



Kavanaugh fight shifts to health care

Dems focus on Obamacare as GOP aims to soften pick's image

BY SARAH D. WIRE AND NOAH BIERSMAN
 Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — As President Donald Trump's Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh made the rounds Tuesday on Capitol Hill for what is likely to be a bitter confirmation battle, the early contours of the

partisan fight began to take shape.

Democrats, who had previously focused largely on legalized abortion, began shifting their focus to the threat Trump's pick might pose to the survival of the 2010 Affordable Care Act. Not only has health care proved to be a galvanizing force for the party's sup-

porters, it's far less divisive than abortion.

Republicans, meanwhile, are working to soften Kavanaugh's image as a political operative who has been at the center of some of the most partisan battles of the past two decades. The White House and its surrogates are instead drawing attention to the nominee's credentials and what they see as his commitment to women and diversity.

But both strategies face

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hurdles.

Trump introduced Kavanaugh, 53, as his selection to replace the retiring Justice Anthony Kennedy on Monday night. The fight now moves to the Senate, which must confirm the nominee.

With Sen. John McCain,

R-Ariz., absent for brain cancer treatment, Republicans hold a 50-49 advantage, leaving Kavanaugh's fate in the hands of a small group of moderates and fence-sitters from both political parties.

When Kennedy announced last month he would step down, Democrats quickly made abortion a central issue, because his replacement could shift the

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Brett Kavanaugh, if confirmed, would replace the retiring Anthony Kennedy.



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Nurse Laura Johnson gives a dose of the HPV vaccine to Abby Major, 13, at an Amita Health clinic in Hoffman Estates.

Pediatricians pressed to boost HPV vaccination

Some parents still uneasy; expert envisions 'eliminating a cancer'

BY KATE THAYER
 Chicago Tribune

In her children's pediatrician's office two years ago, Lockport mother Kelly DiFilippo declined the HPV vaccine for her eldest daughter, and "no one batted an eye," she said. But when it was time for her second daughter's

sixth-grade physical last winter, DiFilippo's refusal of the vaccine was met with a different reaction from the same doctor.

"My pediatrician said, 'I really want you to think about this,'" DiFilippo said. "She really kind of put the pressure on me."

As HPV vaccination rates continue to lag be-

hind other, less controversial immunizations, medical experts are urging pediatricians to stress the importance of the vaccine just as strongly as they do other shots and to tout the link to cancer prevention.

As part of the effort, the American Cancer Society is rolling out a public campaign this summer, pledging to eventually eradicate cancers related to HPV, a sexually transmitted disease, through use of the

vaccine for adolescents, as well as screenings for adults who came of age before it became available in 2006.

How doctors present the vaccine to patients — and their parents — is a key component of the campaign, said Debbie Saslow, senior director of HPV and women's cancers at the American Cancer Society, which will supply materi-

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Video of clash over flag shirt spurs criticism

Officer's response to harassment of woman scrutinized

BY MADELINE BUCKLEY, GREGORY PRATT, MATTHEW WALBERG AND PAIGE FRY
 Chicago Tribune

Fallout piled up swiftly Tuesday after a video went viral showing a man berating a woman for wearing a Puerto Rico shirt — and a nearby Forest Preserve District of Cook County officer seemingly ignoring her calls for help.

The officer in question has been placed on desk duty as an internal investigation progresses, a local congressman called for a federal probe into the matter and the video prompted multiple calls for the police officer to resign or be fired. Even the governor of Puerto Rico tweeted about it as views

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of the video approached the 2 million mark.

The June 14 incident at Caldwell Woods on Chicago's Far Northwest Side came to light Monday and also prompted an apology from Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, who later said she expressed her regrets in a phone call to Puerto Rican Gov. Ricardo Rossello.

In the video, a man — later identified in police reports as Timothy G. Trybus, 62 — demands to know why the woman is wearing a shirt displaying

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900 homes planned at former Ickes site

Mixed-income project may boost South Side boom



RYAN ORI
 On Real Estate

Eight years after the last building was demolished in the Harold L. Ickes Homes public housing development, an ambitious plan to build almost 900 mixed-income residences on the site is moving closer to reality.

The developers leading the long-awaited project hope to begin construction by early next year on

the vacant site in the South Loop where 11 high-rises that made up the Chicago Housing Authority complex once stood.

If the project gains zoning approval and kicks off in 2019, it would be a big step toward finally bringing the CHA's sweeping but oft-delayed Plan for Transformation to the finish line. The project, likely to cost hundreds of millions of dollars, also would contribute to a wave of on-going and planned real estate projects in the area where the South Loop, Bronzeville and Chinatown converge.

Planned for three construction phases, the entire 11-acre devel-

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Judge sides with cop, clears him in bar fight

Officer recently was victor in civil case over shooting

BY DAN HINKEL
 Chicago Tribune

A Cook County judge has acquitted Chicago police Officer Robert Rialmo of beating two men in a tavern in December while he was on desk duty for the controversial fatal shooting of two people.

Judge Daniel Gallagher on Tuesday cleared Rialmo on two counts of misdemeanor battery stemming from the fight captured on

video in a Far Northwest Side bar.

Rialmo had taken the stand to contend he punched the men in self-defense and defense of his property after one tried to take his jacket near closing time.

Gallagher cited facts supporting the self-defense argument in his brief ruling from the bench at the branch courthouse at Grand and Central avenues.

Among other factors, Gallagher noted that the jacket was Rialmo's and

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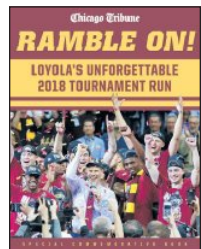
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Thanks to Democrats, President Donald Trump is shaping a conservative Supreme Court that may last for generations.



JOHN KASS

How to keep republic? With originalist justices

The best argument for the necessity of constitutional originalists on the Supreme Court is right before our eyes.

You can see it in the news, in our political discourse; you hear the shrieks of it everywhere: It's the hysteria of the American left over the loss of power over the nation's highest court. And now they've finally become quite unhinged.

President Donald Trump's nomination of conservative Judge Brett Kavanaugh has pushed them over the edge. Not all liberals are hysterical. Some are trying to be intellectually honest, in thanking those most responsible for Trump being able to shape the court: Like Harry Reid, the former Democratic Senate majority leader from Nevada. And former President Barack Obama, Democrat from Chicago.

It was Reid who blew up the old Senate filibuster rules to help Obama pack the federal courts with liberal judges.

Liberal Bloomberg pundit Albert R. Hunt advised Democrats to "look in the mirror."

"Democrats set the stage for their powerlessness to affect the court choice," Hunt wrote the other day, "and their reaction just deepens their political anguish."

When he was in the White House and his party was in control of Congress, Obama couldn't resist rubbing it in, like some Chicago political boss in a roomful of broken elbows. And he set the stage for all this a few years earlier, in a closed-door White House meeting with Republicans when Democrats had the power.

"Elections have consequences," he snapped, "and at the end of the day, I won."

Elections have consequences? Amazing.

And breaking established Senate precedent to serve short-term political goals like packing the lower courts with liberal judicial appointees has consequences too. And now Republicans hold the Senate.

These days, as Senate Democrats gnash their teeth and pull their hair

and their media friends announce the end of the world is at hand, there's only one thing missing: an inscription carved in stone, under the faces of Obama and Reid, with a line from a poem we read as children:

"Look on my works, ye mighty, and despair!"

I would lift a glass to such a touching monument. It would be a dry martini made of liberal tears. On the rocks, with three jalapeno/garlic olives — shaken, not stirred.

So tasty. But only one. Moderation in all things is best.

Unfortunately, moderation is an unknown concept to many Democrats now. But their outrage over the Kavanaugh appointment can be entertaining political theater, like those protesters who dressed up in costumes from "The Handmaid's Tale."

They wore those ridiculous potato chip bonnets and warned that the Supreme Court will soon transform all American women into breeders controlled by bloodless patriarchs.

Just a little bit over the top? Perhaps. Roe v. Wade isn't going to be overturned any time soon. Just screaming it out doesn't mean you understand how things work. At least those potato chip bonnets were nice.

But there's another side of the face of the left, a face of rage worthy of Mr. Hyde. And it howls that America is a monstrous nation and that an orange-haired demon has turned us into the country of the damned.

That's a bit over the top, too, no?

The rage is driven by the realization that Trump, who, without a conservative bone in his body, is governing as a conservative, with cuts to taxes and government regulation and a strict enforcement of borders.

And he's shaping a conservative Supreme Court that may last for generations, thanks to the Harry Reid rules that Democratic senators, from Charles Schumer of New York to Dick Durbin of Illinois, were only too eager to use when they had juice.

All this is just too much for the left. It has finally dawned on them that they've lost the Supreme Court.

For decades, the left couldn't get

what they wanted through legislation, so they used activist courts to push their agenda instead.

Kavanaugh was the safe choice, a child of Washington, a loyalist in the George W. Bush White House, a conservative recruited by liberal Supreme Court Justice Elena Kagan to teach the law at Harvard. And he was an altar boy, and has a beautiful family, and feeds the poor.

Good luck, Sen. Durbin. Perhaps you can ask Kavanaugh if he, too, is an "orthodox Catholic."

When Kavanaugh is confirmed, the left will no longer be able to rely on demigods in black robes to make law from the bench.

Instead, Democrats will have to push policy agendas the old-fashioned way, through legislation in statehouses and in Congress, after convincing the American people of the rightness and reason of their policies.

Once they get legislation passed, they'll have to get it signed into law and hope such law is consistent with the Constitution.

What's wrong with that? Nothing. I don't want the Supreme Court to give me a victory over those with whom I disagree. All I want is for the court to interpret the Constitution as it was written, as it was intended, to protect all our liberties, not just those on one side or the other depending on the political whims of the moment.

The Constitution is what protects us from our own passions and politics. Isn't that what's best for the country?

Persuading your fellow Americans to join you in pursuit of legislation — hashing things out, compromising and building consensus so that half the country doesn't feel it has been tricked and betrayed — is the best way.

It is the way our republic was designed. Our republic, if we can keep it.

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Just back from vacation? An etiquette guide



MARY SCHMICH

Summer is prime vacation season, which means that it's full of people coming home after getting away.

The following is a short guide for these returning vacationers.

Don't brag about how great your vacation was. When I was growing up, my family didn't take vacations. There were 10 of us and very little money, and so during the sweltering months when school was out, we stayed put.

When September rolled around, we went back to school and listened to other kids talk about their family road trips, visits to the family cabin or time in a rented beach house.

I didn't begrudge other kids their vacations, and even look back fondly at the tedium of my childhood summers, so rich in time to read.

But I was always a little embarrassed that I didn't have a vacation tale to share when school resumed, and my memory of those back-to-school vacation stories has made me sensitive to the fact that not everyone can take a vacation.

Even those who can may not want to hear about the fabulous vacations of others.

So remember: There may be a few people eager for all the gushing details of your time off, but many would prefer a pithy "It was fun!" followed by "And how have you been?"

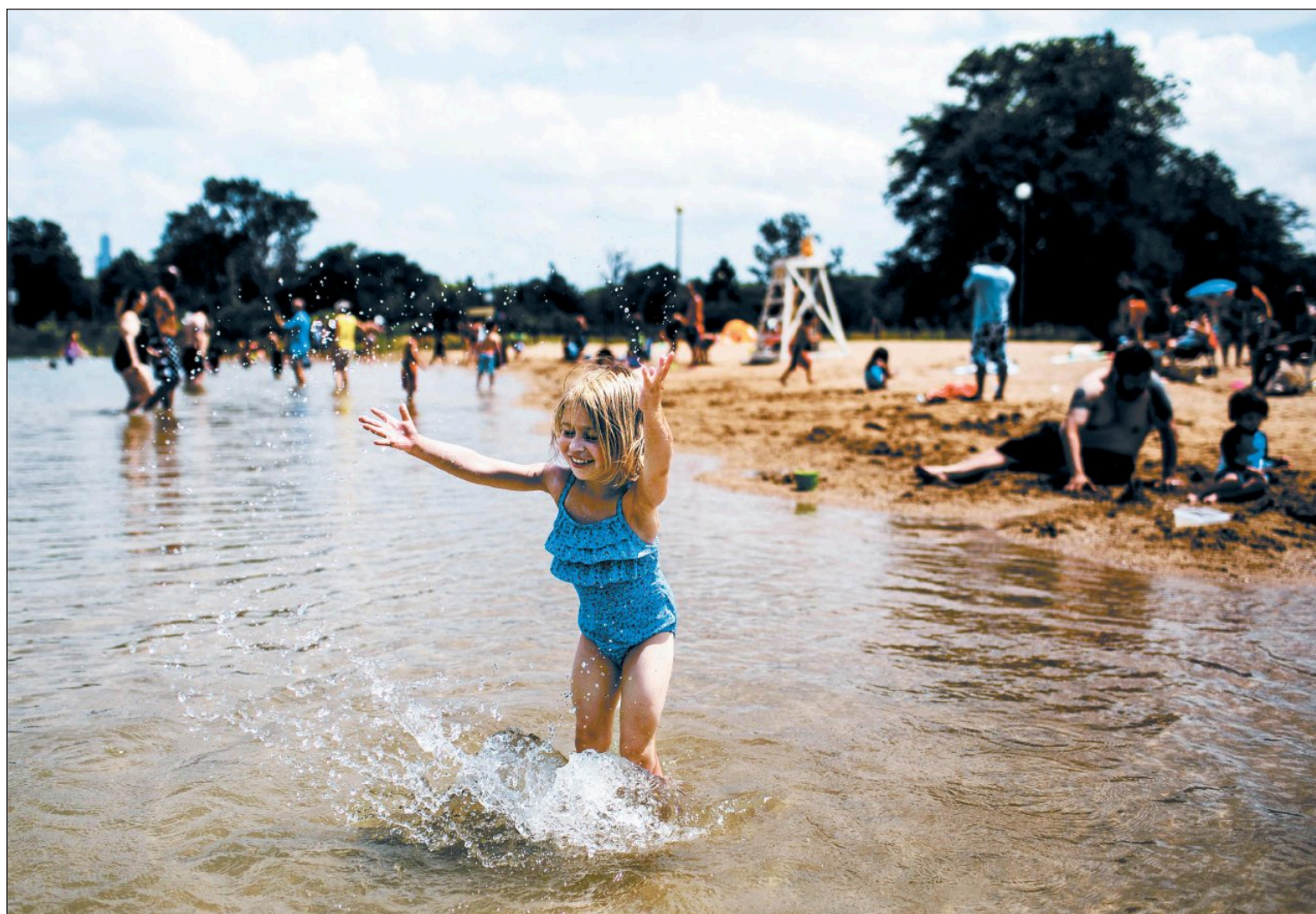
Be brief. "How was your vacation?"

When you return from vacation, polite people will ask you this question, and you may take it as license to describe everything, good and bad: every meal, hotel or campground, every dirty rental car and credit card snafu.

Resist the urge.

Other people's vacations are like their dietary habits and sex lives — boring to anyone not directly involved.

When people ask, "How was your vacation?" most do so in the same spirit they ask, "How



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Gwendolyn Wilkening, 4, plays at Humboldt Park Beach in Chicago last week. Summer is prime season for vacation, but not everyone can take one.

Whatever your complaints are, grousing about a vacation is like griping that your swimming pool is too small.

are you?"

If they want an answer at all, they don't want it to be long.

A bonus to the brevity: If you answer briefly, your listeners are likelier to ask for more.

Don't complain about how hard your vacation was. You spent too much time driving, the flights were delayed, the beach was littered, the national park was packed, Europe's not what it used to be, California's overrated,

everything was too expensive, it was too hot or too cold and other tourists are bozos?

Whatever your complaints are, unless you can spin them into a heartbreaking or hilarious story, grousing about a vacation is like griping that your swimming pool is too small.

Having one at all is good fortune.

Don't complain publicly that your vacation is over. Now that you're back, so is obligation.

The alarm clock goes off. Routine beckons. Work calls.

In other words, you again occupy the life you vacated, and even if you're happy to be home — at some point you're always happy to be home — you may be tempted to whine about missing those lazy, hazy days when you were your freer, truer self.

Remind yourself that it was better to have left and returned

than never to have left at all.

Take quiet time to recall the wonders you encountered. We go on vacation not only to escape ordinary life but to renew our energy for it.

We change our rhythms and our views. We meet different types of people, eat different food, dress differently at 1 p.m.

The change is like light we carry home: When we get back, we see the familiar in a slightly new way.

But no matter how enlightened or renewed you feel, keep in mind tips 1 and 2.

Be tolerant of people who would rather talk about their own vacation than listen to you talk about yours. Offer them the courtesy of listening even if they've defied all the rules above.

Remember how many people

have tolerated you.

Don't be insulted that some people didn't notice you were gone. Instead, be glad for the reminder that your life didn't collapse just because you took time off.

Final tip: If you go on vacation somewhere that you know others would love, don't hesitate to recommend it, briefly. Don't be deterred by all the warnings above. It's OK, for example, to say:

If you ever get the chance to visit Crater Lake in Oregon, go. It will take your breath away. It will make you feel bigger and smaller, stronger and more tender, more connected to the universe and to yourself. All the things a vacation is supposed to do.

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Fireworks, which can't be sold in Illinois, still caused a record 349 injuries in 2017. A new law would allow pyrotechnic sales.

Legislators may consider lifting ban on fireworks

2,000 hurt in 10 years, records say, despite restrictions

BY ROBERT MCCOPPIN
Chicago Tribune

Every Fourth of July, neighborhoods across Illinois are lit up and shaken up by prodigious blasts of aerial fireworks — no matter that they're illegal to purchase in the state.

A new proposal before state lawmakers would change all that.

The bill would legalize the same type of explosive fireworks that are generally available in many other states, so customers would no longer have to drive across the state line to stores that do a bang-up business catering to Illinoisans.

Similar to an argument often made for legalizing another controversial product — marijuana — advocates say that people are buying and blowing up fireworks anyway. Changing the law would simply allow businesses in Illinois to profit and the state to generate tax revenue, and would decriminalize a popular activity. One major distinction with fireworks is that they regularly cause hundreds of injuries and some deaths.

Last year, burns and eye injuries from fireworks sent almost 13,000 people — most often teenage boys —

to hospitals and killed eight people nationwide, according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission. Most of the injuries were associated with misuse of the fireworks, such as holding them by hand, throwing them, or setting them off improperly.

In Chicago last week, a 14-year-old boy suffered severe facial trauma and lost his right eye when he was lighting a firework and it blew up in his face. Saturday, a man was killed in northwest Indiana when he was loading a mortar into a tube and it went off, hitting him in the head.

Despite the ban in Illinois, at least 2,000 people have been injured by fireworks over the last 10 years, state records show. That includes a record 349 people hurt in 2017. Among those were 16 injuries involving dismemberment or amputation.

Critics of “nanny state” regulation point out that other activities, such as bicycling, kill and injure far more people and that those who want fireworks are going to get them somehow.

State Rep. Barbara Wheeler, sponsor of the bill, said plenty of “barbecue dads” buy fireworks legally in other states and set them off here safely. A Republican from Crystal Lake, serving parts of both Lake and McHenry counties, she said

one fireworks shop in Delavan, Wis., reported the majority of its customers were from Illinois.

“This is baloney that Illinois yet again is one of the very few states that has restrictions against retailers,” she said. “At this point, it just seems kind of silly, because we know that the citizens of Illinois are buying fireworks. ... You can't legislate (against) everything.”

Wheeler introduced her bill, modeled on Kentucky's law, on July 3, meaning it may only be considered in the few remaining weeks of the legislative sessions this fall or winter.

Such bills have been introduced before, but went nowhere. State Sen. President John Cullerton opposes the idea, citing warnings from police, fire and public health officials.

Wheeler said she would be open to regulations to increase fireworks safety education. Her bill would set a minimum age of 18 to possess fireworks; require they be ignited at least 200 feet from any structure, vehicle or person; and mandate that retailers register with the state fire marshal.

Illinois remains one of only four states that still bans most fireworks other than poppers and sparklers, according to the American Pyrotechnics Association. Last year, Iowa joined the

rest of Illinois' bordering states in allowing sales.

Peoria police had a crackdown on fireworks this year; they reportedly received 400 complaints and issued more than 100 citations with \$250 fines.

Some public safety and professional organizations oppose legalization. The American Academy of Ophthalmology recommends adults never allow children to handle fireworks, that protective eyewear is used and that high-powered fireworks are left to the pros.

Russell Sanders, a former fire chief for Louisville, Ky., knows what it's like to try to hold out against legalization. For years, Kentucky outlawed fireworks, yet Sanders' paramedics would treat people every year who were injured by out-of-state pyrotechnics. Kentucky eventually allowed the product.

Now, as a regional director of the National Fire Protection Association, Sanders cites the thousands of fires and millions of dollars in property damage caused every year by fireworks and said he's seen people who were maimed. Even sparklers burn at more than 1,000 degrees and cause hundreds of burns to children each year.

“We oppose any consumer fireworks,” he said.

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Ofo pulls its dockless bikes from Chicago

Company cites city requirement for lock-to ability

BY MARY WISNIEWSKI
Chicago Tribune

Ofo said Monday that it has pulled its bikes out of Chicago as a result of locking rules that the China-based company said make it too difficult to provide service.

On May 1, Chicago started a six-month pilot program on the Far South Side that allows riders to locate and unlock bikes through an app, instead of at designated stations like those offered by bike-sharing company Divvy.

The city's program required that starting July 1, all bikes in the program have the ability to lock to a stationary object like a bike rack after use. This is a requirement unique to Chicago, and imposed because the city wanted to avoid the problem of dockless bikes left in piles or cluttering sidewalks, which has happened in other cities.

Ofo bikes lack “lock-to” technology and can be parked anywhere using a wheel lock. The city modified its permit terms on June 29, allowing Ofo and LimeBike, which also uses wheel locks, to continue operating 50 bikes each in the program. But the companies were not allowed to add more bikes without the “lock-to” technology. Vendors with lock-to technology may have up to 350 bikes each.

“It's been a pleasure serving the Far South Side over the past two months, but unfortunately the city's restrictive regulations have made it impossible for us to continue providing our more accessible and convenient transit option,” said Jordan Levine, a spokesman for Ofo, in an email. “We will continue to work with city officials and hope to one day again offer affordable mobility solutions to ev-

eryone across Chicago.”

Both Ofo and LimeBike had hoped to change the city's mind about the locking requirement by July 1. Zagster's Pace and Uber's Jump bikes, which can be locked to fixed objects, plan to have a total of 600 bikes between them. LimeBike remains with the city program, with 50 bikes.

The Active Transportation Alliance, a group that advocates for pedestrians, bicyclists and transit users, sent a letter to city officials on Monday asking for changes to the dockless program, including either increasing the cap for wheel-lock bikes, or eliminating the lock-to requirement.

“We need to see more bikes on the ground and more companies participating and more people riding dockless bikes,” said Kyle Whitehead, managing director of public affairs for the alliance.

The letter also asks that the city and vendors provide data on bike sharing, including ridership, where bikes are being parked and where they are being used. The letter said residents have “raised concerns about vendors not meeting requirements to spread bikes across the service area.”

The dockless program was intended to fill a gap in the availability of shared bikes, as Divvy has no bike stations south of 87th Street. With the current number of vendors, the program will have just 650 bikes for the area bordered by 79th and 138th streets, the Skyway and Pulaski Road.

Ofo, which bills itself as the first and largest dockless bike-sharing program in the world, argues “lock-to” bikes can still block the right of way, which creates new clutter issues. A representative for the city's Department of Transportation did not respond to a request for comment.

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Taste of Chicago: If you go

The Taste of Chicago takes over Grant Park for five days with giant turkey legs, tacos, barbecue, ice cream and much, much more. The 38th go-round for the free-entry food festival features more than 70 eateries, pop-up restaurants and food trucks, including old favorites and new options. How about some entertainment to go with the food? There's an eclectic lineup, highlighted by the Flaming Lips, Brandi Carlile, Black Star and Juanes.

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Roads closed: Sections of Columbus Drive (from Monroe Street to Balbo Avenue and from Balbo to Roosevelt Road), Jackson Drive (from Michigan Avenue to Lake Shore Drive) and Congress Parkway (from Columbus to Congress Plaza Drive) will be closed through 4 p.m. July 16.

Public transportation: CTA (Red, Brown, Blue, Green and Orange lines, bus routes Nos. 3, 4, 6, J14, 29 and 151) and Metra (BNSF, UP Northwest and UP West lines) will provide additional service during the event.

Parking: Charges at Millennium Park garages vary by time parked and garage. Booking is cheaper online and in advance.

Bike parking: Available on the edge of Grant and Millennium parks.

More online: chicagotribune.com/taste

Chicago Democrat picked to run state party

Sexual harassment scandal caused last director to be fired

BY RICK PEARSON
Chicago Tribune

State Rep. Christian Mitchell of Chicago on Tuesday was named interim executive director of the Democratic Party of Illinois, replacing Timothy Mapes after his ouster in a harassment scandal.

Mitchell has a background in campaigns and community organizing, and he becomes the first African-American to hold the post of running the state party's day-to-day operations. He has been a member of the legislature since 2013 and lives in Bronzeville.

He fills the vacancy created when House Speaker Michael Madigan in early June dropped Mapes, who served as his chief of staff since 1992 and executive director of the state Democratic Party since 1998. Mapes' departure came after House staffer Sherri Garrett accused him of harassment and bullying.

Mitchell was selected by a panel made up of the party's 18 state committee-

women and chaired by state Rep. Juliana Stratton, the party's nominee for lieutenant governor on the ticket with governor candidate J.B. Pritzker.

The choice of a man by the all-women panel was unexpected because the fallout from the #MeToo movement has plagued Democrats under Madigan, who also serves as the party's chairman.

State Rep. Litesa Wallace, a Rockford Democrat who is leaving the chamber after losing a bid for the lieutenant governor nomination on state Sen. Daniel Biss' ticket, had expressed interest in the job. In a statement, she congratulated Mitchell but said “there was no clear application, submission, or selection process” for the post.

