face masks and other protective gear, including padded vests.

Police have not said conclusively what sparked the trend. But in Atlanta, one of the cities where paintball fights were first reported, the calls began near the end of March — around the same time that rapper 21 Savage began posting YouTube videos with the message "Guns Down, Paintballs Up," according to Sgt. John Chafee.

"We do not consider this a game and have been taking it very seriously," Chafee said in an email. "There are venues suitable for playing appropriate paintball games. We will not tolerate this activity in public areas, and we stand ready to make arrests when needed."

Atlanta police could not immediately say how many people they have arrested or how many calls they have received about paintball battles. Before last month, incidents involving paintball guns were so rare they were not specifically tracked, police said.

21 Savage, whose real name is Shayaa Bin Abraham-Joseph, did not respond to an email from The Associated Press.

In Detroit, police received 145 calls about paintball fights in just the past week. During one of those fights, a Detroit police captain's car was struck 11 times. One injured bystander is at risk of losing his eye, Detroit Police Chief James Craig said.

"It's under the guise of pick up paintball guns instead of real guns," Craig said. "That part is well-intentioned. But what's misguided is it's out in the public, and they're actually engaging in criminal activity when you talk about malicious destruction of property, when you talk about people who are being assaulted or injured."

Detroit police have arrested 10 people since last week and assembled a special unit to deal with the problem.

Paintball guns can also resemble real guns, making it difficult for police to tell the difference.

"So it really puts that person at tremendous risk," Craig said.

ANALYSIS

In GOP, law and order not order of the day

Candidates spin legal woes, rail at system a la Trump

By Michael Scherer
The Washington Post



MELINA MARA/WASHINGTON POST

Former congressman Michael Grimm says he was unfairly targeted by law enforcement like President Donald Trump.

WASHINGTON — Former New York congressman Michael Grimm is a felon who has admitted to hiring workers in the country illegally, hiding $900,000 from tax authorities and making false statements under oath.

To hear him tell it, that's a reason Staten Island Republicans should vote him back into office.

"It's almost identical to what the president has been going through," Grimm says of the federal investigation that led to his imprisonment. "It's not an accident that under the Obama administration the Justice Department was used politically. And that is all starting to come out."

Grimm has uncovered a new reality in the constantly changing world of Republican politics: Criminal convictions, once seen as career-enders, are no longer disqualifying.

In the era of President Donald Trump, even time spent in prison can be turned into a positive talking point, demonstrating a candidate's battle scars in a broader fight against what he perceives as liberal corruption.

In a startling shift from law-and-order Republicans, Trump has attacked some branches of law enforcement, especially those pursuing white-collar malfeasance, as his allies and former campaign officials are ensnared in various investigations.

Following his lead, Republican Senate candidates with criminal convictions in West Virginia and Arizona have cast themselves as victims of the Obama administration's legal overreach.

Another former Trump adviser who has pleaded guilty to a felony has also become an in-demand surrogate, as Republicans jump at the chance to show their opposition to special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation of Russian interference in the 2016 presidential campaign.

"Here's a general rule of thumb: Lawmakers should not be law breakers," said Susan Del Percio, a New York GOP consultant who advised Grimm in 2010 but opposes his candidacy. "I guess it's a different political norm we are facing today."

Former national security adviser Michael Flynn, awaiting sentencing after pleading guilty to a felony count of lying to the FBI, has become an unexpected star on the Republican campaign trail, with a planned appearance Sunday in Montana for Senate candidate Troy Downing. .

A retired Army general, Flynn faces up to five years in prison after he admitted to making false statements about his contacts with Russian officials and his work for the government of Turkey.

In West Virginia, former coal baron Don Blankenship, who calls himself "Trumpier than Trump," has advertised heavily about what he says is the injustice of his misdemeanor conviction for conspiring to violate mine safety laws, which sent him to prison for a year.

Echoing Trump, Blankenship casts himself as a "political prisoner" who was targeted unfairly by the Obama administration after an explosion at one of his mines killed 29 people.

In Arizona, former Maricopa County sheriff Joe Arpaio is campaigning for Senate, with respectable fundraising and poll numbers, after receiving a pardon from Trump for his conviction on a misdemeanor contempt of court charge for his failure to follow a judicial order to curtail his immigration enforcement efforts.

Arpaio has compared his prosecution, which he considers politically motivated, to Republican claims that the Obama administration improperly sought warrants to monitor officials connected to the Trump campaign.

"It's not something that has affected my campaign," Arpaio said of his conviction, noting that a recent Magellan Strategies poll found him running second in a three-person race with a 67 percent favorable rating among Republican primary voters.

The campaigns are playing out in the shadow of a public effort by Trump and his allies to discredit the Justice Department's investigation of the 2016 election. Trump has called it a "total witch hunt" and called Mueller's investigators "the most biased group of people."

The message is getting through to Trump supporters. A recent NPR-PBS NewsHour-Marist poll found declining support for Mueller and his investigation among Republicans.

In the second week of April, 55 percent of Republicans said the investigation was "not fair," up from 46 percent in March. The same poll found 56 percent of Republicans thought the FBI was biased against the president.

"The whole world changed when Attorney General (Loretta) Lynch met on the tarmac with former President (Bill) Clinton," said Michael Caputo, a former adviser to Trump who has been helping the Grimm campaign, referring to the encounter during the inquiry into Hillary Clinton's use of private emails for business.

"The lines between politics and law enforcement have been blurred for a decade, but they are absolutely indistinguishable now."

In California, Republican candidate Omar Navarro, 29, running against Rep. Maxine Waters, has invited Arpaio and Flynn to fundraisers on his behalf, saying both drew large crowds and enabled him to raise more money.

"When I knock doors, and I knock a lot of different doors and meet a lot of people, and they will see Flynn on my endorsement or they will see Arpaio," he said. "A lot of people will say that guy was unfairly prosecuted."

Navarro has legal troubles of his own.

He recently pleaded guilty to a misdemeanor charge related to placing a tracking device on his wife's car without her knowledge. He said local prosecutors moved forward with their case even after his wife said she did not object to the device, which he says was intended to protect the car against theft.

Grimm says if he is elected, he will use his experience to become a "credible voice" in Congress to denounce what he and Trump both call political bias in the Justice Department.

Early polls suggest the argument has legs. His opponent, incumbent Rep. Daniel Donovan, R-N.Y., says he expects the primary fight against Grimm will be tighter than any race he has run.

Donovan, a former federal prosecutor, rejected Grimm's comparison of his situation to Trump's.

"The president has never been indicted, the president didn't perjure himself under oath, the president hasn't confessed to a federal crime," Donovan said about Grimm's argument.

When the rent-hiking landlord is guy on TV

In Ga., Hannity bought properties with aid from HUD

By Matt Pearce and Jenny Jarvie
Los Angeles Times



JENNY JARVIE/FOR THE LOS ANGELES TIMES

Olander Ragan has seen rent on his Lithia Springs, Ga., apartment jump from $850 a month to $950 this month. His home is among many owned by Fox News' Sean Hannity.

LITHIA SPRINGS, Ga. — Fox News host Sean Hannity is one of the most recognizable media figures in America. He has the ear of President Donald Trump. His show is one of the most popular on cable news.

But you wouldn't know it from talking to the tenants at the Meadows, a modest neighborhood of duplexes in Lithia Springs, about 15 miles west of downtown Atlanta.

"Who?" Keith Jones, a 62-year-old pipe layer, said blankly in an interview recently.

"I don't know who he is," said Sherrice Rouster, a 38-year-old self-employed childcare worker and tax preparer.

Hannity is their landlord, and he's raising their rent — a lot.

Through a series of limited-liability companies — each using the name "SPMK," followed by Roman numerals — documents revealed that Hannity is the owner of apartment complexes and houses worth tens of millions of dollars and capable of housing hundreds of people.

Some observers tittered at the revelation last month that Hannity, a vocal critic of government assistance, had accepted taxpayer help from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to insure the mortgages for at least two of his rental complexes.

But there was little unique about the way Hannity built his empire, using limited-liability companies, as many wealthy people do, to shield his identity while legally buying properties.

In 2012, Hannity joined a wave of big-money investors to sweep in after the Great Recession's housing crash, often snatching up foreclosed properties across the U.S. at bargain-bin prices.

"Historically, the typical single-family landlord was a local person who owned a few houses," said Julia Gordon, executive vice president of the National Community Stabilization Trust, an anti-blight nonprofit organization. "They would basically oversee things like collecting the rent, do home repairs themselves, or employ a handyman to do home repairs."

Today, Gordon said, it seems like rental homes "are almost always owned by somebody whose last name is 'LLC.' "

The duplexes at the Meadows, in Lithia Springs, were built on a former cow pasture in the 1980s by Paul Robinson Jr., a local home builder and small businessman. The subdivision has more than 100 units, which average 944 square feet.

Robinson didn't raise the rent much, he said, because many of his tenants had lived there for 10 to 20 years and were elderly.

But after the financial crisis hit, Robinson lost the complex, he said, when his bank went under and the new bank demanded that he pay $500,000 of the $2.5 million loan.

With 112 duplex units bringing in a cash flow of about $60,000 a month, Robinson said, he had $500,000. But it was only a one-year deal and, having heard of horror stories of banks upping demands each year, he decided to let the bank foreclose on the property.

Eventually, the loss of rental income led Robinson to lose his own home too.

Then, in March 2013, an LLC named SPMK XII Meadows bought the property from Robinson's bank for $3.15 million.

After Hannity was named as the owner of the SPMK companies, he defended his holdings.

"It is ironic that I am being attacked for investing my personal money in communities that badly need such investment," Hannity said.

Since SPMK took over, the homes got renovated. Old carpets were replaced with hardwood floors; kitchens got new cabinets and appliances. Outside, fresh siding went up and flower beds were filled with uniform rows of privet and pink roses.

But longtime tenants of this predominantly blue collar, African-American neighborhood also said their monthly payments on their small two-bedroom apartments had gone up 50 percent over the last five years, increasing from about $650 to as much as $1,000.

Rents are rising nationally. But a rate increase of roughly 10 percent a year since 2013 is surprisingly high, about double the rate of rentals in the Lithia Springs area, said Dan Immergluck, a professor at Georgia State University's Urban Studies Institute.

Olander Ragan, a 29-year-old warehouse forklift truck driver, is taking on extra jobs to meet his monthly $850 rent for the apartment he shares with his wife and daughter. This month rent jumps to $950.

For Ragan, his prospect of financial security is bleak, whether or not Hannity is his landlord.

"I'm a black man living in America. Doesn't matter who my landlord is. Doesn't matter if he's a racist S.O.B.," Ragan said. "I've been a slave all my life. What am I supposed to do?"

Jenny Jarvie, a special correspondent, reported from Lithia Springs and Matt Pearce from Los Angeles.

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Physicist Stephen Hawking theorized in his last paper that the cosmos is simpler than generally believed.

Hawking's final paper argues for a 'simpler' cosmos

By Malcolm Ritter
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Weeks after his death, physicist Stephen Hawking has delivered his last thoughts about the nature of the cosmos, and he says it may be simpler than often believed.

Well, simpler if you understand theoretical physics, anyway. It remains incomprehensible for the rest of us.

A paper that outlines his view, written with Thomas Hertog of the University of Leuven in Belgium before Hawking's death in March, has been published by the Journal of High Energy Physics. Hertog had announced the new theory last year at a conference celebrating Hawking's 75th birthday.

The University of Cambridge, where Hawking worked, announced the publication on Wednesday.

Here's a very simplified version of what it says. First, some background.

Scientists believe our universe sprang into existence with the Big Bang, followed by an unimaginably rapid expansion known as inflation. Within our observable universe, inflation ended long ago.

But some ideas of inflation say it never stops, persisting in other regions of the cosmos forever.

This eternal inflation produces a "multiverse," a collection of pocket universes of which our own universe is just one.

There may be an infinite number of these pocket universes. If they're all very different, then how typical is the universe we live in, where scientists make their observations?

That's a key question for understanding the fundamental laws of nature, and finding a way to estimate what types of universes are probable is a big challenge, said physics professor David Kaiser of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Many people have tried to tackle that question, but Hawking approached it from a point of view shaped by his long study of the intersection of quantum theory and gravity, he said.

Hawking's paper suggests that there may be a much smaller range of possibilities for universe types than previous estimates had suggested.

So "the behavior of our own, observable universe might not be a rare outlier, but perhaps (be) relatively typical," Kaiser said in an email.

"Naturally," Kaiser said, "this is all rather speculative."



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Welfare and loathing in Wis.

State is GOP model for reform, but poor squeezed as work requirements grow

By Robert Samuels
The Washington Post



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James Howlett helps his 5-year-old son, Kayden, out of the car before school. The family's troubles started in November, when Nadine lost her job.

MILWAUKEE — The shock absorbers in James Howlett's Ford Fusion were busted, but he and his partner, Nadine, packed their two children inside anyway. They were already homeless, and their time on food stamps was running out.

They needed to fix the car and dig up documents to try to get back on welfare.

The suburban homeless shelter where they slept the night before was now in the distance as they made their way through the familiar blight of the city neighborhood that was once home.

Howlett dropped Kayden, 5, at kindergarten and Cali, 3, at day care in a community center that stood amid the boarded-up houses and vacant fields surrounded by barbed wire that dot Milwaukee's north side.

That's when he found himself gripped by a new worry: His rundown Ford might be another barrier to government assistance.

In February, Wisconsin passed a law prohibiting food stamp recipients from owning a car valued at more than $20,000. Just how the law would work was still unclear to him, leaving Howlett to worry whether he'd have to choose between food for his family and his only car.

"They probably wouldn't assess it at the purchase value, right?" Howlett wondered as he got back into the car. "I hope they don't say I have to sell this. I think it should be fine. I don't know, the way things are changing."

The way things are changing in Wisconsin — and around much of the country — is that lawmakers are embracing increasingly aggressive measures to move the poor out of the social safety net and into the workforce.



James Howlett, center, and his partner, Nadine, search a Milwaukee storage unit last month for documents they need to apply for assistance.

Wisconsin takes lead

In 2013, Wisconsin took a leading role in this trend when Republican Gov. Scott Walker signed legislation requiring childless adults who aren't disabled to work at least 20 hours a week to continue to qualify for food stamps.

Those who didn't do so were required to attend training programs scattered throughout the state until they could find a job.

In February, the state took it a step further: Parents of school-age children will also have to work to receive food stamps. And instead of 20 hours, they must work at least 30.

Walker pushed for the asset limitations that worried Howlett to be applied to new cases to ensure that "people with giant mansions and fancy cars don't get welfare checks while hard-working taxpayers have to pay the bill." The state mandated drug testing for those who live in public housing. It is preparing to cut off Medicaid for parents who are behind on child-support payments.

In all, lawmakers passed nine "welfare reform" bills, which they said will provide the motivation people need to stop relying on government help.

"We will help people when they are down and out," Walker said in his State of the State address in January. "But for those who are able, public assistance should be a trampoline, not a hammock."

Wisconsin has long been at the forefront of placing restrictions on government benefits. In the 1990s, Gov. Tommy Thompson led an effort to limit how long the poor could receive cash assistance. That approach appealed to President Bill Clinton, who used the state as a model for his federal changes, which reduced the number of families on welfare from 12.4 million in 1996 to 4.6 million in 2012 and transformed the government's relationship with the poor.

The federal government is, again, following Wisconsin's example.

President Donald Trump championed "welfare reform" last month when he signed an executive order calling for federal agencies to come up with ways to make it harder for residents to receive cash assistance through the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program, food stamps, housing vouchers and Medicaid. The House Agricultural Committee introduced a farm bill that would institute requirements similar to the ones enacted in Wisconsin.

The results in this state have been limited. Since Walker put work requirements into place, the Health Services Department said it has cut spending on food stamps by 28 percent, from $1.2 billion in 2013 to around $867 million in 2017. Officials said 25,000 food stamp recipients — out of a statewide total of 700,000 — have found work.

Some lost food stamps, found no jobs

State officials also said that more than 86,000 people have lost their ability to get food stamps and did not report getting new jobs.

There's been no government study examining what happened to them. State officials say they presume some got new jobs and didn't bother to report them, but advocates say they see swelling numbers at churches and food pantries, where more and more go looking for help.

If public assistance is a trampoline for Howlett and Nadine, who asked that her last name not be used, it is one that is vaulting them all over the Milwaukee area, with no sure ground to land on.

Their recent troubles started in November, when Nadine lost one job cleaning a suburban hospital while waiting to start another five blocks from her apartment. When Howlett's car broke down, he had to dramatically cut back hours as a Lyft driver, and they couldn't afford rent anymore.

The eviction came next. They said they tried to apply for an emergency loan from the state but were disqualified because they were not receiving cash assistance at the time, even though they were still eligible for food stamps.



Nadine, who asked that her last name not be used, checks a list of shelters after the couple and children were evicted.

"Why are there different qualifications for different benefits?" Howlett said. "I fail to understand it."

They lived in hotels until money ran out and then tried moving to a homeless shelter in Milwaukee, but it was full. They were pointed to the suburbs, where networks of churches in Waukesha County offered warm meals and cots for them to sleep. There was even a partition so their family could have a touch of privacy.

"You try to keep your spirits up because you don't want the kids to feel like something is wrong," Howlett said. "Then you start to spiral. That's what it's like in Wisconsin. Help is so close, and so far away."

> ***"For some reason, this state assumes if we penalize the parents, then their kids will still be able to eat."***
>
> *—Wisconsin State Sen. LaTonya Johnson*

"Wisconsin is historically strong," Walker declared in his January State of the State address. His evidence: Unemployment is at 2.9 percent, and manufacturing continues to grow, with 13,000 more jobs expected thanks to the arrival of Chinese electronics maker Foxconn.

Those conditions make it a perfect time to reexamine public benefits, according to Rep. Scott Krug, the Republican chairman of the State Assembly's Committee on Public Benefit Reform.

"As long as we have state-sanctioned day care and child care available, why not ask parents to do work activity?" Krug asked. "We have a lot of jobs coming to Wisconsin, and we need people to do the work."

For Krug and his fellow conservative lawmakers, the latest changes also offered an opportunity to reinvigorate the "Midwest work ethic" that he says the social safety net had started to unspool. The work requirements would help, he said, rebuild "what Wisconsin is about."

"No one is calling them frauds and cheaters," he said. "It's our job, as a state, to get people to where their dreams lead them."

State Sen. LaTonya Johnson, a Democrat whose district includes Milwaukee's north side, said those characterizations ignore the gross disparities within Wisconsin.

"It doesn't seem many in the state understand what happens in the inner city," Johnson said.

The growth in manufacturing that's happening in Wisconsin is largely in the suburbs along the Interstate-94 corridor, beyond the reach of public transportation. What's growing on the north side are food pantries.

In this part of Wisconsin, Johnson said, there are mainly service jobs with irregular schedules and low pay.

Instead of addressing the need, Johnson argued, her conservative counterparts were creating new problems for the poor.

"For some reason, this state assumes if we penalize the parents, then their kids will still be able to eat," she said.

Results as expected

LaDonna Pavetti, who researches government assistance for the liberal-leaning Center on Budget and Policy Priorities in Washington, said she expects that the results in Wisconsin will be similar to those of Clinton's time limits on cash-assistance programs.

During the first two years of the program, amid a booming economy, it appeared the tough-love approach worked, studies showed. More were getting jobs, and their incomes were rising.

Five years after the initiative, though, it appears those gains had been lost. A 2001 evaluation commissioned by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services found virtually no difference in income and employment between those who were subjected to work requirements and a control group that was not.

Whatever their status, parents still had to contend with the challenge of finding good-paying jobs and consistent hours in places where they might be limited — with less to keep them afloat.

In the mid-1990s, the center's data show, 86 out of every 100 families living below the poverty line in Wisconsin received cash assistance. Now, that number is 17 of every 100.

Walker and the legislature have invested more than $50 million in training to help low-income families become self-sufficient. Those who don't meet the work requirements have to go to training centers for 80 hours a month, where case managers help with resumes and interview techniques, among other skills. They also refer residents elsewhere to learn how to become welders, machinists, nursing assistants or other types of professionals.

In the last six months, state officials said, 44 percent of participants reported gaining employment after going through the program. They average 35 hours per week, at a wage of $12.88. That still might not be enough for some. To afford a two-bedroom apartment in Milwaukee, according to a 2017 study from the National Low Income Housing Coalition, a family must work 40 hours a week at $17.83.

At the end of the workday, the continued financial hardship of many who found new jobs meant they would end up looking for help in the same places as people who had been kicked off government assistance.

Between 2013 and 2018, the number of meals distributed through the statewide nonprofit Feeding Wisconsin jumped from 38 million to 60 million, according to David Lee, its executive director. At another nonprofit, UMOS, the number of families served in Milwaukee during that period nearly quintupled from 11,000 to 53,000.

Downward spiral begins

Howlett and Nadine were searching for help everywhere they could. Nadine had gone through the job-training program and found it a waste. She had a resume and a skill set; she just needed a job.

Howlett couldn't manage one of those new manufacturing jobs coming to the state because a knee injury a few years ago cut short his job as a heavy machinery operator.

So, he said, he worked full time driving for Lyft. Together, they earned about $2,000 each month, enough to rent a four-bedroom apartment with no doorknobs and unsealed windows that did little against Wisconsin's winter gusts.

Because their income was increasing, the couple received less from the state. Their food stamp benefits decreased each month, from $400 to $63 — which made them proud.

"We didn't need any more than that," Howlett said.

In February, after they were evicted, they sold their stove and put what they could in a storage unit, which was where they headed after dropping off the kids at day care.

They had $43.33 left in their checking account, $123.88 on a prepaid checking card and a $300 car repair ahead of them.

"Thank God for the church," Nadine said, because it had offered to pay for the repairs.

They drove to the storage facility. Nadine pulled out a spiral notebook and opened it to a checklist, written in big red letters, of things they needed to reapply for food stamps and cash assistance. "Birth Certificate." "SS Card." "Letter from Shelter." "Bank Statement." "Pay stubs."

She grabbed a small box filled with papers, sitting atop plastic tubs of baby clothes.

"You ever think the government just doesn't want to help?" Nadine asked him.

"They are trying to make people who don't need government help feel good," he said.

"If you're one of them, all of this stuff sounds good," Howlett said of the work requirements. "But in reality, when you apply it, it doesn't work."

He turned the car on and exhaled in relief when the engine started. He tried to remain hopeful.

"We're a little desperate right now," Howlett said. "But it will pass."

NEWS BRIEFING

Staff and news services

Indiana police officer shot, killed in shootout with suspect

TERRE HAUTE, Ind. — An Indiana police department has identified the officer who was killed in a shootout with a homicide suspect as a 16-year veteran of the force.

Rob Pitts was one of four officers who were fired upon when they approached an apartment complex Friday night to confront the suspect, the Terre Haute Police Department said.

Chief John Plasse said officers returned fire, wounding the suspect, who then barricaded himself inside until special-response team officers entered a few hours later.

Police say the suspect, whose name hasn't been released, died.

Pitts died at Terre Haute Regional Hospital.

Pitts is the first Terre Haute police officer to die since July 11, 2011, when Officer Brent D. Long was killed while serving an arrest warrant.

Canada legislation would ban foreign money in its elections

TORONTO — In the wake of allegations of Russian interference in elections in the United States and elsewhere, the Canadian government has unveiled sweeping legislation week to ban foreign entities from spending money to influence elections, require "identifying taglines" on all political advertising and force political parties to reveal what voter information they collect.

But the measure may be too little, too late: Even if the bill passes before lawmakers break for summer recess, there might not be enough time to implement changes before the next federal election in 2019.

Under the proposed reforms, foreign entities would be banned from spending money to influence elections when previously they could spend up to 500 Canadian dollars.

Mississippi university to grant posthumous degree to veteran

HATTIESBURG, Miss. — The University of Southern Mississippi will award a posthumous honorary degree to a black U.S. Army veteran who was rejected when he tried to integrate the school decades ago.

Clyde Kennard applied several times from 1955 to 1959 to what was then called Mississippi Southern College. His applications were blocked.

In 1960, Kennard was falsely charged with taking part in the theft of chicken feed, and was convicted and sentenced to seven years at the Mississippi State Penitentiary. While there, he was diagnosed with cancer but was denied proper treatment until he was critically ill. He died July 4, 1963 at 36.

Kennard's legacy will be recognized Friday during commencement on the USM campus in Hattiesburg.



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Russian police detain a protester at a demonstration Saturday against President Vladimir Putin in St. Petersburg. Among those arrested was protest organizer Alexei Navalny, the anti-corruption campaigner who is Putin's most prominent foe.

1,600 arrested in Russia during national anti-Putin protests

MOSCOW — Russians angered by the impending inauguration Monday of Vladimir Putin to a new six-year term as president protested Saturday in scores of cities across the country — and police responded by reportedly arresting nearly 1,600.

Among those arrested was protest organizer Alexei Navalny, the anti-corruption campaigner who is Putin's most prominent foe. Police seized Navalny by the arms and legs and carried the thrashing activist from Moscow's Pushkin Square, where thousands were gathered for an unauthorized protest.

Police also used batons against protesters who chanted "Putin is a thief!" and "Russia will be free!"

Demonstrations under the slogan "He is not our czar" took place throughout the country, from Yakutsk in the far northeast to St. Petersburg and Kaliningrad on the fringes of Europe.

The protests demonstrated that Navalny's opposition, although considered beleaguered by Russian officials and largely ignored by state-controlled television, has sizeable support in much of the country.

OVD-Info, an organization that monitors political repression, said late Saturday that 1,599 people had been detained at demonstrations in 26 Russian cities. It said 702 were arrested in Moscow alone, and another 232 in St. Petersburg.

Moscow police said about 300 people were detained in the capital, state news agencies said, and there was no official countrywide tally.

In Washington, State Department spokeswoman Heather Nauert criticized the actions of the Russian police.

White House blasts China for 'Orwellian' demand

WASHINGTON — The White House Saturday released a blistering statement attacking China's government for a recent demand that U.S. and other airlines change how they refer to Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau in promotional materials.

"This is Orwellian nonsense and part of a growing trend by the Chinese Communist Party to impose its political views on American citizens and private companies," White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said.

U.S. airlines were among several that received letters from China's Civil Aviation Administration calling for strict guidelines for any references to Taiwan, Hong Kong and Macau, according to the White House. The Chinese government considers those entities to be parts of China and objects to references that indicate they are independent.

2 coal miners rescued after 3.4 quake in Poland

WARSAW, Poland — Two missing coal miners were found hurt but conscious after a quake struck a mine Saturday in southern Poland, and scores of rescue workers were still trying to reach other missing miners, a Polish mining company said.

The rescue operation was launched Saturday after a temblor occurred at a coal mine near the Czech Republic border, an official of the Jastrzebie Coal Co. said. Poland's State Mining Authority said the temblor had a magnitude of 3.4.

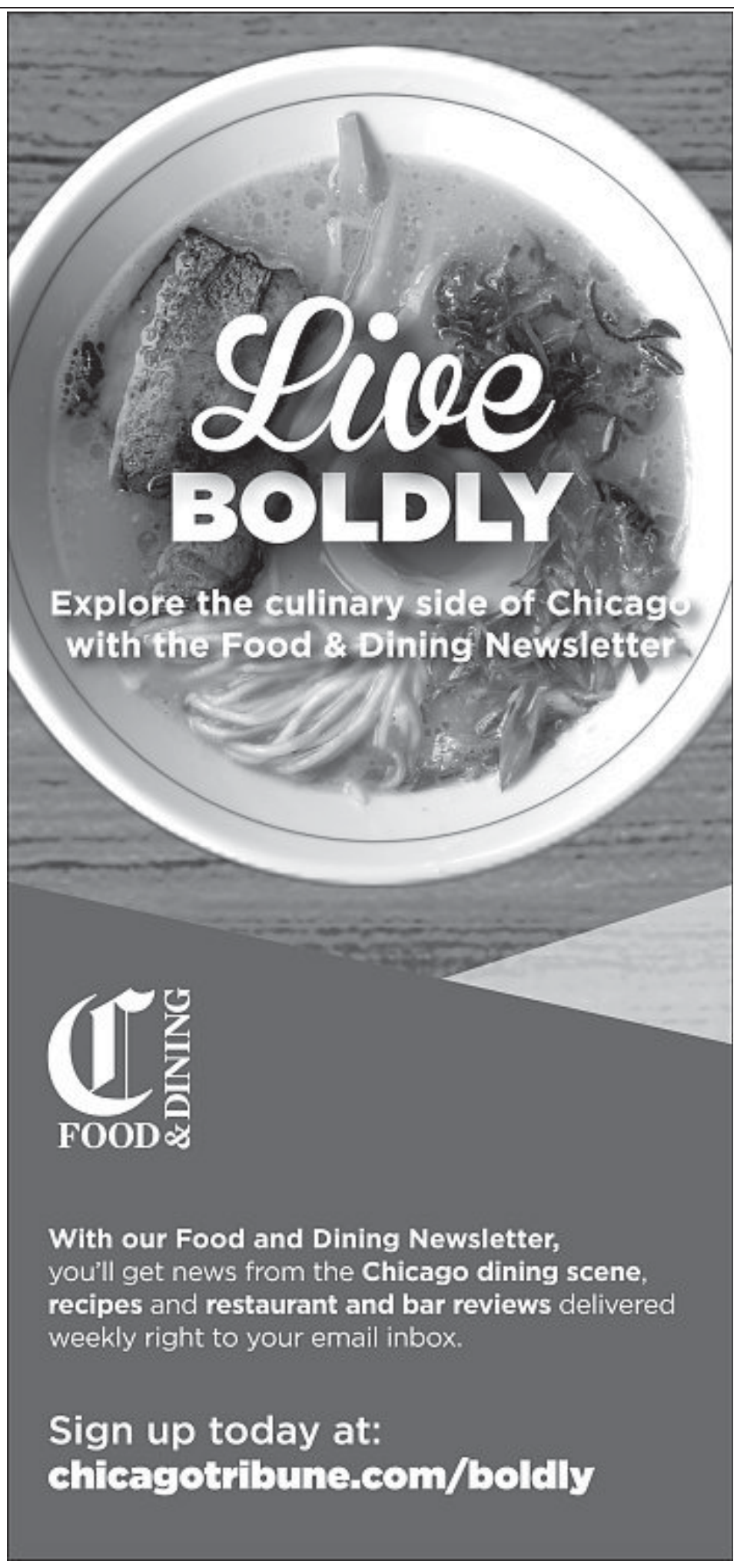
The official said four miners were quickly brought to the surface but contact was lost with seven others who were 2,950 feet underground preparing a new corridor for extraction work.

So far this year, four miners have been killed at different coal mines, according to the State Mining Authority.

Former President George H.W. Bush was released from a Houston hospital Friday after spending 13 days being treated for an infection that required his hospitalization a day after his wife's funeral. Jim McGrath, a spokesman for the 93-year-old Bush, tweeted that Bush is "happy to return home."

Mexican authorities say nine men have been found slain in the back of a small cargo truck in the southern state of Guerrero. State prosecutors say in a statement that the men were apparently kidnapped Thursday and reported missing the following night. The truck was discovered Saturday morning.





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Marcia McDermott Morrey
Mrs. Marcia Anne Morrey, loving and much loved wife and mother, died March 22, 2018 in hospice in Elkin, NC. She was born on October 16, 1944 in Evergreen Park, IL to Frances Marcia Schofield McDermott and Philip Aloysius McDermott. In addition to her parents, Marcia was preceded in death by her brother, Philip, and sisters Eileen Hawke and Kathleen Oyervides. A Loyola University graduate in Literature, with a graduate degree in Guidance Counseling from Florida Atlantic U, she taught at various levels in different states from 1968 in Illinois to Florida, retiring to Elkin in 2005. Survivors include Willard Morrey, daughters Kathleen Crowder and Bridget Morrey, siblings Mark, Mary Willis, Anne Cingrani, Patricia Sirois, Michele Loudermilk, Therese Winter, and Denise McDermott. There will be a Mass of Christian Burial on May 24, at 10 am at St Mary Magdalene in Joliet. Interment will be at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Alsip at noon. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Education Foundation of Martin County, PO Box 291, Stuart, FL 34995, or online at www.EducationFoundationMC.org
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Death Notices

Alis, Richard
Richard Alis, 87, of Stevensville, MI, passed away on Sunday, April 29, 2018.



Richard greatly excelled as an athlete, especially in basketball where he was All-State. He officiated basketball games for fifty years. He was a lifelong Chicago Cubs fan. Most of all, Richard cherished his family.
He is survived by his wife of 68 years, Gloria; children, Debbie (Jerry) Dipert, Rick (Debbie) Alis and Cynthia Worthington; sister, Genevieve; seven grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.
A Celebration of life gathering will be held at a later date. Online condolences may be made at www.starks-menchinger.com.
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Araujo, Aida
Aida (Edo) Araujo, age 72, beloved wife of Henry



Araujo, cherished mother of Desiree Araujo, Monique Mackowiak (Keith), Valerie and Jason Araujo, devoted daughter of Aida Perez and late Leonel Perez, loving sister of David, Benita and Don Perez, adoring grandmother of Eddy (Paulina) and Sonny Kruger, Alec and Ian Mackowiak, great grandmother of Adrian, Gabriel, Valerie and Edward III Kruger.Edo courageously battled Parkinson's for more than 35 years, advocated for a cure, participated in studies and lastly donated her brain for Parkinson's research.Visitation will be at Ridge Funeral Home, 6620 W Archer Avenue, Chicago IL. on Tuesday May 8th from 3pm-8pm. With a service at 7:00 p.m. Interment Private. In lieu of flowers or gifts, Edo requested donations be made to the Michael J Fox Foundation, www.michealjfox.org Info: 773-586-7900 or www.ridgefh.com

Dignity Ridge Funeral Home

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Aulis, Gaida Z.
Gaida Zigrida Aulis (nee Dimza), age 91 of Evanston,



passed Saturday April 29, 2018 surrounded by family at Evanston Hospital. Gaida was born on the family farm "Pukukalns" (Flower Hill) in Auri, Latvia on November 22, 1926, the youngest child of Kristaps and Alide (nee Blumbergs) Dimza. Along with her parents and sister Skaidrite, she fled Latvia in late 1944 to escape Soviet oppression near the end of World War II, and not long after her parents lost their son and her brother Arturs, who was killed in the call of duty defending his homeland at the age of 19 in early 1945. Upon escaping Latvia the family first went to Tuttlingen, Germany, and then resided in the U.S. occupation zone at the Displaced Persons camp in Memmingen. In 1949 the family immigrated to the United States where Kristaps and Alide first lived on a farm in Minot, North Dakota, and a year later moved to Des Moines, Iowa to reunite with their daughters. In July 1951 Gaida was wed to her lifelong partner, Guntis ("Gus") Aulis, to whom she was married for 63 years until Gus' passing in February 2015. Gaida worked at Meredith Publishing Company until 1958 when their son and only child, Erwin, was born. After moving to Cedar Rapids, Iowa in 1961, the family relocated to the Milwaukee suburb of Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin in 1963, where Gus and Gaida resided for over 46 years. Gaida became actively involved in the Milwaukee Latvian community, becoming well known for contributing her culinary and artistic talents at Latvian gatherings, whether on behalf of the Milwaukee Latvian Ev. Lutheran Church or the Latvian House of Milwaukee, among others. In the early 1990's Gaida joined Gus in the musical group he founded, Akords, singing lead vocals for a trio that toured the Midwest performing at Latvian functions in the major cities in the region. A woman of many talents, she made countless friends who honored her energy, enthusiasm and drive to get things done the right way. Gaida was a true patriot, who loved both her original and adopted homelands, the latter for which she was eternally grateful having given her family a new life that others in her extended family left behind in Latvia were not as fortunate to have. Yet, she never forgot them, and shared in their joy when in 1991 her beloved Latvia was lifted out of the Soviet oppression she escaped 47 years before, visiting them several times before age caught up with her. She was also an avid sports fan, being well known to less-than-subtly express her views while watching and listening to her favorite Wisconsin-based teams! Predeceased by her husband, parents, sister, brother, sister's husband Edvards Lavins and nephew Egils Lavins, Gaida is survived by her son, daughter-in-law Nancy (nee Campbell), grandchildren Caroline, Katherine and Gus, sister-in-law Laima Veidis, nieces Sandy Brill (Gary), Linda Apinis (Elmars), and Ingrida Veidis (Skip), nephews Andris Zmuidins (Nora), Roberts Zmuidins and Janis Veidis (Mara), numerous cousins and their children, as well as grandnieces and grandnephews in Latvia and the United States. The family also wishes to acknowledge the exceptional care and attention afforded to Gaida and her husband Gus by Stephen Bundra, M.D. of Wilmette, his staff, the staff at Evanston Hospital, and the incredible team at The Mather Evanston where the couple resided after leaving Wisconsin in October 2009 to be closer to their son and his family. A graveside ceremony where Gaida will be interred with her beloved Gus will be held this spring at All Saints Cemetery in Des Plaines, Illinois. Details to follow. In lieu of flowers, please consider a donation in Gaida's memory to the Milwaukee Latvian Evangelical Lutheran Holy Trinity Church, 1853 N. 75th Street, Milwaukee, WI 53213. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or 847-675-1990.

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Bennett Sr., Mitchell A.
Mitchell A. Bennett Sr., born on November 26, 1924, left this world peacefully surrounded by family on May 1, 2018. Beloved husband of 75 years to Colette, nee Salemme; proud father of Bonnie Lennon, Carole McFadden, Joanne, Pam (Paul Ahlquist), Mitchell Jr. (Debbie), Mary Kay Kaczmarek, Judith (Tom) Sullivan, John (Cindy), Melissa (Mark) Ciske; devoted grandfather of 21; loving great-grandfather of 13. WWII Veteran. A Memorial Visition will be held Friday, May 11, from 10am until the time of Mass at 11am, at St Gertrude's Church, 1420 W. Granville, Chicago. Family and friends will be driving in procession to the Inurnment at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, 20953 W. Hoff Rd. Elwood, IL. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Honor Flight Chicago, at www.honorflightchicago.org. For info, 800-622-8358.

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Bishop, Charlotte E
Charlotte Bishop, nee Cordes. Beloved wife of the late Gregory B. Loving mother of Brian (Chrissy), Michael (Jessica) and Deborah Bishop. Special grandmother of Aiden and Daniel. Dear sister of Joyce Rotell; sister-in-law of Mark T. (the late Kathleen) Bishop. Aunt of many. Visitation Monday May 7, from 10:00 am until time of services at 12:00 pm. at **Smith-Corcoran** Funeral Home, 6150 N. Cicero Ave., Chicago. Interment All Saints Cemetery. Info 773-736-3833 or visit Charlotte's memorial at smithcorcoran.com

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Brinkman, Marguerite T.
Marguerite T. Brinkman, 86, of Barrington, born



August 24, 1931 passed away May 4, 2018. Loving and devoted wife of Harry "Bud" Brinkman for 64 years. Cherished mother of Tom (Mary) Brinkman, Dan (Jill) Brinkman, Patricia (Bill) Sullivan and John (Nimmy) Brinkman. Beloved grandmother of Timothy (Jessica), Breana (Sean), Tierney (Damian), Jonathan, Christina (Sean), Joseph, Bryce and Julie. Adored great-grandmother of Teddy and Charlie. Life accomplishments include St. Clement High School Valedictorian, Loyola University BA Philosophy, 2004 Barrington Grand Marshal of Crop Walk, and Barrington Woman of the Year. Member of Saint Anne's Women's Club, the Faith and Justice Committee, and other responsibilities as a 30+ year active parishioner of the Saint Anne Catholic Community. Northwest Community Hospital Ethics Committee and New Products Committee. She was also an accomplished artist, seamstress, photographer, poet, and writer. Marguerite had a deep passion for her family, animals, and nature. Visitation for Marguerite will be held on Tuesday, May 8 from 3:00pm-8:00pm at Davenport Family Funeral Home, 149 W. Main St. (Lake-Cook Rd.), Barrington, IL. On Wednesday, May 9, visitation will continue from 9:00am until the time of her Mass at 10:00am at Saint Anne Catholic Community, 120 N. Ela St., Barrington, IL. Entombment will follow at All Saints Catholic Cemetery, Des Plaines, IL. A Celebration of Life will be held at a later date at The Garlands of Barrington. Donations may be made in Marguerite's name to the National Parks Conservation Association, 777 6th St., NW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20001, www.npca.org/donate. Arrangements were entrusted to **Davenport Family Funeral Home and Crematory**, Barrington. For information, please call the funeral home at 847-381-3411 or visit www.davenportfamily.com where friends may leave an online condolence message for the family.

Davenport Family Funeral Home

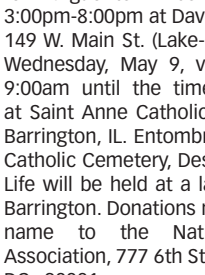
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Brosnan, Michael J.
Michael Brosnan, age 74, Late of Homewood. Native of County Cork, Ireland. Died peacefully on May 2nd, 2018 after dealing with recent health issues. Beloved husband of the late Eileen Brosnan nee O'Shea. Devoted father of Kevin and Brian. Fond brother of Brenda (the late William) Ryan of Naperville, IL, Patrick (the late Rita), Johnny (the late Tess) and the late Anne Sheehan, all of Ireland. Dear uncle of many nephews and nieces. Proud owner of dog Danno. Resting at the **Tews-Ryan Funeral Home**, 18230 Dixie Hwy. Homewood, Monday, May 7th from 9:00 a.m. until time of prayers at 10:30 a.m. Mass 11:00 a.m. at St. Joseph Church, 17951 Dixie Hwy. Homewood. www.tews-ryanfh.com or 708-798-5300.

Tews-Ryan Funeral Home

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Buffa, Vito Delano
March 4, 1936 - May 4, 2018



It is with heavy hearts that we share the loss of our beloved Vito.
Loving son, husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend to all that knew him.
Vito worked tirelessly to provide his family with a wonderful life, for which we are eternally grateful.
He loved his career of 30 years as a Chicago Fire Fighter and Lieutenant. He served the citizens of the City of Chicago proudly, and with great loyalty to all his brothers on the Chicago Fire Department.
Dad, you were the life of every conversation. Your smile and laughter had us rolling on the floor long before you got the the punchline of your hilarious stories. You are our hero.
Until we meet again, we will continue to do our best to make you proud.
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Carlin, Valerie
Valerie Maria 'Val' Carlin, 95, formerly of Oak Brook



and River Forest, IL passed away on May 2, 2018 in Wheaton, IL. A memorial service celebrating her life was attended by immediate family. Interment: Queen of Heaven Cemetery, Hillside, Illinois.
Valerie was born in Chicago on September 14, 1922. She spent her early years on her parent's ranch in Sonora, Mexico. In 1938, the family returned to the United States where Valerie and her sister Regina attended Trinity High School and Rosary Collage. Valerie found her niche in real estate and spent her middle age and later years as a successful business woman managing her own investment portfolio. Good health let her manage her own business and live on her own until she was 94 when she retired to Brighton Gardens in Wheaton, IL.
Valerie is preceded in death by her parents, James Joseph Ryan and Mae Leahy Ryan of River Forest, IL, her sister Regina Finn (J. Richard) of Boca Raton, FL, and her eldest son Kevin Ryan Carlin (Crystal Risberg) of Naperville, IL. She is survived by her daughter Jamee Ryan Carlin, her sons, Brian Michael Carlin and Shawn Edward Carlin (Marian Cook), and four grandchildren, Ryan, Jennifer, Joseph and Regie Carlin. Services and Interment were held privately.

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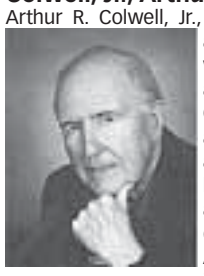
Chamberlain, SJ, Fr. Francis 'Frank'
A Jesuit for 63 years, Fr. Frank Chamberlain, SJ, served in Peru for most of his life. He was beloved in Peru by fellow Jesuits, the poor he served with great love and dedication, and the professionals he accompanied and inspired. He was born in Chicago in 1937 and entered the Society of Jesus (the Jesuits) in 1955 after graduating from Loyola Academy in Wilmette, Ill. He moved to Peru in 1962 and was involved in efforts to help those affected by the "Shining Path" in the 1980s and 1990s, as well as efforts to help Peru's poorest throughout his ministry. Fr. Chamberlain died in Lima, Peru, surrounded by friends on April 29 at the age of 81. He was preceded in death by his parents, Henry and Mary Josephine Chamberlain, and his brother, Fr. Henry (Hank) Chamberlain, SJ. He is survived by two siblings, John Chamberlain of Winnetka and Catharine Grant of Chicago, as well as many nieces and nephews. A memorial Mass will be held on Saturday, May 12 at 10:30 a.m. at the Loyola Academy Chapel in Wilmette. Memorial gifts to Jesuit International Missions or Loyola Academy may be made to USA Midwest Jesuits, 1010 N. Hooker St., Chicago, IL 60642. Visit www.jesuitsmidwest.org to read full obituary, sign guestbook, or make an online memorial gift.
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Cole, Arthur Alan
Arthur Alan Cole, deeply loved husband of Cookie "Ilene", nee Richards; devoted son of the late Shirley and Mannie Cole; adored brother to Joyce (the late Edgar) Stenn; cherished uncle of Harlan Stenn (Margaret Clark), Nancy Stenn and the late Susan Stenn; treasured cousin and exceptional friend. Chapel service Monday 12:15 PM at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Entombment Beth Shearim Mausoleum, Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Habitat for Humanity of Collier County and Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center For Cancer Research. For information, (847) 255-3520 or www.shalom2.com.

Shalom Memorial Funeral Home

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Colwell, Jr., Arthur R.
Arthur R. Colwell, Jr., 94, of Sun City, AZ passed



away April 28, 2018. He was born March 27, 1924 at Presbyterian Hospital, Chicago to Arthur R. Sr., M.D. and Jeanne Haskins. He had a sister, Betty (four children), brother, John (four children) and sister, Mary Ann (three children).
Art grew up playing music, including violin and jazz piano. He attended Northwestern University, graduating in 1945 with a B.S. and in 1947 with a B.M. He graduated from Northwestern University Medical School in 1948. He earned an MA in Physiology from University of Toronto in 1950. Art served as a Captain in the U.S. Army Hospital, Kyoto, Japan from 1951-53.
Art met Betty Jane Norton while doing his internship at Abington Memorial Hospital, PA. They married in September, 1948. Art and Bejay had four children: Christina J.(2 children), Arthur R. III (2 children), E.David (3 children) and Julia B. They lived in Wilmette, IL where Art maintained a private practice, served as an attending physician at Evanston Hospital, and was an Associate Professor of Medicine at Northwestern Medical School. Art's distinguished career included being a Fellow in the American College of Physicians and a Diplomate in the American Board of Internal Medicine
Art and Bejay moved to Sun City, AZ in 1979. Art established a successful practice with specialties in rheumatology and diabetes until he retired in 1993. Bejay died in March, 1998.
Art married Joyce Naylor in May, 1999. They moved into Royal Oaks Lifecare Community in October, 2006. Joyce died in November, 2014.
Art's greatest love was playing jazz piano, astonishing people with his amazing ability of playing just about any song by ear. From age 8 to just a few weeks before his death, he created jazz ensembles where he delighted in jamming with his fellow musicians.
Services will be held at 2:15 p.m. on Saturday, May 26, 2018 at Memorial Park Cemetery in Skokie, IL. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Arthur Colwell Scholarship at the Center for Musical Arts, 200 E. Baseline, Lafayette, CO, 80026.

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Conti, Caroline
Caroline Conti nee:Colletti, 96, beloved wife of the



late Carl D; loving mother of Camile (late Marvin Jr.) Husby, and Carl E. (Late Maudie); dear grandmother of Carl S., William A., Carla (Laddie) Peknik, Marvin III (Holly) and Elizabeth "Beth"; great grandmother of Kylie, William, Cameryn, Brooke, Gibson and Anthony; fond sister of the late Lucille Allegro and Josephine Tenuto. Funeral Monday 10:00 am from Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home 185 E Northwest Hwy, Palatine, Illinois. Mass 10:30 am Holy Family Church in Inverness. Entombment St. Joseph Cemetery. Visitation Sunday 4:00 to 9:00 pm. 847-359-8020 or Smithcorcoran.com
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Craney, Thomas '"Jeff"'
Thomas "Jeff" Craney 62, of Chicago, IL and a winter resident of Bonita Springs, FL completed his earthly journey peacefully and surrounded by love Wednesday, May 2, 2018 at his home in Florida after a valiant fight with cancer. He was born May 15, 1955 in Montgomery, IN a son of the late Thomas F. and Marjorie (nee Watson) Craney.



In 1973, Jeff graduated from Barr Reeve High School in Montgomery, IN and continued his education at Indiana State University where he received his Bachelor's degree in 1977.

He spent over 25 years with Owens Corning at various locations throughout the country ending his career as Vice President of Sales at the Toledo, OH World Headquarters location. He then joined Crane Company where he spent 10 years as President of the composites division located in Channahon, Illinois until his retirement in May 2017.

He was a loyal member of St. Raphael Catholic Church in Naperville, IL and a dedicated 4th degree member of the Knights of Columbus.

He is survived by his wife, Beverly J. Mellars-Craney of Chicago, IL, one son, Thomas M. Craney of Irvine, CA; one daughter, Hannah L. Lusk and her husband, Thomas of Chicago, IL; two brothers, Fred (Janice) Craney of Washington, IN and Tim Craney of Indianapolis, IN; three sisters, Linda (Arnold) Sussman of St. Louis, MO, Mary Ann (Mark) Walton of Bloomington, IN and Janet (Brad) Stiemel of Lake Mary, FL. As well as several nieces, nephews and great nieces/nephews.

A Memorial Mass will be held beginning at 10:30 AM on Saturday, May 19, 2018 at St. Raphael Catholic Church 1215 Modaff Rd., Naperville, IL 60540 A celebration of life gathering will follow at a location to be announced.

To sign his guest register or to leave online condolences please visit www.ShikanyFuneralHome.com.
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Day, Dwight 'Whitey O'Day'



Dwight Goodwin Day known to all as Whitey O'Day passed away peacefully on Saturday, April 21, 2018 at the age of 76. Born on February 23, 1942 in Chicago, he was the eldest of four children born to the late Cyril and Virginia Cole Day. Whitey attended Glenbrook High School and went on to graduate from the Academy of the New Church High School in Bryn Athyn, PA where he played baseball and football. He went on to earn a degree in Geography from Elmhurst College. Whitey held a wide variety of jobs until he found his true calling as a self-taught Irish folk singer. His musical career spanned well over 40 years and included opening for Tommy Makem at the Irish American Heritage Center. Whitey was well-known throughout Chicagoland and it wasn't uncommon for him to run into someone he knew wherever he went. In addition to being a loving father to his two daughters, Whitey was a fun-loving uncle with a larger-than-life personality and he was a kind-hearted friend to many. Whitey is survived by his wife of 24 years, Mary Flannery-Day, his beloved daughters Kaila and Deirdra, his sisters Donna Day Curcio (Christopher) and Karen Day Stoeller (Robert) and many nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his younger brother Elvin "Al" Day. A memorial service will be held on Thursday, May 17, 2018 at 5:00pm at the Glenview New Church, 74 Park Drive, Glenview, IL 60025. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made in Whitey's memory to support the music programs at Glenview New Church and School.Funeral information 847-998-1020.

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Deger, Kathleen M.



Kathleen M. Deger, 62, of Rolling Meadows. Born August 15, 1955 in Chicago, IL, passed away April 18, 2018. Beloved wife of Christopher L. Deger. Loving mother of Laura (Corey) Weinberg, John Deger, Kyle Deger and Katie (Will Marszalek) Deger. Dear sister of Patricia (John) Pindelski and Mary (Gerald) Olszewski. Fond aunt to many nieces and nephews. Retired St. Viator High School English and Communication Skills teacher. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the St. Viator High School Scholarship Fund, 1213 E. Oakton Street, Arlington Heights, IL 60004. Memorial Visitation Saturday, May 12, 2018 from 10:30 AM until time of Memorial Mass at 11:30 AM at St. Colette Church, 3900 Meadow Drive, Rolling Meadows. Interment will be private. 847-359-8020 or ww.smithcorcoran.com.

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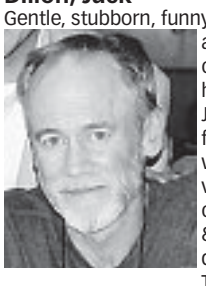
DiCinto, Vincenzo



Vincenzo DiCinto, Age 93. Beloved husband of Maria nee Perilli; loving father of Joseph, Maddalena (Al) Knorr and Rosalia (Joseph) Laria; Cherished grandpa of Alexandra, Stephanie, Brian, Joseph and the late Arianna. Caring brother of the late Angela Rose (the late Joseph) DiCiolla, the late Michele (the late Angela); Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers donations appreciated to St. Jude Children's Research www.stjudes.org or Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation. Visitation Sunday 4:00p.m. till 8:00 p.m. at The Oaks Funeral Home 1201 E. Irving Park Road (at Prospect), Itasca. Funeral Prayers Monday 9:15 a.m. at funeral home to Holy Ghost Church for Mass of Christian Burial 10:00 a.m. Entombment All Saints Mausoleum. Info 630.250.8588 or www.theoaksfh.com

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Dillon, Jack



Gentle, stubborn, funny, intellectually gifted, a loner and a crank; Jack's life was a conundrum of choices and he did it his way to the end.
Jack passed into eternal life following a lengthy struggle with lung disease. He is survived by his wife, Lauren and children Luke, Dana, Frank & Thomas. Jack was the eldest son of the late Bob and Therese (McDonough) Dillon and brother to Janet (Patrick), Bob, Caryl, Mark and David (Lori). Stepson of Peg Dillon and stepbrother of Janet Sullivan (Jerry), Peggy Lanagan (Mark), James Hogg (Debby) and Kevin Hogg.
Jack attended Loyola Academy, Deerfield High School and Regis College. During school breaks and after, he worked for the City of Chicago driving snowplows, garbage trucks and asphalt trucks. Those experiences helped weave some of his best stories – many of which morphed into historical fiction over time. Regardless of friends and family contradicting his facts, he remained steadfast in his version to the end!
Jack went on to work at the Merchandise Mart in the family carpet business.
Jack believed in God and prayer and genuinely believed "everything will work out the way it's supposed to." Godspeed Jack! You were loved and will be missed. A memorial is planned for June 23rd at St. Thomas More, 215 Thomas More Drive, Elgin, IL. Visitation will begin at 9:30 a.m. A Mass in celebration of Jack's life will begin at 10:30 a.m. Additional details can be found at Legacy.com
In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in memory of Jack Dillon to The Association for Individual Development, 1135 Bowes Road, Elgin, IL 60123.

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Durham, Clarice D.



Clarice D. Durham, 98, educator, arts patron, social activist, philanthropist, and world traveler died peacefully in her Chicago home on April 20. Beloved wife of the late Richard Durham; loving mother of Mark (Octavia) Durham; grandmother of Malaika (Sean) Durham Tyson and Maya (Ivan) Durham Rayner; great-grandmother of Justin and Cameron Tyson; cherished aunt of many nieces and nephews; and devoted friend to many. Preceded in death by parents Robert and Clara Mae Williams Davis, sister Marguerite Davis and brothers Warner, Robert, and Charles Davis. A celebration of her life will be held Saturday, May 19. Prepast 12:30 pm, memorial service at 2:00 pm at **A.A. Rayner & Sons Funeral Home**, 318 E. 71st St., Chicago, IL. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to eta Creative Arts Foundation, DuSable Museum of African American History, Vivian Harsh Collection of the Chicago Public Library, Mary Herrick Scholarship Fund and the Chicago Alliance Against Racist and Political Repression.

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Egan, Jr., Thomas Joseph



Thomas Joseph Egan, Jr., of South Elgin, cherished husband for 59 years of Patricia, nee Burke; loving Dad of Tom (Chris), Chris (Tom) Sendzik and Lynda (Roger) Kotalik; dear Papa of 9 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren; fond brother of John (Marge), Kathy (late Jack) Rohde and the late Mary Ellen (late Melcom) Staggs; beloved son of the late Thomas, Sr. and Lucille. Visitation Sunday 2:00 pm - 8:00 pm at the Countryside Funeral Home and Crematory 950 South Bartlett Rd. (at Stearns Rd.) Bartlett. Funeral Monday 10:00 am at the funeral home. Interment Queen of Heaven. (630) 289-7575.

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Empfield, Mary Corby

Mary Corby Empfield, age 77, of Chicago, IL, passed away in Skokie, IL, after her second battle with cancer, on May 3, 2018, while in the attentive care of her cherished and dearly loved life partner, Richard J. Bunn. Mary was born on November 2, 1940, in Pittsburgh, PA, and moved to Evanston, IL, as a child with her family, where she grew up and resided for many years. Mary was a lifelong learner, avid reader and movie buff, and she also loved to crochet, knit and sew. Mary was socially conscious and passionate about civil rights and earned a Master of Social Work in '93 from the Jane Addams College of Social Work, University of Illinois at Chicago, where she majored in gerontology. In addition to working at the Council for Jewish Elderly for over 15 years, she also volunteered to deliver meals to seniors in her free time. Mary managed patient care for United Healthcare, worked with dialysis patients and the mentally ill in other positions, and volunteered to work with AIDs patients at a time when many others would not. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Fort Dearborn Chapter, Evanston, and was a proud mother, grandmother and great-grandmother.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, James and Helen, nee Walker; brother, William Empfield; daughter, Celia (Marcus); grandson, Logan Bethard; and good friend, Cheryl Gardner. Mary is survived by her life partner and dear friend, Richard J. Bunn, and his daughter, Shara Phillips, and grandson, Max Phillips-Freeman; her daughters, Holly (Dan) Kemble and Nancy McLaughlin (Joel Schwartz); grandchildren, Lauren McLaughlin (David Quinn), Jillian (Adam) Gross, and Alexandra, Tyler (Taylor Rae), Dillon, Madeline, Natalie, Francesca, Josephine, Hayden, and Isabel Bethard; great-grandchildren, Rosslyn Gross, Christian Quinn, and Logan Ray Bethard; brothers, John (Mary), David, and Bruce Empfield; nephews, David Calle, Daimon, James and John (Claire) Empfield; cousins, Michael and Thomas (Emily) Rogers, Anne and Ian Nesbitt; Cheryl Gardner's daughter, Jennifer Lowe; Daimon's mother, Maureen Empfield; and good friend, Donna Fairbanks.

She stayed connected with, and cared very much about, all the friends she made where she worked over the years, and those who knew her are not surprised that her favorite song was Frank Sinatra's "My Way."

Services are private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The Council for Jewish Elderly, 3003 W. Touhy Ave., Chicago, IL, 60645; Advocate Charitable Foundation, 3075 Highland Pkwy., Suite 600, Downers Grove, IL, 60515; or a breast cancer organization of your choice. Info: 847.673.6111 or www.habenfuneral.com.

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Erickson, Peter



Peter Erickson, 66, of Lincoln Square and Rogers Park; writer, pop-culturist, collector and specialist of rare and vintage books and vinyl, former longtime employee and denizen at the recently-shuttered Bookleggers on Broadway; raised in Bethpage, NY; B.A. in Biology from Dowling College; passed away unexpectedly April 26, 2018. Beloved partner and best friend of forty years to Sally Duros; dear brother of Edmund (Elizabeth) Erickson, John "Jack" Erickson, and Cathy (Russell) Ritzer; loving uncle of Christopher, Karen, Jennifer, and Gabrielle; great-uncle of five; dear family friend of James and Mary Duros. Nephew, cousin, friend, and mentor of many. Celebration of Life pending. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in his name to Rotaplast International, http://rotaplast.org/. Arrangements by **Cremation Society of Illinois**, 773-281-5058 or www.cremation-society.com.

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Ferraro D.V.M., Cosimo

Cosimo Ferraro, D.V.M, passed away at age 95 on May 4th, 2018, affectionately known as "Cutts" to his family, he was simply "Doc" to his friends. His long life was filled with many accomplishments that he often accredited to his unwavering faith in the teachings of the Catholic Church. He was born in Guelph, Ontario Canada, and knew early on that he wanted to spend his life caring for animals. A 1947 graduate of the Ontario Veterinary College, Cosimo always said that veterinary medicine was not only a vocation but an avocation! After graduation, he launched his career by boarding a train in Guelph to explore the world and finally landed in Chicago. Once here, he broadened his work in several animal hospitals as well as the Chicago Stock Yards.
Cosimo opened his first animal hospital after falling in love and joining forces with a pretty young girl at a YMCA dance. In many ways, they were opposites -- he was tall and dark, she was a petite blond with sparkling green eyes. Together, they formed a very dynamic team! Married in 1953, they soon settled in Oak Park. Cosimo went on to own two more successful practices while nurturing a growing family of six children. He was also very active in the American, Illinois State and Chicago Veterinary Medical Associations and The Knights of Columbus reaching the level of Grand Knight, as well as serving his community through his local parish.
Left to honor Cosimo and remember his love include Dolores, his wife of 65 years; his six children -- Susan Ferraro, Christopher Ferraro (Angie), Carolyn Ferraro, Peter Ferraro, Helene Ferraro Harlovic (Rick) and Cosmo Ferraro; his three beloved grandsons -- Trinian Donohoe, Matthew Harlovic and Peter Harlovic; and his many beloved nieces and nephews.
The Ferraro family will greet friends and family Monday May 7, 2018 from 5-9 P.M. at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home (Anthony P. Cappetta & Son, Directors)** 10501 W. Cermak Rd. (two blocks west of Mannheim Rd.) Westchester, IL. Funeral Tuesday May 8, at 9 A.M. from the funeral home to Ascension Catholic Church, 808 S East Ave, Oak Park, IL. for a 9:45 A.M. Funeral Mass. Entombment private. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made in Cosimo's name to The Knights of Columbus or the Chicago Veterinary Medical Foundation. Info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L

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Fiedor, Leonard



Leonard J. Fiedor, age 90, U.S. Army veteran of Korean War. Devoted father of Karen Ross. Loving grandfather of Guy Jr., Kyle, Kailey, Kristopher and great grandfather of MacKenzie. Dearest brother of 5 deceased siblings. Thirty years of service with Sweetheart Cup Corp. Memorial visitation Saturday, May 12th, 1030 AM until time of service 1230 PM at the Palos-Gaidas Funeral Home, 11028 Southwest Hwy. (7700W) Palos Hills. Express your thoughts and memories in the online Guest Book at www.palosgaidasfh.com (708) 974 4410 with funeral home logo

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Filas, Kathleen A.

Kathleen Ann Filas, age 64 of Naperville, passed away peacefully May 2, 2018 after a nine-year battle with Alzheimer's Disease. Kathleen was beloved by her partner Katharine M. Hay and Katharine's children, Maggie Easley and Daniel Easley, Cherished Daughter of the late Edward P. and Charlotte A. Filas (nee Ackerman), Dear sister of Joseph E. (Susan Shepard) Filas, Fond aunt of Stephanie R. Filas, Joseph D. (Brooke) Filas and Elizabeth N. Filas, Great aunt of Tressa, Kaeley, Nina and Gigi. She will be greatly missed by her many friends and extended tribe. Kathleen was passionate about social causes and action. She was a founder of Youth Outlook, the social service agency for LGBT+ youth, worked with DWAR/YWCA as a Rape Crisis Counselor, was active in Take Back the Night raising awareness of domestic violence and sexual assault. Pursuing her love for the outdoors and nature, Kathleen owned and operated K Fossils and Minerals in Glen Ellyn. Family and friends to gather for a celebration of Kathleen's life later this summer. Arrangements by **DuPage Memorial Chapel**. 951 W. Washington St., West Chicago, IL. (630) 293-5200

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Foote, Bernard Peter

Bernard was born in Illinois Central Hospital, Chicago, Illinois to Peter Foote and Gertrude (Quinn) on July 18, 1930. He passed away on April 24, 2018. Bernard, known to his friends and family as "Barney," is survived by his sisters Mary Jane (Couture), Gertrude "Trudie" (Riordan), Alice (Cloonan), Patricia (Davis), his children Brian, Margaret "Margie" (Richard) Balocca, Kevin (Ann), and Michael (Terry), his grandchildren Colleen (Justin) Powell, Gregory (Elizabeth), Laura, Louis, Julianne, and great-grandchildren Mia and Rory Powell and many nieces and nephews. Barney is preceded in death by his wife Bridget "Bridie" (Mulligan), his parents Peter and Gertrude, his brothers Peter, John "Jack," Gregory, Michael, and sisters Marie, Irene (Jones), Laura (Sister Mary Maud, O.S.B.), and Frances. He attended high school at Chicago's St. Ignatius College Prep and studied chemistry at Loyola University. He was a proud veteran of the U.S. Air Force during the Korean conflict. As a member of the Operating Engineers Local 150 for over 35 years, Barney helped construct the foundations for both the Hancock Building and the Sears Tower in Chicago. During his retirement, Barney began driving a bus for the School Town of Munster. A devoted baseball fan, he spent many Sunday afternoons at Comiskey Park with his wife and children watching the White Sox play. Barney's father Peter, a founding member of the Grand Beach community in Michigan, built a large estate for his family on the golf course. He also provided the new fire house with its first fire engine in 1930.
A memorial Mass for Barney will be celebrated by Father Steve Kosinski on Saturday, May 19 at 10:00 am at St. Andrew the Apostle Church, 768 Lincoln Ave., Calumet City, IL with a luncheon directly following. In lieu of flowers, the family respectfully requests that you consider a donation to the American Lung Association at http://www.lung.org/ or 55 West Wacker Drive, Chicago, IL 60601, (312) 781-1100. **Burns-Kish Funeral Home** has been entrusted with the arrangements (219-836-5000). Please visit www.burnskish.com.

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Foreman, Patricia Heleyne

Patricia Heleyne Foreman Nee Stelton, 58 years, passed quietly at home with her family on April 30, 2018. Beloved wife of Bradley Foreman; mother of Sean, Carson and Charlie; sister of Robin Stelton Towner (Daniel), and the late John Stelton; sister-in-law of Karen Grollo Morris (Irwin), Daughter of the late Frank and Heleyne Stelton, daughter-in-law of Jack and the late Toby Foreman. Patti was a much loved aunt of Hailey Towner Enriquez (Cesar) and Jordyn Grollo, and great aunt of Lyla and Ryder Enriquez. Patti was blessed with a large, loving extended family of cousins, and dear friends.

Patti was born and raised in Brookfield, IL and attended Northern Illinois University. Patti and Brad made their home in Oak Park 28 years ago where they raised their sons. Patti taught at St. Mary's in Riverside and at Lincoln Elementary in Oak Park. She was an advocate for early childhood learning and a much respected and loved member of the Lincoln School community. Her patience and understanding made taking chances and learning fun and rewarding. She was a devoted mother and wife and spent years raising her sons and being a source of support and assistance to their friends and the Oak Park community.

Patti loved and had a talent for art and music. She was a gifted teacher and was inspirational to her students. Her ability to foster creativity in her students was well respected. She was always supportive of the efforts of others and encouraged others to do and be their best.

A Celebration Of Life will take place in late May. In lieu of flowers please make contributions to the Melanoma Research Foundation.

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Geurkink, Jean Lillian

Obituary for Jean Lillian (Gustafson) Geurkink



Jean Lillian (Gustafson) Geurkink passed away May 2, 2018 after a courageous battle with metastatic melanoma. While surrounded by family and loved ones, our Lord welcomed her to her eternal home.

Jean was born on the South Side of Chicago June 28, 1933, the daughter of John and Vera (Lovegren) Gustafson, and sister of older brother Donald. She attended Chicago Christian High, where she met her beloved husband Bob and they began their nearly 70 year relationship.

She attended both North Park and Wheaton College, graduating Summa Cum Laude from Wheaton in 1954. She taught Jr. High English in Blue Island, Illinois in addition to many philanthropic roles she played throughout her life. She became a currency trader on the International Monetary Market at the Chicago Mercantile Exchange in its formation. She culminated her career as an Addictions Counselor at New Day Center in Hinsdale for over a decade.

She and Bob raised their daughters in Hinsdale, and chose Hinsdale Covenant as their church home. Jean loved singing in choirs, baking for others, and was a pure light in this world. Her faith was central in her life — she was filled with beauty, grace and generosity with an open heart for everyone.

She is survived by her husband Bob, and her four daughters including Linda (Jim) DeGrado, Susan (Bill) Leonhard, Roberta (David) Southard, and Laurel (Bob) Carignan. Additionally, she was blessed with nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren, all of whom treasured their relationship with their "Mimi".

The Celebration of Life service will be held at 10:00 am Friday, May 18, 2018 at Hinsdale Covenant Church, 412 S. Garfield Ave, Hinsdale, IL, 60521. Internment will be at Bronswood Cemetery for immediate family only. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent in her name to Wynscape Rehabilitation Center, 2180 W. Manchester Rd., Wheaton, IL, 60187.

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Gill, John J.

John J. Gill, age 68, beloved son of the late Patrick and Grace Gill nee O'Brien; cherished brother of Patrick (Patricia) and Eileen (Paul) Cahill; loving uncle of Kristen, Brian, Colleen, Maureen (Grahem) Gill-Emerson, Conor (Marie) Cahill and Kevin (Jenna) Cahill; playful great-uncle of Cianan, Ruadhan and Deaglan Gill-Emerson, Brennan and Liam Cahill. John was a long time Educator/Administrator in Archdiocese of Chicago and Chicago Public Schools. Proud member of the Irish Fellowship Club and The Irish American Heritage Center. He was a lover of all things Irish. Visitation Sunday, May 6, from 3 to 8 pm at **Nelson Funeral Home**, 820 Talcott Rd., Park Ridge. Monday, May 7, relatives and friends may meet at St. Tarcissus Church, 6030 W. Ardmore Ave., Chicago for 10 am Mass of Christian Burial. Interment Maryhill Cemetery. For more info www.nelsonfunerals.com or 847-823-5122.

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Gornick, Stella

Stella (Estelle) Gornick, age 92, of Oak Lawn, Illinois, died Saturday, April 21, 2018 at Dammert Geriatric Center in Belleville, Illinois. She was born on May 4th, 1925, in Chrystal Falls, Michigan, the daughter of the late Charles and Angeline (Franz) Kacala. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Gornick, six sisters and two brothers. She is survived by a brother, John Kacala, and a sister, Karen (Sam) Hladyshewsky, many nieces, nephews, great nieces, and great nephews. A memorial service will be at 11AM Friday, May 11, at Resurrection Cemetery, 7201 Archer Rd. Justice, IL. Friends should meet in the main parking lot at the cemetery.

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Gross, Carl F.

Carl F. Gross passed peacefully on April 23, 2018, at the age of 90. Devoted husband to Candace Dickinson Gross for 44 years; loving father to Steven (Susan), John (Laurie), Scott (Amanda) and Neil; proud grandfather to Braden, Ellie, Gavin, Kate, Abby, Kendall and Bobby.



He was ahead of his time as a strong yet sensitive man. As a husband, a father, a grandfather or a friend, he was direct, strong and steadfast, yet never afraid to show his emotions. Carl was a proud man with resolute convictions, but not too proud to admit a mistake. He was always able to show understanding and empathy for others' views. He lived his life by the Golden Rule and taught those he loved to do likewise.

A celebration of his life will be held Saturday, June 2, from 3:00-6:00 P.M. at the Lake Hinsdale Village Clubhouse, 1 Clubhouse Drive, Willowbrook. Memorials in Carl's honor may be made to the charity of your choice.

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Haberkorn, Timothy Joseph

Age 36. Loving husband of Shannon (nee Burke). Devoted son of Robert and Kathleen (nee Dixon) Haberkorn. Loving brother of Robert (Kerry) and Peter (Elizabeth) Haberkorn. Cherished uncle of Audrey, Robby, Molly, Cecee, Mae, Nina, Greta, Lia, and Chloe. Proud grandson of the late John and Pearl Haberkorn, and the late Willard and Celeste Dixon. Kind godfather of Robby and Cecee. Dear son-in-law of Thomas and Barbara Burke. Fond brother-in-law of Heather (David) Scheidt, Thomas (Katie) Burke, Katie (Ryan) Johnston. Treasured nephew of many, cousin to 33 and friend to many. Tim's pal Mac. Visitation Monday 3-9 p.m. Funeral Tuesday 9:15 a.m. from the **Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Home**, 9000 W. 151st Street, Orland Park, IL to Our Lady of the Woods Church, Mass 10:00 a.m. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, contributions to Melanoma Research Foundation, P. O. Box 759329, Baltimore, MD 21275-9329 would be appreciated. www.sheehyfh.com 708-857-7878

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Healey, Anges T.