But Mitchell's selection represents Democrats' need to have a veteran campaign organizer on board quickly as the fall campaign season approaches, party officials said. A permanent executive director will be appointed after the Nov. 6 election.

“People tried to make the best decision going through the election,” said Lauren

Beth Gash, Democratic state central committee-woman for the 10th Congressional District and a former state lawmaker. “There are many people who would be qualified, but Christian's experience in this arena is unique.”

Mitchell previously served as Midwest director of paid media and polling for President Barack Obama's 2012 re-election campaign, a senior adviser for Tammy Duckworth's U.S. Senate campaign, former campaign aide to Attorney General Lisa Madigan and former Ald. Will Burns, director of external affairs for Cook County government under Board President Toni Preckwinkle and a community organizer.

“I look forward to doing the work necessary to assure Democratic victories up and down the ticket and charting a new and inclusive path forward for our party,” Mitchell said in a statement. “Together, I know we can build a party that represents the diversity of our state, listens to our young people and relentlessly fights for the values that make Illinois strong.”

Despite Madigan's long-time control of the party, the choice of Mitchell represented the involvement of Pritzker and his campaign. The billionaire heir to the Hyatt Hotel fortune is self-funding his campaign and has devoted significant resources to party operations and candidates, similar to how Republican Gov. Bruce Rauner has subsidized the state GOP's candidates.

After his appointment was revealed, Mitchell announced Pritzker is behind a \$1 million voter-registration push in conjunction with the state party.

“This \$1 million initiative will help us reach voters in districts where a strong Democratic turnout from new or unregistered voters could flip seats and lead Democrats to victory up and down the ballot,” Mitchell said.

The choice of Mitchell and the involvement of Pritzker's campaign team may represent a broadening of the state Democratic Party's role into down-ballot contests across the state.

“I would like to see that,” Gash said. “I believe that (Mitchell's appointment) does that.”

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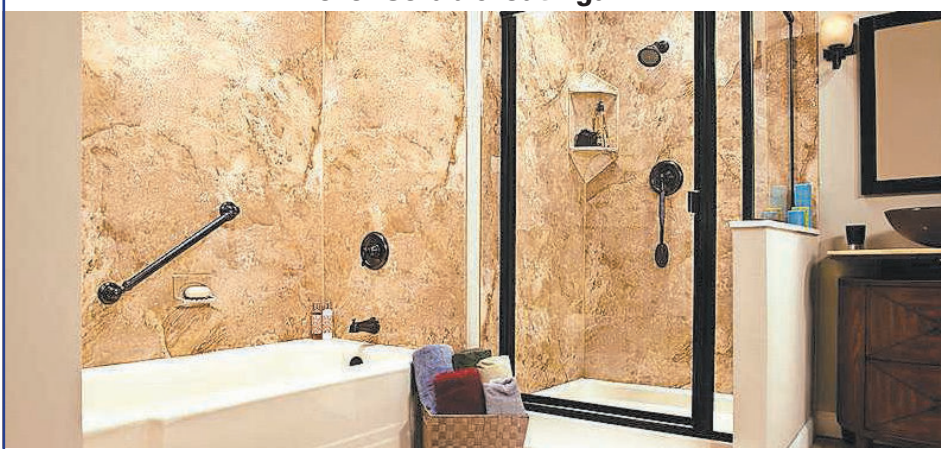
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Judge orders Brazilian boys reunited with dads

Ruling in Chicago harshly criticizes U.S. border policy

BY WILLIAM LEE
Chicago Tribune

In language strongly critical of the government, a federal judge in Chicago on Tuesday ordered two boys reunited with Brazilian fathers they haven't seen since crossing the border into the United States nearly two months ago.

The decision follows two previous Chicago federal court orders in recent weeks reuniting children with their Brazilian parents.

U.S. District Judge Edmond Chang called the government's move to separate the boys "arbitrary and conscience shocking." He ordered the boys, who are not related and are identified in court papers only as W.S.R., 16, and C.D.A., 9, returned to their fathers within 72 hours of the posting of his 31-page order, which was dated Monday. The order also bars the government from deporting the fathers without their sons.

The boys had been sent to a shelter in Chicago run by the nonprofit Heartland Alliance, while their fathers were held in detention in New Mexico to face criminal charges for entering the country illegally. It wasn't immediately clear how quickly the boys would be reunited with their fathers, who remain in immigration custody.

The fathers, Celio Alves-Ribeiro and Cleiton Arcanjo De Paiva Oliveira, crossed the border from Mexico separately with their sons and sought asylum in the U.S., citing threatened violence by drug traffickers in their native Brazil. Both men were charged with misdemeanors for entering the country illegally and were told they would be reunited with their sons within five days, according to the judge's order.

But instead both men were brought to New Mexico, while the boys were taken to Chicago without their fathers' knowledge. Both boys displayed emotional problems while at the Chicago shelter, their attorneys claimed.

Attorneys representing the boys had filed suit against the government on June 21, claiming the separation and detention of the children violates a 1997 consent decree detailing the protocol for detention of minors and the children's right to due process.

Chang's order notes that the criminal case against the men was quickly disposed of when the men pleaded guilty and were sentenced to time served. The government's insist-

thers and where very few people speak their language — is causing irreparable harm," Chang wrote in the ruling.

The judge noted the mental deterioration of both boys during their detention, citing a psychologist's report that said both boys suffered from severe anxiety and depression and had begun harming themselves and others.

Last week, another federal judge in Chicago ordered another Brazilian boy, Diego Paixao, 10, returned to his mother after they were separated by U.S. customs officials May 24 near Santa Teresa, N.M., as they illegally entered the U.S. seeking asylum. The same judge ordered another Brazilian boy reunited with

The government's family-separation policy "can only be deemed arbitrary and conscience shocking."

— U.S. District Judge Edmond Chang

ence on keeping the men separated from their sons after that "can only be deemed arbitrary and conscience shocking," the judge wrote.

The judge ruled that the government had interfered with the boys' right to be reunited with their fathers. "There is no doubt: it has," Chang wrote. "The government forcibly separated (the boys) from their respective fathers and is now maintaining the boys in a facility almost 1,000 miles away from their fathers," he wrote.

The judge also criticized the government for not explicitly answering whether it served a legitimate goal by separating the families. "Common sense would tell anyone that keeping these boys separated from the only family they have in the United States — in a facility where they have limited access to talk to their fa-

thers and where very few people speak their language — is causing irreparable harm," Chang wrote in the ruling.

A spokeswoman with the U.S. Department of Justice declined to comment on the case.

More than 2,300 children have been removed from their immigrant parents' care under a "zero-tolerance" policy by U.S. Attorney General Jeff Sessions that criminally prosecutes all immigrants illegally crossing the border.

Late last month, President Donald Trump signed an executive order ending the practice of isolating children. Days later, a federal judge in California issued an injunction ordering the government to reunite children 5 and older with their parents by July 26. Tuesday was the deadline requiring children younger than 5 to be reunited with their parents.

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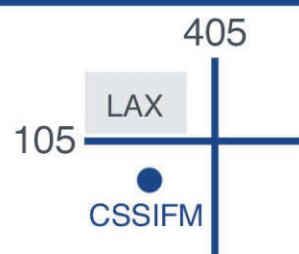
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900 homes proposed at old Ickes CHA site

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opment is expected to include 770 apartments and 107 town homes and condominiums, and potentially more, said Will Woodley, director of development in the Chicago office of the Community Builders. The Community Builders, a Boston-based nonprofit that specializes in mixed-income developments, and Chicago developer McCaffery Interests were chosen by the CHA in 2015 to lead a redevelopment of the site.

The \$90 million first phase would create two six-story apartment buildings with a combined 200 units — 68 public housing units, 18 affordable units and 114 market-rate apartments. It also would include 18 for-sale town homes.

“We think it’s going to be a really good example of a mixed-income, mixed-use, transit-oriented development,” Woodley said.

Southbridge, as the development is called, runs between Cermak Road and the Stevenson Expressway, between Dearborn and State streets. Years in the works, the plan for the site appears to be close to reality at a time of major investment by the public and private sectors that is expected to bring thousands of new residents to the area.

The site is near a new Green Line train station serving McCormick Place. Construction around the convention center has included new hotels and a DePaul University basketball arena.

A few blocks west, along the Chicago River, Related Midwest plans The 78, a multibillion-dollar development of 62 acres of vacant land connecting the South Loop and Chinatown.

That site is just south of large residential developments underway, including Riverline and Southbank. All of those are private developments with market-rate rents.

“We are another of these projects that are part of a



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The River City complex can be seen across an empty field where the CHA’s Harold L. Ickes high-rises once stood.



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The 11-acre Southbridge development is expected to include 770 apartments and 107 town homes and condominiums.

major reinvestment in this Near South Side area,” Woodley said. “Living near downtown Chicago, in vibrant neighborhoods where you can get to work and to the lakefront quickly,

it’s just becoming more and more attractive to people. This is just an expansion of that.”

The Ickes Homes were named for a former member of President Franklin D.

Roosevelt’s New Deal administration who helped shape the nation’s public housing policy. Ickes, a former Chicago Tribune reporter who was Roosevelt’s Interior secretary,

died in 1952.

Although the joint venture’s plan currently calls for 877 total units in three phases, the overall development plan for the land — if approved by the city —

would allow for construction of as many as 972 homes as well as about 800 parking spaces and 65,000 square feet of retail.

The plan is up for review during the Chicago Plan Commission’s July 19 meeting. If the commission signs off, the final step would be City Council approval. The city’s Community Development Commission on Tuesday approved \$17 million in tax increment financing for the first phase of construction.

If the entire Southbridge project is completed as planned, it would create 244 CHA public housing units, Woodley said.

Southbridge planning comes as the CHA nears completion of its 18-year-old Plan for Transformation, a strategy conceived to demolish notorious high-rise buildings and create 25,000 new or rehabilitated homes on CHA land.

Progress has been slow for the plan, which began in 2000 under Mayor Richard M. Daley. As of June 30, 24,251 units have been created, bringing the plan close to its goal, CHA spokesman Matt Aguilar said.

Southbridge will be backed by a variety of public sources, including tax increment financing, CHA dollars and tax credits from the city and the Illinois Housing Development Authority, Woodley said. He declined to estimate how many public dollars will be used for the project, saying the totals are still being determined.

Woodley declined to estimate the cost for all phases of construction. The CHA already has provided almost \$3 million in pre-development loans for the project, Aguilar said.

“The CHA anticipates providing substantial capital funding to support the project,” Aguilar said. He declined to say how much the CHA plans to invest, saying the amount will be voted on during a board meeting in September.

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Providers pressed to boost HPV vaccine

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als and data to doctors to aid them in talking with patients about the vaccine and address common concerns, she said.

“If we can get all providers to recommend the HPV vaccine the same way they do other vaccines, that will be the biggest impact,” Saslow said. “I don’t think there’s ever been an opportunity in history to eliminate a cancer” until now, she said. “That’s been a big rallying cry. This could be like polio.”

Although HPV vaccination rates have increased over the past decade, physicians and medical groups say they remain too low.

Just under half of girls age 13 to 17 and 37.5 percent of boys in the same age group were up to date on the HPV vaccine in 2016, according to the most recent data from the national Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. In Illinois, the numbers were slightly higher — about 53 percent of girls and about 43 percent of boys.

While parents initially were slow to consent to the vaccine, squeamish over thoughts of their preteens’ future sexual encounters and worried about promoting promiscuity, experts say expanding the vaccination pool now lies with pediatricians and other health care providers.

The words they choose when presenting the vaccine can make a difference, said Dr. Robert Jacobson, professor of pediatrics at Mayo Clinic College of Medicine and Science.

Studies of patient-doctor interactions show “clinicians tend to make (the HPV vaccine) sound optional rather than give them a strong recommendation,” he said. Even physicians who recommend the vaccine often offer it separately from those required by schools.

“What’s often heard is, ‘Well, your child is due for a Tdap and meningitis vac-

cine. What are your thoughts on (the flu shot) and the HPV vaccine?” Jacobson said. “That kind of language ... doesn’t sound like they’re routinely recommending all children have it. We’re sending the wrong message.”

According to the CDC, the human papillomavirus is a sexually transmitted infection that “nearly every” sexually active, unvaccinated person will contract at some point in his or her life, yet some never show symptoms. Some strains cause genital warts, while others can lead to six cancers — throat, penile, anal, vaginal, vulva and cervical cancer.

The CDC recommends girls and boys age 11 or 12 receive the HPV vaccine — a course of two shots if begun by age 15, and three

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shots for those starting the vaccine at ages 15 to 26.

When given at the recommended age, the HPV vaccine can prevent 90 percent of HPV-related cancers, according to the CDC. Saslow said the vaccine is about 97 percent effective in preventing those cancers, but protection decreases as age of vaccination increases.

The American Cancer Society’s campaign, called “Mission: HPV Cancer Free,” aims to shift thinking surrounding the vaccine toward cancer prevention, rather than just the HPV infection. In addition to outreach to doctors, the organization will launch social media campaigns, inviting volunteers and cancer survivors to post that they chose to give their

child the HPV vaccine to protect them from cancer, Saslow said. “That needs to be the message.”

Dr. Kathryn Edwards, professor of pediatrics at Vanderbilt University and member of the American Academy of Pediatrics Committee on Infectious Diseases, said pediatricians have had to learn how to talk to parents of adolescents about vaccines.

“Pediatricians have been used to talking about infant vaccines ... and do a really good job at that. It’s been a little more challenging with vaccines for adolescents,” Edwards said. “We didn’t do a very good job at explaining what HPV was. The initial message wasn’t crafted in the best way. We’ve learned something from this.”

Dr. Faith Myers, the Lemont pediatrician who

has treated DiFilippo’s children since birth, said that while she’s recommended the vaccine for years, she only recently started pushing back against parents who say no. “I won’t force anyone ... but I’m going to come back and talk to you about it later,” said Myers, who now makes sure not to single out the HPV vaccine when presenting it along with others that are required by schools. She said she also helps dispel myths and shares that she had her own children vaccinated, including her sons.

DiFilippo, a mother of four daughters, said that although none of her children has gotten the vaccine, she is now “on the fence.” She may bring her older daughters back for

the vaccine and is still considering what she’ll do for her younger two.

Elmhurst pediatrician Dr. Don Seidman said fewer parents are worried about the vaccine promoting sexual promiscuity than before, but he hears uncertainty over giving the vaccine at an early age. And some parents still don’t realize boys are at risk for HPV-related cancers.

“It’s not just for women; that’s not really well appreciated,” he said.

Beth Major, a Hanover Park mother of four, chose to vaccinate her daughters but not her 15-year-old twin sons. “I’m on the fence about the boys because I see a direct link to preventative care for the girls as far as cervical cancer,” she said. “For the boys, I’m not sure of the consequences of the HPV virus, of what it would actually prevent for them.”

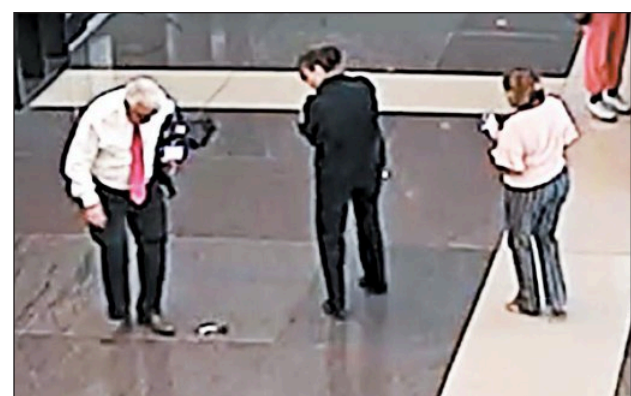
“I’m looking to learn more, to ask more and more questions,” she added.

Dr. Erik Johnson, a Hoffman Estates pediatrician who treats the Major family, said he tries to point out to parents that boys are also at risk, particularly with throat cancers caused by HPV. “It’s not just a girl problem,” he said.

While 60 to 70 percent of his patients get the HPV vaccine, Johnson said those parents who refuse it for their children still think of it as a relatively new vaccine, or they don’t understand why it’s given before most are sexually active.

Johnson said his approach is to start discussing the vaccine with parents when their child turns 10, so they have plenty of time to do their own research before the shot is offered the next year. “My job is to help dispel medical myths, so come in with questions, and let’s go over them.”

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COOK COUNTY SHERIFF’S OFFICE

Deputies witnessed a gun tumbling out of Judge Joseph Claps’ jacket at a Chicago courthouse, authorities say.

Judge charged after gun falls in courthouse

By MEGAN CREPEAU AND JEREMY GORNER
Chicago Tribune

A veteran Cook County judge was hit with a misdemeanor gun charge after sheriff’s deputies saw him drop a pistol last week in the lobby of the county’s main criminal courthouse, authorities said.

Judge Joseph Claps, who has presided over felony criminal cases at the Leighton Criminal Court Building, was reassigned last week to “nonjudicial duties” pending a meeting Wednesday of the Circuit Court’s executive committee, a spokesman for Chief Judge Timothy Evans’ office said.

Claps was walking in the lobby of the courthouse at 26th Street and California Avenue on July 3 when two deputies noticed a handgun fall out of a jacket draped over the judge’s arm, according to a sheriff’s incident report.

Security cameras captured the gun tumbling out of Claps’ jacket as well as the judge picking up the silver pistol and putting it in his pants pocket, the report said. The gun is believed to have been loaded, said Cara Smith, chief policy officer for Sheriff Tom Dart.

Sheriff’s officials charged Claps with the Class B misdemeanor offense of carrying a concealed weapon in a prohibited area. The

judge was released on his own recognizance and is slated to make his first court appearance next week at the branch courthouse in Maywood, Smith said.

Claps has a firearm owner’s identification card and a concealed carry license, Smith said, but weapons are prohibited in the courthouse for even concealed carry holders.

The deputies who saw Claps drop the gun did not search or detain him, perhaps because they mistakenly thought that as a judge he could lawfully carry a weapon in the courthouse, Smith said.

Claps was not taken into custody at any point, Smith said. Robert Foley, a spokesman for the state’s attorney’s office, noted that county prosecutors did not bring the charge against Claps and that law enforcement agencies are commonly responsible for filing misdemeanor charges.

County prosecutors will request that the Illinois attorney general’s office handle Claps’ prosecution to avoid a conflict of interest for the state’s attorney’s office, whose prosecutors work before Claps in the courthouse, Foley said.

Claps, 70, has been a judge for more than two decades, the last 15 years with the Criminal Division.

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5 things you should know about Puerto Rico

As Chicago video goes viral, here's a refresher course

BY MORGAN GREENE
Chicago Tribune

In one of the more pointed moments of a viral video, the man harassing a woman at a Chicago forest preserve for wearing a shirt featuring the Puerto Rican flag asks, "Are you a citizen?"

The video, emanating from a city with a large and celebrated Puerto Rican community, underscores what many already know: There are plenty of people who need a civics lesson on the self-governing territory.

"Your average Illinoisan knows so little about Puerto Ricans," said Illinois State University immigration and sociology professor Maura Toro-Morn.

The "average Illinoisan" isn't alone, the professor said.

A poll by Morning Consult reported by The New York Times found almost half of Americans don't know Puerto Ricans are U.S. citizens.

"If you're an American citizen, you should not be wearing that," said the man in the video.

Toro-Morn said the encounter in the video is more about people feeling emboldened to act out of ignorance than it is about the flag itself.

"He feels offended by the Puertorriquena wearing a Puerto Rican flag and goes after her, as if she was an affront to his sense of identity," she said.

While we don't know the background of the woman who was the target of the rant, the exchange puts a bright spotlight on nationalism and racism. Video of the incident has yielded not only close to 2 million views on social media, but also grabbed the attention of Puerto Rico's top elected official.

In fact, Puerto Rico Gov. Ricardo Rossello weighed in on Twitter. "The United



Delanie Lopez, left, and Tatiana Montanez dance in June while waiting for Puerto Rican People's Parade on Division Street.

States of America is a nation that was built and thrives on diversity," he said. "We cannot allow those who do not understand America's greatness to terrorize people because of their background. This is not the America we all believe in."

He even nudged Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle, who oversees the Forest Preserve District, to "take matter(s) into her hands." For her part, Preckwinkle called the incident "completely unacceptable."

There has been some fallout from the incident, which apparently happened June 14 in the Cook County Forest Preserve District's Caldwell Woods on Chicago's Far Northwest Side.

Timothy G. Trybus, 62, was arrested and charged with assault and disorderly conduct and a Forest Preserve District cop, criticized for failing to help the woman being harassed, is now on desk duty and an investigation into the officer's handling of the complaint is underway.

For now, here's a refresher course on Puerto Rico and its unique ties to the United States and Chicago:

1. Yes, Puerto Ricans are U.S. citizens. Puerto Rico has been a U.S. territory since 1898, and Puerto Rican residents gained U.S. citizenship with the Jones Act of 1917.

The island is a U.S. territory, meaning Puerto Ricans can travel and work in the U.S. but don't enjoy all constitutional rights.

A push in Congress to make Puerto Rico a state has been picked up over the years. It would achieve full federal representation for residents of the island and allow them to vote in presidential elections. In Congress, Puerto Rico is currently represented by a non-voting resident commissioner.

2. Chicago has a robust Puerto Rican communi-

ty. The Puerto Rican community gained a stronghold in Chicago in the late 1940s after migration picked up.

Most Puerto Ricans lived on the North Side, and eventually set down roots in Lincoln Park, West Town and Humboldt Park. In the 1960s, gentrification led to an exodus from Lincoln Park and a concentration in Humboldt Park.

Puerto Ricans have since spread across Illinois, said Toro-Morn.

3. The Puerto Rican flag has long been an important symbol of the community. "Officer, I'm renting this area and he's harassing me about the shirt I'm wearing," the woman said in the video.

Her shirt featured the Puerto Rican flag, which was officially adopted in 1952.

"There was a time in Puerto Rico that it was illegal to fly the Puerto Rican flag, so it's become a symbol of who we are as a people," said Ruben Feliciano, the director of human services and housing initiatives at the Puerto Rican Cultural Center.

In Chicago, huge steel Puerto Rican flags bookend Paseo Boricua — the stretch of Division Street between Western and California avenues. Dedicated to the community in 1995, the flags are made of steel to honor the Puerto Ricans who came to Chicago in the 1940s and 1950s to work in the steel mills.

Feliciano watched the dedication of the flags from the sixth floor of Roberto Clemente Community Academy when he was a junior. "It gave the community a sense of pride, a sense of belonging, a sense of acceptance that, wow, the city of Chicago is acknowledging who we are as a people," he said.

The red, white and blue flag, with its single star, is proudly flown and displayed on clothing during annual events like the Puerto Rican People's Parade — one of the largest

Latino celebrations in Chicago.

Latino celebrations in Chicago.

4. Puerto Rico is still recovering from Hurricane Maria and Chicago has helped out. Chicago's ties to the island were as apparent as ever after Hurricane Maria hit.

At a symposium held at the University of Illinois at Chicago in April, the mayor of San Juan, Carmen Yulín Cruz, thanked Chicago for aiding the island. The Chicago effort was coordinated by community organizations and churches, as well as Mayor Rahm Emanuel and U.S. Rep. Luis Guterrez, she said.

In March, Chicago Public Schools students went to Puerto Rico for spring break to help rebuild homes.

Even the Chicago cast of "Hamilton" rose up in support of the aid effort. Cast member and Evanston native Jose Ramos organized a benefit concert to raise money for hurricane victims.

5. Puerto Ricans' influence on Chicago is multi-level. "Puerto Rican Chicago has given Illinois a share of noted Puerto Ricans that have contributed on so many different levels," said Toro-Morn.

Feliciano said leaders like Mirta Ramirez, who brought the Latino youth-focused Aspira program to Illinois, have "added to the richness of who we are as a city."

"We're a welcoming people," said Feliciano. "And we're also American citizens."

Toro-Morn cited political leaders like Miguel del Valle, the former state senator and Chicago city clerk, and outgoing U.S. Rep. Luis Guterrez, a Chicago Democrat who's moving to Puerto Rico after his term ends early next year.

"How many Cubs fans know that Javier Baez is from Puerto Rico?" she added.

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Cop on desk duty after forest preserve clash

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the Puerto Rican flag. He asks her whether she is an American citizen, even though Puerto Rico is a U.S. territory and its residents are U.S. citizens.

"You should not be wearing that in the United States of America," Trybus tells her.

The woman asks an officer for help and asks him to restrain Trybus.

The officer is visible in the background of the video, standing several yards from Trybus and the woman, but he does not appear to respond to the woman's requests for help.

"Officer, I'm renting this area and he's harassing me about the shirt I'm wearing," the woman says.

A five-minute video clip of the exchange between Trybus and the woman went viral, but a longer, 36-minute video of the incident and the aftermath showed that after additional officers arrived, the first officer on the scene eventually sat down to take a statement from the woman and her brother.

As the officer wrote in a small notebook, the woman explained what happened, and noted that she asked the officer for help. In a subsequent police report obtained from the Forest Preserve District Police Department, the officer did not include any mention of the woman's request for assistance.

In the longer video, the officer explained that he had been called to the preserve in response to an alleged incident between a man who was with Trybus and another woman, and appeared to try to assure the victim that Trybus did not pose any threat to her safety.

"So, uh, now that I see what's going on, I see what's happening between you and them," the officer said in the video. "So, uh, at no time was he going to attack you. He's just a bigmouth."

But the woman was not convinced.

"Well, I guess you just never know," she said curtly.

"You just never know." "You never know," the officer said.

The woman who wore the flag shirt could not be reached for comment later; a relative confirmed the woman was at the forest preserve that day to celebrate her birthday but declined further comment. Trybus also could not be reached.

Trybus was arrested and charged with assault and disorderly conduct, according to the Forest Preserve District, which described the man as intoxicated.

"All people are welcome in the Forest Preserves of Cook County and no one should feel unsafe while visiting our preserves," the agency tweeted.

At a news conference Tuesday afternoon, district officials declined to say what the officer's discipline should be, citing the ongoing investigation, but they nevertheless expressed criticism of his actions.

Forest Preserve District police Chief Kelvin Pope said the officer now on desk duty, whom he identified as Patrick Connor, "should've stepped in, and he should've done something. I think that's the reason we're here today, because he did not."

Eileen Figel, the agency's deputy general superintendent, said there "needs to be a clear and appropriate response in these situations. We acknowledge that's not what we saw."

But, she added, there also needs to be "due process to understand the entire context of what happened, including some things that are not captured on that video, and that's what the investigation is designed to do."

Cook County Commissioner Luis Arroyo Jr. said he wouldn't accept less than termination for the officer in question.

He said no one should have to experience the abuse the woman suffered, whether they're "black, brown, yellow, Muslim, Catholic or (LGBTQ), disabled, no one," and said the officer's inaction "will not be tolerated."

"I have full faith in our system and the process and the investigation that is going underway," Arroyo added later. "But me, personally, I believe this officer did not do his duty and I will not accept anything else but this officer's termination."

State Sen. Iris Martinez, a Chicago Democrat, also added her voice Tuesday to the call for Connor to be fired.

"A woman being verbally abused for simply wearing a shirt with the Puerto Rican flag is another example of how racists feel emboldened in their attacks on minorities and immigrants thanks to the current administration," Martinez said in a news release. "But beyond that, it is inexcusable that a peace officer whose main responsibility is to maintain order and protect the safety and well-being of individuals visiting the forest preserve property would ignore a call for help from someone feeling threatened, no matter their race."

Rossello, the Puerto Rican governor, commented on the incident in four tweets on Twitter. He called the incident "undignified" and said he was "appalled, shocked & disturbed." He said Puerto Rican officials were contacting authorities in the Chicago area and Illinois "demanding that this officer be expelled from the police force."

Rossello also tweeted that he was sure Preckwinkle "will take matter(s) into her hands as justice and diversity have been central to her exemplary career."

He tweeted: "This is not the America we believe in."

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tion.

"I understand this incident on a gut level because almost exactly the same thing happened to me when I was a freshman in Congress," Gutierrez wrote. "I was denied entry into the Capitol complex by U.S. Capitol Police despite being a Congressman with identification, because my daughter was carrying a Puerto Rican flag and the officer doubted that I could possibly be a Member of Congress."

Gutierrez declined to run for re-election and has said he plans to move to Puerto Rico after his term ends in January.

Preckwinkle said the Forest Preserve District intends to use the video in future training exercises.

About five minutes into the footage, a man with the woman can be heard yelling at the officer that he wanted the alleged offender arrested.

"You won't come talk to me," the man says to the officer. "How is that justice?"

The officer responds: "Just relax." A little later, the officer tells them to "just wait. Wait a minute. All right?"

The woman is asked by the man off-camera why the man approached her.

"Because I'm wearing a Puerto Rico shirt," she said. "That was it. He started saying, 'Why are you wearing that here? Why are you wearing that here? This is America.'"

When the man off-camera asks what the officer was doing, she says, "He was watching. Literally watching. And I told him multiple times, I'm like, 'I do not feel comfortable. Can you please grab him?' I said it multiple times and he was just standing there, and I have it on camera too."

Later, a second police vehicle pulls up.

"Hopefully this police officer will actually do something," the woman says.

By this point, Trybus is seated at a picnic table and is arguing with a female officer who has come upon the scene.



An image from a video shows a man confronting a woman over her Puerto Rican flag shirt as an officer looks on.

That officer says, "People have a permit for this area, OK? And you don't need to be badgering them..."

The officer later says: "People have just as much right to be here as you do, and when you're drunk you don't belong here."

Trybus responds: "When I'm drunk, I don't belong here."

"That's right," the female officer says. "It's called disorderly conduct. OK? You wanna argue?"

When the female officer approached the woman, she complained that the initial officer did not respond to her pleas for help. "He was just watching, literally was just standing there watching the whole thing happen, like nothing," she said.

Cook County court records indicate that Trybus has arrests dating to 1997, when he was charged with criminal trespass to a residence a few days after an order of protection was issued against him. The same

year, he was charged with domestic battery, but both cases were later dropped and the order of protection dismissed, records show.

In 2001, he was again charged with domestic battery, but that case was also dismissed; five years later, he was convicted of battery, causing bodily harm, and was sentenced to probation, according to the records.

Irvin Kaage, 90, said that he and his wife have known Trybus for more than 20 years and that Trybus has helped them out since they moved to a condo four years ago.

Kaage said he was aware Trybus has had "trouble" in his past but added "he's excellent to us," and "he's never done anything nasty."

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Preckwinkle offers apology over incident

Calls officer's response troubling but demurs on his possible firing

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Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle offered an apology Tuesday to a woman seen on video being verbally attacked by a man because she was wearing a Puerto Rican flag T-shirt, while a Forest Preserve District officer apparently stood by and watched.

In the video, a man demands to know why the woman is wearing a shirt with a pattern of the Puerto Rican flag. He asks her whether she is an American citizen, even though Puerto Rico is a U.S. territory.

"You should not be wearing that in the United States of America," the man tells her.

The June 14 incident at Caldwell Woods on the Far Northwest Side came to light Monday and has attracted the attention of Ricardo Rossello, governor of Puerto Rico, who released a series of tweets on the incident.

Speaking at an unrelated event, Preckwinkle called the incident "completely unacceptable" and offered her apologies to the victim for the "terrible experience."

"We've worked hard over the last 7½ years to make the Forest Preserve District a welcoming place for all. The incident in June is completely unacceptable. I apologize to the young woman who had this terrible experience. I'm troubled by the response of the initial officer on the scene," Preckwinkle said, noting the district is investigating and the officer has been assigned to desk duty pending the investigation's outcome.

She said the officer should have intervened as the man in the video "was abusive and offensive in his behavior" and the woman had a permit to use the space. But Preckwinkle demurred when asked if the officer should be fired, saying she doesn't know the specific rules in the Forest Preserve for conduct unbecoming an officer.

In a series of tweets about the incident, Rosello said he hoped Preckwinkle would involve her-

self in the matter and that the initial officer on the scene "be expelled from the police force" for not calming the situation. Rosello called the incident "undignified" and said he was "appalled, shocked & disturbed."

"The United States of America is a nation that was built and thrives on diversity. We cannot allow those who do not understand America's greatness to terrorize people because of their background. This is not the America we all believe in," Rosello tweeted.

Preckwinkle later released a statement saying she spoke with Rosello on Tuesday afternoon.

"I expressed my regret over the June 14 incident in the Caldwell Woods Forest Preserves and assured him that what is shown in the video does not represent our values in Cook County. I assured him that disciplinary action regarding the Forest Preserves police officer will be taken upon conclusion of our investigation," Preckwinkle said in the statement.

Democratic U.S. Rep. Luis Guterierrez on Tuesday wrote a letter to the U.S. Department of Justice asking for an investigation.

"I understand this incident on a gut level because almost exactly the same thing happened to me when I was a freshman in Congress," Guterierrez wrote. "I was denied entry into the Capitol complex by U.S. Capitol Police despite being a Congressman with identification, because my daughter was carrying a Puerto Rican flag and the officer doubted that I could possibly be a Member of Congress."

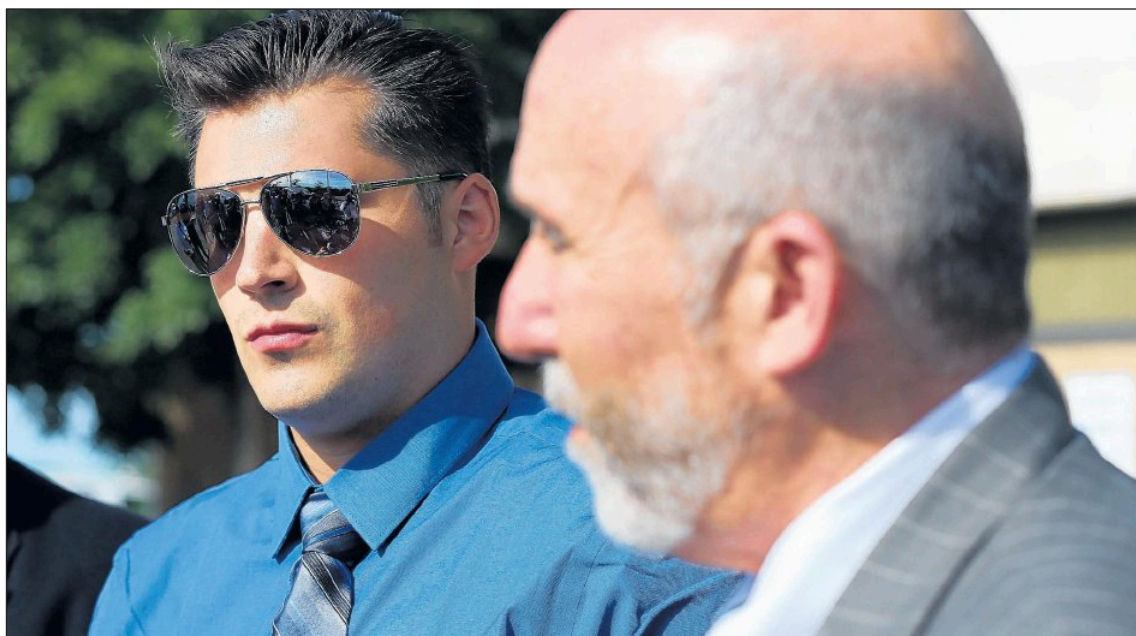
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Officer Robert Rialmo, left, said he was defending himself and his property when he punched two people.

Officer 'pleased' with judge's ruling

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one of the officer's friends, apparently sensing danger, tried to get his fiancée out of harm's way before the punches were thrown. The judge retired to his chambers for about an hour after the trial ended before emerging and announcing his decision.

Rialmo walked out of court smiling behind mirrored sunglasses and told reporters that "people have the wrong idea" about him.

"I'm just pleased the judge saw what happened that night and ruled in my favor," he said.

The city could still seek to discipline Rialmo in the altercation. The Civilian Office of Police Accountability, the city's police disciplinary agency that is still investigating the fight, uses a lower standard of proof in finding misconduct than the criminal courts. He already faces potential firing by the Chicago Police Board for the 2015 fatal shooting of bat-wielding 19-year-old Quintonio LeGrier and bystander Bettie Jones, 55.

Rialmo, who is on paid desk duty, said outside court that he hopes to stay on the force.

Just weeks ago, Rialmo faced a civil trial over lawsuits stemming from the shooting. As different as the two proceedings were, they were the same in one way — Rialmo said he used force in self-defense.

The unusual two-day bench trial explored an altercation at

Moretti's Ristorante & Pizzeria in the Edison Park neighborhood. The confrontation began as bargoer Atmiya Patel picked through coats on a chair, looking for his own, he testified. Patel acknowledged in court that the flannel jacket he thought was his was actually Rialmo's.

Bar surveillance footage aired in court shows Rialmo pushing Patel, knocking him into a table and chairs and onto the floor. Rialmo then dropped Patel's friend Brandon Stassen with a punch to the face that knocked him unconscious, according to the footage and testimony. Patel then tried to regain his footing, but Rialmo laid him out with another punch. Rialmo was then rushed from view of the cameras.

Rialmo's lawyer, Joel Brodsky, argued that the men were drunk and unreasonable, Patel tried to take Rialmo's jacket and Stassen grabbed at his upper body.

On the witness stand Tuesday afternoon, Rialmo sought to reinforce the contention that he acted in self-defense. He said Patel appeared drunk and agitated and insisted he was taking the jacket. Rialmo said Stassen approached with a bottle in his hand and the officer feared he planned to hit him in the head with it. Rialmo said he punched Patel again as he tried to get up because he feared he would charge him.

Brodsky also called to the stand two of Rialmo's longtime friends and hockey teammates who were at the tavern that night. Both said

the men were aggressive and menacing to Rialmo, who was calm during the altercation.

Prosecutors, meanwhile, asked questions geared toward minimizing the threat Rialmo contended he faced. Assistant State's Attorney Maureen McCurry noted that Rialmo is a hockey player and police officer who was near several friends when the altercation happened. During her closing argument, she called his claim of self-defense "absurd."

"This isn't a bar fight, your honor," she said. "This is a bar attack."

Rialmo had faced a count of theft related to the dispute over the jacket, but prosecutors dropped the charge before trial.

Last month, a trial over lawsuits stemming from Rialmo's shooting of LeGrier ended in confusion and acrimony. Jurors unanimously voted to award LeGrier's family just over \$1 million but contradicted their verdict by ruling that Rialmo reasonably believed he had to fire to protect himself from the teen as he approached officers with a baseball bat. The judge negated the verdict, though lawyers for the LeGrier family plan to challenge the ruling. The jury foreman has said the panel had intended to award the \$1 million to the family.

Rialmo also accidentally shot Jones, but the city avoided trial with her family by reaching a proposed \$16 million settlement.

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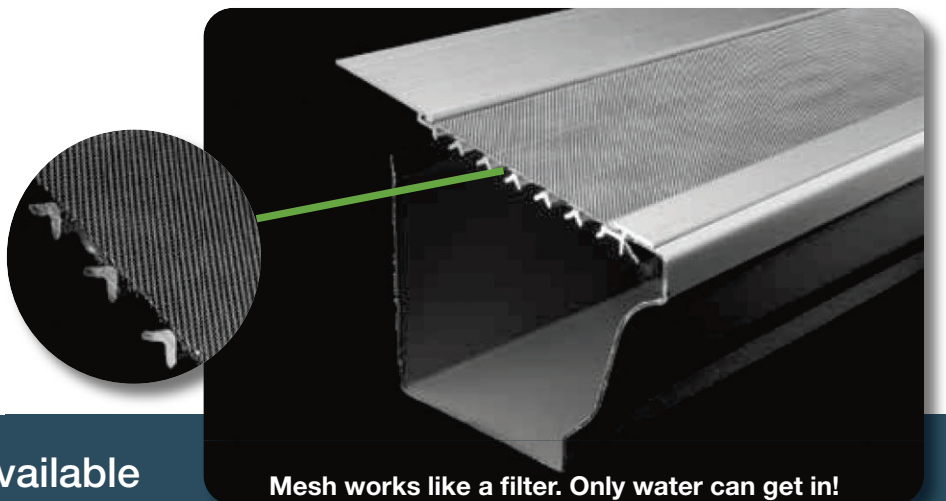
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Fair jury trial is impossible in Cook, Van Dyke's expert says

BY MEGAN CREPEAU
Chicago Tribune

Chicago police Officer Jason Van Dyke cannot get a fair jury trial in Cook County because of highly prejudicial and extensive news coverage, a consultant hired by the defense has concluded, saying the officer's fatal shooting of Laquan McDonald "remains seared in the public's consciousness."

"Neither the size of Cook County nor the passage of time have ameliorated the prejudicial impact of pervasive media coverage surrounding the McDonald shooting on the jury pool," Bryan Edelman was quoted as saying in a newly filed memo seeking to move the upcoming trial from Chicago. "As prospective jurors reported, the defendant would have a difficult time convincing them that he is not guilty of murder."

The long-awaited report by the California-based trial consultant was not made public, but references to his findings were included in a memo filed Tuesday by Van Dyke's lawyers in support of their motion for "a change of place of trial."

The defense memo said that a telephone survey was conducted of 399 jury-eligible Cook County residents and that 86 percent were familiar with the hot-button case. Three-quarters of those believed Van Dyke was guilty of murder, according to the memo.

"I think he is a horrible person, nothing but a murderer," the memo quoted one undisclosed person as saying. Another said Van Dyke should "get the electric chair," according to the memo.

In testimony in April, Edelman said he rarely recommends moving a trial,

known as a change of venue. While such requests are rarely filed or granted, Van Dyke's lawyers argued this is the case that should be an exception. "If this case does not warrant a change of place of trial, the entire body of law as it relates to the Constitutional rights to due process and a fair trial will be left meaningless," the defense filing said.

The change of venue motion was first made public late last month, some three months after the defense initially made the filing. Judge Vincent Gaughan, who is presiding over the case, has put extraordinary restrictions on the release of evidence and testimony. But after several news organizations filed a complaint, the state Supreme Court ordered that Gaughan stop directing that court documents be filed under seal to his chambers, bypassing their filing in the circuit clerk's office.

While the motion would appear to mean that Van Dyke will let a jury decide his fate, the defense has actually not yet made that decision. In fact, a jury trial would go against long precedent at the Leighton Criminal Court Building, where Chicago cops charged with misconduct have over the years typically chosen to let a judge make the decision.

There's no disputing that Van Dyke's case has been a watershed moment for Chicago and the Police Department. The police dashboard camera video — released by court order on the same day Van Dyke was charged in November 2015 — showed Van Dyke shooting McDonald 16 times as the black teen walked away from police, contradicting officers' reports that McDonald had lunged at officers with a knife. The video spurred

widespread protests, the ouster of the police superintendent, the electoral defeat of State's Attorney Anita Alvarez and a damning report by the U.S. Department of Justice.

In his testimony in April, Edelman said that McDonald's shooting has garnered some of the most extensive media coverage of any case he has worked on. Among his high-profile cases have been those of James Holmes, convicted in 2012 of killing 12 people in a packed movie theater in Aurora, Colo., and Gabrielle Giffords, the then-Arizona congresswoman severely wounded in 2011 in a mass shooting in Tucson, Ariz., in which six people were killed.

The news coverage of the Van Dyke case was not only broad but extremely emotional and "highly inflammatory," Van Dyke's attorneys wrote. The overall effect of the publicity "has cemented a narrative of guilt in the public consciousness," they said.

Simply questioning potential jurors to eliminate bias would not be enough, they said, and jurors who survived that process would not be representative of the community.

Biases can exist subconsciously, the defense said, and "jurors who profess impartiality may not be fully aware of their bias or how it may affect them throughout the trial."

If Gaughan grants the defense's request, the entire trial could be moved to a separate county or jurors could be selected elsewhere and brought to Cook County for trial. Among the counties in which residents were polled was Madison County in southern Illinois.

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News groups want filings unsealed

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Weeks after winning greater access to court filings in Officer Jason Van Dyke's murder case, several news organizations are now seeking to turn back similar efforts at secrecy in the related conspiracy charges against three other Chicago police officers.

Attorneys for the six news organizations, including the Chicago Tribune, sought to make public two key filings recently sealed by Cook County Judge Domenica Stephenson.

Since the officers have said they want Stephenson to decide their fate, the judge has no reason to fear poisoning a potential jury pool by making filings public, the attorneys argued.

At a hearing Tuesday, the judge suggested for the first time publicly that she had sealed at least one of the court filings only to give herself time to review it.

Former Detective David March, ex-Officer Joseph Walsh and Officer Thomas Gaffney are scheduled to go on trial in November on charges of official miscon-

duct, obstruction of justice and conspiracy in connection with Van Dyke's fatal shooting of 17-year-old Laquan McDonald. The charges allege the three officers lied in reports to exaggerate the threat posed by McDonald. Video, released by court order more than a year after the 2014 shooting, shows McDonald walking away from police with a knife in his hand.

Van Dyke faces a separate trial on charges of first-degree murder and aggravated battery.

Attorneys for the news organizations and the Reporters Committee for Freedom of the Press are seeking to intervene in the case over the judge's recent sealing of a defense motion to throw out the indictment and a filing in support of prosecutors' claim of a conspiracy among the officers.

On Tuesday, Stephenson sealed a third filing — prosecutors' response to the defense bid to toss the indictment.

"Just for now I'm going to put it under seal because I don't know what's in it," the judge said. "Once I read everything, it may not even

be under seal."

Stephenson said she needed more time to read the media filing before deciding whether she will allow the news groups to intervene in the case.

Prosecutors and defense attorneys said in court Tuesday that they took no stance on that issue.

The move comes after the state Supreme Court, at the request of the news media, ordered in May that the judge presiding over Van Dyke's case stop requiring that all filings be made under seal to his chambers, not publicly to the circuit clerk's office as usual.

By contrast, the media attorneys noted in their filing that Stephenson "has generally been faithful to the public's right of access" but allege her recent sealing was improper.

"Police misconduct allegations are at the core of this matter, and public interest in observing and understanding these judicial proceedings and the documents filed in them is thus particularly keen," their filing said.

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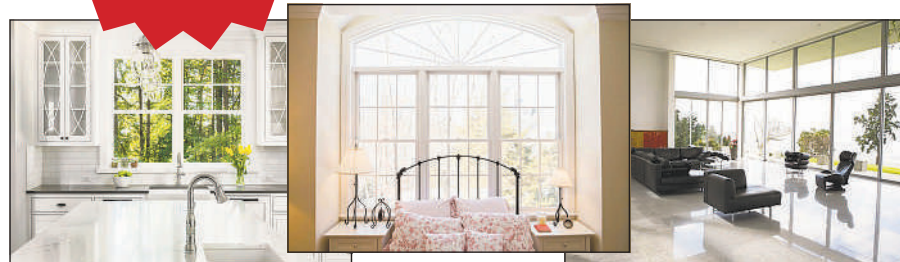
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Trump lands amid NATO acrimony

President says Putin visit might be 'easiest'

BY JILL COLVIN
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Associated Press

BRUSSELS — With Europe's wary eyes upon him, President Donald Trump launched a weeklong trip there on Tuesday with harsh criticism for NATO allies and predicted the "easiest" leg of his journey would be his scheduled sit-down with Russian President Vladimir Putin.

As he departed the White House for a four-nation European tour, Trump did little to reassure allies fretting over the risk of damage he could do to the 69-year-old trans-Atlantic mutual defense pact and his potential embrace of Putin during a summit in Helsinki.

Trump said Tuesday he "can't say right now" if Putin is a friend or foe, but called him a "competitor." The U.S. intelligence community has concluded that Russia interfered in the 2016 election to boost Trump's candidacy, and warns of further attempts at interference both in the 2018 midterms and in European elections.

Trump arrived in Brussels on the eve of the NATO summit after repeated attacks on the pact. He told reporters in Washington before leaving that "Frankly it helps them a lot more than it helps us" and then later tweeted from Air

Force One that he may demand reimbursements from the European member nations.

Trump has been pressing NATO countries to fulfill their goal of spending that 2 percent of their gross domestic products on defense by 2024.

During his presidential campaign, he suggested he might only come to the defense of NATO nations that fulfilled their obligation.

And a year ago, during his first visit to its Belgium headquarters, Trump initially declined to explicitly support the organization's defense agreement.

Trump, who landed in Belgium during the middle of the soccer-mad nation's World Cup semifinals match, will later head to London, where Prime Minister Theresa May's government is in turmoil over her plans for exiting the European Union.

European Council President Donald Tusk said on Tuesday in a message to Trump that "it is always worth knowing who is your strategic friend and who is your strategic problem." Tusk recalled that the Europeans are spending more than Russia and as much as China on defense. NATO estimates that 15 members, or just over half, will meet the benchmark by 2024 based on current trends.

"Getting ready to leave



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President Trump walks to a vehicle with first lady Melania after their arrival in Brussels on Tuesday.

for Europe. First meeting — NATO. The U.S. is spending many times more than any other country in order to protect them," Trump tweeted Tuesday morning, adding: "Not fair to the U.S. taxpayer. On top of that we lose \$151 Billion on Trade with the European Union. Charge us big Tariffs (& Barriers)!"

On Monday he'd tweeted the situation was "not fair, nor is it acceptable," and insisted that NATO benefits Europe "far more than it does the U.S."

He added: "NATO countries must pay MORE, the United States must pay LESS. Very Unfair!"

Trump, who has compared the sentiment that underpinned the Brexit

vote to leave the EU to his own election, will be making his first presidential trip to Britain at a fraught time for May.

Trump's visit is expected to attract large protests in London and elsewhere in Britain.

Trump's weeklong trip to Europe will continue with a stop in Scotland before ending with a sit-down in Helsinki with Putin.

He said that of the high-stakes meetings of his trip, "Putin may be the easiest of them all."

"I think that getting along with Russia, getting along with China, getting along with others is a good thing, not a bad thing," he added.

EU president chastises Trump

BRUSSELS — European Council President Donald Tusk on Tuesday lobbed a verbal grenade at President Donald Trump ahead of a crucial week of diplomacy, warning the U.S. leader not to mix up his friends and his rivals as he meets with NATO leaders, then Russian President Vladimir Putin.

The searing criticism came as Trump flew to Brussels on Tuesday, vowing to punish NATO allies for their failures to live up to defense spending commitments. Trump has been far friendlier to Putin, saying the men have a range of issues to discuss and that he's "fine."

"I would like to address President Trump directly, who for a long time now has been criticizing Europe almost daily for, in his view, insufficient contributions to the common defense capabilities," Tusk said after signing a cooperation agreement between the European Union and NATO.

"I want to dispel the American president's argument which says that the U.S. alone protects Europe against our enemies."

— The Washington Post



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Volunteers celebrate in the Mae Sai district of Chiang Rai province on Tuesday.

After daring dives, entire Thai soccer team rescued

BY KAWEEWIT
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Associated Press

MAE SAI, Thailand — "Everyone is safe." With those three words posted on Facebook, the daring rescue mission to extricate 12 boys and their soccer coach from the treacherous confines of a flooded cave in Thailand came to a close Tuesday — a grueling 18-day ordeal that claimed the life of an experienced diver and riveted people worldwide.

Thailand's navy SEALs, who were central to the rescue effort, celebrated the feat with a post that read: "All the thirteen Wild Boars are now out of the cave" — a reference to the boys' soccer team. "We are not sure if this is a miracle, a science, or what?"

Eight of the boys were rescued by a team of Thai and international divers on Sunday and Monday. On Tuesday, the final four boys were brought out, along with their coach. Their rescue was followed a few hours later by the safe return of a medic and three SEAL divers who had stayed for days with the boys in their cramped refuge in the cave.

Cheers erupted from the

dozens of volunteers and journalists awaiting news of whether the intricate and high-risk rescue mission had succeeded. Helicopters transporting the boys roared overhead. People on the street cheered and clapped when ambulances ferrying them on the last leg of their journey from the cave arrived at a hospital in Chiang Rai city.

"I'm happy for Thais all over the country," said Payap Maiming, who helped provide food and necessities to rescue workers and journalists. "And actually just everyone in the world, because every news channel has presented this story and this is what we have been waiting for."

"It's really a miracle," Payap said.