Agnes T. Healey, nee Skahill, 91, beloved wife of 61 years to the late Edward W. Healey; loving mother of Mary Ann West, Edward (Ellen) Healey, Patrick Healey, John (Mary Ellen) Healey and the late Cheryl Stein; cherished grandmother and great grandmother to many ; dear sister to her late eight siblings. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Sisters of Charity BVM, 1100 Carmel Drive, Dubuque, IA 52003. Interment is private. 847-359-8020 or www.smithcorcoran.com

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Heger, John

John F. Heger, 53; cherished son of John T. Jr. and the Late Marilyn nee Vogt; loving brother of Catherine (Chuck) Miller, William T (Doris) and the late Robert T; cherished uncle of Miranda Rae and Charles Jakob (CJ) Miller; dear nephew of Kathleen Vogt; Funeral Monday 9:30 AM from **Gibbons Family Funeral Home** 5917 W. Irving Park RD (1/2 Block East of Austin) to St. Pascal Church. Mass 10 AM. Interment Maryhill Cemetery. Visitation Sunday 2-8 PM. In lieu of flowers, your thoughts and prayers will be appreciated. For info 773-777-3944 or www.GFFH.com

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Hendrickson, Mary Louise

Mary Louise (Scanlon) Hendrickson, age 97, born in Chicago on the 4th of July; of La Grange Park, formerly of Oak Brook; beloved wife of the late William F. Hendrickson; loving mother of William (Melissa) and Susan (Timothy) Isabel; devoted "Nana" of Andrew (Alana) and Matthew; beloved "Gigi" to Zoe; dear sister-in-law to Betty Jean Stroup; devoted friend of Barbara Brandt; fond aunt of many. She graduated from Parker High School in Chicago and attended the University of Chicago. She was the first Female moderator at the First Congregational Church of La Grange. Devoted her life to her family and many friends. A world traveler with her late husband, William. She loved to entertain, read and play golf. A Celebration of Life Service will be held on Saturday, June 9, 1:00 pm in Dole Hall at Plymouth Place, 315 N. LaGrange Rd., La Grange Park, IL 60526. Family request that wearing red, white and blue attire is encouraged. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to Plymouth Place in La Grange Park or Hinsdale Humane Society. **Hallowell & James Funeral Home** in Countryside is assisting the family. Service info:(708) 352-6500 or www.hjfunerals.com



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Hladilek, Evelyn J.

Evelyn J. Hladilek, nee Herig, of Westchester, age 93. Beloved wife of the late Paul; loving mother of JoAnn (late Ronald) Rajsky, Robert and the late Alan Hladilek; proud grandmother of the late Kimberly Rajsky and the late Tracey (Brad) Powell; great-grandmother of Carson and Hudson Powell; dear sister of the late Helen (George) Sliva; loving aunt of Nancy (Robert) Burns. Evelyn died peacefully on the 27th of April. She lived a life of compassion and kindness. Entombment private. Memorials to the American Heart Association (www.heart.org) appreciated. Arrangements entrusted to **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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Huizenga, Peter H.

Peter H. Huizenga, age 79, of Oak Brook, Illinois died on Wednesday, May 2nd, and was received into glory by his Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. He was the loving husband of his cherished wife, Heidi of 50 years. Peter loved his children; Betsy (Dave) Bradley, Greta Huizenga, Peter Jr. (Abby) Huizenga, and Tim Huizenga. His 10 grandchildren include Elizabeth, Matthew, William and Michael Bradley; Soleil and Noah Huizenga Giesen, and Hally, Hope, Peter III "Tripp" and Hannah Huizenga. Peter also had four siblings: Sue Kanis, Virginia "Ginger" Jurries, John Charles "J.C." Huizenga, and the late Elizabeth "B.J." Buntrock.



Peter Huizenga was born in a Dutch community outside Chicago in 1939, to a family of garbage haulers. As a child during summers he worked on a garbage truck from 2 a.m. until noon each day. It's this background where he learned the value of hard work and the power of friendship, faith and determination.

After graduating from Hope College, he was a Captain in the US Army Reserve and then attended the University of Illinois Law School. Huizenga practiced law at the firm of Hlustik, Huizenga, Williams and VanderWoude. In 1968 Peter joined his family's garbage business, which evolved into Waste Management Inc. and became a Fortune 500 company. At Waste Management he served as a Director for thirty years, held various officer roles and helped take the company public in 1972. Waste Management was the largest waste disposal company in the world. Peter was an early investor in Blockbuster Video and many other businesses. He was very active with Big Shoulders Fund, Timothy Christian Schools, Christ Church of Oak Brook, Trinity Christian College, Elim Christian Services, Hope College, Boy Scouts of America, and many other organizations.

Of his father, PJ Huizenga said: "I am incredibly fortunate to have had a mentor, friend and father all in the same man. He loved his family, faith and making a difference in people's lives through philanthropy and business pursuits".

Visitation will be held at Christ Church of Oak Brook, 501 Oak Brook Road, Oak Brook, IL 60523 on Monday, May 7 from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. with a Memorial Service at Christ Church of Oak Brook at 3 p.m. on Tuesday, May 8th.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial gift would be greatly appreciated to Timothy Christian School, in Elmhurst, IL http://www.timothychristian.com/donate/ or Christ Church of Oak Brook, IL at https://cc-ob.org/opportunitiestogive

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Keil, Mary F.

Mary F. Keil, age 89, of Chicago passed away April 30, 2018 due to Cancer. Beloved wife of 66 years to James J. "JJ" Keil; cherished mother of James J., Jr. (Ruth Ann Ancherholz), Jeffrey John, Kathryn M., Matthew David (Karen Shipe), Eric W. (Grace Fujiwara) and Sara E. Rogers (Chris); fond grandmother of Emily, Evan, Jeffrey ("JJ"), Jack, Natalie and Sophia. Mary was one of 10 children and she is survived by her sisters, Margaret, Frances, Stella and Rose. Mary was an active member of St. Clement Parish where she took care of the plants for the last 8 years and also greeted new parishioners on the Welcoming & Hospitality Committee. Visitation will be from 4-9 PM on Monday, May 7, 2018 at **Lakeview Funeral Home**, 1458 W. Belmont Avenue in Chicago. The family will join friends for Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30 AM on Tuesday at St. Clement Church, 642 W. Deming Place in Chicago. Interment at All Saints Cemetery in Des Plaines. Info - 773-472-6300 or www.LakeviewFuneralHome.com. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in Mary's name may be made to Lakeview Pantry at www.LakeviewPantry.org/donate.

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Kelley, Jeanne Ellen

Jeanne Ellen Kelley, nee Rockrohr, age 85, of Bluffton, SC passed away Saturday, January 13, 2018 at Coastal Carolina Hospital. Jeanne was born on December 29, 1932 in Blue Island, IL, the daughter of the late Lester and Hermine Rockrohr. She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Gene R. Kelley. She is survived by her daughters, Pamela (William) Wolske of Bluffton, SC and Sandra (Leonard) Wcislo of Hickory Hills, IL; grandchildren, Abigail (Danny Jay) Akins, Lindsay (Gregory) Parr and Zachary Wcislo; and great-grandchild Aleigha Rose Akins. She is also survived by brothers, Thomas Rockrohr, David Rockrohr, John Rockrohr, and sisters, Lou Anne "Mitzie" Lumbert and Susan Thorne Miller, as well as many nieces and nephews. Brothers, Lester "Red" Rockrohr, James Rockrohr, and Edward Rockrohr, and sisters, Donna Westerhausen and Karen Schaitel also preceded her in death. A Memorial Service will take place on Saturday, May 26, 2018 at 11:00 a.m., at All Saints Lutheran Church, 13350 S. LaGrange Rd., Orland Park, IL, with small reception immediately following. Express your thoughts and condolences at colonialchapel.com 708-532-5400

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Kennedy, Peter William

Kennedy, Peter William passed away on Thursday, April 26, 2018. Loving husband of Maria/Sonia, (Maria Corazon Guibao) for 31 years; devoted son of Evanne and the late James; brother to Bonnie (David) Matthews; brother-in-law to the Guibao siblings. Beloved uncle and loyal friend. He attended St. Catherine of Genoa (1970); Marian Catholic H.S. (1974); and MVCC. He worked at Acme Steel for 30 years. He will be missed by all who knew him. Services: There will be a memorial mass at Holy Redeemer Church in Evergreen Park on Friday, May 11th at 10:30 a.m. In lieu of flowers, Sonia can accept donations which she will then make in Peter's name to benefit Philippine children at The Sisters of Mary Schools in Cebu, Philippines.

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Kluever, Gary Herman

Gary Herman Kluever of Northbrook, beloved husband of Geraldine "Jeri" (nee Poad) for 60 years, passed away peacefully on March 21, 2018.



Gary was born in Peoria, IL on September 1, 1936 to Herman A. Kluever and Claribel (Van Osdol) Kluever. He is survived by his wife, Jeri, his sweetheart of more than 60 years, sons David (Lisa) and Brian (Claire) and daughter Cynthia (Peter Warnes), and brother Jack (Judy) of Pekin. Gary was a doting, loving and devoted grandfather to all of his adoring grandchildren: Bradley, Erik, Meredith, Ryan, Brett and Emma Kluever and Brandon and Natalie Warnes.

Gary attended Pekin Community High School, class of 1954 where he was active in student government and was an outstanding athlete as captain of the football team and also selected as all-state, sectional wrestling champion in the heavyweight class, and set several records in track.

Gary had a lifelong love of music. He was a member of the Pekin Community High School A Cappella Choir as well as a quartet. He sang baritone as a member of the renowned Pekin Barbershop Chorus which placed 2nd in 1962, 1st in 1963 and 1st in 1968 in international competition.

He attended Northwestern University, Class of 1958, where he played varsity football and was a member of Sigma Chi fraternity serving as chapter president. After graduation, Gary returned to Pekin, Illinois and began his career in insurance and real estate. Gary, Jeri and their family relocated to Northbrook, Illinois in 1968 where Jeri continues to reside.

Gary was a caring, understanding and compassionate individual always willing to help others in need or less fortunate. He left an indelible mark on those whose lives he touched. He developed a love of horses at a young age which evolved into a passion for farming. For decades Gary owned Quarter horses, Belgian horses, and a herd of pure bred Black Angus cattle. In addition he was a collector of antique cars, tractors, trucks and fire engines.

A celebration of Gary's life will be held Saturday May 12, 2018 at the Gorton Community Center located at 400 E. Illinois Rd., Lake Forest, IL. A service will be held from 3:00 - 3:30 pm followed by an open house celebration from 3:30 – 6:00 pm.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Gary Kluever's memory to support the "Alzheimer's Disease Research and Education Fund" through the "Cognitive Neurology and Alzheimer's Disease Center" (CNADC) at Northwestern University.

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Koppes, Diane Lee

Diane Lee Koppes (nee Ross), age 79, beloved wife of the late Thomas L. Koppes. Loving mother of Shawn (Mike) Prinos, Sheryl (Moe) Martinez, Thomas and Ryan. Cherished grandmother of Christopher, Emily and Andrea. Friends and family are invited to attend a celebration of life on Saturday, May 19 from 1:00 to 4:30 p.m. at River Run Clubhouse, 100 River Run Court, Oswego, Illinois, 60543.

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Kosek, Anne

Anne Kosek, nee O'Halloran, of Westchester, age 89. Beloved wife of Bruno S.; loving mother of Steven (Joy) and Rosanne (Bradley) van Thorre; proud grandmother of Desiree; dear sister and aunt to many. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd.) on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 from 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. with a Chapel Service at 6:00 p.m. Interment private. Memorials to American Heart Association (www.heart.org) appreciated. For further into 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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Lentini, Soula 'Sue'

Soula "Sue" Lentini, at rest May 2, 2018. Beloved wife of Anthony Lentini. Loving mother of Deborah (Anton) Marano and Jennifer Riva. Step-mother of the late Aimee Lentini. Dear sister of Maria (Dominic) Fucone, JoAnne (Nick) Willming and the late Dena Dounias. Devoted grandmother of Mia, Anton and Gianluca Marano. Visitation Tuesday May 8th from 3 to 8 pm at Adolf Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Ltd. 7000 S. Madison St; Willowbrook. Funeral service Wednesday May 9th, prayers 10:30 at the funeral home proceeding to St. John of the Cross Church for Mass 11:15 am. Interment: Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Memorials to St. Jude's Childrens Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105 or www.stjude.org/donate. Service information: 630-325-2300 or www.adolfservices.com

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Lew, Clarence '"Whitie"'

Age 86. Beloved husband of 64 years to Patricia (nee Raley). Devoted father of Michael (Kim), the late Steven, Laurie (Tim) Clock, Suzie Page, Patty (Don), James (Aneta), and David (Kate). Proud grandfather of Christina, Shannon, Vanessa, Michael, Jill, Lauren, Lindsay, Madison, and Olivia. Adored great grandfather. Preceded in death by his parents, Leon and Alexandra (nee Lesniewski) and brothers Ralph (Dorothy), Don, and Alan (Anna Marie). Kind uncle of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Wednesday 4:00 to 9:00 pm. Funeral service Thursday 11:00 am at the Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Home, 9000 W. 151st Street, Orland Park, IL. Interment private. Clarence was a retired photographer, volunteer firefighter, and part time policeman.
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Lillie Sr., William

Beloved husband Mary L. (the late Ed Lorenz) and the late Dolores (nee Morrison). Loving father of Susan (Michael) Swegle, Laura (Richard) Wirth, Thomas (Kathleen), William Jr., Mary (Mark) Jackowiak, Dolores (Vernon) Scholl, John (Mary Lou), Ann (Richard) Blackburn and step father of the Late Mary Lorenz, Bill (Linda) Lorenz, the late Karen Cleary, Patrick (Terri) Lorenz, Tom (Somer) Lorenz and John (Jolene) Lorenz. Proud grandpa of 26. Adored great grandpa of 11. Dear brother of Larry (Susan) Lillie and Mary Therese (John) Thornton. Fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Tuesday 3:00 to 9:00 pm. Funeral Wednesday 10:00 am from the Robert J. Sheehy & Sons Funeral Home, 9000 W. 151st Street, Orland Park, IL, to St. Michael Church, Mass 10:45 am. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to WFMT Radio, 5400 N. St. Louis Ave., Chicago, IL 60625 and/or GiGi's Playhouse Quad Cities, 3906 38th Ave., Moline, IL 61265 would be appreciated.
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Lorenz, Charles W.

Charles W. Lorenz, 77, of Des Plaines was born May 29, 1940 in Chicago to John and Alma (nee Voegel) Lorenz and passed away May 3, 2018. Charles was the beloved husband, for 58 years, of Maryann (nee Avena) Lorenz; loving brother of Arlene Miller, Robert Lorenz and the late Jack Lorenz. Dear uncle of many nieces and nephews. Charles was a proud veteran of the United States Army. Visitation will be Monday, May 7, 2018 from 10:00 AM until the time of the funeral service 1:00 PM at **Oehler Funeral Home**, 2099 Miner Street (Northwest Hwy. Rt.14 at Rand Road), Des Plaines. Interment will be in All Saints Cemetery. For information, please call 847-824-5155 or visit oehlerfuneralhome.com

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Macomber, Judith Mason

Judith died January 5, 2018. She leaves three daughters and a glowing legacy of artwork. A memorial service will be held May 20th in Ann Arbor, MI. For full obit and memorial details, please visit: www.niefuneralhomes.com/obituaries/Judith-Macomber/

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Maier, Patricia Ann

Patricia Ann Maier, age 67 of Glen Ellyn, passed away peacefully May 3, 2018 after a long battle with Alzheimers. Beloved wife of Wayne Maier. Loving mother of Paul (Beth) Parpet, Paulette (Kevin) Emanuel, and Patrese Parpet. Cherished daughter of Jack and Thérèse Moran. Fond grandmother of Alyssa, Emily, Haley, and Jake. Dear sister of Terry, J.P. II, Catherine, Robert, Margaret, and Nancy. Fond aunt to many nieces and nephews. Patricia enjoyed a successful career as a wardrobe stylist and seamstress for many Chicago production companies and photographers. Family and friends to gather Saturday, May 12, 2018 for 9AM memorial visitation until time of memorial mass 9:45AM at St. James the Apostle Catholic Church. 480 S Park Blvd, Glen Ellyn. In lieu of flowers, please consider donations to the Alzheimers Association at alz.org.



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Mastro, Jr., Peter Martin

Peter Martin Mastro, Jr. 64, of Carol Stream, passed away on May 2, 2018. Beloved husband of 44 years of Candace (Christopherson) Mastro. Loving father of Jessica (Justin) Wegrzyn and Melissa Mastro. Proud grandfather of Madelynn, Ema and Andrew Wegrzyn. Dearest brother of Christine (Michael) Katz, Thomas and Joseph (Darlene) Mastro. Fond brother-in-law of John and Cheryl Halderson. Loving uncle and great-uncle to many nephews and nieces. Peter was preceded in death by his loving parents Peter and Eileen Mastro. A celebration of Peter's life will be held Saturday, May 12, 2018 at **Heritage Presbyterian Church**, 965 Kuhn Road, Carol Stream, IL, 60188. Visitation will begin at 1:00 PM with a memorial service at 3:00 PM. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to **Heritage Presbyterian Church**.

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McCarthy, Marilyn R

Marilyn R. McCarthy, 89, passed away peacefully March 26, 2018. Beloved wife of the late John R. McCarthy. Adoring sister to John "Jack" Allen, Marilyn Fullmer, and dearest Mary (Fred) Ware. Loving mother of Michael McCarthy and Maura (Donald) Olsen. Proud grandma of Shana and Matthew McCarthy, John Cody, and Nicholas Olsen. Beloved by many nieces and nephews. Caring friend to many past and present. Marilyn loved her woman's groups and had a talent for sewing. Forever beautiful, with impeccable style, and love for fashion. Memorials can be made to Rainbow Hospice www.rainbowhospice.org. Services private, per Marilyn's request.

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McConachie, John W.

John W. McConachie, age 97, passed away peacefully at home, beloved husband of the late Shirley, for over 62 years; loving father of John Jr (Christine), James (Judi), Paulette (Tim) Moen and Robert (Pamela) McConachie and the late Kristine (the late Ron) Quisling; proud grandfather of 14 and great-grandfather of 14; cherished son of the late Alexander and the late Elsie McConachie. John served in the Navy during WWII as a Naval pilot. After the war, he married Shirley Dewar in 1945. He restarted his career in construction which became a lifelong profession. John loved spending time with his family and that was always his focus. John had an entrepreneurial spirit. He owned several construction companies, wrote poetry, enjoyed reading, art, farming and antique cars. Funeral services and Interment Private. Memorial contributions may be made in John's name to the Neuroendrine Tumor Research Foundation, 321 Columbus Avenue, Suite 5R, Boston, MA 02116. Arrangements handled by Gibbons Funeral Home, Elmhurst. 630-832-0018 or www.gibbonsfuneralhome.com

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Merk, Charlotte

Charlotte Merk age 96. Dearest mother of Linda (Roger) Peterson, Bonnie (the late Lionel) Matos and the late Charlene Merk (Frank Kanthack); loving grandmother of 9; great grandmother of 12 and great great grandmother of 9; fond aunt of many nieces and nephews; preceded in death by her beloved parents Agata and Jan Strycharski and 5 siblings. Visitation Tuesday May 8, 10:00 a.m. until time of Funeral Mass 11:00 a.m. at St. Emily Church, 1400 E. Central Rd., Mt. Prospect, IL 60056. Interment St. Adalbert Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials may be made to Alexian Brothers Hospice, 901 Martha St., Elk Grove, IL 60007. Funeral information (847) 255-7800 or www.friedrichsfh.com

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Nasadowski, Ann M.

Ann M. Nasadowski, nee Bajich. Beloved wife of the late Joseph. Dear mother of Joseph "Rick" (Elaine), Dr. Ron (Suzanne) and Ken CFD (Carolyn). Loving grandmother of Beth, Ronni (Sean) Pruitt, Adam CFD, Becky (Heath Schultz), Christopher, Michael (Amy), Jesse Nasadowski and Ryan (Whitney), Jonathan and the late Dana (Kate) Wilson and great grandmother of Quentin. Fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Resting at **Beverly Ridge Funeral Home**; 10415 S. Kedzie Ave. where services will be held Tuesday 11:00 a.m. Interment St. Mary Cemetery. Visitation Monday 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. 773-779-4411

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Nelson, Adam Charles

Adam Charles Nelson, age 52. Beloved husband and best friend of Shirley, nee Bonk. Loving father of Lily and Max. Devoted son of Myrna L. Nelson and Ronald (Susan) Nelson. Dear brother of Laura (Matt) Burton. Cherished Son-in-law of the late Eugene T. and the late Gisela J. Bonk. Adored brother-in-law of Carolyn (John) Wagner and Ralph Bonk. Loving nephew of Sherwin Landerman, Diane Nelson and Alan Nelson. Proud uncle of Zev, Tova and Ezri Burton and Ted, Laura and Julianne Wagner. Fond step brother of Rachel Gilbert and Dan Haug. Will be missed by many extended family and friends. Adam was an attorney by training, but most recently was an Associate Partner in IBM's Global Data Privacy practice where he held multiple patents. Service Monday 11 AM (with visitation beginning at 10 AM) at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 195 N. Buffalo Grove Road (One block north of Lake Cook Road) Buffalo Grove. Interment Evergreen Cemetery, Barrington. The Family asks that in lieu of flowers and charitable contributions that donations be made to Lily and Max's education. Checks should be made payable to Shirley Nelson c/o Merrill Lynch, 510 East 96th Street, Suite 500, Indianapolis, Indiana 46240. Arragements by: **Chicago Jewish Funerals**- Buffalo Grove Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com.

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Newton, Anne O'Conor

Anne O'Conor Newton, Tucson, Arizona, passed away on April 27th 2018. The ultimate matriarch of her family, she was mother to nine children: Kathy Rodman, Nonie Riley (Rob), Dennis Newton (Judy), Anne "Frosty" Paone, Teddy Leonard (Andy), Nick Newton (Jill), Mary Hoffman (Mark), Meg Satherlie (Graham) and Chrissie Mena (Rey); twenty-one grandchildren, and thirteen great-grandchildren, with two more 'greats' on the way this year.

She was preceded in death by the love of her life and husband of 67 years, E. William "Bill" Newton, son Dennis Newton, sister Mary Ellen 'Mel' McNulty (Jim) and brother Dr. Vincent O'Conor (Jo). Born in Chicago and raised in Winnetka, Illinois, Anne received her degree in Elementary Education from National Louis University and taught at Crow Island School in Winnetka prior to raising her large family.

Anne loved to write and in her 50s started writing poetry and lyrics. She was proud of becoming published and of her membership in ASCAP.

A lifelong learner, she continued to take classes on a broad spectrum of subjects. She loved gardening and was president of her garden club for a few terms.

She was insatiably curious, an avid reader and started each day with the New York Times crossword puzzle. She also enjoyed challenging her children and grandchildren to Scrabble games during cocktail hour.

Anne raised her family in Golf, Glencoe and eventually Northfield, Illinois, where she designed and built a large welcoming home for her family and their many friends. Having been a camp councelor and swimming instructor in her youth, she amazed her children with her spectacular diving ability at Middlefork Club.

Anne genuinely loved people and celebrations. She was an expert entertainer hosting hundreds of gatherings large and small including legendary Christmas Eve parties, weddings and birthday festivities. She had a way of making everyone feel incredibly special.

Her family is grateful to the dignified care she received in the past few months from Casa De La Luz Foundation (Hospice). Anne will be laid to rest with her husband at Fort Sheridan Cemetery in Lake Forest, Illinois at a later date.

In lieu of flowers donations, can be made in her name:

Casa De La Luz Foundation (Hospice) 7740 North Oracle Road Tucson, Arizona 85704 http://www.casafoundation.org/ways-to-give/donations

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Nicholl, Maureen Anne

Beloved wife of John French. Beloved Daughter of the late Theresa and James Nicholl. Dear Sister of James (Joan), Dennis, Kevin (Kim), Austin (Susan), Mary Terese (Michael) Turro, William (Mary), and the late Timothy (Kelly). Dear Daughter in Law of Sylvia and Sister in Law of Erin. Loving Aunt, Cousin, and Friend to many. Services are private. Interment All Saints Cemetery. In Lieu of Flowers, Memorials to Sister Paulanne's Needy Family Fund c/o Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 1775 Grove Street, Glenview, IL 60025 would be appreciated.

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O'Connell, William M 'Bill'

Heaven's stars shine brighter having received Bill, age 84, on May 3, 2018. He continues to shower his deep love and admiration of his wife of 60 years, Joyce Levins O'Connell, as well as their 8 children and spouses, Jim, Gene, Peter and Paul (deceased), Mary Helen (John Kowalsky), Tom (Kathy Devereux), John, and Kathy (Ted Somers). Along with their 11 grandchildren and spouses, and their great grandchild. Bill, MSW, celebrates with pride and joy his 43 enriching years of social work. He admires the strength and grit of thousands of his social work clientele and colleagues. Visitation will be Monday, May 7, 3 – 9 pm, at Adolf Funeral Home, 7000 S Madison St, Willowbrook, IL. Mass will be Tuesday, May 8, 11:30 am at Our Lady of Peace Church, 701 Plainfield Rd, Darien, IL. In Bill's honor, simply hug someone so they smile and laugh. In liue of flowers, please make donations to Shriner's Children's Hospital.

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O'Meara, Claire M.

Claire M. O'Meara, nee Feil, age 85, of Chicago. Loving daughter of the late Nicholas and Margaret; beloved wife of the late Joseph; dear mother of Kathleen (Gerald) Moskovitz; devoted sister of Christopher (the late Jean) Feil and the late Catherine (the late William) Glennon; loving aunt to many. Memorial Gathering, Saturday, May 12, 2018, from 11 a.m. until time of Memorial Service, 12 noon, at **HABEN Funeral Home & Crematory**, 8057 Niles Center Rd., Skokie. Funeral info: 847.673.6111 or www.habenfuneral.com.

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O'Rourke, John P.

John P. O'Rourke, age 81, of North Riverside. U.S. Marine Veteran. Beloved husband of Sandra, nee Blake; loving father of John P., Jr. (Julie Hutt), Susan (Ed) Douglas, Timothy (Tifani), Theresa (Richard Lund) O'Rourke and Kevin (Tracey); proud grandfather of Brady, Maya, Will, A.J., Annie, Ryan, Conor, Henry and Jimmy; dear brother of Pat (Ray) Bugielski. Retired Sergeant of the North Riverside Police Department after 31 years of honorable service. Member of North Riverside FOP Lodge 110 and the PBPA Unit 73 and Lead Negotiator for IL FOP Labor Council North Riverside Unit; member of the Illinois Police Association and President and Co-Founder of the Rusty Button Club. Devoted Cubs Fan. Family and friends will be received at the **Conboy-Westchester Funeral Home**, 10501 W. Cermak Rd., Westchester (2 blks West of Mannheim Rd) on Tuesday, May 8, 2018 from 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. Funeral Wednesday 9:00 a.m. until time of Chapel Service 10:00 a.m. Interment Woodlawn Cemetery. Arrangements entrusted to The Original Kuratko Family - Brian D. Kuratko, Funeral Director. For further info 708-F-U-N-E-R-A-L.

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Olson, Rebecca Sue



Rebecca Sue Olson (Becky) nee Parkins, age 78, passed on May 2nd, 2018 at Kindred Hospital, Sycamore, IL after an extended illness. She was born on July 25, 1940 in Alton, IL to Mrs. Grace F. Parkins and Mr. Morris R. Parkins. She attended schools in Alton, IL and spent many summers at her grandmothers, Rebecca Leeds, in Pittsfield, Illinois. She graduated from Alton High School in 1958 with honors. She was a member of the National Honors Society and received the Betty Crocker Award. She received a Bachelor's Degree from Western Illinois University in 1962 and a Master's Degree in Guidance and Counselling in 1963. She was a youth program director at the YWCA in Alton, IL. She was a guidance counselor and class sponsor at Larkin High School in Elgin, IL from 1964 thru 1970. She married Clifford J. Olson her husband of 53 years on December 26, 1965 at the First Presbyterian Church in Alton, IL. Her first son, Todd Davis Olson, was born on September 25th 1970. Other occupations included insurance sales, benefits administrator for Thomas L. Jacobs and a proofreader for R&R Donnelly and Sons. Her 2nd son, Andrew Jay Olson (A.J.) was born on August 27th, 1985. She did post graduate work at the University of Illinois, Chicago. Her interests included reading, knitting, civic activities, travel, opera, botanic gardens, and teaching Sunday school, as well as genealogy in which she was a member of the Elgin Genealogical Society. She was the founding president of the Friends of the Library, at the Gail Borden Library in Elgin, IL. She belonged to four reading discussion book groups. She was a member of the National Education Association, The Illinois Education Association, and the Elgin Teachers Association. She was active in the American Association of University Women and had served as membership chair. She was an associate member of the Elgin Area Retired Teachers Association and enjoyed the dinner group, programs and trips. The breakfast group lecture at the Little Traveler in St. Charles, IL was a favorite. She received many awards for her leadership activities.

Family members she is survived by include: her husband Clifford J. Olson of Elgin, IL and her sons, Todd and Andrew, also of Elgin, IL, her sister M. Kay Overath-Durham and brother-in-law Terry Durham of Godfrey, IL; her nieces Mauri L. Overath of Alton, IL; Mrs. Andy LaFreniere (Jill) Ofallon , IL , her daughters Rubee and Lairra Unverzagt O'fallon (grand-nieces), sisters-in-law and husbands: Ms Rhonda Bank, Tucson AZ; Mrs. Andrea Richards & husband Bob Richards Mankato, MN; Mrs. Judy Retrum & husband John Retrum, Evansville MN; Mrs. Kaye Case & husband Douglas Case, Rochester MN; Mrs. Terry Johnson & husband Larry N. Johnson, Colombia, MD. From these five families, too many nieces, nephews, grandnieces, and nephews to mention.

She is also survived by brother-in-law Mr. Charles Winker, St. Charles, MO (her sister Jean's husband) and his children, Mr. Steven Winker of Juneau, AK; son Ryan Winker of Seattle, WA; Mrs. Richard Costanza (Suzanne), St. Charles, Mo.; their sons Mario and Matthew Costanza and their wife & fiancée. Jean's other daughter Mrs. Phil Owen (Stephanie) and their daughters Samantha and Kayla of San Rafael, CA.

Preceding her in death were her parents; her sister Evelyn Jean Winker who passed May 14th, 2003 at age 68, Brother-in-law Larry Joe Overath, April 26th, 2001 age 56; son Matthew Overath who died in infancy Sept 1962.

She requested these memorials:

World Literacy Foundation, P.O. Box 44
Grandville, MI 49468

AAUW Scholarships fund, send checks to:
Rachel Campbell, 1198 Blackhawk Dr, Elgin, IL 60120 (make checks out to: AAUW Elgin Branch [scholarship on memo line])

Her Favorite Quote is from Carl Sagan, Cosmos:
"What an astonishing thing a book is. It's a flat object made from a tree with flexible parts on which are imprinted lots of funny dark squiggles. But one glance at it and you're inside the mind of another person, maybe somebody dead for thousands of years. Across the millennia, an author is speaking clearly and silently inside your head, directly to you. Writing is perhaps the greatest of human inventions, binding together people who never knew each other, citizens of distant epochs. Books break the shackles of time. A book is proof that humans are capable of working magic."

She was a loving sister, daughter, wife, mother, aunt, great aunt, friend and lifelong student. Many people appreciated her wit, satire and "wicked" sense of humor. She is blessed to be missed and remembered by many.

Her favorite Bible passage was John 3:16.

She requested no funeral services be held. Her remains will be interred in Valhalla Cemetery in Godfrey, IL alongside her parents. **Cardinal Funeral & Cremation Services, Ltd** of Elgin are in charge of private cremation, please sign the guestbook at cardinalfuneral.com. For more information call 773-558-7175

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Parquette, Robert E.

Robert E. Parquette, 84 years of age, at rest April 24, 2018 in Bloomingdale, Illinois. Burial is Tuesday, May 8, 2018, 1:00 pm at Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, Illinois. Info at: 630-325-2300 or www.adolfservices.com.

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Pellegrino, Lenin "Doc"

Died May 3rd, 2018

He is survived by his children, grandchildren great-grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews. Doc was a civil rights worker, a doctor, a Blues lover and Proprietor of Kingston Mines Blues Nightclub, a World War II 10th Mountain Division Ski Trooper, a Purple Heart recipient and a very liberal person. He will be missed and he will miss being with us. Arrangements Pending, for information www.russohillsidechapels.com 708-449-5300

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Petersen, Ruth V.

Ruth V. Petersen,102, was born in Chicago to Charles and Carrie (nee Torgersen) Thompson. She died Thursday, May 3, 2018 in Schaumburg. She was the retired secretary of Holy Trinity Lutheran Church in Glenview. Ruth is survived by her children, Sheila (Dan) Wertz, Janice (the late Carl) Christiansen; grandchildren, Jonna (Joe) Chmeleck, Jason (Nicole) Christiansen, Beth (Carl) Abraham, and Meredith (Jim) Teuber; and nine great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Henry L. Petersen, Jr. and by her parents. Visitation from 10 am until time of Funeral Service, 11 am, Monday, May 7, 2018 at Glueckert Funeral Home Ltd., 1520 North Arlington Heights Road, Arlington Heights, IL 60004. Interment is at Mt. Olive Cemetery in Chicago. Memorials may be given to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, 2328 Central Rd., Glenview, IL 60025. Funeral Information and condolences can be given at www.GlueckertFuneralHome.com or (847) 253-0168.

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Phyfe, Ellis Taussig

Ellis Taussig Phyfe, age 70. Beloved wife of the late Dr. Pinkney Phyfe; daughter of the late Jane and Thomas Taussig; fond twin sister of Annie McAdoo; fond sister of the late Meredith Taussig. Funeral Mass Friday, May 18, 2018 at 10 a.m. at Holy Name Cathedral, 735 N. State St., Chicago, IL 60610. For further info please call 312-421-0936 or sign guestbook at www.michalikfuneralhome.com.

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Rapacki, Genevieve Marie

Genevieve Rapacki, nee Kornecki, passed away at the age of 94, on April 8, 2018. Devoted wife of Chester Rapacki; loving mother of Richie, Donnie, and Diane; cherished grandmother of eight; great-grandmother of eight. Her infectious smile and spirit will be greatly missed by her family an friends, whom she enjoyed spending time with and loved so dearly.

A memorial service will be lovingly held for her family and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Foundation of America, www.alzfn.org, in her honor,.

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Rothman, Bertha A.

Bertha A. Rothman nee Altmark, 90. Beloved wife of the late Morris Rothman. Loving mother of Robert (Hilda) Rothman and Robin (Joseph) Salvato. Cherished grandmother of Ari, Yair, Leslie, Peter, Natalie, and Daniel. Adoring great-grandmother of Wyatt, Lyla, Saul and Annabelle. Dear sister of the late Tobie G. Altmark. Service Monday, 10:00 am at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Blvd., (at Niles Center Road) Skokie. Interment Waldheim Jewish Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to The ARK, 6450 N. California Ave., Chicago, IL 60645 www.arkchicago.org and the Jewish United Fund, (JUF) 30 South Wells Street, Room 3134, Chicago, IL 60606 www.juf.org and the Seasons Hospice Foundation, 8537 Solution Center, Chicago, IL 60677 www.seasonsfoundation.org Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** – Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfinfo.com

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Ruder, Victoria Chesley 'Tory'

Tory Ruder, age 58, passed away on April 28, 2018.



Beloved companion and wife of 35 years of Peter James Phillips; beloved daughter of Celia Larson Marriott and David Sturtevant Ruder; beloved stepdaughter of Susan Small Ruder and of Anne Coulter Tobey (William Tobey); beloved sister of Julia Ruder San Fratello (Charles San Fratello), David Sturtevant Ruder II, John Coulter Ruder (Kate Dalke Ruder), Elizabeth Frankel (Charles Steinhorn), and Bex Wilkinson; loving and beloved aunt of Nathalie Victoria San Fratello, Hayley Wells Johnson, Joseph William DiDonato, Clarity Rose Phillips, Tobias William Phillips, Jack Burnham Ruder, Ashley Patricia Ruder, Wes Coulter Ruder, Quinn Robert Ruder, Sarah Eloise Steinhorn, Maureen Rachel Steinhorn, Travis Sinclair Wilkinson, and Aurora Grace Wilkinson; loving and lasting friend of Noel Barker. Tory was a welcoming and caring friend to so many loved ones that they cannot be counted. Tory was an alumna of the Francis Parker School (1977), Williams College (1981), and the University of Arizona (1989). Tory was the long-time Chief Financial Officer of Community Counseling Centers of Chicago (C4), a North side non-profit agency that provides outreach and care to our neighbors who cannot obtain access to any other services. She was tireless in seeking funds for all our neighbors who would otherwise live without help or hope. Her compassion for people acknowledged no limits. In Tory's honor, a gathering and remembrance will be held Wednesday, May 16, 2018 from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at **Michalik Funeral Home**, 1056 W. Chicago Ave., Chicago, IL 60642. In lieu of flowers, please give your donations to Community Counseling Centers of Chicago, C4Chicago.org. For further information 312-421-0936 or sign guestbook at www.michalikfuneralhome.com.

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Savage, Harold

Harold Savage, 90, beloved husband of Loretta and loving father of the late Cindy Lou, born Sept. 7, 1927, passed away on April 17, 2018. Avid gardener and retired employee of Wheaton Water Department. Services private. Info and guest book at hultgrenfh.com or **Hultgren Funeral Home** at 630-668-0027.



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Schaefle, Jean

Jean Schaefle nee: Jackson, 85, of Evanston died peacefully at home on May 5 following an 8-month battle with cancer. Jean was born in Chicago on February 20, 1933, the first child to Sydney Webster and Ruth Petersen Jackson. She grew up in Stevens Point, Wisconsin and graduated from PJ Jacobs High school in 1951 and Lawrence University in 1955. She taught English at Beloit High School in Wisconsin and Niles East and New Trier High Schools in Illinois. Later she worked for many years in the Dean's office of the School of Speech at Northwestern University. She married Kenneth E. Schaefle of Skokie in 1964. Jean had an adventurous spirit and always loved to travel. After college, she enjoyed adventures in Europe, and continued to travel throughout her life. She had a lifelong love of books which provided enjoyment and connection with friends and an art form and world of ideas she never stopped exploring.She is survived by her husband Ken Schaefle, sons Scott and Kenneth and grandchildren Hannah Schaefle-Cates and Rosemary Schaefle-Cates of Boulder, Colorado. She was preceded in death by her brother John "JP" Jackson of San Diego California. A memorial service will be held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 3637 Golf Rd, Evanston, IL 60203, (847) 673-8564, on Saturday, May 19 at 2 p.m. The service will be followed by a reception at the church at which friends and family will be welcome to share memories and stories. In lieu of flowers, her family asks that any remembrances be made in the form of a donation to the Evanston Public Library (please include Jean's name in the comment field) https://www.epl.org/connect/support/donate. For Info William H. Scott Funeral Home 847-251-8200



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Schuler, Joy

Joy Schuler nee Haylock, 83, of Glenview, passed away April 29, 2018. Beloved wife of 54 years to the late Thomas F. Schuler; loving mother of Daniel (Kelly) Schuler, Meg (Peter) Greenfield, Elizabeth (Jamie) Thompson, Anne (Scott) Solle and the late Stevo (Marti) Schuler; cherished grandmother of Jennifer (Bob) Allen, Nicole and Adam Schuler, Caroline and Mary Grace Schuler, Hannah and Devin Anne Greenfield, Sean, Sarah and Katherine Thompson; proud great grandmother of Bobby and Leslie Allen; Fond aunt of Mauree Daddabbo. Visitation Tuesday, May 8 from 4 to 7 pm at **N.H. Scott & Hanekamp Funeral Home**, 1240 Waukegan Road, Glenview. Funeral Mass will be held Wednesday, May 9 at 10 am at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, 1775 Grove St. (at Church St.), Glenview. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Sr. Paulanne's Needy Family Fund, C/O OLPH, 1775 Grove St., Glenview, IL 60025 or Apostolate of Divine Mercy, 3264 Sanders Road, Unit B7, Northbrook, IL 60062. Funeral information 847-998-1020.

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Schweiger, Gerald

Gerald "Gerry" Schweiger, retired CPA of more than 35 years, born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Fond brother of the late Diane (the late Elwood) Hahn, uncle of Mitchell (Linda), and great uncle of Rebecca and Alexander Hahn. Services have been held. For info please call 773-588-5850 or visit www.cooneyfuneralhome.com

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Shapiro, Elaine

Elaine Shapiro, beloved wife of David Shapiro; loving mother of Susan Shapiro Blanas and the late Jeffrey Shapiro; caring grandmother of Nicole (Brandon) Priest, Lindsay (Jeremy) Gerber, Kari (Jonathan) Smith, and Kyle Blanas; loving great-grandmother of Mason Priest, Cooper Priest, Kingston Priest, Wyatt Gerber, and Charlie Paige Gerber. Memorial service 4PM Tuesday, May 8, **Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home**, 111 Skokie Blvd, Wilmette. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to NorthShore Hospice, 4901 Searle Pkw #160, Skokie, IL 60077.

Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home

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Shem, Phyllis J.

Phyllis J. Shem (née Ferris), age 88, late of Mokena, formerly of Orland Park. Beloved wife of 63 years of the late Roger; devoted mother of Jacqueline Runia, Donna (Barry) O'Keefe, Bert (Gina) Shem, Cheryl (James) Kettmann, and Christine (Timothy) Hammond; proud grandmother of David, Elizabeth, Owen, Jay, Christine, Kay, Sean, and Daniel; dear sister of the late Beverly (late Vito) Florio; kind aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Tuesday, 3:00 – 9:00 p.m. Funeral Wednesday 8:45 a.m. from **Thornridge Funeral Home (Janusz Family Funeral Service)** 14318 S. Lagrange Rd. (Northbound traffic: U-turn permitted at 143rdSt.), Orland Park to St. Michael Church Mass 9:30 a.m. Interment St. Casimir Cemetery. Memorials may be directed to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. 708-460-2300 or thornridgefuneralhomes.com

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Sickel , Norine

Norine M. Sickel nee Schulz, 84; devoted wife of the late Edward Sickel; dearest mother of John (Mary), Steve (Cynthia), Thomas and the late Daniel; dear grandmother of Nicole, Jessica, Patrick, Magen and Austin; loving great grandmother of Alayna and James. Funeral Monday 10:00 am from **The Oaks Funeral Home** 1201 E. Irving Park RD (at Prospect) Itasca, to St. Isidore Church for Mass of Christian Burial 10:45 AM. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Visitation Sunday 3-8 PM. In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society www.nationalmssociety.org. For funeral info 630-250-8588 or oaksfh.com

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Sieben, Cecilia C.

Cecilia C. Sieben, nee Wehrheim, age 100, of Skokie. Beloved wife of the late Herman; dear mother of Marilyn McIntosh, Gregory (Tina), Barbara (Larry) Kulman, and the late Michael; loving grandmother of Jocelyn and Tom (Stephanie) McIntosh, Jennifer (Anthony) Viola, Eleri Jane, Larry and Laura Kulman; cherished great-grandmother of Augie Kulman, Emilie Viola, Rivington and Emery McIntosh. Visitation, Tuesday, May 8, 2018, from 3 to 8 p.m., at **HABEN Funeral Home & Crematory**, 8057 Niles Center Rd., Skokie. Funeral, Wednesday, May 9, at 9:30 a.m., from the funeral home, for Mass of Christian Burial, 10 a.m., at St. Lambert Catholic Church, 8148 Karlov Ave., Skokie. Interment, All Saints Catholic Cemetery, Des Plaines. Funeral info: 847.673.6111 or www.habenfuneral.com.

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Silberman, Professor Bernard

Professor Bernard Silberman, age 87. Loving husband of Pauline Silberman, nee Lipschitz. Cherished father of Natalie (Mark) Wainwright, Sharon (Donald Hummels) Silberman-Hummels and Andrea Jessica Silberman. Adored grandfather of Callista Wainwright, Sinéad Wainwright and Raymond Tzvi Silberman Hummels. Dear brother of the late Sarah Tigel and Jack Silberman. Uncle of Phillip Tigel, Andrew (Vicki) Silberman, Eve (John Hilton) Silberman and Alex Silberman. Great uncle to Jake and Michael Silberman. For Memorial Service information, please contact **Chicago Jewish Funerals**. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to a charity of your choice. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** – Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfinfo.com.

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Simonian, Raffe

Raffe Simonian. Age 85 of Park Ridge. Beloved husband of the late Ferryl nee Fisher. Loving father of Leslie, Lara (Mark Beougher) and the late Kira Simonian. Dear grandfather of Vincent Simonian, Jordyn and Shannon Pietroske. Dearest great-grandfather of Arya and Callisto. Brother of Judith (John) Wittmus. Visitation Tuesday, May 8, 3-8 p.m. at **Ryan-Parke Funeral Home**, 120 S. Northwest Hwy. (2 blks. S. of Touhy), Park Ridge. Funeral Wednesday, family and friends to meet for a 10 a.m. service at St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church, 6700 W. Diversey Ave., Chicago, IL 60707. Interment Private. Memorials to St. Gregory the Illuminator Armenian Church. Funeral Information, www.ryan-parke.com.

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Sirakides, Dino

Dino Sirakides, 84, passed away peacefully, with his wife by his side, on March 3, 2018 in Palm Desert, CA from congestive heart failure.



Dino was born in Newark, NJ. His grades and athletic ability in high school earned him a scholarship to Colby College in Maine. He was a member of the Alpha Tao Omega fraternity and he graduated with a degree in physics.

He was a gifted athlete. He played basketball and was captain of his golf team at Colby. His accomplishments were many: he bowled a 700 series and on the golf course he scored five holes in one.

Dino's corporate career in the electronics industry moved him and his family across the country. He worked at Litton Industries, Monroe Business Systems, Rockwell Industries and Victor Comptometer. He was instrumental in the technological transition of business desk top calculators from mechanical systems to the electronic versions we use today.

He was a fixer of broken companies and demand for his services continued even after he officially retired from corporate life. After he "fixed" Data Clean Corp, he purchased the company and it remains run and owned by the family. He recognized talent when he saw it and gave career opportunities to many, many people along the way.

Dino was fiercely proud and protective of his family. He is survived by Helen, his wife and love for more than 61 years; his daughter, Mair (Rich) Hill; son, Dean (Dianna) Sirakides; his six grandsons Nick, Harry and Jack Hill, and Alex, Andy and Steven Sirakides. He was pre-deceased by his son, Nicky.

Dino lived his life with candor, humor and a smile for all. He was, as many friends have noted, a kind and generous man: "one of the good guys." He left an indelible mark on family and friends. His integrity and work ethic were his family's moral compass. Dino was the ultimate instructor on how to live your best life.

Dino's memorial will be held on May 18, 2018 at 10:00 am at OLPH Church, 1775 Grove Street, Glenview, IL. The Arch Bishop of Milwaukee, Jerome Listecki, will celebrate Mass.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Dino's honor to: The Needy Family Fund c/o Sister Paulanne Held, OLPH Convent, 1772 Glenview Rd, Glenview, IL 60025.

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Skopas , Edward R.

Edward R. Skopas, age 86, U.S. Army Veteran, at rest April 26, 2018. Beloved husband of late Diane (Kuinys), loving father of Bernadette (Frank) Bence, Regina (Martin) Mendicino, and Edward J. (Kathleen) Skopas. Cherished Grandfather of Angela (Adrian) Selkowitz, Christopher (Mary) Bence, Vanessa (Mark) Padecky, Louis Mendicino, Keith (Vanessa) Bence, Dominic Mendicino, Kevin Bence, Nathan Skopas and Noah Skopas. Great Grandfather of Heaven Bence, Brayden Bence, Lemmy Selkowitz, Brooklyn Bence, James Bence, Emmett Mendicino, Brandt Bence and Brynn Bence. Son of late Aleksas and Elvira (Ratas) Skopas, brother of late Apolinaras Skopas, late Magiliona (Valancius) Skopas, late Algirdas Skopas, Aldona Grinius, late Sophie Palionis, and Jean R. Skopas. Family and friends to meet on Friday, May 11, 2018 from 9:00 am to 9:45 am at **Adolf Funeral Home** 2921 S. Harlem Ave, Berwyn, Mass 10:30 am at Our Lady of the Mount Church 2414 S. 61st Ave, Cicero, Interment, St. Casimir Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Alzheimer's Association 225 N. Michigan Ave; Floor 17, Chicago, IL 60601 or https://www.alz.org/nca/in_my_community_58187.asp in honor of Edward Skopas would be appreciated. Service information: 708-484-4111 or www.adolfservices.com

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Stepnowski, Dolores

Dolores Stepnowski, nee Kelly, 90, of Sarasota, Fla, formerly Chicago, beloved wife of the late J. Raymond; loving mother of Patricia A. (Charles) Gibson and Thomas J. (Andrea); loved grandmother of Madison and Sean; dear sister of Patricia Kelly. Visitation from 10:00 am until time of funeral service at 11:00 am, Wednesday at the Glueckert Funeral Home. Ltd., 1520 N. Arlington Heights Rd, Arlington Heights, Ill. Interment All Saints Cemetery, Des Plaines, Illinois. Funeral information and condolences www.GlueckertFH.com or (847) 253-0168.

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Stracke, Robert Harold

Robert Harold Stracke, 91, was born in Chicago on May 18th, 1926, son of Clara Wolff and Robert Stracke, Sr. He grew up in Flossmoor. A WWII veteran and graduate of DePauw University, Bob was an elementary school principal in Glen Ellen for 25 years. He married and lived in Oak Park with his wife and two children until moving to Chicago in 2005. The Frank Lloyd Wright Home and Studio bookstore became a second 25-year-career for Bob in his retirement. He is survived by his wife, Maria-Louise, and his children Benjamin and Louise. A memorial service will be held at Third Unitarian Church, 301 North Mayfield in Chicago in early June. Memorial donations may be given to Third Unitarian Church in Chicago or the ACLU (https://aclu.org). Arrangements by **Cremation Society of Illinois**, 773-281-5058 or www.cremation-society.com.



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Suffern, Donna Lee

nee Bomrad; Devoted wife of Milton Passon; Loving mother of Lucille (Philip) Hall, the late Joseph (Suzanne) Suffern, Louis (Mary) Suffern, and James (late Betty) Suffern; Adored granmama of Amanda Suffern, Claire (Cody) French, Ellen Suffern, Victoria Suffern, Anna Suffern, Jacob Suffern, and Lucas Suffern; Beloved sister of the Bomrad family, Paul, Phillip, Jo Ann, Laura, Frieda, Terry, and Angie; Dear aunt, cousin, and friend to many; Visitation Tuesday 3:00 to 9:00 p.m. Funeral Wednesday, 8:30 a.m. from **Curley Funeral Home**, 6116 W. 111th Street, Chicago Ridge to St. Rene Church, 6949 W. 63rd Place, Chicago. Mass 9:30 a.m. Entombment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery; For Funeral info 708-422-2700, or www.curleyfuneralhome.

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Sugrue, Charlotte B.

(nee Mueller) 93, beloved wife of the late Daniel; loving mother of Michael (Susan), Ray (Carmen), Danny Pat, Donna (Lance) Thickpenny, James, Colleen (John) McNicholas, Shawn (Mary) and Mary Kay Sugrue; proud and cherished grandmother of Daniel (Shaina), Daniel (Eileen), Roger (Megan), David, Bridget, Maggie and Kate Sugrue, Amy, Megan and Erin Thickpenny; Great grandmother of Evan, Owen, Emily and Olivia Sugrue; dear sister of Walter, Mary and the late Ben (Dorothy) Mueller; fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Wednesday 3-9 p.m. at **Cooney Funeral Home** 625 Busse Hwy Park Ridge. Funeral Thursday, friends are asked to meet at St. Benedict Church for Mass at 10:00 a.m. Interment St. Joseph. In lieu of flowers donations to the Neighborhood Boys and Girls Club would be appreciated. Info 847-685-1002 www.cooneyfuneralhome.com

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Sullivan, Daniel A

Daniel Aloyisus Sullivan, 75, died May 1, 2018 in Park Ridge, Illinois. He was born in Evanston, Illinois, where he lived for many years and oversaw Resources For Living, a not-for-profit organization that funded art classes and found employment for people with disabilities. Dan served his country with the U.S. Navy during Vietnam, when he was stationed in the Pacific. Dan loved history, music, politics, the Chicago Cubs and interacting with people of all backgrounds. Dan painted and drew scenes from Japanese history up until his death. He is preceded in death by Michelle Rooney, his parents Francis J. Sullivan and Margaret Sullivan, his nieces Julie Sullivan and Sarah Sullivan, and his devoted sister Honey Sullivan Moga. Dan is survived by his faithful niece Kate Moga, his siblings Frank Sullivan (Sally), Betty Moraghan (John), Patrick Sullivan (Teresa), Eugene Sullivan (Mary), Trudy Sullivan Schneider (Eugene) and Noreen Brady, in addition to numerous nieces, nephews, great nephews and great nieces who already miss him dearly. In lieu of flowers please send donations to Misericordia Heart of Mercy, 6300 N. Ridge Ave., Chicago, IL 60660. A visitation will be held at St. Mary of the Woods Church, 7033 N. Moselle, on Tuesday May 8, from 9 am until time of Mass at 10 am. Interment Mt. Carmel Cemetery. Info 773-736-3833 or visit Daniel's memorial at smithcorcoran.com

Smith-Corcoran Funeral Homes

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Sweatt, Mike

Mike Sweatt, 66, passed away on April, 25, 2018 after a lengthy struggle with cancer. Mike was born in Amarillo, Texas to parents Bill Sweatt and Janet McQueen. He was brother to Susan Branham of Dumas, Texas. He was husband to Lynn Pottorff for 44 years and father to Brian (Melanie), Brad, and Laura. He was grandfather to Calli and Pippa. Mike was an architect who worked in the construction of grocery stores including H.E.B., AWG, and Whole Foods. He loved his job and worked for Luke Draily Construction up until the day he died. Memorial service will be held on Saturday, June 2, 2018, at 11:00 a.m. at Horan & McConaty, 3101 S. Wadsworth Blvd, Lakewood, CO. The family requests that in lieu of flowers, donations be made to the American Cancer Society in Mike's name.



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Todesco, Ben and Barbara

Ben 87 & Barbara 85, originally from Mount Prospect, IL, passed away on February 22nd, 2018 and November 6th, 2017 respectively were buried at the National Memorial Cemetery in Phoenix, AZ. They are survived by their son John (Terri) and daughter Patricia Potoglou (Bill), grandchildren Michael (Tina), Gregory, Lauren, Nicholas, Matthew, Liana and great grandchildren Claire and Connor. A memorial mass will be held at St. Raymond of Pentafort Church, 301 S. I-Oka, Mount Prospect, IL 60056 on Saturday, May 12th, 2018 at 10:00 am with a 9:00 am welcome gathering.

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Ulman, Dorothy

(nee Krause) 90, beloved wife of the late Chester Sr., loving mother of Barbara (Larry) Cohan, Kathleen, Sandra (Robert) Migitz, and Chester Jr.; cherished grandmother of Vanessa (Brian) Huebner, Jeremy, Nathan and Rachel Cohan; fond great-grandmother of Carissa Zavodny, Dominic and Priscilla Huebner; dear "Aunt Dorts" to many nieces and nephews. Private interment at Mt. Auburn Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations to Mercy Home for Boys and Girls, 1140 W. Jackson Blvd, Chicago, IL 60607-2906 or Seasons Hospice Foundation, 8537 Solution Center, Chicago, IL 60677, would be appreciated.

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Vacco, Anthony

Anthony Vacco, age 65, of Addison departed peacefully on April 28th with loving care provided by the angels at the Rainbow Hospice Ark. He had valiantly fought a 5-year battle with Ocular Melanoma. Tony was preceded in death by his parents Patricia and Anthony Vacco Sr. He is survived by his wife, Karen; daughters Lindsey (Greg) and Brynn; sisters Sandy (Gary) and Darlene (Dave); grandchildren Kendall, Caitlin, Owen, Zachary, Brady and Colette; stepchildren Melissa (Josh) and Dan (Lisa); and fur children Kallie and Tucker. He was a 1974 graduate of Rockford College. A proud fan of the Green Bay Packers, Tony enjoyed a 34-year tradition of a yearly pilgrimage to Lambeau Field with his Rockford College brothers. He was a dear friend and mentor, a gifted writer and speaker. His passion for teaching and leadership influenced countless lives and his love and wisdom will live on in those who were privileged to know him.A celebration of Tony's life will be held at 3pm on Sunday, June 3 in Bensenville. Please write to RememberingTony@comcast.net for further information and to RSVP.



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Valaitis, Marina S

Marina S. Valaitis, 64, resident of Palos Hills, formerly of Cicero and Berwyn, passed away peacefully on Thursday, April 19, 2018 after a gutsy two- year struggle with pancreatic cancer. She is survived and beloved by her sister Kristina (Valaitis); brothers Joseph and Charles; and sisters-in-law Nijole and Susan (Valaitis); and many nieces, nephews, and friends. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network – https://www.pancan.org/ or Journey Care--https://journeycare.org.

Memorial service at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 12 at the St. Casimir's Cemetery Chapel; 4401 W 111th St, Chicago, IL 60655. Interment private. Reception follow. For details, go to http://www.elementscremation.com/obituaries, **ELEMENTS, the cremation company**, 855-550-5151.

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Valicento, Pasquale 'J.R.'

Pasquale "J.R." Valicento, age 85, Retired C.P.D. Devoted husband of Patricia nee Esposito; loving father of Lisa (Berardino) Parisi and Robert Valicento; loving grandfather of Michael, Juliana and Sofia Parisi; son-in-law of Josephine Esposito; dear brother of the late Alex Valicento and the late Mary Ann Mueller and brother-in-law of Carol (Joe) Noto. Visitation Sunday May 6, 2018, 3:00 until 8:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels**, 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge, IL. Funeral services begin Monday May 7, 2018, 9:00 a.m. at the funeral home and will proceed to Our Lady of Ransom Church, Niles IL for Mass at 10:00 a.m. Interment Maryhill Cemetery. 60 year member of the Blue Boys Social Club. Please omit flowers. Info 708-456-8300 or www.cumberlandchapels.com.

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Weber, Marcella E.

Marcella E. Weber, nee Aley, age 88, passed away on May 4th surrounded by her loving family. Marcella was the beloved wife of David E. for 70 wonderful years; loving mother of Phillip (Susan) Weber, Susan (Steve) Buzzo, James (Judith), the late Steven (Linda) and the late David M. (Rose) Weber; cherished grandmother of 14 and great grandmother of 6; dear sister of Florence (the late Tony) Karczewski; fond aunt of many. Visitation Tuesday from 3:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. at **Cumberland Chapels** 8300 W. Lawrence Ave., Norridge, IL. A funeral service will begin at 11:00 a.m. on Wednesday, at the funeral home, and the interment will be private. Info www.cumberlandchapels.com or 708-456-8300.

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Wegrzyn, Kathleen Ann

Kathleen Ann Wegrzyn nee DeCillo; cherished wife of the late Kenneth; beloved mother of Karen Wegrzyn (Kristofer Nowak) and Michael Wegrzyn; loving Nana of Kathryn and Kyle Nowak; dear sister of the late Donald (Catherine) DeCillo; aunt of several nieces and nephews. Funeral Tuesday 9:15 A.M. from **Modell Funeral Home**, 7710 S. Cass Avenue to Our Lady of Peace Church. Mass 10:00 A.M. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. Visitation Monday 4:00 – 9:00 P.M. In lieu of flowers, donations to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital appreciated. For funeral information: 630-852-3595 or www.modelldarien.com

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Weichselbaum, Joe

Joe Weichselbaum, beloved husband of the late Charlotte and the late Bela. Loving father of Fred (Pam) Weichselbaum and stepfather of Charlene (Tom) Hajny, Jack Korn and Michael (Elise) Korn. Adored grandpa of Christopher, Timothy, Amanda, and Kyle Weichselbaum, Jessica (Stefan) Maarek, Robyn (Dan) Fergal, Markus and Zachery Korn. Proud great-grandpa of Julian, Sam, Jonas, and Alexander. Dear brother of the late Samuel and Laura. Services were held. Memorials in his memory to Alzheimer's Association would be appreciated. Arrangements by: **Chicago Jewish Funerals** 847.229.8822, www.cjfinfo.com

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Zabinski, Stanley

Stanley J. Zabinski Navy Veteran WWII. Beloved Husband of Jane nee Macocha. Loving Father of Dennis (Deborah) Zabinski, Jackie (Gery) Santora, Pat (George Folsom) Schulte. Proud Grandfather of Lisa (Matt Fredricks) Zabinski, Tim (Jen) Zabinski, Justin (Ingrid Sagor) Santora, Garret Santora, Andy Schulte and Matt Schulte. Great Grandfather of Sydney, Maxwell, Emma and Andrew. He will be dearly missed by many Nieces and Nephews. Stanley was a printer for the Tribune Newspaper for over 30 Years. He was Post Commander of Amos J. Cumming #1612. Funeral Tuesday at 9 AM from FORAN FUNERAL HOME 7300 W. Archer Ave. (55th St. just West of Harlem) to St. Camillus Church for a 9:30 AM Mass of Christian Burial. Interment Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery, Elwood, IL. Visitation will be held on Monday from 3 PM to 8 PM. In Lieu of flowers donations to disabled veterans would be appreciated. Condolences may be sent to Stanley's family on his personal tribute website at www.foranfuneralhome.com. For information 708-458-0208.

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Zappia, Jeanne F.

Jeanne F Zappia (nee Fenton), 96 of Elgin, formerly of Bartlett. Beloved wife of the late Jacob; loving mom of Anthony (Terry), Jackolyn Roye, James (Jamie) and Jeffery (Sandy); cherished grandma of Joseph (Manda), Michelle (Frank), Brian (Jen), Jenny (Tony), Cristy (Shane), Amber (Carl), Heather (Adam), Amanda (Justin), Jilllian and Jacob; dear great grandma of Zachary, Noah, Elinor, Colby, Ashton, Madelyn, Logan, Avalon, J.J., Lenora, Ernest and one on the way; kind daughter of the late Vernon and Ella (nee Boss) Fenton and caring sister of Vernon and the late Bonnie, Charlene, Mary and Richard who passed while fighting at the battle of Okinawa in WWII. Jeanne was born in Olin, Iowa on October 16,1921. Her family then moved to Manchester Iowa where she lived for several years before settling in Stanwood Iowa where she graduated high school. Following high school Jeanne attended Walther Memorial Hospital for Nursing School in Chicago. Jeanne was a registered nurse at St Joseph Hospital for over 28 years. Her family was her greatest joy. Visitation 3:00p.m. to 9:00p.m. Tuesday, May 8, 2018 at the **Countryside** Funeral Home and Crematory, 95 S Gilbert St (at State St), South Elgin. Funeral Wednesday 10:00a.m. at the Funeral Home. Interment Lakewood Memorial Park. Memorials may be made to Boys Town, www.boystown.org. 847-289-8054 or www.countrysidefuneralhomes.com



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SUNDAY, MAY 6 NORMAL HIGH: **67°** NORMAL LOW: **45°** RECORD HIGH: **91° (1949)** RECORD LOW: **30° (1992)**

Turning cloudy and cooler Sunday, showers possible

LOCAL FORECAST



HIGH	LOW
64	44

■ **Low pressure moves through from the west preceded/accompanied by cloudiness and scattered showers or even thunderstorms.**

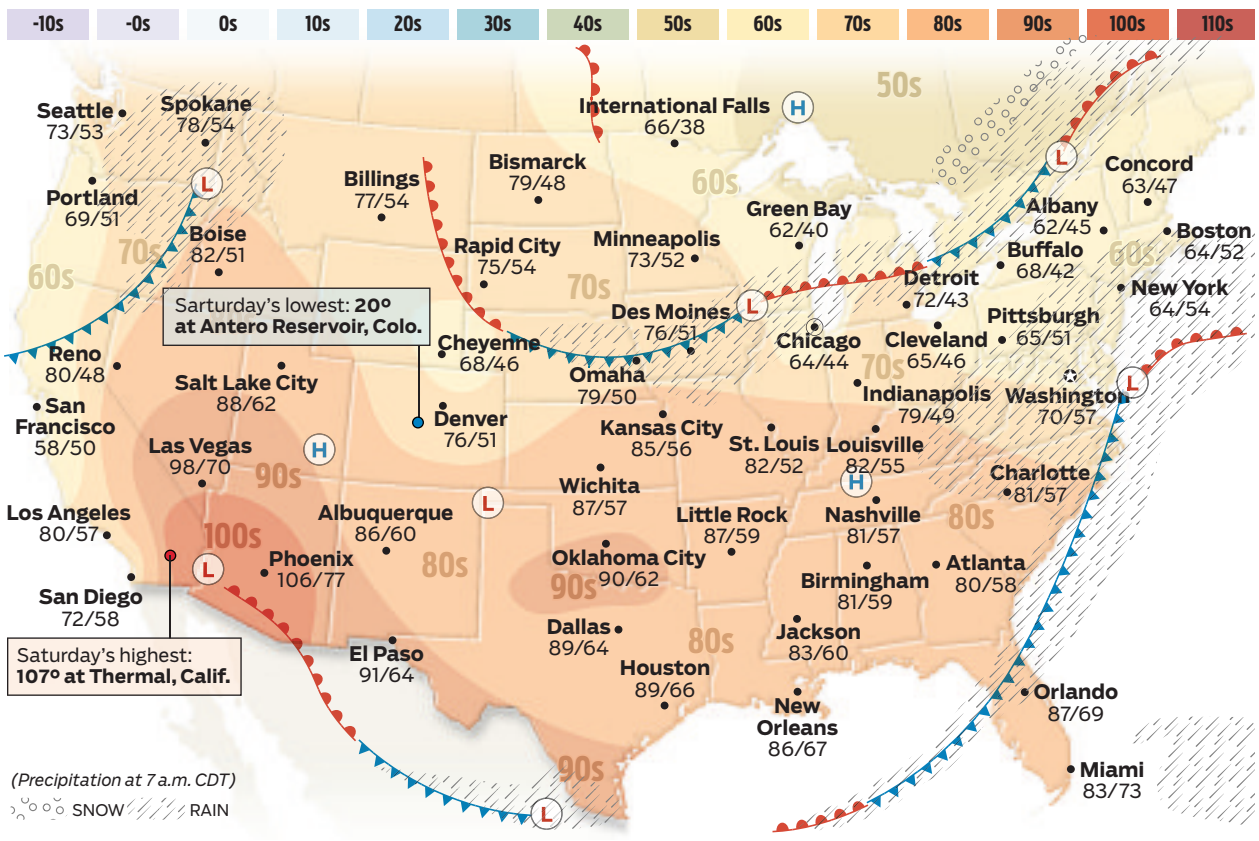
■ As the low pressure moves off to the east, showers/storms gradually end from the west.

■ Winds shift sharply to the north, then northeast during the day gusting to 30 mph.

■ Highest temperatures range from the 60s north to 70s south, with readings falling into the 50s north and 60s south during the afternoon with 40s along the lakefront.

■ Partly cloudy overnight.

NATIONAL FORECAST



After a sunny, mild Saturday with readings warming into the lower 80s areawide, Sunday poses big changes. Low pressure will move through from the west, preceded and accompanied by clouds and scattered showers/possible thunderstorms.

By midday, gusty winds will pick up sharply out of the north-northeast, pulling much cooler air out of Wisconsin across our area. Afternoon temperatures inland will drop into the 50s north and 60s south, falling into the 40s along the Lake Michigan shoreline.

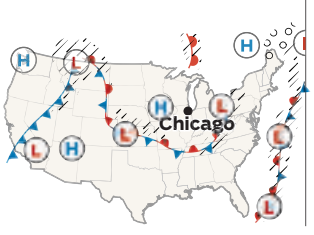
Cool high pressure will follow Monday and Tuesday with sunny days, but an easterly component to the wind will hold temperatures in the 60s to lower 70s well inland and much cooler along the shoreline. Next chance of rain looks to be Wednesday afternoon.

MONDAY, MAY 7



HIGH	LOW
65	46

Mostly sunny and mild. Highs in the 60s well inland, but much cooler along the Lake Michigan shoreline. Clear skies overnight. East to northeast winds.

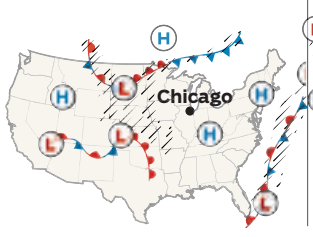


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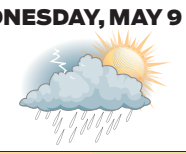


HIGH	LOW
72	53

Mostly sunny skies, with highs 70-75; cooler right along the Lake Michigan shoreline. Some increase in clouds overnight. Southerly winds.



WEDNESDAY, MAY 9

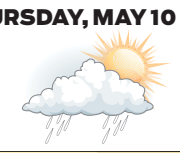


HIGH	LOW
76	54

Sunny start but clouding over with showers and t-storms likely in the afternoon into overnight. Highs in the 70s well inland and cooler along the lakefront. Southerly winds.

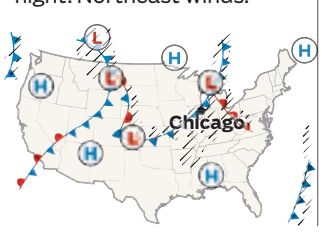


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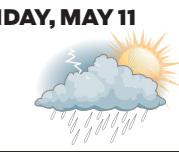


HIGH	LOW
68	51

Remnant cloudiness and a few scattered showers early becoming partly sunny by midday. Highs in the upper 60s; cooler at the lakefront. Clouding over again at night. Northeast winds.

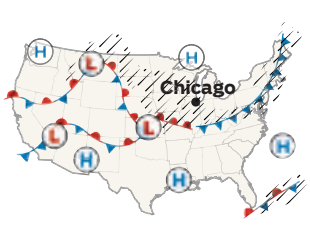


FRIDAY, MAY 11



HIGH	LOW
70	52

Mostly cloudy with a chance of showers and thunderstorms. Highs in the upper 60s to lower 70s inland and cooler at the lakefront. Showers likely overnight. Easterly winds.



SATURDAY, MAY 12



HIGH	LOW
67	53

Mostly cloudy with a good chance of showers and t-storms. Highs 65-70 far inland; much cooler at the lakefront. Clouds, showers overnight. Easterly winds.



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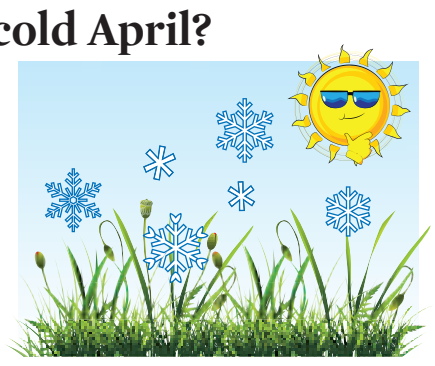
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Does a warm or cold summer follow a cold April?

April 2018 was the 4th coldest April in Chicago records dating from 1871. There appears to be no temperature correlation with the following summer when comparing the previous 5 coldest Aprils (1874, 1907, 1904, 1950, 1881). Temperatures in two of the following summers were significantly cooler than normal, one significantly warmer than normal and the remaining two slightly above normal. We did take a cursory look at the top 10 and 15-coldest Aprils, again with no discernible correlation with the following summers.

Additionally there was no notable correlation when looking at individual months, with perhaps a potential exception for June, where four of the 5 were cooler than normal and a negative June this year might force a closer look at the data for that month.