Amporn Sriwichai, an aunt of rescued coach Ekkapol Chantawong, was ecstatic. "If I see him, I just want to hug him and tell him that I missed him very much," she said.

The plight of the boys and their coach captivated much of the world — from the heart-sinking news that they were missing, to the first flickering video of the huddle of anxious yet smiling boys when they were found by a pair of British divers 10 days later. They

were trapped in the sprawling Tham Luang cave on June 23 when it became flooded by monsoon rains as they were exploring it after soccer practice.

Each of the boys, ages 11 to 16 and with no diving experience, was guided out by a pair of divers in the three-day operation. The route, in some places just a crawl space, had oxygen canisters positioned at regular intervals to refresh each team's air supply.

A former Thai navy SEAL died Friday while replenishing the canisters.

Cave-diving experts had warned it was potentially too risky to dive the youngsters out. But Thai officials, acutely aware that the boys could be trapped for months by monsoon rains that would swell waters in the cave system, seized a window of opportunity provided by relatively mild weather.

"We did something nobody thought possible," said Chiang Rai province acting Gov. Narongsak Osatanakorn, leader of the rescue effort.

For now the boys were being kept in isolation to try to keep them safe from infections by outsiders. But family members have seen at least some of the boys from behind a glass barrier.

Trump tosses convictions of Oregon cattle ranchers

BY JOHN WAGNER,
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The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump on Tuesday pardoned father-and-son cattle ranchers in southeastern Oregon who were sentenced to serve prison time on two separate occasions for the same charges of arson on public lands, a move their supporters hailed as a shift in how the federal government approaches the West.

Trump's decision to set aside the convictions of Dwight Hammond Jr. and Steven Hammond could have major implications for how federal officials enforce rules on grazing and other activities on tens of millions of acres owned by taxpayers.

The two men's return to prison helped spark the 41-day occupation of the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge in early 2016. Robert "LaVoy" Finicum, a rancher who acted as the protesters' spokesman, was killed by a state trooper during an encounter between the armed occupation group and law enforcement — a shooting that led to charges against an FBI special agent.

The Hammonds were convicted of crimes that require a mandatory minimum jail sentence of five years in prison under the Antiterrorism and Effective Death Penalty Act of 1996. A judge, however, initially gave Dwight Hammond three months and his son Steven Hammond a year and a day behind bars.

The government won an appeal over the Hammonds' sentences in 2015, and the two men were resented to serve out the remaining years of a five-year minimum.

Their convictions have drawn sharp rebukes from the local community amid allegations that the family



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Dwight Hammond Jr. greets protesters outside his home in Burns, Ore. He and his son Steven were pardoned.

was aggressively prosecuted using anti-terrorism statutes because they were outspoken about public land use in rural Oregon.

Jerome Rosa, president of the Oregon Cattlemen's Association, said Tuesday that the pardons "send a signal that the new administration really understands the significance and the importance of what the ranching community provides for these Western landscapes."

Rosa had raised the Hammonds' case with Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke — who oversees the Bureau of Land Management, on whose land the Hammonds operate — in April, and Zinke "said he would give his blessing to the president."

Rep. Greg Walden, R-Ore., also lobbied hard for clemency, discussing the matter with Trump in a June 29 phone call.

The Hammonds enjoy considerable support in Oregon, though some local residents expressed concern in recent months that clemency could embolden extremist groups in the area. News media outlets in the state, including the Oregonian, have published editorials advocating for a presidential pardon.

Backcountry Hunters & Anglers Land Tawney said that while it is understandable that the ranchers' sup-

porters were anxious for them to be released, the fact that Trump pardoned them outright rather than commuted their sentences "sends a message of tolerance for lawbreakers who could diminish our public lands and waters."

"You are just empowering and emboldening those who disrespect the people who are there to manage these lands for all the people of America," Tawney said, predicting that the decision "will send shock waves up the ranks of the BLM."

The pardons were Trump's latest use of clemency power — a tool he's been inclined to use more often than his recent predecessors at this point in his presidency.

Several of Trump's previous actions have been driven by television segments, celebrities, friends and White House advisers who have pressed their cases for pardons.

Last month, Trump commuted the sentence of Alice Marie Johnson, a woman serving a life term for nonviolent drug offenses, after meeting with reality television star Kim Kardashian West to discuss the case. He also posthumously pardoned heavyweight boxing champion Jack Johnson in May after being lobbied by actor Sylvester Stallone.

ICE grabbing legal immigrants too

Trump crackdown hitting some with minor convictions

By BRITNEY MEJIA
Los Angeles Times

LOS ANGELES — In 2001, Jose Luis Garcia was convicted of a misdemeanor domestic violence charge. Whatever tumult it caused within his family, the event seemed to fade with every passing year as Garcia became a grandfather and inched closer toward retirement.

In June, the nearly 20-year-old conviction came roaring back when immigration agents arrested the 62-year-old man as he drank coffee and watered the lawn of his home in Arleta, Calif.

His daughter, Natalie Garcia, thought there must be a mistake. Her father has been a lawful permanent resident since 1988.

“We thought this was happening to people like they said — criminals, the gang members,” she said between sobs.

Legal immigrants in the U.S. have never been completely protected from possible deportation. But in its war against illegal immigration, the Trump administration has lowered the bar for whom immigration agents can go after, experts say.

President Donald Trump has vowed to crack down on immigrants with criminal records, saying they should be deported to their home countries. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents have carried out a series of sweeps across the country. While there has been much emphasis on the arrest of people who don't have criminal records but are here illegally, the arrest of legal immigrants who have convictions deep in their pasts has gotten less attention.

Trump's supporters see this as an important part of his get-tough approach. But



Protesters voice opposition to U.S. immigration policies in Louisville, Ky. Legal immigrants also fear a recent crackdown.

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others question the fairness of deporting legal residents who committed relatively minor crimes long ago.

“They are going to go after anybody they can get their hands on who may be deportable,” said Michael Kaufman, a senior staff attorney for the American Civil Liberties Union. “(Mr. Garcia) may have committed a crime a long time ago, but he has rehabilitated himself and he's fully an upstanding member of his community and key support for his family.”

Because their information is logged into multiple government systems, permanent legal residents can be an easier quarry for enforcement — though the majority of people targeted for deportation are in the country illegally.

Garcia was picked up during a three-day operation targeting public safety threats in the Los Angeles area that began June 10 and netted 162 arrests. Of those, 15 were of lawful permanent residents.

ICE does not track statistics

on arrests of immigrants in the country legally, according to the agency. On Jan. 1, 2014, an estimated 13.2 million lawful permanent residents lived in the United States, according to a report last year from the Department of Homeland Security's Office of Immigration Statistics.

Databases revealed that Garcia “has past criminal convictions that make him amenable to removal from the United States,” according to ICE. The agency did not specify the convictions, but a search of court records pulled up the 2001 conviction, as well as a 1987 conviction for violating a protective order. In the domestic violence case, Garcia was sentenced to 25 days in jail and three years' probation.

Lawful permanent residents must meet specific criteria to be subject to removal proceedings under the Immigration and Nationality Act, according to ICE. For example, those convicted of an aggravated felony are removable, and

lawful permanent residents “who at any time after admission have been drug abusers or addicts and those who are convicted of violating U.S. laws or regulations relating to a controlled substance, other than a single offense involving possession for one's own use of 30 grams or less of marijuana, are removable,” ICE said.

When someone is applying for naturalization, they must show good moral character for a five-year period preceding the application.

In the case of an aggravated felony, one can never meet this standard, which typically bars an applicant from being able to naturalize.

Domestic violence is not considered an aggravated felony, but is “always a deportable crime,” regardless of whether it is a misdemeanor or felony or of how many years have passed, according to Carl Shusterman, a Los Angeles immigration attorney who used to work for the Immi-

gration and Naturalization Service. It is possible that if Garcia had applied for naturalization, it could have triggered deportation proceedings earlier, Shusterman said.

“Pretty much everybody I've seen, if immigration finds out about the domestic violence conviction, they put them right away into deportation proceedings,” Shusterman said.

Garcia's immigration lawyer, Mackenzie Mackins, said that conduct prior to the five-year period can affect whether Garcia meets the requirements for naturalization, but the consideration of such conduct is discretionary.

“Here, a domestic violence conviction in 2001 would be only a discretionary factor to consider in his naturalization application,” Mackins said.

Along with other factors, the number of years without any trouble with the law could be taken into account, she said.

Nearly two decades passed since Garcia was con-

victed of a crime.

Immigration agents picked him up outside his home as he was about to head out to drive for Uber. His daughter woke to the sound of her father shouting her name as agents wearing vests that read “Police” placed him in a black SUV.

It wasn't until after the agents left that the family looked at the card they had presented, with Garcia's alien registration number, and realized the agents were with ICE. When Natalie visited her father in the processing center, she said, he didn't understand why he was there.

Garcia came from the Mexican state of Michoacan when he was 13 and worked in the fields in Northern California. He later bought a home in Arleta, where he lived with his wife, their two kids and a granddaughter.

At their family home, Natalie sobbed as she talked about her father's constant presence — in her life as well as that of her 6-year-old daughter, Marley, whom he was helping raise. Marley refers to Garcia as “mi papa.”

Garcia's wife told agents she did not even remember the domestic violence incident, which she later characterized as a minor dispute.

Garcia is in ICE custody pending a determination from an immigration judge with the Executive Office for Immigration Review on whether he has a lawful basis to remain in the U.S.

In the wake of Garcia's arrest, his wife, also a lawful permanent resident, has been left to worry about her own status.

“It's happening to people who have papers,” said Maria Dolores Garcia. “Don't just trust, check your record, become a citizen, stay alert to the changes. I don't want this to happen to someone else.”

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Some immigrant kids reunited with parents

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SAN DIEGO — Clutching little backpacks, smiling immigrant children were scooped up into their parents' arms Tuesday as the Trump administration rushed to meet the deadline for reuniting dozens of youngsters forcibly separated from their families at the border.

In Grand Rapids, Mich., two girls and a boy who had been in temporary foster care were reunited with their Honduran fathers at a U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement center about three months after they were split up.

The three fathers were “just holding them and hugging them and telling them that everything was fine and that they were never going to be separated again,” said immigration lawyer Abril Valdes.

One of the fathers, Ever Reyes Mejia, walked out of the ICE center carrying his beaming son and the boy's Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles backpack. The boy was secured in a booster seat, and father and son were driven away.

The Justice Department

said more than 50 children under age 5 could be back in the arms of their parents by the deadline at the end of the day.

It was the largest single effort to date to undo the effects of President Donald Trump's zero-tolerance policy of separating families who try to slip across the Mexican border into the United States.

Authorities gave few details on where the reunions would be held, and many were expected to take place in private.

In Grand Rapids, the children were “absolutely thrilled to be with their parents again. It's all confusing to them why there's so many people here and why there's so many strangers here, but they know that they're safe,” Valdes said.

Government attorneys, meanwhile, told a federal judge in San Diego that the Trump administration would not meet the deadline for 20 other children under 5 because it needed more time to track down parents who have already been deported or released into the country.

Asked about the missed deadline, the president said: “Well, I have a solution. Tell people not to come to our

country illegally. That's the solution.”

The administration faces a second, bigger deadline — July 26 — to reunite about 2,000 older children who were also separated from their families at the border in the past few months.

On Tuesday morning, staff members at a nonprofit organization that has been housing many of the youngest children “made sure every backpack was full and every child got a hug and a goodbye,” Southwest Key CEO Juan Sanchez said.

Authorities said most of the parents would be released into the U.S. from immigration detention centers, and the children would be freed from government-contracted shelters and foster care. The adults may be required to wear ankle monitors while their cases wind through immigration court, a process that can take years.

Thousands of babies, toddlers and older children were separated from their parents at the border this spring before Trump reversed course June 20 amid an international outcry over the images of youngsters in chain-link cages and audio recordings of children crying.

United States, had been attacked with a brick and taken to the hospital with a broken cheekbone and two broken ribs.

Misbel Borjas saw the assault as it happened.

Traffic had slowed Borjas' car at a corner in Willowbrook, Calif., around 7 p.m. July 4. Rodriguez accidentally bumped into a young girl while walking on the sidewalk, Borjas said.

Borjas, 35, of Los Angeles, watched the child's mother, a black woman, push the elderly man to the ground

and repeatedly bash him in the face with a brick while yelling, “Go back to your country.”

“I tried to help him, but the lady said, ‘If you come over here I'll hit your car with the same brick,’” recounted Borjas, who had attempted to pull over and rescue Rodriguez.

Instead, Borjas photographed the mother and her child. Then she called 911.

Minutes later, the attack continued, Borjas said.

A group of young men bounded down the street,



CORY MORSE/MLIVE.COM

Ever Reyes Mejia is reunited with his son Tuesday at an ICE center in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Late last month, U.S. District Judge Dana Sabraw in San Diego set a 14-day deadline to reunite children under 5 with their parents and a 30-day deadline for older children.

In trying to meet the first deadline, the government began with a list of 102 children potentially eligible to be reunited and whittled that to 75 through screening that included DNA testing done by swabbing the inside of the cheek.

The government defended its screening, saying it discovered parents with serious criminal histories and one case of credible child abuse.

“Our process may not be as quick as some would like, but there is no question it is protecting children,” said Chris Meekins, a Health and Human Services Department official helping to direct the process.

Through DNA testing, five adults who apparently thought they were parents of a child were determined not to be, according to the government.

“If we find out they are not the legal parent, then clearly we are not going to reunite them,” Meekins said.

In ordering an end to the separation of families, the president said they should instead be detained to-

gether. But the government does not have the room: ICE has three family detention centers with space for 3,000 people, and they are already at or near capacity, though the Trump administration is trying to line up space at military bases.

Also, on Monday, a federal judge in Los Angeles emphatically rejected the Trump administration's efforts to detain immigrant families for an extended period. A longtime court settlement says children who cross the border illegally cannot be detained for more than 20 days. The judge refused to modify that.

Man, 91, beaten with brick, told to ‘go back to your country’

By DEANNA PAUL
The Washington Post

The Fourth of July fireworks display was just beginning when Erik Mendoza realized his 91-year-old grandfather was missing. Thinking he might have gone for his daily walk, Mendoza wandered around the Los Angeles neighborhood searching for him.

What he found was a bloodstained sidewalk.

Mendoza said that Rodolfo Rodriguez, a permanent resident of the

head and face. He looked like his mouth and teeth were broken.”

Meanwhile, Mendoza and his family had gathered outside to watch the fireworks, but Rodriguez was nowhere to be seen.

Mendoza didn't learn what had happened to Rodriguez until later that night.

“I was in shock that someone would hurt my grandfather,” he said. “What kind of harm can he mean to anyone? He's 91.”

Rodriguez's attack comes after the Department of

Justice released its recent hate crime statistics, reported by KCRA. The 2017 California report evinced an uptick of more than 17 percent, with anti-Hispanic and anti-Latino crimes soaring over 50 percent last year, according to The Sacramento Bee.

Rodriguez was released from the hospital Thursday. The family set up a GoFundMe campaign for his medical costs.

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department is investigating the incident.

Charges in India child deaths questioned

Some wonder if authorities jailed innocent workers

BY SHASHANK BENGALI AND PARTH M.N.
Los Angeles Times

GORAKHPUR, India — It was a shocking story: A government hospital in the far north of India ran out of liquid oxygen because it hadn't paid the supplier. Over the next two days, 35 children died in the crowded intensive care units. Amid a national uproar, authorities jailed nine people on charges including embezzlement and homicide.

Nearly a year later, Baba Raghav Das Medical College and Hospital in the town of Gorakhpur is synonymous with the failings of India's public health care system. But the investigation into the deaths is exposing the failings of its justice system.

None of the officials responsible for allocating payments has been punished. Instead, doctors who tried to avert the oxygen shortage are facing charges of attempting to commit "culpable homicide" — which is similar to manslaughter — and have spent months behind bars.

"This is a politically motivated case," said Dr. Rajiv Misra, who has been jailed with his wife, Dr. Purnima Shukla, since August. "My wife and I have been targeted so that others can save themselves."

Misra repeatedly asked state officials to send funds for oxygen, but the money arrived too late. He and other doctors allege that they have been made scapegoats for the government's failures.

In particular, the doctors take aim at Yogi Adityanath, an extremist Hindu priest who five months earlier had been appointed the top official in Uttar Pradesh state.

Adityanath, who had represented Gorakhpur in Parliament since 1998 as a



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Medical staff attend to children in Lucknow, India. Over two days in northern India last year, 35 children died after a hospital ran out of liquid oxygen. Doctors who had tried to avert the problem have spent months behind bars.

member of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Bharatiya Janata Party, had long touted his commitment to the hospital, which serves an area with more than 50 million people.

Days after the deaths, Adityanath vowed to take such strict action that it would "set an example."

But the investigation has been filled with inconsistencies. Multiple government inquiries concluded that the number of deaths was not even unusually high that night. Many of the children had been admitted for encephalitis, a mosquito-borne brain infection that claims dozens of lives at the hospital every summer, and the pediatric wards were so jammed that three or four newborns were placed side by side in cots meant for one.

In the two days before the oxygen supply was in-

terrupted, a total of 36 children died, according to one inquiry.

But since authorities never ordered postmortems, the causes of death can't be known for certain.

At least 10 adults also died the day after liquid oxygen ran out, but their medical records have not been made public, and the government has not disclosed any details about those deaths.

At the time, some parents told news media that their children suffocated due to a lack of oxygen. But charging documents filed against Misra include nearly identical testimonies from parents: "Our child died because of a serious ailment."

A finding that the oxygen shortage didn't result in more deaths has alleviated pressure on Adityanath and state health officials.

But it makes the homi-

cide charges against Misra, Shukla and two other doctors especially perplexing. The other doctors and a representative of the oxygen supplier have been released on bail. Three clerks and a hospital pharmacist remain behind bars.

Misra was a student at the medical college 45 years ago and rose to become the hospital's top administrative officer.

In a series of letters and meetings last summer, he warned state health officials that "patients would die" if the oxygen supplier's bills weren't paid. The hospital had not received any funds earmarked for drugs and chemicals for nearly six months, but state budget instructions prohibited him from using existing funds to clear back payments.

On Aug. 2, the supplier informed the hospital that it would stop supplying oxy-

gen if it wasn't paid within 15 days, and in a videoconference the next day, Misra told his supervisors that the money was urgently needed.

The hospital finally received the funding authorization on Aug. 9 — but the payment would take two days to reach the supplier.

That was too late. At roughly 7:30 p.m. Aug. 10, an alarm went off indicating that the towering liquid oxygen tank that supplies six hospital wards was nearly empty, according to court documents and interviews. Hospital staff switched to a backup supply of oxygen gas cylinders and manual resuscitators as doctors searched for additional cylinders from local gas suppliers and medical clinics.

"It was negligence by the government," Misra, 63, said in an interview at the

derelict, colonial-era jail in Gorakhpur where he is being held with Shukla — a 60-year-old homeopathic doctor who wasn't employed by the hospital.

In addition to the homicide charges — which carry a maximum sentence of seven years — they stand accused of delaying payment in order to obtain kickbacks from the oxygen supplier, a charge they deny. Court documents filed by the state present no evidence of illicit payments, only allegations from other hospital employees.

The inquiry that led to the charges against Misra and Shukla was headed by the state's director of medical education, K.K. Gupta, who has responsibility for approving the hospital budget. In an interview, he said Misra should have ignored budget instructions and paid the oxygen bills anyway.

"If he had paid it, no one would have questioned him," Gupta said. "He displayed a callous attitude."

Another doctor facing attempted homicide charges is Kafeel Khan, a 38-year-old pediatrician who rushed to the hospital after receiving a text message about the oxygen supply.

He was initially hailed in the national media for collecting oxygen cylinders from private nursing homes and suppliers and driving them back to the hospital.

Soon, rumors about Khan began appearing on websites and social media accounts that support India's Hindu majority, accusing him of running a private clinic where he had stashed oxygen cylinders — which sell for less than \$4 — meant for the public hospital.

Two weeks later, Khan was jailed and denied bail.

Police dropped a corruption allegations against Khan but persisted with the homicide charge.

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Museum's beloved murals coming back

DC. institution to include paleoartist's reproductions

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The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Matthew Carrano still has a childhood book that fueled his early interest in dinosaurs, one featuring works by renowned paleoartist Jay Matternes that burst with life from a long-lost world.

Matternes's work — including six murals at the National Museum of Natural History — captured the imagination of many future scientists, Carrano said.

So it's not a surprise that Carrano, now the museum's curator of dinosaurs, felt a touch of guilt when the murals were removed in 2014, at the start of a major renovation at the museum.

"Like ripping a little bit of your childhood away," said exhibition project manager Siobhan Starrs.

Flash-forward a few years, and the mood was decidedly upbeat as both Carrano and Starrs were on hand to watch workers install reproductions of two of Matternes's beloved murals on the walls of the hall, set to reopen next summer.

"They are very beautiful,

with an incredible amount of detail. You can tell he spent a lot of time studying and researching," Carrano said. "If you ask people doing this work today about the people who inspired them, they will give you a shortlist and Jay will always be on it."

Matternes, 85, living in Fairfax, Va., expressed his pleasure at the decision to reinstall the works.

"It's very gratifying to get some recognition of my work this late in my career, to know that people did enjoy it, did notice it," he said.

The museum's popular Fossil Hall has been closed since 2014 for a five-year, \$129 million renovation.

Expected to open about a year from now, the 31,000-square-foot hall has been returned to its original grandeur to showcase examples of the museum's fossil collection in new and more engaging ways.

A centerpiece of the exhibit will be a nearly complete Tyrannosaurus rex skeleton — dubbed the Nation's T. rex — that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers has lent the museum.

As they planned the new exhibition, museum officials wanted to recall some of the previous displays that were beloved by millions of visitors who have made the museum one of the most popular in the world.

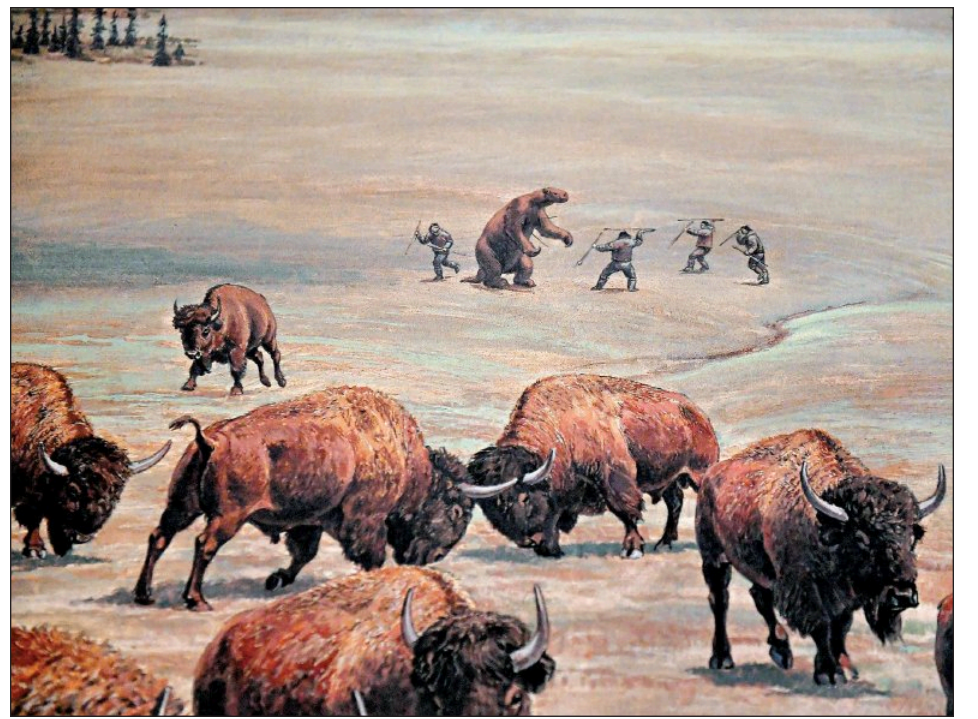
Returning some of the murals helps bridge the past and present, officials said.

"We wanted to keep an echo in there where appropriate," said the museum's director, Kirk Johnson. "Jay is one of the grandmasters in the field. These images become burned into the brains of the kids who visited. They are views into these lost worlds."

Matternes is one of the best-known scientific artists. His work is part of the collection of the American Museum of Natural History and was featured in National Geographic and Time publications.

He started working with Smithsonian scientists while serving in the Army, he said.

Matternes created the Smithsonian murals between 1960 and 1975, working with museum scientists and doing his own research



KATHERINE FREY/THE WASHINGTON POST

A renovation at the National Museum of Natural History includes this scene and another from artist Jay Matternes.

to depict specific environments.

Each mural was made for a specific space and exhibition, and each was painted on canvas that was adhered to plaster walls, he said.

They took years to complete.

"In some cases, I had to paint them while the public was flowing through the hall," Matternes said.

The museum photographed them piece by piece so the digital images could be stitched together to make large-scale prints. Then the murals were painstakingly removed and

conserved and they are now stored with museum's collection.

They are too fragile to return to view, but they will be featured in an upcoming book, Johnson said.

"These are really iconic images that illustrated the evolution of North American mammals," Johnson said. "He populated the entire scene. No one had really done that before and he did it so artistically."

One reproduction is 10 feet by 23 feet and depicts the animals and plants of Idaho between 5 million and 1 million years ago.

The other, at 12 feet by 20 feet, shows animals and plants of central Alaska during the last glacial period.

The renovated hall will feature more than 70 murals, Starr said, including new commissions from artist Julius Csotonyi.

The artworks are used to showcase the fossil collections, many that have been remounted and presented in new ways.

"A lot of us worked in the old hall," Starrs said. "Having that past present future — it's the stuff of the exhibition and here it is in the art as well."

Mother let Parkland shooting suspect buy guns, officials say

BY TERRY SPENCER
Associated Press

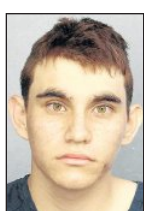
SUNRISE, Fla. — Mental health counselors told the mother of Florida school shooting suspect Nikolas Cruz she shouldn't let him buy guns, but she ignored their concerns and he began compiling an arsenal before her death last year, officials said Tuesday.

Lynda Cruz was "an enabler" who interfered with efforts to get her son treatment, Pinellas County Sheriff Bob Gualtieri, chairman

of the Marjory Stoneman Douglas High School Public Safety Commission, told members.

About a year before the attack, Nikolas Cruz was 18 and living with his mother when he legally bought the AR-15 authorities say was used in the Feb. 14 shooting that killed 17 people. He bought other guns before and after her November death from pneumonia.

"If he wants to have a



Cruz

gun, he could have a gun," Gualtieri said. Lynda Cruz told his counselors. Cruz's father died when he was young.

Gualtieri told members that school and mental health counselors had at least 140 contacts with Nikolas Cruz over the years trying to get him help, but his mother frequently interfered. He did not go into specifics. Similar complaints were made about the

mother of Adam Lanza, who killed 26 at a Connecticut elementary school in 2012 after killing her. Nancy Lanza bought guns for her 20-year-old son despite his emotional issues.

The commission is scheduled to discuss Cruz's mental health treatment Thursday. Because those records are protected by federal and state law, the sessions will be closed.

Zachary Cruz, the suspect's younger brother, told The Miami Herald in May that Nikolas Cruz pointed a

rifle at him and their mother in separate events, but they didn't call police either time.

School and government records obtained by The Associated Press and other media shortly after the shooting show Nikolas Cruz was diagnosed as developmentally delayed at age 3 and had disciplinary issues dating to middle school. In February 2014, while in eighth grade, Cruz was transferred to a school for children with emotional and behavioral issues. He

stayed until 10th grade, when he was transferred to Marjory Stoneman Douglas.

About a year before the attack, Cruz was kicked out of the school after he harassed other students, had outbursts, fought and had numerous other issues.

Cruz is charged with 17 counts of first-degree murder. His attorneys have said he would plead guilty in exchange for a life sentence without parole. Prosecutors are seeking the death penalty.

ANALYSIS



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A 2009 article written by Brett Kavanaugh lends insight into how he might rule regarding issues of presidential power.

Probe may test Kavanaugh's views of power

BY PHILIP BUMP
The Washington Post

President Donald Trump's nomination of Brett Kavanaugh to replace Justice Anthony Kennedy on the Supreme Court was only surprising in the way that a bride opening gifts from her wedding registry might be surprised: You know it's one of the items on your list, just not which one.

Each candidate on the president's list of possible nominees, it was safe to assume, adhered to Trump's pledge to revisit *Roe v. Wade* among other conservative priorities. Each had been vetted by conservative observers to ensure that the court would shift to the right, perhaps for decades to come.

There was one particular reason, though, that Trump might have been more enthusiastic about nominating Kavanaugh than any of the others on his list. Why? Because Kavanaugh has articulated a view of presidential investigations that is precisely what Trump would like to hear given his frustration at the ongoing probe by special counsel Robert Mueller.

Kavanaugh's views were laid out in an article published in the *Minnesota Law Review* in 2009.

"In short, the Constitution establishes a clear mechanism to deter execu-

tive malfeasance; we should not burden a sitting President with civil suits, criminal investigations, or criminal prosecutions," he wrote. "The President's job is difficult enough as is. And the country loses when the President's focus is distracted by the burdens of civil litigation or criminal investigation and possible prosecution."

He used a remarkable example to make that point.

"Looking back to the late 1990s, for example," he wrote, "the nation certainly would have been better off if President Clinton could have focused on Osama bin Laden without being distracted by the Paula Jones sexual harassment case and its criminal investigation offshoots."

The implication? The investigation into Clinton lessened the likelihood that the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, would be stopped. Instead of investigating a president and wasting his energy, Kavanaugh argues, criminal inquiries could wait until the chief executive left office. Congress should pass a law mandating that this be the standard, he wrote.

This is not simply an abstract consideration for Trump. There are a number of ways in which questions about Mueller's probe might end before the Supreme Court for a judgment.

Can the president fire Mueller? The statute establishing the position of special counsel indicates that only the head of the Department of Justice can remove Mueller from his position. In this case, given the recusal of Attorney General Jeff Sessions, that means Deputy Attorney General Rod Rosenstein.

But some have argued that Trump can sidestep this by declaring that an inability to fire Mueller would be a violation of his constitutional powers.

This is a contentious position — but if Trump assumes it, it would probably be up to the high court to determine if it was sound.

Kavanaugh addresses a somewhat similar question in his 2009 article, considering the authority of the heads of government agencies to act without constant input from the president.

"Normally, persons exercising tremendous executive power and responsibility are not insulated from direction, supervision, and ultimately (if necessary) dismissal, either by elected officials or by the people themselves. Why shouldn't someone have the authority to fire such persons at will? And if anyone is to possess that power, it must be the President."

This is an imprecise analogy to the Mueller situation, given that there is a method for removing Mueller from his position:

firing by Rosenstein.

Can Trump ignore a subpoena from Mueller?

Former New York Mayor Rudy Giuliani, a member of Trump's legal team, has suggested that such a subpoena would be invalid and could be ignored by the White House.

Legal experts who spoke with *The Washington Post* indicate that Giuliani is wrong, that — like Clinton and the administration of Richard Nixon — Trump would have to be responsive to a subpoena. But, again, this is a fight that might eventually wend its way to the Supreme Court for an ultimate determination.

In his 2009 article, Kavanaugh writes that the court's decision in *Clinton v. Jones*, "that presidents are not constitutionally entitled to deferral of civil suits... may well have been entirely correct."

Can Trump be indicted?

Whether a president can be indicted has been the subject of a great deal of debate since the Mueller probe began. The *Post's* assessment notes a 2000 Office of Legal Counsel memo arguing that "the burdens of criminal litigation would be so intrusive as to violate the separation of powers." (The subpoena faced by Clinton was civil, focused on his actions before taking office.) But any assertion by Trump that an

indictment was invalid would probably end up in the same place as the other assertions above: the Supreme Court.

Where would Kavanaugh land? His 2009 essay is direct on this point:

"As I have written before, 'no Attorney General or special counsel will have the necessary credibility to avoid the inevitable charges that he is politically motivated — whether in favor of the President or against him, depending on the individual leading the investigation and its results.' The indictment and trial of a sitting President, moreover, would cripple the federal government, rendering it unable to function with credibility in either the international or domestic arenas. Such an outcome would ill serve the public interest, especially in times of financial or national security crisis."

Can Trump pardon himself?

The president has argued in the past that, should it be necessary, he can issue himself a pardon for any federal crimes of which he stands accused. Experts disagree. The presidential pardon as articulated in the Constitution doesn't address the subject and is otherwise broad in its scope.

Where Kavanaugh would land — if the issue ended up at the court — isn't clear from his 2009 article.



Anne Frank died at age 15.

Family's attempts to get to U.S. failed

Otto Frank could not obtain visas, research suggests

BY KIRSTEN GRIESHABER
Associated Press

BERLIN — Research suggests the family of Anne Frank, the world famous Jewish diarist who died in the Holocaust, attempted to immigrate to the United States and later also to Cuba, but their efforts were thwarted by America's restrictive immigration policy and the outbreak of World War II.

The Anne Frank House in Amsterdam and the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum said this month that documents indicate Anne's father, Otto, tried twice to collect the papers needed to obtain visas for the United States. He later also appears to have applied for a visa to Cuba.

However, the Frank family's escape efforts were all in vain. Eventually they went into hiding from the Nazis in Amsterdam on July 6, 1942.

"I am forced to look out for emigration and as far as I can see USA is the only country we could go to," Otto Frank wrote in English to a friend in the United States in 1941.

His efforts to get the family out of the Netherlands to the U.S. likely started as early as 1938 — a turbulent year in which Nazi Germany annexed Austria and part of Czechoslovakia into the Third Reich. On Nov. 9 that year, Nazis terrorized Jews throughout the country in the violent Kristallnacht pogroms, also known as the "Night of Broken Glass."

Otto Frank wrote in his 1941 letter to his friend Nathan Straus that he had filed an application at the American Consulate in the Dutch port city of Rotterdam in 1938.

However, he also mentioned that "all the papers have been destroyed there," because on May 14, 1940, while the Frank family was still on a waiting list for possible visas, the American Consulate was devastated during German bombardment, and all papers were lost.

Even without the loss of their visa application, it would have been difficult for the Franks to immigrate to the United States. With hundreds of thousands of people seeking refuge in the U.S. each year by the time war broke out in 1939, Washington was issuing fewer than 30,000 annual visas.

The family hid for more than two years during the war, and it was then that Anne wrote her famous diary. On Aug. 4, 1944, they were discovered and deported to Auschwitz in Poland.

Only Anne's father, Otto, survived the war. Anne and her sister died in Bergen-Belsen camp. Anne Frank was 15.

After the war, Otto Frank had his daughter's diary published, and it went on to become a symbol of hope and resilience that has been translated into dozens of languages.

Kavanaugh fight shifts to health care

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balance that has preserved the landmark 1973 abortion ruling *Roe v. Wade*.

Kennedy voted in 1992 to reaffirm that decision.

That move was seen as a way to pressure two moderate GOP women, Sens. Susan Collins of Maine and Lisa Murkowski of Alaska, who both support abortion rights.

But to hold onto Democrats representing conservative states won by Trump, Democrats are increasingly talking about how Kavanaugh might shift the balance on President Barack Obama's health care law. And it seems to be working on vulnerable Democrats in red states.

Sen. Joe Manchin of West Virginia — who last year voted for Trump's first Supreme Court pick — immediately picked up on the talking point, saying that he would consider the "nearly 800,000 West Virginians with pre-existing conditions" when making his confirmation vote.

Though Manchin promised to keep an open mind, the statement suggested a willingness to vote against the nomination, bucking Trump, who is popular in his state.

Sen. Joe Donnelly, D-Ind., told CNN that requir-

ing insurance companies to cover pre-existing conditions will play a "central part" in his consideration.

It's true that GOP efforts to repeal Obamacare might make their way back to the Supreme Court, which has twice upheld the law. But the deciding vote in those rulings was not Kennedy, but Chief Justice John Roberts, who will remain on the court.

Even so, Democrats note that Roberts may vote differently in the future as new challenges reach the court, particularly a federal lawsuit in Texas that argues that after Congress last year repealed the provision requiring individuals to have insurance, the rest of the law must be scrapped as unconstitutional.

Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., said Tuesday on the Senate floor that Kavanaugh would vote to overturn *Roe* and the Affordable Care Act, based on Trump's campaign promise to pick a nominee who would strike them down.

"That is President Trump's litmus test, and it couldn't be clearer," Schumer said.

Though Trump promised during his campaign to nominate only "pro-life" justices and Kavanaugh was chosen from a list

Federalist Society, the White House is now insisting abortion isn't a central issue.

"That's a scare tactic" from the left, said Kellyanne Conway, the White House counselor.

Collins, who faces immense pressure from both sides, has said she would have concerns about a nominee who had open hostility to *Roe* or did not believe in respecting court precedents.

She said Tuesday that she would "probe deeply on a number of issues," including abortion rights.

On the other hand, Collins also praised Kavanaugh's experience.

"When you look at the credentials that Judge Kavanaugh brings to the job, it will be very difficult for anyone to argue that he's not qualified for the job," she told reporters.

The White House effort to appoint Kavanaugh has been well organized, the smoothest since Trump's last Supreme Court nomination of Neil Gorsuch.

Officials provided supporters with talking points only minutes after Monday's announcement. A group of 34 former law clerks released a letter praising Kavanaugh's warmth, qualifications, even-handedness, mastery of details and deference to

precedent.

While Trump traveled to Europe for NATO meetings Tuesday, Vice President Mike Pence accompanied Kavanaugh to Capitol Hill and led a blitzkrieg of media appearances. A taped interview with the conservative Sinclair Broadcasting Group went to 200 television stations around the country. Pence spoke to radio shows in West Virginia, Manchin's home state, and Indiana, the home state of Donnelly. The vice president also granted interviews to CNN and Fox.

"Messaging-wise, the big thing you're going to hear is this is a mainstream pick with a demonstrable record," said a White House official who did not want to be identified speaking about the internal process.

But Kavanaugh's lengthy time in Washington could be a boon for Democrats hoping to find an issue to scuttle his nomination.

"His record on the bench, in the Bush White House and as a Republican political operative indicates that if confirmed he would be one of the most conservative justices in Supreme Court history," said Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif.

Kavanaugh was once labeled the "Forrest Gump of



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Sen. Chuck Schumer focuses on women and health care Tuesday in front of the high court.

Republican politics" by Sen. Dick Durbin, D-Ill., because he surfaced in so many prominent historical moments.

Kavanaugh wrote the final report on behalf of independent counsel Ken Starr that led to impeachment charges against Bill Clinton. He worked on the George W. Bush legal team that won the 2000 Florida recount and was among the attorneys who sued the Clinton Justice Department to prevent Elian Gonzalez from being sent back to Cuba after his mother died trying to flee the island. He also spent five years crafting legal policy in the Bush administration, which took an expansive view of executive power.

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Senate panel approves Trump's pick to lead Veterans Affairs

WASHINGTON — A Senate panel voted Tuesday to approve President Donald Trump's nominee to lead Veterans Affairs, a department beset by political infighting and turmoil over providing health care.

The Senate Veterans Affairs Committee agreed on voice vote to back Robert Wilkie, currently serving as a Pentagon undersecretary.

Independent Sen. Bernie Sanders of Ver-

mont cast a "no" vote.

Wilkie has pledged to "shake up complacency" at the VA, which has struggled with long waits in providing medical treatment to millions of veterans.

Under repeated questioning by Democrats during his confirmation hearing last month, the Air Force and Navy veteran insisted he would not seek to privatize the government's second-largest agency.

Kushner, Pompeo, Mnuchin to meet with Lopez Obrador

MEXICO CITY — Leftist President-elect Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador is enjoying a bit of a honeymoon with U.S. President Donald Trump, and he was effusive Tuesday in praising the U.S. leader's restraint in not bringing up his proposed border wall.

Instead of confrontational talk, Lopez Obrador will get a visit by Trump's son-in-law and adviser, Jared Kushner, and Secre-

tary of State Mike Pompeo on Friday. Treasury Secretary Steven Mnuchin and Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen also will be at the meeting.

One and a half years ago, Trump's insistence on talking about the wall — and insisting Mexico pay for it — forced outgoing President Enrique Pena to cancel his first planned official meeting with Trump.

U.N. report says S. Sudan troops killed 232 civilians in five weeks

JOHANNESBURG — South Sudan government troops and allied fighters killed at least 232 civilians in a five-week period this year, hanging some people from trees and burning others alive, according to a United Nations report released Tuesday.

The report is the latest snapshot of the atrocities committed in the world's youngest nation over its five-year civil war. It says the attacks may amount to

war crimes.

Human rights monitors for the U.N. found that at least 120 women and girls were raped or gang-raped between April 16 and May 24. The rape victims included children as young as 4, and some sexual assault targets were shot dead for resisting, the U.N. monitors reported.

Some elderly, sick and disabled people who could not flee were burned alive.



Here's mud in your crown: Molly Kofahl, 4, left, and Charles Daviskiba, 3, pose after being crowned Mud Day Queen and King during Mud Day on Tuesday in Westland, Mich. Wayne County Parks has hosted the event for 31 years.

CARLOS OSORIO/AP

Judge orders Manafort moved to new jail for trial

WASHINGTON — A federal judge in Alexandria, Va., has ordered Paul Manafort moved to that city's jail to prepare for his upcoming trial on bank and tax fraud charges.

But Manafort is fighting the move, saying he wants to stay at a jail 100 miles away in Virginia's Northern Neck.

Manafort, who served as President Donald Trump's campaign chairman for several months, last week asked for his July 25 trial in Alexandria federal court to be delayed until this fall, saying his incarceration at Northern Neck Regional Jail has made it too difficult to prepare.

He also wanted the trial moved to Roanoke.

Now his defense team contends that moving Manafort to Alexandria would be more challenging than leaving him where he is.

Trump administration slashes funding for Obamacare groups

WASHINGTON — The Trump administration is eliminating most of the funding for grass-roots groups that help Americans get Affordable Care Act insurance and will for the first time urge the groups to promote health plans that bypass the law's consumer protections and required benefits.

The reduction, the second round of cuts that began a summer ago, will shrink the federal money devoted to groups known as navigators from \$36.8 million to \$10 million for

the enrollment period that starts in November.

The new reduction of help for so-called navigators, announced late Tuesday afternoon by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services, fits within a pattern of moves by the administration to weaken the sweeping health-care law that President Donald Trump has vowed to demolish. During his first year in office, the president pressed the Republican-led Congress to repeal much of the 2010 law that was one of President Barack Obama's signature domestic achievements.

Since Congress was unable to pass such a law, Trump and his aides have been taking a series of steps to weaken the law through administration maneuvers. The cuts to grass-roots groups around the country were announced three days after health officials revealed that, because of a pending lawsuit, they were suspending a program created by the law to even out the burden on insurers whose customers are especially unhealthy or sick.

Facebook fined \$663K over Cambridge Analytica

LONDON — The chairman of the U.K. Parliament's media committee says the government office that investigated the Cambridge Analytica scandal has fined Facebook \$663,000 for failing to safeguard users' data.

Damian Collins said the Information Commission-

er's Office concluded that Facebook "contravened the law by failing to safeguard people's information."

Collins said Wednesday that the company "should now make the results of their internal investigations known to the ICO, our committee and other relevant investigatory author-

ities."

Facebook has been under scrutiny since allegations surfaced that now-defunct London-based political consultancy Cambridge Analytica used data from tens of millions of Facebook accounts to help President Donald Trump's 2016 election campaign.

Pfizer said it would delay increasing the prices on dozens of drug products after President Donald Trump publicly berated the firm one day earlier. The company said Tuesday the price increases would be effectively postponed at least until the beginning of 2019 to give Trump a chance to work on his health plan.

The Vatican is drafting guidelines to help Catholic dioceses find appropriate ways to decommission unneeded churches so they don't end up as discos, gymnasiums or gelato shops. The Vatican wants to ensure the buildings maintain some of the spiritual, cultural and social value they had as places of worship, an official said.

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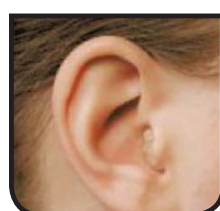
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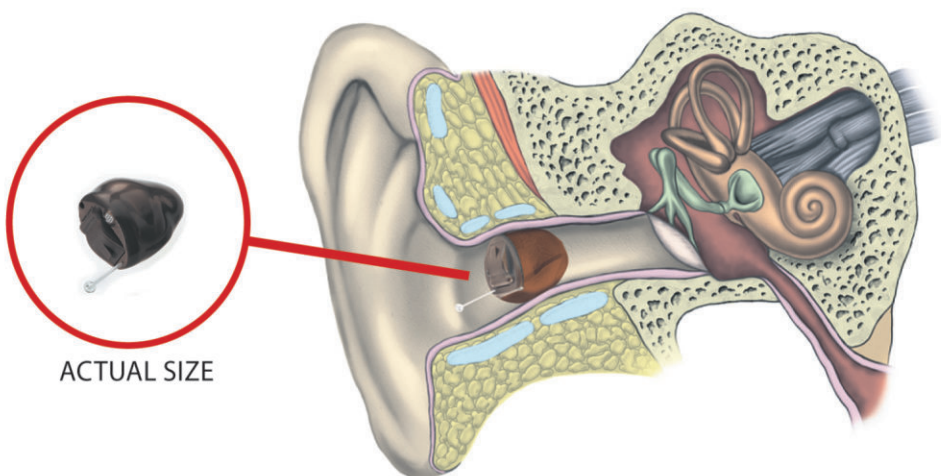
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EDITORIALS

What Illinois higher education could be

University of Illinois President Timothy Killeen dropped by the Tribune Editorial Board on Tuesday. He delivered a refreshingly upbeat message about the state's flagship public university system, with campuses in Chicago, Springfield and Urbana-Champaign.

Student enrollment is rising at the U. of I., unlike at other state schools.

The university is successfully poaching a few star professors from other major schools; stung by the perception that its own stars were defecting, the U. of I. now is "on the prowl" for stellar talent, Killeen says proudly.

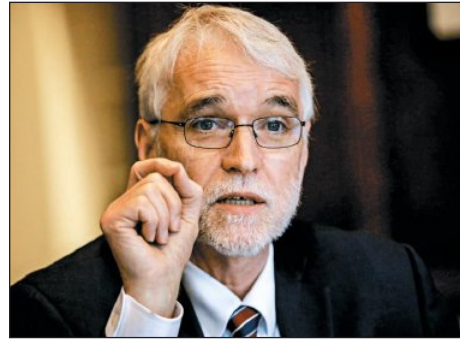
Undergrad tuition for in-state students has been frozen for four years, and Killeen wants to extend that at least a couple of more years.

The system has cut hundreds of administrative jobs. Students didn't notice, he says.

Development of the U. of I.-led Discovery Partners Institute — a South Loop innovation hub — is churning ahead with \$500 million in state funding. (Amazon, are you reading?)

And the U. of I.'s \$3.1 billion fundraising campaign has achieved more than half of its goal.

Gone is some of the gloom and doom that shadowed Illinois higher education in recent years as state lawmakers wrangled



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U. of I.'s Timothy Killeen said of the state budget stalemate: "Never do this again."

over a budget and universities struggled to make ends meet. Some state universities haven't recovered. The U. of I., for the most part, has. "We're stronger and in sound fiscal shape now," Killeen tells us. "There are a lot of good things going on." But the state budget stalemate was "definitely a setback. And it was a reputational hit as well. So ... the first lesson is: Never do this again." Agreed.

As we listened to Killeen, we couldn't help but think: This is what the entire Illinois university system should aspire to be. Innovative. Cost-effective. Disciplined. Stripped of redundancies. Aware of its mission to serve different students in

multiple locales — and strictly allocating its resources accordingly.

Instead, enrollment has plunged at many Illinois public universities. Leaders flail for ways to attract or even retain students. As we reported in April, the number of Illinois residents enrolled as freshmen outside the state in public or private colleges has increased by 73 percent — to 35,445 from 20,507. That's just since 2000. Almost half of Illinois high school grads going to four-year colleges now abandon Illinois for out-of-state. Ten of Illinois' 12 public universities suffered withering enrollment in 2017, some taking percentage whacks in double digits.

There are indications that some Illinois universities may bounce back this fall. But as a group they have a long way to go to resemble the higher ed mecca that Killeen envisions for his system.

We've argued that Illinois' schools — a balkanized collection of 12 universities answering to nine self-focused boards — should select academic fields in which they can excel. As is, school leaders and their local politicians spend too much time defending their fiefdoms, as if colleges exist mainly to funnel cash into the local economy. What they don't do is reimagine their campuses to offer solid general educations, but also to specialize in niches, particularly at the graduate level: an outstanding uni-

versity or two for engineering, one or two for teacher education, one or two for biological sciences and pre-med, and so on. Other states have rationalized their campuses, and spending of resources, this way.

Gov. Bruce Rauner and some Illinois lawmakers acknowledge these shortcomings of Illinois higher ed. They whisper about merging floundering campuses with more successful ones, squelching redundancies, administrative bloat and parochial governance. So far, however, state leaders have done nothing.

Killeen's laudably ambitious goal is to make the U. of I. "the model for public higher education ... not catching up with any other place, but the model."

Our idea is to expand Killeen's ambition for the U. of I. to all public universities statewide. Campuses that earn reputations for specialized excellence would make Illinois a stronger magnet for bright students from everywhere.

Making that happen will require direction from Springfield to the universities: *As resources shrink, develop a statewide strategy for specialization and excellence — or continue to let other states poach all these talented young Illinoisans.*

Lawmakers, get to work. Most of these universities won't reorganize themselves without your prodding.

CECIL'S REVENGE?

Remember Cecil, the African lion killed in 2015 by a Minnesota dentist? The dentist shot Cecil with a crossbow, skinned him and then took his head as a trophy.

Cecil's death stirred worldwide revulsion, forced the dentist into hiding and, we trust, scared off other trophy hunters who would kill these magnificent beasts for sport.

We don't know if lions hold grudges, but we're tempted to say that Cecil's relatives in Africa may have long memories.

That was our first thought when we heard about what happened to a group of rhinoceros poachers who recently crept into a South African game reserve. The armed poachers apparently intended to kill rhinos and saw off their horns (worth about \$9,000 a pound).

What happened looks a lot like sweet revenge. Officials found a skull and a "bit of pelvis," Nick Fox, owner of the private game reserve, told Newsweek. "Everything else was completely gone."

Fox wasn't even sure how many poachers there were, but three sets of shoes and

gloves were found. "I think we had a stroke of luck here," he said. "The lions got to them before they got to the rhinos."

Veterinarians and conservation workers assessed six lions believed to be among the culprits. Conclusion: The lions' behavior was normal. Apparently, the animals react differently toward people in vehicles who come to gawk than they react to people on foot who come to make mischief.

Our surmise: When lions see people in vehicles, they may think, "tourist." When they see people on foot with guns, they think "lunch."

Sadly, rhino poaching is a big criminal business in South Africa, with more than 1,000 rhinos slaughtered in 2017. Poachers have already driven one rhino species, the northern white rhino, to near extinction. Only two females remain. But researchers say they've developed a hybrid rhinoceros embryo to be implanted in a surrogate rhino in hopes of restarting a herd. That would be wonderful. Even more wonderful would be to develop better ways to discourage poachers from killing endan-



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Najin, left, and Fatu are the last northern white rhinos, and both are infertile. The last male rhino of their kind died in March. The species has been decimated by poachers.

gered animals in the first place.

Unfortunately, that's not likely to happen while black markets thrive. Which means animals will continue to be driven to near extinction by the most treacherous beast of all.

"The northern white rhinoceros didn't fade from evolution, it faded because it

wasn't bulletproof," said Thomas Hildebrandt of the Leibniz Institute for Zoo and Wildlife Research.

Poachers who kill and mutilate for profit don't deserve much sympathy. Looks like they didn't get any from the lions.