FIVE PREVIOUSLY COLDEST APRILS AND THE FOLLOWING SUMMERS

Average temperature/departure from normal

NORM	APRIL	AVG. TEMP	JUNE	JULY	AUGUST	SUMMER
46.3°	*1874*	38.7°	70.4°/+3.9°	74.8°/+2.5°	72.9°/+1.7°	72.7°/+2.7°
46.3°	*1907*	39.8°	66.2°/-0.3°	73.3°/+1.0°	71.1°/-0.1°	70.3°/+0.3°
46.3°	*1904*	40.7°	64.3°/-2.2°	71.1°/-1.2°	68.3°/-2.9°	67.9°/-2.1°
48.9°	*2018*	41.2°	?	?	?	?
49.8°	*1950*	41.5°	69.1°/-1.5°	72.2°/-2.4°	70.0°/-3.8°	70.4°/-2.9°
46.3°	*1881*	41.8°	63.2°/-3.3°	73.3°/+1.0°	75.2°/+4.0°	70.7°/+0.7°

SOURCES: Frank Wachowski, National Weather Service archives

NOTE:
In the late 1800s and early 1900s, Chicago observations were taken at locations in the city close to Lake Michigan with subsequently lower average (normal) temperatures.

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CHICAGO DIGEST

SATURDAY TEMPERATURES

LOCATION	HI	LO	LOCATION	HI	LO
Aurora	81	47	Midway	82	57
Gary	83	53	O'Hare	82	57
Kankakee	81	54	Romeoville	81	51
Lakefront	81	60	Valparaiso	82	54
Lansing	83	47	Waukegan	82	55

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION

PERIOD	2018	NORMAL
Sat. (through 7 p.m.)	0.00"	0.12"
May to date	1.89"	0.58"
Year to date	12.53"	9.98"

SUNDAY SUNBURN FORECAST

TIME OF EXPOSURE BEFORE SUNBURN BEGINS	
7 a.m.	Burn unlikely
1 p.m.*	Over 60 minutes
4 p.m.	Burn unlikely

SOURCE: Dr. Bryan Schultz *Peak intensity

LAKE MICHIGAN CONDITIONS

	SUNDAY	MONDAY
Wind	N 15-28 kts.	EN E 10-18 kts.
Waves	4-7 feet	2-3 feet
Sat. shore/crib water temps	53°/49°	

LAST WEEK'S PEAK POLLEN LEVEL

POLLEN	LEVEL
Tree	High
Grass	Moderate
Mold	Low
Ragweed	0
Weed	0

SOURCE: The Gottlieb Memorial Hospital Allergy Count, Dr. Joseph Leija

CHICAGO AIR QUALITY

Saturday's reading	Moderate
Sunday's forecast	Good
Critical pollutant	Particulates

SUNDAY RISE/SET TIMES

Sun	5:41 a.m.	7:55 p.m.
Moon	1:00 a.m.	10:50 a.m.

3RD Q	NEW	1ST Q	FULL
May 7	May 15	May 21	May 29

SUNDAY PLANET WATCH

PLANET	RISE	SET
Mercury	4:51 a.m.	5:35 p.m.
Venus	7:09 a.m.	10:22 p.m.
Mars	1:10 a.m.	10:22 a.m.
Jupiter	7:54 p.m.	6:03 a.m.
Saturn	11:57 p.m.	9:09 a.m.

BEST VIEWING	TIME	DIRECTION
Mercury	Not visible	
Venus	8:45 p.m.	15.5° WNW
Mars	4:45 a.m.	24° SSE
Jupiter	1:00 a.m.	32° S
Saturn	4:30a.m.	26° S

SOURCE: Dan Joyce, Triton College

MIDWEST CITIES

SUN./MON.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois						
Carbondale	cl	79	51	su	72	50
Champaign	ts	79	46	su	71	45
Decatur	ts	79	46	su	71	45
Moline	pc	76	46	pc	73	46
Peoria	ts	77	46	pc	71	46
Quincy	ts	83	49	pc	74	49
Rockford	sh	70	42	su	69	45
Springfield	ts	82	48	su	74	48
Sterling	pc	76	43	su	71	45
Indiana						
Bloomington	ts	80	50	pc	70	47
Evansville	pc	81	54	su	72	52
Fort Wayne	ts	78	45	pc	64	40
Indianapolis	ts	79	49	pc	69	46
Lafayette	ts	77	45	pc	67	43
South Bend	pc	70	42	pc	66	42
Wisconsin						
Green Bay	pc	62	40	pc	69	50
Kenosha	sh	56	41	su	59	43
La Crosse	pc	71	48	pc	76	52
Madison	pc	66	42	pc	70	46
Milwaukee	pc	59	41	su	64	46
Wausau	pc	67	41	pc	71	49
Michigan						
Detroit	sh	72	43	pc	63	43
Grand Rapids	cl	67	43	su	68	45
Marquette	pc	50	37	pc	71	49
St. Ste. Marie	pc	59	33	su	64	41
Traverse City	sh	56	36	su	66	47
Iowa						
Ames	pc	75	47	su	73	50
Cedar Rapids	pc	73	45	pc	72	47
Des Moines	pc	76	51	pc	75	53
Dubuque	pc	71	46	pc	72	47

OTHER U.S. CITIES

SUN./MON.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Abilene	su	89	61	pc	93	65
Albany	rn	62	45	pc	64	39
Albuquerque	pc	86	60	pc	88	61
Amarillo	pc	92	57	pc	95	65
Anchorage	sh	46	34	pc	50	37
Asheville	pc	71	50	ts	72	53
Aspen	cl	68	43	cl	70	42
Atlanta	pc	80	58	pc	81	59
Atlantic City	ts	61	54	pc	66	48
Austin	su	88	63	su	90	65
Baltimore	ts	70	57	pc	76	55
Billings	pc	77	54	pc	73	54
Birmingham	pc	81	59	pc	83	58
Bismarck	pc	79	48	cl	81	54
Boise	pc	82	51	su	79	52
Boston	sh	64	52	pc	55	44
Brownsville	pc	88	66	pc	88	66
Buffalo	sh	68	42	su	60	38
Burlington	sh	63	42	pc	58	39
Charlotte	pc	81	57	pc	80	58
Charlstn SC	pc	80	61	pc	81	60
Charlstn WV	rn	69	52	ts	71	52
Chattanooga	pc	79	57	ts	79	56
Cheyenne	ts	68	46	cl	76	46
Cincinnati	ts	79	52	cl	69	48
Cleveland	cl	65	46	pc	55	45
Colo. Spgs	cl	75	49	cl	78	53
Columbia MO	ts	82	52	su	76	51
Columbia SC	pc	87	58	pc	85	59
Columbus	cl	77	50	pc	69	46
Concord	sh	63	47	pc	65	37
Crps Christi	pc	87	65	su	88	65
Dallas	su	89	64	pc	94	66
Daytona Bch.	ts	83	66	pc	82	66
Denver	cl	76	51	cl	82	52
Duluth	pc	57	39	pc	76	49
El Paso	su	91	64	pc	95	70
Fairbanks	pc	50	30	pc	50	35
Fargo	pc	76	48	pc	83	57
Flagstaff	pc	77	43	sh	75	40
Fort Myers	pc	88	70	pc	91	69
Fort Smith	su	87	59	su	84	60
Fresno	pc	87	58	su	90	61
Grand Junc.	pc	84	57	pc	86	55
Great Falls	pc	77	51	ts	65	48
Harrisburg	rn	62	50	pc	73	49
Hartford	sh	66	50	pc	69	43
Helena	pc	76	48	cl	68	45
Honolulu	pc	80	70	cl	79	72
Houston	su	89	66	su	92	66
Int'l Falls	pc	66	38	pc	80	47
Jackson	pc	83	60	su	87	60
Jacksonville	cl	91	70	pc	86	67
Juneau	sh	59	42	pc	60	41
Kansas City	pc	85	56	su	79	57
Las Vegas	pc	98	70	pc	98	71
Lexington	ts	77	55	sh	68	52
Lincoln	pc	80	48	su	79	56
Little Rock	su	87	59	pc	82	56
Los Angeles	pc	80	57	su	78	58
Louisville	pc	82	55	pc	73	53
Macon	su	85	57	pc	87	59
Memphis	pc	85	60	su	78	56
Miami	pc	83	73	ts	85	71
Minneapolis	pc	73	52	pc	78	56
Mobile	su	86	63	pc	88	64
Montgomery	pc	81	57	pc	82	59
Nashville	pc	81	57	pc	74	54
New Orleans	su	86	67	su	87	68
New York	sh	64	54	pc	71	50
Norfolk	rn	77	59	sh	67	54
Okla. City	su	90	62	pc	87	63
Omaha	pc	79	50	su	78	57
Orlando	ts	87	69	pc	90	66
Palm Beach	ts	85	70	pc	84	71
Palm Springs	pc	105	73	pc	103	73
Philadelphia	sh	65	54	pc	74	48
Phoenix	pc	106	77	pc	102	75
Pittsburgh	rn	65	51	sh	67	47
Portland, ME	sh	65	48	pc	59	41
Portland, OR	sh	69	51	pc	76	54
Providence	rn	65	50	sh	63	41
Raleigh	ts	84	57	pc	73	53
Rapid City	pc	75	54	pc	84	55
Reno	pc	80	48	su	85	53
Richmond	ts	78	57	cl	75	52
Rochester	cl	66	42	su	59	36
Sacramento	pc	79	51	su	86	53
Salem, Ore.	rn	68	47	pc	75	50
Salt Lake City	pc	88	62	pc	83	56
San Antonio	pc	89	63	su	91	63
San Diego	pc	72	58	pc	69	58
San Francisco	pc	58	50	su	61	50
San Juan	sh	83	75	cl	84	74
Santa Fe	pc	78	54	pc	81	53
Savannah	pc	89	62	pc	86	62
Seattle	cl	73	53	pc	71	52
Shreveport	su	86	64	su	88	64
Sioux Falls	su	75	48	pc	76	55
Spokane	pc	78	54	cl	73	52
St. Louis	pc	82	52	su	74	50
Syracuse	sh	68	42	su	62	35
Tallahassee	pc	91	60	pc	91	63
Tampa	ts	83	68	pc	90	66
Topeka	pc	85	53	su	81	57
Tucson	pc	102	70	pc	102	68
Tulsa	pc	88	59	pc	83	62
Washington	ts	70	57	pc	75	54
Wichita	pc	87	57	pc	82	61
Wilkes Barre	rn	57	45	pc	66	40
Yuma	pc	105	71	pc	102	71

WORLD CITIES

SUNDAY	FC	HI	LO
Acapulco	pc	88	76
Algiers	sh	71	52
Amsterdam	su	78	52
Ankara	ts	70	50
Athens	ts	74	61
Auckland	su	64	55
Baghdad	su	96	73
Bangkok	pc	91	81
Barbados	pc	84	76
Barcelona	sh	70	56
Beijing	pc	81	53
Beirut	pc	80	70
Berlin	su	71	48
Bermuda	pc	74	69
Bogota	ts	64	50
Brussels	su	80	50
Bucharest	sh	83	62
Budapest	su	79	53
Buenos Aires	pc	73	64
Cairo	sh	86	67
Cancun	pc	86	69
Caracas	cl	78	63
Casablanca	pc	72	58
Copenhagen	su	61	47
Dublin	pc	69	47
Edmonton	pc	79	53
Frankfurt	su	71	45
Geneva	su	80	55
Guadalajara	ts	83	61
Havana	ts	85	70
Helsinki	pc	58	42
Hong Kong	ts	83	77
Istanbul	sh	68	58
Jerusalem	pc	79	62
Johannesburg	su	73	48
Kabul	ts	71	49
Kiev	sh	74	54
Kingston	ts	83	78
Lima	pc	69	63
Lisbon	pc	79	58
London	su	79	50
Madrid	pc	76	51
Manila	pc	96	81
Mexico City	sh	75	54
Monterrey	pc	82	64
Montreal	cl	58	40
Moscow	rn	63	47
Munich	su	73	51
Nairobi	ts	76	60
Nassau	ts	86	76
New Delhi	pc	105	82
Oslo	pc	68	45
Ottawa	cl	62	36
Panama City	ts	87	74
Paris	su	83	53
Prague	su	69	45
Rio de Janeiro	pc	84	71
Riyadh	pc	105	80
Rome	sh	71	60
Santiago	pc	71	45
Seoul	pc	78	52
Singapore	pc	90	79
Sofia	sh	75	54
Stockholm	pc	69	46
Sydney	su	74	56
Taipei	pc	92	78
Tehran	pc	79	59
Tokyo	rn	71	59
Toronto	cl	61	40
Trinidad	pc	86	74
Vancouver	pc	68	53
Vienna	su	73	50
Warsaw	su	71	45
Winnipeg	pc	72	51

FORECAST (FC) ABBREVIATIONS: su-sunny pc-partly cloudy cl-cloudy rn-rain ts-thunderstorm sn-snow fl -flurries fr-freezing rain sl-sleet sh-showers rs-rain/snow ss-snow showers w-windy na-unavailable

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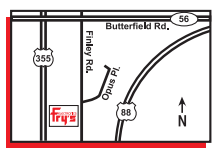
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Low-power TV station is proving a radio star

How MeTV FM rewrote the rules to become a top-10 Chicago station while residing at the low end of the dial

By Robert Channick
Chicago Tribune

The fastest-growing radio station in Chicago has no DJs, plays way too many songs, targets aging baby boomers and is so far down the FM dial it can't be picked up by many car radios.

Also, it's not technically a radio station.

Three years after launching, MeTV FM's eclectic soft oldies format has turned a low-power TV signal at 87.7 FM into a top-10 Chicago radio station, confounding competitors and rewriting the unwritten rules of broadcast radio.

"A lot of people think it's amazing that we're doing the kind of numbers we are without all those traditional things," said Neal Sabin, 61, vice chairman of Weigel Broadcasting, which operates the station. "But we've broken a lot of radio rules here."

The mastermind behind the national MeTV classic television network, Sabin used his own iPod playlist to create an unlikely radio success story at WRME-LP, which can be heard at 87.7 FM but is actually licensed as Ch. 6, a low-power Chicago TV station.

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ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

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"There's just so much in that ordinance," said Antionette Wonsey, who lives in Englewood and has rented spaces on Airbnb for the last few years.

Home-sharing law making it hard to share

Two years after city passed ordinance, only Airbnb has a license, and hosts say the rules are too complicated

By Ese Olumhense | Chicago Tribune

Rosalind and Eric Bowden received a surprising letter from the city right around Christmas, notifying them that because they didn't delete an unauthorized listing on Airbnb, they were believed to be in violation of a Chicago law regulating short-term rentals.

But the Bowdens had disabled bookings for a first-floor room in their South Side home to comply with an earlier notice from the city asking them to "remove" the listing. It no longer showed up in search results, the couple said, and only could be accessed with a direct link.

Still, not actually deleting the listing could prove to be an expensive error. They face potential fines of between $1,500 and $5,000 per day for the 37 days city officials allege they violated the law — a sum "many times over anything I ever made on Airbnb," Rosalind Bowden said.

The short-term rental ordinance, which was approved by the City Council nearly two years ago and went into full effect last spring, requires home-sharing websites like Airbnb and HomeAway to obtain licenses from the city. Hosts also have to register. All of this would allow the city to track and limit the number of units rented on a short-term basis. Supporters said the law was a needed safeguard against commercial renters trying to list multiple units in residential buildings, effectively turning them into hotels, to the detriment of their neighbors.

Since ordinance was approved, it has been plagued by legal challenges, delays and uneven enforcement. Only one short-term rental platform — Airbnb — has obtained the license required to operate in the city, but other platforms, such as HomeAway, VRBO and Booking.com, have continued operating in apparent violation of the law, likely

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Chicago Tribune

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City acknowledges ordinance is 'complex'

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costing the city millions of dollars in potential licensing and tax revenue.

Hosts looking to list their properties on Airbnb also have faced challenges, including unexplained errors and denials when applying for registration numbers and threats of six-figure fines, according to interviews and public records.

"There's just so much in that ordinance," said Antionette Wonsey, who lives in Englewood and has rented spaces on Airbnb for the last few years. "It's just too much; it's like you're signing up for a credit card with all this fine print."

Eric Bowden said many of the arguments given by supporters of the ordinance don't apply to his family's situation.

"We're not investors. We literally have one Airbnb, and we do it just for fun," he said. "We've never really made money off of the thing. ... We definitely don't have a $100,000 just sitting around to pay a fine for this. It's just crazy."

The city's Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection is charged with enforcing the ordinance. Spokeswoman Lilia Chacon acknowledged that the law can be confusing.

"This is a complex and groundbreaking piece of legislation, and evidence that Chicago is leading the way when it comes to regulating new and emerging business models," Chacon said in an email, adding that hosts who have questions about the ordinance should call the department for help.

However, Chacon did not respond to multiple requests for comment on potential penalties for short-term rental platforms that have continued operating without licenses or for hosts who use those platforms.

Ald. Brendan Reilly, 42nd, a co-sponsor of the ordinance, offered more blunt criticism earlier this year in an interview with WFLD-Ch. 32.



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Ald. Brendan Reilly, 42nd, a co-sponsor of the ordinance, said in February, "The current law isn't working, and if it isn't working, it's our job as legislators to fix it."

Reilly, who could not be reached for comment, told Fox 32 that constituents in his ward, which includes the Loop, River North and part of the Gold Coast, have continued to complain about property damage and safety concerns, among other issues.

"The current law isn't working, and if it isn't working, it's our job as legislators to fix it," Reilly said in February.

Since July, the city has issued a few dozen citations for violations of the law, generating $100,000 in revenue from fines, according to the business affairs department. Roughly 5,700 Airbnb hosts have successfully applied for a registration number. Close to 1,230 applications were denied, and 1,770 decisions are pending.

The registration process has been difficult for some hosts, who say they were wrongly denied registration numbers. The appeal process also is time-consuming and complicated, they say.

One Lakeview man's registration application was denied because the city's Department of Business Affairs and Consumer Protection said he was not the primary resident of an Airbnb unit in a building with four or fewer dwelling units. But according to city Buildings Department records, he is the primary resident, and he holds a certificate of occupancy for seven legal units in the building, which he owns. In buildings with four or fewer apartments, potential hosts can only register a unit that is their primary residence. But because his building has more than four units, that section of the law doesn't appear to apply to him.

Similarly, a Norwood Park couple had their registration application denied in January after officials said they weren't the primary residents of the house they were trying to list on Airbnb, city records show. But the couple says they have lived there for years, and after the initial denial they produced a deed, mortgage statement, tax bill, driver's licenses and an insurance bill to support their appeal.

A Near North woman says her 2017 registration application was denied because city officials said her condominium building was on a list of buildings that have prohibited short-term rentals. When she and her husband examined their condo bylaws, they found nothing limited or restricted short-term rentals there. When they filed a Freedom of Information request asking the city for documents showing their building belonged on the list, the city told them in a May 2017 response it was unable to locate any such records.

Four employees are tasked with enforcing this ordinance, prompting questions from some hosts about the possibility for a backlog in processing applications. These concerns are somewhat grounded in history: After the law went into full effect last spring, many hosts who tried to register their properties didn't receive registration numbers for months.

Extra staff can assist the enforcement team when needed, Chacon said.

But it's the law that needs to change, critics contend, not the number of staffers assigned to enforce it.

"It's an old model of regulation that's being applied to this new and burgeoning platform," said Shorge Sato, a lawyer who represents Airbnb hosts. Sato, on behalf of the nonprofit homeowners organization Keep Chicago Livable, filed a federal lawsuit challenging the ordinance in November 2016, prompting changes to the original policy. Sato later filed an amended complaint, again challenging the ordinance. A ruling on the matter that has been postponed for over a year, court documents show.

Last week, Sato asked the U.S. 7th Circuit Court of Appeals to either rule on the case or send it back to the lower court for a ruling.

If the 7th Circuit makes a decision on this case, Sato said, it could be the first time a federal appeals court addresses whether homeowners have a right to list their homes on home-sharing websites.

Prospective hosts are not alone in challenging the city's short-term rental ordinance.

HomeAway, an Austin, Texas-based home-sharing site owned by Expedia, filed a federal lawsuit against the city in May 2017, also seeking to delay implementation of the ordinance or have it declared unconstitutional. It was the first such lawsuit filed by one of the platforms regulated under the ordinance.

In early April, the city filed a motion to dismiss the HomeAway suit. The court has yet to rule on that request.

"There has been an ongoing dialogue with HomeAway on this matter, and we look forward to a positive resolution," Chacon said.

Expedia spokesman Philip Minardi said in an email that HomeAway is continuing "to work collaboratively with the city towards a solution that obviates the need for litigation."

Airbnb, which worked with the city to develop the ordinance, is the largest short-term rental service in the city, with more than 5,000 licensed hosts. That's down from about 6,500 active hosts a year ago, before the ordinance took effect.

The company paid close to $320,000 in fees for its city license. It also passed on more $6 million in taxes to Chicago in 2017. Close to $3 million of of that money went toward addressing homelessness in the city, a component of the law.

That money is intended for housing and services for homeless families with school-age children, said Mary Tarullo of the Chicago Coalition for the Homeless, which partners with the city. Part of the funds from the home-sharing tax helped provide housing support for 100 families; another portion supported services for the chronically homeless, Tarullo said.

"Airbnb is proud to be the only home-sharing platform delivering tax revenue to Chicago and licensed to operate in city," company spokesman Ben Breit said. "We are committed to serving the communities our hosts call home and look forward to building on the nearly $5 million in tax revenue our community has contributed (last year and this year) to the city's efforts to fight homelessness."

For some Airbnb hosts, however, fear of violating the new rules has prompted them to consider giving it up altogether.

The Bowdens still are contesting their proposed fine in court. Though they are barred from listing one of the rooms on their first floor, they continue to rent out the rest of that apartment. They love sharing their space with visitors to the city, and all of the nearly 60 reviewers who've posted comments on the couple's Airbnb account have left five-star ratings, something the Airbnb-designated "superhosts" take pride in. But after their experience, they are hesitant to continue renting out their space.

"There's so many little things that you can trip on," Eric Bowden said. "We're really thinking about just saying, 'Never mind.' It's just too dangerous for us. We could have our lives ruined. So we're thinking about just not hosting at all anymore."

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Willis Tower's new elevators: Here are the ups and downs

By Ryan Ori and Jemal R. Brinson
Chicago Tribune

The 16,000 people who work in and visit Willis Tower each day could soon be spending less time on their elevator rides in Chicago's tallest building.

A five-year project to upgrade the tower's 83 elevator shafts — and replace 97 passenger cabs, as some shafts have two-level elevators — will start in June, according to the building's owner, Blackstone Group's Equity Office, and elevator firm Otis.

It will be the first major overhaul of the elevators since the 110-story skyscraper was completed in 1974 as Sears Tower.

Utilizing smart technology and energy-efficient components, the upgraded system is expected to reduce trip times by as much as 30 percent and reduce energy use by about 35 percent, Equity Office and Otis said in a news release. Machine rooms, motors, cables and controls will be replaced in the renovation, which will be conducted in stages.

Elevators to the Skydeck tourist attraction, which is visited by more than 1.7 million people each year, are not part of the project.

Blackstone Group bought Willis Tower for a Chicago-record $1.3 billion in 2015. The elevator upgrades are part of a $500 million renovation that will add more than 300,000 square feet of retail and entertainment space at the base of the building at 233 S. Wacker Drive.

Willis Tower's new elevators: By the numbers



1,200 miles

The elevators make more than 42,000 trips per day. Add them all up and they cover about the same distance as a flight from Chicago to Miami.

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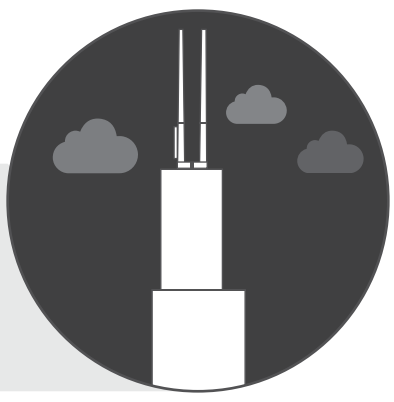


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Each year, Willis Tower's elevators carry about the same number of people as the combined population of Los Angeles and Houston.

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Sears Tower was the world's tallest building when it opened. It is now the second-tallest in the U.S. and the 15th-tallest in the world.



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TRIBUNE

Mall owners have new headache as online returns hit sales figures

By Sarah Mulholland
Bloomberg News

Mall owners, already squeezed by e-commerce and spending billions on property makeovers to draw shoppers, have a new headache: retailers deducting returns for items bought online from their sales figures.

David Simon, chief executive officer of Simon Property Group, says a "significant number" of tenants are underreporting sales and that the company, the largest U.S. mall owner, is negotiating with them to find a solution.

For America's beleaguered retail landlords, sales per square foot is a crucial metric, used by investors to gauge their financial health. In addition to the dollars lost themselves, a low number can damage a mall's reputation on Wall Street.

The issue Simon is flagging arises from rents that are based on how much a retailer sells in its physical store. It's common for a tenant to pay a base amount and then give the landlord a cut of sales that exceed a set threshold. Occasionally a retailer has no base rent and is obligated to pay only a percentage of sales rung up at the property.

"We are getting dinged by internet returns," Simon said on a conference call with analysts Friday. "Every retailer is different, and there is not a standard response yet. It needs to be addressed in future leases." He declined to quantify the problem but said it was "material," telling the analysts that "we have audit rights, and in our normal procedure we saw some anomalies about sales."

The tension adds to a growing list of troubles for retail property owners as the rise of internet shopping erodes brick-and-mortar revenues. Landlords are dropping big sums to reconfigure their shopping centers with attractions customers can't enjoy online, such as restaurants and gyms.

Remaking the mall can mean adding small, local merchants and relatively unknown retailers to the mix as large chains cut back on space, exacerbating the issue of online returns, according to Burt Flickinger, managing director of Strategic Resource Group LLC, a retail-advisory firm. Big, well-known companies, especially publicly traded ones, are likelier to hew to established guidelines when they report sales figures, he said.

"As the big chain tenants close, they're replaced more often with newer, more entrepreneurial independent owner-operators, who can be more casual in terms of responsibly reporting," Flickinger said.

Managing returns is a critical issue for both landlords and retailers, and e-commerce has only made it more complicated. Anybody who has bought a pair of shoes or a sweater online can attest that shoppers are far more likely to take back apparel they bought on the internet than picked out in person at a store. The rate of returns for online purchases is estimated to be as much as four times the rate for physical-store sales, according to David Sobie, CEO of Happy Returns Inc., which operates in malls and other shopping venues, taking online returns from consumers for retailers that don't have a lot of physical stores.

Bad for both store and landlord, right? Not necessarily. When it comes time to seek a refund, people prefer to get it in person instead of printing up a label, making a trip to the post office and waiting weeks for the cash to show up in their bank accounts, Sobie said. That typically works in the landlord's favor, since anything that triggers a trip to the mall can drive additional purchases.

"Returns from internet purchases as a source of foot traffic are valuable," Sobie said. "Of course you're going to browse, and maybe get something to eat."

It's hard to parse how the various parties to an internet sale and subsequent return are affected, said Daniel Hurwitz, CEO of retail real-estate consultant Raider Hill Advisors and the lead director of GGP Inc., the second-largest U.S. mall owner. For example, if a consumer trades in an item for one of a different size or color, the inventory at that location is reduced even though no money has changed hands at the cash register, Hurwitz said.

As merchants build out their online operations, returns will pile up and become an even more pressing issue.

"The mall business has become obsessed with sales per square foot as an absolute measure of success," Hurwitz said. "The reporting of sales has become less pure because there are so many moving parts with online returns. As an industry, it would be prudent to come up with a way to deal with this."

Delta goes high as its competitors go low

By Michael Sasso
Bloomberg News

Much like the makers of designer handbags and craft beers, Delta Air Lines is finding it pays to pursue the high end.

Flying has gotten cheaper across the board in recent years, but Delta is beating its major U.S. rivals at retaining a premium on tickets sold to bigger-spending business travelers. The highest 10 percent of one-way Delta fares started at $521 last year, down 12 percent from 2014, according to ICF Inc., which crunched the numbers for Bloomberg. United Continental Holdings' fares in that category fell 16 percent, while comparable ticket prices at American Airlines dropped 21 percent.



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Delta, which has a larger share of business fliers than its competitors, is offering more lavish accommodations.

"Since Delta controls more business revenue than American or United, that gives them fewer seats that face really low-cost competition and their fares are diluted less than American or United," said Ben Baldanza, former chief executive of Spirit Airlines Inc.

All the carriers are chasing the prosperous by lavishing perks on them. Delta equipped its new Airbus SE A350 international planes with private suites in the business-class cabin. United is rolling out its Polaris-brand international business cabins with lie-flat seats and direct access to the aisle, while American added sit-down dining in its lounges for people holding first-class international and transcontinental tickets.

Fares have been falling due to increased capacity along with the growth of discount carriers; lower fuel prices, which have started to rise again, also played a role. U.S. airlines threw their restraint "out the window" in 2015 and tripled their previous U.S. growth rate by adding seats at about a 5 percent clip, said Austin Horowitz, an aviation consultant for ICF.

Delta has been trouncing rivals financially. Its operating profit margin last year was half again as much as at United and American.

BACKSTORY

Chief of Latino leadership nonprofit pays it forward

By Alexia Elejalde-Ruiz | Chicago Tribune



Patricia Mota

Every other summer during Patricia Mota's childhood, her family would pack the car for the long drive from Indiana to the ranch in Mexico where her father grew up.

Those summers in Zacatecas made Mota grateful for the educational opportunities she had in East Chicago, a city where "it was very easy to get in trouble" but for the emphasis that her immigrant parents put on sending their kids to college.

Now Mota works to help others with similar backgrounds get ahead.

Mota, 35, three years ago became president and CEO of the Hispanic Alliance for Career Enhancement, a national nonprofit founded in Chicago 36 years ago. The organization, which has 52,000 members across the country, connects Latino professionals to employers and hosts leadership development programs that range from 10 weeks to a year.

Q: What problem are you trying to solve?

A: Currently there is a lack of leaders who represent our community. With our programs and services we are able to shine a light and really feature Latinos that have made it, that are successful, to our younger generation so that they can envision themselves getting there. One of our biggest challenges is that many of our community (members) are first generation obtaining a high school diploma, first generation completing a college education and first generation going into a professional workforce.

Q: How does your personal story connect with the mission?

A: Being first generation in my family to complete a college education, I can relate to a lot of that. But also I experienced very early on a connection to what my personal mission is. I grew up in East Chicago, Ind. And I have a brother 10 years older than I am who became a civil engineer and convinced my father to have me move out to Gilbert, Ariz., far away, to a public high school that was there at the time, because of the academic rigor. So I learned a lot from that experience in terms of being able to connect to other communities unlike my own but also about the education gap that a lot of our Latino and black students are facing in their communities.

Q: What has been a stubborn challenge as you try to do this work?

A: We surveyed our members at the end of last year, we got about 1,000 responses of Latino professionals, where (they say) they're feeling they can't be their true authentic selves in the workplace. (That) hinders their performance, it hinders opportunities for advancement.

Q: What was your first job?

A: Dairy Queen. I think that job really taught me that I really wanted to go to college because a lot of the folks working there had been working there for several years. For me, realizing I needed to strive for more and hearing people's stories who were working there and understanding the privilege that I had the opportunity to go to college.

Q: What book is on your nightstand?

A: So I just ordered this book, "The Poet X" (by Elizabeth Acevedo). It speaks to her experience as an Afro Latina. When you look at Latinos in the landscape we have across the country, there's a tendency of us being bucket-ized to one category. I think it's important to understand the diversity that the community represents.

This interview has been edited for length and clarity.

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Many merchants find it cheaper to pay Amazon for logistics than do it on their own because they benefit from Amazon's volume shipping discounts.

Amazon makes offer small retailers might not refuse

Those that use its e-payment would share in discounts

By Jenny Surane and Spencer Soper
Bloomberg News

Amazon.com is offering to pass along the discounts it gets on credit-card fees to other retailers if they use its online payments service, according to people with knowledge of the matter, in a new threat to PayPal Holdings and card-issuing banks.

The move shows Amazon is willing to sacrifice the profitability of its payments system to spread its use.

Swipe fees are a $90 billion-a-year business for lenders such as JPMorgan Chase & Co. and Citigroup, networks including Visa and Mastercard, and payment processors like First Data and Stripe, which pocket a fraction of every sale when shoppers swipe cards or click "buy now."

The financial industry's fees amount to about 2 percent of a typical credit-card transaction, or 24 cents for debit.

But big stores such as Amazon and Walmart Inc. have long been able to negotiate lower rates for themselves based on their massive sales volume.

Now, Amazon is offering to pass its discount along to at least some smaller merchants if they agree to embrace its Amazon Pay service, said those, who asked not to be identified because they aren't authorized to discuss the plan publicly.

It couldn't be determined how many retailers have received Amazon's offer for discounts. The company typically tests such initiatives before rolling them out broadly.

Previously, online merchants using Amazon's service have paid about 2.9 percent of each credit-card transaction plus 30 cents, divvied up among Amazon, card issuers and payment networks.

As part of its experiment, Amazon is offering to negotiate lower fees with merchants making long-term commitments to use the service, according to one person familiar with the matter.

But merchants aren't eager to share too much information with Amazon, which may compete with them to sell similar products on its own site.

Amazon dominates the U.S. e-commerce market, with 43.5 percent of all sales in 2017, according to EMarketer Inc. PayPal has emphasized its status as a nonretail competitor to differentiate itself.

Amazon Pay is among many products the company offers to get a piece of other retailers' e-commerce revenue.

Merchants selling goods on their own websites can let Amazon handle warehousing, packing and shipping for a fee. Many find it cheaper to pay Amazon for logistics than do it on their own because they benefit from Amazon's volume shipping discounts.

Amazon's move is part of an escalating battle in the U.S. between traditional financial firms and tech giants to develop a dominant digital payments system.

MeTV FM creator: 'We've broken a lot of radio rules'

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The so-called Franken FM station is one of a handful of TV channels operating as radio stations across the country. All are potentially on borrowed time, facing a three-year window before regulators may force them off the FM band.

None has progressed beyond the fringes as fast and far as WRME, which has resonated with its target audience by playing both familiar and forgotten songs for listeners who grew up glued to the radio from the 1960s through the 1980s.

Owned by Los Angeles-based Venture Technologies Group, WRME has been everything from Spanish language to country to smooth jazz to alternative rock to sports talk in the nine years since it fired up its signal in Chicago, with varying degrees of ratings success.

The previous operator, Tribune Media and WGN-AM 720, launched an FM sports-talk station called "The Game" that lasted less than a year. Now leased by Weigel, 87.7 is actually beating WGN in the ratings.

MeTV FM has steadily built its audience since debuting in February 2015, ranking in the middle of the pack with a solid 2.4 share as recently as January, according to Nielsen. But in February, the station jumped all the way to a 3.6 share and a top-10 ranking.

It proved to be no fluke, with MeTV FM notching a 3.5 share in March, tied for eighth in Chicago and besting such perennial powerhouses as WKSC-FM 103.5 ("Kiss FM"), WSCR-AM 670 ("The Score") and WGN.

The secret sauce, Sabin said, is an underserved older audience and an enormous playlist of about 3,500 songs. The format draws heavily on mainstays such as the Beach Boys, the Beatles and Billy Joel, but it also brings in more obscure singer-songwriters, one-hit wonders, deep album cuts and plenty of guilty pleasures.

For example, it is likely the only station in Chicago where you can hear the infectious 1969 bubblegum hit "Tracy" by the Cuff Links on the air — and then in an endless loop inside your head for the next 24 hours.

"One of the things it has going for it is the unpredictability of it because of the spectrum that's covered by having that many songs in there," said Norm Winer, the longtime program director at WXRT-FM 93.1, who left the seminal Chicago rock station two years ago.

The demise of K-Hits, WJMK-FM 104.3 FM, the classic hits station that new owner Entercom flipped to classic hip-hop in November, no doubt sent some listeners to MeTV FM, but Sabin said the station's growth has been mostly organic.

The accomplishment is even more remarkable considering MeTV FM has about a half-dozen employees and a main studio the size of a broom closet. One of the first hires was veteran Chicago radio programmer Rick O'Dell, who refined Sabin's initial playlist, tamping down slightly his predilection for esoteric singer-songwriters and adding a few edgier artists and some guilty pleasures of his own, such as Donny Osmond's "Puppy Love."

"Donny Osmond wasn't on my iPod," Sabin said. "But the core of the format was the feeling, and we fleshed it out with things that made sense."

After much debate with Sabin, O'Dell also added "Light My Fire" by The Doors, the hardest-rocking song on the station's soft rock playlist.

A computer schedules and plays the songs, promos and commercials, but O'Dell reviews and tweaks the programming in advance to ensure the best mix, adding songs on a daily basis to reflect everything from the weather to topical issues.

One such real-time adjustment is paying tribute to its roster of aging artists as they come to town or, with similar regularity, when they die.

"With the age of our artists, any day, any week, we could lose an artist or two," said O'Dell, 59. "Last year, we lost two to three dozen different artists who had passed. We're able to turn on a dime and feature those artists the day they pass away."

There are no on-air personalities, but the station uses clever promos and well-produced artist profiles to create a strong connection with listeners. WGN Radio provides bite-size newscasts twice per hour in drive time, but a shared passion for the music is what drives the relationship.

"It doesn't feel like a station that doesn't have someone there," said Bill Cochran, 60, imaging and production director at MeTV FM.

The station's core demographic is 45- to 64-year-olds, with a fairly even split between men and women. The aging audience makes MeTV FM something of a tough sell for advertisers, who traditionally covet younger consumers.

Cheryl Esken, sales director at MeTV FM, is a 25-year radio veteran who headed up regional sales for Clear Channel before joining Weigel 12 years ago. Esken, 60, said target advertisers for MeTV FM include home improvement stores, hospitals and entertainment venues —because the older, more affluent listeners "can afford the tickets."

Sabin didn't disclose annual sales but said the station's revenues are up 50 to 60 percent from last year, thanks in part to the recent ratings boost.

Launched in 2010, MeTV, a classic television network featuring programs like "The Andy Griffith Show" and the original "Star Trek" series, has 186 broadcast affiliates reaching 95 percent of the country.

Sabin envisions MeTV FM as the radio companion to the nostalgic TV network, and he has aspirations to pair broadcast affiliates in each market, at least promotionally. He has engaged a radio syndication company, Cleveland-based Envision Networks, to farm out the MeTV FM format to stations across the U.S. Its first affiliate launched last month in Saginaw, Mich., under the WJMK call letters that 104.3 FM in Chicago relinquished when it switched to hip-hop.

Gary Berkowitz, a Detroit-based radio programming consultant who specializes in adult contemporary and classic hits formats, said MeTV FM may find its niche nationally.

"They're playing music that you can't get anywhere else," Berkowitz said. "I believe that there's a huge hole in every market for what they're doing."

In Chicago, MeTV FM may be facing another challenge. Despite its success, WRME and all low-power TV stations have been given a 2021 deadline by the Federal Communications Commission to convert to a digital broadcasting signal, which would end the de facto radio stations, since FM is still an analog medium.

Venture, which owns six low-power TV stations operating as radio stations, has a pending petition that, if granted, would permit it to continue transmitting their FM signals in analog after they transition to digital TV, FCC spokesman Charlie Meisch said. Otherwise the Franken FMs will disappear within three years.

Sabin is well-aware of the looming deadline, but he is confident MeTV FM will stay on the air in Chicago for years to come.

"We've proven the viability of this format, and if that becomes an issue, we will handle it," Sabin said.

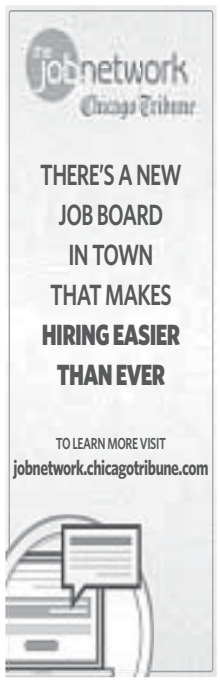
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Oregon's vineyards are beginning to challenge their more expensive counterparts in Napa Valley, Calif.

Beaver State cuts wine teeth

Region to north of Napa Valley offers lots of potential

By Larissa Zimberoff
Bloomberg News

Even by Napa Valley's astronomical real estate standards, the sale of Heitz Wine Cellars for a reported $180 million raised eyebrows. It's the new normal there, though: Vineyard properties in the area routinely go for $400,000 an acre, according to the Napa-based County Appraisals.

In response, some wineries have determined that it makes fiscal sense to find a less-expensive neighborhood.

Jackson Family Wines, maker of the nation's top-selling chardonnay Kendall-Jackson Chardonnay, bought its first vineyard in 2013 in southern Oregon's Willamette Valley.

Today, the company owns and operates four wineries on more than 1,300 acres in the area, according to the Wine Spectator.

"In the world of winemaking, it's still a young region with so much potential," said Eugenia Keegan, JFW's general manager in Oregon.

Appreciation for Oregon wine is accelerating rapidly. According to Danny Brager, senior vice president of Nielsen's Beverage Alcohol Practice, national wine sales grew 2.1 percent in retail channels while Oregon's sales grew 17 percent.

Direct-to-consumer growth is also notable — 31 percent for Oregon, compared to 15 percent nationally.

"Oregon is clearly a growth leader, and the fastest growing region in the world," he said.

The wines have captured the attention of first lady Melania Trump, who included two Oregon vintages at the recent state dinner for French President Emmanuel Macron.

The wines — a 2015 Evenstad Reserve Chardonnay from Domaine Serene and a 2014 Domaine Drouhin Pinot Noir Laurene — are the result of French-American collaborations.

An Oregon wine not at the state dinner but should have been: Lingua Franca. It's made by master sommelier and former Napa Valley resident Larry Stone. His first vintage, the 2015 Mimi's Mind Pinot Noir, won a double gold medal at the Six Nations Wine Competition in Australia.

Stone's greatest feat may be that he launched the label for less than $8 million.

Stone's path to Lingua Franca began at the age of 13, when he began fermenting apple juice into riesling. By 15, he was collecting wine. In the late '90s, he made San Francisco's Rubicon restaurant one of the country's premier wine destinations and then began producing vintages for Francis Ford Coppola in Sonoma.

When Stone saw the 148-acre parcel in the Eola-Amity Hills, he recognized the neglected farm as prime real estate.

"It was like buying a grand cru Burgundy," he said.

He bought the property in 2012 with a simple plan to grow grapes for sale — building his own winery would be cost-prohibitive; for a sommelier's bank account, the land was expensive enough in itself.

Stone's main asset was wine. He had around 350 cases dating back to the 1970s that included a 1990 Henri Jayer Cros Parantoux Vosne-Romanee, a 1982 Gaja Barbaresco Sorí San Lorenzo, and a 1985 Guigal Cote-Rotie La Mouline.

Through Christie's auction house, he sold it all and pocketed $750,000. After a friend, former finance lawyer David Honig, partnered with him, they bought the land and planted pinot and chardonnay grapes for around $2 million.

Stone's property attracted the interest of Dominique Lafon from Burgundy's legendary Domaine des Comtes Lafon.

Lafon asked who would be making the wine.

"Making wine is too expensive," Stone told Lafon, offering to sell him the fruit.

A year later, in 2015, Lafon signed on as consulting winemaker alongside full-time winemaker Thomas Savre — the equivalent of having Bruce Springsteen offer to play at your wedding.

With Lafon on board, Stone raised $5.2 million to construct a 20,000-square-foot facility designed by Portland architect Laurence Ferar.

Completed in 2016, the winery is understated and elegant; it hides its efficiency well.

The custom-made tanks have lines that allow for heating and cooling. The chardonnay room has a separate heating system for cold Oregon nights.

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> *—Danny Brager, Nielsen's Beverage Alcohol Practice*

A costly European press offers Savre controls as to how hard to press the grapes: gentle and slow or quick, with higher pressure.

"We don't hide behind innovation," said Savre. "We use iPads. But we're not adding anything like commercial yeasts. We make it very carefully."

Like the increasingly popular incubator food-hall model, Stone has opened up Lingua Franca to local winemakers seeking the same exacting standards. Clients include Judy Jordan from Capra Vineyards and Alban Debeaulieu with Angela Estate.

Lingua Franca's first vintage, the 2015 Pinot Noir Eola-Amity Hills Tongue 'n Cheek ($60) landed on Wine Spectator's top 100 list with a noteworthy 94-point score.

The 2015 and 2016 vintages can be found on wine lists at New York's Daniel, the Modern, and Batard and in Paris at Taillevent and Le Grand Epicerie.

Often, it's the only Oregon wine on the list.

Comparing Oregon wines to their well-heeled Napa Valley counterparts is tricky because the same varietals can taste different.

It's colder in Oregon, so wines tend to be more delicate and in line with the trend toward lighter and fresher bottlings. Reds from Napa are generally richer and heavier.

Lingua Franca's Pinot Noir has a flinty finish with plum and red-cherry tones, reminders that the property was once a fruit orchard.

As he finds the right vines, Stone is already planning to plant an additional 15 acres. He hopes to have them ready for a state dinner in the near future.

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Stocks Recap





WEEKLY PERFORMANCE

52-WEEK HIGH	52-WEEK LOW	INDEX	HIGH	LOW	CLOSE	CHG	%CHG	YTD %CHG	1YR %CHG
26616.71	20553.45	Dow Jones industrials	24498.23	23531.31	24262.51	-48.68	-0.2	-1.9	+15.5
11423.92	8744.36	Dow Jones trans.	10617.34	10080.84	10370.23	-179.17	-1.7	-2.3	+12.8
778.80	647.81	Dow Jones utilities	711.85	693.44	704.38	-4.30	-0.6	-2.6	+0.2
13637.02	11374.64	NYSE Comp.	12641.93	12255.85	12493.35	-100.68	-0.8	-2.5	+7.6
6222.14	5199.46	NYSE International	5709.87	5581.14	5654.36	-32.06	-0.6	-2.4	+6.6
7186.04	5568.47	Nasdaq 100	6783.36	6539.86	6769.12	+112.76	+1.7	+5.8	+19.9
7637.27	5996.82	Nasdaq Comp.	7228.26	6991.14	7209.62	+89.82	+1.3	+4.4	+18.2
2872.87	2352.72	S&P 500	2682.92	2594.62	2663.42	-6.49	-0.2	-0.4	+11.0
2001.48	1683.72	S&P MidCap	1905.17	1852.04	1897.45	+5.22	+0.3	-0.2	+9.1
29760.60	24445.51	Wilshire 5000	27866.40	27008.60	27699.07	-35.64	-0.1	-0.3	+10.9
1615.52	1349.35	Russell 2000	1572.77	1527.71	1565.60	+9.37	+0.6	+2.0	+12.1
403.72	362.04	Dow Jones Stoxx 600	387.85	383.77	387.03	+2.39	+0.6	-0.6	-1.9
7792.56	6866.94	FTSE 100	7572.98	7492.39	7567.14	+64.93	+0.9	-1.6	+3.7

Gold ↘ -7.60 $1,312.70

Silver ↗ +.03 $16.43

Crude Oil ↗ +1.62 $69.72

Natural Gas ↘ -.06 $2.71

10-year T-note ↘ -.01 2.95%

Euro ↗ +.0110 to .8360/$1

Yen ↗ +.09 to 109.11/$1

Most active

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
Bank of America	29.30	-.85
Snap Inc A	10.79	-3.44
Gen Electric	14.10	-.28
Sprint Corp	5.28	-1.22
Ford Motor	11.36	-.13
AT&T Inc	32.14	-.90
Chesapk Engy	3.05	+.10
Pfizer Inc	34.84	-2.16
Twitter Inc	31.04	+2.04
McDermott Intl	6.66	-.23
AK Steel Hold	4.53	-.22
Oasis Petroleum	11.22	+.42
Weatherford Intl Ltd	2.97	+.02

NASDAQ STOCK MARKET

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
Neovasc Inc	.05	+.01
Apple Inc	183.83	+21.51
Adv Micro Dev	11.28	+.17
Micron Tech	47.58	+.06
Microsoft Corp	95.16	-.66
Intel Corp	52.78	+.35
Comcast Corp A	31.96	+.15
Facebook Inc	176.61	+3.02
Cisco Syst	45.30	+.59
Sirius XM Hldgs Inc	6.67	+.37
Zynga Inc	3.76	+.28
Caesars Entertain	11.75	+.55
T-Mobile US Inc	57.26	-7.26

EXCHANGE TRADED FUNDS

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
Barc iPath Vix ST	40.02	-1.46
CS VS 2x Vix ShTm	6.76	-.43
iShs China Large Cap	46.54	-.33
iShs Emerg Mkts	46.43	-.83
iShares EAFE ETF	70.93	-.04
iShares Rus 2000	155.73	+1.04
PowerShs QQQ Trust	164.87	+2.78
ProShs Ultra VIX ST	14.31	-.71
ProShs UltPro ShtQQQ	16.41	-.88
SPDR S&P500 ETF Tr	266.02	-.54
SPDR S&P O&G ExpPdtn	39.61	+.68
SPDR Financial	27.27	-.43
VanE Vect Gld Miners	22.65	-.08

Largest Companies

Based on market capitalization

STOCK	CLOSE	CHANGE
AT&T Inc	32.14	-.90
AbbVie Inc	100.17	+1.44
Alibaba Group Hldg	188.89	+11.73
Alphabet Inc C	1048.21	+18.16
Alphabet Inc A	1051.00	+19.55
Amazon.com Inc	1580.95	+8.33
Anheuser-Busch InBev	97.44	+.07
Apple Inc	183.83	+21.51
BP PLC	45.34	+1.12
Bank of America	29.30	-.85
Berkshire Hath A	292600.00	-3395.01
Berkshire Hath B	195.64	-1.59
Boeing Co	334.43	-6.45
Chevron Corp	125.53	-1.09
China Mobile Ltd	47.06	-.49
Cisco Syst	45.30	+.59
Citigroup	67.94	-.73
CocaCola Co	42.36	-.95
Comcast Corp A	31.96	+.15
Disney	101.15	+1.92
Dow DuPont Inc	64.47	+.15
Exxon Mobil Corp	76.90	-.89
Facebook Inc	176.61	+3.02
HSBC Holdings PLC	48.98	-1.25
Home Depot	185.03	-1.43
Intel Corp	52.78	+.35
JPMorgan Chase & Co	108.43	-.97
Johnson & Johnson	124.19	-4.08
MasterCard Inc	188.17	+12.23
Merck & Co	57.75	-1.72
Microsoft Corp	95.16	-.66
Novartis AG	76.69	-.58
Nvidia Corporation	239.06	+12.73
Oracle Corp	45.71	+.18
Pfizer Inc	34.84	-2.16
Procter & Gamble	72.43	-.38
Royal Dutch Shell B	72.57	+.30
Royal Dutch Shell A	69.84	+.08
Taiwan Semicon	38.59	+.42
Total SA	62.50	-.45
Toyota Mot	131.32	+.31
Unilever NV	55.15	-1.25
Unitedhealth Group	235.90	-4.28
Verizon Comm	48.19	-3.38
Visa Inc	128.16	+2.15
WalMart Strs	87.53	+.24
Wells Fargo & Co	52.41	+.44

Largest mutual funds

Based on Total assets

FUND	NAV	CHG IN $	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCpA m	33.02	-.07	+18.9
American Funds AmrcnBalA m	26.86	-.07	+9.0
American Funds AmrcnMutA m	39.95	-.39	+10.5
American Funds BdfAmrcA m	12.51	...	-.7
American Funds CptWldGrIncA m	51.80	-.16	+15.1
American Funds CptlIncBldrA m	60.67	-.35	+5.2
American Funds EuroPacGrA m	56.89	-.11	+16.2
American Funds FdmtlInvsA m	62.19	-.06	+14.4
American Funds GrfAmrcA m	52.09	+.07	+20.0
American Funds IncAmrcA m	22.76	-.10	+6.9
American Funds InvCAmrcA m	40.13	-.33	+12.2
American Funds NewWldA m	67.02	-.30	+15.6
American Funds NwPrspctvA m	44.63	+.05	+17.1
American Funds SmCpWldA m	57.10	+.21	+16.2
American Funds TheNewEcoA m	47.76	+.40	+25.7
American Funds WAMtInvsA m	45.31	-.37	+13.9
Baird AggrgateBdInstl	10.53	...	+.2
Baird CorPlusBdInstl	10.87	-.01	+.5
BlackRock GlbAllcIncInstl	19.67	-.03	+6.3
BlackRock GlbAllcIncInvA m	19.54	-.03	+6.0
BlackRock StrIncOpIns	9.84	-.03	+3.1
DFA EMktCorEqI	22.98	-.27	+16.8
DFA EmMktsValInstl	31.60	-.31	+18.0
DFA FvYrGlbFIIns	10.83	+.01	+.4
DFA IntlCorEqIns	14.67	-.01	+16.0
DFA IntlSmCoInstl	21.48	+.02	+16.7
DFA IntlSmCpValIns	22.94	-.07	+15.1
DFA USCorEq1Instl	22.81	-.03	+14.4
DFA USCorEqIIInstl	21.44	-.08	+13.1
DFA USLgCpValInstl	38.02	-.46	+11.7
DFA USSmCpInstl	36.00	+.03	+10.5
DFA USSmCpValInstl	37.96	+.08	+9.4
Dodge & Cox Bal	103.71	-.74	+6.4
Dodge & Cox Inc	13.44	-.01	+1.1
Dodge & Cox IntlStk	45.77	-.43	+8.1
Dodge & Cox Stk	198.10	-2.08	+10.8
DoubleLine TtlRetBdI	10.41	-.02	+1.1
Edgewood GrInstl	32.35	+.15	+24.6
FPA Crescent d	34.36	-.38	+4.5
Fidelity 500IdxIns	93.16	-.19	+13.6
Fidelity 500IdxInsPrm	93.16	-.19	+13.7
Fidelity 500IndexPrm	93.15	-.20	+13.6
Fidelity BCGrowth	93.19	+1.30	+24.3
Fidelity Balanced	23.82	-.03	+9.9
Fidelity Cap&Inc	10.15	+.01	+6.1
Fidelity Contrafund	127.29	+.88	+22.3
Fidelity ContrafundK	127.25	+.88	+22.4
Fidelity EmMkts	21.03	-.23	+18.5
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Fidelity Frdm 2020	16.54	-.02	+8.6
Fidelity Frdm 2025	14.39	-.02	+9.4
Fidelity Frdm 2030	18.07	-.04	+11.2
Fidelity GroCo	17.89	+.22	+30.5
Fidelity GroCo	191.40	+2.32	+29.3
Fidelity GroCoK	191.43	+2.32	+29.4
Fidelity IntlGr	16.17	+.08	+12.6
Fidelity IntlIdxPremium	43.45	-.11	+12.5
Fidelity IntlVal	10.70	-.07	+9.3
Fidelity InvmGradeBd	10.92	...	+.5
Fidelity LowPrStk	54.51	-.90	+13.6
Fidelity Magellan	107.21	-.39	+20.0
Fidelity OTCPortfolio	117.05	+2.32	+26.1
Fidelity Puritan	23.49	+.02	+11.8
Fidelity TotalBond	10.35	-.01	+.4
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Fidelity TtlMktIdxPrm	76.46	-.06	+13.8
Fidelity USBdIdxInsPrm	11.22	...	-.3
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First Eagle GlbA m	58.72	-.24	+7.0
Franklin Templeton CATxFrIncA m	7.28	+.04	+2.1
Franklin Templeton GlbBdAdv	11.88	-.09	...
Franklin Templeton IncA m	2.29	-.02	+3.0
Franklin Templeton IncC m	2.32	-.02	+2.4
Harbor CptlApprecInstl	74.54	+.97	+27.7
Harbor IntlInstl	68.09	+.36	+8.9
Harding Loevner IntlEqInstl d	23.04	-.13	+14.7
JPMorgan CoreBondR6	11.26	+.01	+.3
JPMorgan MCapValL	39.33	-.69	+6.4
Lord Abbett ShrtDurIncF b	4.19	...	+1.2
MFS ValI	38.96	-.47	+6.8
Metropolitan West TtlRetBdI	10.36	...	...
Metropolitan West TtlRetBdPlan	9.75	...	+.1
Oakmark EqAndIncInv	31.40	-.33	+7.1
Oakmark IntlInv	28.42	-.09	+11.8
Oakmark Inv	84.20	+.19	+15.1
Old Westbury LgCpStrats	14.51	-.05	+10.6
Oppenheimer DevMktsY	43.25	-.31	+17.5
Oppenheimer IntlGrY	44.01	+.04	+11.7
PIMCO AlAstInstl	12.05	-.07	+8.0
PIMCO IncA m	12.07	-.03	+3.2
PIMCO IncI2	12.07	-.03	+3.5
PIMCO IncInstl	12.07	-.03	+3.6
PIMCO TtlRetIns	9.97	...	+.9
PRIMECAP Odyssey Gr	39.48	+.28	+25.1
Principal DiversIntlIns	13.99	-.03	+14.5
Prudential TtlRetBdZ	14.07	-.02	+1.4
Schwab SP500Idx	41.28	-.09	+13.6

FUND	NAV	CHG IN $	1-YR %RTN
T. Rowe Price BCGr	104.75	+.58	+28.2
T. Rowe Price CptlAprc	28.51	-.13	+8.2
T. Rowe Price EqIdx500 d	71.55	-.15	+13.4
T. Rowe Price EqInc	32.59	-.42	+8.9
T. Rowe Price GrStk	66.81	+.57	+22.2
T. Rowe Price InsLgCpGr	40.00	+.23	+28.5
T. Rowe Price IntlStk d	18.61	-.02	+11.1
T. Rowe Price MdCpGr	89.74	-.37	+16.1
T. Rowe Price NewHorizons	56.39	+.67	+23.4
T. Rowe Price NewInc	9.19	-.01	+.1
T. Rowe Price Rtr2020	22.55	-.04	+8.0
T. Rowe Price Rtr2025	17.64	-.03	+9.2
T. Rowe Price Rtr2030	26.06	-.05	+10.2
T. Rowe Price Rtr2035	19.11	-.04	+11.1
T. Rowe Price Rtr2040	27.49	-.05	+11.7
T. Rowe Price Val	36.39	-.50	+9.6
TIAA-CREF EqIdxIns	19.74	-.02	+13.8
Vanguard 500IdxAdmrl	246.23	-.52	+13.6
Vanguard 500IdxInv	246.21	-.52	+13.5
Vanguard BalIdxAdmrl	34.35	-.02	+8.1
Vanguard CAITTxExAdm	11.57	+.05	+1.7
Vanguard CptlOppAdmrl	155.73	+.52	+17.4
Vanguard DevMIdxAdmrl	14.44	-.02	+13.8
Vanguard DevMIdxIns	14.46	-.02	+13.8
Vanguard DivGrInv	26.07	-.45	+10.4
Vanguard EMStkIdxInAdm	37.70	-.38	+15.9
Vanguard EqIncAdmrl	75.55	-.73	+10.1
Vanguard ExtMktIdxAdmrl	85.93	+.42	+14.5
Vanguard ExtMktIdxIns	85.93	+.42	+14.5
Vanguard GNMAAdmrl	10.21	+.02	-.3
Vanguard GrIdxAdmrl	74.52	+.97	+17.2
Vanguard GrIdxIns	74.53	+.97	+17.2
Vanguard HCAdmrl	81.89	-1.90	+2.6
Vanguard HYCorpAdmrl	5.74	-.03	+2.2
Vanguard InTrBdIdxAdmrl	10.92	...	-1.2
Vanguard InTrInGdAdm	9.39	-.01	-.5
Vanguard InTrTEAdmrl	13.85	+.06	+1.3
Vanguard InflPrtScAdmrl	25.24	+.03	+.9
Vanguard InsIdxIns	243.02	-.51	+13.6
Vanguard InsIdxInsPlus	243.04	-.51	+13.7
Vanguard InsTrgRt2020Ins	22.46	-.03	+7.9
Vanguard InsTtlSMIInPls	59.35	-.08	+13.8
Vanguard IntlGrAdmrl	99.28	+.40	+25.1
Vanguard LTInGrdAdm	9.76	-.04	+2.1
Vanguard LfStrGrInv	33.68	-.06	+11.1
Vanguard LfStrModGrInv	27.07	-.03	+8.5
Vanguard LtdTrmTEAdmrl	10.80	+.02	+.2
Vanguard MdCpIdxAdmrl	191.46	-.66	+11.6
Vanguard MdCpIdxIns	42.29	-.15	+11.6
Vanguard MdCpIdxInsPlus	208.59	-.72	+11.6
Vanguard PrmCpAdmrl	136.52	+.14	+19.5
Vanguard RlEstIdxAdmrl	109.56	+1.30	-1.0
Vanguard STBdIdxAdmrl	10.23	...	-.4
Vanguard STInvmGrdAdmrl	10.46	...	+.2
Vanguard STTEAdmrl	15.68	+.01	+.6
Vanguard SmCpIdxAdmrl	71.57	+.29	+13.5
Vanguard SmCpIdxIns	71.57	+.29	+13.5
Vanguard StarInv	26.79	-.03	+10.5
Vanguard TrgtRtr2015Inv	15.26	-.02	+6.2
Vanguard TrgtRtr2020Inv	31.28	-.04	+7.9
Vanguard TrgtRtr2025Inv	18.45	-.03	+9.0
Vanguard TrgtRtr2030Inv	33.59	-.06	+10.0
Vanguard TrgtRtr2035Inv	20.69	-.04	+11.0
Vanguard TrgtRtr2040Inv	35.82	-.07	+12.1
Vanguard TrgtRtr2045Inv	22.54	-.05	+12.5
Vanguard TrgtRtr2050Inv	36.27	-.08	+12.5
Vanguard TrgtRtrIncInv	13.43	-.01	+4.5
Vanguard TtBMIdxAdmrl	10.41	...	-.2
Vanguard TtBMIdxIns	10.41	...	-.2
Vanguard TtBMIdxInsPlus	10.41	...	-.2
Vanguard TtInBIdxAdmrl	21.81	+.01	+2.7
Vanguard TtInBIdxIns	32.73	+.02	+2.8
Vanguard TtInBIdxInv	10.91	+.01	+2.7
Vanguard TtInSIdxAdmrl	30.49	-.12	+14.2
Vanguard TtInSIdxIns	121.95	-.45	+14.2
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Vanguard TtInSIdxInv	18.23	-.07	+14.2
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Vanguard TtlSMIdxIns	66.77	-.09	+13.8
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Vanguard ValIdxAdmrl	40.21	-.66	+10.8
Vanguard WlngtnAdmrl	70.89	-.53	+8.0
Vanguard WlngtnInv	41.05	-.31	+7.9
Vanguard WlslyIncAdmrl	62.92	-.24	+4.0
Vanguard WlslyIncInv	25.97	-.10	+4.0
Vanguard WndsrAdmrl	78.30	-1.34	+11.2
Vanguard WndsrIIAdmrl	65.65	-.73	+8.4
Vanguard WndsrIIInv	36.99	-.41	+8.4
Western Asset CorPlusBdI	11.41	-.03	+1.2

b - Fee covering market costs is paid from fund assets. d - Deferred sales charge, or redemption fee. m - Multiple fees are charged, usually a marketing fee and either a sales or redemption fee. s - fund split shares during the week. x - fund paid a distribution during the week. Source: Morningstar.

How the region's Top 100 companies fared

Ranks based on market capitalization of public companies headquartered in Illinois and northwest Indiana as of Friday, May 4, 2018

Market capitalization in millions of dollars (CAP); *Stock $ change* (WEEK); *Stock % return* (1-YR)

RANK/COMPANY	CAP	CLOSE	WEEK	1-YR
1 Boeing Co	194,832	334.43	▼ -6.45	+85.9
2 AbbVie Inc	158,938	100.17	▲ +1.44	+53.4
3 McDonalds Corp	129,728	165.03	▲ +6.73	+17.8
4 Abbott Labs	102,982	58.74	▼ -.82	+34.2
5 Caterpillar Inc	87,521	146.37	▲ +1.65	+50.4
6 Kraft Heinz Co	66,123	58.01	▲ +.35	-32.6
7 Walgreen Boots Alli	63,278	63.81	▼ -3.30	-24.0
8 Mondelez Intl	57,697	38.90	▼ -1.03	-11.8
9 CME Group	54,179	159.16	▲ +1.80	+39.4
10 ITW	49,345	145.47	▲ +2.90	+7.4
11 Deere Co	44,456	137.30	▼ -.26	+24.7
12 Exelon Corp	39,657	41.08	▲ +1.23	+24.5
13 Baxter Intl	38,014	70.38	▲ +.17	+26.9
14 Allstate Corp	33,222	94.52	▼ -3.67	+12.3
15 Discover Fin Svcs	24,732	70.87	▼ -.35	+19.3
16 Arch Dan Mid	24,525	43.86	▼ -2.19	+6.5
17 Equity Residential	23,684	62.10	▲ +.15	-.4
18 Nthn Trust Cp	23,649	104.84	▼ -2.68	+17.6
19 United Contl Hldgs	18,942	68.32	▲ +.46	-8.8
20 Ventas Inc	18,938	53.15	▲ +1.56	-10.2
21 Motorola Solutions	17,467	108.03	▼ -2.12	+27.8
22 Grainger WW	16,064	286.77	▲ +2.90	+55.0
23 Ulta Salon Cosmetics	15,354	253.74	▲ +4.93	-13.2
24 ConAgra Brands Inc	14,528	36.92	▼ -.42	+.2
25 Dover Corp	14,154	91.51	▼ -3.83	+21.2
26 CNA Financial	13,251	48.83	▼ -.43	+15.0
27 Gallagher AJ	12,550	68.94	▼ -1.68	+27.4
28 TransUnion	12,338	67.10	▲ +2.31	+66.2
29 CBOE Global Markets	11,511	102.49	▼ -3.70	+24.8
30 CDW Corp	11,502	75.52	▲ +3.91	+28.9
31 Packaging Corp Am	10,770	114.15	▼ -2.15	+16.1
32 IDEX Corp	10,472	136.50	▲ +.01	+32.7
33 LKQ Corporation	9,328	30.13	▼ -1.52	-3.0
34 CF Industries	8,986	38.51	▼ -1.02	+46.7
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36 NiSource Inc	8,581	25.41	▲ +.90	+7.7
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38 Ingredion Inc	8,183	113.28	▼ -11.46	-4.3
39 Fortune Brds Hm&Sec	8,078	55.36	▼ -1.52	-11.4
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51 Wintrust Financial	5,093	90.54	▼ -.84	+25.7
52 Morningstar Inc	4,559	107.18	▼ -1.24	+49.2
53 First Indl RT	3,913	31.22	▲ +.87	+15.1
54 Equity Commonwlth	3,800	31.29	▲ +.13	-.7
55 Hyatt Hotels Corp	3,737	78.46	▲ +1.39	+37.0
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57 MB Financial	3,597	42.70	▼ -.85	-1.8
58 Navistar Intl	3,519	35.66	▲ +.16	+39.6
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74 Allscripts Hlthcare	2,071	11.64	▼ -.50	-2.9
75 US Cellular	1,962	37.59	▼ -3.65	+1.8
76 Anixter Intl	1,949	58.30	▼ -1.50	-27.6
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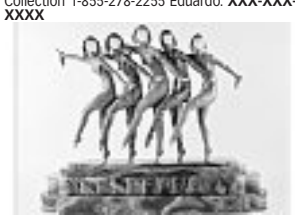
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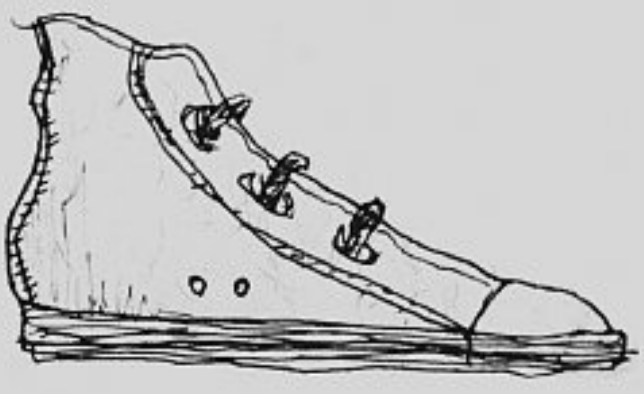
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8 smart things you need to do the night before your job interview

Pop quiz, hotshot: it's the night before your big job interview. What should you be doing to get yourself ready?

Know where you're going

This is probably the most important thing you can do before your job interview. Nothing sends your brain into panic mode (and gets the interview off on the wrong foot) like feeling lost and worrying you're going to be late. The night before, make sure you've got a planned route ready to go in Google Maps, or Waze, or whatever your favorite navigation app is. If you're going to be using public transportation, check the schedules and look for notifications about planned changes, updated timetables, etc. If you're driving, look for signs of construction or traffic delays. That way you can plan to leave earlier if necessary.

Get your paperwork together

You should bring a copy of your resume, as well as any notes you want to bring with you. If they're assembled the night before and placed with your bag or your keys, you're less likely to forget to bring something important.

Assemble the interview outfit

If you have a go-to interview outfit that is clean, pressed, and ready to go, you're ahead of the game. If you're not sure yet what you're going to wear — well, it's a little late, but you've still got time. Take 15 minutes to review your suit or outfit and your shoes, and make sure that a) everything is clean, and b) there are no hanging threads or wrinkles.

Rehearse your body language

If you have a trusted audience (a significant other, a family member, a friend), run through your best handshake-and-smile routine. Have the other person ask you a few test run questions, and ask the other person to note any posture or demeanor issues — bonus points if you get the person to engage in some generic small talk/banter to get you ready for that as well.

Even if you don't have a trusted audience, you can still prep — you've got a mirror, right? You can practice your easy interview smile and your "ask me about my accomplishments" sitting posture. Believe it or not, just putting some thought into where you put your hands or how you cross your legs can help you feel more at ease the next day.

Rehearse your talking points

Sure, the interviewer is going to have your resume in front of them, but neither of you wants you to just run verbatim through the document. Come up with specific, real-world examples for the points on your resume and be prepared to talk about them. You probably already did some practice questions, but take the time to review the points you really want to hit in the interview.

Do a last sweep for information about the company

Visit the company's website and social media profiles to see what's going on at the company in real time. It can give you background information to use during your interview ("Ah yes, I saw that you just had an intriguing breakthrough in widget production last week!"). But it can also save you from making an awkward mistake ("Good thing your own CEO hasn't been indicted for insider trading. What? Oh, I didn't see that news last night.")

Set your alarm

I'm setting this as a separate to-do because it's so important if you have a morning interview. You want to make sure you have time to get ready in the morning, without being late for the interview. So if you have to be up at a specific time to allow timely prep and travel, set your alarm. Set two alarms. (I believe in not messing around here, especially if you're not a morning person.)

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"What are the key target dates?"

Another crucial piece of any project puzzle is knowing the project timeline — this includes the final date for completion as well as all project milestones and deliverables along the way, especially the ones you're responsible for. Once you know what is expected of you and when you're expected to deliver results, you can plan accordingly.

"What is my role in the project?"

Getting clarity up front regarding your specific role for the project is crucial. When it comes time to deliver, you want to be sure that there are no surprises in terms of what's expected of you. This becomes especially important for large projects with multiple stakeholders and deliverable windows.

"Who are the other stakeholders involved in the project?"

A crucial component for success on many projects — especially large ones with multiple components — is to make sure that everyone involved knows all of the other key project stakeholders, and to establish a regular and efficient flow of communication. When you're getting started on a new project, always make sure you know all the players involved and how best to keep in contact with them.

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Yes, it's an exciting time of personal exploration and discovery — but that doesn't mean you should blindly race forward without knowing a few things first. Understanding some of the basic rules regarding internships—including your rights as an unpaid intern or paid employee — will help ensure that your work experience is as productive and impactful as possible, and that your hard work and efforts are rightfully respected and rewarded.

The U.S. Department of Labor, in an effort to protect the rights of interns and employees across industries and job positions, have established regulations under the Fair Labor Standards Act (FLSA) to determine if the nature of the work an individual is performing qualifies them as an unpaid intern or an actual employee — which means that they qualify for FLSA employee protections and benefits, such as a minimum wage and overtime pay.

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"It's important to demonstrate personal characteristics that would not be found on a resume and focus on how these personal milestones shaped their career. Candidates should keep in mind that while it's important to share personal stories and anecdotes, they should choose the experiences wisely. Picking stories that are closely related to the intended expectations of the new role is a must."

-Oliver Coole, executive director, Selby Jennings, Chicago



Employers want to see enthusiasm and excitement for the position and that the candidate knows why the job is a great fit for both parties.

"I look for the candidate to articulate a personal and professional story that they can deliver in a concise fashion. A memorable one was when an emerging leader stated that he grew up in a global and cross-cultural environment where haggling was so ingrained in their DNA that it paved the way for them to become a procurement professional. The candidate explained how his strong negotiating skills have enabled him to help companies save a lot of money. I then followed up and asked for a specific personal negotiating success story and he knocked it out of the park."