Rest easy, Cecil.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

In Tennyson's hands the light brigade's disastrous frontal assault on Russian troops in the Crimean War produced some stirring verse. But suicidal charges are less advised for political parties.

So it's startling to hear a high-ranking member of the Democratic leadership call on the most vulnerable members of his own party to march into their own Valley of Death for the sake of rejecting Donald Trump's pick to replace Anthony Kennedy on the Supreme Court. (U.S. Sen. Dick Durbin pitched his charge on Sunday's "Meet the Press.") The Illinois Democrat acknowledged that the resistance he is proposing could mean a smaller Democratic minority in the Senate.

Host Chuck Todd put it to Mr. Durbin this way: "Staying united to stop the Supreme Court pick could cost you red-state senators. Not fighting it as hard might allow the red-state senators to get re-elected and get Democrats in control of the Senate. That's your dilemma."

Sen. Durbin replied as follows: "It is a dilemma in one respect but not in another. I will tell you, the men and women that I work with on the Democratic side really take this seriously. They understand it's an historic decision. It's about more than the next election. ..."

No doubt this approach resonates with the party's donors and its activist wings in New York and California. But it won't play as well in the red states where the most vulnerable Democratic senators are now fighting for their political lives.

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President Donald Trump walks with U.S. appellate Judge Brett Kavanaugh and his family Monday, when Kavanaugh was announced as a Supreme Court nominee.

Brett Kavanaugh: Phantom menace or a new hope?



CLARENCE PAGE

With his friendly face and charming family, Judge Brett Kavanaugh appears to offer President Donald Trump the good looks right out of central casting that our first reality-show president said he was seeking in a nominee to replace retiring Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy.

But in a confirmation process that is expected to be as contentious as “Star Wars,” civil rights and abortion rights groups see in Kavanaugh a candidate without much Luke Skywalker in him — and a lot of Darth Vader.

May the force be with them, I say. They’ll need it. In the expected multi-million-dollar battle of TV ads and spin doctors over Kavanaugh’s confirmation, the Empire led by President Trump still has the edge, unless some big surprises turn up.

Such was the plot twist that sank the conservative U.S. Court of Appeals Judge Robert Bork’s nomination in 1987. After shunning the usual “murder board” rehearsals that help nominees prepare for their Senate Judiciary Committee interrogation, Bork talked himself into controversial positions that brought the curtain down on his

confirmation chances — and added the word “borking” to dictionaries to describe the scuttling of nominees through vilification and defamation.

Judge Clarence Thomas prepared himself better for rough questioning and needed it when allegations of sexual misconduct were brought up by former aide Anita Hill. He survived and was narrowly confirmed, but the days when Supreme Court confirmations were quiet, low-key affairs were over.

Instead, opposition researchers are poring over Kavanaugh’s long paper trail — he has written about 300 opinions, including important decisions on guns, abortion and regulation — and hoping to turn up enough evidence to sink his nomination or, at least, stall it as midterm elections approach in November.

So far, they have found not much to like.

“Brett Kavanaugh is a dangerous ideologue whose extreme views on civil rights would solidify a far right majority on the Supreme Court,” said a statement by the 109-year-old NAACP, which also opposed Kavanaugh’s confirmation to his current position as a judge on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit.

“In his 12 years on the bench,” the organization says now, “he has proven us correct.”

“In nominating Brett Kavanaugh, Donald Trump has followed through on his threat to nominate a justice who would undermine LGBTQ equality,

women’s reproductive rights and affordable health care,” said Chad Griffin, president of the Human Rights Campaign.

“Brett Kavanaugh is a direct threat to our civil and human rights and is unfit to serve on our nation’s highest court,” Vanita Gupta, head of the Leadership Conference on Civil and Human Rights, said in a statement. “Like President Trump, he would protect the rights of the wealthy and powerful over the rights of all — a fact verified by his prominence on Trump’s vaunted short list of potential nominees.”

Nothing personal, you understand. This fight is strictly business as the left presses Democratic senators to vigorously oppose this nomination. As much as he is vilified on the left, Kavanaugh is praised on the right. If the Democrats can’t beat the Senate’s Republican majority, at least they’re trying to stall the nomination, a senatorial version of “freezing the ball” in the NBA, as the Dems try to build support for the left in upcoming elections.

Kavanaugh’s positions in favor of robust executive power and his history in partisan political battles, including independent counsel Kenneth Starr’s investigations into President Bill Clinton, are expected to take center stage in the coming battle.

But his roll-back-the-clock positions on civil rights and gender equality issues have special significance in these polarized times. They could help to provoke the sort of turnout among

women and African-American voters, in particular, that Hillary Clinton failed to produce in key states in 2016, despite winning the popular vote.

It’s past time for the Rebellion to strike back, but better late than never. A big reason Democrats have lost Congress, the White House and most state governments was their failure to organize grassroots around energizing social issues as much as the right has done.

Democratic voters have not prized Supreme Court appointments nearly as much as Republicans have in the decades since President Ronald Reagan’s era, when abortion rights groups and the religious right rose as contentious political forces.

Now stunned by Kennedy’s unexpected departure — although an 81-year-old man’s retirement shouldn’t be all that surprising — the Dems hope the fight over his seat will awaken apathetic voters on the left. The more of a menace Kavanaugh appears to be, the better Democrats see their chances being.

That’s a role that this rising judicial star does not appear to relish, but he’s ready for it. For now, politically speaking, the force is with him. But this battle is only beginning.

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By the numbers, why Roe v. Wade will probably stand



ERIC ZORN

Fortunately I wasn’t drinking coffee on the train into work last week when I heard Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, say in a New York Times podcast that support for Roe v. Wade is “something like a 51-49” issue in America.

The spit-take would have drenched my fellow commuters and earned me a rough ejection at the next station.

Susan Collins! The moderate supporter of abortion rights and a potential swing vote in the process to confirm President Donald Trump’s choice to replace retiring Justice Anthony Kennedy to the U.S. Supreme Court! So wrong about public opinion!

The nation is, indeed, divided on and ambivalent about where to draw the legal line on a woman’s right to choose to terminate her pregnancy. But year after year, poll after poll has shown that

strong majorities of the public support the 1973 Supreme Court decision that enshrined that right in most circumstances.

A survey of 1,492 registered voters released June 29 by the Kaiser Family Foundation showed that 67 percent of respondents do not want Roe v. Wade overturned, something Trump has assured his supporters will happen under a reconstituted Supreme Court. Among independent voters, 73 percent said they want Roe to stand. That percentage rises to 74 percent among women of reproductive age.

A Quinnipiac University poll released July 2 found 63 percent of 1,020 American voters surveyed said they “agree” with the Roe decision, similar to the results Quinnipiac has seen the 12 other times it has asked this question since 2005.

In fact, going back 20 years in the PollingReport.com archives it’s rare to find support for Roe dipping below 60 percent, and in no poll has it fallen below 50 percent.

Collins’ error — her misunderstanding of where the public

actually stands — was so egregious that the Times later edited it out of the podcast and posted a correction to the newspaper’s website.

Why is public opinion so strongly behind the decision? My sense is that many who have moral objections to abortion or who believe the constitutional underpinnings of Roe are flimsy nevertheless see the decision as a bulwark against a return to the Bad Old Days when abortion was a crime.

Roe ended the era of back-alley pregnancy terminations and drew a line between Her Business and The Government’s Business that many of us appreciated.

It also energized the political right. Opposition to Roe and to the expansive access to legal abortions it permitted has driven conservative voters to the polls and inflamed a sense of cultural grievance that has boosted Republican candidates, including even sleazy reprobates like Trump, for the past 45 years.

In contrast, supporters of abortion rights have been comparatively complacent, particularly since 1992 when the Supreme

Court reaffirmed Roe in *Planned Parenthood v. Casey*. In that decision, Kennedy, a Republican appointee, wrote that it was “imperative to adhere to the essence of Roe’s original decision,” and that to do otherwise would cause “profound and unnecessary damage to the court’s legitimacy.”

But opponents didn’t give up. State by state, fueled by passion and indignation, they’ve elected conservative legislators who’ve passed some 400 laws eroding and limiting access to abortion. Many but not all of these laws have been blocked by the courts, but 17 states are poised to outlaw the practice altogether the moment a more conservative court overturns Roe.

Pro-lifers should be careful what they wish for. Outright abortion bans are not popular. Twenty-five times since 2004, Quinnipiac has asked voters when they think the law should allow abortions. The “illegal in all cases” response averages 13 percent. The “legal in all cases” response averages 21 percent. When you figure in the middle ground “... in most cases” response from both sides, “legal”

beats “illegal” by double digits in every poll but one (April of 2010, when the margin was 8 percent).

The looming threat to Roe is already galvanizing the political left. Liberals are finally waking up to the importance of the judiciary — no more symbolic protest votes, you feckless twits! — and an outright reversal of Roe, which would allow the individual states to regulate abortion as their legislatures see fit, augurs blue wave after blue wave to wash away the effect of minority rule.

That’s why I don’t expect it to happen. I expect the justices will understand what Susan Collins doesn’t — that Roe v. Wade is very popular and only the political fringe wants a return to the Bad Old Days that preceded it. I expect they’ll find it less politically disruptive to keep nibbling away at Roe’s protections than to do away with it altogether.

And, as I often say, I expect that my grandkids and your grandkids will be having these same arguments over abortion long after we’re gone.

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PERSPECTIVE



Getting over the angst in calling my transgender child 'they'

GETTY

BY DEBRA MALINA

Years ago when I was an overwhelmed and weepy new mother, a therapist informed me that parenthood is just one long series of losses. I walked out of her office never to return, but her words have stuck with me for 22 years as I've learned the tricky dance of motherhood.

Your baby learns to walk and runs away from you. Your shy child is too busy with preschool friends to wave goodbye to you. Your tween begs to go away to camp (OK, mine didn't do that, but hypothetically). Each alleged "loss" for you is a gain for your child — and a remarkable, heart-bursting gain for you, too, when seen in the right light.

Like most parents, I had to learn that the point is not to hold on so tight that your children remain a part of you, but to hold a safety net under them as you let them become whoever they have the capacity to be — even knowing that they might get hurt in the process.

My self-confident kid, Sula, came out as gay during high

school in a liberal community and then fully as transmasculine-nonbinary while in the safe haven of a liberal arts college. Sula is one of a growing number of people who identify outside the gender binary and who use the pronouns they, them and theirs. When they graduated and began "real life" in a new city — and in a new and frightening political era — I was more anxious than I'd been since their early childhood. But as always, I wanted to embrace and support them as they took on new and bigger challenges.

Like many parents of transgender people, I had to educate myself about my child's identity and how I could best support them. One stumbling block was that embracing my child's identity meant changing my language. As an editor, I found it painful, on a professional and cognitive level, to force myself to refer to (the most singular) Sula as "they."

But I stopped wincing at my own grammar relatively quickly. Harder were the not-always-predictable interpersonal dynamics, because each new person I talked to about

Sula had to be inducted into a new way of thinking. Despite my pride in Sula, it was embarrassing to make myself everyone's teacher and guide to this brave new world where gender is recognized as a spectrum. Even in the open-minded circles in which I move, I discovered that many people have difficulty embracing changes that disrupt our well-ingrained frameworks and categories.

From a practical perspective, using "they" often hobbles conversations, when I have to clarify in pretty much every sentence whether I'm still talking about only Sula or am now referring to a group of people. And I get tired of having each new person I talk to explain to me — a Ph.D. in English — that the problem is that "they" is plural. Merriam-Webster traces the use of a singular "they" back to the 14th century, and even if it were new, language is continuously evolving.

I have had to hone my explanation about other pronoun options such as "ze" or "xe," the need to coin the objective and possessive cases, the often-slow drift of linguistic change,

and the reality that many people already used "they" in place of "he or she" for a singular person of unknown gender.

But more than anything else, back when I still stumbled over each "they," I realized that the tiny jolt I felt each time my mind readjusted was a miniature echo and essential reminder of the hundreds of instances of disrespect, discrimination, harassment, hatred and violence that transgender people experience every day. A recent survey by the Human Rights Campaign and the University of Connecticut of more than 12,000 LGBTQ teens found that only 1 in 5 transgender teens say they are always called by their correct pronouns in school. Not calling people by their correct names is not a small thing. It's a denial and a dismissal of their own deep sense of who they are.

I soon realized that the minutes I wasted repeating my fragment of Gender and Language 101 were nothing compared with the burden placed on trans people, including Sula, to educate their families, friends, teachers, employers,

landlords, policymakers and the rest of the world about their very personhood.

As transgender Americans and their advocates fight for acknowledgment of that personhood and protection of their rights, I have come to see accommodation by the English language as a small but subtly powerful prod toward emotional and civil acceptance by the world.

So as Sula's mom, I push through my discomfort and do what I can to explain all this to the people I know or encounter, hoping to help them undertake the minimal work to call transgender people by language that reflects their true selves. If parents would let themselves feel proud and amazed, instead of scared, when their kids grow and change, they might just grow and change themselves. And if they're very lucky, their kids, like mine, will help the world grow and change, too.

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When the Illinois GOP says 'Don't vote for the Nazi' instead of 'Vote for the Democrat'

BY TED SLOWIK

A political question affecting south and southwest suburban Chicago residents is prompting debate and drawing national attention.

The question is: How should Republicans vote in the Nov. 6 election to represent the 3rd Congressional District?

The race is between incumbent Dan Lipinski, a pro-life Democrat, and Republican nominee Arthur Jones, a Holocaust denier.

Cook County GOP Chairman Sean Morrison of Palos Park told me Republicans should not vote for Jones.

"Under no circumstance should any Republican vote for the Nazi Arthur Jones in November, they must skip over his race and do not cast a vote," Morrison, a Cook County Board member and GOP state central committeeman for the 3rd District, wrote in response to my email query.

Not voting in the election seems like an insufficient response. After all, exercising one's right to vote is a fundamental principle of our democracy.

You may not like the choices, but our entire system of government and politics is built upon the foundation that people can — and should — vote.

Texas GOP Sen. Ted Cruz

ignited the recent furor over Jones' candidacy.

"This is horrific," Cruz tweeted June 29 with a link to a Politico story. "An avowed Nazi running for Congress. To the good people of Illinois, you have two reasonable choices: write in another candidate, or vote for the Democrat. This bigoted fool should receive ZERO votes."

Cruz said what Illinois Republicans seem to have a hard time saying: "Vote for the Democrat."

More than 20,000 people voted for Jones in March, when he ran uncontested in the Republican primary. During the primary, Republican leaders denounced Jones.

"There is no room for neo-Nazis in American politics," Gov. Bruce Rauner said in February. "I condemn this man in the strongest possible terms."

In recent days, though, Rauner seemed trapped by a reporter's question. Rauner told reporters in Champaign recently that Jones should drop out of the race.

Rauner was then asked if Republicans should vote for the Democrat instead of the Nazi-aligned Republican.

"No," Rauner said, WCIA-TV reported.

The governor — the state's top elected Republican — then tried to clarify his position, showing the trickiness that the Jones

dilemma creates for the GOP.

"To the voters of the 3rd Congressional District: vote for anybody but Arthur Jones," Rauner tweeted. "Nazis have no place in our country and no one should vote for him. For the media or anyone else to suggest I think otherwise is offensive and irresponsible."

I think Rauner said it's OK to vote for Lipinski, but he wasn't explicit about it, the way Cruz was.

I called Jones three times in recent days at his home and at a phone number listed on his campaign website but I was unsuccessful in reaching him.

I believe there is no doubt GOP leaders want nothing to do with Jones.

"Arthur Jones is not a Republican, nor is he a member of the Illinois, Cook County or township Republican organizations," Morrison said in his email response. "We do not tolerate hatred and vile racist Nazi views in any political party."

I asked Morrison about criticism that GOP leaders should have done more to keep Jones off the ballot by running an opponent in the Republican primary, challenging Jones' petition signatures or fielding an independent candidate.

"The criticism made by some lacks a complete understanding of the actual events and efforts

that took place to find willing participants in the electoral process to run for this seat," he replied.

In my opinion, Lipinski appeals to so many conservative voters that it seems futile for a traditional Republican to invest the time and money to run for the seat.

Lipinski, who narrowly defeated progressive Marie Newman in the primary, is expected to win handily in November.

I think the GOP's reluctance to say "Vote for the Democrat" shows what happens when partisans build their brands on vilifying the other side. I think the best example of a politician vanquishing foes at all costs is President Donald Trump.

Consider Trump's own words from a rally last week in Montana.

"A vote for the Democrats in November is a vote to let MS-13 (a Salvadoran criminal gang) run wild in our communities," Trump said.

With talk like that, no wonder GOP leaders struggle to say "Vote for the Democrat" in any situation.

I reached out to Mateusz "Mat" Tomkowiak of Chicago for his thoughts. Tomkowiak told me he intends to run as a write-in for the 3rd District in November.

Readers may recall

Tomkowiak tried to run in the Democratic primary for the 3rd District seat on the state central committee against incumbent Michael Madigan, Illinois House speaker and chair of the state Democratic Party.

A challenge ousted Tomkowiak from the ballot, but he still received more than 9,000 write-in votes against Madigan.

I asked his reaction to Cruz's endorsement of Lipinski.

"(It's) the same as my reaction to Marie Newman's endorsement of Dan Lipinski," Tomkowiak replied via email. "They both illustrate that in American politics voters only have an illusion of choice."

Tomkowiak said Chicago's powerful Democratic machine is just as bad as the GOP.

"While the political elites exchange endorsements to secure loyalty and favors in the future, voters get to choose between a Madigan patsy and a literal Nazi," Tomkowiak wrote.

Tomkowiak, who is gay, said that for personal reasons he could never endorse Lipinski, who opposed same-sex marriage legislation. During the primary, Lipinski said he respects the U.S. Supreme Court ruling recognizing gay marriage as the "law of the land."

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PERSPECTIVE



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I've been riding Harleys for 60 years. Trump's tweets won't change that.

BY ALLAN GIRDLER

Next time you're on the road, take a survey. I bet most of the motorcycles you see — and hear — will be Harley-Davidsons. The speedy sportbike rider spends a thrilling hour every Sunday or so on the road or track, but it's the Harley crowd doing the daily commute, the cross-country vacation, the national rally. I've owned a dozen Harleys myself, the first a 20-year-old Big Twin I bought when I was 17. I'm 81 now, and when I ride my vintage 1970 racing Harley to the local casino, folks jump out of their motor homes to take its picture (it's painted in a flag pattern, red, white and blue).

Harley is America's motorcycle.

Or was. Now Harley is under attack. Just a few months ago, President Donald Trump posed with Harley executives at the White House. He called the brand "an American icon." But in June the company announced it would move some production overseas to avoid retaliatory tariffs that the European Union was imposing over Trump policies — including a 25 percent duty on imported Harleys. Trump's response was swift. "A Harley-Davidson should never be built in another country — never!" he said in a tweet. "Their employees and customers are already very angry at them." The move "will be the beginning of the end" for Harley, he said, and "the Aura will be gone and they will be taxed like never before!"

But the Motor Company, as the old and inside folks call it, is a survivor. It will take more than the president's tweets to change that. A far greater threat is the general decline of the motorcycle as its most dependable riders age. How Harley responds to that, and not the president's angry words, will be the key to its future. And that response might well mean making more bikes overseas, for now.

Let's pause for some history. Between World War I and World War II, Harley-Davidson did lots of export business. When the yen plummeted, the Japanese imposed duties on Harleys, so the company licensed a plant in Japan — the first-ever true motorcycle factory there. After World War II, when making small bikes in the United States became too expensive, Harley bought a struggling Italian maker and imported its excellent products for the next 15 years. Making Harleys overseas is not new.

Yes, Harley-Davidson is as American as can be. That's one of its strengths. In 1981, when it was the neglected stepchild of a vast conglomerate, several members of the founding families, some Harley executives and a couple of really brave bankers bought Harley-Davidson back and announced the daring deal with the slogan "The Eagle Soars Alone." As indeed it did. New and improved products ushered in a boom, for Harley-Davidson and even the imported rivals, many of which introduced big road bikes that looked a lot like Harleys.

That was then, this is now. The president has said that Harley's guys are a bunch of disloyal ingrates and that he would tax them till the eagle fell into the swamp — he's said he's so mad he planned to invite Harley's rivals to move to the U.S. One wonders if anyone on his staff is brave enough to tell him that Honda and Kawasaki are already here and have made motorcycles in the United States for years.

But Trump's tweets are not the only threat to the Motor Company. In China and India, motorcycles sell like beer at a ballgame. In the developing world, motorcycles mean transportation. In the developed world, though, motorcycles are a hobby. And hobbies change. Buyers are older and sales are down, not just in the United States and not just at Harley-Davidson. All the makers are wondering what to offer next.

Harley's biggest year was 2006, when it sold 349,000 bikes. The total for 2017 was about 243,000, and the first quarter for 2018 showed an additional decline of 12 percent. About 40 percent of Harleys are exported. Numbers like that make the case for building at least some bikes overseas, not only to avoid the tariffs but to find the new riders.

A book I wrote on the history of Harley-Davidson was published in six languages. My Harley T-shirt collection, with examples from Australia, England, Japan and Sweden, includes one from South Africa that bears the slogan "American Quality Since 1903." It's going to take a lot of tariff to destroy enthusiasm like that. Harley-Davidson has outlasted 100-plus rivals over more than a century. It survived the recession of the 1920s, the Depression of the 1930s, the English invasion of the 1940s and '50s, the inferior engineering of the 1960s and the Japanese challenge of the 1970s. You can't know the future based on the past, but that's still impressive. Harley has roughly 20 percent of the U.S. market, with Honda next at 14 percent, but Harley has more than half the market share for the so-called big road bike.

Harley-Davidson's management knows all this. They're working on younger buyers and what the new people will want, and in a couple of months they're throwing a 115th anniversary party in Milwaukee. Will hundreds of thousands of fans be there, as they were at the 100th birthday rally I attended? I suspect they will. What if Harley-Davidson invited the president? What if he showed up? He might learn something.

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Kavanaugh resembles Roberts, but he isn't a clone

BY RAMESH PONNURU

Judge Brett Kavanaugh's confirmation hearings to be a U.S. Supreme Court justice will take place in the shadow of the nomination of John Roberts to be chief justice 13 years ago.

Roberts was confirmed on a 78-22 vote in 2005. That's the most votes any justice has received for more than two decades. But some buyer's remorse about Roberts has set in since then.

His liberal critics think he hasn't lived up to his promise to the Senate to "call balls and strikes" as a justice. They think that, with rare exceptions, he has instead been battling for the Republicans: voting to narrow affirmative action programs, weaken the Voting Rights Act, subject abortion to restrictions, deregulate campaign finance and so on.

The conservatives seize on a very big exception: Obamacare. In a 2012 case, all the court's Democratic appointees voted to uphold the Affordable Care Act's requirement that nearly everyone buy health insurance. All the court's Republican appointees except for Roberts voted to strike down that requirement and with it the whole law. Roberts, as the fifth vote, split the difference.

The requirement, he ruled, was unconstitutional. But it could plausibly be reinterpreted as a tax on a person going without health insurance, and if it were so interpreted it was constitutional. If the court can plausibly interpret a law to make it constitutional, he explained further, it should. So Obamacare stayed.

The conventional wisdom on the right became that Roberts had lost his nerve, coming up with a clever rationalization to spare himself criticism from President Barack Obama and his allies. During the 2016 presidential campaign, both Sen. Ted Cruz, R-Texas, and Donald Trump described Roberts as the kind of justice to avoid nominating.

Enter Kavanaugh. He resembles Roberts in some respects. He is comfortably ensconced within the Republican establishment, specifically its Washington, D.C., division. The resemblance in effect was noted before, when Kavanaugh was up for confirmation to his current job.

The Washington Post reported in 2006 that Kavanaugh "is widely described as brilliant, affable and disarming, attributes that prevented Democrats from successfully demonizing Roberts."

After watching Roberts in action, though, Kavanaugh's Republican-approved smoothness reads to the left like a stealthy way for a right-wing ideologue to get his way. And to portions of the right it seems like a sign that he won't be a



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Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh parallels John Roberts, whose controversial votes may affect Kavanaugh's future.

reliable ally when the chips are down.

While Trump was selecting a nominee to replace the retiring Anthony Kennedy and conservatives debated the possibilities, they scoured Kavanaugh's records looking for evidence of this weakness. They found some rulings that concerned them — but they read them as critically as they did because they came to them with the fear of "another John Roberts."

None of this is to say that Kavanaugh is going to have serious trouble getting confirmed. The concern about Kavanaugh on the right will not keep Republicans from closing ranks behind him now that he has been nominated. (It might make for subdued enthusiasm.) Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., says on Twitter that "I will oppose him with everything I've got," but he will find that he doesn't have much as long as Republicans stay united.

Thus Kavanaugh seems likely to get on the Supreme Court — where, in a final irony, he could well be an obstacle to one of the chief justice's major projects. When offered a choice between a narrow ruling with a broad majority and a broad ruling with a narrow majority, Roberts has tried to go for consensus and even unanimity.

That hasn't been Kavanaugh's style as an appeals-court judge. He has written separate opinions more often than most judges, and sometimes has been chided by colleagues for reaching out to decide issues he didn't have to decide.

Although Kavanaugh has a lot in common with Roberts, in other words, he will have the chance to differentiate himself soon enough.

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Airborne threat

I don't agree with Homeland Security Secretary Kirstjen Nielsen on much (beyond her apparent fondness for Mexican food). But I agree we're "unprepared for the growing threat of drones."

Nielsen notes in her July 6 op-ed that current laws weren't written with armed drones in mind. She raises concerns about the looming impact of drones — for good and ill — but her fears and solutions are misplaced. Nielsen frets about drone use by "transnational criminals" at the border, meth smugglers, the Islamic State group and "our enemies." Then she seeks to use "drone-defense technologies where we really need them, such as in urban environments to protect large gatherings and public events."

Sure, I worry about droning meth-heads, but let's also worry about drone-peeping by stalkers, blackmailers and unauthorized law enforcement. Let's worry about baddies surveilling burglary

targets, waging gang warfare or assassinating journalists. Let's worry about Big Drone and government officials who use fear to curb civil liberties.