-Naseem Malik, managing partner, MRA Global, Arlington Heights

"Share info that is directly related to your professional skills and the opportunity. In my opinion, the most important thing is to know when to stop talking. Too often candidates will want to ramble on about everything and they never get to their skills. You may be an amazing international tax accountant who's worked on complex engagements but if you don't open with that and you open with 'I like to collect postcards from Europe,' well, then game over."

-John Nykolaiszyn, director, Career Management Services, Florida International University College of Business, Miami

"I don't want a candidate to hit the highlights of their resume — I've already seen it. Instead, candidates should take the opportunity to show me they've done their homework about the company and articulate exactly why they're the right candidate. It's OK to be yourself and include personal tidbits, just make sure you're telling me how you are a perfect fit for our work environment while you're doing it."

-Mike Bush, managing director, Fusion Public Relations, Los Angeles

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-Scott Willyerd, president, Dick Jones Communications, Pittsburgh

"Recruiters are inviting you to tell the story of you. They hope to be intrigued, enchanted and solidly impressed — within about 90 seconds, max. Briefly mention your personal and professional background but don't waste time reciting what's on your resume. As soon as possible, launch into what's really important — your dazzling array of killer attributes, whatever they may be. Wow them with perceivable enthusiasm."

-Denise M. Dudley, founder, SkillPath Seminars, Los Angeles

"No executive wants to hire a lifeless worker-bot with no passion for anything other than sitting on the couch. Whether you're a DJ on the weekend or have some crazy side hustle, give them a view that you're not boring because no one wants to work with boring."

-James Philip, founder, JMJ Phillip Holdings, Detroit

"A recruiter wants to know that you're competent, that you can achieve results, that you can learn new skills quickly and meet the organization's goals. They want to know that you are likable and that you have great interpersonal skills that are transferable to every level of an organization. Recruiters want to know that you are flexible, that it's not about the clock but about the good work you will do regardless of time because you can be relied upon because you have integrity and because you're willing to do what it takes to solve a problem or help the team. Keep these things in mind: I am competent, likable, flexible and can be relied upon. Everything else ladders up to those key traits."

-Alicia Kirkby, chief HR officer, Eric Mower+Associates, Syracuse, N.Y.

"A good approach is to keep everything focused on the job opening. A little about your past and what you're currently doing will show how you are qualified and a little about what you'd like to do will show your motivation. Add a pinch of personal to help build a connection but avoid giving information that recruiters aren't supposed to ask about, such as marital status, kids or religious affiliations. Leave out any drama, such as taking care of an ailing parent. Instead, talk about your charitable involvements or sports activities."

-Nicole Cox, chief recruitment officer, Decision Toolbox, Irvine, Calif.

"Find out their values and what's important in their culture, and then share stories of you at your best living those values and principles at work."

-Cheri Torres, partner, Innovation Partners International, Asheville, N.C.

"I want to hear enthusiasm, excitement for the position and that the candidate knows, before I do why this is a great fit for both parties. Candidates are smart to determine what they are currently doing or have done that relates to the position. What are those three to five experiences that are important to the job and qualifies them to get the position. What are those three to five strengths that will help them hit the ground running with regard to experience, traits, skills and so forth. You are telling the interviewer, in a relatively brief statement, that you have the skills, abilities and talents to do the job they are offering."

-Kathleen I. Powell, associate vice president for career development, College of William & Mary, Williamsburg, Va.

"Cater your elevator pitch toward the relevancy of the role. This is because it will be refined over time as you evolve in your industry and progress in your career. Consider including the following items: what your unique value is to a company, the things in your experience that have proven your success and abilities and what you are seeking to do in your next role."

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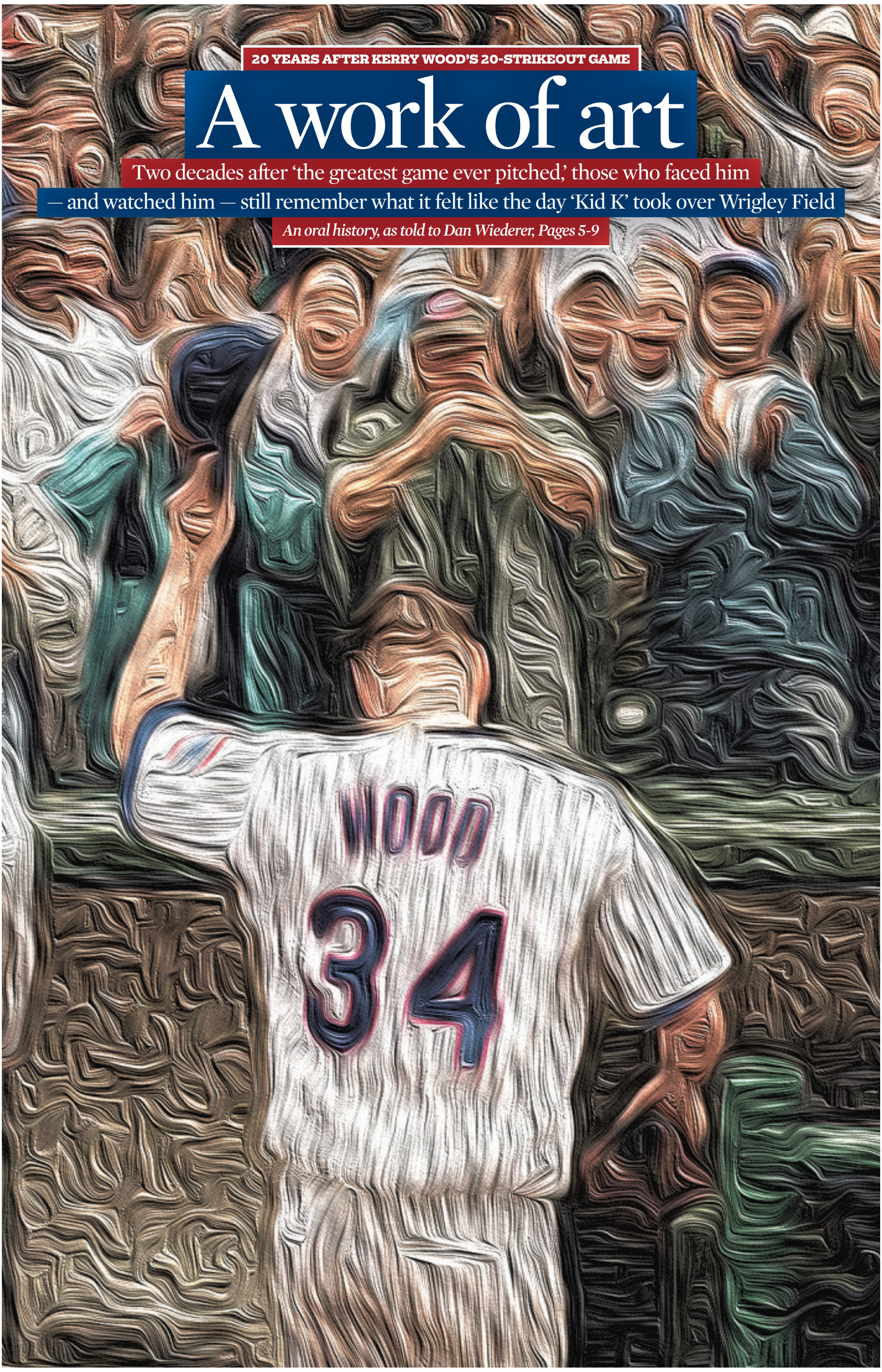
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The Cardinals' Kolten Wong celebrates his walk-off, two-run homer off Cubs relief pitcher Luke Farrell in the 10th inning at Busch Stadium.

Out of control

Cubs find offense, but walks prove decisive in 4th consecutive defeat

By Mark Gonzales
Chicago Tribune

ST. LOUIS — The Cubs' major problem Saturday lurked well before closer Brandon Morrow suffered his first blown save and Kolten Wong's drive off Luke Farrell landed in the right-field seats.

For the Cubs, and particularly Tyler Chatwood, the lack of control overshadowed any progress they showed in an 8-6 loss to the rival Cardinals in 10 innings at Busch Stadium that extended their losing streak to four games.

Chatwood took full responsibility, even after the Cubs recovered briefly after blowing a four-run lead thanks to home runs from Javier Baez and Anthony Rizzo.

But Chatwood's control issues persisted, even after the Cubs snapped a futile streak in which they had scored three runs or fewer in nine consecutive games when they scored four in the second inning.

"I'm putting myself in bad situations, and it's hurting the team," Chatwood said shortly after Wong hit a two-run, game-winning homer off Farrell. "There's no reason for the fourth inning to happen right there. Just throw the ball over the plate and let them get themselves out.

"I just have to make better pitches."

Chatwood alluded to a mechanical issue that he believes he can fix. Nevertheless, he has walked at least five batters in four of his six starts, thus taxing a bullpen that survived until Morrow issued a leadoff walk to Harrison Bader that set up Marcell Ozuna's two-run, game-tying double in the ninth.

Chatwood has walked 27 batters in 32⅔ innings, with 12 of those walks occurring in two starts against the Cardinals, including five Saturday.

"His stuff is high end," manager Joe Maddon said. "We just have to get them over the plate. The way he throws, his delivery is subject to that. There are a lot of moving parts.

"He needs to find that rhythm. It's a complicated delivery. Sometimes when you're like that, if you're not all together and not in rhythm, you have a hard time finding your release point."

Chatwood described his flaw as a "simple fix."

"I know what it is," said Chatwood, who declined to divulge details. "I feel it's an easy correction but I'm fighting it right now. So it's just a matter of having it click."

Chatwood's problems became acute in the fourth when he walked the first two batters and hit Wong to load the bases and set up the Cardinals' four-run rally.

The Cubs wasted a 12-hit attack that included a tie-breaking home run from Baez in the sixth, and Rizzo's homer in the seventh gave the Cardinals a two-run deficit to overcome. When Morrow entered in the ninth, he had converted all seven of his save chances.

But Morrow walked Bader and gave up two hits and two runs to tie the game as he labored throughout the ninth. In the 10th, Farrell walked Paul DeJong to set up Wong's homer to cap the Cardinals' largest comeback win this season.

"I'm betting on Morrow," Maddon said. "He has great stuff. The leadoff walk hurt us the entire game. We got through it. Morrow in the ninth, two-run lead. I'll take it."

Morrow said he struggled with locating his fastball. But the bigger issue is that the Cubs remain out of sync, as control issues and poor defense offset the revival of their offense.

"We know we're not playing our best baseball right now," Chatwood said. "But there's a lot of season left and a lot of time for us to get on the right track."

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THE BOX SCORE

CUBS	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Zobrist rf-lf	5	0	2	1	.292
Bryant 3b	5	0	1	0	.278
Rizzo 1b	5	1	2	2	.187
Contreras c	5	0	0	0	.235
Schwarber lf	4	1	2	0	.270
Almora cf	1	0	0	0	.282
Russell ss	5	1	2	0	.240
Heyward cf-rf	4	1	2	0	.231
Baez 2b	5	1	1	2	.283
Chatwood p	1	1	0	1	.143
Montgomery p	0	0	0	0	.000
c-Happ ph	1	0	0	0	.240
Strop p	0	0	0	0	—
e-La Stella ph	0	0	0	0	.282
Edwards p	0	0	0	0	—
Morrow p	0	0	0	0	—
g-Caratini ph	1	0	0	0	.279
Farrell p	0	0	0	0	—
TOTALS	**42**	**6**	**12**	**6**	

ST. LOUIS	AB	R	H	BI	AVG.
Pham cf	0	0	0	0	.327
a-Bader ph-cf	3	2	1	0	.256
Carpenter 3b	4	0	1	2	.165
Martinez 1b	5	1	2	0	.298
Ozuna lf	5	0	1	2	.260
Molina c	3	0	0	0	.272
Pena c	1	0	0	0	.200
Fowler rf	4	1	0	0	.160
DeJong ss	3	2	0	0	.248
Wong 2b	3	2	1	2	.200
Weaver p	1	0	1	0	.231
b-Garcia ph	0	0	0	1	.229
Sherriff p	0	0	0	0	—
d-Martinez ph	1	0	0	0	.200
Bowman p	0	0	0	0	—
Holland p	0	0	0	0	—
f-Gyorko ph	1	0	0	0	.370
Hicks p	0	0	0	0	—
Norris p	0	0	0	0	—
Lyons p	0	0	0	0	—
TOTALS	**34**	**8**	**7**	**7**	

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No outs when winning run scored. a-out on fielder's choice for Pham in the 2nd. b-out on sacrifice fly for Weaver in the 4th. c-lined out for Montgomery in the 6th. d-popped out for Sherriff in the 6th. e-walked for Strop in the 8th. f-grounded out for Holland in the 8th. g-lined out for Morrow in the 10th. **E:**Rizzo (2). **LOB:** Cubs 9, Stl. 9. **2B:** Bryant (9), Carpenter (6), Ozuna (5). **HR:** Baez (8), off Sherriff; Rizzo (4), off Bowman; Wong (2), off Farrell. **RBIs:** Zobrist (9), Rizzo 2 (13), Baez 2 (28), Chatwood (2), Carpenter 2 (13), Ozuna 2 (19), Wong 2 (7), Garcia (7). **SB:** Pham (7), Bader (4). **SF:** Garcia. **S:** Chatwood. **SO:** Zobrist (1), Contreras (1), Schwarber (1), Russell (1), Baez (1), Chatwood (1), Carpenter (1), Martinez (1), Ozuna (2), Molina (2), DeJong (2), Wong (1). **Runners left in scoring position:** Cubs 5 (Zobrist, Contreras 2, Almora, Caratini); St. Louis 4 (Ozuna, Molina, Fowler, Bader). **RISP:** Cubs 3 for 12; Stl. 2 for 11. **Runners moved up:** Rizzo, Baez, Contreras.

CUBS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Chatwood	4	3	4	3	5	5	3.31
Montgomery	1	0	0	0	0	0	5.40
Strop, H, 3	2	1	0	0	0	1	1.93
Edwards	1	0	0	0	0	2	0.61
Morrow **BS,** 1	1	2	2	2	1	1	1.64
Farrell **L,**1-1	0	1	2	2	1	0	5.40
ST. LOUIS	**IP**	**H**	**R**	**ER**	**BB**	**SO**	**ERA**
Weaver	4	6	4	4	1	2	5.60
Sherriff	2	2	1	1	0	1	3.86
Bowman	1	1	1	1	0	2	5.84
Holland	1	1	0	0	1	0	6.48
Hicks	1	1	0	0	0	0	1.10
Norris	⅔	1	0	0	0	1	2.60
Lyons ,**W,** 1-0	⅓	0	0	0	0	0	5.59

Chatwood pitched to 1 batter in the 5th. **Inherited runners-scored:** Montgomery 1-0, Lyons 1-0. **HBP:** Chatwood 2 (Wong,Wong). **WP:** Norris, Lyons. **Umpires:** H, Angel Hernandez; 1B, Todd Tichenor; 2B, Alan Porter; 3B, Bill Miller. **Time:** 3:42. **A:** 47,154 (45,538).

HOW THEY SCORED

CUBS SECOND: Schwarber singled. Russell singled, Schwarber to second. Heyward singled, Schwarbert to third, Russell to second. Baez grounded out, scoring Schwarber, Russell to third, Heyward to second. Chatwood sacrificed into fielder's choice, scoring Russell, Heyward to third. Zobrist singled, scoring Heyward, Chatwood to second. Bryant popped out. Rizzo singled, scoring Chatwood, Zobrist to second. Contreras grounded into fielder's choice, Rizzo out at second. **Four runs. Cubs 4-0.**
CARDINALS FOURTH: Fowler walked. DeJong walked, Fowler to second. Wong hit by pitch, Fowler to third, DeJong to second. Garcia hit sacrifice fly, scoring Fowler. Bader grounded into fielder's choice, scoring DeJong on Rizzo error, Wong to third. Bader stole second. Carpenter doubled, scoring Wong and Bader. **Four runs. Tied 4-4.**
CUBS SIXTH: Baez homered. **One run. Cubs 5-4.**
CUBS SEVENTH: Rizzo homered. **One run. Cubs 6-4.**
CARDINALS NINTH: Bader walked. J. Martinez singled, Bader to second. Ozuna doubled, scoring Bader and J. Martinez. **Two runs. Tied 6-6.**
CARDINALS 10TH: DeJong walked. Wong homered, scoring DeJong. **Two runs. Cardinals 8-6.**

CUBS NOTES

Defensive miscues difficult to defend

By Mark Gonzales
Chicago Tribune

ST. LOUIS — Left fielder **Kyle Schwarber** turned a potential disaster into a remarkable recovery.

Schwarber fell down but got up in time to catch **Matt Carpenter's** high fly in the sixth inning, and then he changed his right shoe.

But for every dazzling display, the Cubs' failure to execute routine plays continues to haunt them.

In the fourth, an error that was assessed to shortstop **Addison Russell** preceded Schwarber's inability to catch a deep drive from Carpenter that resulted in a two-run, game-tying double.

"We hold ourselves to a high standard defensively," manager **Joe Maddon** said. "And when we make a mistake, it jumps at you."

Russell was charged with the inability to catch a throw from first baseman **Anthony Rizzo,** who initially was assessed with the two-base error on his attempt to nail **Kolten Wong** at second base. Official scorer **Gary Mueller** changed the call after the game after determining that Russell should have caught the throw that would have prevented **Paul DeJong** from scoring the second run of the inning.

"It was executed perfectly, but we just didn't come up with the catch," Rizzo said before the call was changed.

Slump busters: Rizzo has hit three home runs in his last four games and is batting .353 (6-for-17) during that span after batting .149 with one homer. Rizzo hasn't drawn a walk since April 20.

Jason Heyward snapped an 0-for-12 rut with a single in the second and later was stranded at third after hitting a single in the 10th inning.



Paul Sullivan
On the Cubs

Cubs go high, low in start to season

Blowing lead in 10-inning loss to Cards embodies club's streaky ways in '18

ST. LOUIS — When asked about the Cubs up-and-down homestand Wednesday at Wrigley Field, outfielder Jason Heyward gave an interesting response.

"You guys go way too high and way too low," he said.

The outfielder-turned-critic made the remark during a streak of nine straight games in which the Cubs scored three or fewer runs and averaged only two runs per game, a woefully inadequate output from one of the deepest lineups in the league.

That streak ended Saturday at Busch Stadium, where the Cubs scored six runs but blew a ninth-inning lead in an 8-6 loss to the Cardinals, one of the more crushing defeats of the season.

Oops, there we go again.

Too low? Sorry, guys.

In truth, the Cubs look like a team that is likely to go to extremes in 2018. They have the kind of talent necessary to go on an extended winning stretch, yet can look hopeless for long periods.

Just when you want to give them the benefit of the doubt, the Cubs turn in a game like Saturday's, their fourth straight loss after a five-game winning streak. They blew a 4-0 lead, took a 6-4 lead, and blew that as well.

Up and down. Down and up.

"Regardless of whatever your plan may be, teams are going to go through these moments," manager Joe Maddon said before Saturday's game. "It just happens to be ours right now. I want to continue to work like we've been working. I believe in our guys and believe in our methods. It's just the ebb and flow of the season. Right now it's our turn. We'll come out of it and be fine."

Yes, every team goes through these things and it's too early to reach for the Zoloft. After they sleepwalked through the first half in 2017, then turned it on after the All-Star break to win National League Central, we know they're eminently capable of doing it again.

But there are a few things that need to be cleaned up, not the least of which is their penchant for walking opposing hitters.

The Cubs began the day ranked fifth worst in baseball with 4.26 walks per nine innings. Tyler Chatwood ranked third-highest among pitchers with 20 or more innings at 6.91 walks per 9, while Yu Darvish was No. 12 (4.80) and Jose Quintana was No. 15 (4.26).

Chatwood had another difficult day finding the zone Saturday, walking five in four innings, throwing 89 pitches and blowing his early 4-0 lead. Darvish has been a mess, and Quintana ineffective as well.

Another pressing issue is Javier Baez's surprisingly poor play in the field. Baez was one of the better defensive infielders in baseball last year and has helped carry the offense in the early going in 2018. But he already has committed eight errors in 2018, making plenty of spectacular plays while also mixing in some unforced errors.

"This year I've been hot at the plate, but I still feel I have to work on my defense," Baez said. "This year there have been many errors that are routine (plays), and that can't be happening."

But the most glaring problem is the spotty offense, despite their 12-hit output Saturday. The revolving door at the leadoff spot gets most of the attention, but the Nos. 2-3-4 hitters — Kris Bryant, Anthony Rizzo and Willson Contreras — have a combined 32 RBIs so far. That's not going to cut it.

No one seems too worried in the Cubs' clubhouse.

"We know how good we are, plain and simple," Albert Almora Jr. said. "We're a confident group. It's baseball. We're not going to go 162-0."

The Cubs still have the swagger of 2016, albeit without the dominance to back it up.

I'm confident they'll either turn it on eventually and breeze to another World Series, or continue to lack a sense of urgency and miss the postseason for the first time in four years.

Too high?

Too low?

Take your pick.

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A WORK OF ART



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The masterpiece

By Dan Wiederer | Chicago Tribune

On May 6, 1998, Astros outfielder Derek Bell woke up as the leading hitter in the National League, one of three players in the majors hitting above .400. But by 3:37 that afternoon, the 29-year-old veteran looked more like a 5-year-old seeing live pitching for the first time. In the Wrigley Field batter's box, Bell appeared anxious. Bemused. Helpless even.

The Cubs had heralded 20-year-old rookie Kerry Wood on the mound. And Wood had his absolute best stuff — a blowtorch fastball, a wicked slider and a curveball usually seen only in video games.

When Bell dug in with two outs in the ninth, he had plenty of empathy from within his dugout. The Astros, even with a potent lineup that catalyzed a 102-win season, had been absolutely flummoxed all day, uncertain as to how they were supposed to touch this baby-faced Texan.

After taking the first pitch for a ball, Bell saw a slider low and away and stabbed at it. Strike one.

Next: another Wood breaking ball, this one diving well off the outside corner. Bell started to swing and couldn't stop. Strike two.

Bell dug back in.

"One more curveball," Cubs color analyst Steve Stone deduced on the WGN-TV broadcast, "and that should be about it. Because Derek Bell isn't even coming close."

A small but energized crowd sent a current of electricity through the ballpark. Wood took the sign from catcher Sandy Martinez and set. "Here comes the hook!" play-by-play announcer Chip Caray forecast.

And indeed here it came, a curveball that seemed to start down the middle before darting a foot off the outside corner and toward the dirt. Bell's final, futile swing wasn't within a country mile.

That was the exclamation point, a major-league-record-tying 20th strikeout in a shutout of the eventual National League Central champions.

Wood, making his fifth big-league start, offered a quick fist pump but not much more. Perhaps he was oblivious to how extraordinary his outing had been, immediately in the conversation as possibly the best game ever pitched.

Sunday marks the 20th anniversary of the day Wood put brush to canvas and painted that 122-pitch masterpiece. This is the story of that afternoon.

JEFF CARLICK/GETTY

Kerry Wood, at a photo shoot before the 1998 season, was not one for the spotlight. But he couldn't avoid it after his gem against the Astros. Top, Wood twirls during his most dominant inning, a 12-pitch fifth in which he struck out all three batters looking.

The prelude

Kerry Wood took the mound that Wednesday, just 2-2 at the time with a 5.89 earned-run average. Quite simply, Wood was a heralded prospect with a world of potential. But he was still a rookie, still six weeks shy of his 21st birthday, still figuring out how to pitch on the big-league level. Twelve days earlier in Los Angeles, he didn't make it out of the second inning, so out of sorts with his control that he walked four Dodgers, hit another and allowed seven earned runs in a loss. No one could've imagined the chokehold he was about to put on the Astros. Not against a lineup that featured future Hall of Famers Craig Biggio and Jeff Bagwell as well as Bell and Moises Alou.

■ **Jim Riggleman, Cubs manager:** When we brought Kerry into spring training in '98, he was clearly our best pitcher and our most talented guy. But we had predetermined that he was not going to be on the big-league club when the season started. We just didn't want to rush him. Our initial thought was we had no plan on seeing him until maybe June at the earliest.

■ **Steve Stone, WGN-TV analyst:** Al Goldis was the Cubs scouting director and player development director. Kerry was drafted under Al's watch. They were debating at the time between Kerry and a Cuban pitcher named Ariel Prieto. Al brought me into the office before the draft to show me video from Texas from one of Kerry's high school games. I looked at the stuff and the stuff was just otherworldly. I told Al it was a no-brainer, that Kerry's ceiling was unlimited.

■ **Chip Caray, WGN-TV play-by-play broadcaster:** Prospects are suspects until they prove they can do it. With Kerry, he was a big kid out of Texas. Huge arm. Could throw a lot of pitches. But a lot of times he didn't know where the ball was going.

■ **Riggleman:** We had to bring Kerry up earlier than planned. Bob Patterson, who was a really good left-handed reliever for us, got hurt. Sprained his ankle. He was the only lefty we had in the bullpen. So Terry Mulholland, who was one of our better starters, had to go to the bullpen so we could get a lefty down there. We brought Kerry up to the rotation.

■ **Wood:** Before the game, (relief pitcher) Terry Adams, who had kind of taken me under his wing, was giving me crap. He's just lighting me up. "Hey, rookie, are you going to do something today? Think you can pitch more than four innings? The bullpen's dragging ass down there. We can't lift our arms. So why don't you pitch more than four innings today, hotshot!"

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Dr. Matt O'Connor, a staff veterinarian at the Shedd Aquarium, examines a female red-eared slider turtle.

Zoo as ark

Animal havens are evolving to address new missions, including the rescue of endangered species



STEVE JOHNSON

Earth, in case you hadn't heard, or noticed, is going through a sixth mass extinction. Animals and other life are disappearing the world over, and it began well ahead of global warming, although the human-caused rapid climate change going on isn't helping.

Scattered across the globe, attempting to deal with this, at least a little bit, are the world's zoos and aquariums. You can debate about animals in captivity. You can argue about the environmental cost-to-benefit ratio of keeping an orca in a relative bathtub, a leopard in a studio apartment.

But to familiarize yourself with the efforts of the best of these animal havens is to understand that they work with sincerity and some urgency to try to understand and save endangered species, while also navigating public expectations and budgetary pressures.

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Printers Row Lit Fest names headliners

Novelist Joyce Carol Oates and 'A Man Called Ove' author Fredrik Backman to be guests

BY NARA SCHOENBERG
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Best-selling authors Joyce Carol Oates and Fredrik Backman will be among the headliners at this year's Printers Row Lit Fest, June 9-10.

The festival, which is owned by the Chicago Tribune, sets up shop in the streets of the South Loop for a book fair and dozens of events featuring authors, celebrity chefs and cultural icons.



Backman



Oates

Backman is best known for his surprise international best-seller "A Man Called Ove," about a cranky middle-aged Swede who feuds ceaselessly with his neighbors. He will join a lineup including National Book Award-winner Joyce Carol Oates, "Sopranos" star Michael Imperioli, Chance the Rapper collaborator Jamila Woods, and "Sylvia" cartoonist Nicole Hollander.

David Levithan, noted for expanding the role of gay characters in teen literature, will receive the Tribune's Young Adult Literary Award.

"It's exciting to bring new voices into the mix with established, venerable authors like Joyce Carol Oates," said Tribune literary editor at large Elizabeth Taylor. "You can go from one to the other — it's the real joy of the festival."

Other presenters include the founders of the popular party game Cards Against Humanity; author and New Yorker cover artist Chris Ware; Pulitzer Prize-winning author Lawrence Wright; novelist and essayist Lorrie Moore; and 2018 Harold Washington Literary Prize winner Rabih Alameddine, author of "The Angel of History."

The festival will include cooking demonstrations by high-profile chefs such as James Beard Award-winner Paul Kahan, "Top Chef" winner and Girl and the Goat owner Stephanie Izard, bellyQ restaurant group founder Bill Kim and PBS-TV's "Mexico — One Plate at a Time" host Rick Bayless.

The festival's Lil' Lit Park will offer family-focused performances and activities.

Backman, who lives in Stockholm with his family, dropped out of college, according to The New York Times, and at one point supported his writing by driving a forklift. His breakthrough novel featured the unlikeliest of heroes: Laid off from his job and mourning his recently deceased wife, 59-year-old Ove (OO-vuh) is methodically planning his own death. But Ove's motives are surprisingly

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Marius, a healthy young giraffe deemed unnecessary for the breeding plan at the Copenhagen Zoo, was fatally shot by zoo personnel despite protests in 2014.

Debate over the future of zoos

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In other words, they operate in "powerful ethical rapids," in the words of the editor of "The Ark and Beyond: The Evolution of Zoo and Aquarium Conservation," an eye-opening new book from the University of Chicago Press. But before we get to that book and its consideration of zoos, have a quick look around Chicago.

Lincoln Park Zoo, which you may think of as a nice park with exotic scenery, has scientists on the ground in central Africa full time studying great apes in the wild. Its new African penguin exhibit showcases a special nesting box that's being developed for deployment on the animal's native beaches, a move aimed at staving off a precipitous population decline. Among its staffers is a full-time endocrinologist whose work includes testing wild animal poop for signs of stress.

The zoo will send a team to Puerto Rico in June to assess the impact last year's hurricanes had on breeding for the Puerto Rican parrot, a species whose inter-zoo Population Management Center is headquartered at Lincoln Park.

A few miles south along the lakefront, the Shedd Aquarium studies iguanas in the Bahamas and banded killfish in Lake Michigan. It routinely sends its veterinarians and animal care staffers out into nature to handle survival emergencies among animals such as sea lions and African penguins. At this writing a Shedd vet is in Madagascar helping cope with a horrific find there: 11,000 critically endangered radiated tortoises kept in a house without food or water, the survivors presumably headed for the illegal pet trade in Asia.

Chicago Zoological Society, meanwhile, the parent organization of Brookfield Zoo, has employed for decades a top dolphin scientist who works on Florida's Gulf Coast. Another CZS specialist doing work the public never directly sees, Bob Lacy writes software used the world over to help scientists and governments predict the course of wild animal populations; last fall, for instance, one of his studies urged authorities in the northwest to boost Chinook salmon populations and reduce ocean noise or risk driving the killer whale to extinction.

This list could go on — these are some of the efforts I know about just off the top of my head, the result of covering these institutions for this newspaper. The list could also mention significant conservation work being done by non-zoos such as the Field Museum and the Chicago Academy of Sciences and its Peggy Notebaert Nature Museum. Ask about the Field's role in Peru this year designating 2 million rainforest acres as a new national park, for instance, or why a Notebaert herpetologist was in Lake County to witness the annual "explosive breeding event" of the wood frog.

The point is that zoos have evolved into being, as the book title has it, arks for a troubled planet, one enduring the mass extinction brought on by the rapaciousness of the human species. "The Ark and Beyond" collects essays that probe the past and present of animal parks' roles in the maintenance of biological diversity.

"Forty-eight authors document and illustrate the transformation of zoos and aquariums from entertaining menageries to conservation institutions," George Rabb, the influential longtime director of the Brookfield Zoo, writes in the book's foreword. "There is advocacy for deconstructing enclosures so the spaces become actual sanctuaries. If space is limited there are nevertheless utopic conceptions such as the Zootopia in Denmark, where the visitors will not be discernible to the animals at all."

But Rabb, knowing how to grab an audience, opens with an extinction event that hit very close to home. He tells of the death, at the Atlanta Botanical Garden, of a Panamanian tree frog "shortly after being asked to write this foreword."



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Ben Minteer, a co-editor of "The Ark and Beyond: The Evolution of Zoo and Aquarium Conservation," talked about the book during an event at the Shedd Aquarium in April.

> ***"A fusillade of ethical critiques has been lobbed at zoos with increasing frequency, though not always great accuracy."***
>
> *— Ben Minteer*

Toughie wasn't just any frog, but "the last known representative of *Ecnomiohyle rabborum*," also known as Rabbs' fringe-limbed tree frog, a species named for the herpetologist and his wife Mary.

"We had lost Toughie, we had lost our species, and it seems we are continuing to lose the fight against the chytrid fungi that are decimating amphibians worldwide," he says, and the loss underscores the book's point. The last known female had died in 2009, before scientists understood how to successfully breed the species.

Rabb himself didn't survive to see the book's publication. He died last July at 87. But he played a vital role in the transformation of his profession. Not only did he oversee Brookfield's transition from a place where mid-century photos show visitors riding on wild animals, but in the early 1990s, Rabb developed a widely influential chart titled "Evolution of Zoos and Aquariums." It showed them moving from a "Menagerie" and "Living Naturall History Cabinet" in the 19th century to "Zoological Park" and "Living Museum" in the 20th to "Conservation Center" and "Environmental Resource Center" in the 21st, marked by "Immersion exhibits."

His thinking, in other words, anticipated some of the themes of the book, which is dedicated to Rabb.

More specifically, though, the volume was created after Ben Minteer was appointed Arizona Zoological Society endowed chair and professor of environmental ethics and conservation at Arizona State University, charged with advancing the partnership between the university and the society's Phoenix Zoo.

The idea he developed was "to create what the conservationist Aldo Leopold called a 'thinking community' around the topic of zoo and aquarium conservation," Minteer explained at an event at the Shedd last month to mark the publication of the book, which he co-edited. "With alternate mixes of zoo leaders and academics, the idea was to have the participants explore the evolution of zoo conservation from the vantage point of their own expertise and experience — and in their own voice."

So the pieces range from "Protoconservation in Early European Zoos" in the first section to "Alternative Models and Futures" in the last.

An essay on extinction events happening under the noses of early zoos details the New York Zoological Park's role in a conservationist movement to successfully save the American bison.

"They failed, however, to rally behind the passenger pigeon, and the last known specimen perished at the Cincinnati Zoo on September 1, 1914," says the abstract for the chapter on the book's highly informative website, thearkandbeyond.com. "The New York Zoological Park's captive breeding experiments proved the exception rather than the rule during this period, when zoos remained primarily focused on entertaining and educating the public, rather than trying to save endangered species."

Meanwhile, "Rewilding the Lifeboats," the penultimate essay, asks "are there acceptable ways in which zoos, as de facto lifeboats, might 'rewild' themselves, with attendant advantages in terms of animal welfare, conservation, education, and nature appreciation?"

Its author, Cornell emertius professor Harry Greene, who was one of five authors on hand at the Shedd event to present their essays, said he doesn't even think the term "ark" is right. That's why Greene, an evolutionary biologist, went with "lifeboat" because there's "not enough room," he said.

"When I'm critical of zoos, I'm critical because I love zoos," he told the audience.

In arguing for zoos not to coddle their visitors, to let them see more of what the wild is really like, his piece looks at cases including the Danish zoo giraffe Marius, a young, healthy male at the Copenhagen Zoo. Unnecessary for its breeding plan, the animal was culled in 2014 according to zoo policy, killed by gunshot out of view. It attracted international fury when the zoo, again according to policy, fed his remains to the lions in public view.

Greene's support of "the Danish option no doubt will appall some fellow animal lovers," he writes, "but ... I'd rather be dumped in the back country for scavengers than perfused with formalin and planted in the ground or belched into the sky as gas and cinders."

This is maybe a more visceral sentence than you might expect to find in a volume rooted in the study of scientific studies and the understanding and analysis of zoological best practices. But these institutions are dealing with, at core, visceral matters.

"We obviously couldn't ignore the fact that several controversial cases were making headlines as our project came together," Minteer told the Shedd audience, "episodes that reignited a smoldering debate about the value and acceptability of zoos and aquariums today."

These included Greene's highlighting of the little-discussed but apparently widespread practice of "culling" animals deemed surplus and "the breeding and keeping of orcas at SeaWorld and gorillas in zoos," Minteer said. "A fusillade of ethical critiques has been lobbed at zoos with increasing frequency, though not always great accuracy, in recent years. As an ethicist myself, I can tell you that I'd personally grown frustrated with many of these debates, which often seemed to underplay the conservation side of zoo and aquarium ethics."

Even the most basic role of these institutions as ambassadors for wild animals has scientific basis. The essay "Why Zoos Have Animals: Exploring the Complex Pathway from Experiencing Animals to Pro-Environmental Behaviors" cites studies that show such exposure actually seems to work.

As Minteer summarized it for the audience, major recent studies have shown that "when education programs are well-designed and well-run, zoo and aquarium visitors display greater species knowledge and at least the intention to engage in more pro-conservation behaviors."

But exposing visitors to wildlife needs to be done responsibly. One piece argues against the "Plexiglass dinosaurs" that are ever larger modern aquarium tanks. The goal of immersing the visitor in the wildlife experience hides the environmental cost of sustaining such tanks, the author argues, and also the challenges of maintaining a population to keep them filled.

Another critical chapter argues that trading in crowd-pleasing exotic species may be contrary to zoos' stated conservation values. "Given their value commitments," says the abstract, " zoos may do best to expand their collections of less space-intensive, local, threatened, and invertebrate populations, especially in cases where animals' welfare needs are relatively easy to fulfill."

Then again, how much revenue will a zoo spotlighting local invertebrates be able to pull in, and what good can a zoo that doesn't support itself do? The whole book, really, is about such tensions, and they are worth bearing in mind on your upcoming zoo visits. Yes, you can attempt to breed endangered polar bears or African penguins, as Lincoln Park Zoo is doing, for example, but how do those choices fit into the range of possible resource uses?

"The track record for animal reintroductions is mixed," Minteer acknowledged, "but the successes are real. In addition to the bison, the Arabian oryx, California condor, and black-footed ferret have been saved due in large part to the sustained efforts and expertise of zoos. "

Still, he acknowledged, there are "thorny questions about the wildness and identity of species restored following such heroic recovery efforts."

And then there is the Rabbs' frog, proof that even the best intentions and most cutting-edge science sometimes aren't enough in the face of a world putting relentless pressures on the life on its planet.

Joseph Mendelson, the Zoo Atlanta research director who named the species for the Rabbs, mentions it in his chapter, "Frogs in Glass Boxes: Responses of Zoos to Global Amphibian Extinctions."

With one-third of amphibian species thought to be threatened, "amphibians are challenging zoos and others to find solutions to conservation issues that are fundamentally new and overwhelming," he writes.

In the face of such a crisis, it makes less sense to follow the established practice of waiting for data, and, he told the audience at the book event, people "need to be brutally honest about what you can achieve and can't achieve."

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Miranda business operations in sync with Apple model



CHRIS JONES

The stock market closed lower Wednesday, but stock in Apple soared. The reason was not growth in iPhone sales — in fact, analysts reported, demand for the costly new iPhone X seemed likely not to meet expectations. It was all about the stock buybacks and the huge amounts of revenue coming to iTunes and the App Store. A lot of smart people had missed what really had been going on: They'd been focused on Apple products when all the money really was flowing to Apple services.

Monday at midnight, Lin-Manuel Miranda released the last offering in his so-called #Hamildrop series. This one was a new recording of "Burn," an Act 2 song from "Hamilton" written for Eliza, the lead character's wife. The song is on the cast album, of course, but this new recording drew from Miranda's first draft of the song, written in 2014. The track featured five different actresses, all women playing Eliza in the various national companies of "Hamilton," including Chicago. Phillipa Soo, the original Eliza, was absent, but she is on the original recording. The other women, Miranda said Monday in New York, all were flown in by the show to New York on their day off.

Miranda dubbed the drop "First Burn."

#Hamildrop is not new. Already, Miranda has supported a recording of a song cut from the show about Benjamin Franklin, as released by the Decemberists. There was "The Hamilton Polka," a remix featuring "Weird Al" Yankovic. Back in January there was a collaboration between Miranda and the New York rappers Nas and Dave East, and singer Aloe Blacc, creating a black-and-white video called "Wrote My Way Out."

But the brilliance of this technique is largely going unremarked.

Throughout the history of Broadway (and, for that matter, Hollywood), original cast recordings, or, in the case of film, original soundtracks, have been released once. Just once. And in the vast majority of cases in an era when rock artists write their own songs rather than recycle American Songbook covers, that has been that.

Demand generally has peaked on their release — although most of them hardly have made a fortune — and then slowly receded over time. A revival or a remake might provoke a bump in demand, and, in some cases, a few songs subsequently have shown up elsewhere, but there has never before been anything like #Hamildrop. Why? Well, in most cases, the artists are already working on their next show or movie. They're no longer actively involved in stuff they already have written.

But Miranda is behaving more like a hip-hop mogul than a traditional Broadway composer.

In that music world, collaborations with guest artists are everyday currency. This now has permeated the world of fashion, where collaborations are hot. Streetwear brands like Supreme "drop" limited-edition T-shirts on specific days, selling out in minutes, artificially manufacturing scarcity, generating excitement especially among you buyers with money and time to spare, and driving up demand for the next drop.

You might think of a big Broadway musical, the next show, as the next generation of an iPhone. Each production builds on the achievements of its predecessor and, if the creators have been successful in filling the needs of their audience, they start out with the kind of huge advantage that beats back competitors. So, for example, Richard Rodgers and Oscar Hammerstein II had the benefit of "Oklahoma!" when they wrote "Carousel," and the benefit of both of those masterpieces when they wrote "South Pacific," and then "The King and I." Each time, they were growing older and wiser and refining their technique. Just like Apple with its new phones.

But there are no guarantees. The bigger a success you become, the more people want to knock you off your perch. Plus people move to things that seem younger and hotter. In 1958, the great duo created "Flower Drum Song." It never achieved the popularity of the four previous hits. They came back with "The Sound of Music," but the point remains.

Miranda has yet to come up with a new show; to the best of my knowledge he has yet to cross that abyss. Instead of bringing out a new piece of hardware, with all the risk that entails to his brand, he has turned himself into a kind of one-man version of iTunes, constantly taking the "Hamilton" soundtrack (and the trunk it came from) and reinventing it in different ways with different artists working in a dizzying array of formats.

And it's all carefully timed: These drops all have been widely covered in the media, generating excitement and building business for what has now been so large a "Hamilton" rollout that real effort has to be made to maintain the stratospheric levels of demand. As writer, composer and original star, Miranda himself receives a healthy share of those profits; but he also is employing a veritable army of diverse artists and sharing the wealth.

Journalists and analysts wondering about whether he can repeat his own success are missing the point: Right now, the shrewd and savvy Miranda is revolutionizing his industry by servicing the success he already has achieved.

This is exactly why Apple investors had such a good day Wednesday while most everyone else had little to cheer about. Like so much else Miranda has done, it is a brilliant strategy that leaves competitors feeling like Aaron Burr.

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Ari Afsar, who played Eliza Hamilton in the original Chicago cast, is among the singers on "First Burn."

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JANUS FILMS 1966

Jeanne Moreau and Orson Welles in "Chimes at Midnight."



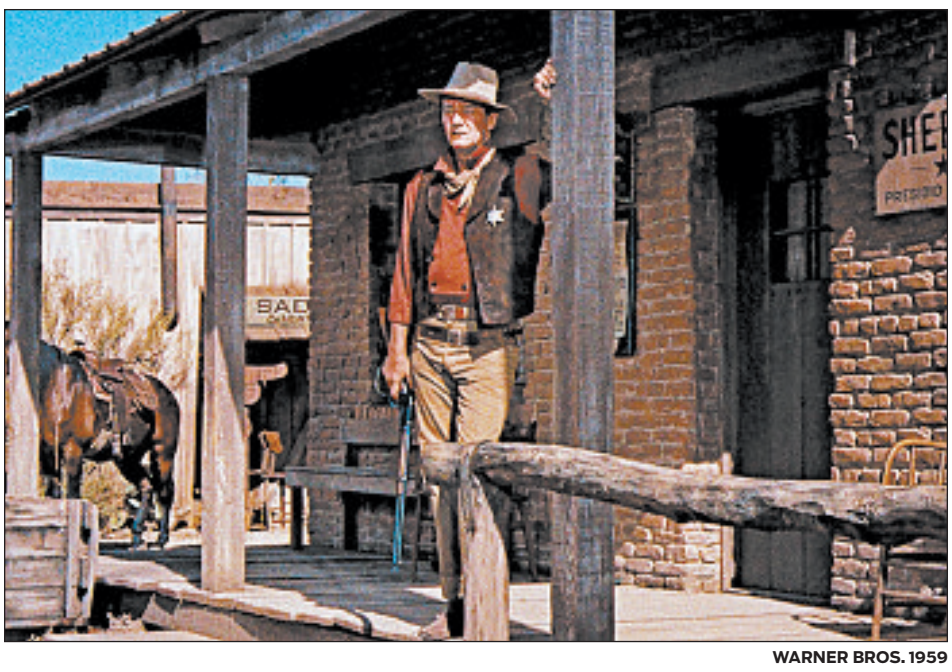
NEW LINE CINEMA 1988

Vitamin C, Debbie Harry, Divine, Ricki Lake in "Hairspray."



FOX SPORTS FILMS

"Nossa Chape" documents a Brazilian soccer tragedy.



WARNER BROS. 1959

John Wayne in "Rio Bravo."



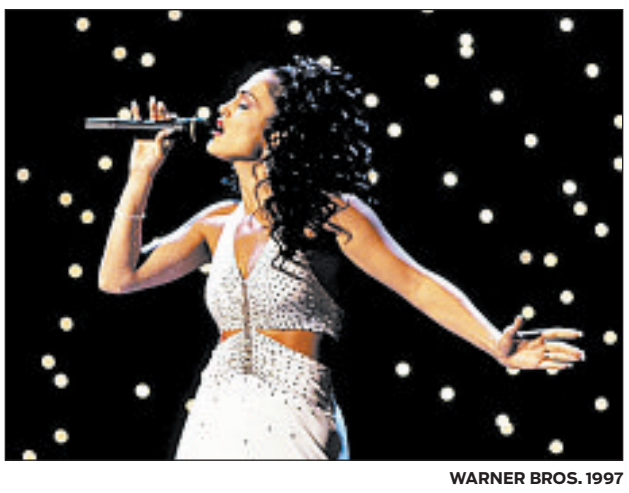
CINEVISTA 1982

Anne Carlisle in "Liquid Sky."



TRISTAR PICTURES 1991

Robin Williams and Jeff Bridges in "The Fisher King."



WARNER BROS. 1997

Jennifer Lopez in "Selena."



PARAMOUNT PICTURES 1929

Frederic March and Clara Bow in "The Wild Party."



UNIVERSAL STUDIOS 1958

James Stewart and Kim Novak in "Vertigo."



WARNER BROS. 1996

Bill Murray, Bugs Bunny and Michael Jordan in "Space Jam."

THE CHICAGO 10:

Beyond the blockbuster



MICHAEL PHILLIPS
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Summertime movie-going, especially in a big city with a healthy appetite for both cinephilia and nostalgia, means more than simply waiting around for franchise blockbusters to take your money and run.

Here in Chicago we're happily lousy with options. Several film series tied to summer viewing take place under the stars; others unfold indoors, in bricks-and-mortar auditoriums filled by various programmers and presenters devoted to the full international range of film history.

Here's my suggestion: Start with these 10. If you don't like the sound of these titles, scan others included on the same far-flung rosters, from Ravinia to Millennium Park, from Navy Pier to Gallagher Way outside Wrigley Field. The outdoor series are picnic-friendly and guaranteed, for better or worse, to keep you awash in the unwashed masses, otherwise known as humanity. The indoor offerings complement the season by giving you ways and means of escape, through the viewpoint of someone else's daydreams.

My Chicago 10:

"Chimes at Midnight," 7 and 9:30 p.m. June 1; 1:30 p.m. June 3, Doc Films, Ida Noyes Hall, University of Chicago. Orson Welles' great, chaotic, touching 1966 Shakespearean foray, a compression of the "Henry" plays, featuring Welles as Sir John Falstaff. A nice, wintry antidote to the typical Midwestern June. Website: docfilms.uchicago.edu.

"Hairspray," 6:30 p.m. June 5, Millennium Park Summer Film Series, Pritzker Pavilion. The 1988 John Waters happy-feet fairy tale, set in early '60s Baltimore, stars Ricki Lake, Divine and Debbie Harry and launches the free Pritzker Pavilion series. Opening night co-presented by Chicago Underground Film Festival. Website: millenniumpark.org.

"Nossa Chape" (2018), June 15-21, Facets Cinematheque. Here's a break from the usual summertime sports movie offerings: a documentary, rapturously received on the festival circuit, about a Brazilian soccer tragedy and its unexpectedly inspiring aftermath. Website: facets.org.

"Rio Bravo" (1959), 7 p.m. June 18, Chicago Film Society at Music Box Theatre. Howard Hawks' sublimely off-the-cuff response to the perceived dirty-red socialist tendencies of "High Noon" stars John Wayne, Dean Martin, Angie Dickinson and Ricky Nelson. Bring your dad, if he's that kind of dad.

"Liquid Sky" (1982), June 19-July 5, Gene Siskel Film Center. Be they human or alien, everyone's trying to score something in this seminal downtown punk fantasia, restored to optimum glitter-and-skeeze for a new century. Website: siskelfilmcenter.org.

"The Fisher King" (1991), July 17 (time TBA), Music Box Theatre. As part of its retrospective of work featuring the late Robin Williams, the Music Box screens director Terry Gilliam's wild odd-couple comedy-drama starring Jeff Bridges as a soul-blasted shock jock and Williams as a homeless medieval scholar (the usual kind). Website: musicboxtheatre.com.

"Selena," 7 p.m. July 23, Navy Pier, Lake Stage, Polk Bros Park. Jennifer Lopez becomes a star before your eyes in Gregory Nava's biopic, full of feeling and summery-hot rhythms. Free; the Water Flicks series is co-sponsored by the Chicago International Film Festival. Website: navypier.org/free-outdoor-movie-series-water-flicks.

"The Wild Party" (1929), 7:30 p.m. Aug. 1, Chicago Film Society at Northeastern Illinois University. An early sound picture, full of fraught sexual dynamics, this unique time capsule stars "It" girl Clara Bow as the ha-cha queen of Winston College for Women. The cast, including Frederic March as the professor for whom Bow gets all hotsy-totsy, was directed by pioneering female director Dorothy Arzner. Website: chicagofilmsociety.org.

"Vertigo" (1958), 8 p.m. Aug. 15, Ravinia Festival. The Bernard Herrmann musical score merits co-lead status in Alfred Hitchcock's haunting treatise on romantic obsession, alongside James Stewart and Kim Novak. The Ravinia screening boasts a live performance of the Herrmann score played by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra; the program's introduced by Chicago Tribune film critic Michael Phillips, and isn't he a pip? Website: ravinia.org.

"Space Jam" (1996), 7:30 p.m. Aug. 22, Gallagher Way, outside Wrigley Field. The Music Box presents a new season of largely sports-related cinematic jams this summer, including the one about the time Bugs Bunny and Bill Murray recruited Michael Jordan to win an intergalactically important Big Game. Free. Website: musicboxtheatre.com.

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WATCH THIS: SUNDAY



Kristen Schaal and Will Forte

"The Last Man on Earth" (8:30 p.m., FOX): The comedy closes out its fourth season with "Cancun, Baby!," which just might take the survivors to that locale after they find reasons to evacuate the mansion. Still, Tandy (Will Forte) develops second thoughts about leaving. Kristen Schaal, January Jones, Mel Rodriguez, Mary Steenburgen and Cleopatra Coleman also star.

"Darrow & Darrow" (6 p.m., HMM): It's been about three weeks since Claire Darrow's (Kimberly Williams-Paisley) life was upended by the unexpected return of her semi-estranged mom, Joanna (Wendie Malick), who now has rejoined the small-town law firm of Darrow & Darrow. Claire, meanwhile, is dating likable district attorney Miles Strasberg (Tom Cavanagh).

"Bob's Burgers" (6:30 p.m., FOX): Tina (voice of Dan Mintz) proves less than adept in training as a junior lifeguard in the new episode "Boywatch," prompting another trainee (voice of guest star Fred Savage) to try to get her out of the program. The restaurant's free Wi-Fi causes a surge in business, but a cyberattack then reverses that trend, much to the dismay of Bob and Linda (voices of H. Jon Benjamin and John Roberts). Gary Cole ("Veep") also is in the guest-voice cast.

"Instinct" (7 p.m., CBS): The death of a friend of Jasmine (Sharon Leal) puts added heat on Dylan and Lizzie (Alan Cumming, Bojana Novakovic) as they investigate in the new episode "Owned." The victim was a basketball-team owner whose car plunged off a bridge, and the probe increasingly suggests it may not have been an accident. Guest stars include Peter Hermann ("Blue Bloods") and Kate Arrington. Naveen Andrews and Daniel Ings also star.

"Brooklyn Nine-Nine" (7:30 p.m., FOX): In the new episode "Show Me Going," Rosa (Stephanie Beatriz) has to go it alone when a report of an active shooter comes in. Her colleagues fear for her safety, with Jake (Andy Samberg) trying to determine a way to assist her. Gina and Amy (Chelsea Peretti, Melissa Fumero) do the only related thing they can at the time ... fix Rosa's toilet. Andre Braugher, Terry Crews, Joe Lo Truglio and Dirk Blocker also star.

"NCIS: Los Angeles" (8 p.m., CBS): Nerve gas is the cause of a Marine's death in the new episode "Where Everybody Knows Your Name," teaming NCIS with FBI agents (guest stars Erin Way and Wiley Pickett) to find the culprit responsible. If the story's title evokes memories of "Cheers," there's a reason: In a subplot, Deeks (Eric Christian Olsen) reveals that if he had his druthers, he'd leave his investigative career and become a bar owner. Chris O'Donnell, LL Cool J, Linda Hunt and Daniela Ruah also star.

"Deception" (9:01 p.m., ABC): Even if Cameron (Jack Cutmore-Scott) and the team seems pretty well set by now, there's always room for extra help — presumably — and they get it in the new episode "Getting Away Clean." The timing may turn out to be advantageous, given what Gunter (Vinnie Jones) finds. Ilfenesh Hadera, Lenora Crichlow, Amaury Nolasco, Justin Chon and Laila Robins also star.

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When Justice Ginsburg became 'mega rock star'

By Michael Phillips
Chicago Tribune



MAGNOLIA PICTURES

U.S. Supreme Court Justice Ruth Bader Ginsberg in a scene from the new documentary "RBG," now in theaters.

At one point in the editing of their documentary "RBG," directors Betsy West and Julie Cohen realized they had a problem:

Too much praise.

"People were *slobbering* praise on her!" Cohen told me. The filmmakers came to town recently for the Doc 10 festival at Lincoln Square's Davis Theater; we shared a corner booth at the adjoining Carbon Arc restaurant. "Truthfully, so many people we interviewed had so many really nice things to say: 'She's so great, she's so tough, she's so this, she's so that.' We had an editing round where we weeded out a lot of the superlatives."

Among them, director West said, was a choice statement from Republican Sen. Orrin Hatch, who was prominent among those questioning Ginsburg during her 1993 confirmation hearings. Once their cameras were rolling, the filmmakers said, Hatch went on and on about her skills and qualities. Then, West recalled, he paused and blurted it out: "I *love* Justice Ginsburg!" Times were different and a little less politically psychotic then. Ginsburg sailed through the confirmation vote 96-3. Imagine that happening today, whoever the Supreme Court nominee was.

Cohen calls Ginsburg a "little mega rock star." She is indeed both those things: small of stature (5 feet 1 inch) and an improbably fantastic judicial celebrity.

"I wasn't aware of the full story," West told me. "The role she played in bringing important legal cases to defend the rights of women, particularly Weinberger v. Wiesenfeld in 1975, where she utilized the persecution of her male client to illustrate the depths of gender discrimination ... it wasn't on my radar. And I was living through it, in a way. I started my career in the mid-'70s at the same time she was arguing all these key cases. She really did change the world for American women."

So: Can a documentary such as "RBG" be experienced as anything other than a liberal pep rally? "The current political environment," Cohen said, "is such that it's hard to look at anything without politics suffusing everything. But with Justice Ginsburg's historic accomplishments in the 1970s on forward, there's actually fairly broad societal agreement on the results."

Ginsburg's uncharacteristically blunt remarks in mid-2016 regarding then-candidate Donald Trump ("a faker") led to an apology for what she acknowledged were "ill-advised" statements in interviews. Clearly, West said, "that was something we had to include."

By the time Ginsburg apologized, their documentary was well underway. The directors shadowed various public appearances made by Ginsburg, cameras in tow. Months later Ginsburg agreed to some limited one-on-two time, at her gym (she does a wicked plank), at the opera, at home. All the while she was becoming extra-level famous. Ginsburg memes were going viral, "Saturday Night Live" was loving her and "Notorious RBG" T-shirts came on the scene.

As West put it: "We hope our movie is more than, 'Oh, isn't this cute, this woman is speaking truth to power, writing these great dissents' and all the rest. There's a meaty story to be told about the entirety of her life. She had a fabulous feminist marriage at a time when that was fairly rare." She leveled playing fields and lived a great love story.

In the prologue, Ginsburg quotes 19th-century abolitionist Sarah Moore Grimke: "I ask no favor for my sex. All I ask of our brethren is that they take their feet off our necks." Then Ginsburg smiles, as if to say: Some things take longer than they should.

"RBG" opened Friday in Chicago.

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Horoscopes

Today's birthday (May 6): Your fortune rises this year through partnership and collaboration. Study and increase your skills with experienced teachers. Get your message out this summer before new career directions tempt and domestic joys delight. Stay flexible to follow unexpected lucky breaks.

Aries (March 21-April 19): 8. Share what you're learning with your friends. Talk about dreams and ambitions. All may not be as it seems; consider and speculate. Envision and articulate.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Your work is attracting attention. Prepare for a performance, presentation or review over the next few days. Get your ducks in a row.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 8. Travel entices; where do you want to go? Stick to reliable routes, transport and connections. Favor advance preparation over spontaneity now.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 8. Take care of financial responsibilities with your partner. Confirm intuition with data. You need no disguises. Authenticity connects. Revise the budget to the current reality.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 9. Listen and discover your partner's vision. Share fantasies and dreams. Collaboration lightens the load and is more fun. Love makes everything possible.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Profit from attention to details. Practice your technique and moves. Stretch to grow stronger. Focus to sidestep obstacles. Rest deeply and well when done.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 7. Relax and romance breezes in. Spend time with someone who shares your heart. Wear something fun, and go out to play together.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. Invest in fixing up your place. Make repairs and renovations. Listen to family to find out the priorities. Stick to practical, durable solutions.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. Details still need to be resolved. An answer you've been looking for reveals itself. New facts dispel old fears. Research, and write your discoveries.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 9. Profitable opportunities come together over the next few days. Sign contracts, and send invoices. Get your old stuff appraised. Buy and sell.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 9. Get into a personal project today and tomorrow. Do it for love. Craft an inspiring pitch, and share it with trusted friends. Tune and adjust.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 7. Quiet time soothes your spirit. Meditate on upcoming plans. What's missing? Listen carefully to outside requests. Breathe deeply to reduce stress. Relax and consider.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

Bridge

Q.1—Neither vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ J ♥ A 9 4 ♦ K 9 5 4 2 ♣ K Q 9 2
Partner opens two spades, weak, and right-hand opponent passes. What call would you make?

Q.2—North-South vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ Q 8 5 4 ♥ A Q 6 4 2 ♦ 8 ♣ J 8 5

West	North	East	South
1♥	Dbl	Pass	?

What call would you make?

Q.3—East-West vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ 4 ♥ A 10 9 8 2 ♦ A 9 5 ♣ A Q 9 8

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	2♦	Pass
?			

What call would you make?

Q.4—Both vulnerable, as South, you hold:
♠ 6 ♥ K Q J 10 7 5 ♦ A K Q 7 ♣ Q 8

South	West	North	East
1♥	Pass	1♠	Pass
2♦	Pass	2♠	Pass
?			

What call would you make?

Answers in Monday's comics pages.

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Word Game

This game challenges you to find as many words as you can, as quickly as you can, in one master word.

CONFLICT (KON-flikt): A battle or war.

Can you find 24 or more words in CONFLICT?

Average mark: 15 words
Time limit: 30 minutes

Here are the rules:

1. Words must be four or more letters. 2. Words that acquire four letters by the addition of an "s," such as "bats" and "cats," are not used. 3. Use only one form of a verb — either "pose" or "posed," not both. 4. Proper nouns and slang terms are not used.

Answers to the word game:

clot; coif; coil; coin; colic; colt; confit; conic; noil; flint; flit; floc; foil; font; lift; lint; lion; loft; loin; lotic; icon; into; toil; tonic

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SUNDAY EVENING, MAY 6

MOVIES

	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	Instinct: "Owned." (N) © HD		NCIS: Los Angeles (N) © HD		Madam Secretary: "The Things We Get to Say." (N)		News (N) ♦
	NBC 5	Genius Junior: "The Power Pose." (N) © HD		Genius Junior: "Super Duper Brains." (N) © HD		Timeless: "The Day Reagan Was Shot." (N) ©		NBC 5 News at 10pm (N)
	ABC 7	American Idol: "116 (Top 7)." (N) (Live) © HD				(9:01) Deception: "Getting Away Clean." (N) ©		News at 10pm (N) ♦
	WGN 9	Friends ©	Friends ©	The Goldbergs ©	The Goldbergs ©	Weekend News (N)	Instant Replay (N) ©	Chicago's Best ©
	Antenna 9.2	3's a Crowd	The Ropers	3's Comp.	B. Miller	Mork/Mindy	Alice ©	Benson ©
	This TV 9.3	In the Heat of the Night		In the Heat of the Night		In the Heat of the Night		Heat/Night ♦
	PBS 11	Call the Midwife (Season Finale) (N) © HD		Unforgotten on Masterpiece (N) © HD			Dishalicious: "Mexican."	The Interview Show
	The U 26.1	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	How I Met	How I Met	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©
	MeTV 26.3	Columbo: "Murder With Too Many Notes." ©				Touched by an Angel ©		Night G'lery
	H&I 26.4	Star Trek ©		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9		Star Trek ♦
	Bounce 26.5	♦ (5:30) Déjà Vu ('06) ★★★		Saints & Sinners		The Wood (R,'99) ★★ Omar Epps. ♦		
	FOX 32	The Simpsons (N)	Brooklyn Nine (N)	Family Guy (N) ©	Last Man-Earth (Season Finale) (N)	Fox 32 News at Nine Sunday		Fox Chicago Final Word ♦
	Ion 38	NCIS: Los Angeles		Private Eyes HD		NCIS: Los Angeles		NCIS: LA ♦
	TeleM 44	♦ (6) The Expendables 2		Luis Miguel, la serie (N)		Don Francisco (N)		Noticiero
	CW 50	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Mod Fam	Mod Fam	Anger Mgt
	UniMas 60	♦ (6) X-Men: Days of Future Past ★★★		Piranha 3D (R,'10) ★★ Elisabeth Shue.				Drug Wars
	WJYS 62	Ever Increasing Faith		Truth of God		Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.
	Univ 66	Al final todo queda en familia				Crónicas: Historias (N)		Noticias (N)
CABLE	AE	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage	Storage ♦
	AMC	♦ Fear the Walking Dead		Fear the Walking (N)		Into the Badlands (N) ©		Talk Dead
	ANIM	♦ River Monsters (N)		Jeremy-Mighty Rivers (N)		Robson Green: Extreme		Rivers ♦
	BBCA	Killing Eve (N) ©		Underworld: Evolution (R,'06) ★★ Kate Beckinsale. ©				Underwrld ♦
	BET	Next Friday (R,'00) ★★ Ice Cube, Mike Epps.					Kevin Hart: Laugh	
	BIGTEN	The B1G	The B1G	I Play	The B1G	The B1G	Treasure	The B1G
	BRAVO	Housewives/Potomac (N)		Southern Charm (N)		Real Housewives/Beverly		Watch (N)
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		News ♦
	CNBC	Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark ♦
	CNN	Anthony Bourdain Parts		Anthony Bourd. (N)		United Shades (N)		United ♦
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	DISC	Naked And Afraid (N)		Naked and Afraid (N) ©		Naked and Afraid XL (Season Premiere) (N)		Afraid ♦
	DISN	DuckTales	The Smurfs (PG,'11) ★ Hank Azaria. ©			DuckTales	Bizaardvark	Bunk'd ©
	E!	♦ (5) The Help ('11) ★★★		The Arrangement (N) ©		(9:01) The Royals (N) ©		Arrangmnt ♦
	ESPN	MLB Baseball: Chicago Cubs at St. Louis Cardinals. (N) (Live)						SportCtr (N)
	ESPN2	Johnsonville Cornhole Championships (N)				College Volleyball (N Tape) ♦		
	FNC	Legends Lies (N)		The Next Revolution (N)		Life, Liberty & Levin (N)		Legends ♦
	FOOD	Guy's Grocery Games (N)		Worst Cooks (N)		Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby
	FREE	♦ Forgetting Sarah Marshall		(8:15) Just Go With It (PG-13,'11) ★★ Adam Sandler. © ♦				
	FX	♦ (6:30) Everest (PG-13,'15) ★★★ Jason Clarke. ©				Trust: "Kodachrome." (N) ©		
	HALL	♦ (6) Once Upon a Prince		Good Witch (N) ©		Golden Girls	Golden Girls	Golden Girls
	HGTV	Lakefront (N)	Lakefront (N)	Caribbean	Caribbean	Mexico (N)	Mexico (N)	Hunters
	HIST	American Pickers: Bonus Buys: "California Pickin'." (N) ©						Pickers ♦
	HLN	Death Row Stories (N) ©		Death Row Stories ©		Death Row Stories ©		Death Row ♦
	IFC	Barbershop (PG-13,'02) ★★ Ice Cube, Anthony Anderson. ©					Barbershop 2: Back ♦	
	LIFE	The Wrong Daughter (NR,'18) Sydney Sweeney. ©				(9:02) Psycho Brother-In-Law ('18) ♦		
	MSNBC	Kasie DC (N) ©		Headliners (N) ©		Headliners ©		Date. Ext. ♦
	MTV	Catfish: The TV Show ©		Jersey Shore--Vacation		Jersey Shore--Vacation		Wild 'n Out
	NBCSCH	Beer Money	Hockey (N)	Bensinger	Poker (N)	Heartland Poker Tour ©		The Loop (N)
	NICK	Happy Feet Two (PG,'11) ★★ Voices of Elijah Wood.				Fresh Prince	Fresh Prince	Friends ©
	OVATION	♦ (6) The Crow (R,'94) ★★★ Brandon Lee.		The Crow: City of Angels (R,'96) ★ Vincent Perez.				
	OWN	Benson ©	Benson ©	Benson ©	Benson ©	Benson ©	Benson ©	Benson ©
	OXY	Snapped ©		In Ice Cold Blood		In Ice Cold Blood ©		Ice Cold ♦
	PARMT	Bar Rescue ©		Bar Rescue ©		Bar Rescue (N) ©		Rescue ♦
	SYFY	National Treasure (PG,'04) ★★ Nicolas Cage, Diane Kruger. ©						Treasure ♦
	TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Jokers (N)	Drop/Mic (N)	Last O.G.
	TCM	Let's Make Love (NR,'60) ★★★ Marilyn Monroe. ©				Some Like It Hot (NR,'59) ★★★★ © ♦		
	TLC	Long Island Medium: "Star-Crossed Spirits." (Season Finale) (N)				Long Lost Family (N)		Medium ♦
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	TOON	King of Hill	King of Hill	Burgers	Amer. Dad	Family Guy	Family Guy	Rick, Morty
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	TVL	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	Raymond	King
	USA	Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Law & Order: SVU		Mod Fam
	VH1	♦ (6) The Temptations ©						Hip Hop ♦
	WE	Monk ©		Monk ©		Monk ©		Monk © ♦
	WGN America	Blue Bloods ©		Blue Bloods ©		Blue Bloods ©		Bones © ♦
PREMIUM	HBO	♦ (5:10) Avatar ('09) ★★★		Westworld (N) ©		Silicon (N)	Barry (N) ©	Last Week
	HBO2	Westworld: "Reunion." ©		Waitress (PG-13,'07) ★★ Keri Russell. ©				Garden ♦
	MAX	Nocturnal Animals (R,'16) ★★★ Amy Adams. ©				The Beach (R,'00) ★★ © ♦		
	SHO	The Circus	The Circus	Billions (N) ©		I'm Dying up Here (Season Premiere) (N) ©		Billions ♦
	STARZ	Sweetbitter	Vida (Series	Sweetbitter	(8:36) Vida	Sweetbitter	(9:42) Vida ©	
	STZENC	Sweetbitter	Vida (N) ©	(8:06) Rat Race (PG-13,'01) ★★ Rowan Atkinson. ©				Pelham ♦

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Jason Morris, and his wife, DeeDee Cayetano, with their three children, Tijhanni Cayetano, 5, Josiah Morris, 14 months, and Tazah Cayetano, 13, at home in Evanston. Three years after her marriage to Morris, DeeDee Cayetano says she still struggles to get along with her in-laws.

'Proceed with caution'

The best way for families to deal with a significant other who isn't liked

By Danielle Braff
Chicago Tribune

DeeDee Cayetano didn't meet Jason Morris' parents or siblings until a month after she married him — so her relationship with her in-laws was strained from the start.

The couple quickly married after a year of dating when Cayetano, a nanny, discovered that Morris was still living with an ex-girlfriend and demanded that he prove his love to her. So they didn't have time to make family introductions.

But her relationship with her in-laws has not gotten better since their wedding three years ago.

"They say one thing in front of you, and they say another thing behind your back," Cayetano said. "I used to cry because I'm a family-oriented person, and I would get upset because he didn't confront them."

Now, Cayetano said, she's still trying to have a relationship with her in-laws, but she's getting tired of proving to them that she's worthy.

It's a common situation: The in-laws don't approve of a partner, putting a strain on all sides of the relationship. In some cases, the in-laws point out perceived flaws, ultimately leading to a split in the family. When it comes to choosing a partner, should parents or siblings have an opinion? And if they do, should they share it?

"Proceed with caution," warned Wyatt Fisher, a licensed psychologist and marriage counselor. While you don't want to completely ignore your feelings about your family member's new partner by saying nothing, you also don't want to alienate the family

member by rejecting the partner altogether.

"You can speak your concerns to your family member from a loving, concerned place, and then respect their ultimate decision in the relationship," Fisher said.

It's also a good idea to ask your family member if he even wants your opinion about his partner, said Tracy Ross, a licensed clinical social worker who specializes in couples and family therapy.

"If the answer is 'no,' they have to watch the relationship unfold and hope that the values they hold dear have been instilled in their adult child, and they will reach their own conclusions," Ross said.

If you continue showing resistance to the relationship, it usually backfires, she said.

"If family expresses distaste for the partner, they're setting the stage for conflict at best, estrangement at worst," said Tina Gilbertson, psychotherapist author of "The Guide for Parents of Estranged Adult Children."

Sometimes, however, the conflict between the partner and the in-laws rises to the surface, and there's no way to avoid it. In that case, the in-laws will have to make more of an effort if they want to save their relationship with their child.

Gilbertson recommends that in-laws ask their relative if there's anything they can do to make the partner feel more comfortable.

"I would invite the couple to spend time with my family and encourage efforts to forge a more positive relationship with the partner during those times," she said.

Fran Walfish, a family and relationship psychotherapist and author of "The Self-Aware Parent," says a couple should figure out how to act if a family member confronts them or isn't nice to one of them.

Should your partner speak up for you? Should you leave as soon as something is mentioned? How will you handle an explosive moment?

"If your parents sense a split between you and your partner, they will triangulate, meaning they will put themselves in the middle and place a wedge between you and your partner," Walfish said.

In Cayetano's case, she would get upset because

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her husband didn't confront his family, as she thought he should do. After each incident, he'd call family members and explain to his family why she was hurt, and they'd apologize through him.

"But then it would start over again," Cayetano said, explaining why she still doesn't get along with her in-laws.

In a scenario in which a partner continually feels she is not liked or accepted, it's up to her significant other to have that difficult conversation with his family members about the importance of his partner in their life.

"Let their family know that they will be in the picture in the future," said Anna Marcolin, a psychotherapist in private practice in Highland Park. "If the family doesn't like it, then that's too bad."

That's what happened with Lori and Aisha Ellis, who live just outside Chicago.

Lori Ellis' family didn't accept Aisha because she is a woman and the same-sex relationship went against the family's religious beliefs.

"I wanted him to know about our relationship because I didn't want him thinking we were just going to go away," Lori Ellis said, explaining why she told her father about Aisha.

Her father stopped talking to her after hearing the news. The couple soon got married and had their first child without her father's blessing.

The father met the child when the baby was 3 months old. Lori Ellis said her father came to the realization that the relationship wasn't going to dissolve and that he had to accept it or lose his daughter and his grandson.

"I think that when he realized that this wasn't going away, that this was something serious, he started to accept (Aisha), but he'd still prefer a son-in-law," Lori Ellis said.

In some relationships, family members might have good reason to dislike a partner, but it's better to see if the situation resolves itself, says Ross.

"If the family has remained respectful, their family member may begin to question the choice on their own," Ross said.

"If they break it off to please the family, not only will there be resentment, but they will likely choose another partner with similar characteristics."

Danielle Braff is a freelancer.

For gay teens, romance reduces the stress of bias

By Nara Schoenberg
Chicago Tribune



ELIAS OSENI PHOTO

Chicagoan Elias Oseni, 26, says his boyfriend is a big source of support: "He constantly lifts me up."

As a teenager, Elias Oseni didn't tell people he was gay: not at home or at school, and certainly not at the close-knit Romeoville church he attended with his mother.

On Sundays, the pastors would preach that homosexuality is wrong, that "God said, 'Adam and Eve, not Adam and Steve,' " that gay people were going to hell.

"It made me feel so bad about myself," recalled Oseni, 26, of Rogers Park.

The psychological distress caused by anti-gay attitudes and actions has long been a problem for gay youth, but a recent study in the Journal of Abnormal Psychology finds hope in a new place: young love. While single lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people ages 16 to 26 experienced a surge in emotional distress in response to anti-gay victimization, those involved in romantic relationships did not.

"That's a really new finding," said study co-author Brian Mustanski, a professor of medical social sciences and psychology at Northwestern University's Feinberg School of Medicine.

"Over the last 15 years, we've studied a lot of different social relationships in LGBT youth. We've looked at effects of parental support, peer and friend support. And we found across a number of studies that those types of support are really great. Kids who have supportive parents have better mental health. Kids who have supportive friends have better mental health," Mustanski said. "But neither of those kinds of support show this protective effect that the romantic relationship showed."

Oseni, who works as a research assistant at Northwestern University but was not involved in the study, doesn't experience much anti-gay bias at this point in his life. But he said he can see how a romantic relationship could help someone who did.

"I have someone to rely on," he said of his boyfriend of two years. "He constantly lifts me up. He's there supporting me. He's been to every single event that I've been involved in, and just having his support has made me so much more confident."

Study researchers followed 248 young LGBT people from Chicago for five years. In times of anti-gay victimization, study participants who were single experienced elevated levels of psychological distress, or feelings of sadness, worthlessness and lack of interest. But for those in romantic relationships, anti-gay victimization had very little effect on emotional distress.

The authors found only two previous studies on the potential stress-buffering effects of romantic relationships for sexual minorities, both focusing on adults. One found stress-buffering effects; the other got mixed results. The authors point out that marriage has well-documented positive effects on physical and mental health.

While published research is scarce, the finding that romantic relationships buffer bias-related stress is in keeping with previous interviews with gay youth, Mustanski said.

"You hear a lot about how their partner is the first person they want to tell when they have good news, so there's sort of this amplifying effect of being in a relationship, of positive experiences," he said. "But also their partner is sometimes the first person they go to when they have bad news or a bad experience they're trying to navigate."

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A week of things to do with the kids

By Web Behrens | Chicago Tribune

Tuesday

LILAC TIME FESTIVAL

Never let it be said the Lombard Park District doesn't know how to commit to a theme. About midway into the multi-week Lilac Time Festival (through May 20), there's tons to do at Lilacia Park, which boasts more than 700 lilacs. Kid-friendly activities in the annual festival include Miss Anna's Music Class, 10 a.m. Tuesday and Wednesday, hosted at nearby Helen Plum Library. Happening inside the park are Kids Day, pictured, 2-4 p.m. Saturday, which includes a teddy-bear craft and live music; and a big Mother's Day concert, 2 p.m. Sunday. At Lilacia Park, 150 S. Park Ave., Lombard. Free. **https://tinyurl.com/y89wul2t**

'THE WIZARD OF OZ'

The beloved 1939 movie leaps to life in this live musical adaptation, featuring all the classic Arlen-Harburg songs, from "Over the Rainbow" to "Ding Dong! The Witch is Dead." Audiences can even expect to see a real live Toto. (The terrier mix's actual name is Murphy.) This touring show opens in Chicago at 7 p.m. Tuesday, with 15 more performances running through May 20 at Chicago Theatre, 175 N. State St. $39-$129. **http://wizardofoztour.com**

Wednesday

RAVENSWOOD MOTHER'S DAY GIFT MARKET

Dads and kids, take note: The Ravenswood Farmers Market doesn't officially open for the season until June, but you can hit this special one-evening-only edition: the indoor Mother's Day Gift Market. Shop from local vendors for handmade jewelry, natural beauty products, fresh flowers and locally made chocolate treats. You'll even find a card-making station for kid. 4-8 p.m. inside Ravenswood Covenant Church, 4900 N. Damen Ave. Free to browse. **https://tinyurl.com/y8u2yhho**

'THE UGLY DUCKLING'

It can be tough to be the new kid at school, as Sophia finds out when she attends the Lucky Ducky School and has to face some bullying. Chicago Kids Company's musical adaptation of the old fable uses different nationalities to teach children about celebrating diversity. The show runs through Aug. 10, with this week's performances at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at Beverly Arts Center, 2407 W. 111th St. $12. **https://tinyurl.com/y8m3t6n8**

STEAM-POWERED SATURDAY



CHICAGO PUBLIC LIBRARY

Get your STEAM on! The Chicago Public Library celebrates these five educational goals ("STEAM" is an acronym for Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Math) with a day of diverse programming. Families with kids 3-11 can participate in math scavenger hunts, visit Robot Alley, meet live animals or (for younger kids) attend bilingual story-time. Events happen from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the grand lobby, in the Children's Library on the second-floor, and in the ninth floor's Winter Garden of the Harold Washington Library Center, 400 S. State St. Free. **https://tinyurl.com/y6vkrmn2**

Thursday

'SEUSSICAL'

By now, you probably know the formula to "Seussical," one of the most fun family shows ever dreamt up. The story tosses together various Dr. Seuss characters, including The Cat in the Hat, Horton, the big-hearted elephant, and Gertrude McFuzz, the one-tail-feathered bird, with a delightful score by the Tony-winning team of Lynn Ahrens and Stephen Flaherty. This special one-hour production is a perfect length for younger kids. Catch it at 10 a.m. Thursday or Friday this week; additional performances run through June 9, and you can opt to add a meet-and-great breakfast buffet with cast members on certain Saturdays (May 19 and 26; June 2 and 9). At Drury Lane Theatre, 100 Drury Lane, Oakbrook Terrace. $13.65. **https://tinyurl.com/ybjyzvh6**

'JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR'

What's the buzz? Tell you what's happening: This production of the famous 1970s rock opera makes its North American debut, following its Olivier Award-winning run in London. With its chorus and band beefed up by Lyric talent, "Superstar" has never sounded better. It should even impress a generation of young people accustomed to the genre-breaking genius of "Hamilton." JAt 1:30 and 7 p.m. Thursday, with additional performances through May 20 at the Lyric Opera House, 20 N. Wacker Drive. $47-$219. **https://www.lyricopera.org/jcs**

Friday

VIVA CINCO DE MAYO FESTIVAL

Well, technically it's the Undecimo de Mayo, but who's counting? This all-ages festival, brings three days of concentrated Mexican culture and cuisine to the southwest suburbs. In addition to all the live music and carnival rides, kids activities include a magician, pony rides and a petting zoo. 5-10 p.m. Friday, 2-11 p.m. Saturday, and 1-9 p.m. Sunday at Toyota Park, 7000 S. Harlem Ave., Bridgeview. $10, $5 for ages 13-15, free for kids 12 and under. (Carnival rides are not included in general admission.) **https://tinyurl.com/y6v66tyk**

Saturday

MCA FAMILY DAY

"Playoffs" is the theme for the final Family Day of the season, although it's not all sports-related. Kids can make their own soccer ball, but families can also make a journal or craft a poem. This Museum of Contemporary Art program, featuring four hours of drop-in activities led by Chicago artists, returns in October after a summer hiatus. 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the MCA, 220 E. Chicago Ave. Free for families. **https://tinyurl.com/y9amfn9b**

ARTE DISENO XICAGO: A NEIGHBORHOOD FIESTA

Inspired by the "Arte Diseno Xicago" ("Art Design Chicago") exhibition at the National Museum of Mexican Art, this fiesta branches out into Pilsen to encourage people to engage with and create art of their own. Try your hand at making everything from prints to puppets, or pick up a list of clues inside the museum, then head out on a scavenger hunt through the neighborhood to find certain murals. Activities run noon to 5 p.m. in and around the National Museum of Mexican Art, 1852 W. 19th St. Free. **https://tinyurl.com/y8svrjjv**

CIRCTOPIA

Who wants to join the circus? Your kids might want to after they see the stunts they can learn, thanks to CircEsteem. At this annual spring show, more than 100 of the group's students show off the circus skills they've learned this year. Catch them this weekend or next: 2 and 6 p.m. Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday (repeating May 19 and 20) at CircEsteem, 4730 N. Sheridan Road. $12, $7 for youth ages 17 and under; $40 Family Pack admits two adults and four kids. **http://circesteem.org/**

Sunday

FISHING WITH MOM

There's something fishy about this Mother's Day option. Outdoorsy matriarchs head to this west-suburban forest preserve with their kids (ages 8 and up) for an introductory class designed for families. Learn together about fish and techniques for catching 'em. 10 a.m. to noon at Hidden Lake Forest Preserve, Illinois Route 53 and Butterfield Road, Downers Grove (adjacent to Morton Arboretum). Free, but register in advance. **https://tinyurl.com/y7tl247t**

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GETTY

What's your favorite novel?

PBS show aims to choose 'The Great American Read' by popular vote

By John Warner
Chicago Tribune

As part of a forthcoming television series called "The Great American Read," PBS has released a list of "America's 100 best-loved novels." As the series premieres May 22, voting will commence to choose America's favorite out of the 100 contenders; the winner will be announced in October as the series wraps.

I love it. I mean, the idea of trying to pick America's favorite novel by popular vote, via a television show, is completely ridiculous, but give me a list of books to argue about, and I'm a happy camper.

I can't wait to be outraged at the final results.

The initial list of 100 books, compiled through a combination of a YouGov public opinion poll and an "advisory panel of book industry professionals," reveals some care in attending to gender balance and diversity. Two-thirds of the list are books by men, 20 percent are by nonwhite authors. Fifteen countries are represented.

It is, for sure, a populist list, including classic children's literature, such as "Charlotte's Web," alongside classic adult literature, such as "Moby-Dick" and "Jane Eyre." It also features titles of, let's say, questionable literary quality, such as "Fifty Shades of Grey" and the "Left Behind" series.

There are nods to genre: "Jurassic Park," "The Da Vinci Code" and "The Hunt for the Red October." Christian fiction readers are represented with "Mind Invaders" by Dave Hunt, a book and author I can honestly say I've never heard of.

On a list that spans from 1605 ("Don Quixote" by Miguel de Cervantes) to 2016 ("Ghost" by Jason Reynolds), there will inevitably be omissions. Deciding which living writers are represented and which books to include is particularly difficult.

Colson Whitehead is present, but for "The Intuitionist," his brilliant first novel, rather than his far better selling Pulitzer Prize-winner, "The Underground Railroad." I'll confess to being mystified by the choice of John Green's "Looking for Alaska" — not because I'm surprised by Green being on the list, but because "The Fault in Our Stars" is a far more likely candidate for a "favorite" novel.

"The Stand" is the proper choice from Stephen King's oeuvre, as is "Beloved" in representing Toni Morrison's long and distinguished career, but "The Sirens of Titan" representing Kurt Vonnegut instead of "Slaughterhouse-Five" or "Breakfast of Champions" is an utter head-scratcher.

The apparent desire to include a critical mass of contemporary books did result in some (for me) disappointing choices. "The Help" and "The Martian," though once best-sellers, don't qualify as massive cultural phenomena like "Fifty Shades of Grey," and frankly will barely be remembered in 10 years, let alone 50.

It's interesting to consider some other omissions. The list does not contain books by James Joyce, Vladimir Nabokov, Virginia Woolf, Philip Roth, Saul Bellow, Carson McCullers, E.M. Forster, Jack Kerouac or Salman Rushdie, all of whom were represented in the Modern Library 100 best novels of the 20th century, as judged by a panel of critics, compiled in 1998.

I am most disappointed by the absence of McCullers, whose "The Heart Is a Lonely Hunter" is one of the most emotionally devastating novels of all time.

So be it. We're talking about all Americans being represented in the list, not an exclusive group of book nerds.

As to which book will wind up on top, a companion list compiled in 1998 by Modern Library via a popular vote revealed different results from the critics' list. The top two choices were Ayn Rand books, "Atlas Shrugged" and "The Fountainhead." L. Ron Hubbard's "Battlefield Earth" was third. Rand is represented in "The Great American Read" with "Atlas Shrugged."

L. Ron Hubbard is not.

Phew.

Which book will win? Who knows? Who cares?

Harry Potter.

John Warner is the author of "Tough Day for the Army."

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Book recommendations from the Biblioracle

John Warner tells you what to read next based on the last five books you've read.

1. "The Address" by Fiona Davis
2. "Beach Music" by Pat Conroy
3. "Big Little Lies" by Liane Moriarty
4. "The Dollhouse" by Fiona Davis
5. "Evening Class" by Maeve Binchy
— Diana D., Algonquin
Here's a book that was big for its time, but one which you don't hear much about anymore, even though it was a best-seller, prize-winner and made into a movie: **"The English Patient"** by Michael Ondaatje is my recommendation for Diana.

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1. "Ready Player One" by Ernest Cline
2. "The Goldfinch" by Donna Tartt
3. "The Philosopher's Flight" by Tom Miller
4. "The Broken Girls" by Simone St. James
5. "Tinker, Tailor, Soldier, Spy" by John le Carre
— Maureen S., Mount Prospect
Seeing this list triggers some mild surprise that "The Goldfinch" isn't part of "The Great American Read." If Maureen hasn't yet read **"Fates and Furies"** by Lauren Groff, that's the book for her.

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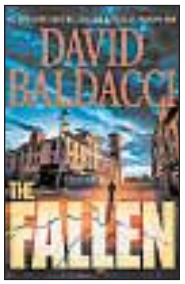
1. "The Last Man on the Moon: Astronaut Eugene Cernan and America's Race in Space" by Eugene Cernan and Donald A. Davis
2. "The English Spy" by Daniel Silva
3. "Norwegian by Night" by Derek B. Miller
4. "The System of the World" by Neal Stephenson
5. "The Essays: A Selection" by Michel de Montaigne
— Robert G., Naperville
A tricky mix with a little bit of everything. This recommendation comes at Robert's list a little slantwise, but it just feels right to me: **"1Q84"** by Haruki Murakami.

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NATIONAL BEST-SELLERS

HARDCOVER FICTION



1. "The Fallen: The Memory Man Series" by David Baldacci (Grand Central, $29) *Last week: 1*

2. "Twisted Prey: A Prey Novel" by John Sandford (Putnam, $29) *Last week: —*

3. "Little Fires Everywhere" by Celeste Ng (Penguin, $27) *Last week: 3*

4. "The Hellfire Club" by Jake Tapper (Little, Brown, $27) *Last week: —*

5. "Before We Were Yours" by Lisa Wingate (Ballantine, $26) *Last week: 5*

6. "The Woman in the Window" by A.J. Finn (Morrow, $26.99) *Last week: 9*

7. "I've Got My Eyes on You" by Mary Higgins Clark (Simon & Schuster, $26.99) *Last week: 6*

8. "The Great Alone: A Novel" by Kristin Hannah (Holtzbrinck, $28.99) *Last week: 8*

9. "After Anna" by Lisa Scottoline (St. Martin's, $27.99) *Last week: 2*

10. "Circe" by Madeline Miller (Little, Brown, $27) *Last week: —*

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HARDCOVER NONFICTION



1. "Magnolia Table: A Collection of Recipes for Gathering" by Joanna Gaines (William Morrow, $29.99) *Last week: —*

2. "A Higher Loyalty: Truth, Lies, and Leadership" by James Comey (Flatiron, $29.99) *Last week: 1*

3. "I'll Be Gone in the Dark: One Woman's Obsessive Search for the Golden State Killer" by Michelle McNamara (Harper, $27.99) *Last week: —*

4. "12 Rules for Life: An Antidote to Chaos" by Jordan B. Peterson (Random House Canada, $25.95) *Last week: 3*

5. "War on Peace: The End of Diplomacy and the Decline of American Influence" by Ronan Farrow (Norton, $27.95) *Last week: —*

6. "Fascism: A Warning" by Madeleine Albright (Harper, $27.99) *Last week: 2*

7. "The Light Within Me: An Inspirational Memoir" by Ainsley Earhardt (Harper, $27.99) *Last week: —*

8. "The Clean 20: 20 Foods, 20 Days, Total Transformation" by Ian K. Smith (St. Martin's, $25.99) *Last week: 4*

9. "Suicide of the West: How the Rebirth of Tribalism, Populism, Nationalism, and Identity Politics Is Destroying American Democracy" by Jonah Goldberg (Crown Forum, $28) *Last week: —*

10. "Girl, Wash Your Face: Stop Believing the Lies About Who You Are so You Can Become Who You Were Meant to Be" by Rachel Hollis (Nelson, $22.99) *Last week: 5*

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2. "I'll Be Gone in the Dark: One Woman's Obsessive Search for the Golden State Killer" by Michelle McNamara (Harper, $27.99)

3. "Pachinko" by Min Jin Lee (Grand Central, $15.99)

4. "Rocket Men: The Daring Odyssey of Apollo 8 and the Astronauts Who Made Man's First Journey to the Moon" by Robert Kurson (Random House, $28)

5. "Magnolia Table: A Collection of Recipes for Gathering" by Joanna Gaines (William Morrow, $29.99)

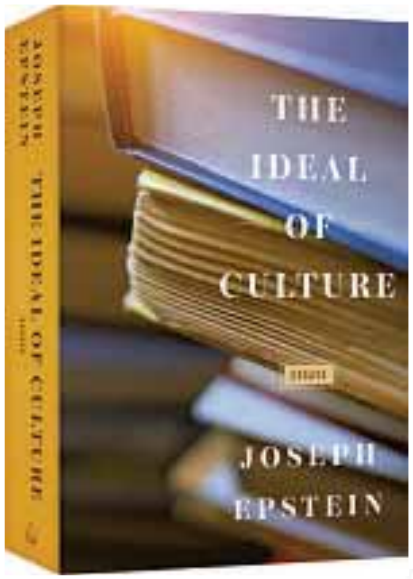
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Artichokes steam in a lemon-, garlic- and bay leaf-scented bath until tender. A tahini dip for dunking brings more lemon and garlic to the dish.

Steamed simplicity



Leah Eskin
Home on the Range

Every action provokes an opposite and equally aggravating reaction. This is the third law of motion, more or less, and because it is the law, you must obey.

For instance, should the season's first artichoke inspire you to action — lighting the grill — you will collide with the reaction of empty propane tank, dead ignition and rusted grates. Leading to artichoke abandonment.

Likewise, should you take action against a heap of household mail, you will learn that your city has activated a Safe Speed Automated Enforcement Program and that your recent action at 40 miles per hour, in a school zone, has been clocked at 15 miles and $40 beyond the limits of the law.

And, should you, giving up on snack and summons, activate the car at a Safe Speed to indulge your dog in some off-leash action at stream and dirt patch, you will invoke a reaction that calls for dog shampoo, car shampoo and people shampoo.

However, should the freshly shampooed owner of a clean car and crated dog steam that artichoke tender and dip a petal in lemon tahini, the action can be completed so smoothly that it is met with a simple reaction: Yum.

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Earthy artichokes

Prep: 20 minutes **Cook:** 25 minutes

Makes: 4 servings

- 1 lemon
- ¼ cup tahini
- 2 cloves garlic
- Kosher salt
- 4 large, heavy globe artichokes
- 1 bay leaf

1 **Whisk:** Halve the lemon across its equator. Juice, saving spent halves. Pour tahini into a small bowl. Whisk in 2 tablespoons lemon juice. Tahini will thicken dramatically. Whisk in cold water, a little at a time, until sauce is right for dipping.

2 **Season:** Mash 1 clove garlic and 1 teaspoon salt to a paste. Whisk into tahini sauce. Taste. Add more lemon, water or salt as needed.

3 **Trim:** Using a serrated knife, trim away the top third of one artichoke and all but ½ inch of its stem. Snap off any sad-looking outer petals. Using scissors, trim the prickly points off all exposed petals. Repeat with remaining artichokes.

4 **Steam:** Settle artichokes, cut sides up, in a large pot. Pour in cold water to a depth of 1 inch. Add lemon halves, along with the remaining garlic, the bay leaf and about 1 tablespoon salt. Bring to a boil, lower to a simmer, cover and let artichokes steam until tender (pierce with a knife tip near the base), 20 to 30 minutes.

5 **Serve:** Use tongs to lift out artichokes. Cool cut side down on a clean kitchen towel at least 10 minutes. Serve artichokes warm or cool, along with tahini sauce for dipping and a bowl for spent leaves.

A well-crafted whiskey sour can be enjoyed year-round

By Elliott Clark
TheKitchn.com

A whiskey sour is yours for the making year-round. It's refreshing enough to keep up with a spritz during the warm summer months, and it's so appropriate during the colder seasons of the year. Even if you're not a whiskey fan, you might still find yourself swooning over a well-crafted whiskey sour. It's that good.

To get started, you'll need some bourbon, lemon juice, simple syrup and one small egg (optional, but more on this in a bit).

Bourbon: Choosing a bourbon shouldn't be difficult. I recommend a good-value bottle, in the price range of $15 to $25. Next time you're at a cocktail bar you like, ask the bartender which specific bottles of any given spirit he or she has in the well bar. This is a great way to find out what's good, both for your home bar and your budget.

Lemon juice: It must be fresh-squeezed. If you want the absolute best whiskey sour you ever tasted in your life, then you need the real-deal fresh juice. Simple as that.

Simple syrup: Several recipes for a whiskey sour call for a heaping bar spoon of sugar. You're free to go this route, but simple syrup combines better.

Egg white: Have you ever seen that amazing layer of foam resting gently at the top of a cocktail? Yeah, you can thank egg white for that. Egg whites give cocktails a rich, creamy texture along with that foam. They also help reduce the acidity from the citrus and bind the flavors together. To stay on the idea of fresh ingredients, use organic eggs (or pasteurized if you're still on the fence). If you still feel like shaking up your cocktail with raw egg white is just too much to stomach, leave it out.

Elliott Clark is a contributor to TheKitchn.com.

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Whiskey sour

Makes: 1 cocktail

- 2 ounces bourbon whiskey
- 1 ounce freshly squeezed lemon juice
- ¾ ounce simple syrup
- 1 egg white from a small to medium egg
- 1 maraschino cherry

1 Place the bourbon, lemon juice, simple syrup and egg white in a cocktail shaker. Do not add ice yet.

2 Seal the shaker and shake vigorously, 10 seconds. (This is referred to as a "dry shake" — it incorporates the egg white before you add ice to the shaker.)

3 Add ice, seal again and shake until chilled, 7 to 10 seconds.

4 Fit a strainer over the top of the shaker and pour the cocktail through a fine-mesh strainer into a coupe glass. This is referred to as a "double strain"; it is used to catch any ice shards or pulp from the lemon juice.

5 Garnish with a speared maraschino cherry. Serve.



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A whiskey sour is easy to make and perfect for entertaining guests.



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7 bad habits that can cost homeowners in the long run

By Daniel Bortz
The Washington Post



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Gutters should be cleaned of leaves and other debris at least twice a year, an expert recommends.

Every homeowner makes mistakes. The real trouble, however, starts when these blunders become habits that cost a lot of money over time.

If you're guilty of these bad habits, break them — pronto.

Clogging pipes

Be mindful of what you're putting down your drains, advises Krystal Rogers-Nelson, home safety and maintenance expert at A Secure Life. "Don't flush anything down your toilet besides toilet paper, especially heavier materials like paper towels, diapers or cotton swabs, and paint, oil or harsh chemicals," she says. "Even 'flushable' wipes aren't recommended."

If you notice warning signs of clogging — a gurgling when you use the toilet, for instance, or low water pressure — call a plumber ASAP.

Not cleaning gutters

Overflowing gutters can damage your house's roof, siding or foundation, says Eddie Zielinski, a Lowe's store manager in Harper Woods, Mich. Zielinski recommends clearing gutters of leaves, pine needles and other debris at least twice a year. If you're worried about falling, you can hire a professional gutter cleaner for about $150, HomeAdvisor says.

To prevent clogs, install gutter guards such as screens, foam inserts, fine mesh or surface-tension covers, says Brendon DeSimone, brokerage manager at Houlihan Lawrence real estate in Bedford, N.Y.

Leaving lights on

Sure, it's OK to leave a bathroom light on when you go to bed — and, for safety reasons, it's good to keep a porch light on when you're out of town. But, in general, it's cost-effective to turn off the lights when you leave a room.

To maximize your savings, consider buying energy-efficient lightbulbs. They cost more upfront but use a lot less energy and can significantly reduce your electricity costs in the long run.

Taking long, steamy showers

Long showers — lasting more than 10 minutes — can strip your skin of moisture, make you itchy and, of course, increase your water bill. And although they feel great, steamy showers can create mold and mildew. Aim for five-minute showers and avoid blasting the hot water.

Letting trees overgrow

Many homeowners forget to trim their trees, and that can create safety problems, DeSimone says. Prune them every two years to keep limbs and branches away from your house. For large or hard-to-reach trees, the risk of injury is high, so consider hiring a trimmer. On average, a tree costs $200 to trim, HomeAdvisor says, but costs can vary depending on the size and location of the tree. One way to mitigate risk is to have a certified arborist inspect your trees for disease, weak limbs and rotting every five years.

Slamming the front door

This might seem harmless, but repeated slamming can pull the door out of alignment and create gaps allowing outside air into your house, potentially driving up utility bills, Zielinski says. If your front door slams shut because of its weight, a heavy-duty door closer might solve the problem.

Forgetting to change furnace filters

"Your furnace won't run as efficiently if you don't change the filters," says Zielinski, who recommends replacing furnace filters every 90 days. "A lot of programmable thermostats will remind you when it's time to change your air filters."

This is a task you can do yourself; just be sure to start by turning off the furnace and getting the right replacement. A filter with a plastic frame is reusable, but you have to clean it periodically with a vacuum and water and let it dry before reinserting it, Consumer Reports says.

Daniel Bortz is a freelancer.



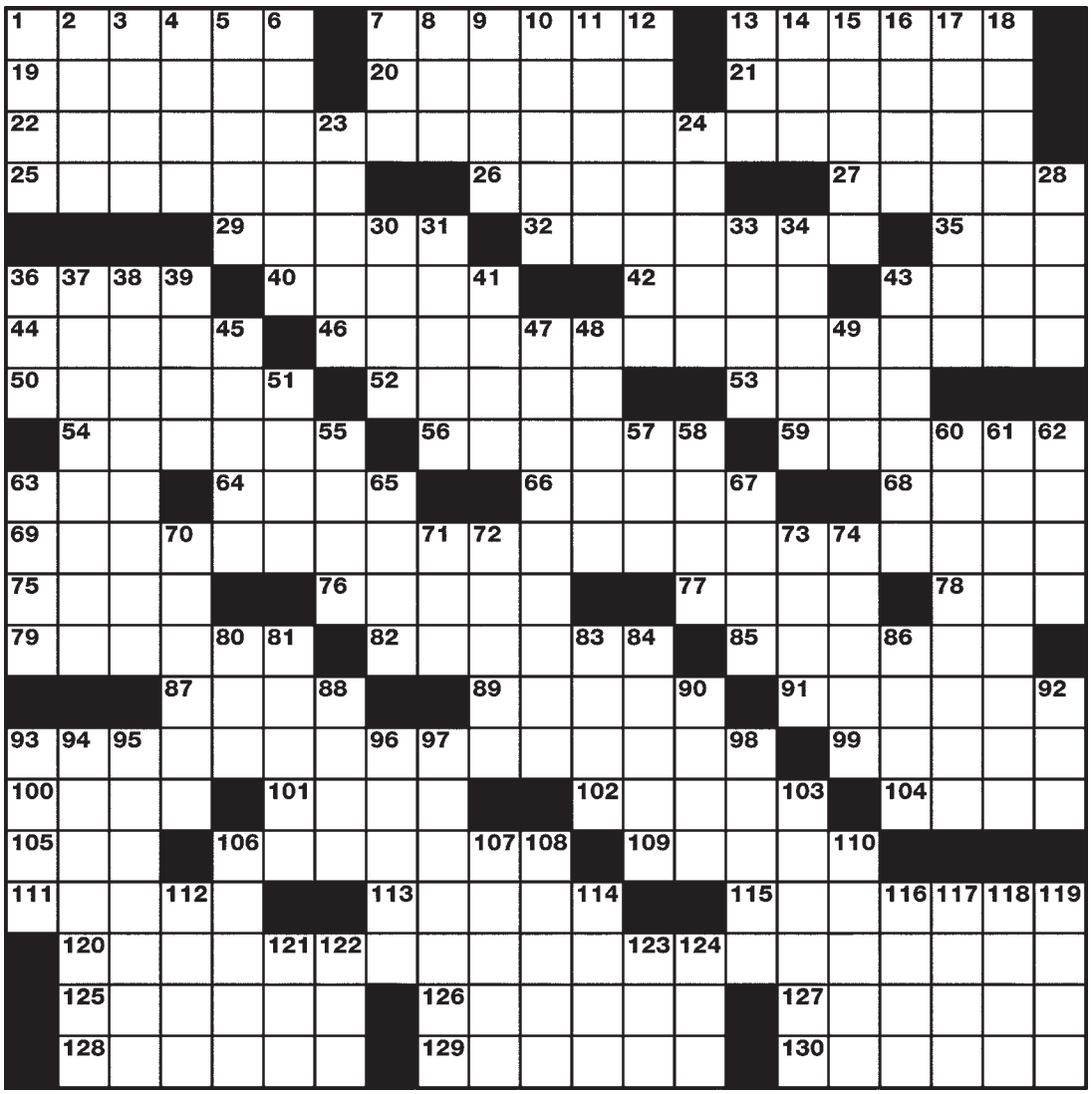
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GROUCHO SAYS: Quips from Mr. Marx for you to complete

By S.N. | Edited by Stanley Newman
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1 City near Yosemite
7 Creator of Jane and Hercule
13 Turn up
19 Air conditioning giant
20 Arabic greeting
21 1980s Philippine leader
22 "With a little study, you'll go a long ways, __"
25 Fiesta food
26 Era
27 California car company
29 Gossip spreader
32 Becomes a student
35 Caltech alternative
36 Irish county
40 Utter
42 Where the world's lowest land is
43 __ qua non
44 *Top Chef* array
46 "I was born __"
50 Simile or metaphor
52 Battleground
53 Early color TVs
54 Investor's concern
56 Foment
59 Chinese stew
63 Slalom, say
64 Platypus claim to fame
66 123 Down analysis
68 Italian hot spot
69 "I don't want to belong to any club that __"
75 Ristorante's "in the style of"
76 Pretty expensive
77 Kit Kat bar competitor
78 What sit-ups build
79 Fuses together
82 Slowpokes
85 Rush off
87 Research report info
89 Salon sounds
91 Swedish banknotes
93 "I'll do anything you say. In fact I'll even stay. __"
99 Obligated
100 Escalator name
101 Dreadful
102 Moves towards
104 Fr. women
105 Champagne sample
106 Puts into slots
109 Rotisserie rods
111 "Slippery" spot
113 Retail venues
115 Fit for consumption
120 "Ever since I met you, __"
125 Goose eggs
126 Wide domain
127 Two-dimensional
128 Blows one's top
129 Prepare, as peapods
130 Peaceful

Down

1 No longer fizzy
2 Silver State city
3 Boundaries
4 Bad mood
5 Emphatic refusal
6 Water and rust
7 Hibachi residue
8 "Don we now our __ apparel"
9 Skin soother
10 Brownish gray
11 Wore
12 "Beat it!"
13 Small battery
14 Alphabetical trio
15 Green taps
16 German article
17 Inability to smell
18 British mega-novelist
23 December temp
24 That and that
28 Fits to __
30 Airy farewell
31 Video arcade pioneer
33 Truth twister
34 Pine family tree
36 New England catch
37 Zealous excess
38 Soldiers' wake-up call
39 Sort of shirt
41 Balanced
43 Orderly scheme
45 Diver's gear
47 Pitching tents
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60 Partner of James A. Bailey
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Quote-Acrostic

1. Define clues, writing in Words column over numbered dashes.
2. Transfer letters to numbered squares in diagram.
3. When pattern is completed, quotation can be read left to right. The first letters of the filled-in words reading down form an acrostic yielding the speaker's name and the topic of the quotation.

Clues **Words**

A. Moves unsteadily — 33 126 108 26 75 151 21

B. Light snack — 51 144 94 119 162 109 85 23 3 34 134

C. Depressed: 3 wds. — 159 67 45 2 123 31 137 56 88 106

D. Courtney Solomon 2013 film — 105 57 152 62 135 115 25

E. Move swiftly — 143 78 99 131 20 58

F. Deals with — 53 42 98 133 110 160

G. System of parts — 125 155 10 77 32 7 101 70 44

H. Sometimes: 2 wds. — 82 129 55 91 113 140 69 96 8 163

I. Say again — 65 92 81 150 24 161 128

J. Evaluation — 118 30 79 147 66 6

K. Pressed together — 50 154 74 87 14 95 120 139

L. The Rolling —— — 121 142 43 19 27 52

M. Chancy: 3 wds. — 130 11 141 148 29 64 104 4 84 35

N. Hugh Laurie TV series — 132 93 107 22 68

O. Like a woman — 72 61 9 40 127 103 145 47 1 157

P. Large guard dog — 97 111 18 86 153 49 36

Q. Inattentive: 3 wds. — 73 83 146 37 60 100 17 116 164 46

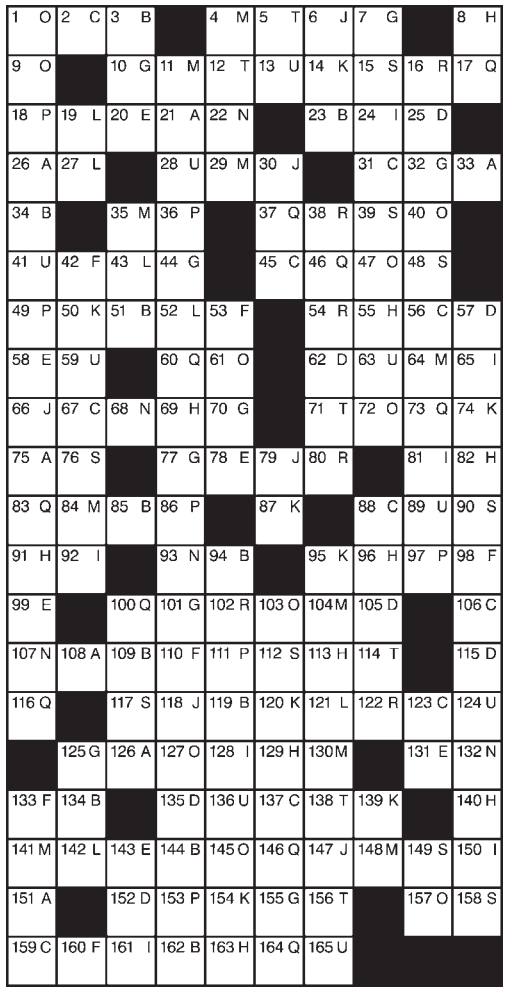
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S. Spiritless — 76 158 149 112 15 39 117 48 90

T. City in Florida and Italy — 12 5 71 138 114 156

U. Hard-hitting: hyph. — 59 63 136

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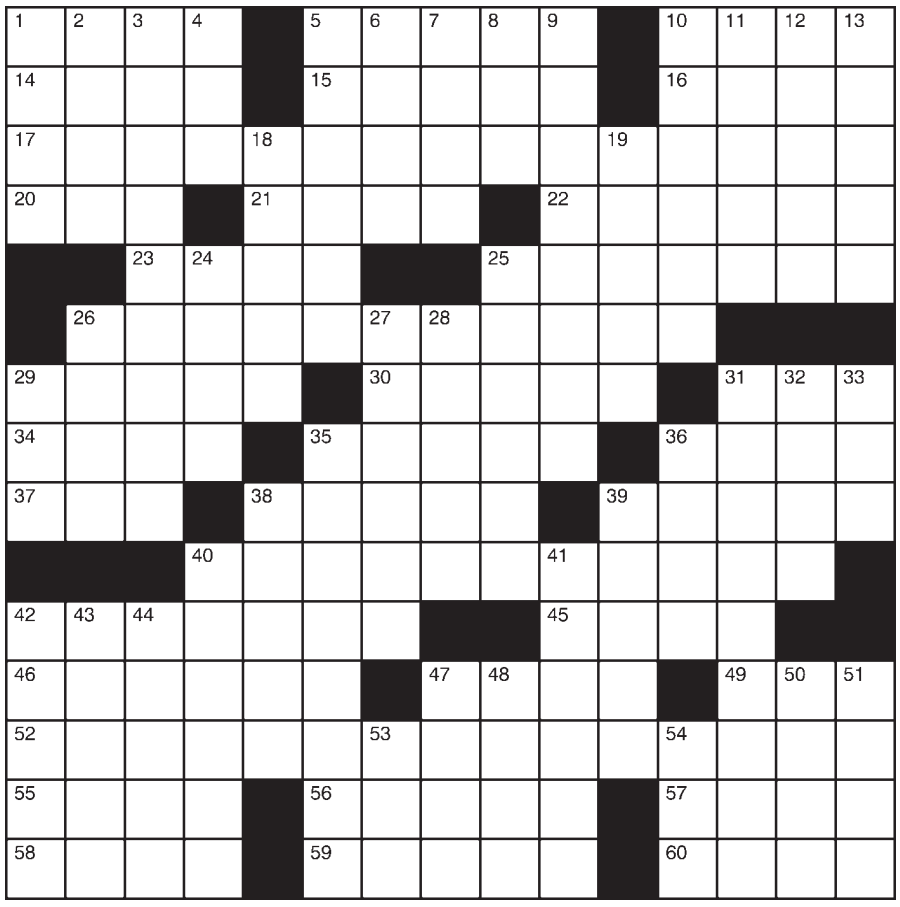
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17 One way to live
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21 Billfold contents
22 Landlord
23 Tear
25 Swaps
26 Evil's root
29 Philippine island
30 Haley epic
31 Beak
34 Clothes
35 Some are for tuning
36 Greek cheese
37 Balaam's animal
38 Roofed patio
39 OT book
40 Spoilers of the vines
42 Lends a hand
45 Native Americans
46 Rough-textured cloth
47 Air: comb. form
49 Melancholy
52 Almost too late
55 Green land
56 Fudd or Gantry
57 Unit of matter
58 Look over
59 Exploits
60 Navigational device

Down

1 Switch positions
2 Achy
3 No substitute for a right
4 Shade tree
5 *On the Waterfront* star
6 Single
7 Appends
8 Seine
9 Refrigeration agents
10 The Snowman
11 Alert
12 Oscar winner in 1941
13 Asian mountain goats
18 Sweet stuff
19 Small ponds
24 Gabor and Braun
25 Racetrack habitue
26 Country of SE Asia
27 Facades
28 Upright
29 Educational assoc.
31 Mother of invention
32 Greek letters
33 Scrooge's put-down
35 Prepared for slaughter
36 Obsession, with *idee*
38 City of northern France
39 Theme
40 Plant fungus
41 To-dos
42 Title word of a long-running play
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Where Have You Gone?

By Pam Amick Klawitter
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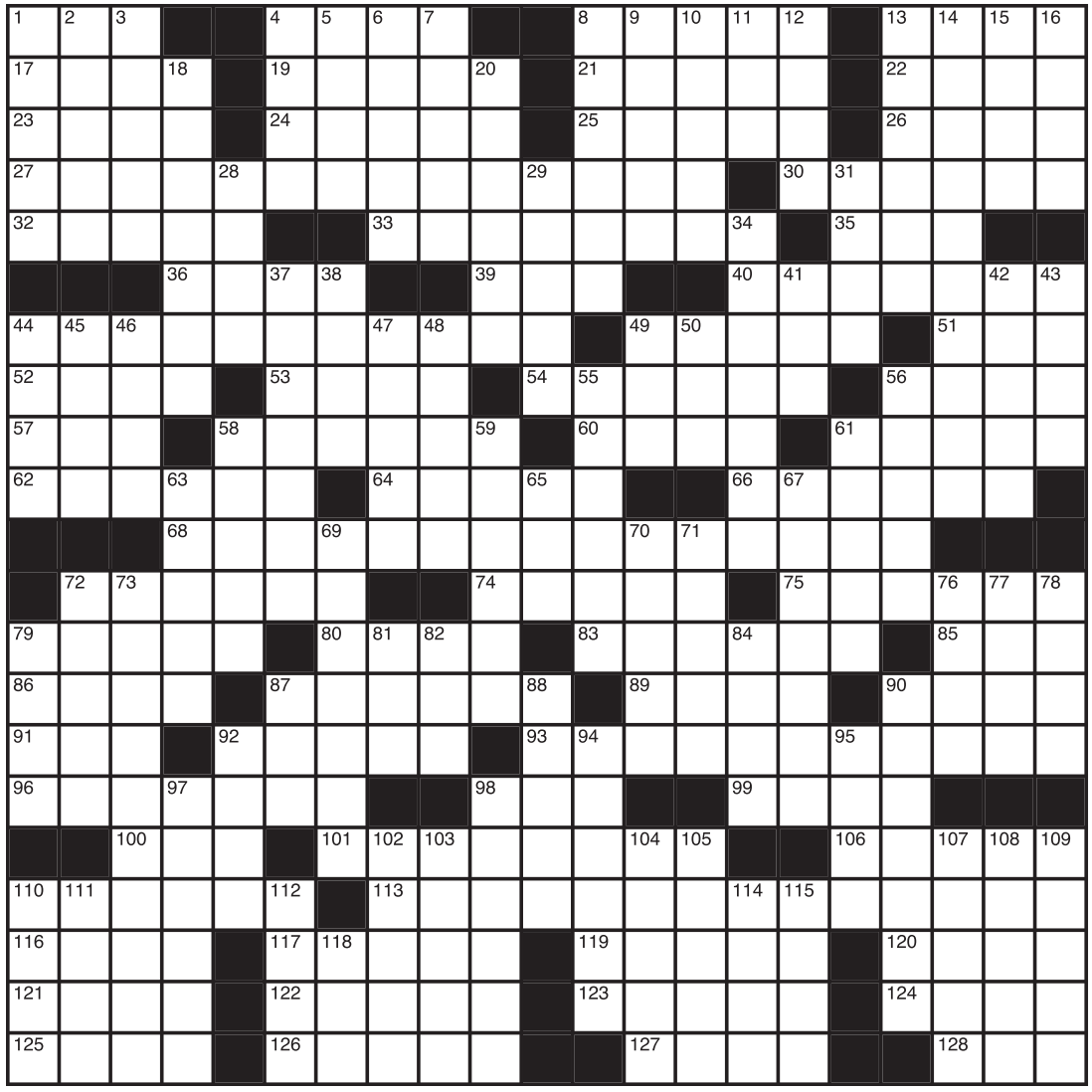
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21 Goosebump-inducing
22 Big wind
23 One of the British?
24 Progressive rival
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26 Louisiane, par exemple
27 Soil expert's observations?
30 Fully enjoys
32 Alaska's __ Peninsula
33 Kid's backyard apparatus
35 "What's the __?"
36 Pixar clownfish
39 Grafton's "__ for Outlaw"
40 Tiny shape-shifters
44 Contest where anglers compete while jogging on the shore?
49 Musical array
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56 It might be square
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58 Tennis garb
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61 Steffi's tennis-playing spouse
62 In the know
64 Show eager anticipation
66 In vogue, with "the"
68 Where all the Aberdeen lads get together?
72 Logo on many sneakers
74 __ roll
75 Prepare to ride, in a way
79 Coral Sea sight
80 She plays Hermione in "Harry Potter" films
83 Big-headed club
85 Rocket end?
86 Spanish muralist
87 Vegas table postings
89 It feels like forever
90 IRS enforcers
91 "Mansplain" was added to it in Jan. 2018
92 Reward units
93 Knee-socks, essentially
96 Jupiter's locale
98 Bad in Barcelona
99 Boring
100 Wide companion
101 Cafés and such
106 K, to Kay
110 Tried to sink, maybe
113 Adventurous Centennial State motto?
116 Greek love god
117 All together
119 "That's really spiffy!"
120 Long journey
121 __ noire
122 Barbie's original bestie
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7 Rain forest parrot
8 Clears of condensation
9 Bit attachments
10 Clean the slate
11 Island in the stream
12 Barracks break
13 Paul's "Ebony and Ivory" partner
14 Like the studio forced to quit making 007 movies?
15 Strong support
16 Bodybuilder's pride
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56 Knock follower?
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59 To make sure
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73 How some insects get their news?
76 Floor model
77 Popular jeans
78 Seaside glider
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82 Start to print?
84 Altar exchange
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95 With 50-Down, "Double Fantasy" artist
97 Big name in pharaohs
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103 Ice bucket accessory
104 Walking tall
105 __ tactic
107 More valuable, in some cases
108 One-named singer
109 Wine from Hungary
110 Portrayer of the first female Colonel Sanders, familiarly
111 Geometry figure
112 Needing a little more drying time
114 Publisher Chandler
115 Prunes
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Jumble

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

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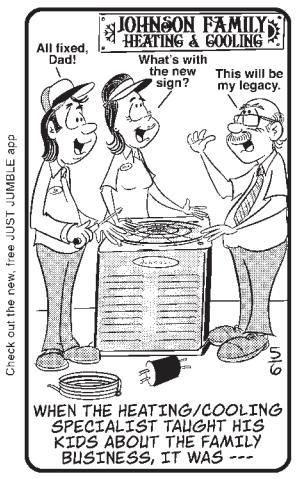
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Sudoku

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Check your stress at the door



Judith Martin
Miss Manners

Dear Miss Manners: As people are now telecommuting to work, as I do, how does one avoid unwanted people at one's door?

In my job, I have to use extreme concentration and I feel that I should not be interrupted in the privacy of my own home. I had a custom sign made and posted on my door that says, "By Appointment Only; Absolutely No Soliciting." That was the most polite thing I could come up with.

However, I find that people still ring my doorbell asking things like, "Would you like to sell your car?" (If I did, there would have been a "For Sale" sign on it.)

In my job, I can lose many thousands of dollars if an important call is interrupted by the door, so I get quite stressed. "No trespassing" signs don't help, either. I can't ignore the doorbell for wondering if it's an emergency. I would enclose the entire yard with a locked fence, except I have to have deliveries made, and I could not carry them up my steps. How would you handle this?

Gentle reader: By first taking a deep breath.

As a longtime telecommuter (so long that the term did not exist when she began), Miss Manners is sympathetic to your problem. But if you commonly have emergencies that show up at your doorstep, she wonders what you did before you worked at home.

Now, at least, you can smell or hear when the house catches fire, something that was probably not possible in the office. A workspace out of visual sight of the front door, and a quiet doorbell, should solve your problem.

Dear Miss Manners: I started a new job, and they want me to fill out an emergency contact form. But I am in a nuclear family with a bunch of people who can't even help themselves. My friends have their own problems.

I always chuckle when I have to fill out this sort of form, because I'm usually the one who helps everyone else. Who on earth am I supposed to pick for an emergency contact for me?!

Gentle reader: Not being able to serve as your emergency contact herself — and not knowing your friends or relatives — Miss Manners cannot solve your immediate problem.

But she does have thoughts about the larger question of how such requests — which are now made not just by preschools and employers, but also by social clubs, alarm system companies, gyms and even the occasional website — are to be treated.

She appreciates the implication that, in an emergency, the form-holder has either the desire or the ability to contact someone on your behalf. She hopes that reflects the reality more than had the box been labeled "next of kin."

With some exceptions, most such requests require only someone who, if unable to handle the emergency, will take responsibility for finding someone who will. A more stringent standard should be applied to such requests from medical practitioners, whose definition of an emergency may require someone in whose judgment you have greater trust.

Dear Miss Manners: I am a left-handed student, and wanted to ask about seating arrangements. Perhaps you can answer this for people in college.

In a seminar class, we use the small desks with tops that attach to the right side of the chair. There are usually a few "left-handed" desks with the writing surface on the opposite side.

However, in my last class, I realized I'd taken the only such desk because I'd arrived early. Is it proper for me to stay in that seat, or offer to alternate seats with the other left-handed students on different class days? It's difficult to take notes when the writing surface is on the "wrong" side.

Alternately, since there are no people with disabilities in the class, would it be wrong for one of us to take the classroom's one table designated for that use and use it until (and if) the classroom gets more left-handed desks?

Gentle reader: That you have not pleaded your left-handedness as a medical condition — or worse, a disability — pleases Miss Manners. Your failure to do so does not diminish the reasonableness of asking the school for some accommodation on the grounds of being a recurring customer.

But it avoids the moral indignation that too often accompanies the realization that you will have to speak with the professor to work out a solution. Any and all of your suggestions should be discussed and implemented, even if Miss Manners is perplexed to hear of a student taking notes by hand instead of on a laptop.

To send a question to the Miss Manners team of Judith Martin, Nicholas Ivor Martin and Jacobina Martin, go to ***missmanners.com*** *or write them c/o Universal Uclick, 1130 Walnut St., Kansas City, MO 64106.*



puzzle island solutions

Last week's crosswords

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Last week's Quote-Acrostic

MARC GELLMAN: THE GOD SQUAD: Atheists who apply scientific principles to argue against God's existence should ponder Einstein's uniquely compelling observation regarding the universe: 'Could such a splendid symphony have no conductor?'

Last week's Sudoku

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This week's Jumble

OFFEND IRONIC HOLLER
NIBBLE GOTTEN CASINO

When the heating/cooling specialist taught his kids about the family business, it was —

"HEIR" CONDITIONING



SOCIAL GRACES

If dining companion is rude to waitstaff ...

BY CHRISTEN A. JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

Q: Your dining companion is rude to the waitstaff, and you're offended. What do you do?

A: If the person is a guest — the one not paying for the meal — it's even more of an egregious offense because besides being rude to the server, the guest is offending the dinner host.

My first reaction would be to tactfully let my dinner guest know I thought his behavior was rude. Then I would suggest he apologize to the server. If my companion didn't apologize or receive what I said, I would pull the server aside and apologize. I would also leave a generous tip.

If the guest of the dinner has a genuine problem or concern with the server, he should say something to the host.

— Lydia Ramsey, etiquette and modern manners expert

A: In a casual setting with a family member or friend, it's appropriate to ask why he's being rude to the server. State what you've been witnessing, and maybe he'll change his behavior.

If it's a business dinner, you shouldn't ask why he's being rude. Excuse yourself and try to find the server. Apologize on your companion's behalf. Tell the server it's not his fault but your companion's personality.

Leaving a larger tip, such as 25 percent, can also be an indirect way of saying sorry.

— Leontina Richardson, founder of Stepping Into Etiquette

Social Graces is a weekly series asking experts for advice on awkward situations.

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If a server is disrespected by a member of your dining party, apologize to the server and leave a hefty tip.



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SUR LA TABLE

Look forward to daily grind



Double-Wall Glass French Press ($49.95, **williams-sonoma.com**).

WILLIAMS SONOMA

The right coffee maker can make mornings bearable

By Lindsey M. Roberts | The Washington Post

If there were a choose-your-own-adventure guide to finding a coffee maker, there would be four choices that determined how the plot would twist.

First, paper filter or metal filter, and then immersion or pour-over. A paper filter lets less sediment and lipids through, explains Bailey Manson, the education and service program manager for Intelligentsia, a hip coffee roaster based in Chicago. That makes for a lighter, thinner mouthfeel and more aromatics. A French press makes an immersion brew, in which water sits with the coffee, while pour-overs allow the water to briefly pass through the grounds.

Then there's time: Do you want the morning ritual of a multiple-step process, or do you need to push a button and get out the door?

Finally, how much coffee do you need to make? A one-cup pour would do the trick if you're a one-cup person, but if you're making coffee for two adults and even grown children, a big pot should be considered.

Sometimes, though, the answer is not either-or but both-and, says Brian Jones, author of the book "Brew: Better Coffee at Home." "There's also no rule against having several different brew methods," he says. "It's nice to be able to switch up the method depending on your mood, your company or the type of coffee you're brewing."

As the design director for HGTV Home, Nancy Fire circles the globe to find trendy goods and inspiration. When she's home to relax from her travels, she likes to use the Double-Wall Glass French Press ($49.95, **williams-sonoma.com**).

"It is so durable, and it always keeps the coffee hotter for longer," she says. "I keep this press out in the country, and it's the perfect way to make morning coffee on the weekends." Attractive enough to sit out on the counter, this French press has insulated walls that keep it warm longer.

Every morning, Adam Mahr, owner of the gift and housewares shop A Mano in Washington, steeps his coffee grounds in the Espro Press P7 after a favored ritual ($99.95-$109.95, **espro.ca**). He chooses a dark bean from Brazil, Colombia or Ethiopia, then grinds it just before brewing to preserve the beans'



ESPRO

Espro Press P7, ($99.95 to $109.95, **espro.ca**).

oil. He heats water on the stove, cutting it off right before it boils, then heats the stainless steel press with hot water before putting the grounds and coffee water in — the unique double filter of the press keeps the grounds from sludging up the coffee. Lastly, a timer is set for four to five minutes.

"Every morning, I go down, feed the dogs, make my coffee, watch 'Morning Joe' and then begin my day," he says.

"My go-to choice for brewing coffee almost every morning is a Hario V60," says Jones, who is also co-founder of a coffee-roasting company and the java brain behind the website Dear Coffee, I Love You. "It's a round pour-over dripper with a hole ... and spiral ridges to help with water flow while brewing."

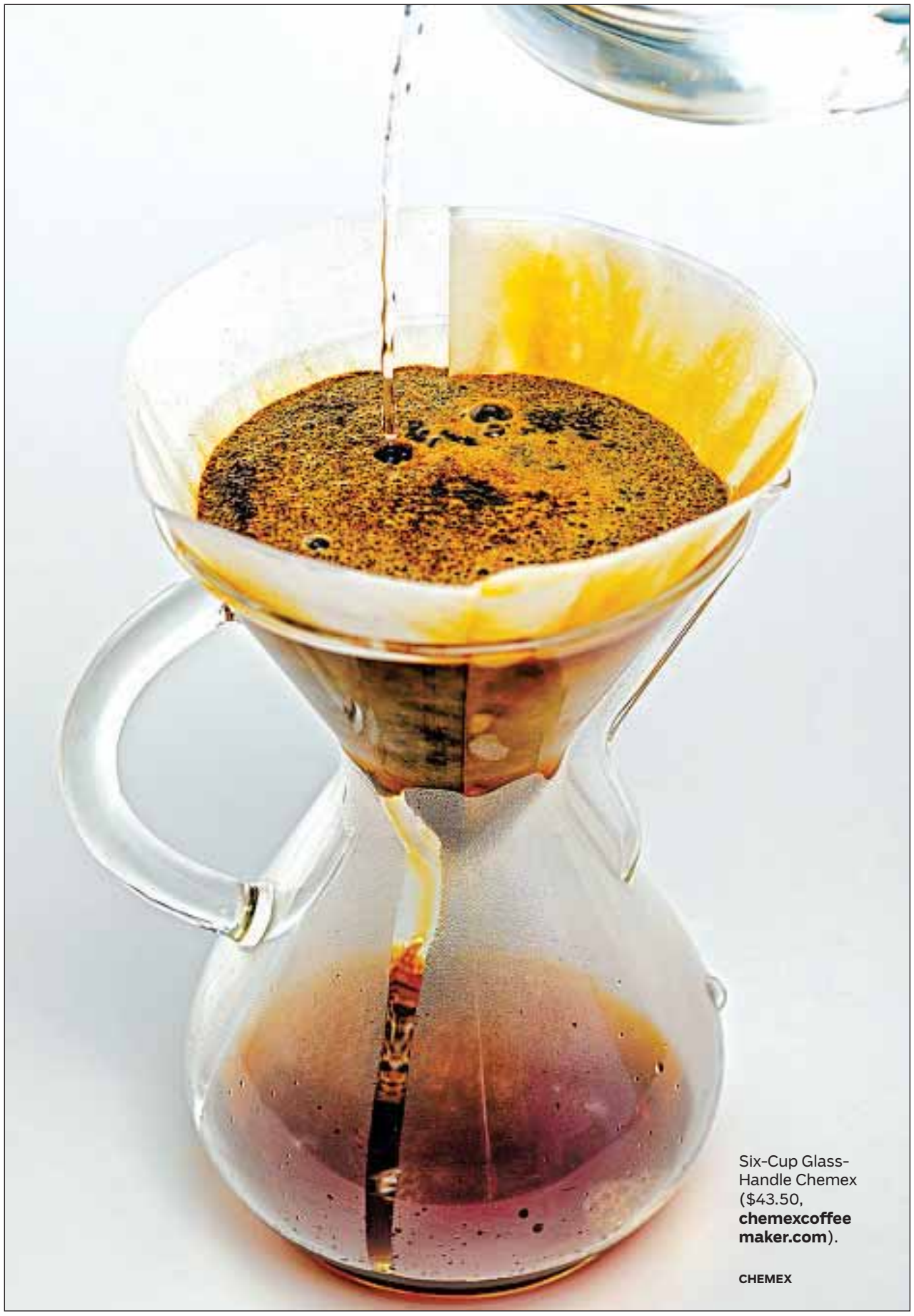
He likes a lighter, cleaner flavor profile, which the pour-over ($25, **surlatable.com**) offers. To take it up one more notch, Jones recommends using a gooseneck water kettle.

When drinking at home, Manson of Intelligentsia prefers his thrift-store Chemex.

"I like the clarity and cleanliness that I get from a paper filter," he says. For something similar, he recommends the Six-Cup Glass-Handle Chemex ($43.50, **chemexcoffeemaker.com**). The glass neck makes for better ergonomics, he says. For a truly excellent cup of coffee, he recommends investing at least $100 in a quality grinder.

Georg Riedel, the 10th-generation owner of the wine-glass company Riedel, spent a year "drinking coffee, learning about coffee, serving coffee," he says, all part of his research to design a glass that best highlights the characteristics of coffee, especially the fine, frothy crema.

"When you are trained to examine aromas and flavors, then it does not make a difference if you drink wine, soda, juice, coffee or tea. ... Everything that is aromatic comes with a basic structure," he says. Different machines produce the crema differently, but Riedel prefers any De'Longhi machine and especially the Nespresso CitiZ Espresso Machine by De'Longhi ($249.99, **target.com**).



Six-Cup Glass-Handle Chemex ($43.50, **chemexcoffeemaker.com**).

CHEMEX

Plant berry bushes for beauty and flavor

By Lee Reich
Associated Press



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Blueberries are an attractive and tasty option — the bushes are truly year-round ornamentals. Spring brings blossoms, dangling from stems like white bells. Summer brings soft, slightly bluish greenery which, come fall, ignites into a fiery red. You may need netting to keep birds away.

No need to choose between planting either an ornamental or a fruiting bush in your yard. Plant both with a single plant! Many berry bushes are pretty enough to be grown as landscape plants.

Let's foray out into the yard to see which bushes are best at offering these dual pleasures.

Blueberries are an attractive and tasty place to begin this berry sampler. They are truly year-round ornamentals. Spring brings clusters of blossoms dangling from stems like dainty, white bells. Summer brings soft, slightly bluish greenery which, come fall, ignites into a fiery red. Even in winter, the stems turn red to offer a bright contrast to a snowy backdrop.

In some gardens, birds try to monopolize every blueberry. If birds threaten, drape bird netting over the bushes while the fruits are ripening, or construct a decorative, walk-in, bird-tight cage, either permanent or temporary. Alternatively, do nothing and take your chances.

Blueberries require a soil that is moist, very acidic and rich in humus. Provide these conditions by testing the acidity of your soil and adjusting it to the requisite pH of 4 to 5.5, and by mixing a generous bucketful of peat moss into each planting hole. After planting, spread a few inches of leaves, wood chips, sawdust or some other weed-free organic mulch over the ground, to be replenished every year.

Blueberries like the same soil as rhododendrons, mountain laurels and azaleas, so why not mingle them with these other beautiful shrubs?

A blueberry relative that's also ideal for "luscious landscaping" is lingonberry. This one's a spreading ground cover less than 6 inches high and decked out year-round in dark, lustrous green leaves. The red berries, tart but tasty fresh or in sauces and jams, decorate the stems all winter long. Lingonberry enjoys the same soil conditions as its blueberry kin.

More cosmopolitan in its soil likes and dislikes is juneberry. It exists in both tree and bush forms, and all sport cheery white or pink flowers in early spring, blazing orange and purple foliage in fall and neat growth habits all year. Juneberry plants are better known for their beauty than for their fruits, but the berries — which look like blueberries — provide their own unique gustatory experience: They're sweet and juicy, with the richness of sweet cherry and a hint of almond.



LEE REICH/AP

Attractive flowers are one of the assets of clove currant; the flowers also are extremely fragrant and go on to yield tasty, dark currants.

Nanking cherry is another bush more often planted as an ornamental than for its fruit. It has just one season of flamboyance, but what flamboyance that is! In early spring, the whole bush bursts into a dense cloud of pinkish white blossoms.

Plant two Nanking cherries for cross-pollination and just about all those flowers will go on to become fruits. The cherries are small, pink or red, and refreshingly semisweet. Birds may or may not eat some fruits, but no matter. Production is so profuse that you won't notice the loss.

Much of the beauty of red currant bushes lies in the berries themselves, dangling from the branches like strings of jewels. The delicate spheres are so translucent that you can see the seeds floating within when the berries are backlit by sunlight.

Currants also are among the few fruits that bear well even in partial shade.

Red currants are the most common ones, but don't overlook equally beautiful white currants, essentially the same fruit except for their color.

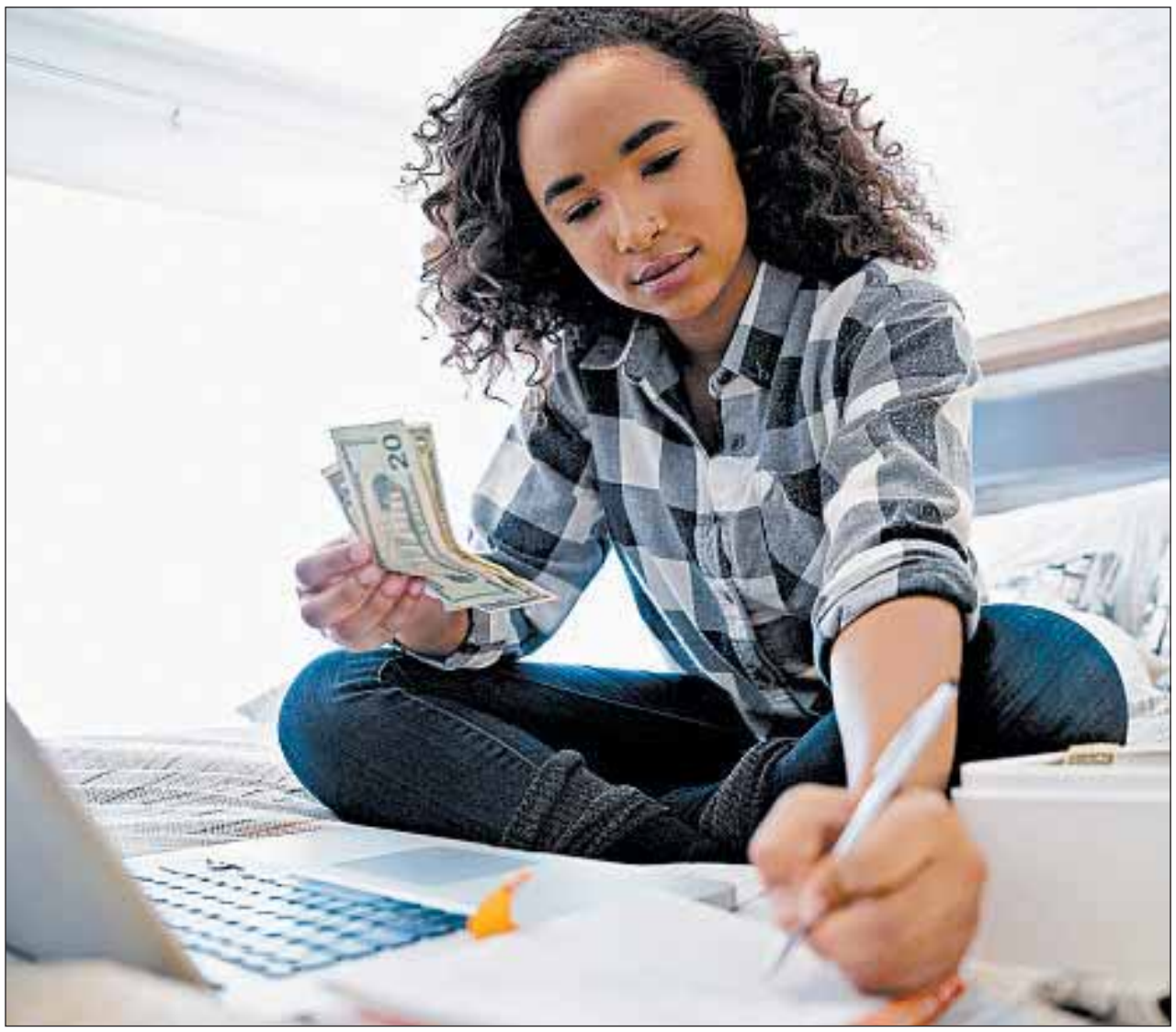
Perhaps the star performer among bushes for edible landscaping is a relatively unknown currant called the clove currant. It was a common dooryard plant in Victorian times. The name hints at why it was planted near the house: In spring, the flowers pour out a spicy, clovelike fragrance. The tart fruit is very aromatic, good for jam or just popped into your mouth as you walk around your yard.

As if fragrance and fruit were not enough, clove currant's abundant flowers also put on an eye-catching show. Each blossom is a long yellow trumpet, with a spot of red in its center.

Native to the upper Midwest, the clove currant is also tough, able to laugh off drought, heat, cold, insects, diseases — and even deer.

Teach children to be smart consumers

By Liz Weston
Nerd Wallet



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The act of saving money is more important than the amounts. Regular savers tend to be healthier financially.

Most financial literacy efforts in schools don't improve people's behavior later in life. That could be because we're focusing on the wrong things.

Trying to teach teenagers how to shop for a mortgage, for example, may be an exercise in futility. The information simply isn't relevant to them — yet. By the time they are ready to buy a home, the loans available and the rules surrounding them may have changed.

Instead, we should be teaching kids the habits that make savvy consumers. These four skills make a difference regardless of someone's circumstances or the economic climate:

Skepticism

Smart consumers need to think critically about the advertising, offers and advice that bombard them every day. They need to look beyond surfaces to determine what's really being sold to them, and why.

"We need to ask, 'What is the motivation of the entity that's giving me this information?' " says Josh Golin, executive director of the advocacy group Campaign for a Commercial-Free Childhood.

Some people are unnerved by the idea of teaching skepticism to children, worrying that it could foster distrust, inaction and negative thinking.

"Not all marketing is deception and not all advisers are people only eager to take your money," says financial literacy expert Annamaria Lusardi, economics professor at the George Washington University School of Business.

Others, including the nonprofit financial literacy advocate Foolproof Foundation, say healthy skepticism can be taught in an age-appropriate way that helps young people feel empowered rather than paralyzed.

"I don't think we can teach 6-year-olds skepticism, but by the time children are in middle school they're able to understand the concepts of persuasive intent and self-interest," Golin says.

Discernment

Research and comparison shopping may be second nature to the financially savvy, but they're skills like any other that need to be learned — and many adults don't have them, says financial literacy expert and Rutgers University professor Barbara O'Neill.

O'Neill emphasizes the "rule of three" in her financial literacy courses. She has students research three credit card offers, for example, comparing the interest rates, penalty rates, fees and rewards for each, and evaluating which might be best for their particular situation.

The exercise gives students practice in comparison shopping, but also gives them a handy rule of thumb for other decisions.

"Whether they're hiring a plumber or buying a car, they need to check at least three different sources," O'Neill says.

Planning

Being able to anticipate setbacks and challenges is as important as setting goals. People who plan ahead for large, irregular expenses are 10 times as likely to be financially healthy as those who don't, according to a 2015 study by the Center for Financial Services Innovation, a nonprofit that promotes financial health.

Financial literacy education often focuses on goal-based planning, such as budgeting for retirement or a down payment, or saving a set amount for emergencies, notes John Thompson, CFSI's chief program officer. That's important, he says, but perhaps not as relevant to early-stage workers as building financial flexibility into their lives.

Schools can teach the importance of having access to lower-cost lines of credit, such as a credit card with a reasonable interest rate, in addition to savings. Too often, cash-strapped young people turn to payday lenders and other high-cost credit because they haven't planned for the unexpected, Thompson says.

"You want to make sure you have access to the tools and products you need before a problem presents itself," Thompson says. "When you have to act immediately, your options are fewer."

Saving

A regular savings habit is also associated with financial health, the CFSI study found. The act of saving is more important than the amounts, Thompson says.

"A few hundred dollars can really make a difference," he says.

Regular doesn't necessarily mean automatic. People who automate their savings, through paycheck contributions to 401(k)s or recurring transfers from their checking accounts, do tend to save more. But automation requires relatively stable finances, something millions of Americans don't have, O'Neill points out.

"People with these volatile incomes can't do anything automatically," O'Neill says. "They need the flexibility to juggle."

Some startups are betting that smarter apps can help, either by helping people save or invest small amounts (Digit and Acorns are examples) or by smoothing out incomes using savings and payday advances (Even). Schools can teach kids to do something similar by tracking the ups and downs of their incomes, and saving when they have surpluses.

"When you have the peaks, that's when you save," O'Neill says.



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Finding plus sizes for swimmin' women



ELLEN WARREN
Answer Angel



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Finding plus-size swimwear shouldn't shut down your summertime fun.

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: Why is it so hard to find a decent bathing suit for plus-size gals? Men's swim trunks are mostly to the knee and look very comfortable. It would be nice to find a ladies two-piece suit that has swim shorts that are modest and comfortable. I'm tired of tugging to keep the bottoms out of you know where, and I do not have nice legs to be showing off. Please help me find a modest suit before summer comes and I avoid the pool once again out of embarrassment.

— *Modest Lady*

Dear Modest One: We both know the answer to why-oh-why we can't find decent swimwear in plus sizes. Because designers and retailers continue to ignore us! I recently went swimsuit shopping with a plus-size friend, and it was an exercise in humiliation and defeat.

Here's what I learned: You probably will be happier with swim separates, a swim skirt or swim shorts, paired with a top (some come in cup sizes) that fits properly and provides ample coverage in the midriff area, so that when you bend over, you're not showing off body parts you would prefer to keep covered.

I keep coming back to Lands' End (landsend.com), which even has "conceal thighs" and "swim dress" options in plus sizes. And there's great customer service. You're going to need to spend a fair amount if you want a suit with decent fabric that won't stretch out of shape after a single season. I just bought a second $120 swimsuit during a 50 percent-off sale there, and I'm a friend for life. I know it's iffy to shop for swimwear online, but Lands' End has a generous free-shipping return policy.

I'm hesitant to recommend products I haven't tested or that aren't recommended by people I trust, so let's hear from readers who have more suggestions for "Modest Lady."

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: We're not that far from the end of the school year, and once again, I am troubled by the question of what to give my kids' hardworking teachers as a thank-you gift. I'm not talking about anything extravagant, but something in the $15 or $20 range that isn't a coffee cup, apple-for-the-teacher-themed tchotchke and all that. What can you recommend?

— *Bethy B.*

Dear Bethy: Many teachers spend big chunks of their own money on class supplies when confronted with the cuts in school funding across the country. A gift card for any big-box store is always welcome. But let's hear from a teacher in the trenches.