Drones with facial recognition, thermal imaging, tasers... just a start. If drones buzz every concert, parade or rally, people may stay home. We leave our digital cocoons less, so this is a sociological concern as well as privacy threat. Yes, lawmakers and law enforcers must keep up, but in an era of data breaches, let's err on the side of privacy in drone law reform.

I say zero-tolerance for drone-peepers. Let's ban armed drones, enforce "No-Drone Zones" by public buildings, impose surcharges on Big Drone, and enact strong victims' rights.

And let's sing the praises of drones, too, which have been used recently in the Thai cave rescue operation and mapping Hawaii lava flows. And if Secretary Nielsen craves Mexican, perhaps she can order drone delivery from "Flying Fish Tacos."

— Claude Walker, Chicago

Preserving choice

With the Federalist Society having no doubt vetted Judge Brett Kavanaugh on the basis of its long-standing commitment to overturning Roe v. Wade — whether he will admit so in public or not — women in America will be better served if the pro-choice community starts thinking now, rather than later, about mistakes made in the 1950s and '60s — the era Trump wants to take us back to — that led to women losing their freedom of choice so we don't repeat those mistakes.

The situation in the 1950s and '60s was that abortion was illegal, and women sought out doctors and others willing to perform illegal abortions under less than ideal circumstances or performed those abortions on themselves.

The state of New York legalized abortion in 1970. Between 1970 and the Roe v. Wade decision in 1973, the situation was that many women of some means traveled to New York for abortions while women of less means continued to die from performing their own or having them botched by others.

Roe v. Wade changed that, but it brought on something other than freedom of choice. Yes, women had the right to choose

whether to have an abortion or not. What they didn't have was the choice of having the abortion in a hospital or clinic where they could go for that legal medical procedure without running the gauntlet of men and women ridiculing and bullying them to change their minds.

Neither of those things should be allowed to happen again. Any woman choosing to have an abortion should be able to obtain the means to travel to those states that choose to allow them and to have the procedure done in a hospital where they cannot be easily distinguished from other patients seeking other procedures and bullied into submission to the will of others.

The way to do that, we think, is twofold: 1) the pro-choice community can begin now to establish charitable funding sources to allow poor women as well as rich ones to travel to states where abortions remain legal, and 2) we can begin a campaign to pressure as many hospitals as possible to change their policies to allow abortions to be performed in their facilities on as routine a basis as necessary to allow women who choose to avail themselves of that freedom to do so.

— Robert and Patricia Suchner, DeKalb, Ill.

Speech and bullying

A Marquette University teacher is fired for cyberbullying; the conservative Wisconsin Supreme Court says cyberbullying is "free speech." This is why we need liberal — no, rational — judges.

The case, in a nutshell, from the Chicago Tribune: "(John) McAdams sued the university in 2016, arguing that he lost his job for exercising freedom of speech. Marquette said he wasn't fired for the content of his 2014 post but rather because he named the instructor and linked to her personal website that had identifying information."

"That's not academic freedom. That's cyberbullying," Ralph Weber, Marquette's attorney, said Friday.

"The instructor, a graduate student, later received a flood of hateful messages and threats and at one point needed a security guard stationed outside her class. She eventually moved to another university where she had to repeat three semesters and revise her doctoral thesis."

Is this a democracy? Is this free speech?

— Lee Knohl, Evanston

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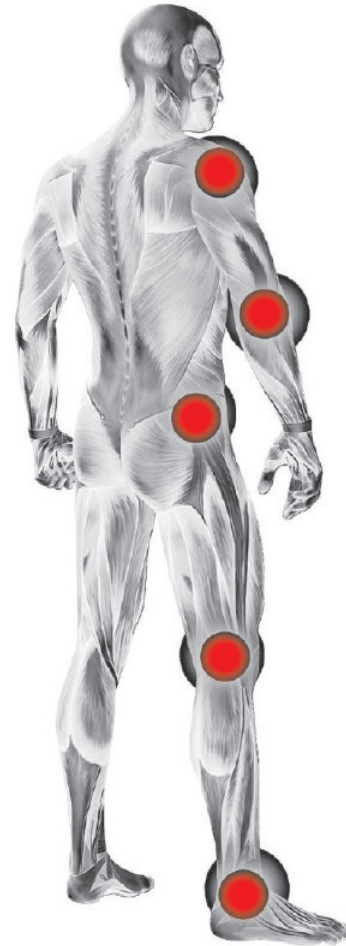
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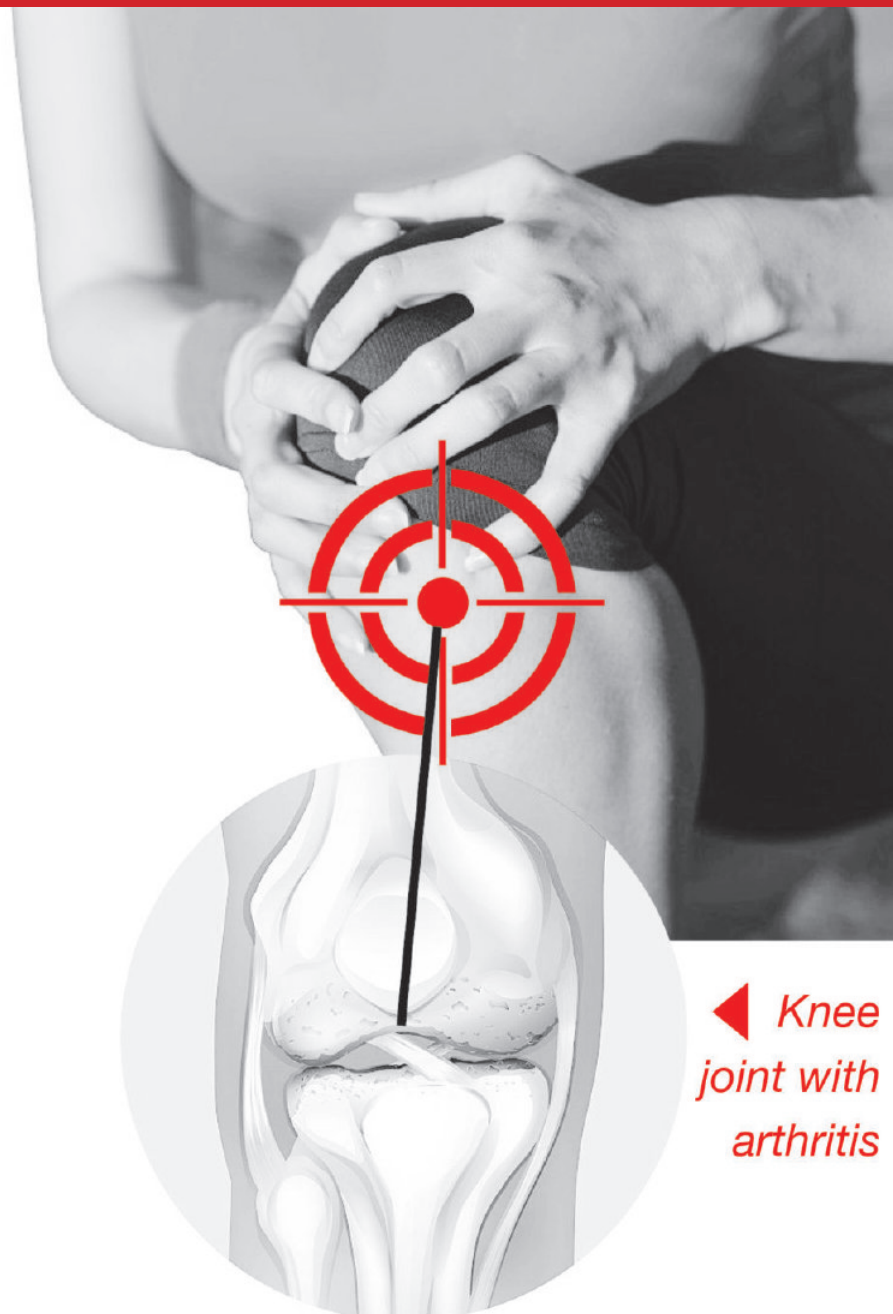
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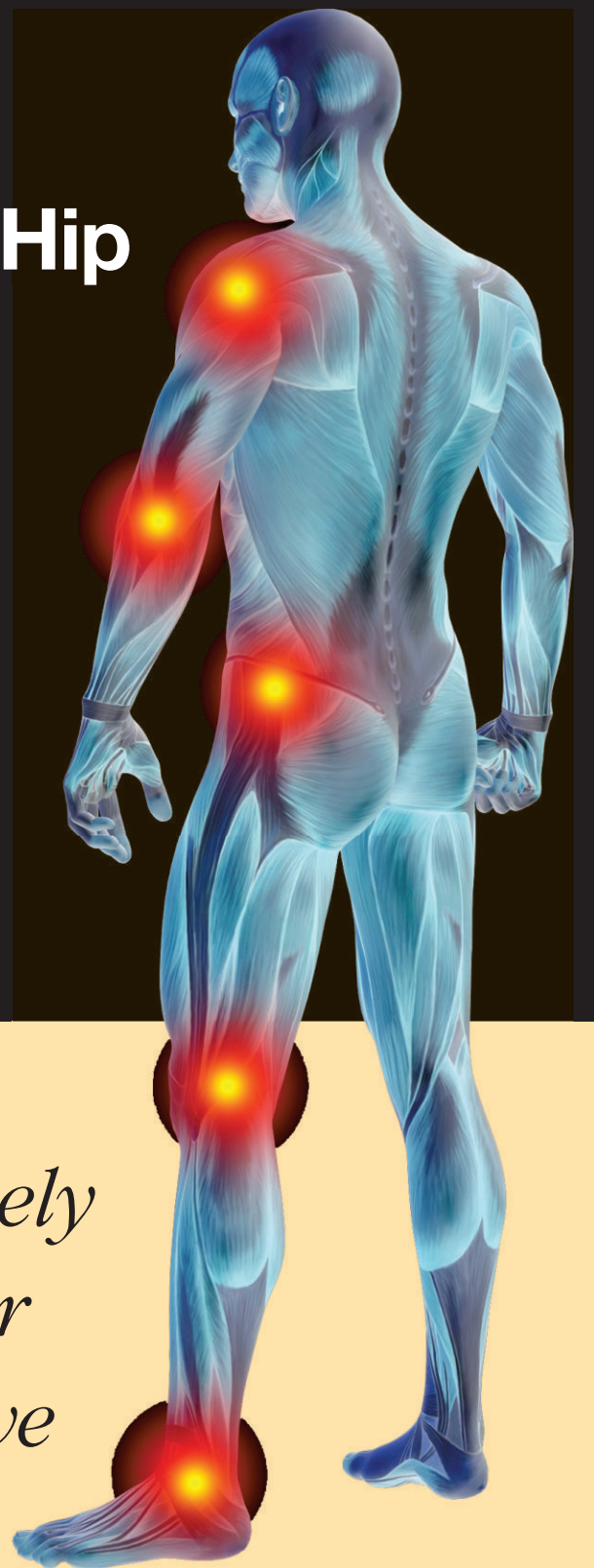
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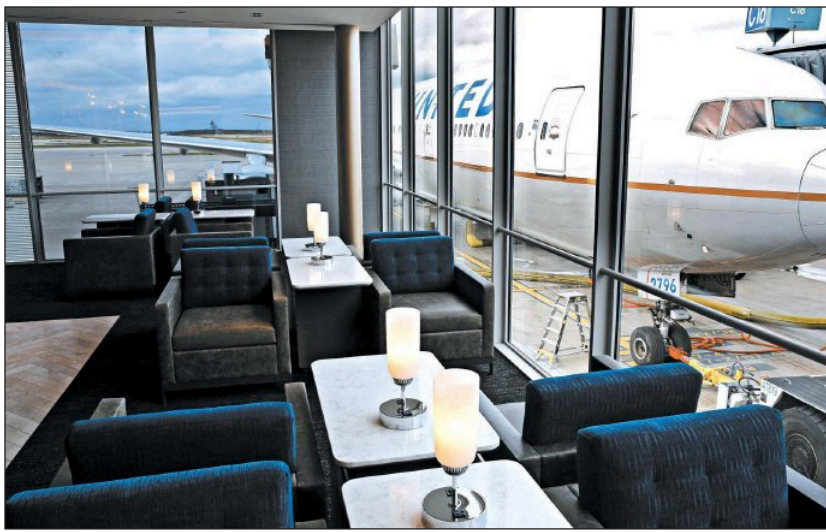
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A sneak peek at United Airlines' Polaris lounge at O'Hare International Airport, a background role in an upcoming "Spider-Man" film and Bears skybox seats are some of the experiences customers can use frequent flyer miles on.

YOUR MILEAGE REWARDS MAY VARY

A walk-on role in 'Spider-Man' or a red carpet appearance at the ESPYs: Airline miles are good for more than flights

BY LAUREN ZUMBACH | Chicago Tribune

Most people save frequent flyer miles to splurge on a bucket-list trip. But some airlines are betting customers want them to be a little more creative.

Instead of swapping miles for a flight, customers at United Airlines could use them to buy or bid on experiences, like a recent auction promising a trip to London with a chance to be an extra in an upcoming Spider-Man film. Aviation geeks might have preferred another recent United auction, which promised a visit to the airline's Tupelo, Miss., aircraft disassembly center to celebrate the airline's last Boeing 747, including a Champagne toast in the first-class cabin. Meanwhile, two people attending the ESPY Awards later

this month will be Delta Air Lines frequent flyers who spent 426,000 miles to walk the sports awards show's red carpet.

To keep passengers loyal, frequent flyer programs need to offer something for everybody. But traditional perks like flights and upgrades can leave airlines' best customers cold.

"For a lot of customers with large balances, who spend a lot of time traveling, the idea of getting on a plane is not a top priority," said Luc Bondar, United's vice president of loyalty. "They're looking for other ways to find value."

Airlines have long let customers redeem miles for things other than travel, such as using them to buy merchandise. But customers who use miles to shop rarely get as much bang for their buck as they might have if they'd used them for a flight, said

Brian Karimzad of Milecards.com.

The more unusual rewards can be a good deal, Karimzad said, especially when they involve experiences passengers can't readily buy with cash, such as VIP perks or a chance to go behind the scenes at the carrier's own operations.

"It becomes your own personal value, and that can be worth more than what you can get booking a ticket to Europe," he said.

While many do require a lot of miles, they're not just for road warriors who would struggle to spend their miles on travel alone. When life with two kids made jet-setting more of a challenge, the Durkins, of Edgebrook, started using miles for nights out closer to home. They've met big-name chefs over meals at trendy Chicago restaurants and watched a Bears game from a private suite at Soldier Field. In a few weeks, they'll attend a wine pairing class with a sommelier — all paid

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Fresh Market closing 15 stores

2 Chicago-area locations included as it tries to survive as 'specialty' store

BY GREG TROTTER
Chicago Tribune

The Fresh Market, an up-scale grocery chain headquartered in North Carolina, announced this week it will close 15 stores nationally, including four in Illinois.

Fresh Market will close stores in Lincolnshire, Glen Ellyn, Peoria and Normal, the company said. The closings represent a significant retrenchment for what was one of the fastest growing grocery chains in the U.S. just a few years ago. Fresh Market, known for high-quality produce, meat and prepared foods, has faced intense competition from other grocers — including traditional retailers and discounters — that have in recent years expanded similar offerings at lower cost.

"What that means is a specialty retailer (like Fresh Market) has to get better at staying on trend," said Fresh Market CEO Larry Appel in an interview Tuesday. "There has to be a reason to come to a specialty store, right?"

Nationally, the chain is closing stores in Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, North Carolina, New Hampshire, Tennessee, Virginia and Wisconsin. The stores are expected to close within two to four weeks.

Under Appel, a longtime grocery executive appointed to the job last year, Fresh Market has doubled down on its premium offerings, such as USDA prime steaks and roasts in the meat case, he said, and new imported pastas from Italy. But the retailer also has been more aggressive with its value promotions, including meal kits for two to four people, assembled in store, that sell for \$15, he said.

"You can't eat cheaper than that at Five Guys," Appel quipped.

Appel declined to say whether the chain's same-store sales — a key indicator of retail economic health that compares sales in established stores — are growing, saying only that he's "very pleased" with the sales trends since taking the helm.

In 2015, Fresh Market announced a financial review of the company after reporting declining sales in stores open at least 16 months. In 2016, the

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Workers quitting jobs at fastest rate since '01

BY CHRISTOPHER RUGABER
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The proportion of U.S. workers that quit their jobs in May reached the highest level in 17 years, a sign that more people are confident they can find a new job, likely at higher pay.

Businesses also advertised fewer jobs in May than the previous month, but the tally of open positions outnumbered the ranks of the unemployed for only the second time in the past two decades, the Labor Department said Tuesday.

The figures reflect a strong job market driven by optimistic employers seeking to expand their workforces. Last week's jobs report showed that businesses hired workers at a healthy pace and the unemployment rate remained very low, at 4 percent.

The percentage of workers quitting their jobs reached 2.4 percent in May, the highest level



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The percentage of U.S. workers quitting their jobs reached 2.4 percent in May, the highest level since April 2001.

since April 2001. More quits are a sign of a strong job market because workers typically leave jobs for a new one that pays more. Workers who switch jobs see larger raises than those who stay in the same position, government data show.

There were 6.64 million available jobs in May, down 3 percent from April's figure of 6.84 million, which was the most in the nearly two decades that records have been kept. At the same time, there were just 6 million unemployed people in May.

Nick Bunker, an economist at the job-listing website Indeed, calculates that there are now just 0.91 unemployed workers for each available job, also the lowest on record.

The need to compete for such a small pool of workers should force companies to raise pay in order to fill open jobs, yet pay gains remain modest. In June, average hourly earnings rose 2.7 percent compared with a year earlier. That remains below the 4 percent annual gains that are typical of a healthy economy.

Southwest Airlines will no longer serve peanuts

BY LAUREN ZUMBACH
Chicago Tribune

Southwest Airlines has touted fares so low passengers can "fly for peanuts." But as of Aug. 1, the nuts will no longer fly.

Dallas-based Southwest cited concerns about passengers with allergies in the decision, announced Tuesday, to drop the free packets of peanuts from the in-flight snack menu.

"Our ultimate goal is to create an environment where all customers — including those with peanut-related allergies — feel safe and welcome on every Southwest flight," the airline said in an emailed statement.

The airline will continue to pass out free pretzels, and other free snacks on longer flights.

"We'll miss the peanuts, but, at the end of the day, it's our Southwest employees and the hospitality they deliver that set us apart, far more than peanuts ever could," Southwest said.

Southwest said it has used a number of peanut-related slogans since it was founded 47 years ago, a symbol of its low-frills, low-fare model. Unlike traditional carriers at the time, the airline didn't serve full meals, just snacks like peanuts

and pretzels, occasionally passed out by co-founder Herb Kelleher, dressed as Elvis Presley.

In 2017, the airline served more than 106 million packages, Southwest said. Other airlines have already moved to ground the peanut packages. Neither United Airlines nor American Airlines serves peanuts on board, even in the warm nut mix American offers in first class.

But United, Delta and Southwest all said they can't guarantee passengers with allergies a peanut-free environment, either because other foods served on board might contain trace amounts of allergens or because they can't keep other passengers from bringing them on board. While aircraft are cleaned regularly, neither those cleanings nor the planes' air filtration systems are designed to ensure allergens have been removed, American spokeswoman Leslie Scott said.

Southwest said it will let customers with peanut allergies board early to wipe down seats and tray tables, and encourages them to indicate their allergy when booking a ticket.

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Hospital seeks \$3M to avoid shutdown

South Shore tells state it needs funding by Aug. 1

BY ROBERT CHANNICK
Chicago Tribune

Losing money due to a Medicaid shortfall, South Shore Hospital sent a desperate plea to the state Tuesday, saying it needs \$3 million in funding by Aug. 1 to avoid a shutdown.

The small, 106-year-old nonprofit hospital, which serves mostly Medicaid patients on Chicago's South Side, said it is falling behind in paying both doctors and vendors and would begin winding down operations without the appropriated state funding.

"Our cash flow has been depleted, basically," said Timothy Caveney, president and CEO of South Shore. "We'll have to start shutting down the hospital."

South Shore is among a



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Losing money due to a Medicaid shortfall, South Shore Hospital sent a plea to the state on Monday for \$3 million.

handful of so-called safety net hospitals — those with high rates of Medicaid patients — that received less funding than needed through the state's redesigned hospital Medicaid distribution program, which went into effect July 1.

The \$3.5 billion assessment program provides more than half the state's total hospital Medicaid

funding. The program taxes hospitals and adds matching federal funds before redistributing the money to about 200 hospitals across the state.

The program redesign, which was spearheaded by the Illinois Health and Hospital Association, led to an increase of more than \$200 million in annual funding, but South Shore's allocation remained flat, Caveney

said. "A lot of the larger institutions saw some very hefty increases in their supplemental funding," he said. "We basically got nothing out of that."

Caveney said South Shore receives about \$8 million per year in Medicaid funding through the state's hospital assessment program. The hospital has an annual budget of \$40 million and is losing about \$3 million a year, he said.

South Shore has about 500 employees and sees about 65 patients per day. More than 60 percent of the patients are on Medicaid, Caveney said.

To bridge the Medicaid funding gap, the state approved \$14.5 million in grant funding to three Chicago safety net hospitals — South Shore, Roseland Community and Saint Anthony — for the current fiscal year, which began July 1. The legislation appropriated \$3 million of the

supplemental funding to South Shore, but Caveney has yet to see the money or hear from the state as to when it will be distributed.

Hoping to speed the process, South Shore sent a letter Tuesday to Nirav Shah, director of the Illinois Department of Public Health, saying the hospital was in "desperate need" of the \$3 million by Aug. 1.

"We're losing a little bit of money each month because of the underfunding situation, and so it's become very difficult to make ends meet," Caveney said. "We need to get that money moving."

The Department of Public Health "understands the challenging situation facing South Shore Hospital," spokeswoman Melaney Arnold wrote Tuesday in an email to the Tribune.

The department "is working to make this funding available as quickly as possible through the grant-making process," Arnold

wrote.

Caveney said the hospital could stay open if the state pays the \$3 million in installments. But after catching up on payments to its physicians last month, the hospital doesn't have the money to pay them going forward, Caveney said.

"We'll probably have to cut funding for our physicians and that means we won't be able to stay open as a critical-access hospital," he said.

If South Shore closes, the nearest hospitals would be the University of Chicago Medical Center and Jackson Park Hospital. But the predominantly minority community would be substantially poorer, Caveney said, losing both an economic anchor and a health resource that has served it for more than a century.

"It would be a health care desert," he said.

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Budding pot market in jeopardy

Illegal shops disrupt legal marijuana sites

BY MICHAEL BALSAMO
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — A slight marijuana smell wafted out as a steady stream of customers walked into a warehouse, its doors and windows covered by bars.

Suddenly, police swooped in.

"Sheriff's department! Search warrant!" a Los Angeles County deputy shouted as the team thundered through the front door and began hauling out people in handcuffs.

The Compton 20 Cap Collective just south of Los Angeles that was raided earlier this spring is one of hundreds of illegal marijuana stores operating in LA County, where marijuana is legal for anyone 21 and over and retailers must be licensed to sell to them.

Broad marijuana legalization arrived in California at the start of the year. From the beginning, there was concern the legal market would be undercut by the massive black market that has existed for decades.

And that's what's happening. Nowhere is it a bigger problem than in the state's biggest legal local marijuana market: Los Angeles County. Outlaw dispensaries there greatly outnumber about 150 licensed storefront retailers.

That reality is a buzzkill for those trying to play by the rules.

Legal pot shops are losing customers who can get products more cheaply at illegal outlets that don't charge or pay taxes, said Adam Spiker, executive director of the Southern California Coalition, a trade organization that represents cannabis growers,



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Undercover police dump marijuana into an evidence bag during a raid at an illegal dispensary in Compton, Calif.

distributors and dispensary owners.

It's an "unfair competitive situation for licensed businesses," Spiker said.

"I think if you turn the tables and took cannabis out of the equation — if it was another industry that didn't have the stigmas — the government would do everything they could to give those licensed businesses paying taxes a level playing field."

One of the selling points for legalization was it would generate a tax windfall for state and local governments. However, during the first quarter, the state reported only \$34 million from cultivation and excise taxes, putting it on pace to fall well below the \$175 million forecast for the first six months.

In April, state regulators sent nearly 1,000 cease-and-desist letters to canna-

bis businesses they suspected were operating illegally. An analysis by the trade publication Marijuana Business Daily found about 64 percent of the businesses were in the Los Angeles metropolitan area.

Last month, the Los Angeles city attorney's office charged 142 people as part of a crackdown on illegal dispensaries. It also sent cease-and-desist letters but declined to say how many.

Los Angeles County boasts the nation's largest sheriff's department, but even it has nowhere near the manpower to take down all the illegal pot shops. A task force overseen by Lt. Frank Montez raids an average of one dispensary a week.

However, the voter-approved ballot measure legalizing cannabis in California included a provision that made possessing more

than 28.5 grams only a misdemeanor. That means officers can seize businesses' cash and marijuana, but employees and owners rarely face jail, and illegal operations often quickly reopen.

"It's a money-lucrative business, so there are people willing to take the risk," said Capt. Holly Francisco, who commands the sheriff's department's narcotics unit.

Montez sees his work as more than code enforcement. Marijuana sold illegally may be tainted with illegal pesticides and other harmful substances. And licensed marijuana shop owners who pay their taxes should have a fair playing field, he said.

"When you have an illegitimate, illegal dispensary operating, that not only hurts the industry as a whole, but that really hurts

the community," Montez said.

At the Compton store, a sign above a security window says customers must be at least 18 and have a physician's recommendation to buy medical marijuana and be 21 and have a valid photo ID for anything else. Like many others, the shop operated in plain sight and advertised online, including on WeedMaps, a go-to website for people looking to buy cannabis.

Inside, whiteboards on dirt-smudged walls advertised the prices for different types of cannabis and concentrates.