Becky L. recently wrote me to report, "The best teacher gift I ever got was a chance to make a donation to a charity of my choice. This has happened twice in the 21 years I've been teaching. The first time the family asked me to pick a charity, and they sent a donation in my name. The second time, the family gave me a TisBest Charity Gift Card. You use this by going online to tisbest.org and picking from among hundreds of organizations. I am grateful for every gift I get and the thought and appreciation that prompted it, but I really don't need any more chocolates, candles or doodads. I love being able to make the world a little better through this kind of gift."

Dear Answer Angel Ellen: We have an acquaintance who says it's never acceptable for men to wear white socks (unless for workouts, sports, etc.). But I have some white pants and white shoes (Polo leather shoes, very nice), and it seems that white socks are the way to go. What say you? Sock it to me.

— *Jay J.*

Dear Jay: Go for something more colorful. Be bold. Head-to-toe white is a little ice cream man, don't you think? I do. I'm picturing you in nice white-linen pants, some classic white bucks shoes and bright blue, citron yellow or fuchsia socks. Believe me, you'll get compliments. Try it. P.S. I agree with your friend who says men shouldn't wear white socks except for athletics. Sound advice!

Reader rave

Polly P. writes, "I have pets and kids who aren't careful with fruit drinks. I needed a really good spot remover for my carpets and have been let down time after time. Then I found Folex. I got it after a salesclerk at Home Depot recommended it.

You don't have to rinse — just spray. It is very good on red wine, pet accidents and food, and works on upholstery too. It's been made for the last 40 years by the Folex Co. in Spring Valley, Calif. (**amazon.com**, $10.99). Originally for industrial uses, its plain white spray bottle looks extremely basic, even now that consumers have discovered it. It's safe on colorfast carpets and doesn't have a chemical smell. It's also petroleum-free. Just wanted to share this treasure."

Reader rant

From Sigrid R.: "I don't agree with your anti-capri campaign. For me, a big no-no is the shoes with ankle straps that totally cut off the leg and make it appear shorter and less attractive. That is a far worse looking than any length of pants. The straps shrink the length of the leg. Maybe you will be generous and address that problem. We all have different tastes. You mentioned the capris so often I think your readers got the message."

Dear Sigrid: I completely support your anti-ankle strap stance. Even women with the shapeliest legs and ankles do themselves no favor with ankle strap shoes, which are instant leg shorteners. They're popular on the red carpet, but I think they're a mistake.

Now it's your turn

Send your questions, rants, tips, favorite finds — on style, shopping, makeup, fashion and beauty — to ***answerangelellen@gmail.com****.*

Tory Burch on spring style, empowerment

Interior designer David Hicks inspired her latest collection

By Kristin Larson
Chicago Tribune

Tory Burch, the iconic designer known for color and prints, breezed through town last month to meet her throngs of loyal customers at her Nordstrom Michigan Avenue pop-up shop and to celebrate the launch of her new fragrance, Just Like Heaven.

"It's so flattering to see people wearing our clothes, but also if we can help women feel confident about themselves, that is something that really inspires me," said Burch, wearing a striped dress from her spring collection, inspired by legendary interior designer David Hicks.

We sat down with the fashion mogul, who chatted about everything from her spring collection to her Tory Burch Foundation, created to support the empowerment of female entrepreneurs, to a few of her favorite things. What follows has been edited for length and clarity.

Q: Tell me about spring. What do you love about the spring collection?

A: David Hicks was such an inspiration. And being able to have access to his archives, with his son opening them up and giving us his scrapbooks, was really interesting. We wanted to reference him not in a literal way but use him as a starting point and imagine what it could be today. He's so relevant today — his irreverence and use of color and his fearlessness. That's one thing I love: fearlessness.

Q: Whom have you been most inspired by in life?

A: Definitely my mother — she's my biggest inspiration. There are so many people. Women. I started our company to start a foundation, but it's about women globally. Women are inspiring.



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A tunic and skirt from designer Tory Burch's spring collection.

It's all women — not just one kind of woman. It's such an important time right now to stand up. People that actually have a voice and stand up and speak up. Courage. It's an interesting time, and I think that you have to acknowledge what's happening.

Q: Favorite virtue?

A: Ambition. There is a harmful double standard that exists around ambition, which is often celebrated in a man and seen as distasteful in a woman. That needs to change. Our foundation just launched its second annual global initiative encouraging women to embrace ambition.

Q: Favorite quality in people?

A: Humor, 100 percent.

Q: Do you have any favorite comedians?

A: There are so many, but I have a favorite movie, "There's Something About Mary." That was such a fantastic movie. Humor is key.



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Interior designer David Hicks inspired the spring collection.

It's so important.

Q: What are you listening to right now?

A: A woman named Jessie Reyez, Rihanna, Tupac. And there's this new band, Public Access TV — they're so good. I found them from my children.

Q: Favorite place to travel?

A: Antigua. It is the most peaceful place in the world.

Q: Favorite book you have ever read?

A: Jung Chang's "Wild Swans," about three generations of women in China: beautifully written, heartbreaking but hopeful.



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Q: Favorite art museum?

A: There are many, but The Barnes Foundation in Philadelphia is a sentimental favorite. I visited many times when I was growing up and love going back to this day.

Q: What's one of your favorite cities?

A: There are cities that I love, and Chicago is one of them. It's very vibrant between the architecture, the art museums, the lake, the food, there's so much.

Q: Favorite hobby?

A: As long as I can remember, I have loved tennis. My mother taught my brothers and me how to play.

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Blue Bear with Maurice Smith


Paul Durbin and Tanja Babich


Yasmin Bates-Brown, left, Percy Brown and Verett Mims

Candid Candace



By Candace Jordan
Chicago Tribune

Discovery Ball raises $3M for cancer society

The American Cancer Society's 12th annual Discovery Ball, themed "Impact From Every Angle," was held at the Swissotel Chicago on April 21. The black-tie gala, presented by Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois, attracted more than 800 guests and featured aerialists, silent and live auctions, inspiring speakers and a performance by Grammy Award-winning singer/songwriter Colbie Caillat.

Emcee Tanja Babich, an ABC-7 anchor, welcomed guests and introduced the event's Impact Makers — people whose lives have been touched by cancer and who are now giving back. Breast cancer survivor Mary Tinnes' mother died of breast cancer in 1994, and members of her family have battled thyroid, lung, skin, rectal, gallbladder and breast cancers. She serves as an ACS volunteer speaking to newly diagnosed patients.

Other Impact Makers included Dr. Thomas Gajewski (AbbVie Foundation professor of cancer immunotherapy at the University of Chicago Medicine), Chuck Maniscalco (retired executive of Quaker Oats and PepsiCo) and state Rep. Marcus Evans Jr.

"Our mission of standing with our members aligns with the American Cancer Society, who for over 100 years has been at the forefront of improving outcomes and the quality of life for those with cancer," said event chair Maurice Smith, president of Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Illinois.

The Corporate Partnership Award was presented to Aon by William Santulli, COO of Advocate Aurora Health. Aon has been a major Discovery Ball sponsor since its inception in 2007, contributing more than $800,000 toward the ACS mission.

The program ended with a 40-minute performance by Colbie Caillat, who sang her hits "Bubbly," "Realize" and "Fallin' for You," among others.

The evening raised more than $3 million for the American Cancer Society, which has invested more than $4.6 billion in cancer research since 1946.

Freelance writer Candace Jordan is involved in many local groups, including some whose events she covers.

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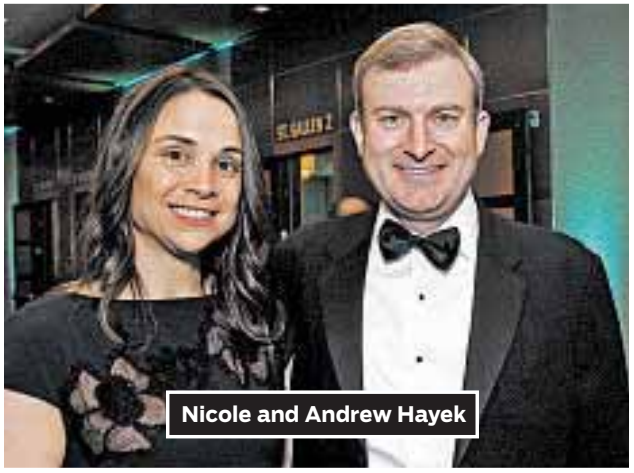
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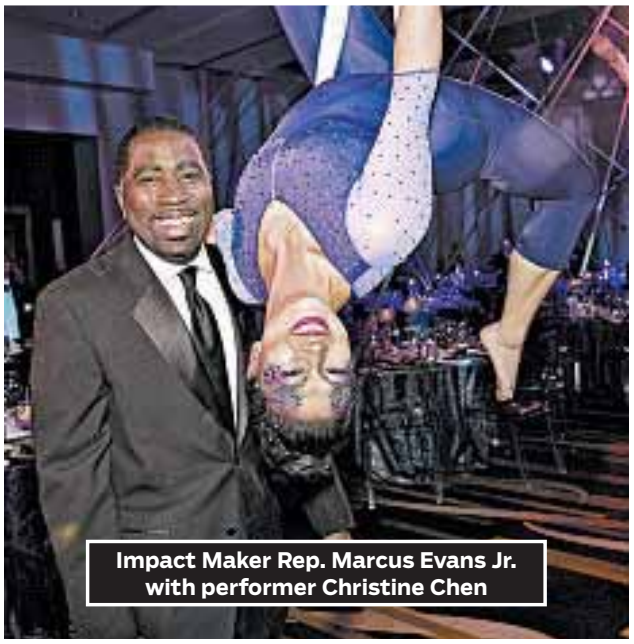

Impact Maker Mary Tinnes with Phil Tinnes


Norman Lane and Bernice Billups with performer Jacopo Magistrelli


Wayne White and Charlene Gilmour


Impact Makers Chuck Maniscalco, left, and Dr. Thomas Gajewski


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Impact Maker Rep. Marcus Evans Jr. with performer Christine Chen

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The kitchen has quartz countertops, built-in Viking appliances and custom cabinets.



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Forbes magazine recently described Bill Gates as the second-wealthiest person in the world, with an estimated $90 billion net worth.

ELITE STREET

New 'Gated' community?

Bill, Melinda Gates believed to have bought house in Chicago's Hyde Park

By Bob Goldsborough
Chicago Tribune

Microsoft founder Bill Gates and his wife, Melinda, appear to have paid $1.25 million for a five-bedroom, 3,000-square-foot house in the South Side Hyde Park neighborhood through a land trust on April 4.

Seattle attorney Christopher Carletti, who frequently represents the Gates family in property transactions, is listed on the Hyde Park property's deed as the trustee for the trust that purchased the Hyde Park home. Carletti declined to respond to numerous requests for comment.

The purchase deed for the Hyde Park home states that its property tax bills will be sent to a second-floor office unit in a suburban Seattle office park. The sole occupant of that suburban Seattle office suite is the Gates family's private business interests.

If Gates, whom Forbes magazine recently called the second-wealthiest person in the world with an estimated $90 billion net worth — after Amazon's Jeff Bezos at $112 billion — is indeed the owner, he would become the richest person ever to own property in the Chicago area.

The reason for the purchase of the three-story house could not be determined, although its proximity to the University of Chicago — it's just three houses from campus — and the fact that the Gateses' son, Rory, is college-age may offer a clue.

The Hyde Park house, which is more than a century old, has been completely rebuilt, with only the exterior shell remaining. It has 4½ baths, a new roof, new windows, new wood floors, video surveillance with five exterior cameras, eight-foot doors on the first and second floors, a kitchen with quartz countertops, built-in Viking appliances and custom cabinets, a breakfast area off the kitchen, heated floors in the rec room on the ground floor, two new furnaces, two

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Appraisal-free home loans saving millions for buyers nationwide



Kenneth R. Harney
The Nation's Housing

For homeowners and buyers, appraisal-free loans have offered an unexpected windfall: relief from having to pay between $400 and $600 for the service. The savings nationwide to consumers in just the past year alone may total tens of millions of dollars.

Sounds great. But to some key players in the home financing arena, the savings look ominous — potentially risky for taxpayers and financially nightmarish for the professionals who provide the service being eliminated.

Last year, the two largest sources of American mortgage financing — federally backed Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac — began accepting home-purchase loans that carried no formal property appraisal. Instead, the valuations supporting the mortgages were performed by Fannie and Freddie in-house, using proprietary analytics and deep stores of property data. Only highly select loans were eligible for appraisal waivers, primarily those with sizable down payments (20 percent and up) plus previous appraisals on file. Buyers, refinancers and lenders were not permitted to request waivers; Fannie and Freddie were the ones that identified eligible properties and offered waivers at the application stage.

Both companies had introduced the no-appraisal concept earlier for refinancings. The expansion to home-purchase loans was a big deal, though, because they're considered riskier than refinancings, where borrowers' credit and equity are well-established and known to lenders.

Fannie and Freddie haven't publicly released data or the results of their shifts to no-appraisal mortgages, but recently both companies allowed a peek for this column. During 2017, Fannie Mae acquired roughly 60,000 no-appraisal mortgages — 5 percent of its total 1.2 million home-loan acquisitions. Assuming an average appraisal costs about $500, then the combined savings to buyers and refinancers totaled somewhere near $30 million. Freddie Mac declined to estimate specific savings but said through a spokesman that by accepting appraisal waivers, "borrowers may have saved millions."

Fannie's and Freddie's no-appraisal option has been popular with lenders. Mat Ishbia, president and CEO of United Wholesale Mortgage, the country's largest wholesale lender, says, "We think it's great for borrowers." Not only does it save time and money, he says, it leads to shorter interest-rate locks and quicker closings. The company is now doing more than 10 percent of its home-purchase loans appraisal-free.

Not surprisingly, all this gushing enthusiasm for appraisal-free mortgages isn't shared by the segment of the housing industry

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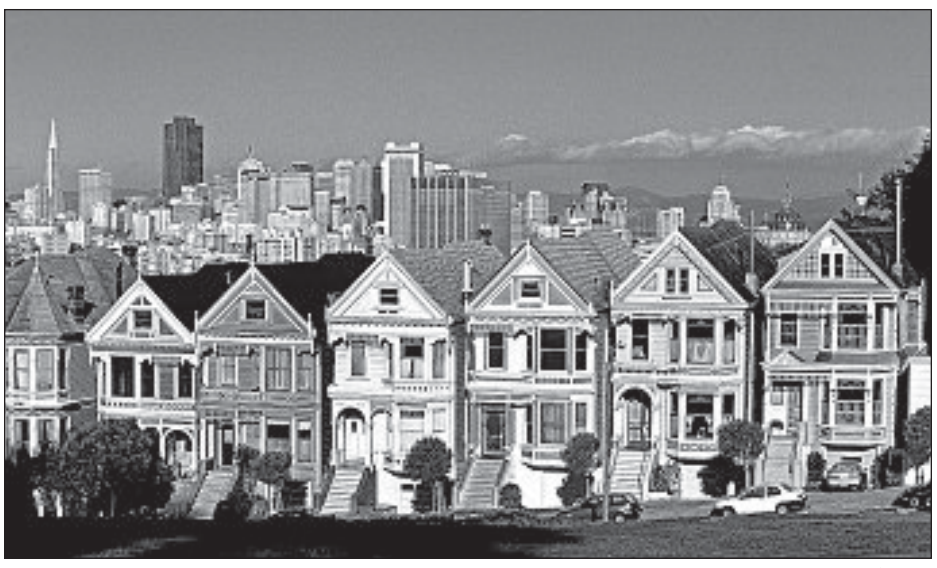
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Some of the cities with the highest home prices, such as San Francisco, became more affordable for homebuyers due to lower mortgage rates, according to Trulia researchers.

Research: Low rates ease cost of housing

By Michele Lerner
The Washington Post



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Miami became unaffordable between 1990 and 2016, meaning a household earning the median income can't afford a house at the median price, according to Trulia.

Anyone looking at rising housing prices — especially people who would like to buy their first home now — would assume that houses are less affordable than ever before.

Home prices have been rising faster than wages for years. But researchers at Trulia, an online residential real estate site, found that mortgage rates have a bigger impact on affordability than home prices and income changes.

Nationally, researchers determined, houses are more affordable now than in the past nearly 40 years.

In 2016, a household with the median income could afford a home 1.5 times more expensive than the median home price. In 1980, a household with the median income could only afford a home valued at three-fourths of the median home price.

Trulia's affordability score compares the highest price a household with the median income could afford with median home prices in each year. The highest affordable price is determined based on a 20 percent down payment on a mortgage.

The Trulia study points out the staggering difference between income growth and home price increases: Adjusting for inflation, median incomes have grown 27 percent between 1980 and 2016, while median home prices increased 62 percent during that same period.

Mortgage rates — which were above 16 percent in the 1980s and dropped below 4 percent in 2016 — mean houses became increasingly affordable despite the gap between income growth and home price increases.

Of course, affordability is influenced heavily by location.

Trulia's look at 100 of the country's largest metro areas over the decades found that only Miami became unaffordable between 1990 and 2016 — meaning that a Miami household earning the median income can't afford a house at the median price. Other cities that became less affordable include Denver and Portland, Ore. Some of the cities with the highest home prices, such as San Francisco; Seattle; Austin, Texas; and Washington, D.C., became more affordable for homebuyers.

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No single way to define 'nuisance' in condo rules



Benny L. Kass
Housing Counsel



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A noisy neighbor might be an annoyance, but there's no one-size-fits-all definition of what constitutes a nuisance. Many states have laws that define the term.

Q: Our condo association has rules as to how owners have to conduct themselves. One of the rules deals with "no nuisance." How do you define nuisance?

A: Ouch! That's not easy. Many states have laws defining nuisance. For example, in North Dakota, it is defined as "an unlawful act that annoys, injures or endangers the comfort, health, or safety of others." In Ceynar v. Barth, the North Dakota Supreme Court held that a recently constructed pool house that an owner in a homeowners association built on his own land was not a nuisance against the next-door neighbor — whose beautiful view of the golf course was obstructed.

Why? Because under common law, a property owner has no right to an unobstructed view over adjoining property. Because the pool house was constructed legally (the HOA gave its consent), it was not an "unlawful" act.

Other states have ruled that in order to validly claim loud noise or secondhand smoke a nuisance, the claimant must demonstrate a health-related problem based on the alleged nuisance.

But, in the final analysis, nuisance is in the eye of the beholder. If a community association board believes that certain conduct creates a nuisance, the burden is on the complainant to justify that claim.

Q: I live in a condo complex consisting of 296 units and we had a meeting on March 29 to elect new board members. At this meeting, two new members were elected, but the existing members resigned, leaving us with only one previous board member in addition to the two new board members.

During the week following the meeting, the one remaining board member also resigned. That left us with the two new board members, who sent emails asking for volunteers (my understanding is that there were two owners who volunteered to help). The board president stated that it is OK to put volunteers on the board without votes until the next meeting, at which point they'll be elected by the owners.

Most owners do not like this situation and would like the property management company to take over the condo board. Is that the proper way to do things, or can the two new board members take control, and if so, can owners petition to remove them from office?

A: Welcome to the wonderful, wacky world of community association living. Let me make my opinion clear at the outset. While most management companies are competent, and do their job in the best interests of their clients, under no circumstances should they run the association. By analogy, would you want the federal government's Office of Management and Budget to run our government if the president and vice president resigned?

The way the process works in most associations is the way that your current board has handled it. If a board member resigns, then the remaining board members elect a replacement who typically serves until the next election. And even if there is less than a majority on the board, that's acceptable under the circumstances.

However, if you and a large number of owners object, you can petition the board to hold an election.

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			5/1 ARM	3.250	0.000	$999	20%	4.472		
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			30 yr jumbo	4.500	0.000	$755	20%	4.550		
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			7/1 ARM	4.000	0.000	$55	5%	3.658		
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SAVINGS UPDATE

How are ARM rates calculated?

Adjustable rate mortgages, or ARMs, can be attractive for homebuyers who don't expect to stay in their house for the long haul or who think interest rates will be lower in the future. But since plans often change, and rates are virtually impossible to predict, it's important to understand how ARM rates adjust.

Each ARM has an initial period and an adjustment period. The initial period is typically 3, 5, 7 or 10 years during which the rate is fixed. But after that, the rate will change according to its adjustment period. For example, a 5/1 ARM will remain fixed for five years, then adjust every year after that.

Two terms in an ARM's fine print tell you how the new rate will be calculated: the index and the margin. The index is a market benchmark to which your rate is formally pegged. Many ARMs use the 12-month LIBOR index, but there are several others. Each ARM will name the index with which it is linked, and that index will fluctuate with market conditions.

The margin, on the other hand, is fixed and serves as an add-on to the index. So if an ARM's margin is 3%, and the 12-month LIBOR index is 2.25% at adjustment time, the new rate would be 5.25% (2.25% index + 3% margin).

Two more ARM terms can also come into play. One is the rate adjustment cap, which limits how much the rate can move with any one adjustment. The other is the maximum rate, which specifies the very highest it can rise over the life of the loan.

Anyone considering an ARM will want to carefully compare different products according to index and margin rates, as well as adjustment caps and maximums, as digging into these details can help differentiate between otherwise similar-seeming ARMs.

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Last year, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac began accepting home-purchase loans with no formal property appraisal.

Appraisal-free loans save homebuyers

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most directly affected: appraisers. Real estate brokers also have expressed concerns. Appraisers see the waivers not only as sucking money out of their pockets but as a potential threat to taxpayers — who had to bail out Fannie and Freddie because of ill-advised investments during the housing bust.

In a letter to Congress last fall, the Appraisal Institute, the largest professional group representing appraisers, warned of "a race to the bottom" between the two companies in pushing for more appraisal-free loans, which require no physical visit or inspection of homes being financed. The National Association of Realtors said Fannie and Freddie must demonstrate that their reliance on "data-based" valuations does not "put undue risk into the housing market."

Individual appraisers are scathing in their criticism, arguing that professionals trained to perform interior and exterior inspections, identify recent sales comparables and render independent analyses are essential to accurate valuations.

Ryan Lundquist, an appraiser in Sacramento, Calif., noted that computer programs "cannot smell 20 cats living at the property." Nor can they spot other value-depressing interior conditions or severe deferred maintenance.

Pat Turner, a Richmond, Va., appraiser, says worse yet, "savings" from Fannie and Freddie may not always flow to buyers. He cited a recent case in the Richmond area where a major online lender allegedly charged a buyer $600 at settlement on a loan with an appraisal-free waiver.

"The guy went ballistic," says Turner, and "demanded to see the detailed appraisal report," which did not exist. His money has yet to be refunded.

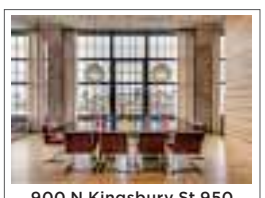
What's all this mean for buyers? No. 1: Be aware that even if you are offered an appraisal waiver, the choice is yours. Fannie and Freddie require lenders to allow borrowers to opt for a traditional full appraisal. Also, careful as the two companies may be in offering waivers, the contract price you're paying for the house may be inflated. Lundquist cited a local realty broker who recently had clients who declined the no-appraisal option and saved thousands of dollars as a result. A full appraisal found the property to be overvalued — which the waiver apparently missed — and allowed them to renegotiate the final price lower.

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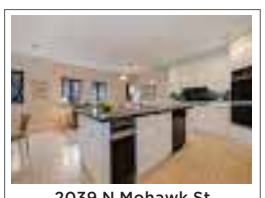
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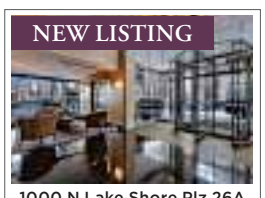
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JANET OWEN
312.944.8900

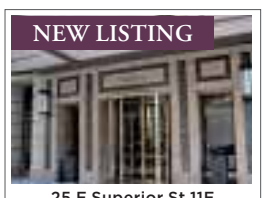

900 N Kingsbury St 950
$3,750,000
3 bedrooms & 4.1 baths
SOPHIA KLOPAS
312.944.8900


3806 N Wayne Ave
$2,895,000
6 bedrooms & 6.2 baths
FRANCIS BOMHER
312.642.1400


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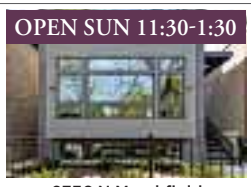
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$2,350,000
4 bedrooms & 3.1 baths
EILEEN BRENNAN
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25 E Superior St 2401
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3 bedrooms & 3 baths
CARA BUFFA
312.264.1200

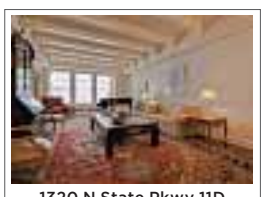
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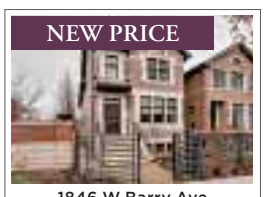

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312.944.8900

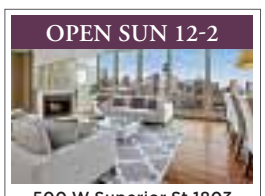

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$1,930,000
5 bedrooms & 4.1 baths
MICHAEL GILIANO
312.264.1200

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5 bedrooms & 4.1 baths
DANIELLE DOWELL
312.642.1400

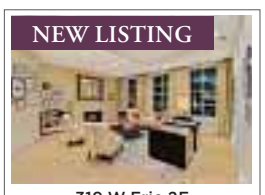

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$1,595,000
3 bedrooms & 2.1 baths
LISA HUBER
312.264.1200


1320 N State Pkwy 11D
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3 bedrooms & 2.1 baths
MONA HELLINGA MCCULLOUGH
847.234.2500

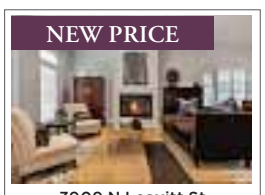
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LARRY BERNSTEIN
312.642.1400

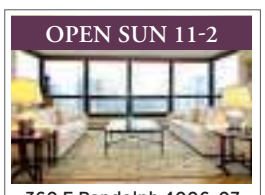
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3 bedrooms & 3.1 baths
TERRI MCAULEY
312.944.8900

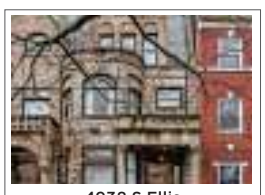

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$1,375,000
2 Bedrooms, 2 Baths
JANET OWEN
312.944.8900

NEW LISTING

319 W Erie 2E
$1,299,000
3 bedrooms & 2.1 baths
CARA BUFFA
312.264.1200


729 W Barry Ave 1
$1,299,000
4 bedrooms & 3.1 baths
EILEEN O'GRADY NEWELL
847.823.4144

NEW PRICE

3909 N Leavitt St
$1,249,000
6 bedrooms & 3.1 baths
WENDI GORDON SHELIST
312.944.8900

OPEN SUN 11-2

360 E Randolph 4006-07
$1,200,000
3 bedrooms & 3 baths
SHELLEY STUNARD
312.345.9000


4938 S Ellis
$1,075,000
5 bedrooms & 4.1 baths
SUSAN O'CONNOR
312.944.8900


33 W Ontario St 51E
$1,050,000
3 bedrooms & 2.1 baths
ANNE RODIA
312.944.8900




3101 N Hoyne Ave
$998,500
4 bedrooms & 3.1 baths
DANIEL WELSH
312.944.8900


4851 S Kenwood Ave
$995,000
6 bedrooms & 3.2 baths
ROBERT SULLIVAN
312.944.8900

NEW LISTING

2136 W Lyndale St 3
$889,000
3 bedrooms & 2 baths
SOPHIA KLOPAS
312.944.8900


849 N Franklin St 414
$850,000
3 bedrooms & 2.1 baths
MOLLY BOYD
312.642.1400


1430 N Astor St 4-5C
$849,000
4 bedrooms & 4.2 baths
MONIQUE PIERON
312.642.1400

OPEN SUN 1-3

1718 W Julian St 2N
$825,000
3 bedrooms & 2.1 baths
RICHARD DIVITO
312.642.1400


1440 N State Pkwy 3D
$810,000
3 bedrooms & 2.1 baths
MEREDITH MESEROW
312.944.8900

NEW LISTING

855 W Buckingham Pl 4E
$799,900
3 bedrooms & 2 baths
MICHAEL LAMAN
312.944.8900

NEW LISTING

543 W Fullerton Pkwy
$799,000
1 bedroom & 1.1 baths
JANE DOMUROT
312.264.1200


1452 W Fargo Ave
$795,000
6 bedrooms & 7 baths
CARLA & JIM WALKER
312.944.8900


819 N Bishop St 2
$779,000
4 bedrooms & 4 baths
LUCY ANTANOVICH
312.642.1400


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3 bedrooms & 2.1 baths
KAREN RANQUIST
312.642.1400

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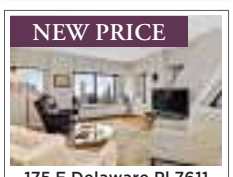
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2 bedrooms & 2 baths
RUSSELL SMOTEK
312.944.8900


547 S Clark St 1403
$705,000
3 bedrooms & 2 baths
JAYNE ALOFS
312.642.1400


3439 N Kedzie Ave
$695,000
4 bedrooms & 3.1 baths
MICHAEL GILIANO
312.264.1200

OPEN SUN 11-2

360 E Randolph 2208
$680,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
SHELLEY STUNARD
312.345.9000

NEW PRICE

175 E Delaware Pl 7611
$669,900
3 bedrooms & 2 baths
MICHAEL DROMMERHAUSEN
312.944.8900


233 E 13th St 2503
$659,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
LISA HUBER
312.264.1200

1718 W Julian St 1N
$650,000
3 bedrooms & 2.1 baths
CATHRINE SCRATCH
312.642.1400

NEW LISTING

21 W Chestnut St 1601
$649,999
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
CARA BUFFA
312.264.1200

2712 N Wayne Ave 3
$649,500
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
JULIAN HARKLEROAD
847.234.2500

NEW LISTING

900 N Lake Shore 1712-14
$649,000
1 bedroom & 2 baths
PEGGY QUINN
312.944.8900

5712 S Dorchester Ave 2
$649,000
4 bedrooms & 2 baths
ROBERT SULLIVAN
312.944.8900

NEW PRICE

505 N Lake Shore 3912
$634,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
MICHAEL GILIANO
312.264.1200

NEW LISTING

5648 S Dorchester Ave 3E
$625,000
3 bedrooms & 2 baths
ROBERT SULLIVAN
312.944.8900

1160 S Michigan 3105
$619,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
MICHAEL MAIER
312.944.8900

4330 N California Ave 2
$600,000
3 bedrooms & 2.1 baths
SOPHIA KLOPAS
312.944.8900

2146 W Crystal St 3
$599,000
3 bedrooms & 2 baths
GRACE GAUGHAN
312.944.8900

2013 W Evergreen Ave 1
$589,000
2 bedrooms & 2.1 baths
EDWARD WOOD
312.264.1200

NEW LISTING

421 W Melrose St 11C
$585,000
3 bedrooms & 2.1 baths
LISA HUBER
312.264.1200

3530 N Lake Shore 7A
$575,000
3 bedrooms & 3 baths
WADE MARSHALL
312.944.8900

1717 S Prairie 1405
$575,000
3 bedrooms & 2 baths
PATRICK COGAN
312.944.8900

NEW PRICE

3822 N Damen Ave 3
$574,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
JON MILLER
312.642.1400

NEW LISTING

757 N Orleans St 1707
$550,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
SCOT GREEN
312.264.1200

25 E Superior St 804
$549,999
1 bedroom & 1.1 baths
CARA BUFFA
312.264.1200

512 N McClurg Ct 2101
$529,500
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
MIA WILKINSON
312.944.8900

2125 N Natchez Ave
$529,000
5 bedrooms & 4 baths
CARINA SAWAYA
312.944.8900

NEW PRICE

6500 S Woodlawn Ave
$529,000
5 bedrooms & 3.1 baths
MICHAEL GILIANO
312.264.1200

7518 N Overhill Ave
$529,000
3 bedrooms & 3 baths
KEARA LAIRD
312.642.1400

OPEN SAT/SUN 1-3

950 W Monroe St 905
$529,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
AELEE HAN
847.510.5000

NEW LISTING

4825 W Warner Ave
$525,000
4 bedrooms & 3.1 baths
FE ORTIZ
847.362.6200

550 N St Clair St 1305
$509,000
1 bedroom & 2 baths
VICKI L. LOEVY
312.944.8900

OPEN SUN 12-2

500 W Superior St 1102
$500,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
TERRI MCAULEY
312.944.8900

874 N Marshfield 2
$499,900
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
RORY MONE
312.264.1200

OPEN SUN 12-2

500 W Superior St 2206
$499,400
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
TERRI MCAULEY
312.944.8900

NEW LISTING

2400 N Lakeview Ave 2001
$499,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
MIA WILKINSON
312.944.8900

NEW LISTING

421 W Huron St 604
$498,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
CARLA & JIM WALKER
312.944.8900

910 S Michigan 619
$485,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
STEPHANIE DERDERIAN
312.944.8900

1313 N Ritchie 504
$479,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
MICHAEL MAIER
312.944.8900

829 N May St 1
$475,000
3 bedrooms & 2.1 baths
MICHAEL KEARNEY
312.944.8900

2042 N Clark St 4N
$475,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
AKOS STRAUB
312.642.1400

450 E Waterside Dr 2506
$475,000
1 bedroom & 1 bath
RAQUEL COOPER
312.264.1200

OPEN SUN 1:30-3

2033 W Superior St 3E
$475,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
GWEN HUGHES
312.642.1400

NEW LISTING

7631 N Eastlake Ter 2EF
$475,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
KATRINA DE LOS REYES
847.492.9660

6804 W Hobart Ave
$468,000
4 bedrooms & 3 baths
ALICE JENNETT
312.642.1400

NEW PRICE

6937 S Cregier Ave
$465,000
3 bedrooms & 2 baths
VERNETTA GOLDMAN-JACKSON
312.944.8900

600 N Kingsbury St 811
$450,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
LINDA METZ
312.944.8900

680 N Lake Shore 1415
$450,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
ANDREA ALLEN
312.642.1400

4208 N Monitor Ave
$449,900
3 bedrooms & 3 baths
TED KUHLMANN
312.642.1400

NEW LISTING

25 E Superior St 801
$449,900
1 bedroom & 1.1 baths
ELIZABETH KENNA BURKE
630.325.7500

1025 W Buena Ave 3E
$449,900
3 bedrooms & 2 baths
JENNIFER HULLS
847.362.6200

11114 S Whipple St
$449,000
5 bedrooms & 3.1 baths
SEAN MURRAY
312.642.1400

2400 N Lakeview Ave 1205
$440,000
2 bedrooms & 2 baths
GREGORY QUADRINI
312.264.1200

NEW LISTING

5204 S Greenwood Ave
$439,000
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The all-wheel-drive plug-in hybrid is a rare and appealing crossover. **Page 3**

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FORD

Ford recently announced that it plans to stop selling the Fusion, among other passenger cars, as sales trends industrywide continue to favor SUVs.

Passenger cars not dead yet

As Ford kills off sedans, other makers see opportunity

By Eric D. Lawrence
Detroit Free Press

Don't write the passenger car's obituary yet.

Ford Motor Co.'s announcement April 25 that it is killing almost all of its traditional car models is dramatic proof that passenger cars have lost their luster for U.S. automakers and consumers.

But is the traditional car really dead, and is Detroit's fascination with larger vehicles a sign of danger ahead should economic winds shift? Not exactly, according to industry experts.

Ford's rival General Motors, which is eliminating a shift at its Lordstown, Ohio, plant where the Chevy Cruze sedan is made, isn't ready to call for last rites.

After the release of GM's first-quarter earnings, Chuck Stevens, the company's executive vice president and chief financial officer, was asked about reports that the Chevrolet Sonic and Impala could be "on the chopping block." Stevens, who did not weigh in on the fate of those models, did offer a bit of a defense for the lowly car.

"Although passenger car segments have declined over the last number of years, they're still very important," Stevens said. "The compact crossover segment globally is the biggest, and then it's compact cars, and they still represent here in the United States a fairly significant portion of the overall sales."

Stevens said it's all about picking vehicles that can win in the marketplace and adjusting supply to meet demand.

GM Chairman and CEO Mary Barra, according to WardsAuto, said car segments remain significant.

"Because we've made the investments, we need to deploy little to no capital going forward, so we view (cars) as an opportunity," Barra told the site.

Ford's plan is to stop selling the Taurus, Fusion, Fiesta and C-Max, leaving only the Mustang and upcoming Focus Active crossover to be sold in North America. Ford, like other automakers, is having to choose where to put its resources and is using more profitable vehicles — pickups and SUVs — to pay for research into a future geared toward new forms of mobility.

Analysts have been predicting for months that a shift in consumer preference toward SUVs is permanent, but Sam Abuelsamid, an analyst for Navigant Research, said the reality is that cars still have a place.

"Even if it's only 20 percent globally, that's still 15 to 20 million a year. That's not an insignificant quantity," Abuelsamid said.

And Ford spokesman Said Deep told the Free Press that at the affiliated Lincoln brand, "The Lincoln MKZ and the Lincoln Continental remain important parts of the Lincoln lineup."

Jim Farley, Ford's president of global markets, said some of today's SUVs will be considered cars.

"We're going to have a fantastic passenger car lineup. They just won't be traditional sedans," he said. He said consumers will look at vehicles like the next generation of the Escape, one of Ford's most popular SUVs, and won't "classify them as a truck at all."

Sales trends have clearly favored SUVs for some time.

In 2009, during the Great Recession, sedans commanded more than 39 percent of the U.S. market, while SUVs were at 29 percent and pickups had 13 percent. Last year, SUVs had 43 percent of the market, followed by sedans at less than 28 percent, while pickups had climbed to almost 16 percent of the market.

Even previously solid sedan performers like the Honda Accord and Toyota Camry saw their numbers fall in March compared with the prior year.

But Michelle Krebs, executive analyst at Autotrader, said those automakers have reason to be optimistic.

"While car sales are in decline, small and midsize cars are still hefty segments. The risk is losing some buyers to competitors. Toyota and Honda have mostly held their own in cars. I suspect that will continue as others diminish their presence in those segments," Krebs said, noting that she suspects GM and other automakers will trim some of their car lines.

Ford's move echoes Fiat Chrysler Automobiles' decision in 2016 to stop selling the Dodge Dart and Chrysler 200 to focus its efforts on trucks and SUVs. The Jeep brand, in particular, has started to shine, but FCA has not completely abandoned passenger cars. Although its Fiat brand, which is focused on small cars, has suffered, other brands have seen more performance-focused models, such as the Dodge Challenger and Alfa Romeo Giulia, do well.

But what if gas prices spike? The U.S. Energy Information Administration forecasts that U.S. regular gas retail prices will average $2.74 per gallon through September, up from $2.41 per gallon last summer. CNBC reported this week that gas prices are at a three-year high and had already hit $2.76 per gallon nationwide.

Several analysts said that worries about gas prices' effect on larger vehicles may not have the resonance now that it did when SUV sales suffered during the Great Recession or in earlier decades when smaller Japanese cars took Detroit market share. That's in part because many bigger vehicles are more fuel-efficient than in the past.

"This strategy is not as risky as it once was since these SUVs are built on car platforms, which make them cheaper to produce and can have fuel-efficiency numbers which ... rival small cars. That said, as automakers like Ford work to increase their offerings of hybrid-electric and reach economies of scale with cost, fuel economy will become less of a worry," said Jessica Caldwell, executive director of industry analysis for Edmunds.

Abuelsamid offered a similar view, but he also noted that should market demands change — and he noted that is always a possibility — American automakers are in a better position to adjust than in the past.

"The way we design cars today has changed pretty dramatically," Abuelsamid said, noting that a global focus means automakers can better afford to bring cars in from other markets without a costly redesign.

Abuelsamid noted that the effect that is prompting Ford to abandon most of its car models in North America in favor of SUVs and trucks is also felt by other automakers. The Toyota RAV4 and Nissan Rogue SUVs, for instance, are top sellers for their brands.

"Tastes change," Abuelsamid said. "Any company that is going to be remotely successful in this business, they need to be prepared for those shifts."

Should you fix the old beater or buy a newer car?

By Philip Reed
Nerd Wallet

At first, dumping your old car might seem like a no-brainer. But automotive experts say you'll almost always come out ahead by fixing old faithful. There are, however, other important considerations when deciding whether it's time to say farewell.

"Even though the repair cost might hurt, you really have to think about buying a new car as a tremendously more expensive proposition," says Jim Manelis, head of direct lending for Chase Auto Finance.

For a reliable used car, expect to spend a minimum of $2,000, plus tax and registration fees, says Mark Holthoff, editor at Klipnik, a community website for used-car enthusiasts. Depending on the severity of your car's problems, "You can buy a lot of repairs for that kind of money," he says.

Of course, there does come a point when it isn't worth pouring money into a beater.

"Start with the scale of the repair," Manelis says. "Is it a $1,200 fix, or is it a $5,000 fix?"

Then look up the current value of your car using an online pricing guide like Kelley Blue Book.

When repair costs start to exceed the vehicle's value or one year's worth of monthly payments on a replacement, it's time to break up with your car, according to automotive site Edmunds and product review site Consumer Reports. As an example, say you've already spent $1,500 on repairs and need a new engine for $3,500, and instead you could get a new or more reliable used car for $400 a month ($4,800 a year).

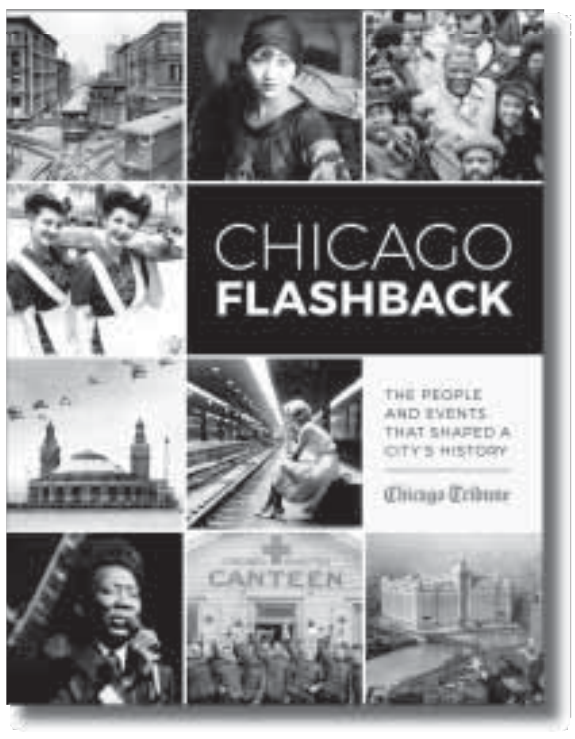
Ron Montoya, senior consumer advice editor at Edmunds, says there's another equally important consideration: peace of mind.

"If breakdowns become frequent and you feel unsafe on the road, that's the time to replace it."



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The 2018 Mitsubishi Outlander PHEV is an all-wheel-drive plug-in hybrid.

A fine crossover compromise

By Robert Duffer
Chicago Tribune

Two cars diverged in a garage and I, I took the one less fun.

Leaving behind a BMW 340i for the Mitsubishi Outlander plug-in hybrid was the only choice for a weekend glamping with two tweens. Call it the great compromise known as adulthood.

New for 2018, the plug-in hybrid is based off the three-row Outlander but without the third row.

Since there are no other nonluxury midsize crossovers with a plug, for now, and the Kia Niro PHEV is more the size of the Chevy BoltEV, the nearest competitor in the $40,000 range is the Chrysler Pacifica PHEV minivan.

Add all-wheel drive capable of towing 1,500 pounds (say, a Jet Ski and gear) and the Outlander PHEV is in a class of its own. For right now. Mitsubishi has learned a valuable lesson in the wake of pulling the plug on its egg on wheels known as the i-MiEV electric vehicle. The Outlander looks, feels and drives a lot like a normal crossover (except for the absurd PHEV stickers Mitsubishi slapped all over the tester).

It uses two electric motors for 22 miles of all-electric range, which is plenty for around-town schlepping. With two different regen braking settings on the gear stick, the Outlander's 116-horsepower engine wasn't needed until we hit the highway on day four of our week with the tester. We charged it overnight on our 120V standard garage outlet.

On the highway, when the 2-liter four-cylinder engine is at its most efficient, we averaged 26 mpg. The transition between the three driving modes is sublimely unnoticeable. In EV mode, the motors located over both axles provide enough power to scoot along but without the usual off-the-line peppiness of other plug-in hybrids.

Going heavy on the throttle or uphill will awaken the engine, which drives the front wheels. In normal mode under normal throttle, the unit defers to electric power. Overall the system is simple and seamless to use.

The controls are not as easy. It took us a good while to figure out how to set trip meters and other basic info via the touch screen, which has three pages to swipe through, and three different "settings" icons.

Instead of using redundant steering controls to access vehicle info in the gauge cluster, the driver has to find the button near the left knee, by the power liftgate and fuel door buttons. There are some nice touches to the top trim GT model, such as automatically folding headrests in the 60/40 split rear seats, but overall there is a lot of plastic and a cheaper feel to latches, switches and hinges.

Mitsubishi's GT trim is not nearly as refined as the Platinum and Touring trims offered by other makes.

It's also not as expensive. The GT PHEV starts at $40,295, but the PHEV qualifies for a $5,826 federal tax credit, excluding available incentives by state. That puts it in a rare position of being an all-wheel-drive crossover with a plug for about $35,000. The gas-only Outlander GT starts at $32,245. That makes the great compromise a lot more appealing.

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What is the risk of buying a discontinued vehicle?



Bob Weber
Motormouth

Q: I've been wanting to trade in my Chrysler Sebring for a roomy sedan. I've noticed that the 300 is on sale at unusually reduced prices. I am concerned that Chrysler may be stopping production of the 300. What would that mean for me as a buyer? Same question for the Taurus. Ford just announced that it is stopping production. Should I look elsewhere?

— E.K., Downers Grove, Ill.

A: It appears that the motoring public's appetite is shifting away from sedans and over to crossover vehicles. Yes, the Ford Taurus is going away, but the Chrysler 300 is still alive. But don't expect a 707 HP Hellcat version. Carmakers will honor their new car warranties and make sure replacement parts are available for about seven years or so.

Q: I own a BMW X4 and need to replace the run-flat tires soon. I have been reading online that they can be replaced by conventional tires but also found some confusing information. What would I lose if I go with conventional? Do I need to be concerned about the place I go to have the conventional tires installed? I do recognize I will not have a spare tire if I go the conventional route.

— M.C., Ambler, Pa.

A: You may certainly replace run-flat tires with conventional ones. But, as you noted, many vehicles equipped with run-flat tires from the factory do not come with a spare. Although some people opt for a full-size spare or a space saver spare, the simplest option is to carry a kit containing a tire sealer and compressor similar to what many new cars now have. Before you lay down your money, make sure the shop has the equipment to remove those run-flats.

Q: We have a 2014 Honda Accord Touring. It has approximately 13,500 miles on it, primarily from city driving. Recently we had the car into our dealer for an A1 service code. At that time the service representative told us that we were past the three-year Honda recommended brake fluid flush. I declined the service, wanting to do a little more research. I found that Honda does recommend three-year intervals but other manufacturers are all over the place, from two to five years. We would appreciate your opinion.

— K.D., Chicago

A: We have stated it at least a thousand times: Follow the carmakers' maintenance schedules. They have your best interest (and theirs for repeat sales) in mind. Sure, you could extend the brake fluid flush if you have it tested regularly, but should something fail, your warranty may not be honored. If your car does not have a specified brake fluid maintenance schedule, have the fluid tested annually.

Q: In a recent column you suggested replacing both headlamps when one burns out. Years ago I had a headlamp burnout and the replacement bulb package had a suggestion to replace both. I thought it was a marketing tool to double sales. Sure enough, a week later the second bulb burned out.

— B.P., Tinley Park, Ill.

A: See? It is a bright idea.

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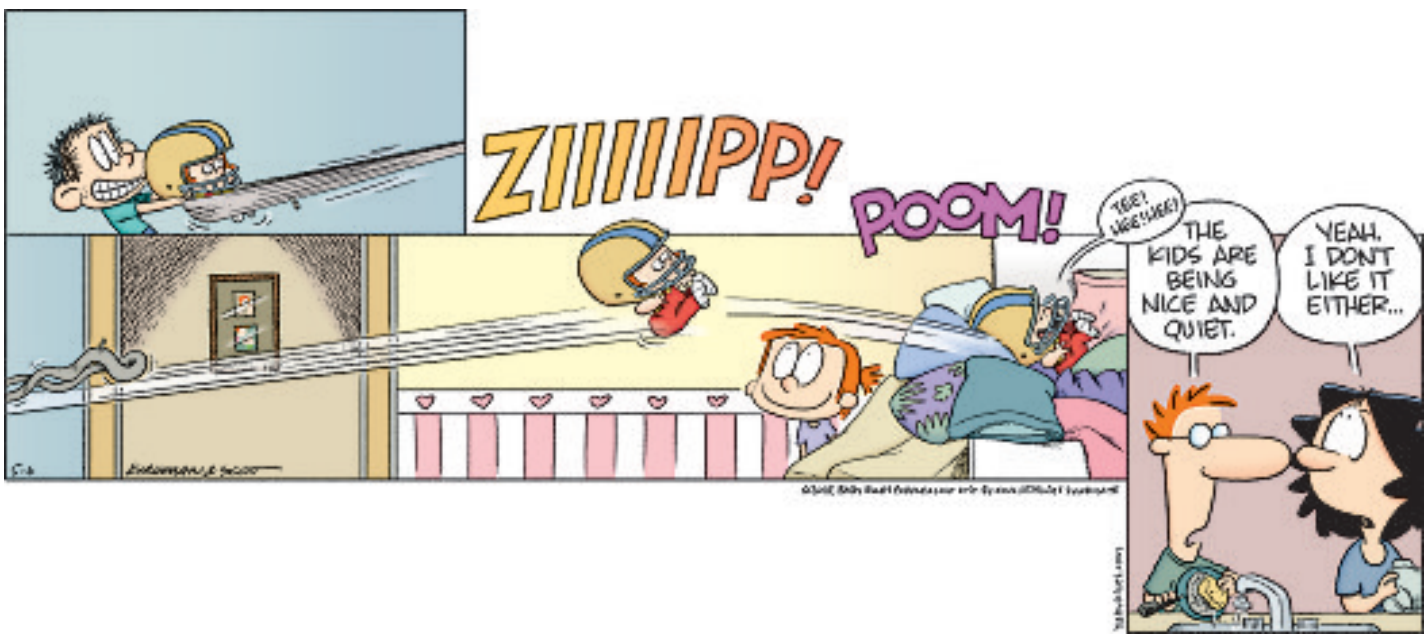
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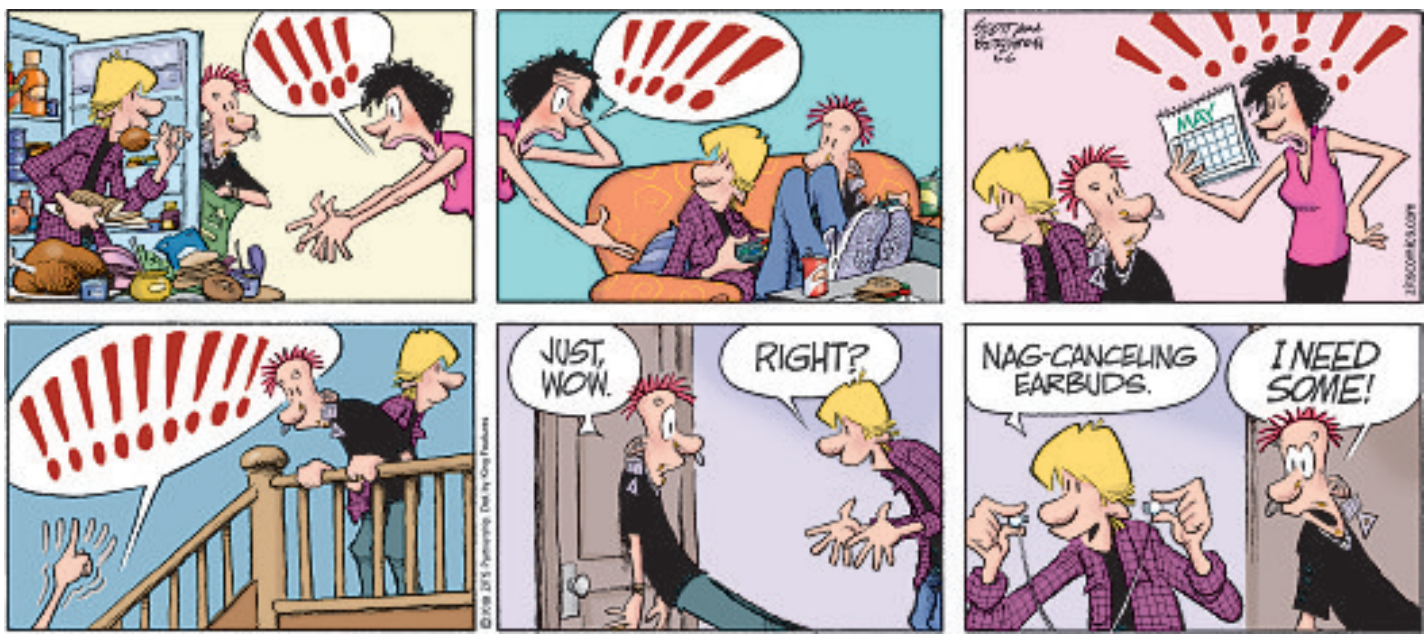
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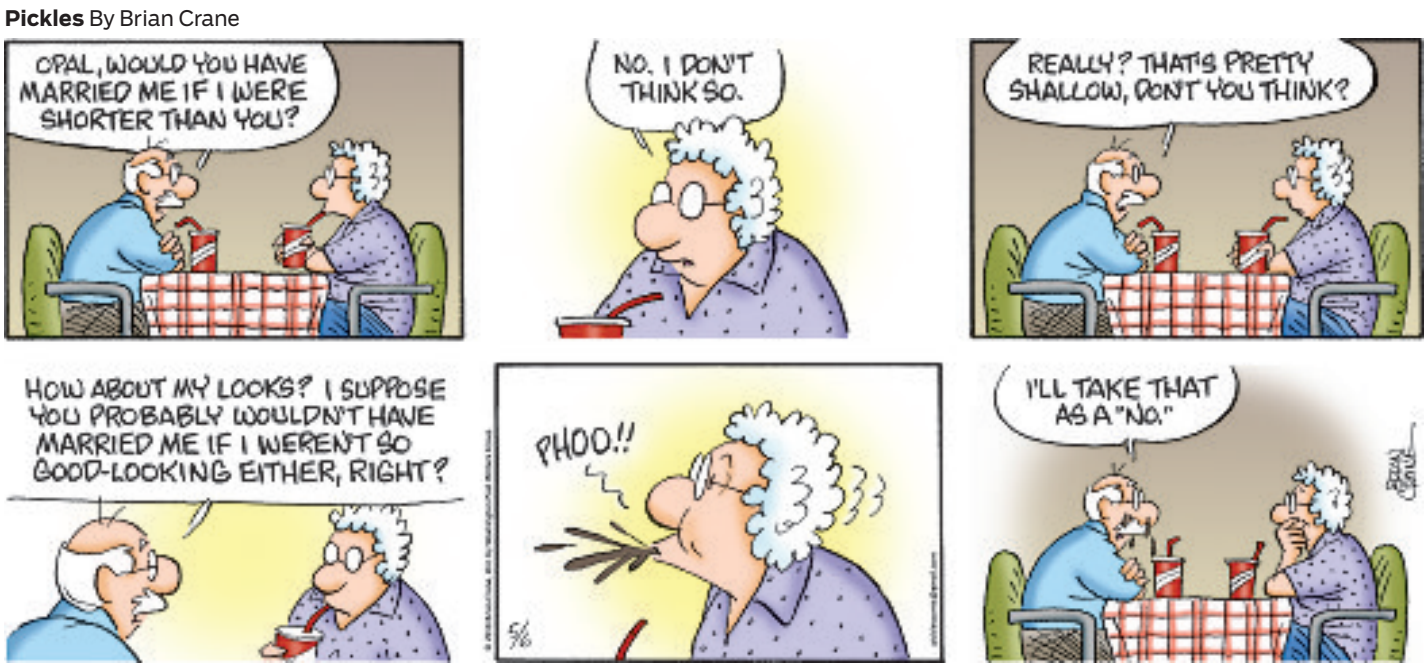
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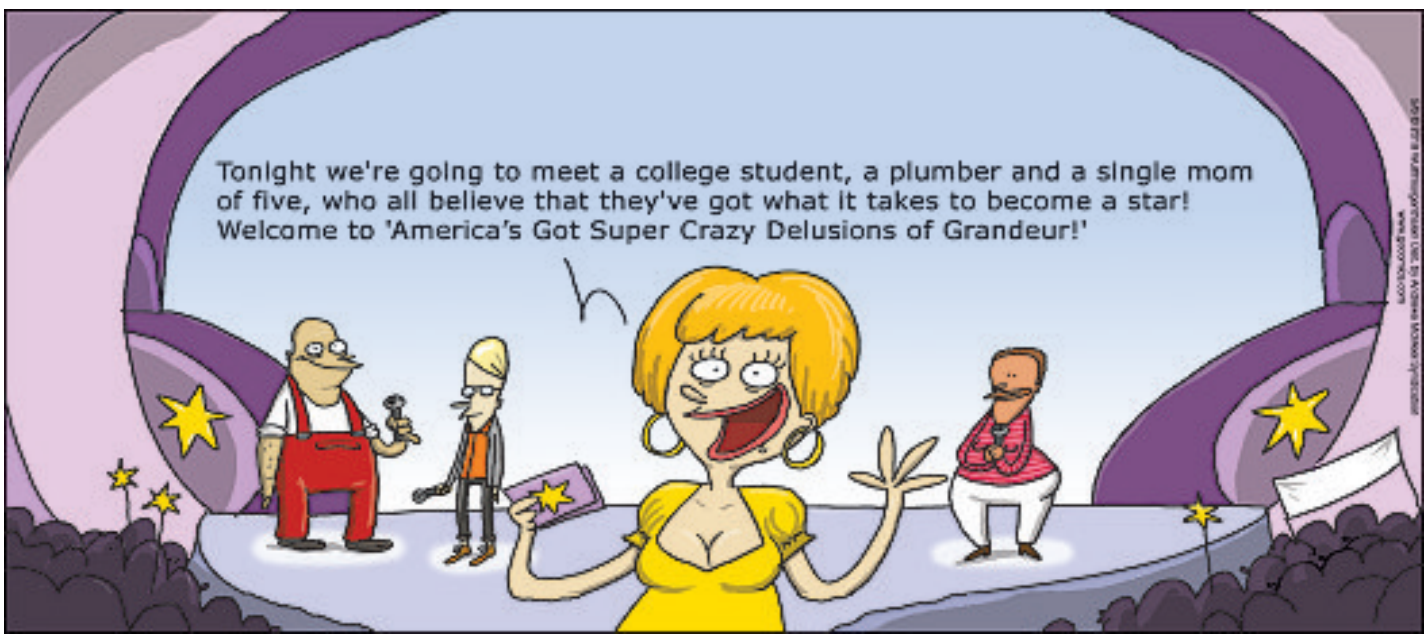
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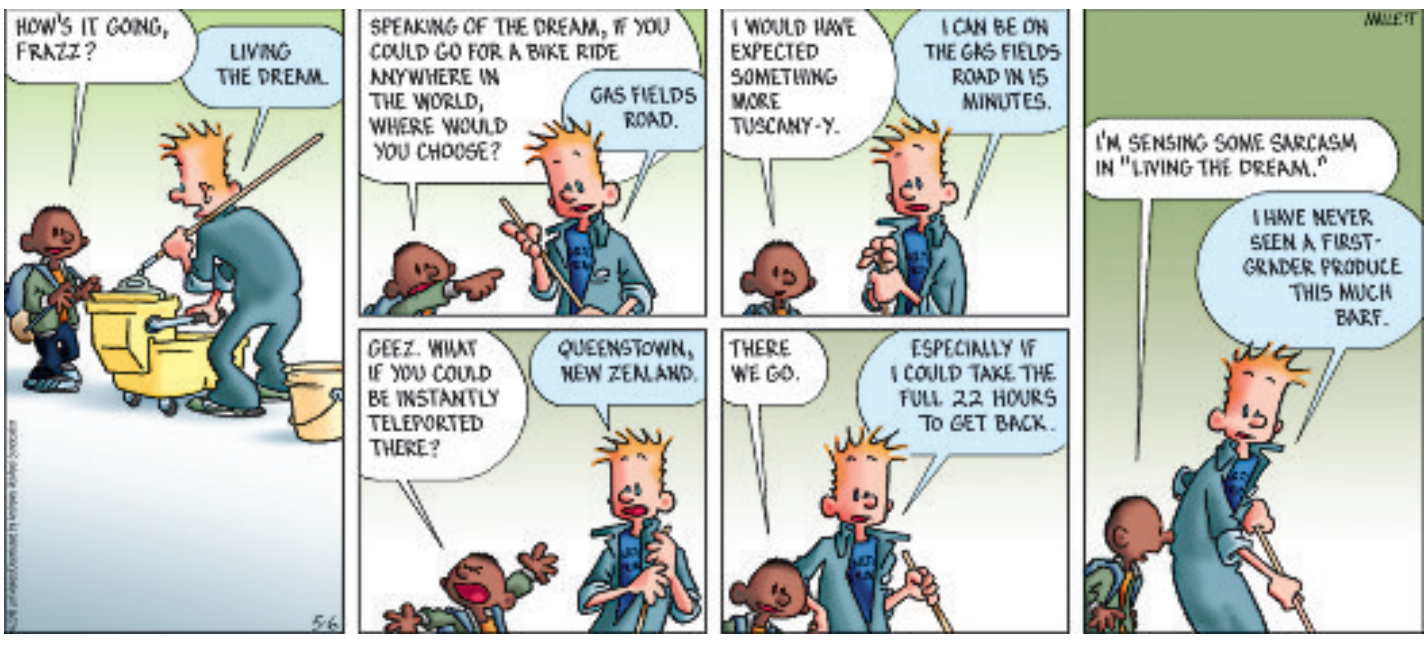
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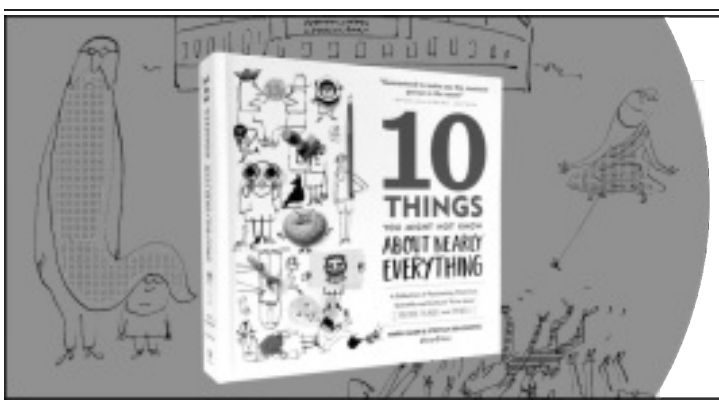


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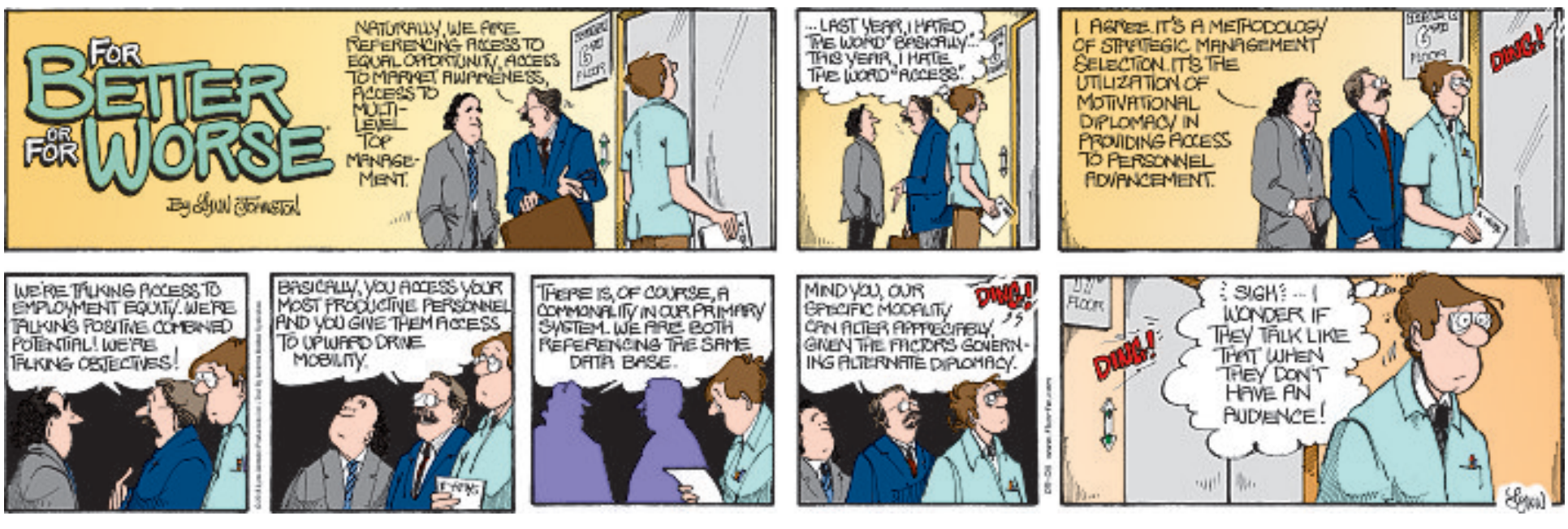
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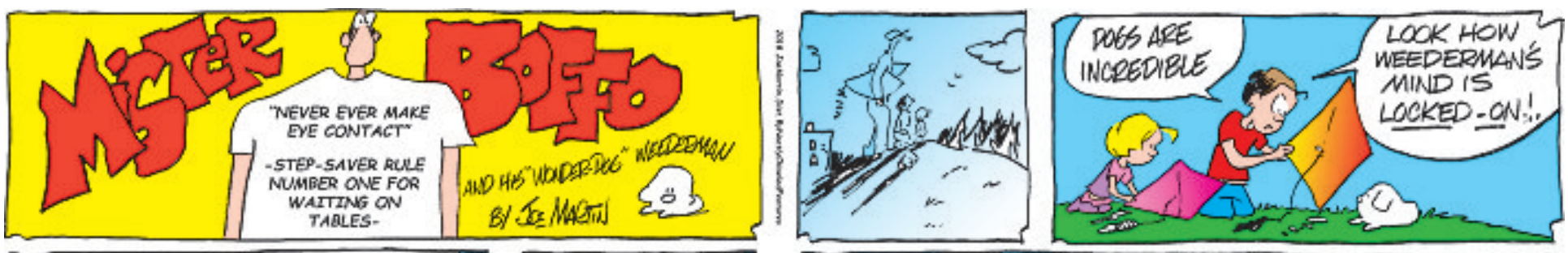
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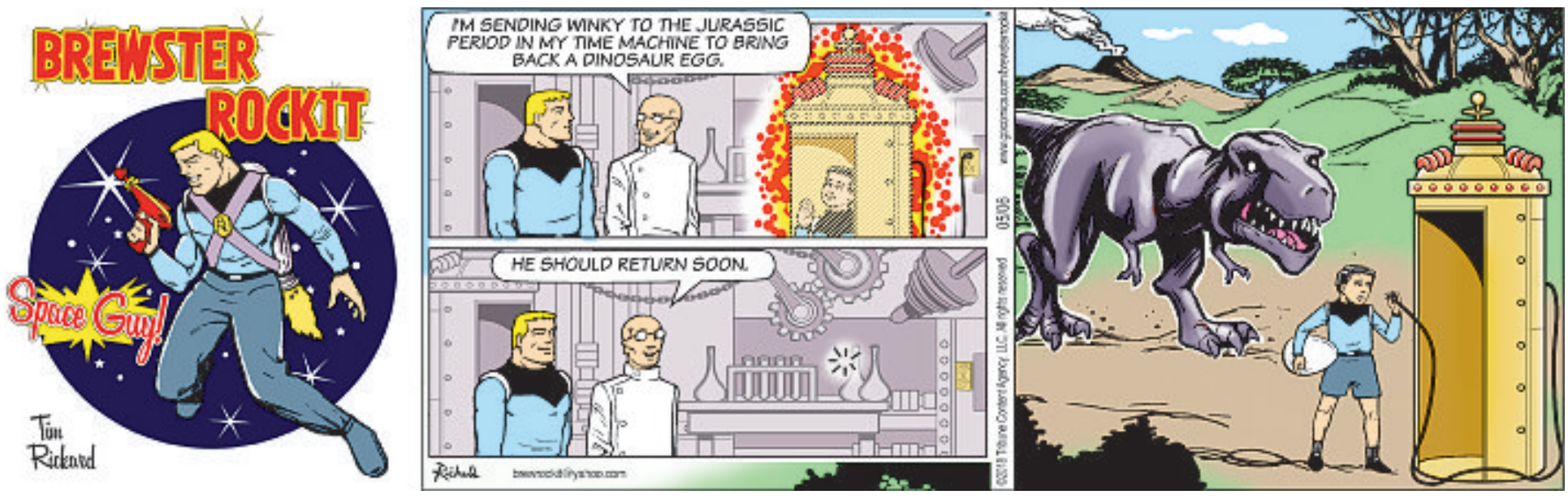
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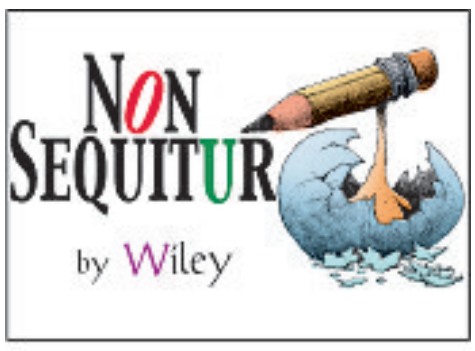
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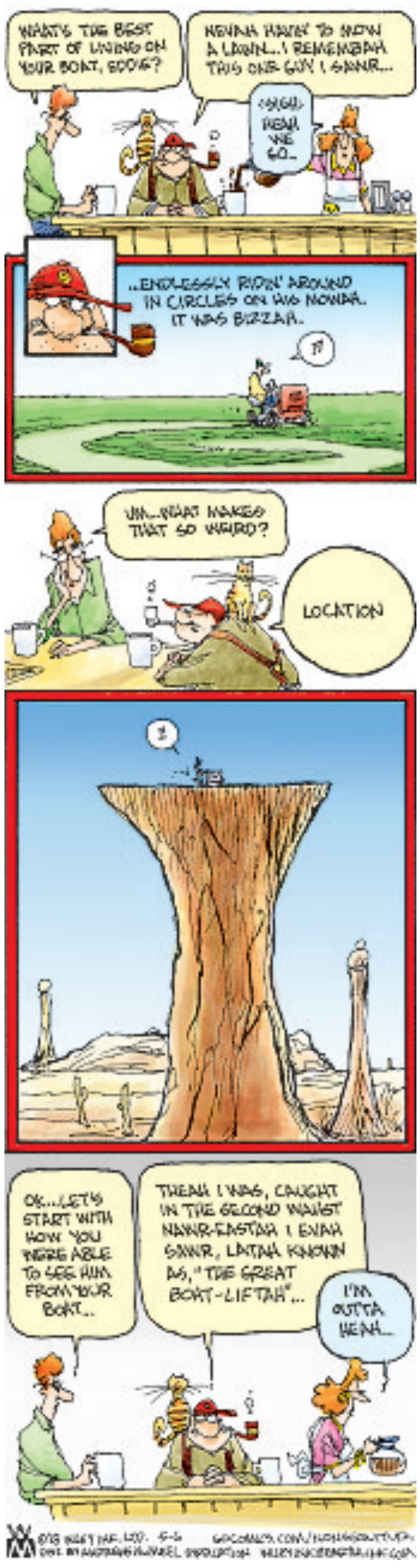
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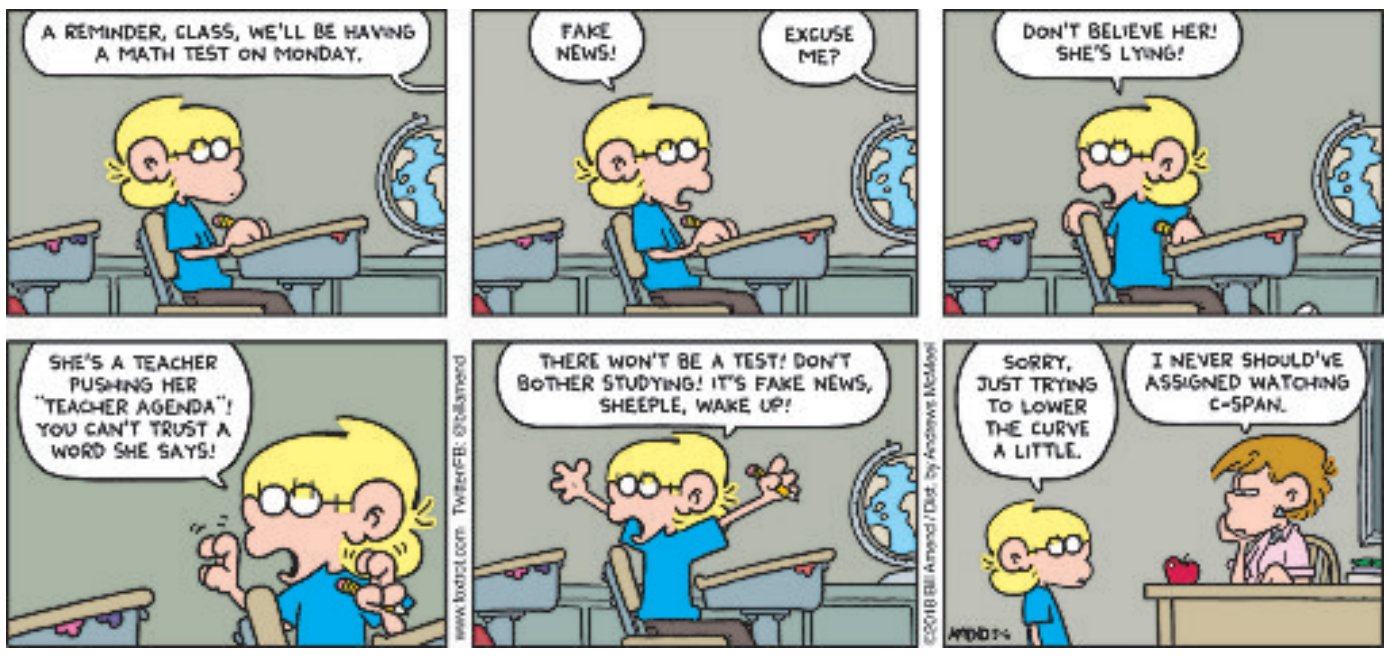
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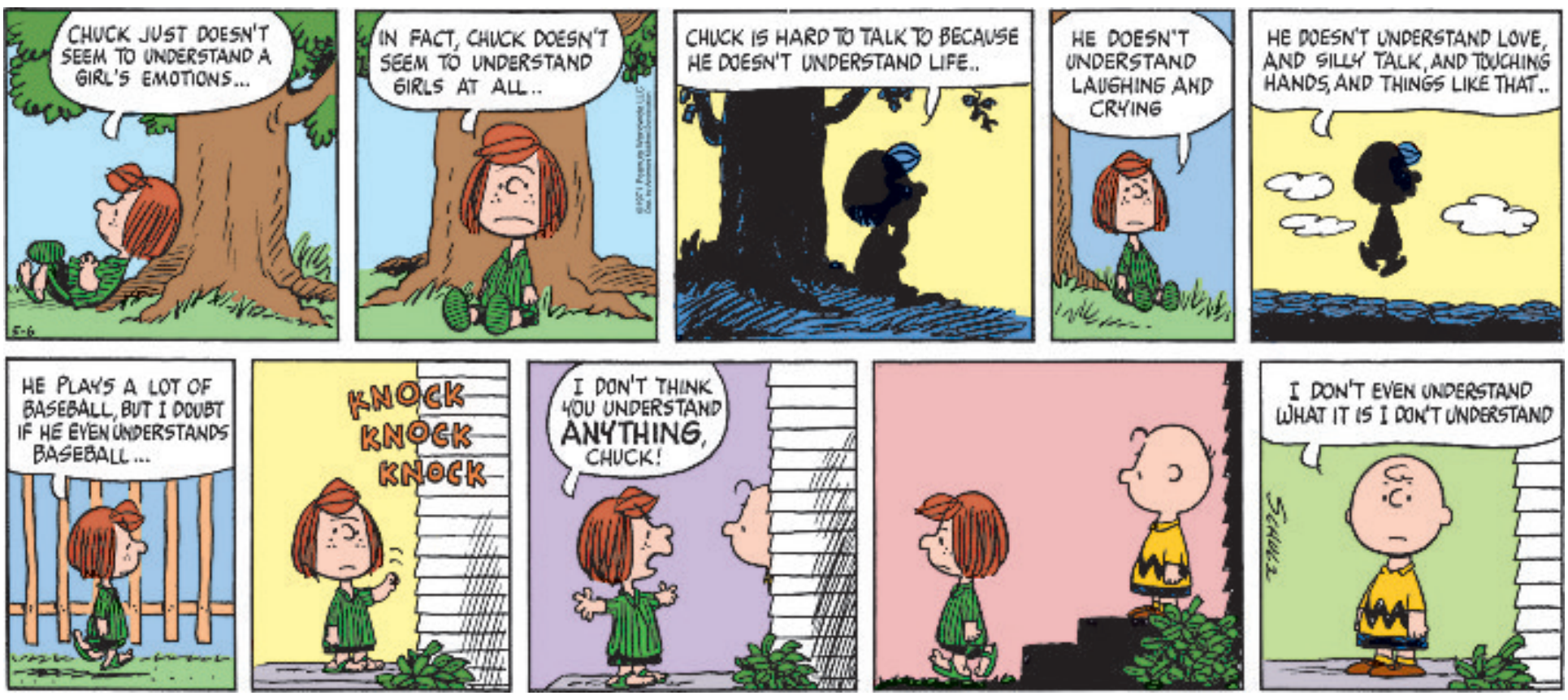


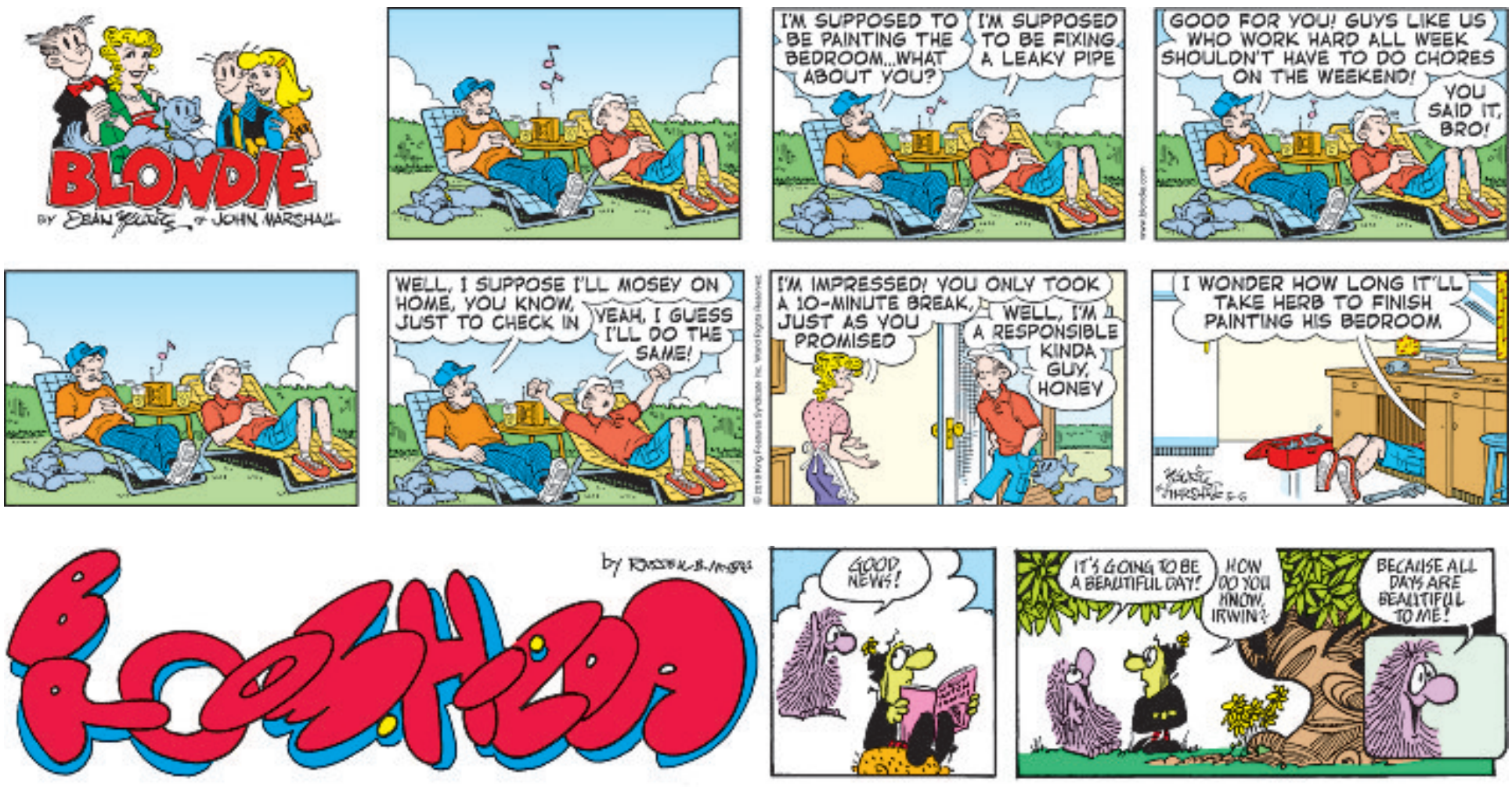
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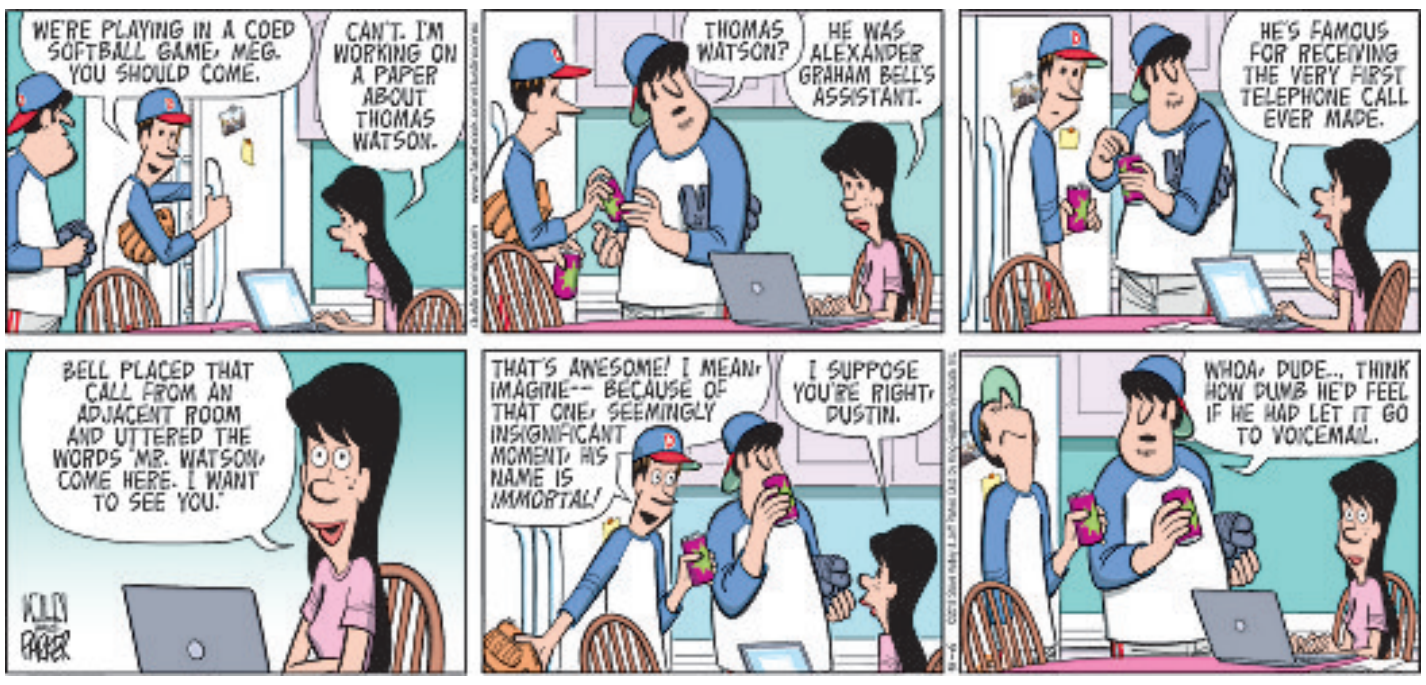


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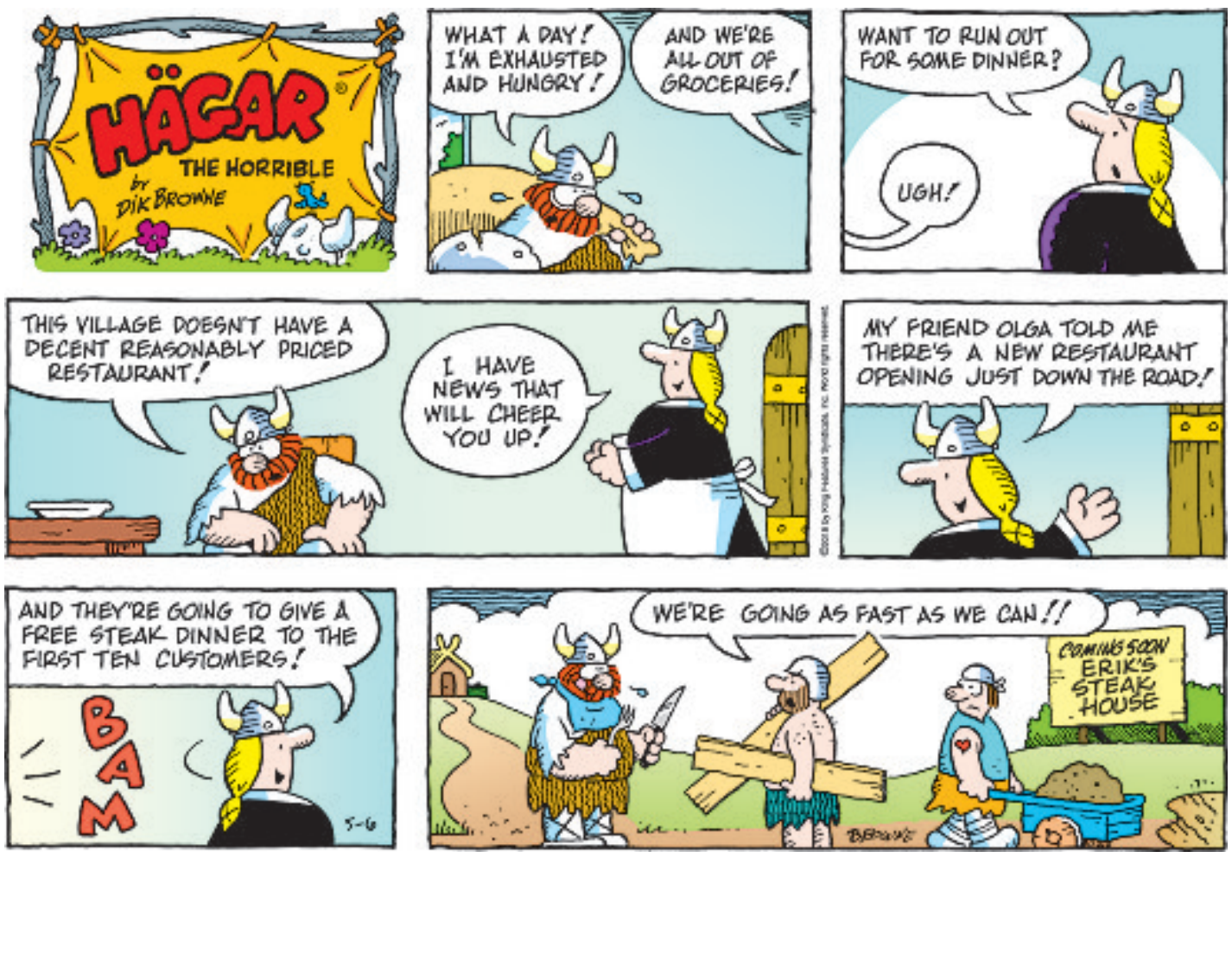


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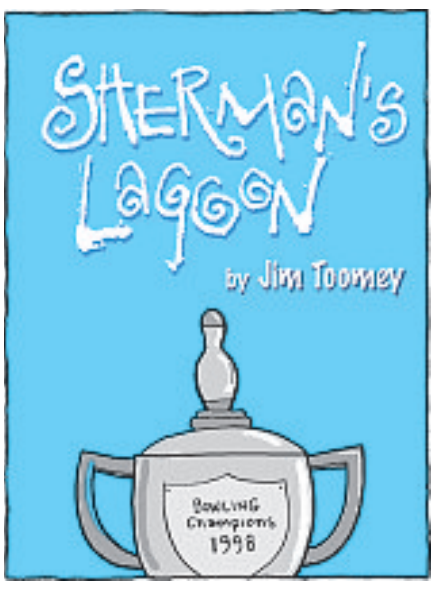


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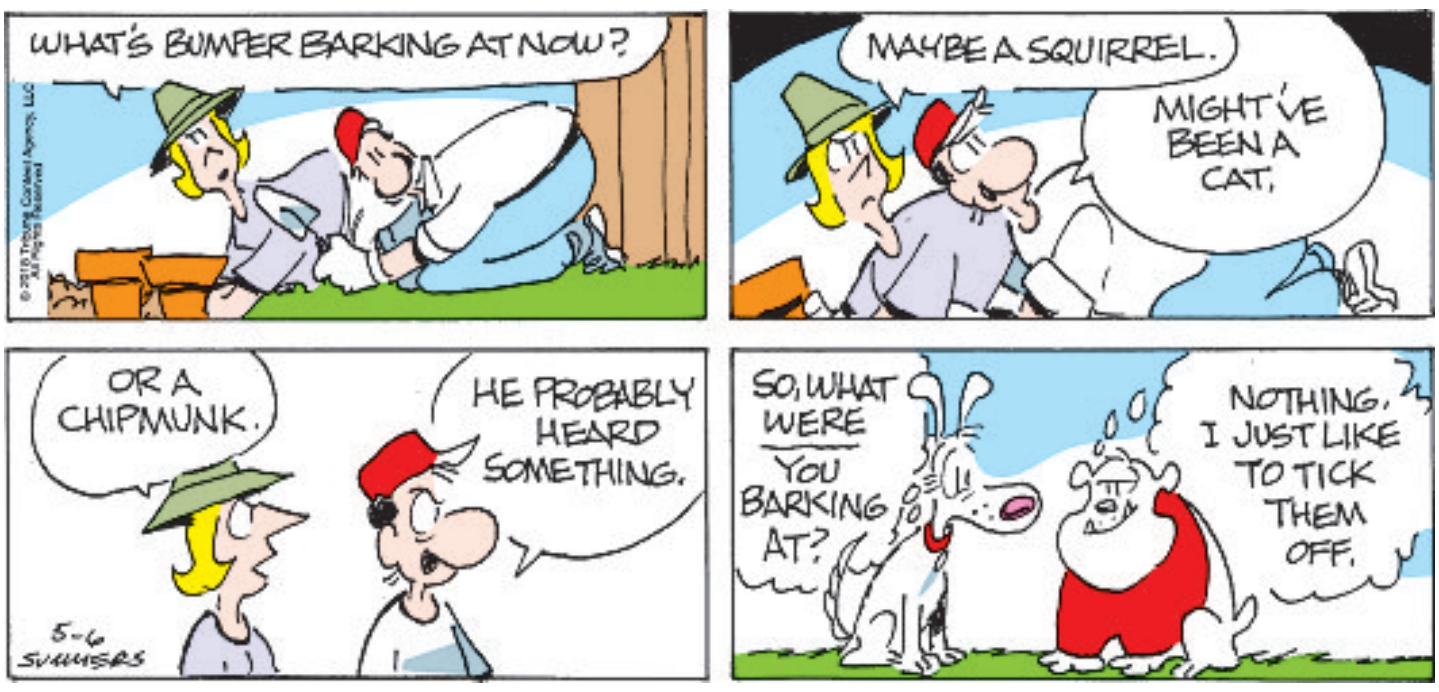
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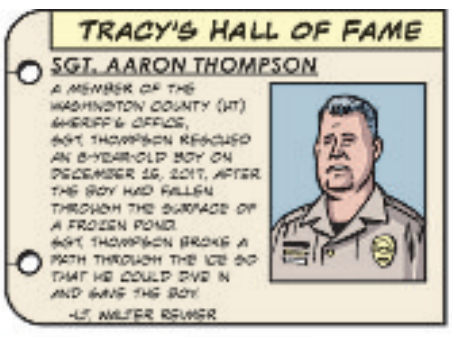


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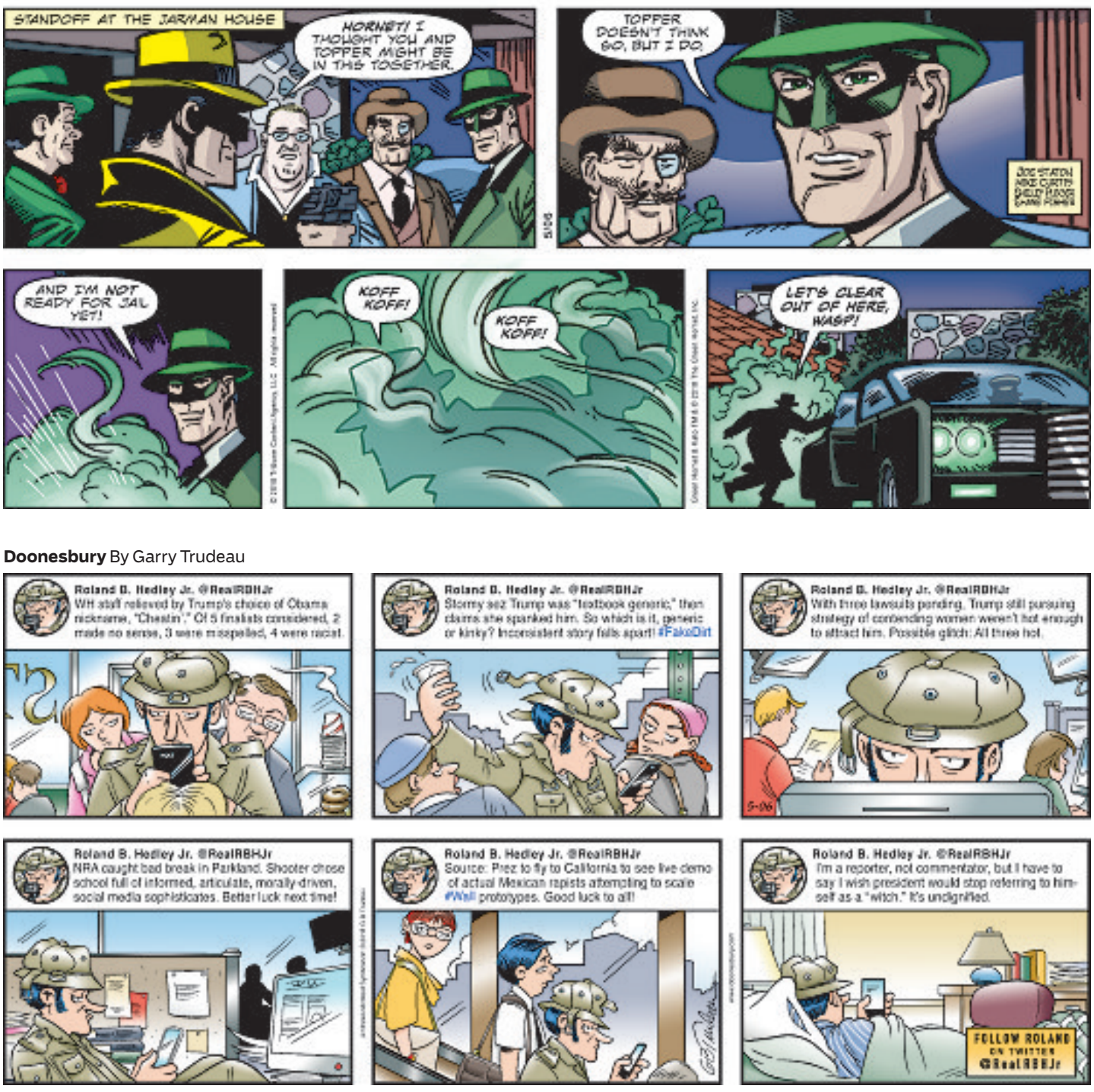


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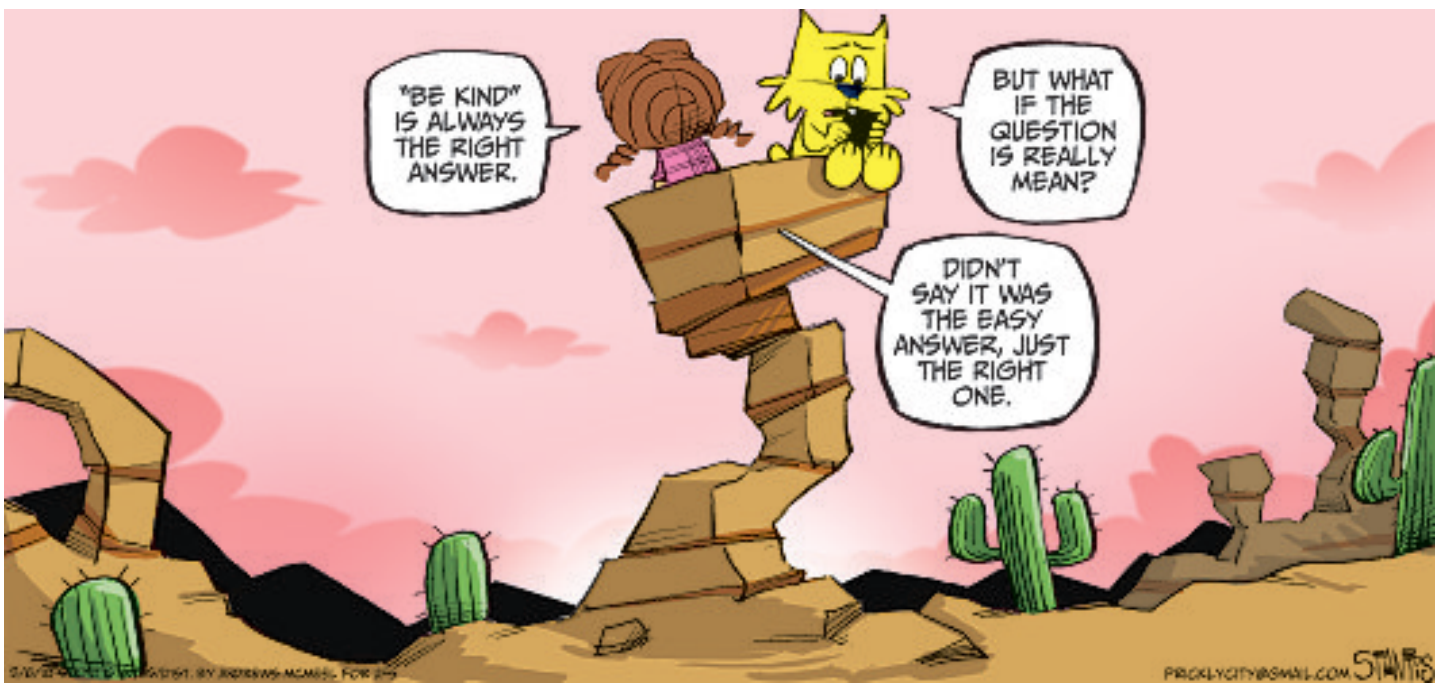






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SPEAKING OF SECRETS

There's still an uncharted city out there. But were our secrets made to be revealed?

By **Christopher Borrelli** | Chicago Tribune

Is this the golden age of urban spelunking?

Or the twilight of Chicago as a place that still holds secrets?

Or a little of both?

There are times — flying over the lake into Chicago, driving into the city from the flat expanse that surrounds it, considering, as if for the first time, the height and width of this place, the number of buildings, the number of floors in each building, the amount of life on any one of those floors — when the answer is exciting:

There's still a city you don't know here, no matter how long you've been here, no matter how well you know the city.

Then there are those times when there is so much reporting on Chicago as an untapped resource of nooks and crannies and forgotten histories and neglected charms, I begin to picture Chicago as an enormous junk drawer being shaken and rooted around in and emptied of its mysteries. We are in one of those moments now, and that's

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a good thing: On the radio, there is WBEZ's "Curious City"; here at the Tribune, there's "Ask Rick"; on TV, there's the long-running "Chicago Tonight" segment "Ask Geoffrey"; Chicago magazine just did a smart "Hidden City" cover package; and online, there are myriad Chicago-based Instagram accounts noting every alley, brick and manhole cover you've ever missed.

The world is cluttered.

But the underlying principle of all this reporting is that your world is not likely cluttered enough, that most of us occupy smaller, myopic internal maps of Chicago.

We grow comfortable and busy and forget to regard the clutter, or to even stop to ask about that stray irregularity that just entered our airspace. Strangers come to town, and we claim ownership of our streets — this is the City of Big Boosterism, after all — but let's be honest, it's an act of muscle memory: We haven't looked closely at the ground under our feet in years. We need to be reminded of the possibility of revelation, within reach.

We look down all the time, but there's a screen and not a city looking back.

Now here's the conundrum:

Are there any secrets left? With a small army of journalists and amateur noticers conducting often-thrilling excavations of those secrets, can anything remain hidden?

Of course. The great Joseph Mitchell of the New Yorker spent the majority of the 20th century wandering every blind alley and windy field within 50 miles of New York City, and in his time, he never came close to tapping out New York City. He would walk, collect stray bits of edifice, shove junk into his pockets, then empty it on his desk at work. He would gather oddball characters and abandoned places too. And he never once checked Google Maps or spent an hour on Google Earth.

Neither did the library of writers and the pantheon of urban adventurers who unlocked the hidden places of Paris and London and the other great cities of the world.

Virginia Woolf called her stray rambles through the side streets of London her personal "street hauntings." The French gave these people names, flaneur and flaneuse, the men and women who aimlessly wander, often expecting to be surprised by places too old to still reasonably contain secrets.

The wonderful website Atlas Ob-

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scura is a kind of clearinghouse of these discoveries, only spread across the globe, an unlikely museum here, a disturbing military milestone there.

All of which serve as reminders of how unknown even the most known places can be. And if this is true of New York and Tokyo and London and Peoria, it's true of Chicago.

It may be especially true of Chicago.

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As a reporter, occasionally I run into people who claim to have never, ever left their neighborhood. They usually say this with self-fascinated pride, as if they were Bigfoot and you don't know how lucky you are to stumble on such a creature.

Chicago, by nature of racial, cultural and geographic segregation — start with redlining, and work your way up to the Cubs-White Sox rivalry — could be the largest city in the country in which swaths of locals know almost nothing about half their city.

It may be the largest city in the country where any thuddingly obvious tourist guide would be a reasonable present to even the most parochial townie. (Should you need a fun one, I recommend either "Chicago by Day and Night," a frank 1892 pocket guide for visitors, reissued in 2013 by Chicago historians Paul Durica and Bill Savage; or "111 Places in Chicago That You Must Not Miss," an elegant, thoughtful 2017 catalog by Amy Bizzarri and Susie Inverso.)

It is no surprise that Bigfoot has been sighted more in Illinois (and Cook County) than in any other place east of the Mississippi. That's not a joke, but rather, for me at least, a hope, that the people of Illinois, cozy as they get, remain open to the shock of the new.

I live in Rogers Park, and there are wooden pilings in the water across from my home, long thick submerged poles, what appear to be remnants of boat slips. Or maybe bits of sunken marina.

In the winter, when the cold along the shore freezes the beach shut, the tops of those pilings sit dark and still at the surface. I remind myself often that they are not seal heads. I could probably find out easily what was once there and now lies hidden, but whenever I decide to dig in, I figure I'll leave it for someone else to explain.

Here's hoping that day never comes.

But when it does, and for sure it will, Chicago will still remain hidden — now shhh. ■

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Six savvy Chicagoans tell us where they're tiptoeing off to

By **KT Hawbaker** | Chicago Tribune



Bill Kurtis

TV Anchorman and Producer, Kurtis Productions

"My selection for that out-of-the way spot where few people visit is the Gold Star Families Memorial & Park across from Soldier Field in Burnham Park. It's five acres of beautifully designed 'serenity' dedicated to police officers who have died in the line of duty. It is beautifully landscaped and maintained. It's an oasis of quiet which is hard to find in the city. You enter a space that invites meditation and inner thoughts. Quiet begets quiet as if ghosts of the fallen are watching. Prepare to be inspired."

N. Harbor Dr.



Tereasa Surratt

Proprietor, Camp Wandawega, and Global Group Creative Director, Ogilvy Chicago

"I have a few faves — my bar of choice is Golden Teardrops in the basement of Lonesome Rose. The SC Johnson offices are just over an hour from Chicago and are designed by Frank Lloyd Wright. And, just 70 min from the city, two of our closest friends have rescued the Frost House — they do limited open-to-the-public events."

Lonesome Rose, 2101 N. California Ave. 773-770-3414; scjohnson.com; thefrosthouse.com



Kara Mann

Founder and creative director, Kara Mann

"I love Osteria Langhe. It's small and lively with delicious Italian food and wine. The atmosphere feels like it could be in New York or London, but it's nestled in Logan Square. Always a treat."

The *Tribune's* Phil Vettel praises this restaurant's Piemontese cuisine, calling the menu "delightful." Make sure you try the black olive grissini. Per Vettel, "The long, thin breadsticks are positively addictive."

2824 W Armitage Ave., 773-661-1582, osterialanghe.com

Tereasa Surratt, Bill Kurtis, Kara Mann, Stephanie Izard, Naomi Beckwith, Tony Mantuano



Stephanie Izard

Executive chef and co-owner, Girl and the Goat, Little Goat, and Duck Duck Goat

"I really love Tempesta Market — especially their 'nduja. It's the perfect place to go if you are building a charcuterie platter. I'll stop in and pick out a bunch of great meats and cheeses and take them home with me if I'm hosting — or just want something to snack on!"

1372 W. Grand Ave., 312-929-2551

> "Twice a year, during the spring and fall equinoxes, the rising and setting sun lines up with Chicago's east-west street grid, creating spectacular photo opportunities."





Naomi Beckwith

Curator, Museum of Contemporary Art Chicago

"Chicago has been blessed with beautiful green spaces, even in the harsh winter. When the cherry blossoms are in bloom, I walk through the Japanese gardens in Jackson Park. In the summer, you can find me in the Montrose Bird Sanctuary, especially at twilight.

Montrose Bird Sanctuary, Montrose Point, Lincoln Park; Garden of the Phoenix, S. Cornell Dr.

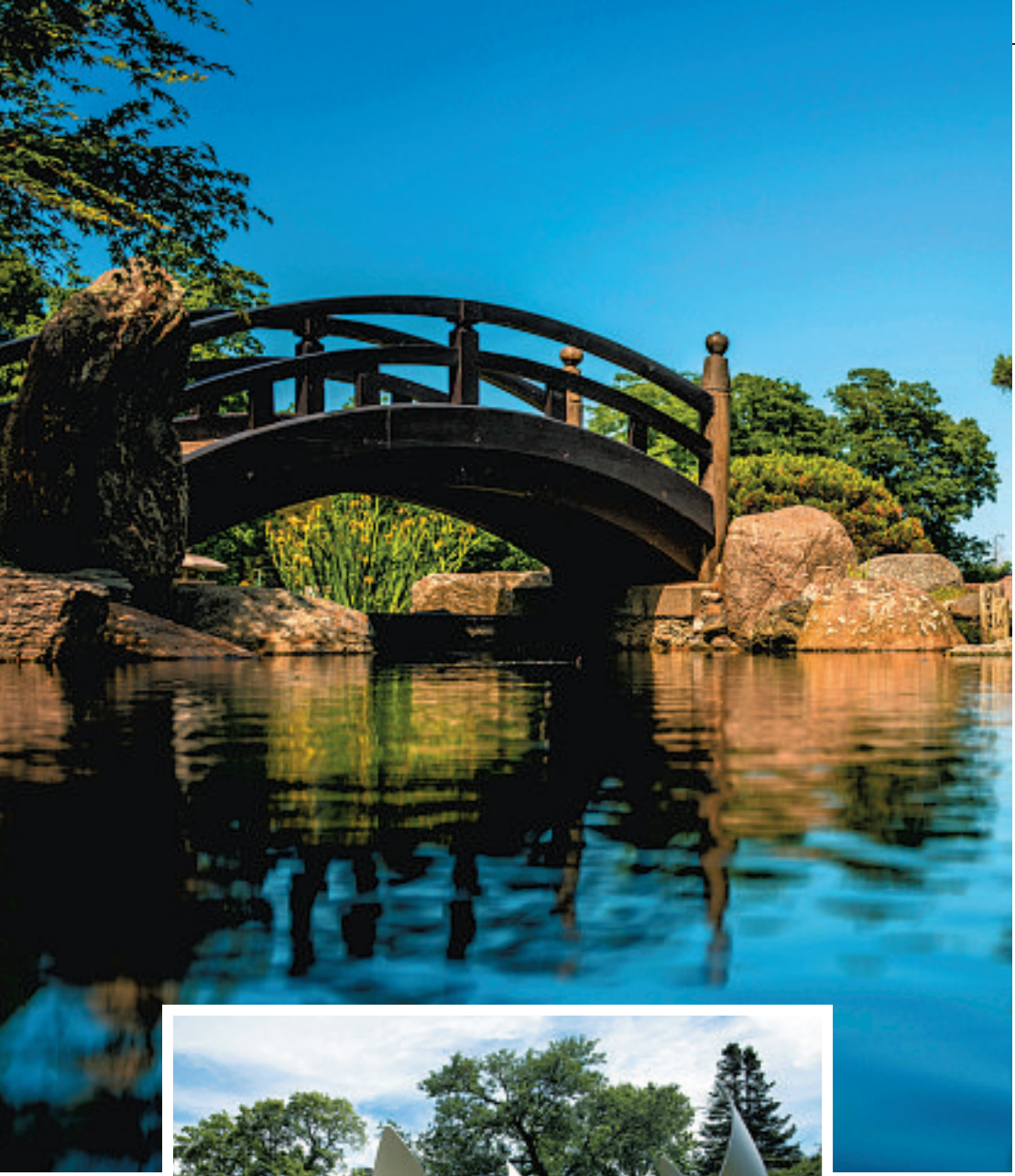
Tony Mantuano

Chef-partner, Spiaggia

"Not only is the Nichols Bridgeway designed by the world famous architect Renzo Piano, it also affords views of Chicago never before seen. It's also my favorite place to observe the event known as 'ChicagoHenge.' Twice a year, during the spring and fall equinoxes, the rising and setting sun lines up with Chicago's east-west street grid, creating spectacular photo opportunities. The Bridgeway connects Millennium Park with The Modern Wing of The Art Institute of Chicago, also designed by Renzo Piano, and empties into what the architect calls a piazza in the sky."

Millennium Park at Monroe St.

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Chicago Park district
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Jackson Park's Garden of the Phoenix features a rare Yoko Ono sculpture, bottom.

Chicago Park district
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GREEN SPACE

An island garden awash in history (plus a piece of superstar art)

By **Nara Schoenberg** | Chicago Tribune

A faint breeze rises off the lagoon as you cross a green koi pond on wide stepping stones. To your right, a waterfall splashes; to your left, a Japanese moon bridge arches under a bright summer sky. The scene could not be more perfect, you think, and then you notice a big, boldly patterned bird perfectly centered under the bridge. A black-crowned night heron has settled in for a fishing session.

The Garden of the Phoenix on Jackson Park's Wooded Island is one of the hidden gems of Chicago, a lush azalea-studded Japanese garden that looks out over shimmering water at green rushes, pristine woodland and the gleaming columns of the Museum of Science and Industry. A gravel path winds through 2 acres of greenery, with Japanese maples, glossy grasses and pines pruned to look as if they have sprung from ancient manuscripts.



But this otherworldly place is more than just another pretty face in Chicago's pantheon of parks.

Ever since the 1893 Chicago World's Fair, when Japan, eager to make an impression on the West, brought the magnificent Phoenix Pavilion here to showcase the nation's artistic heritage, Wooded Island has been a stage where U.S.-Japanese relations have played out in miniature.

In the 1890s, high hopes for greater understanding were reflected in the Japanese emperor's decision to give the pavilion to the city of Chicago. In the 1930s, restoration of the pavilion and the planting of what is now the Garden of the Phoenix marked another era of optimism. During World War II, a Japan-born Chicagoan who ran a popular teahouse on the island was interned, or put in detention, solely because of his Japanese heritage. Shoji Osato and his wife, Frances Fitzgerald, cared for the garden and ran a teahouse there from 1935 to 1941. In 1946, vandalism led to a fire that destroyed the pavilion.

Today, strong ties and deep respect are represented by new projects such Yoko Ono's Sky Landing sculpture, conceived as a call for peace and respect among nations. It stands on the spot of the original pavilion.

"This is probably one of the most important sites reflecting U.S.-Japanese relations in our nation," said Robert W. Karr Jr., president of Project 120 Chicago, the not-for-profit organization that is working with the Chicago Park District to revitalize Jackson, Washington and Midway parks.

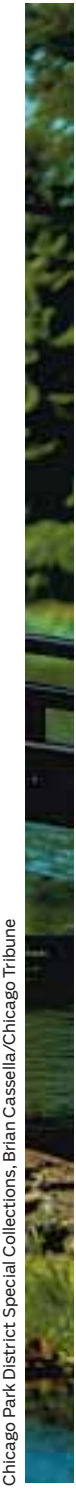
"This is the garden, period, bar none."

In the know

Go on a video walking tour of the garden at chicagotribune.com/japanesegardentour. ■

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The restored garden, and the Phoenix Pavillion in 1935, at left.

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Longroom, Mike Simmons



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WHERE THE CHEFS ARE

Late-night spots fit for the city's cooking pros

By **Joseph Hernandez**
Chicago Tribune

Mike Simmons

Chef-owner Cafe Marie Jeanne

Best bowl

"If I can get up there fast enough (before it closes), I like to get a lamb rice bowl at the Biscuit Man at the Longroom. (Chef) Zeeshan (Shah) is making really good food, maybe the best fries in Chicago, and that nice Indian spice goes great with a Zwicky." 1612 W. Irving Park Road, longroomchicago.com

"I like to go to Rootstock on a Monday night (Simmons is Rootstock's former chef). It's great to tuck in after a long week and drink a glass of wine or a beer that I've likely never had before, fun and thought-provoking. The food is always on point, and they serve it up until 1 a.m. I usually get to see a few Cafe Marie Jeanne regulars, so I can cut loose with them on the other side of the bar." *954 N. California Ave., rootstockbar.com*

Mari Katsumura

Pastry chef, Gideon Sweet

Secret sandwich



"My favorite for days off or a date night off is Cafe Marie Jeanne. (Chef-owner) Mike Simmons caters to what chefs want to eat and does it so well! He also doesn't mind taking requests or making combinations on the fly. Thus the birth of the now-secret menu 'gonzo' sandwich that a colleague of mine created, caviar toast with brisket and uni roe."

1001 N. California Ave., cafe-marie-jeanne.com

"A guilty late-night pleasure has to be Red Hot Ranch, on Ashland. I always get a pound of shrimp with a side of cheese sauce and a strawberry shake. It is open until the early morning hours and really one of my favorite meals."

3057 N. Ashland Ave., (773) 661-9377



Ian Davis

Executive chef, Band of Bohemia

Classy cocktails

"It's definitely hard to pick a favorite post-shift spot. There are so many places I love in the city. If I had to pick, it would be Victor Bar and Barrelhouse Flat. Both are low-lit cocktail bars that make you feel like a regular, even if you're not. They both serve great cocktails."

Victor Bar, 4011 N. Damen Ave., thevictorbarchicago.com; Barrelhouse Flat, 2624 N. Lincoln Ave., barrelhouseflat.com

Mari Katsumura, Ian Davis, Victor Bar, Biscuit Man





Late nights can mean retro-delicious cocktails at Victor Bar (above) or savory treats at the Biscuit Man at Longroom.



Mari Katsumura, Ian Davis, Victor Bar, Biscuit Man



Hotel Lincoln

SECRET CHICAGO

HIGH KITSCH

An epic wall of bad art, hidden inside a swank hotel

By **Christopher Borrelli**
Chicago Tribune

The Wall of Bad Art at the Hotel Lincoln, the boutique hotel in Lincoln Park at the corner of Wealthy and Twee, is a monument to iffy talent and questionable taste.

It is a reminder of how bad art can get funneled through wood-paneled rec rooms and yard sales and come out the other end as enduring charm.



The Wall of Bad Art, assembled by San Francisco interior designer Andrew Alford after an epic Midwest antique store binge, stands tall behind the hotel's front desk. It climbs from the lobby to the second-floor lounge. It is a visual anchor, a comfy monolith. It's also in keeping with the vintage, handcrafted rumpus-room aesthetic



sweeping hipster hotel lobbies, a look popularized by the Ace Hotel in New York, which has a lobby featuring a large American flag, salvaged-wood tables and taxidermy.

What it does not have is bad art.

The Ace Hotel does not offer, as the Wall of Bad Art does, a kind of museum of 20th-century middlebrow bourgeois values. It does not boast a giant red wall that begins with the yellowing, washed-out photo of a spongy, nondescript captain of industry (the kind of company photo that once passed for gravitas in corporate lobbies), continues with paintings of cats playing cards, squirrels resting on branches and hippies smiling, and ends with a needlepoint flower vase. It does not have guests who, as general manager Bob Shelley has witnessed, stand before works of art and make up stories about what the artists must have been smoking.

"Occasionally, we get a guest who wants to buy the art," Shelley said, "and we go, 'Really?' I think if any of these pieces were alone on a wall, they might feel differently. But I understand. A wall of it is awe-inspiring."

It is.

To find the Wall of Bad Art, pass through the front doors of the Hotel Lincoln, then head for the check-in desk. On a sleepy Saturday afternoon, on a pedestal beside the clerk at the front desk (herself in a polka dot dress and a small yellow shrug), there was a brown chunk of wood carved to resemble a rockin' 1970s van. The clerk, whose name is Katy Higgins, said she didn't expect the van to be long for this lobby. A number of bad sculptures had been lifted from the lobby, presumably by guests. A wooden gorilla (gone). A porcelain parrot (gone). A ceramic tiger (gone). A 30-pound Abraham Lincoln (gone).

"Unfortunately, we've had casualties," she said.

Asked about this, Alford said it was not unfortunate. In fact, while planning the look of the Hotel Lincoln, he anticipated it. He even tried to persuade the new owners of the Hotel Lincoln to stamp a discreet message on the backs of all of the hotel's art, something like "Thank you for stealing this from the Hotel Lincoln."

But this wasn't done, and the art on

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the Wall of Bad Art was bolted down. So don't get any funny ideas.

About stealing.

Otherwise, go ahead: Funny ideas about the Wall of Bad Art are welcomed. For instance, the long, vertical painting at the top of the stairs of a seemingly successful guy with large '70s eyeglasses and a mustache and pillowy yellow hair, dressed in a powder-blue suit, jauntily thrusting a pencil? Is he an architect? An ad man? A classy pornographer? A TV detective who solves crimes with a tumbler of scotch in his right hand?

What are we looking at?

"Awesomeness," Alford said. "You are looking at awesomeness. All of these paintings come from ambiguous origins. Who are the people in these pictures, and who painted them? I don't know. I don't even know what I love about these paintings. That '70s guy? We call him Ron Burgundy (as in Will Ferrell's character from "Anchorman"). We don't know who he is. But it was the first piece we hung on the wall. We put him at the top of the stairs because we wanted to draw people to the second floor, encourage them to stand next to Ron and take pictures with him. I think we bought him at, I want to say, oh, maybe Edgewater Antiques? He was standing in the window, and it was very much 'How much is that doggie in the window?' "

Actually, $250.

It is the most expensive piece of art on the Wall of Bad Art.

Average cost was $40.

The entire wall? Maybe $8,000, rounding up.

The idea for the wall came from a few inspirations, Alford said, including Ben Weprin, the founder of AJ Capital and one of the hotel's owners, an enthusiastic collector of kitschy art.

"You can never have too much (bad art)," Weprin said, "especially when you're paying minimal prices for it. Besides, it's not about price or investment at that point anyway; it's about how this random picture by a stranger speaks to your soul."

Highlights include paintings of a naked woman bathing, a duck resting, cardinals in a tree, ballet dancers, geishas, and a girl with gold curls named Little Daisy. There is a silhouette reminiscent of artist Kara Walker's silhouettes.

Only terrible.

There is a painting of a goat so awkward it could be a painting of two people stuffed into a goat costume.

Alford said, "Being across from the park and the zoo, I wanted to include a lot of nature and animals, but mostly, being in the neighborhood, I wanted it to feel like a home. I love it when I see people walk up and down the stairs and say, 'Oh my God, that was in my grandmother's house!' That was exactly the idea."

Asked to name the hotel's aesthetic, he said, "Eccentric preppy."

Asked the same thing, Shelley said, "Second bedroom."

"As in," he explained, "the place should feel like a guest room. And the thing about art in a second bedroom, it's always what's left over, what didn't fit the rest of the house, the art we're just not ready to let go of yet."

In the know

The Hotel Lincoln is at 1816 N. Clark Street, directly across from Lincoln Park. An easy way to check out the Wall of Bad Art? Combine it with a trip to the city's favorite farmers market, the Green City Market, on a summer Saturday morning. ■

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40 ways you can nibble, gulp, peek, walk and even swim your way through Chicago's most engaging mysteries





Konro Supper Club's Golden Osetra Caviar with fraises des bois and whipped A5 wagyu butter.

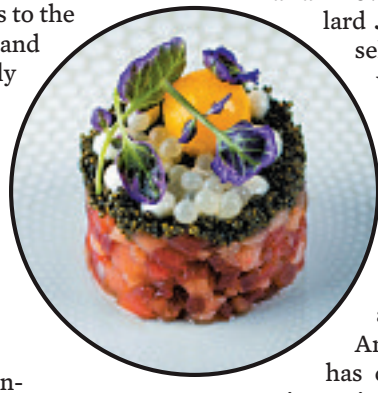
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Have a dinner party with complete strangers

Here's a tip: Not all the best meals are served in restaurants — or show up on Instagram. In fact, underground dining clubs take everything you love about good food and good conversation and roll them into a one-time-only dining experience. But first, you need to know where to find them. Here are some of the best in town:

Konro Supper Club is a newbie, starting in August 2017 — but chef Jake Bickelhaupt is an old pro: He worked at Charlie Trotter's before co-founding 42 Grams, a restaurant that earned two Michelin stars and then closed (and had a Netflix documentary made about it) in 2017. Needless to say, tickets to the dinners — Saturdays and Sundays twice monthly — are hot commodities even at prices that range from $195 to $295.

konrochicago.com



Sunday Dinner Club has been serving up supper to a select group of dinner guests since 2005. Owners Josh Kulp and Christine Cikowski then opened Honey Butter Fried Chicken in 2010. They accept referrals to their club, but if you're interested, you can contact them and plead your case for membership.

sundaydinnerclub.com

Sit Down, Shut Up and Eat! takes secrecy seriously. Phones are strictly verboten at this monthly dinner party for 25 hosted by Chicago's own catering favorites Hearty Boys. It's held in the company's private tasting room, and though the menu always changes, expect dishes along the lines of smoked duck cassoulet and adobo short ribs. Just don't try to take a selfie with your dinner.

heartyboys.com/underground-dinners
— Chris LaMorte



2

Steer yourself through the Loop's historic past

Before what we know as the Loop was a bustling business district, it was a farm owned by one Mr. Willard Jones. As he began to sell off his farm to make way for real estate developers, he made sure he had necessary easements in place, so he could continue to move his cattle, including one at Monroe and Clark streets. And while the property has changed hands many times since then, the path has remained — sometimes to the chagrin of real estate developers and architects. While the property is now a Hyatt Centric Hotel, the path, not far from the hotel's front door, remains as a shortcut to Clark or LaSalle streets (just tell the doorman you're cutting through.)

100 W. Monroe St. — C. L.

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See the Beatles

Not in person, but in spirit and substance, at Northwestern University's Charles Deering Library, where the original handwritten lyrics of seven of the band's blockbuster hits are housed. The only other place in the world to score a similar treasure is the British Library in London. Due to their value (huge!), the originals are only on view occasionally, but exacting scans are on permanent exhibition in the library's Music Listening Center and Lab.

1937 Sheridan Road, Evanston

— Lisa Skolnik

4

Watch a movie with an artist

What do Bridget Jones, Romy, Michele, and David Cronenberg have in common? They've all been featured during Movie Night at Hume Chicago, a gallery in Humboldt Park. Each Wednesday, artists are invited to curate a film that has made an impact on their lives. There's a thoughtful discussion that accompanies the screening, with mainstream rom-coms getting the same treatment as Czech arthouse films.

3242 W. Armitage Ave., humechicago.org

— K.T. Hawbaker

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Explore a secret garden

The Alfred Caldwell Lily Pool, built in the late 19th century as part of a Victorian garden, faced years of neglect and was lent to the Lincoln Park Zoo in the ’50s as an avian exhibit, then eventually closed to the public. The site was in dire shape until a 2002 renovation — now it offers a unique, almost-enchanted ecosystem in the middle of the concrete.

125 W. Fullerton Parkway, lincolnparkconservancy.org— K.T.H.



Nancy Stone/Chicago Tribune

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Walk the wooden way

Before the great Chicago Fire gobbled up everything in sight, the city was paved with wood blocks. Modern day Chicago has switched to asphalt, but at least two wood-paved alleys remain in the city, one at the 2100 block of North Hudson, the other between State and Astor, behind the mansion of the archbishop of Chicago. The alley was paved in 1909 and refurbished in 2011. Nope, those aren't cobblestones: Look closely, and you'll see wood grain underfoot. *— Christen Johnson*



7

Put a (wrestling) ring on it

Right above brunch spot Lula Cafe, the Logan Square Auditorium holds two of the city's brawniest spectacles: Freelance Wrestling and the Chicago League of Lady Arm Wrestlers (CLLAW). Both fill up the space with spectacle and spandex, offering a lot of bang — and ka-pow! Slam! — for your buck. Freelance Wrestling brings together tough guys for a very scripted, very funny monthly brawl, while CLLAW offers women and nonbinary folks the opportunity to compete for some arm-wrestling glory.

2539 N. Kedzie Blvd., 773-252-6179, logansquareauditorium.com — K.T.H.

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Find that boar-bristle shaving brush

Long before there was a Walgreen's or a CVS on every corner, Merz Apothecary, founded in 1875, has offered the wisdom of the local apothecary. In 1972, pharmacist Abdul Qaiyum took over and started focusing on natural products. The adjacent, more recently opened Q Brothers store is favored by those looking for unique shaving products, from locally made beard creams to badger-hair shave brushes. Some things never go out of style.

4716-18 N. Lincoln Ave., 773-989-0900, merzapothecary.com — C.L.

James Rand, Kristan Lieb/Chicago Tribune, Getty



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A shop for celeb-spotting

She's one of Chicago's most beloved comic actors. But, in her non-Hollywood hours, Joan Cusack can often be found in a small shop in the middle of an Old Town block of historic storefronts.

Of course, she's not just any shopkeeper. She's a shopkeeper with a taste for making magic. "Not, like, magician magic," she says "but magiCAL. There's a big difference."

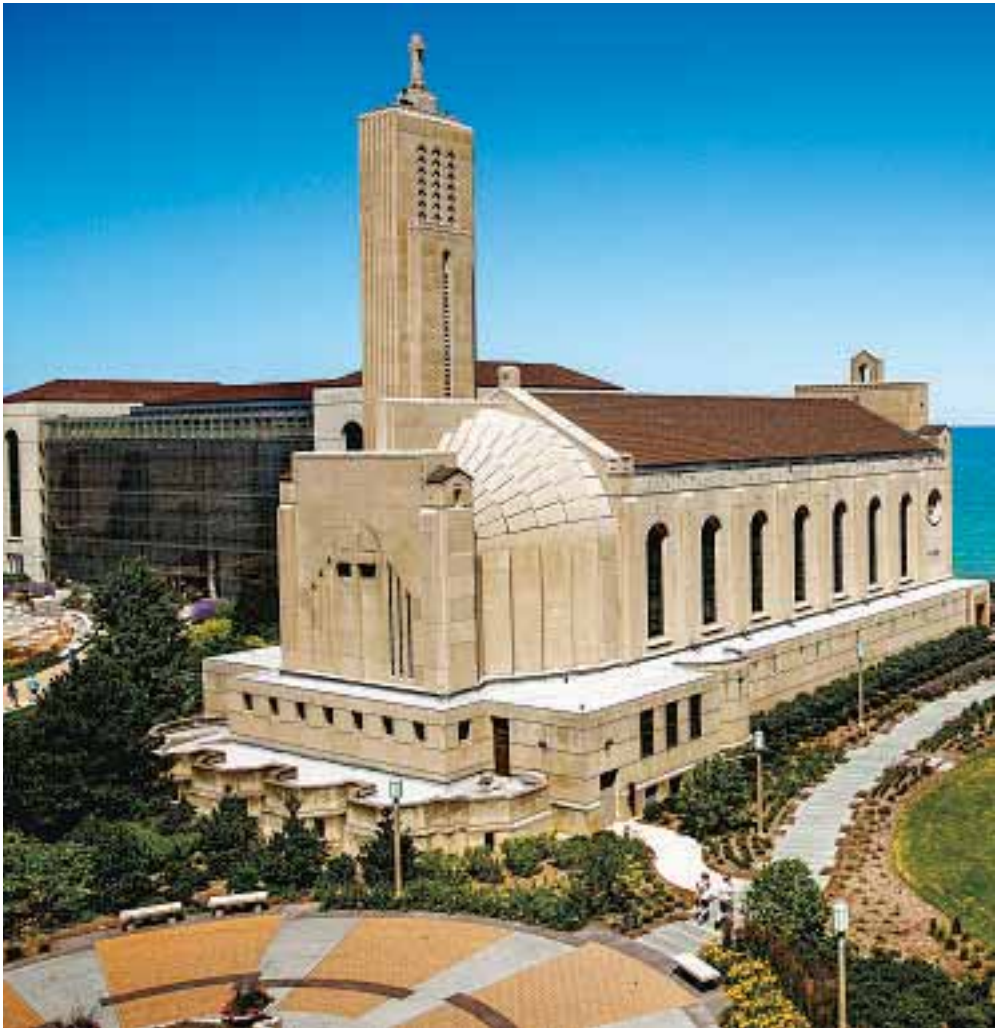
Inspired by the Hollywood-style magic she had seen firsthand, Cusack decided in 2011 to translate that feeling to a place of her own — one she could share with the public. Her thought? To open a store that would offer a world of small things that could help people add wonder to their own homes.

With that in mind, she opened Judy Maxwell Home (named after Barbra Streisand's character in one of her favorite movies, the wacky comedy "What's Up, Doc?") and filled the store with gag gifts, crazy gum, interesting jewelry, artful and beautiful housewares, and the occasional giant beach ball.

"I don't have to own a store," she says. "What I really wanted was to make a place where people could have that kind of moment, that feeling of a magical place."

1349 N Wells St., 312-787-9999, judymaxwellhome.com — Cindy Dampier

James Rand, Kristan Lieb/Chicago Tribune, Getty



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Find spiritual respite, steps from the shore

When you think of lakeshore attractions, you might be thinking "giant Ferris wheel," instead of "artistically significant house of worship." If so, you'd be missing out on Loyola University's Madonna della Strada Chapel. The art deco gem, built in 1938, boasts decoration and stained glass windows from artists including Chicago's Edgar Miller, and an incredible location: just steps from Lake Michigan's waves. At the time the chapel was built, it was expected to open onto Lake Shore Drive. But the Drive extension project was abandoned, and the chapel remained on the waterfront. On a quiet day, it makes an ideal spot for contemplation near the city's biggest natural wonder.

1032 W Sheridan Rd., 773-274-3000, luc.edu. — C.D.

Natalie Battaglia



Natalie Battaglia

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See where Disney's world began

It's hard to imagine a world without Mickey Mouse — or Walt Disney. Most people associate him with places like Hollywood, Anaheim Calif., and Orlando, Fla., but he was born in the humble Chicago abode at 2156 N. Tripp Ave., in the upstairs bedroom Dec. 5, 1901. An attempt to establish the house as a historical landmark hasn't proved successful, but for true Disneyphiles, it will always be a magic kingdom. — *C.L.*

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Hear a world of music, for free

World Music Wednesday at the Old Town School of Folk Music showcases the best in touring talent from around the world, for free. The school is one of the most influential musical institutions in the country and aims to present cultural traditions including, in 2018, Switchback, a duo that plays Celtic and Americana tunes, award-winning Sitar player Partha Bose, and the Northern Illinois University Steelband.

4544 N. Lincoln Ave., 773-728-6000, oldtownschool.org — K.T.H.

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Unearth cinema's anti-Netflix

Video rental stores might be fading into obscurity, but obscurity is just what the folks at Odd Obsession have in mind. The Bucktown spot boasts nearly 25,000 titles, including B movies, exploitation flicks and foreign films. Netflix, for the record, offers fewer than 7,500.

1830 N. Milwaukee Ave., 773-276-0894, oddobsession.com — K.T.H.



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Discover your inner Frankie Knuckles

If you're into rare vinyl, you'll want to thumb through the bins at Dusty Groove, a record shop that audiophiles and record collectors regard as their private treasure-hunting reserve. Dusty Groove is a retail and online powerhouse, specializing in rare funk, soul, and disco. It also offers oddball rarities, obscure 78s and sound-effect libraries.

1120 N. Ashland Ave., 773-342-5800, dustygroove.com — C.L.

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Slip down an alley, and meet Superman

Behind a Potbelly's Sandwich Shop on Clark Street in a former two-car garage, Alleycat Comics is a hidden trove of graphic novels, board games and comic books. "I get people every day who come in and say, 'I don't read comics, but I love your store," says Nick Idell, who owns the shop with his wife, Selene. To find it, head down a slender gangway toward the back. Once you find it: nerd nirvana.

5304 N. Clark St., 773-907-3404, alleycatcomics.com — C.L.

Dusty Groove, Nuccio DiNuzzo/Chicago Tribune



Dusty Groove, Nuccio DiNuzzo/Chicago Tribune

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Get salty, no ocean required

A trip to the sea has long been thought to cure almost anything that ails you. Alas, with freshwater Lake Michigan as our only major body of water, it's not in the cards for most Chicagoans. But underneath a Polish restaurant on the city's North Side, you'll find the next best thing: Galos Caves, an artificial salt-iodine cave. A session at this unique spa is said to help everything from sinuses to hypertension. But if it doesn't work, a stop upstairs at the Jolly Inn, with a buffet of Polish favorites, should make you feel better.

6501 W. Irving Park Road, 773-283 7701, galoscaves.com — C.L.

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Drink in the week's headlines

A revolving cast of writers from across Chicago's storytelling spectrum — journalists, essayists, playwrights, and comedians — take the stage at "The Paper Machete" at the Green Mill each Saturday. A free weekly "live newspaper" series, the Machete features new material off the week's headlines, and is also known as the home of Chad the Bird (the creation of writer-puppeteer Josh Zagoren), whose weekly installment as the show's Avian Op-Ed Columnist is an audience favorite.

4802 N. Broadway, thepapermacheteshow.com — K.T.H.

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Book a storied stay

Chicago was the point of departure for the Prairie School of Architecture, so experience it to the fullest by staying at Frank Lloyd Wright's Emil Bach House. This elegant modification of the Fireproof House Wright designed for Ladies Home Journal in 1907 overlooked the lake when it was built in 1915 in East Rogers Park. Today, it has been obsessively and impeccably restored, and offers two bedrooms. Price ranges from $495 to $1,295 per night.

7415 N. Sheridan Road, 773-654-3959, emilbachhouse.com. — L.S.



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Finding calm (and food) in the shopping storm

Chicago's great shopping streets? No secret. Great places to duck into for lunch when your credit card and your feet are begging for mercy? There's a secret worth knowing. Here are our two picks for an off-the-beaten-track shoppers' lunch:

Oasis Cafe

21 N. Wabash Ave.

When to visit: When you want a quick lunch place downtown but don't want to hit a chain or spend a fortune

Why it's a hidden gem: Tucked in the back area of the Wabash Jewelers Mall, this small spot is largely hidden besides a sign sitting out front beckoning with a palm tree. Daily specials are available, and they're ready almost by the time you swipe your credit card. Many downtown cubicle dwellers pop in for a quick and hearty lunch. Take your cafeteria tray to a table underneath the neon lights spelling out the name, and dig into a Mixed Combination, a heaping Styrofoam plate of rice, hummus and baba ghanoush snug against falafel and chicken. We also liked the kefta kebab, ground beef and lamb mixed with onions, parsley and special spices. Both came with enough to create a hearty lunch and even leftovers. On your way in and out, peruse the layers of watches and bright earrings.

Ikram Cafe ►

15 E. Huron St.

When to visit: When you're slogging





through crowds on Michigan Avenue and need a breather from the shopping rat race

Why it's a hidden gem: Ikram Cafe is a calm oasis away from madness. One floor above the racks of colorful dresses and exquisite accessories is the light, bright, elegantly designed cafe. Serenity begins at the entrance; walking upstairs, diners will first see a wall-sized placid Lake Michigan, one of photographer Lincoln Schatz's "Lake Series" that captures the water's mood daily. Seek out the signature salads; we liked the hearty salmon option, a regular on the menu. Food offerings change with what's in season; five small salads can be ordered a few at a time. For something heartier, try the bison burger; for a light break between stores, lentil soup provides just the right antidote to retail stress. *— Alison Bowen*

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See where Capone got clipped

At some point or another, out-of-town guests or visiting relatives are going to ask you about Al Capone. It's just a fact of life when living in this town. So you'll want to show them something that they'll remember. How about where Scarface got his hair cut? Swing by the historic Blackstone Hotel's conference room known as the Barbershop Meeting Room. The 1,117-square-foot marble-clad room still has the basin. As a bonus, you can show them the Crystal Ballroom, where Lucky Luciano held a crime family convention in 1931.

636 S. Michigan Ave., 312-447-0955, theblackstonehotel.com — C.L.

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Enjoy the music, ignore the bones

Built in 1892, Thalia Hall has a lot of history — it was used to draft a bill paving the way for the formation of the Czech Republic, and was reworked into a music venue in 2013. But here's a spooky secret: During the renovation, workers discovered a few cold spots in the floor. They opened to investigate and discovered bones in the floorboards. (Most likely animals.) A psychic told them bones were good omens, so they left them there, right under your dancing feet.

1807 S. Allport St., 312-526-3851, thaliahallchicago.com — C.L.

Getty photo, Blackstone Hotel, Chicago History Museum



Getty photo, Blackstone Hotel, Chicago History Museum

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See Chicago's hottest garden ornament

A massive clump of fused metal behind the Chicago History Museum is actually a little-known highlight of the institution's Chicago Fire collection. Affectionately dubbed The Blob, it's the melted remains of Keep Hardware and Cutlery, which perished in the Great Fire. Laborers excavating its original site at State and Randolph streets in 1889 broke two wagons trying to remove it, so it was offered up as a freebie to anyone who could spirit it away. Candy manufacturer Charles F. Gunther scored the artifact, which was purchased by the museum after his death. At 15,000 pounds, it's worthy of weighty reflection — if you can find it. The bushes surrounding it have gotten out of control.

1601 N. Clark St. — L.S.

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An Instagram-ready alley, with coffee

Pickwick Alley is best described as tiny. The 9-foot-wide alley leads back to a picturesque three-story building that's reportedly 19-by-19 feet. The word "coffee" is spelled out in lights on the iron balcony above. It's a favorite shot on Instagram, says Josh Ward of Hero Coffee Bar, the Chicago-based company that has set up shop here. The footprint of the place is so small, there's just enough room to order coffee and food ("All Day Breakfast") to go. Don't forget your cellphone.

22 E. Jackson Blvd., 312-285-2434, hero-coffee.com — Bill Daley



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Tour a hidden architectural gem

A lavishly carved, Chinese red door on an Old Town side street is oh-so-much-more than a pretty facade. Behind the red door, and hidden in plain sight, are the Carl Street Studios created by the late Chicago artist Edgar Miller. Every flat in the complex is a fantastical amalgam of Miller's intricately hand-wrought woodwork, bas-

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relief friezes, painted frescos, vivid tile mosaics and vibrant art glass windows, but its crown jewel is the party house he created for wealthy Chicago industrialist Rudolph Glasner. It's now open for tours the second Saturday of every month, September through May.

1734 N. Wells St., edgarmiller.org — L.S.

Bill Hogan/Chicago Tribune





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Make your night more magical

So you're looking for a special evening of drinks and dinner — and martinis and wagyu won't cut it. You need some real magic. Enter John Railing, the house magician at Swift & Son steakhouse. Call the restaurant's concierge in advance to set it all up, and for a fee (usually about $25 per guest), he'll appear at your table to wow your friends with sleight of hand, close-up magic and charm. Here's a bit of Chicago trivia: John used to be the house magician at celebrated Chicago institution the Pump Room in the 1980s.

1000 W. Fulton Market, 312-733-9420, swiftandsonschicago.com — C.L.

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Take an artful break from Michigan Avenue

On the south end of the Art Institute — arguably one of the most crowded tourist destinations in the city — is a verdant oasis perfect for sneaking away from the hustle and bustle of Michigan Avenue. Designed and constructed between 1962 and 1967,

Getty photo, Cultural Landscape Foundation, Andrew A. Nelles/Chicago Tribune





the South Garden features the Fountain of the Great Lakes, which was sculpted by Lorado Taft in 1913. Taft, a distant relative of the U.S. president, constructed the artwork's five women out of bronze and arranged them so that the fountain flows in the same way water passes through the Great Lakes. Along the sides of the fountain are cockspur hawthorns, low hanging-trees that create a canopy over the entire space during the summer, making this the perfect spot for a shady afternoon spent with a book.

111 S. Michigan Ave, 312-443-3600, artic.edu — K.T.H.

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Visit a fishy smokehouse

You probably wouldn't know it by the decor, but this little seafood shack in the South Deering neighborhood is a foodie favorite. It was even honored with the prestigious James Beard American Classics award. Why? One word: smoke. Sid Kotlick and Len Toll took over the little joint with a red-shingled roof in 1948, and 70 years later, Calumet still smokes the old-fashioned way: under wood, out back behind the shop. Here's the insider tip: look for smoked chubs. They're becoming a rare treat these days, so when they have them, they go quickly.

3259 E. 95th St., 773-933-985, calumetfisheries.com — C.L.

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Clown around in a graveyard

The Hammond Circus Train Wreck occurred June 22, 1918, when a Michigan Central Railroad train plowed into a train carrying members of the Hagenbeck-Wallace Circus, killing an estimated 86 people. The Showmen's League of America had recently purchased 750 plots at the Woodlawn Cemetery to help its members. Little did they know they would need it so soon. It became a mass grave for 48 victims of the train wreck, marked with names that include "Smiley," "Baldy" and "4 Horse Driver." Surrounded by five stone monuments of marching elephants, Showman's Rest still provides a final destination for clowns and circus performers after they take their final bow.

Woodlawn Funeral Home & Memorial Park, 7600 W. Cermak Road, Forest Park, dignitymemorial.com — C.L.



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Put this in your pipe and smoke it

Visiting Iwan Ries & Co., the oldest pipe and tobacco shop in the country, is like entering another era — one long before smoking bans and e-cigarettes. Amid the wood-paneled splendor, you'll bask in the aroma of fine tobacco, just as folks have done since 1857. While tobacco aficionados come for the selection of pipes (there are 12,000 in stock, including the shop's own limited-edition 160th anniversary edition), Iwan's real secret is the smokers lounge, where you can sneak a puff of your favorite stogie. Actually, you don't even have to sneak at all.

19 S. Wabash Ave., 312-372-1306 — C.L.

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Find a fisherman's paradise

At the center of one of Chicago's hottest Southwest Side neighborhoods

Keri Wiginton/ Chicago Tribune



Keri Wiginton/ Chicago Tribune

is a little piece of serenity: Palmisano Park in Bridgeport. Visitors can get away from city life to engage in more slow-paced indulgences, like fishing in a former quarry that's now a stocked pond, strolling along streams and wetlands, or even gazing at the city skyline atop a 33-foot hill. But before Palmisano Park became a perfect Sunday picnic spot, it had many lives: ancient coral reef, limestone quarry, and landfill for 30 years' worth of construction waste until it was transformed into an idyllic gathering spot for the neighborhood (and a draw for savvy explorers) in 2009.

2700 S. Halsted St., chicagoparkdistrict.com — C.J.

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Commune with the ghosts of World War I

When the beloved Red Lion Pub reopened after a dramatic makeover regulars worried it would lose its character — and its resident ghost. Not to fret, the place still oozes with charm, and there's a library in the front stuffed with images, maps and books dedicated to World War I. The ghost is as lively as ever.

2446 N. Lincoln Ave., 773-883-2422, redlionchicago.com — C.L.

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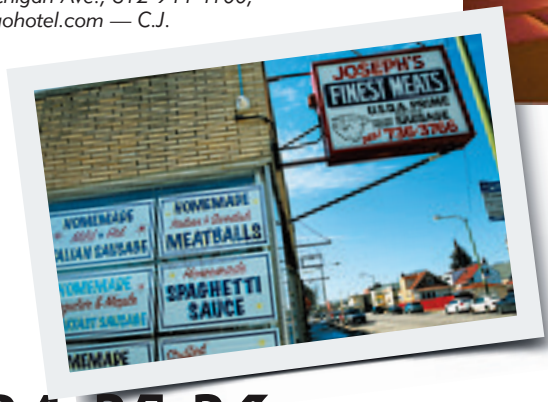
Swim like Esther Williams

The InterContinental Chicago Magnificent Mile hotel prides itself on being a part of Chicago history. The building was originally an exclusive men's athletic club and features restored murals that were intended for separate men's and women's areas of the building. But the best feature is the historic, junior Olympic-sized pool, the biggest in the city. Famed swimmer Esther Williams once swam here too. Plus, there's a viewing deck where you can lunch poolside and lounge in style, even in the dead of winter.

505 Michigan Ave., 312-944-4100, icchicagohotel.com — C.J.



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Shop the small markets foodies swear by

Grocery shopping for many Chicagoans means supermarket chains. But the best of the city's smaller markets (including these three notables) draw hungry foodies from across Chicago.

Armitage Produce, open since 1985, is such a well-known source for Puerto Rican food products that people drive in from other states, says Pete Paulos, whose father-in-law, Louis Kyriazopoulos, owns the market. Paulos said Armitage Produce is best noted for its array of root vegetables. He wasn't kidding. Stacked high are yuca, yautia blanca, apio or celery root, malanga, and



Nancy Stone /Chicago Tribune, InterContinental Chicago

yampi root or mapuey. He also spoke of green bananas, or guineo verde, displayed in the produce section along with a sign noting "over 20 million pounds sold."

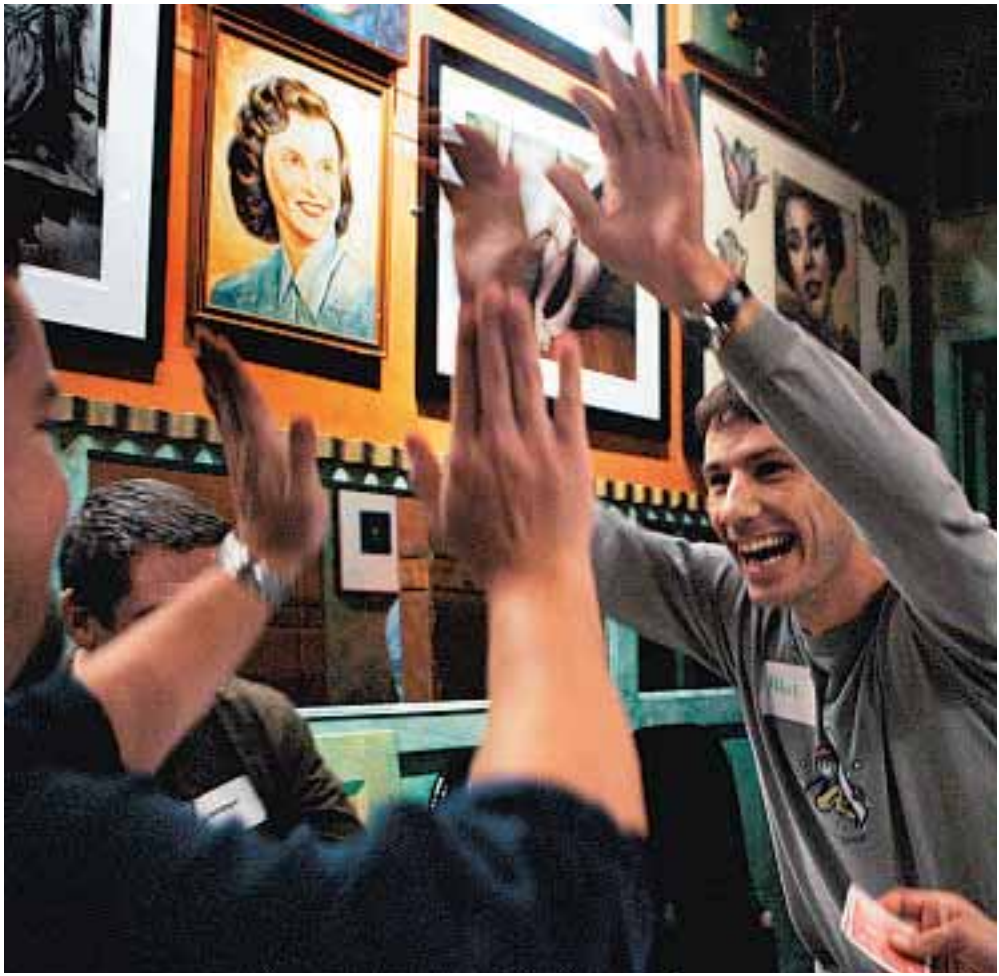
3334 W. Armitage Ave., 773-486-8133, boricuaproduce.com

Joseph's Finest Meats opened in 1977. The emphasis here is on "home made," as a quick glance at the signs papering the store windows will tell you. Among those items: mild and hot Italian sausages, regular and maple breakfast sausage, green pepper or cheese sausage, Italian and Swedish meatballs, spaghetti sauce, and "Italian" roast beef with "free gravy."

7101 W. Addison St., 773-736-3766

HarvesTime Foods is "always a work in progress," says owner Chris Dallas. "One trip around my store will confuse you more than anything." The walk is fascinating and fun, from neatly stacked produce to discovering piñatas atop a display case, to ogling the deli counter and its row of jars containing various olives.

2632 W. Lawrence Ave., 773-989-4400, harvestimefoods.com — B.D.



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Score a big meal on the cheap, in a parking lot

Stop by the Joong Boo Market in Avondale (aka that Korean market with the big green sign that hovers over the westbound Kennedy), and before entering the market, look to the small shed in front, beside the choked, overcrowded parking lot. There will likely be a young couple inside from South Korea, wearing parkas, surrounded by steam trays, stuffing dumplings. The name of the food is wang mandu, which roughly means doughy softball of goodness. They make three kinds of wang mandu: kimchi and noodles (slightly spicy, full of earthy aroma), pork and chives (hearty, mild) and red bean (sweet, purple, gigantic). One is a good lunch, two a big lunch. One dumpling: $2.

3333 N. Kimball Ave., 773-478-5566 — C.B.

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Have a cocktail and see great art

Uptown bar Big Chicks is a vaunted institution in the pantheon of Chicago gay bars. Yet discerning art lovers know it for the art gallery that lines the walls. You'll see work by Chicago outsider artist Lee Godie and lauded Chicago imagist artist Ed Paschke hanging alongside such notables as Diane Arbus. Plus, the adjoining breakfast/lunch spot, Tweet, has its own collection: Keep your eyes peeled for work by Tony Fitzpatrick, among others, while you dive into your breakfast. *5024 N. Sheridan Road, 773-728-5511, bigchicks.com — C.L.*

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Access the hidden pathway IKEA

If you've ever been to Ikea, you know the store is determined to route you through every single section. Most Ikeas are created this way, with the path curving every 50 feet to keep shoppers engaged. Each store has a shortcut or quick route, though, typically for stocking and emergency exit reasons. In Schaumburg, it's the store's inner ring — check the store map, cut through to that center circle and cut your shopping time in half. *1800 E. McConnor Parkway, Schaumburg — C.J.*

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Bite into an authentic, boiled bagel

Chicago transplants from the Big Apple rightfully complain about the city's dearth of good bagels, but Lincolnwood's New York Bagel & Bialy silences those East Coast critics. This 24-hour gem is buried in a strip mall, but once you've had the lox bagel — get it with everything — you're bound to keep coming back. *3556½ Dempster St., Skokie; 847-673-9388, newyorkbagelandbialy.net — K.T.H.*

The ultimate insider picks his Chicago favorites

By **Rick Kogan** | Chicago Tribune



The internet, for all its undeniable benefits (and horrors), is a disaster for secrets. How is one to hold dear the personal experience of touring Graceland Cemetery, for instance, when a virtual tour is as close as your computer or iPad or phone, stealing some mystery out of our lives?

But there remain some special local places, "secrets" hiding in plain sight.

Land of giants ➤

They loom like some sort of giant creatures plunked down by alien space travelers, all over the 750-acre campus in University Park, 35 miles south of Chicago. There are 29 of them at last count, making up one of the most amazing outdoor art galleries on the planet, a place formally known as the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park, named for the builder and developer who helped create nearby Park Forest in the years after World War II. His son Lewis started the park in the late 1970s as a way to honor his



Check out the sculpture — from a giant Paul Bunyan to a flying saucer — at the Nathan Manilow Sculpture Park.

dad. Wander the place, and see what you make of Jene Highstein's Flying Saucer. And what name would you give to John Henry's blandly titled Illinois Landscape No. 5? Most people, looking at this gathering of different colored square steel tubes, call it "French Fries."

Little big man ➤

He was a small man in life, but Stephen A. Douglas in death is a giant, standing atop a column that is atop his tomb at the center of a lovely little park on the Near South Side at a place formally known as Douglas Tomb State Historic Site, 636 E. 35th St. Douglas is now regarded as a minor player in Illinois politics, but that was not always the case. Born in Vermont, he arrived in Illinois in 1833 at 20-years-old and became a lawyer, Illinois secretary of state, congressman and, in 1847, was elected to the U.S. Senate. The famous debates with Abraham Lincoln took place during Douglas' re-election campaign in 1858. Douglas won but the debates brought Lincoln national attention and eventually the White House. Douglas stood a few inches taller than 5 feet and was called "The Little Giant." His monument stands 96 feet tall with a 9-foot-9-inch statue of him atop a 46-foot column rising above the tomb and granite base. His body rests in a marble sarcophagus that bears the dates of his birth, April 23, 1813, and his death, June 3, 1861.

Michigan Avenue Bridge

Yes, you know it. Perhaps you have even walked across this 220-foot-long span that was built between 1917 and 1920, one of the city's more than 50 bridges that are works of art, as well as wonders of modern engineering. But have you ever stopped in the middle? Do so, pause and behold, for this is where Chicago comes together

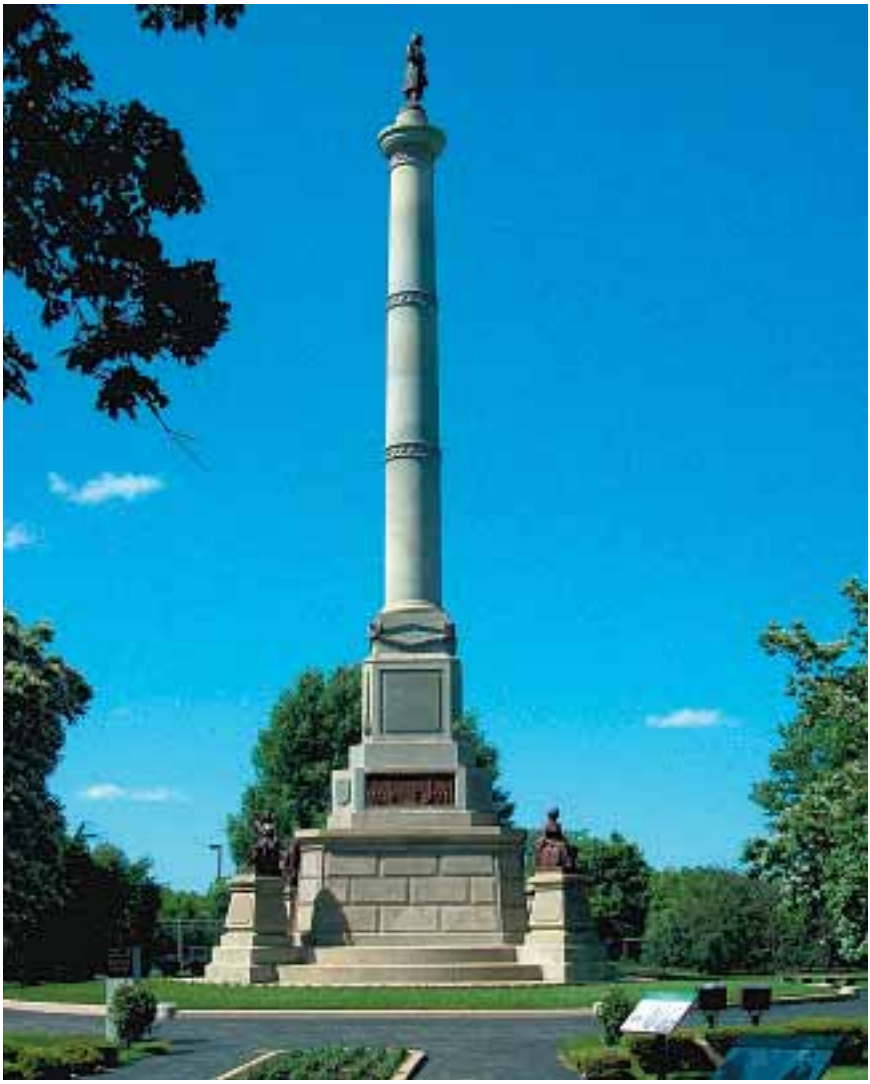
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in a symphony of buildings and water and sky. Yes, you can see the future from the bridge, construction cranes abound. But this is also where the past whispers, telling of the Algonquins who found skunk cabbage and wild onion on the banks of the river and affixed to this site the Indian name for those earth products, Checagou; of Jean Baptiste Pointe du Sable, the black man who became the first non-native settler here when he built a cabin on the river's northern bank in the 1770s; of the Fort Dearborn massacre of 1812, and of the engineering geniuses who reversed the river's flow in 1900 to keep the lake clean. In the winter, the river is often jammed with ice and in the summer with boats. The view changes every day. That too is part of the attraction.

Washington Square Park

That is the formal name of what is familiarly known as Bughouse Square, which sits between Dearborn and Clark streets across Walton Street from the majestic Newberry Library. It is Chicago's oldest public park, deeded to the city by developers eager to boost land values in the area. Much to their dismay, it immediately became a gathering place for

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those eager to stand on soapboxes and speak their minds. Some were famous: Carl Sandburg, Emma Goldman and Eugene V. Debs. Others were anonymous anarchists, dreamers, poets, preachers and nuts.

This is where the young Studs Terkel learned much about life, and this is where he is buried. Before he died in 2008, he said he wanted his ashes and those of his wife, Ida, who died in 1999, to be placed in Bughouse Square. "Scatter us there," he said. "I know it's against the law. Let 'em sue us." The ashes are there, not scattered but mingled and buried, without a marker of any sort, near one of the park's loveliest trees. Which tree? Does it really matter? Anyway, that's my secret. ■

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Popping the cork on the best 'secret' bars in Chicago

By **Audrey Gorden** | Chicago Tribune

If you know anything about Chicago, you know how boastful we are of our role in the Prohibition era. We don't know what that says about us, but we do know that our city wouldn't be the place it is without its history, even if that history was sometimes outlawed. While Prohibition is over, the intrigue of "speak-easy" bars is not. We've rounded up the best, most exclusive, Prohibition-style bars in Chicago and how to get into them.

The Office
Located beneath the innovative and exclusive bar The Aviary is a bar that's even harder to get into: The Office. With only 14 seats available, your only surefire way to get in is to book a pricey reservation on The Office's ticketing website. Beyond the unmarked metal door that leads from The Aviary to The Office is a dimly lit lounge filled with art and antiques serving classic drinks using top-tier ingredients. There is no menu, all drinks are $20 each and made with a single spirit. If you happen to get in, you'll have the option to try rare liquor from past eras — that is if you have $375 to spend on an ounce of your preferred poison.
955 W. Fulton Market

The Violet Hour ►
Can't find the entrance to The Violet Hour? Just look for the line of people waiting outside to get in on the weekend. The hidden bar doesn't do standing room, so when the seats are taken, the seats are taken. The facade of The Violet Hour features an ever-changing mural, and to find your way in on less busy nights, you'll have to feel around for the door handle that the single hanging light bulb will guide you to.
1520 N. Damen Ave., 773-252-1500

Milk Room Chicago
Don't expect to get into the Milk Room at the Chicago Athletic Association Hotel without buying your ticket in advance, and don't expect that you'll get to enjoy the experience with more than one other person. The eight-seat micro bar that focuses on classic, rare, and vintage spirits using hard to find ingredients will cost

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you $50 per ticket per person for a very specific and adhered-to time slot, which acts as a deposit with the amount deducted from your bill at the end of your visit.
12 S. Michigan Ave., 2nd Floor, 312-792-3515

The Drifter ►
The Green Door Tavern, built directly after the Great Chicago Fire, houses a speak-easy room from the days of Prohibition in its basement. Here's what you have to do to get in: Go in through the green door, make your way downstairs and enter through the wooden door next to the restrooms. There's no sign, and you'll have to knock to be let in. The cocktails are written on and inspired by tarot cards, which are selected at random each night, offering an ever-changing menu. The intimate space also hosts burlesque shows that happen at different times throughout the night.
676 N. Orleans St., 312-631-3887



The Library
The Library, only open three nights a week Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays, is a hidden lounge underneath the Gilt Bar. Ask to be guided down to the Gilt Bar's warmer, more intimate downstairs drinking room, so you can sip scotch in a mood-lit lounge surrounded by a library of vintage books. The additional bar offers Gilt's food and drink menu, so you will be able to eat and drink in a more quiet space without giving up any of your dinner and beverage options.
230 W. Kinzie St., 312-464-9544

Room 13
Room 13's discreet entrance is in the passageway to the left of the Old Chicago Inn near the intersection of Sheffield and Belmont avenues. After 8 p.m., look for the red-lit gate with an "RM-13" logo and knock. You'll be greeted by the bartender — but here's the catch: You have to know the password (which changes often) to get in. If you stay at the Inn, you'll receive an invitation to Room 13, or you can apply for a membership with a yearly fee to get in whenever you want. Just don't try and order beer or vodka — this joint only serves alcohol available during the Prohibition era, like gin, whiskey and Champagne.
3222 N. Sheffield Ave.

◄ Watershed Bar
Pop some bottles at Pops for Champagne and then head down the stairs marked with a "W" in the southeast corner to the bar's basement speak-easy, the Watershed. The Watershed strives to be a constant, comfortable staple in River North. The lounge itself is small, but Watershed's cocktail list is extensive. They also serve craft beer, artisanal spirits and fine wines from the Great Lakes region.
601 N. State St., 312-266-4932

Booze Box
To access Sushi Dokku's speak-easy-style bar, you need to look for the red



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arrow in the back alley of the restaurant. The door that leads to a staircase taking you down to the bar will have a Booze Box sticker near its handle. Once in the downstairs bar, lit by red lanterns suspended over the tables, you'll be able to order Japanese cocktails and street food. The small bar is dark and laid-back, making it the perfect spot for a date or a night out with close friends.

823 W. Randolph St., 312-455-8238

The Bassment

Go from day to night by heading beneath The Hampton Social to the building's secret live-music cocktail lounge, The Bassment. Enter through the door in the alley marked as a tobacco shop to head downstairs to a modern lounge inspired by the 1960s British Invasion. The design of the lounge incorporates Union Jack flags, velvet and leather couches, and exposed brick walls. The best part of this hidden cocktail lounge? Every night The Bassment is open, it hosts in-house jazz, R&B and throwback bands.

353 W. Hubbard St., Lower level, 312-386-5778

Bordel

Bordel's unmarked door makes it an oasis for Chicago natives trying to avoid the party-bus crowds of popular bars in the city. To get in, open the door to the right of the Black Bull's entrance, go upstairs and open the next door on your left. Once inside, you'll be able to sip on your booze out of a tea set and enjoy the nightly entertainment of everything from burlesque to flamenco dancing. The interior of Bordel is inspired by the Prohibition era and Paris' belle epoque, but the menu ranges from Mediterranean to Spanish influences. ■

1721 W. Division St., 773-227-8600

Museums that walk on the weirder side

By **Doug George** | Chicago Tribune

A towering exhibit hall devoted to ancient Greece. Donated collections of priceless modern art. We all know where to find these in our museum-rich city. Instead, may we interest you in a helicopter or a Hummel? The Chicago area's lesser-known museums have a wealth of information, and oddball appeal.

Busy Beaver Button Museum

► An outgrowth of the button-making company started by siblings Joel and Christen Carter, this museum in the company's headquarters has 9,000 historic pinback buttons, which you can also visit from your computer screen.
3279 W. Armitage Ave., buttonmuseum.org

Donald E. Stephens Museum of Hummels

► Out in Rosemont, this museum has the largest display of Hummels in the world — those collectible porcelain figurines based on the drawings of Sister Maria Innocentia Hummel. It's based on a donated collection from the village's late first mayor.
9513 W. Higgins Road, Rosemont; 847-692-4000, rosemont.com/community/museum-of-hummels



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Fire Museum of Greater Chicago

Housed in the former home of Engine Co. 123, a restored South Side firehouse, this spot preserves the proud history of the Chicago Fire Department. Exhibits include a 1913 Model T Chemical Engine.

5218 S. Western Ave., 877-225-7491, firemuseumofgreaterchicago.org

Locks and Keys Museum

Tucked into Elmer & Son Locksmiths in south suburban Steger is a museum devoted to a kind of craftsmanship you may not have known existed. Which isn't your fault — some of that craftsmanship is literally behind lock and key. "Inside some of these safes — the outside is just a combination lock, but inside there's intricate engravings and carvings by the craftsmen who created them," says Harvey Sass at the museum. In addition to antique safes and Wells Fargo chests, there are vintage padlocks, prison locks, handcuffs and even tear gas vials for use in vaults.

3001 Chicago Road, Steger; 708-755-5273, elmerandson.com

McCormick Bridgehouse & Chicago River Museum

Chicago is known for its movable bridges, including the Michigan Avenue (or DuSable) Bridge. This spot down on the riverwalk lets you see the machinery and learn the history of the Chicago River.

376 N. Michigan Ave., 312-977-0227, bridgehousemuseum.org

Russell Military Museum

Wander amid Patton battle tanks, decommissioned helicopters, aging former warbirds and a Vietnam-era river patrol boat (PBR). Don't miss the A-10 Warthog.

43363 N. Highway 41, Zion; 847-395-7020

Leather Archives & Museum

Devoted to the subject of leather culture and sexual identities and lifestyles. The museum also holds events such as sexuality lectures.

6418 N. Greenview Ave., 773-761-9200, leatherarchives.org

Willie Dixon's Blues Heaven Foundation

In the former home of Chess Records, a shrine to Chicago blues and musicians.

2120 S. Michigan Ave., 312-808-1286, bluesheaven.com

International Museum of Surgical Science

► Perhaps the best-known of Chicago's lesser-known museums, the IMSS has four floors of artifacts from the changing face of medicine, including a working iron lung, all displayed in a historic mansion on Lake Shore Drive.

1524 N. Lake Shore Drive, 312-642-6502, imss.org

Lizzadro Museum of Lapidary Art

Lapidary is the art of cutting and polishing stone, and exhibits feature displays of beautiful gemstones and jade sculpture. Optical illusions of popular gemstones, anyone?

220 Cottage Hill Ave., Elmhurst; 630-833-1616, lizzadromuseum.org

Money Museum

Housed inside the imposing Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, the Money Museum has educational exhibits about fiscal responsibility and how currency is distributed to banks. But what gets the eyeballs is the cube filled with a million bucks in cold, hard cash.

230 S. LaSalle St., 312-322-2400, chicagofed.org

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Fox River Trolley Museum

Rare streetcars and trains, some still operating.

365 South LaFox St., South Elgin; 847-697-4676, foxtrolley.org

Volo Auto Museum

In the northwest suburbs are four showrooms of vintage, famous and/or downright strange automobiles. Oprah Winfrey's black Bentley convertible ("a birthday gift to herself"); Michael Andretti's race car (you can sit in it); Speed Racer's Mach 5; the "Dukes of Hazard" General Lee and the "Back to the Future" DeLorean. Plus an antique mall and a vintage game arcade.

27582 Volo Village Road, Volo; 815-385-3644, volocars.com

Prehistoric Life Museum

Dave's Down to Earth Rock Shop has moved a few storefronts away on Main Street in Evanston, but it still boasts the David and Sandra Douglass Prehistoric Life Museum. Along with dinosaur bones and the skeleton of a cave bear, there are fossils purportedly from Precambrian times — some 3 billion years ago. *711 Main St., Evanston; 847-866-7374, davesrockshop.com*

American Toby Jug Museum

Visitors are treated to beautiful glass display cases filled with more than 7,000 mugs and jugs depicting characters in history, both real and fictional. Some pieces date to the 18th century. *910 Chicago Ave., Evanston; 877-862-9687, tobyjugmuseum.com*



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CHICAGO'S CURATOR

The city's only living landmark — and keeper of its overlooked history

By **Christopher Borrelli** | Chicago Tribune

Tim Samuelson plowed his hands inside his kitchen cabinets and rooted about, the clatter of plastic against plastic sounding throughout his apartment.

It was a weekday morning, an hour before he normally left for his office at the Chicago Cultural Center. As he did this, he told a story: "See, before my (exhibit) on Ron Popeil and Ronco and his products at the Cultural Center in 2004, I was scrounging around an antique mall and I came across a beautiful kitchen device, exceptionally designed. And on the label it read 'Popeil, Chicago.'" His hands emerged from the cabinet cradling a cheap-looking plastic bowl. He continued:



"Well, of course I knew Popeil. I grew up watching his ads for the Veg-O-Matic and Pocket Fisherman. So I wrote him, wondering how he made this stuff." He pulled out long white plastic whisks, which he fixed to the bowl.

Then continued: "Anyway, his son calls back, and I learn they came from a long line of pitchmen! Guys who sold wares on Maxwell Street — guys who knew the art of attracting a crowd who thought they had no interest in what was being sold." He pulled a plastic crank out of the cabinet and attached it to the bowl.

He looked at me with a goofy grin, pulled out a pitcher, pantomimed tossing in ingredients and fitted it flush to the bowl. "I love this stuff — I've collected 120 or so Popeil and Ronco products, but most are in storage, because ..." He looked around the small kitchen of his smallish Mies van der Rohe-designed apartment, which he shares with his wife, artist Barbara Koenen. He shrugged, winding the crank furiously. The whisks clacked inside the pitcher until he detached the pitcher and, with bravura, flipped it upside down, over his head.

"Behold!" Samuelson boomed. "The Whip-O-Matic!"

Then, quieter, shifting into historian mode: "See, the idea was that if there were food inside, it would be whipped so thick, it would not fall on my head." He apologized for not having actual food inside the pitcher.

He was riveting.

Samuelson knows how to sell you a history you thought you had no interest in buying. He has been obsessive about Chicago and its geniuses, curiosities and legacies for more than half a century; since 2002 he has served the city as a kind of embodiment of institutional knowledge. In fact, there are some who say Samuelson — Chicago's official cultural historian, unofficial Cultural Center curator, go-to resource for every outside (and inside) historian, pioneering cultural preservationist, self-taught authority on Midwestern architecture and all-around iconoclast — is the only decent thing left in Chicago government.

Daniel Schulman, director of visual arts for the Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events. said: "His thing is giving the city what it doesn't know it needs — you could argue he's the most essential staffer. I'm serious."

Others call him earnest, a history savant, the most entertaining fountain of information in the Midwest. John Vinci, the Chicago architect for whom Samuelson first worked professionally as a preservationist, told me: "Tim probably could have become an actor. He's shy, but when he gets onstage, ta da, he can hook you."

Like many reporters in Chicago, I have spoken to Samuelson once or twice (or 17,000 times), his ability to smartly summarize any quirk in Illinois history being irresistible. Geoffrey Baer, whose "Ask Geoffrey" history segments on WTTW's "Chicago Tonight" are a public TV mainstay, jokes that the feature should be renamed "Ask Geoffrey Who Then Calls the Cultural Center and Asks Tim Samuelson." But I had never spoken to Samuelson in person, so one spring morning, we met in the lobby of the Cultural Center. He launched into a walking tour, explaining how he led its restoration; how the terra cotta was painted over many times; how pulling up the center's ancient rug revealed a marble floor; how a sizable hole in the south entrance floor was found — a hole the size of an old bronze city seal, which was miraculously found

last winter in city storage, a perk of Samuelson's vast network of friends.

He crossed the hall to a photo of the old Chess Records headquarters on South Michigan Avenue, which probably would not be there were it not for his efforts.

In the 1980s, as a preservationist for the city's Commission on Chicago Landmarks, he initiated the push that gave the building landmark status. "The members were mystified. They wanted architectural significance, and well, 'Johnny B. Goode' was recorded there," he said. "I was raising nontraditional things. I tried to landmark a tree.

"I was never a fan of formal history: this means this, this date is important to know. I don't live by mystical concepts, but a place holds vibes, and pieces of places can hold that vibe. My job became learning how to amplify vibes."

Samuelson is the consummate Chicago booster. His office desk is positioned so he can admire at least three schools of local architecture and a Richard Hunt sculpture, and the desk itself is a salvaged reproduction of a Wright table ("so complex, you learn how Wright thought just by cleaning the dust out of its nooks," Samuelson said). The office, tucked in its quiet corner, is so full of artifacts that pieces of buildings spill into the hallway — it's one of the finest museums in Chicago, said cartoonist Chris Ware, a longtime friend of the historian.

Inside I noted: bronze reproductions of Midway Gardens sculptures; a microphone used on the WLS-AM "National Barn Dance" show; models of several water tanks; a souvenir paperweight for the first Ferris wheel; stage props from the artist Red Grooms; ancient floor arrows decommissioned from Marquette Building elevators; a schematic of a zeppelin; Samuelson's first record player (a Victrola); a full-size player piano (with original song scrolls); an original set of Lincoln Logs (invented by Wright's son, John); signs, abandoned in the Cultural Center lobby, made by homeless people ("That's a part of history, too"); an ashtray from the Lusitania; original artwork from Ware's "Building Stories" (signed, "With immeasurable respect"); an atlas bound in leather; McDonald's cups from the 1950s; an original drawing from Dick Tracy creator Chester Gould; many shelves stuffed with history volumes; Elwood Blues' room key from "The Blues Brothers"; and a chandelier winch.

But here's the thing: Samuelson doesn't hoard. He lends. He gives away artifacts often, particularly when he feels someone makes a connection with a piece.

But before we saint Samuelson, it should be said that the man has a skeleton in his closet, one that he cringes at even as he reveals it: He was born in Evanston. But, he is quick to add, he grew up in Rogers Park. His mother worked in a dress store, his father on the production of the Montgomery Ward catalogs.

He said he was mostly on his own as a kid and caught the history/architecture bug early, transfixed by the Carson Pirie Scott building, dreaming about the old gaslight fixtures that he learned had long since been removed from his grade school, Armstrong Elementary.

Though he would later lecture at Harvard, New York's Museum of Modern Art and the National Trust for Historic Preservation, Samuelson hated classrooms and said he mainly attended Roosevelt University to get

closer to its Adler & Sullivan-designed Auditorium Theatre.

Tim is so naturally shy and happy to be with his research and buildings," his wife said, "he had to work really hard, from a really young age, to figure out how to relate and convey things he was passionate about."

To walk with Samuelson through Chicago today is to still witness those idiosyncrasies and allegiances. At a frame shop, he charges an exhibition piece to a personal credit card; in a print shop, every assistant to the assistant waves to him warmly. On the street, he pays silent respect to buildings he admires, and habitually ignores others, crossing La Salle before reaching the site of the old Stock Exchange, his grudge against its 1972 demolition too difficult to let go.



At the 2015 event at which Samuelson was named a "Legendary Landmark" by Landmarks Illinois, he did not mention sites he helped landmark (Walt Disney's childhood home, the American School of Correspondence), or exhibitions he organized (on rooftop water tanks, teddy bears) or exhibitions yet to be staged (Chicago detectives, Greek diners).

Instead, he advocated for remaining naive, never growing up: "That's my secret." He argued that everyone, when needed, should simply step up and get his hands dirty.

Leave a real legacy. ■

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Tim Samuelson's short list for visitors is anything but ordinary:

Best bar: Forget the high rent district and head to Edgewater's Gino's North,"Chicago's Most Exquisite Cocktail Lounge" per its original owner, Frank Nichols, who opened it in 1940. Though attached to the CTA's Granville L Station, its superb Art Moderne décor has survived intact. *1111 W. Granville Ave.*

Best art experience: Hit Mana Contemporary in Pilsen, where Samuelson has a space for his impressive archive of historical materials. Once a Commonwealth Edison service building, complete with a grand gothic tower, the landmark is now a burgeoning art center 2233 S. Throop St., *manacontemporarychicago.com*

Best diner: Another Pilsen treasure is the Steak 'N Egger, complete with authentic 1970s diner décor and super-bright, Edward Hopper-style night lighting. The 24/7 spot spots a kicky sign that says "We Doze But Never Close;" has great food; and servers that call you "hon." *1174 W. Cermak Rd.*

Best watering hole: Pilsen joint Skylark is known for its deep cash-only bar and craft beers, great pub food, live music and formidable men's room porcelain urinals. It's believed to be the City's oldest watering hole. It's not surprising considering the provenance of the sturdy red brick 1910 two-flat that houses the bar. It was designed by architects Huehl & Schmid, best known for Medinah Temple. *2149 S. Halsted St.*

— Lisa Skolnik



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Where those in the know get the goods

By **Noah Zagor** | Chicago Tribune

Snag standout menswear from an underground source

► If you're looking to score the perfect jacket or new pair of sneakers to upgrade your look, duck into RSVP Gallery, the Bucktown basement shop owned by Chicago tastemakers — and Kanye West cohorts —Virgil Abloh and Don C..

Clients including Pharrell Williams turn to RSVP for a sharply edited selection of exclusive pieces from today's most interesting designers: t-shirts from cult Japanese streetwear label Undercover, limited edition Nike sneakers and head-turning looks from menswear superstar Raf Simons. *1753 N Damen Ave., rsvpgallery.com*

Get the facial that gives models their glow

► Of course models have skincare secrets — nobody looks that good without a little help. In Chicago, one source of that skin-saving assistance is hidden away on the 6th floor of a building in the Gold Coast. Donna TKNM, the owner of Astor Street Salon, analyzes and tends to Chicago's winter-wearied skin with a range of personalized treatments she tailors to clients, including those sent her way by the city's modeling agencies. *1300 N Astor Place, 312-751-9522*

RSVP Gallery, Getty photos



Score a new old watch

The right timepiece can become your style calling card — think Steve McQueen and his square faced, blue dialed Heuer Monaco Chronograph, or James Bond and his iconic Rolex Submariner. To get your own dash of classic style, head to Howard Frum Jewelers, in the Mallers Building on Jewelers Row. Sure, there's a wide array of new watches to ogle over, but it's the massive collection of vintage watches that really sets this place apart. Howard, who has run his store for over 40 years, will bowl you over with encyclopedic knowledge of all things horological and may just help you find the character-defining watch of your dreams.

5 S Wabash Avenue, howardfrum.com

Pick up your bouquets where interior designers do

Stepping into Green is like stepping into another world. From the outside, this corner store seems like any old-school neighborhood florist, but once inside, you'll find yourself transported. Containers bursting with giant roses, peonies and exotic blooms jostle for space with a curated selection of planters, African art, and other curiosities. Green is a long standing favorite of in-the-know locals, who turn to owner Luke Carroll to offer expert advice on the perfect botanicals.

1718 N Wells Street, 312-266-2806



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How to order what's not on the menu

By **Joseph Hernandez, Phil Vettel and Louisa Chu**
Chicago Tribune

In Chicago, some specialties of the house are available only to those in the know.

Luckily, we've cracked the code on three of the best:

◄ *The Guapachosa*

At Scofflaw in Logan Square, there's a secret sandwich they've limited to only five customers a day. It's called the guapachosa, a monster of a sandwich that's an homage to Pilsen torta purveyor Dona Torta Chilanga, which offers a dizzying number of tortas named after futbol (soccer) stars. The original sandwich is a behemoth of protein — breaded and fried steak, thinly sliced ham, a quartered Mexican hot dog, mayonnaise and white cheese, sandwiched in a squishy bolillo roll. Scofflaw's version is much the same, featuring every protein on the bar's menu that day stuffed into a pillowy bun. Past iterations have featured chicken liver mousse, griddled sliced ham, a burger patty, a saucy chicken cutlet, slaw, bacon, pickled red onion, fried pickles and aioli, but seasonality ultimately dictates its

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contents. Have your doctor on speed dial.

3201 W. Armitage Ave., 773-252-9700, scofflawchicago.com — J.H.

Black and blue

Most steakhouse guests order their steaks rare, medium-rare or medium (anything beyond that is an affront to prime beef), but there is an option known to relatively few aficionados: Black and blue. A black-and-blue steak has a drastically charred exterior (giving the steak a certain burnt-charcoal accent) while maintaining a cold, rare center. It's not the easiest effect to create, requiring intense heat and perfect timing. Over at Gene & Georgetti, managing partners Michelle Nicole Durpetti and Rich Ciota say the River North steakhouse averages one or two black-and-blue orders per night. "To deliver," Durpetti says, "we use extremely high radiant-heat broilers and raise the grate closer to the heat source, charring the outside while the inside stays rare."

500 N. Franklin St. 312-527-3718, geneandgeorgetti.com — P.V.

Secret eggroll

At North Park's Mee Mah, owners Sandy and William Wong are related to the family that owned the famed Kow Kow restaurant, a legendary Chicago restaurant founded in 1949 but closed in 2015, where the battered, peanut butter-filled egg rolls developed a cult following. Mee Mah, in the meantime, has been making its own secret, off-the-menu egg roll ($2.50), batter dipped then twice



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It's not the easiest effect to create, requiring intense heat and perfect timing.

fried. They've been working on the recipe for the past year, with a filling of napa instead of standard cabbage, and yes, peanut butter. ■

4032 W. Peterson Ave., 773-539-2277, meemahrestaurant.com — L.C.

HOT DOG WIZARDRY

Secret variations on Chicago classic

The Bakery at Fat Rice
Chicago hot dog bun: The Fat Rice spin on this Chinatown classic (hot dog bao, available at many Chinese bakeries) is all about the details: For starters, the pastry (spangled with poppy seeds and celery salt, of course) is made of Portuguese sweet dough.
2957 W. Diversey Ave., 773-661-9170, eatfatrice.com



Dona Torta
Perritos Mexicanos: Served as appetizers, these little doggies are not for the faint of heart (or stomach): A crispy, mustard-daubed tortilla houses an unholy melange of hot dogs, bacon and cheese.
3331 W. 26th St. and 5750 N. California Ave., 773-257-0000

Rapidito Colombian Street Food
Rapidito dog: Inspired by the late-night street vendors of Colombia, Rapidito slings some seriously outlandish sausages. Their signature brat comes piled high with cheese, crushed potato chips and hard-boiled quail eggs.
1855 W. Diversey Parkway, 773-857-3999

Rocky's Tacos
Tortas futboleras: Known for their "gigante" tortas, many of them named for Mexican soccer stars, Rocky's makes use of both traditional Mexican sausage (chorizo) and all-American franks (listed on the menu as "salchicha"). Some sandwiches, like the Ro-Ro-Ro, even marry the two.
7043 N. Clark St., 773-274-4555, and 3111 W. Montrose Ave., 773-604-5067, rockystacos.com
— John Hardberger

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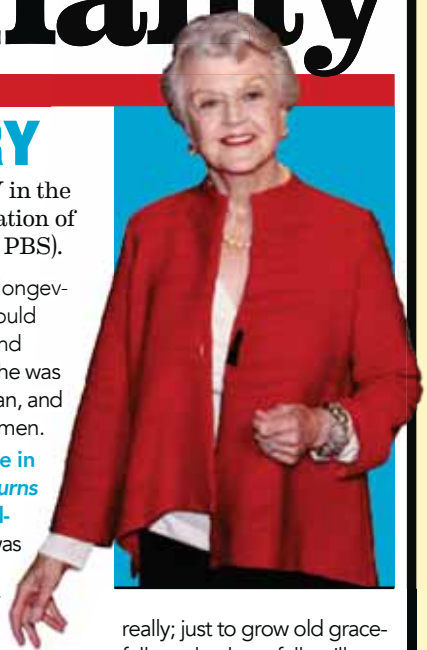
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WALTER SCOTT ASKS

ANGELA LANSBURY

The *Murder, She Wrote* star, 92, returns to TV in the role of Aunt March in the Masterpiece adaptation of Louisa May Alcott's *Little Women* (May 13 on PBS).



Why is *Little Women* still popular? It's a universal story. In the case of [these] women, it has a certain quality that appeals to us today.

Tell us about Aunt March. She was an eccentric, with her parrot, the way she ran her life and the way she doled out little bits of help to her nieces. She was a victim of her times, but she does the right thing at the end, even though she was a tough old broad along the way.

What was it about your *Murder, She Wrote* character, Jessica Fletcher, that gave her a 12-season run? I didn't want her to be a character—I wanted her to be every woman. I think that's what gave her the longevity. Every woman could connect with her, and every man could. She was a strong, real woman, and men like that in women.

You're going to be in *Mary Poppins Returns* (Dec. 25) as the balloon lady. Well, it was just a lovely, brief moment at the very end. I get to sing a sweet song. I have a little scene with Mary Poppins [Emily Blunt] herself, so that made it very worthwhile. I took my granddaughter to England [during filming] and we had a wonderful time.

Is there something you still hope to accomplish? Not really; just to grow old gracefully and to hopefully still be able to bring something positive to the lives around me, and to be remembered as an OK gal. I have a wonderful family. Being around them is the most exciting thing I'm involved in at the present time.

Which of her many roles was the closest to the real "her"?
Go to ***Parade.com/lansbury*** to find out.

Melissa McCarthy is the *Life of the Party*



McCarthy goes back to school in *Life of the Party* (May 11) as Deanna, who returns to college after being dumped by her husband. McCarthy, 47, whose other films include *Ghostbusters* and *The Boss*, says, "At way too early an age, people are like, 'We're done.' So this is all about restarting the clock."

George Clooney's High-Class Hotel



For almost nine decades, the Carlyle has been the home away from home for many of the world's most famous (and beautiful) people who visit Manhattan. The star-studded new big-screen documentary *Always at the Carlyle* (May 11) takes viewers inside, alongside such stars as Clooney, 57, who says the luxury manor "isn't just a place you come and lay your head."



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5 THINGS

Annette Bening & *The Seagull*



Bening, 59, turns to the classics for her next film, the tragicomedy *The Seagull* (May 11), based on the 1895 play by Russian dramatist Anton Chekhov. It's about a group of friends gathered for a summer weekend in the countryside, and they're all in love—with someone who loves someone else. Here are five facts about the four-time Oscar-nominated actress.



1. She made her acting debut in a junior high production of *The Sound of Music*.
2. Bening had to turn down the role of Catwoman in *Batman Returns* (1992)—which went to Michelle Pfeiffer—due to pregnancy.
3. Her 26-year marriage (to Warren Beatty) is a rarity in Hollywood.
4. She once spent a year on a charter boat, working as a cook.
5. She's a true-crime documentary junkie.

Is the new Showtime series *Patrick Melrose* based on all of the novels in the series by Edward St. Aubyn? *—Danielle T., Austin, Texas*

A: Each of the five episodes of the drama *Patrick Melrose*, starring Benedict Cumberbatch in the title role, will be based on a different novel in the acclaimed series by St. Aubyn about a self-loathing upper-class Englishman who was abused as a child. Cumberbatch, 41, who won an Emmy for TV's *Sherlock*, says the Showtime series (May 12) reminds us "of the damage that can be done to innocence and how to try to understand that, repair it and help victims become survivors and progress with their lives."



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BOOKS WE LOVE

PAULA McLAIN PICKS





The *Paris Wife* author again taps Hemingway—this time with his third wife, writer Martha Gellhorn—in ***Love and Ruin*** (Ballantine Books), **$28.** Here are three reads the novelist couldn't put down.



Tangerine (Ecco), **$27**, by Christine Mangan
"The setting—Tangier, 1956—is tense and transporting. I was mesmerized!"

The Child Finder (Harper), **$26**, by Rene Denfeld
"Denfeld delivers an emotional wallop as well as page-turning suspense."

A Separation (Riverhead), **$16**, by Katie Kitamura
"Fascinating, artful and atmospheric."

Visit ***Parade.com/mclain*** to read about Hemingway and Gellhorn's first meeting.

Available at bookstores and online

STILL BELIEVIN'



In ***Don't Stop Believin': The Man, the Band, and the Song That Inspired Generations*** (Zondervan), **$27**, keyboardist and songwriter Jonathan Cain shares his story of highs and lows in and out of the mega-popular band Journey.

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Stay Healthy

WHAT IT'S LIKE TO BE AN ALZHEIMER'S CAREGIVER

For every one of the 5.5 million U.S. adults who have Alzheimer's disease or another form of cognitive decline, there's a person working tirelessly to care for them. We asked three caregivers to share their stories. **By Marygrace Taylor**

DAN GASBY: LEARN TO LIVE WITH UNPREDICTABILITY

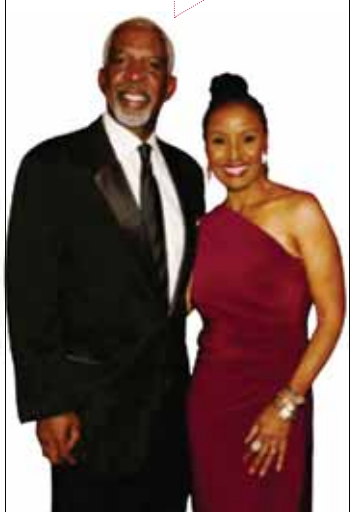
"I could look across the room and read her eyes and her body language without seeing her mouth move."

That's the way 64-year-old Gasby describes his relationship with his wife, the restaurateur and former model B. Smith, before she was diagnosed with early-onset Alzheimer's five years ago at age 63.

Now Gasby gets up early in their East Hampton, N.Y., home to have some quiet time and plan out the logistics of their day. Sometimes he can help Smith bathe, get dressed and eat breakfast in 45 minutes. Other days, it might take twice that long. The woman he could once read like a book has become unpredictable. "Every day, I know I'm going to go through a range of emotions, from her hating me and calling me names to her thanking me for being there," he says.

Though Gasby will sometimes lose his patience—and later will feel terribly guilty—he keeps on doing the best

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Dan Gasby and B. Smith in 2015

he can. Smith is still the woman that he loves, he says, "and I know if it was in reverse, she would do the same for me."

ROSITA PEREZ: SOMETIMES YOU'LL FEEL LIKE A FAILURE (BUT YOU'RE NOT!)

Learning how to be a caregiver for her mother, Isabel, wasn't easy. "I had to tread lightly," says Perez, who was in her early 20s when her mom was diagnosed with Alzheimer's in 2003 at age 60. When Isabel grew fearful of water, Perez, who lives in Paulsboro, N.J., put a playful spin on bath time. "I'd tell her we had to get dolled up to go out."

Isabel eventually moved in with her daughter, then came to the orthotics lab Perez manages, with the company's permission. When Perez finally had to put her in a nursing home, "I felt like I had failed," she says.

Perez eventually found invaluable support through the Alzheimer's Association 24/7 Helpline, and she knew she had to pay that gift forward. Even though her mother died in 2016, Perez continues to speak on behalf of the association. "The most important thing is just to be available for caregivers," she says. "Come over so they can go out and grab a bite to eat. Little things like that mean a lot."

JANICE JONES*: GETTING SUPPORT CHANGES EVERYTHING

When Jones' husband, John, was diagnosed with Lewy body dementia (a form of dementia accompanied by symptoms of Parkinson's disease) in 2013, she worried about whether she'd be able to care for him. So she started researching as much as she could and joined an online support group for spouses.

Now she has the tools to diffuse difficult situations, like when John, 74, has an angry outburst. "I'll immediately stop what I'm doing and redirect him. He likes to play Yahtzee or Phase 10 together, or I'll tell him about a good memory," she says. When she's stressed, she texts her daughter or son, who will reply right away with something to make her laugh.

Jones, 72, doesn't deny that caring for her husband can be exhausting. And even though LBD has changed their relationship, not every change has been for the worse. "At first he wasn't appreciative of what I did. He was angry he couldn't do it himself," she says. "Now he expresses how much he appreciates our lives together. There's a softer side to him that I never knew before."

**Name has been changed for privacy*

How can I prevent caregiver burnout?

A. Caring for someone with Alzheimer's is highly stressful. To make life more comfortable for you and your loved one, build more structure into your days and let go of some of your expectations. A schedule that doesn't change much from day to day tends to make people with Alzheimer's less agitated. Plan meals, errands and bedtimes for the same times, and do tasks in the same order.

Resist the urge to correct a loved one who keeps forgetting what day it is or how to work the TV. It's less stressful for them (and you) if you let them make mistakes, or deflect the conversation to a different topic. If you're feeling burned out (and even if you're not), it's important to ask for help and take time for yourself.

—Cleveland Clinic neurologist Jagan Pillai, M.D.

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1. Summer of 1966
"Summer in the City," The Lovin' Spoonful

Hot town, summer in the city…

a. Dressing so fine and looking so pretty
b. And babe, don't you know it's a pity
c. Back of my neck getting dirty and gritty

2. Summer of 1987
"I Wanna Dance With Somebody," Whitney Houston

I need a man who'll take a chance...

a. and really loves to dance
b. on a love that burns hot enough to last
c. on a heart that's built to last

3. Summer of 1991
"(Everything I Do) I Do It for You," Bryan Adams

Look into my eyes, you will see…

a. the beginning of you and me
b. what you mean to me
c. how much you mean to me

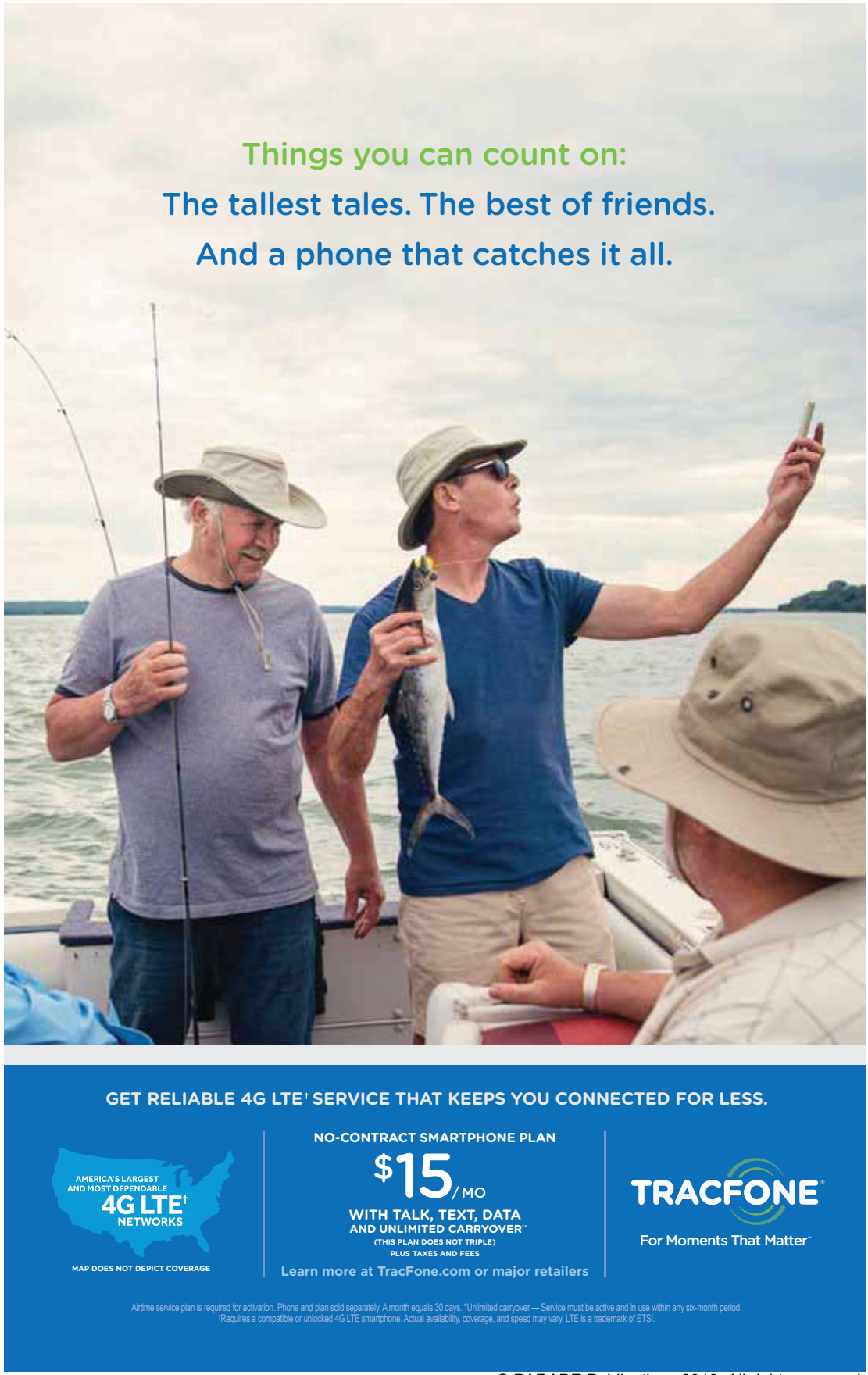
4. Summer of 2015
"Photograph," Ed Sheeran

So you can keep me…

a. inside the pocket of your ripped jeans
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c. next to your heartbeat where I should be

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What America Eats

Citrusy grilled salmon from Joanna Gaines' new cookbook, *Magnolia Table*, is a delicious way to welcome grilling season. "This is one of our favorites," says Gaines, who co-hosted HGTV's *Fixer Upper* with her husband, Chip, and is mom to a brood of four (with one on the way). "It brings out the salmon's savory sweetness."

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Grilled Salmon With Meyer Lemons and Creamy Cucumber Salad

- 4 (6-oz) skin-on wild-caught salmon fillets (king and sockeye are great varieties for the grill)
- ½ cup extra-virgin olive oil, plus more for grilling
- 4–5 lemons (Meyer or regular), divided
- 5 tsp minced fresh dill, divided
- 4 tsp pink or regular sea salt, divided
- ½ cup mayonnaise
- ½ cup sour cream
- ½ tsp freshly ground black pepper
- 2 English cucumbers, peeled in strips, halved and cut into ¼-inch dice

1. Brush skin side of fillets with oil. In a small bowl, combine ½ cup oil, 1 Tbsp lemon zest, juice of 2 lemons, 1 Tbsp dill and 1 Tbsp salt. Pour mixture into a shallow dish; add fillets skin side up. Cover; refrigerate 1 hour.

2. To make the salad, in a medium bowl, whisk together mayonnaise, sour cream, 1 Tbsp lemon juice, 1 tsp dill, 1 tsp salt and pepper. Fold in cucumbers until coated. Taste and adjust juice and salt. Cover and refrigerate up to 2 hours.

3. Preheat grill to medium-high. Lightly oil grill grate.

4. Place fillets skin side down on grill; brush with marinade. Cover and cook without flipping 10–12 minutes or until desired degree of doneness. Thinly slice 1–2 lemons; brush both sides with oil. Grill 1–2 minutes per side or until grill marks appear.

5. Arrange fish on a serving platter or 4 individual plates. Top each fillet with 1–2 grilled lemon slices; sprinkle evenly with remaining dill. Serve with cucumber salad. **Serves 4**.

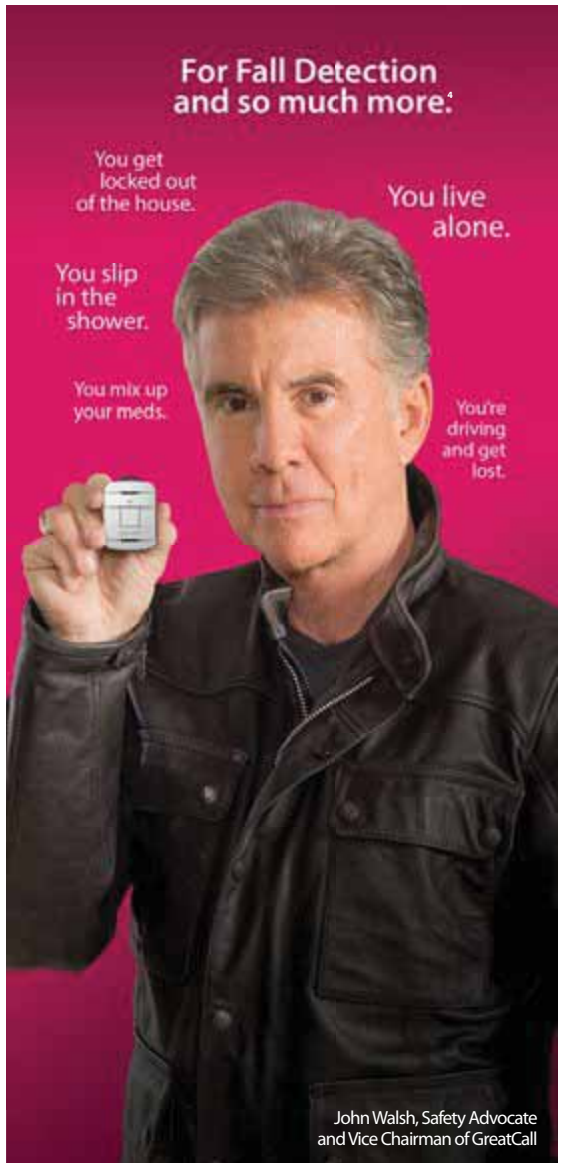
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ROYAL WEDDINGS TO REMEMBER



MEGHAN MARKLE AND PRINCE HARRY

Since His Royal Highness Prince Henry of Wales, better known as Prince Harry, and American actress Rachel Meghan Markle announced their engagement on Nov. 27, 2017, the world has been all a-tizzy.

"People can't get enough of this story," says *Harry: Life, Loss, and Love* author Katie Nicholl. "It's a modern royal fairy tale."

They had been dating for about a year and a half, a period when Harry, 33, now sixth in line to the English crown, was determined to keep their relationship out of the press. He only broke his silence about Meghan, 36, once, in a remarkable statement condemning the "racial undertones" in the British media's coverage of her ethnicity. (She is biracial; her mother is African-American and her father is white.)

Harry's passionate defense of his girlfriend—along with their apparent affection and shared dedication to worthy causes—hinted that a royal wedding could be in the cards.

When they met, Meghan was a well-regarded actress on TV's legal drama *Suits*. The world was instantly charmed by the pair's obvious ease with each other. In an interview, when asked to describe the evening of the proposal, Meghan said they were at home in Harry's cottage roasting chicken, which Harry sheepishly amended to "trying to roast a chicken."



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Meghan and her mother, Doria Ragland

THE DETAILS	May 19, 2018	12 p.m. Greenwich Mean Time (7 a.m. ET)	St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle	The town of Windsor is about 20 miles west of London's Buckingham Palace

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THE HATS

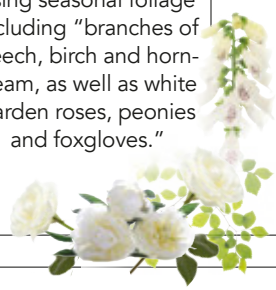
Fancy hats are all the rage among the royals and the British upper class, from the queen's sunny choice for Prince William's wedding to the **fascinator**, a type of very decorative headgear worn on festive occasions. The eccentric topper—variously compared to a pretzel, an octopus and a toilet seat—worn by Princess Beatrice to her cousin William's wedding later sold at auction, raising £81,000 ($130,000) for charity.



Go to ***Parade.com/fascinators*** for a gallery of royal hats.

FLOWERS

London floral designer Philippa Craddock will create displays for St. George's Chapel using seasonal foliage including "branches of beech, birch and hornbeam, as well as white garden roses, peonies and foxgloves."



THE MAID OF HONOR



Kate Middleton went the untraditional route when she had her sister, **Pippa**, serve as her maid of honor. Royal brides typically don't have attendants. If Meghan were to choose a maid of honor, Canadian stylist Jessica Mulroney or college friend Lindsay Roth—Meghan was Lindsay's maid of honor in 2016—are at the top of the list. Another possible break in tradition: Meghan's mother, Doria Ragland, may walk her down the aisle.



TIARA



If Meghan wears a tiara, like those worn by Diana, Kate and the queen on special occasions, it could be the **Lotus Flower** (worn by the Queen Mother, left, when she was Duchess of York). The Queen Mum later gave it to her daughter Princess Margaret, who said the crown with the graduated pinnacles topped with a single pearl was her favorite.

THE WEDDING DRESS

"Meghan wants lace incorporated into her wedding dress," says author Katie Nicholl. "She feels that it needs to be traditional because she's marrying against the very regal and historic backdrop that is Windsor Castle, so the dress needs to reflect the grandeur of the occasion."

Details remain under lock and key, but possible designers include Erdem Moralioglu (Meghan is a fan), Roland Mouret (a friend of Meghan's and a fave of Kate's), Ralph & Russo (made Meghan's engagement dress) and Stewart Parvin (one of the queen's favorites).

THE RING



Harry designed Meghan's **engagement ring** using two diamonds from Princess Diana's personal collection to ensure his mother would be "with us on this crazy journey together." The third and biggest diamond was sourced from Botswana, which Harry has called his "refuge" in the years after Diana's death.



THE SUIT

William was in full Irish Guards regalia on his wedding day, so Harry may opt for the **captain's uniform** of his regiment, the Household Cavalry's Blues and Royals, or the uniform of Captain General Royal Marines (he was recently appointed to this position by the queen). But royal-watcher Penny Junor told *Elle UK*, "My hunch is Harry will wear **morning dress** [a suit] because it is going to be relatively low-key compared with his brother's wedding. He is essentially a very informal sort of guy."

DRESS CODE

Uniform, morning coat or lounge suit, or day dress with hat.

VOWS

Lady Diana refused to say that she would "obey" Prince Charles, which had been part of the traditional wedding vows. Thirty years later, Kate Middleton also declined to vow that she would obey Diana's son. Meghan will almost certainly follow suit. The Archbishop of Canterbury will preside over the vows and the Dean of Windsor, the spiritual head of St. George's Chapel, will perform the service.

TITLE

Once married, the couple will be given a new title. Although it's not official, a frontrunner is the Duke and Duchess of Sussex.



THE COST

The celebration is estimated to cost £32 million ($45 million), with the majority of that dedicated to security costs, as was the case for Harry's brother, Prince William, and his bride, Kate Middleton (£27 million/$34 million).

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THE BEST MAN



Best bet: **Prince William** (Harry was his best man in 2011).
Longshot: a former army buddy.

CAKE

A lemon and elderflower cake will be baked by pastry chef Claire Ptak.

GIFTS

Instead of gifts, Harry and Meghan are asking guests to donate to a list of charities they've carefully chosen. The humanitarian efforts range from the Children's HIV Association (CHIVA), which supports children who have HIV and their families across the U.K. and Ireland, to a marine conservation effort called Surfers Against Sewage. Go to ***Parade.com/gifts*** for the complete list.

CUTENESS OVERLOAD

Kate and William's elder two children, **Prince George** and **Princess Charlotte**, will almost certainly have roles as page boy and flower girl.





THE PARTY

Following the ceremony, the newlyweds will tour the town of Windsor in a horse-drawn carriage, where thousands of well-wishers will line the streets, on their way to a reception hosted by Queen Elizabeth II in the grand St. George's Hall. That evening, Prince Charles takes over, welcoming 200 of his son and daughter-in-law's close family and friends for an intimate evening affair at **Frogmore House**, a 17th-century royal estate adjoining Windsor Castle.

HONEYMOON

Best bet: Botswana.

The couple has described a 2016 five-day safari trip to the African nation as the time when they really got to know each other. Another return trip would re-create the time when they first fell in love: camping in the African wilderness, sleeping under the stars.

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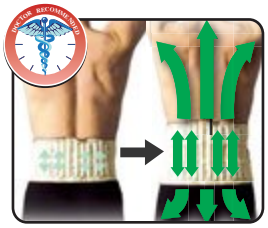
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AMERICA'S FIRST PRINCESS

The marriage of Academy Award–winning American actress Grace Kelly and Monaco's Prince Rainier III set the template for all future royal weddings. Grace was truly America's first princess. Famous for her roles in *Rear Window*, *Dial M for Murder* and *The Country Girl*, she was 26 when she retired from movies to marry Rainier, 32, and take the title of Princess of Monaco.



The world's media flocked to Monaco for the lavish two-day event: 1,800 reporters and photographers were waiting at the port when Grace sailed in on the ocean liner the S.S. *Constitution* with 80 pieces of luggage and her poodle, Oliver.

The week leading up to their wedding was a whirlwind of balls, firework displays and garden parties. On April 18, 1956, the pair married in a short civil ceremony in the Palace Throne Room of Monaco.

The Dress: The iconic Helen Rose–designed dress (said to have inspired Kate Middleton's gown) was a masterpiece of silk taffeta and antique lace with a fitted bodice, long sleeves and billowing skirt that took 30 seamstresses three weeks to make.



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THE WEDDING OF THE MILLENNIUM

Despite the 1980s extravagance—the gigantic meringue of a dress, Diana's outrageously smoky eye makeup, the ornate glass coach that delivered her to St. Paul's Cathedral—news clips of the marriage of Lady Diana Spencer to Charles, Prince of Wales on July 29, 1981, have a timeless quality. Perhaps this is because, looking back, we possess the sorrowful knowledge that her marriage to Charles was unhappy and her life was cut short when she was killed in a car crash at age 36.

Still, we can't help but share in that 20-year-old's hope and optimism as we re-watch her emerging from the carriage in that dress.

About 3,500 guests attended the ceremony itself, with first lady Nancy Reagan representing the United States.



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The Dress: David and Elizabeth Emanuel designed the famous gown with the huge puffed sleeves, 25-foot train (which got badly crushed in the carriage) and 10,000 hand-stitched pearls accenting the ivory silk taffeta and antique Carrickmacross lace that had belonged to Queen Mary.

The Tiara: The diamond-encrusted Spencer heirloom was so heavy it gave Diana a headache. *continued on page 16*

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A FUTURE KING TIES THE KNOT



The celebration of Catherine Middleton and Prince William's marriage on April 29, 2011, is impossible to forget—from the revelation of the top-secret dress to the aisle of Westminster Abbey lined with 20-foot trees.

Queen Elizabeth II wore the brightest shade of primrose yellow, and maid of honor **Pippa Middleton** wore an ivory dress that caused a sensation with its figure-hugging form. In 2014, Pippa admitted that the dress may "have fitted a little too well," joking, "As I have found out, recognition has its upside, its downside and—you may say—its backside."

The Dress: A closely guarded secret right up until the moment Kate got out of her car at Westminster Abbey, the Sarah Burton for Alexander McQueen–designed gown incorporated both traditional and modern elements.

Notably similar in style to Princess Grace's gown, with its Victorian-style lace bodice, long sleeves and a princess-y skirt of ivory satin gazar, one difference was the train, which at nine feet was relatively short compared to the trains on Grace's and Diana's gowns.

The Tiara: The Cartier Halo Scroll diamond-and-platinum tiara was loaned by the queen for the occasion.



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Sunday With... STEVEN TYLER

The Aerosmith frontman, who turned 70 this year, is like no septuagenarian we know.

By M.B. Roberts



The Rock and Roll Hall of Famer has a new documentary about his move into country music, *Steven Tyler: Out on a Limb*, opening the Nashville Film Festival on May 10 (available on VOD and digital HD May 15). Then he's off on a solo tour of North America and Europe. Tyler talked to *Parade* about his big birthday bash, who inspires him and how he's going to live forever.

You celebrated your 70th in Maui. How was that? Well, it's Maui and papayas and hula girls and sunshine. It's beautiful. My partner, Aimee [Preston], threw a party for me beyond belief. I thought I was at Cirque du Soleil. There were girls that had wings walking around on stilts. There was Stevie Nicks, Mick Fleetwood . . . unbelievable.

How do you feel about turning 70? Well, I know I'm going to live forever, but . . . [laughs]. I had a title for a song once called "20 Summers." The guys in the band said, "What does that mean?" I said, "Well, it's all I've got left." That's a grim way of looking at it. I fill up every day, so in a sense I don't feel the number; 70 is the new 50. If you go to the doctor and eat the right food, you can live a long time. Now watch, I'll probably drop dead tomorrow.

What were Sundays like for you growing up in New York? When my aunt, uncle, grandma, grandfather and my sister, mother and father and I all sat at the table together, we would talk all over each other. Being Italians, we always spoke our feelings. We watched movies in the afternoon, and you're supposed to be off, it's God's day, but it was the day that I washed all the cars. And we always had ice cream. It was the greatest.

What's a typical Sunday like now? When I'm on tour, it's my day off. It's great to do the big nothing. If I get to just sleep in, order room service and go to the movies, I'm a very lucky guy.

Tell us about *Out on a Limb*. Much of it is about making your solo country album, 2016's *We're All Somebody From Somewhere*. I'd never done a solo record. The rest of the guys in Aerosmith did; Joe [Perry] did six. I finally took it upon myself and drove everyone crazy. I moved to Nashville, met a bunch of songwriters and [producer/songwriter] T Bone Burnett and asked if he'd be willing to produce this record with me. I wanted to do an outlaw country–type album, to write like Waylon Jennings and Hank Williams Jr. and Merle Haggard.

The story is to be continued? Right. We [Aerosmith] are still on tour. I'm going out with my country band [The Loving Mary Band]. We're still kicking ass. I rarely have a day off.

And that's fine with you? That's where I come from. It's really about just being a songwriter and having to come up with these imaginary places that you sing about that get people out of the place they're in. I think I've done it well—it's been such a trip.

Visit ***Parade.com/tyler*** to read about his night at Paul McCartney's house.

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And his grandkids: daughter Liv's kids, Milo, 13, Sailor, 3, and Lula, nearly 2; and daughter Mia's son, Ax, nearly 1.

All-time favorites Jerry Lee Lewis, Elvis Presley, the Everly Brothers, Roy Orbison. "Everybody I listened to when I was younger."

Hero Janis Joplin. "She inspired me to be a rock star, to sing and to wear jewelry—just to have a voice."

Dream duet(s) Paul McCartney. "I was sitting with him the other day and said, 'I don't even know how to say this, but I've got a bunch of songs that I haven't finished that I'd love to play you.' Who hasn't said that to Paul McCartney?"

And Lorde. "There's a couple songs that I've written that are in the spirit of 'Dream On' and 'Seasons of Wither.' They're melodic, with a thing you can hang your hat on with feeling. I don't really know her, but that'd be fun."

Inspired by Dave Grohl ("one of the happiest people I know") and Oprah Winfrey ("She's just full of the dickens. She's met and talked to so many people and all their spiritualities rubbed off on her.")

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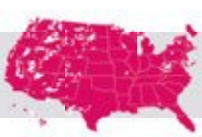
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