Cartridges for vapor pens and "Shatter," a honey-like oil containing cannabis extract, cost between \$15 and \$30. Large display cases held jars of branded marijuana strains — 28 grams of "Purple Dragon" sold for \$160.

"People out here on the street are thinking it is a legitimate operation and are smoking this cannabis with all these dangerous pesticides, and they are really killing themselves," Montez said.

Some illegal pot shops look so legitimate that customers may not even realize they are illegal unless they figure out they aren't being charged tax. But like any shopper looking for the best deal, plenty know these places are illegal and go because it's cheaper.

While some illegal LA County pot shops grow their own plants, many are supplied by illegal grows in the hills of Northern California, long a major source of all U.S. pot.

Lake County, about 125 miles north of San Francisco, is home to many such grows because of its topography, which allows pot farmers to easily hide large operations. It has an abundance of federal and state forests and land where cartels set up operations.

Like the LA County Sheriff's Department, Lake County lacks the manpower to put much of a dent in illegal operations.

Deputies patrol on the ground and in helicopters, and last year they destroyed about 250,000 plants and arrested 46 people for illegal grows, Sheriff Brian Martin said.

He has no estimate for the number of illegal grows in the county but is confident the hundreds of thousands of plants deputies chop down each year are "just the tip of the iceberg."

Martin said his short-staffed department has assigned a single a detective full-time to marijuana eradication. He counts on help from state and federal agencies, but they too have their priorities.

"It's all about manpower," he said. "No one has enough of it."

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Macy's warns online customers about recent security breach

BY KARA DRISCOLL
Dayton Daily News

Macy's is warning customers that a cyberthreat targeted customer information for nearly two months.

The retailer mailed a letter to customers who shopped on macys.com after its security tools detected "suspicious login activities" by a third party on June 11. The third party had access to customer accounts from April 26 to June 12, according to the company letter.

The third party likely was able to access the customer's name, address, phone number, email address, birthday and credit or debit card number with expiration dates. Customers should change their online profile information and passwords if they were notified about the breach



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Macy's said a third party likely had access to customer data.

or suspect suspicious activity on their account.

Global cybersecurity spending will exceed \$1 trillion from 2017 to 2020, according to marketing firm Cybersecurity Ventures. That's an increase from just \$3.5 billion in 2004. What's driving the explosion of spending? Experts say the fear of cybercrime is fueling exceptional market growth.

Last year, several large companies dealt with major data breaches including: Equifax, Arby's, Whole Foods, Uber, Sonic and Kmart.

Cybercrime damages will cost organizations, governments and businesses across the world about \$1 trillion annually by 2021, according to the Cybersecurity Ventures marketing firm.

Different river, same pollutants

Toxic tanneries continue to cause grief in Bangladesh

By **JULHAS ALAM AND MARTHA MENDOZA**
Associated Press

SAVAR, Bangladesh — Bangladesh tanneries prepping leather for shoes, belts, wallets and purses are dumping toxic chemicals into a river at a new industrial complex more than a year after the government shut them down for poisoning a different river and using child labor.

"It's killing the river. The color of the water has changed," Abdus Shakur, a local resident who works as a day laborer, told The Associated Press last month. "I have been living here for decades and the condition of the river has changed dramatically over the last year."

Turning cow hides into soft, hair-free leather can be a dirty business, and in the Hazaribagh neighborhood of Dhaka, the former home to more than 150 tanneries, the air a year ago was so noxious with chemicals and rotting hide trimmings that it was repeatedly named one of the most polluted places on Earth by environmentalists. The adjacent Buriganga River, a source of drinking water for 180,000 people, was considered poisoned.

In April 2017, under international pressure, the government shut off power at the Hazaribagh tanneries, ordering them to move to a new tannery industrial complex in Savar.

Now the AP has learned that factories at the new location are draining chemicals into the Daleshwari River and dumping toxic waste in open fields. Although there are sewage treatment and effluent sys-



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Bangladeshi laborers work on burnt scraps of leather on the banks of the Daleshwari River in Savar, Bangladesh.

tems, they are inadequate to process all of the waste.

"This was a disaster foretold," said Richard Pearhouse, associate director of the environment program at Human Rights Watch. "Everyone convinced themselves that the main issue was technical — a lack of a central effluent treatment plant — and not political. But Bangladesh's tanning industry will be plagued by its fundamental problems — child labor, occupational and environmental health dangers — until government authorities finally get serious about enforcing laws."

New York-based Transparentem, a labor rights nonprofit group, is calling on American and European companies that sourced leather in Hazaribagh — or

had items made by companies that also owned tanneries there — to help clean up the mess left behind. The companies include Clarks, Coach, Kate Spade, Macy's, Michael Kors, Sears, Steve Madden and Timberland. It is also calling on Germany-based Deichmann, a shoe and sportswear chain, and two U.S. firms — Harbor Footwear Group and Genesco — that design and market shoes in even more brands to help.

"The primary onus is on Bangladesh's government and leather industry to clean up Hazaribagh and prevent another full-scale environmental catastrophe in Savar," said Transparentem president E. Benjamin Skinner. "Brands that have bought from manufacturers affiliated with tan-

neries in either location have leverage, and thus share in the responsibility for reform."

Undercover investigators have not followed a specific piece of leather to a particular purse or shoe. Supply chains take a few steps, sometimes dozens, to get from the source of a product to an item on a store shelf.

Transparentem is also calling on buyers to use their collective leverage to advocate for better waste treatment facilities in Savar.

All of the companies that responded said they no longer get any leather from tanneries in Bangladesh. Some said they never did. Macy's, Timberland and Clarks continue to have products made there.

"Clarks has no direct or indirect relationship with

any tannery in Bangladesh," the company said in a statement. Its Bangladesh manufacturer sources all of its leather from outside the country, and the company continuously audits all of its partners, the statement said.

At the new Savar industrial center, a reporter found that a central effluent treatment plant had yet to be fully functional, contradicting claims from authorities that it's been re-inforced.

Chinese engineers working on the plant refused to talk.

In addition to delayed operations at the effluent treatment plant, a new problem has started: repeated breaches in the embankment of a pond where solid waste is supposed to

be held. This is allowing more pollution — mixed with rainwater — to flow into the river.

"This is worrying. The embankment has been repaired repeatedly, but because of the monsoon, the breaches developed again," said Delowar Hossain, a plant consultant.

Abu Naser Khan, chairman of Save the Environment Movement, said in June the new site has multiple infrastructural deficiencies, causing serious pollution in the area.

"It's killing the river, it's poisoning soil and it's destroying the whole environment," Khan said. "Dangerous chemicals are still flowing into the river."

It's clear, he said, that relocating the toxic leather tanning factories from intensely polluted Hazaribagh has just moved the environmental disaster to another place.

"It seems the government does not care for the environment. Similar things are happening here," Khan said. "It's really frustrating that authorities are failing to understand the serious environmental consequences from pollution, which could be averted."

Khan said their complaints "are falling into deaf ears."

Bangladeshi leather-goods manufacturers were reluctant to comment.

An official at a leading exporting factory said earlier this month that the company shouldn't suffer for the failure of the authorities.

"We have lodged complaints again and again, but still the effluent treatment plant is not fully functional and the pace of development inside the tannery belt is very slow," said the official, who spoke on condition of anonymity, fearing retribution.



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In 2016, Brett Kavanaugh ruled in favor of a division of Verizon over its union employees.

Business groups, unions clash over court nominee

By **CHRISTOPHER RUGABER**
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Business groups and labor unions have lined up on opposing sides of the pitched battle shaping up over President Donald Trump's Supreme Court nominee, Brett Kavanaugh, whose approach to the law is widely seen as business-friendly.

Kavanaugh's rulings and written dissents generally convey skepticism toward government regulatory and consumer protection efforts — positions that tend to enjoy broad support among business organizations. He has also usually sided with employers in labor law cases.

"In employment discrimination claims, Judge Kavanaugh's opinions over the years typically favored the employer," Michael Lotito, a lawyer at Fitt, an employer law firm, wrote Monday.

"I expect Kavanaugh will be very much in the mold of Chief Justice Roberts, who has generally been friendly to business,"

said Russell Wheeler, a visiting fellow at the Brookings Institution.

Still, if Kavanaugh is confirmed, he won't likely change the outcome of many business cases before the Supreme Court. That's because Justice Anthony Kennedy, whom Kavanaugh would succeed, typically voted in favor of business interests. So have several of the court's other justices, including some who are generally viewed as members of the court's liberal wing.

"Most of the court's business cases are not 5-4," said Ilya Shapiro, a senior fellow in constitutional studies at the libertarian Cato Institute, referring to the narrow votes that often emerge in contentious cases. "It's generally a pro-business court."

In January, Kavanaugh dissented from a ruling by a federal appeals court that upheld the structure of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, which was established in 2010 to protect Americans against abusive financial products. Kavanaugh argued that the agency's director wielded

too much power and was unconstitutional.

Kavanaugh has been particularly skeptical of regulation that is only tenuously related to legislation passed by Congress, Shapiro said. If he embraced that approach on the court, it could affect a broad range of rules in such areas as the environment, financial regulation and labor rights.

In 2016, Kavanaugh ruled in favor of a division of Verizon, which had ordered employees to stop displaying pro-union signs. The union had agreed to waive its right to picket in a collective bargaining agreement.

"Judge Kavanaugh routinely rules against working families, regularly rejects employees' right to receive employer-provided health care, (and) too often sides with employers in denying employees relief from discrimination in the workplace," said Richard Trumka, president of the AFL-CIO. "Any senator who believes Supreme Court justices should protect the rights of all Americans should reject this nomination."

China has options in trade war with U.S.

By **JOE McDONALD**
Associated Press

BEIJING — In his trade war with China, President Donald Trump wields one seeming advantage: The United States could slap tariffs on more than \$500 billion in imported Chinese goods. Beijing has much less to tax: It imported \$130 billion in U.S. goods last year.

Yet that hardly means China would be powerless to fight back once it ran out of U.S. goods to penalize. It possesses a range of other weapons with which to inflict pain on the U.S. economy.

China's Commerce Ministry has warned of "comprehensive measures" it could take against the United States. It has given no details but possible tactics could include harassing automakers, retailers or other American companies that depend on China to drive revenue to selling U.S. government debt or disrupting diplomatic efforts over North Korea.

Some of those steps might harm China's own interests. But Beijing might still be willing to deploy them, at least temporarily, if its trade war with Washington were to drag on.

A look at China's options:

Target U.S. firms: China's state-dominated and heavily regulated economy gives authorities an arsenal of tools to disrupt U.S. companies by withholding licenses or launching tax,

anti-monopoly or other investigations.

Also open to retaliation are services such as engineering and logistics, in which the United States runs a trade surplus.

"The U.S. focus is on goods, while China could very well look at services, as well as the operation of U.S. companies in China," said Taimur Baig, chief economist for DBS Group.

In one prominent case, U.S. chipmaker Qualcomm Inc. has waited for months for word on whether Chinese regulators will accept its proposed \$44 billion acquisition of NXP Semiconductors. All other major governments have approved the deal.

China's state-controlled media have encouraged consumer boycotts against Japanese, South Korean and other products during previous disputes with those governments.

Last year, Beijing destroyed Korean retailer Lotte's business in China after the company sold land in South Korea to the Seoul government for an anti-missile system opposed by Chinese leaders.

Beijing closed most of Lotte's 99 supermarkets and other outlets in China. Seoul and Beijing later mended relations, but Lotte gave up and sold its China operations.

Financial leverage: Nationalists point to China's \$1.2 trillion holdings of U.S. government debt as leverage. Beijing might suffer

losses if it sold enough to influence U.S. debt financing costs — but such sales might become necessary.

China's yuan has sagged against the dollar this year, which might require the central bank to intervene in currency markets.

To get the dollars it needs, the People's Bank of China might "become a net seller of U.S. Treasuries," said Carl B. Weinberg of High-Frequency Economics in a report.

"Punishing the U.S. Treasury market is one of the tactics China has available to retaliate against unilateral U.S. tariffs," Weinberg said.

Diplomatic pressure:

Beijing can appeal for support to U.S. allies that are miffed by Trump's "America first" approach and the U.S. withdrawal from the Paris climate pact.

Trump's unilateral actions have allowed China to position itself as a defender of free trade despite its status as the most-closed major economy. That could help Beijing win over governments that have criticized Trump for acting outside the World Trade Organization.

Chinese leaders have tried, so far without success, to recruit European and other governments as allies.

More broadly, Chinese commentators have suggested Beijing also could disrupt diplomatic work over North Korea's nuclear and missile programs.

Dean Foods to close Huntley plant

Associated Press

HUNTLEY — The milk giant Dean Foods is closing one of its Illinois facilities this year.

A Worker Adjustment and Retraining Notification Act letter sent by the Texas-based corporation says 131 people will lose their jobs at the Huntley dairy plant and office.

The Northwest Herald reports that the layoffs will occur Sept. 14-28.

The facility is one of several Dean Foods plants to close this year. In its 2017 annual investors report, the company attributed shutting down plants to decreased dairy consumption trends and a highly competitive industry.

The job cuts at Dean

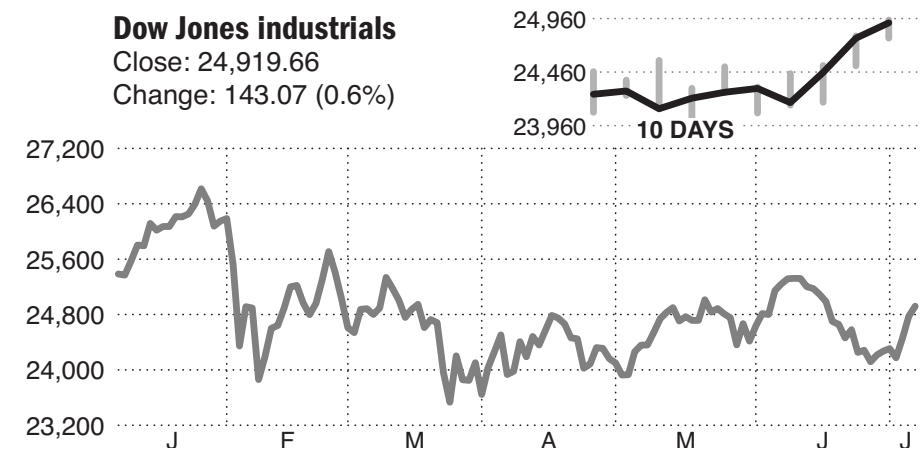
Foods were among 794 layoffs employers warned the state of in June.

Employees of the Huntley plant expressed disappointment, but declined to comment to the newspaper.

Dean Foods manufactures, markets and distributes dairy products such as milk, yogurt, cheese, cream and ice cream.

MARKET ROUNDUP

Dow High: 24,945.38 Low: 24,806.97 Previous: 24,776.59



Summary table for Nasdaq (+3.00), S&P 500 (+9.67), and Russell 2000 (-8.98) with close, high, low, and previous values.

Summary table for 10-yr T-note (+0.01), Gold futures (-4.30), Yen (+46), Euro (+0.0003), and Crude Oil (+2.26).

Major market growth and decline

Table showing 5-day, 30-day, and 1-year percentage changes for DOW, NASD, and S&P indices.

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Fresh Market closing stores



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The Fresh Market store in Glen Ellyn, seen in 2016, is one of 15 locations slated to close nationwide.

chain announced it was selling itself to private equity firm Apollo Global Management for \$1.36 billion. In many ways, the rest of the grocery industry has caught up to Fresh Market's focus on prepared foods, and natural and organic offerings, said Diana Sheehan, vice president of retail and shopper insights for Kantar Consulting.

"The thing that made them special was no longer special," Sheehan said. More generally, Sheehan said, there could be additional grocery store closings coming to the Chicago area this year as small retailers struggle to adapt to the changing industry and larger retailers close underperforming stores to increase profits.

Airline miles good for more than just flights

Mileage, from Page 1

for with miles earned through travel and a credit card they use for their speech therapy business. "It's a great alternative to have," said James Durkin, 37. "It forces us to make time for date nights."

"It becomes your own personal value, and that can worth more than what you can get booking a ticket to Europe."

— Brian Karimzad of Milecards.com

ket or come packaged with other perks. One United customer bid more than 1.5 million miles to win a trip to the 2016 Olympics in Rio de Janeiro that included event tickets, travel and a four-night hotel stay, Bodnar said.

At Delta, frequent flyers can use miles to buy or bid on tickets to concerts and sporting events and vacation packages. Some come with VIP perks like a photo op with the winning driver at a NASCAR race or dinner at a hot restaurant including a kitchen tour with the chef.

Delta said "increased ongoing engagement" with customers who use miles for experiences, Sandeep Dube, the airline's vice president of customer engagement and loyalty, said in an emailed statement.

"Those experiences enhance the overall SkyMiles program, where we are constantly striving to bring members — from those who travel weekly to those who are just starting to travel — new options and innovative partnerships that appeal to them, and ultimately make the SkyMiles program more valuable."

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Real Estate Auction advertisement for July 31, 2018, featuring properties like a 1.73 acre homesite and a turn-key office building.

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OBITUARIES

HAZEL BARR 1928-2018

Charity's event planner 'a tremendous force'

By BOB GOLDSBOROUGH
Chicago Tribune

For more than a half century, Hazel Barr was a highly visible event planner in Chicago's philanthropic community, chairing benefits and fashion shows and devoting much of her time to the Service Club of Chicago.

"She was a huge, tremendous force of positive energy for the Service Club," said Tracey Tarantino DiBuono, the 128-year-old club's current president. "She gave many of us her tutelage on how to do so much of the philanthropy that we needed to do."

Barr, 89, died of natural causes June 29, said her son, Bob. She lived in Chicago's Gold Coast after many years in Hinsdale.

Born Hazel Jeanne Schurig in Chicago, Barr grew up in Oak Park and graduated from Ferry Hall School, which now is part of Lake Forest Academy. She received a bachelor's degree in 1951 from Northwestern University's speech school.

Barr moved to New York and pursued work in theater and as a model. She married Warren N. Barr II and returned to the Chicago area. After the couple started a family, they settled in Hinsdale in the late 1950s, her son said.

Early on, Barr stayed close to home, focusing on her children's Cub and Girl Scout activities.

Bob Barr recalled his mother's frequent "schlepping" of her children to various events, including his swim meets, where she served as a timer. "I don't think she ever missed a swim meet when I was at home," her son said.

By her 30s, Barr yearned for more involvement in Chicago's philanthropic community. At a friend's suggestion, she began a re-



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Among other roles, Hazel Barr served as Service Club of Chicago president.

lationship with the Service Club of Chicago, a long-standing women's charitable group.

Before long, Barr was chairing benefits and overseeing fashion shows, proclaiming herself the "Duchess of DuPage." Her love for theater seeped into her charitable work. A 1969 Tribune article about the Service Club of Chicago's annual benefit dinner, dance and revue stated that in the revue, titled "London Bridges the Gap," Barr starred as a dowdy American tourist who with her husband goes to a London performance of "Hair" and becomes something of an adult hippie.

Over the next several decades, Barr combined her love of fashion and theater with an eye for careful event planning.

"She knew how to plan an event and see it through from the very first day of a site survey to the decor to the food selections to the luncheon menus to the invitation list and then some," DiBuono said. "And she could do the same thing with an auction and raising funds. This was a woman who was the epitome of what philanthropy and volunteer work can make happen and how things hap-

pen."

Barr's roles at the Service Club of Chicago included serving as president, chairing many events and serving on philanthropic committees. She was able to pursue her love of acting and modeling through Chicago's philanthropic community, her son said.

"That is what she did — she was in Rush Presbyterian St. Luke's Hospital's fashion show for 25 years, and she organized fashion shows for the Service Club of Chicago," he said.

"She was absolutely elegant and charming," said socialite, author and public relations guru Sugar Rautbord, who modeled alongside Barr in the Rush Presbyterian St. Luke's Hospital fashion show.

Barr oversaw the relocation of a fashion show for the Service Club of Chicago from the northwest suburbs to the Peninsula Hotel when the hotel opened in 2001. Earlier, she organized the first party at the newly opened Four Seasons Hotel on North Michigan Avenue in 1989.

Unlike many of her colleagues in philanthropy, Barr worked a day job. During the 1980s and 1990s, she worked as a fashion director at York Furrier in Elmhurst.

Then, from 2001 until 2011, Barr served as an events planner for the office of Cook County Treasurer Maria Pappas. Her role included organizing events for any of the groups speaking the 126 spoken languages in Cook County.

Barr also is survived by her husband; a daughter, Karen Hjordis Smith; another son, Warren N. Barr III; and five grandchildren.

A private family service is being planned.

Bob Goldsborough is a freelance reporter.

Chicago Daily Tribune

ON JULY 11 ...

In 1533, Pope Clement VII excommunicated England's King Henry VIII.

In 1767 John Quincy Adams, the sixth U.S. president, was born in Braintree, Mass.

In 1798 the U.S. Marine Corps was formally re-established by a congressional act that also created the U.S. Marine Band.

In 1804 Vice President Aaron Burr mortally wounded former Treasury Secretary Alexander Hamilton during a pistol duel in Weehawken, N.J.

In 1864 Confederate forces led by Gen. Jubal Early began an abortive invasion of Washington, turning back the next day.

In 1914 Babe Ruth made his major league debut for the Red Sox, getting the victory in Boston's 4-3 win over Cleveland.

In 1934 President Franklin Roosevelt became the first chief executive to travel through the Panama Canal.

In 1937 composer George Gershwin died in Hollywood; he was 38.

In 1955 the U.S. Air Force Academy was dedicated at its temporary quarters, Lowry Air Force Base in Colorado.

In 1977 the Medal of Freedom was awarded posthumously to Martin Luther King Jr.

In 1979 the abandoned U.S. space station Skylab made a spectacular return to Earth, burning up in the atmosphere and showering debris over the Indian Ocean and Australia.

In 1980 American hostage Richard Queen, freed by Iran after eight months of captivity because of poor health, left Tehran for Switzerland.

In 1998 Air Force Lt. Michael Blassie, a casualty of the Vietnam War, was laid to rest near his Missouri home, after the positive identification of his remains, which had been enshrined at the Tomb of the Unknowns in Arlington, Va.

In 2000 a Middle East summit opened at Camp David, Md., between Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

In 2001 the Democratic-led

Senate voted to bar coal mining and oil and gas drilling on pristine federally protected land in the West.

In 2003 President George W. Bush put responsibility squarely on the CIA for his disputed claim that Iraq had tried to acquire nuclear material from Africa, prompting Director George Tenet to publicly accept full blame for the miscue.

In 2005 a top al-Qaida lieutenant and three other terror suspects escaped from a U.S. military jail in Afghanistan.

In 2007 Lady Bird Johnson, the former first lady who had championed conservation and worked tenaciously for the political career of her husband, former President Lyndon Baines Johnson, died in Austin, Texas, at age 94.

In 2012 Illinois Gov. Pat Quinn signed legislation banning legislative scholarships, effective Sept. 1.

In 2014 NBA superstar LeBron James, who won two championships with the Miami Heat, announced in a Sports Illustrated essay that he was returning home to Cleveland.

WINNING LOTTERY NUMBERS

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Pick 4 midday	3624 / 7	Daily 4 evening	8400 / 5
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Pick 4 evening	0185 / 3	Daily 4 midday	9152
Lucky Day Lotto evening		Daily 3 evening	824
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July 11 Powerball: \$90M		Fantasy 5	01 03 04 23 29
July 12 Lotto: \$7.25M		Keno	03 12 15 20 21 31
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Pick 4	8750		
Badger 5	02 08 18 21 28		
SuperCash	03 08 09 30 36 38		

Chicago Tribune Death Notices

Chicago Tribune extends our condolences to the families and loved ones of those who have passed.

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Aagaard, James A.

James Stuart Aagaard passed away on June 22, 2018. He was the only child of Stuart Martin and Winifred (nee Burgess) Aagaard. He grew up in Rogers Park. In 1948 he began his electrical engineering studies at Northwestern University in Evanston. After earning his bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees, he accepted a faculty appointment at Northwestern. His interest moved to computers and he joined with a small group that was developing a computer system for the new Northwestern University library. This effort produced the NOTIS System that was adopted by more than one hundred libraries. In 1992, Jim was appointed Assistant University Librarian for Information Technology. He remained in that position for four years retiring in 1996 with an appointment as Professor Emeritus. Jim's interest continued and he stayed to guide the library through many changes in the early 1990's. In January 2016 a medical emergency sent Jim to the Northwestern Hospital. This was followed by two plus years of health problems and his stay in Brande Health Care at Covenant Village in Northbrook. Jim's wife MaryLou (nee McLeod) survives. A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. on Saturday, July 14 at Glenview Community Church, 1000 Elm Street, Glenview, IL. Interment private. Service information 847-998-1020.

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Adams, David

of Chicago, IL & Sarasota, FL, passed away in Florida on June 8, 2018. David was a loving brother, uncle, and friend and a very proud US Marine and Chicago Police Officer. He served 22 yrs' active duty including a tour in the Gulf War, retiring as Master Sergeant. After serving his country, David served his city for an additional 18 yrs as a highly recognized and honorable Chicago Police Officer before retiring to Florida to ride his Harley and, in the summer, travel the country in his RV. He is survived by his brother Steven Adams, sisters Sharon Foley and Nancy Glynn. A Celebration of David's life will be held on Saturday, July 14th and a Service with full military honors will be held in Elwood, IL at the Abraham Lincoln National Cemetery on Friday, July 27th at 2:30pm. Sign Guestbook at chicagotribune.com/obituaries

Berry, Helen J.

Helen J. Berry, age 82, of Crest Hill. Beloved wife of Lawrence J. Berry for a wonderful 16 years. Loving mother of Peggy (the late Bruce) Beebe, Janis (Rick) Kratochvil, Michael (Vicky) Oehmen, and Mark (Lisa) Oehmen. Devoted grandmother of Nicole (Josh) Abbott, Alison Beebe, Tyler Beebe, Rick Kratochvil, Angie Kratochvil, Joey Oehmen, and Chris Oehmen. Dear great-grandmother of Riley and Ava Abbott, Nicholas and Anthony Cottler, and Layla and Harper Kratochvil. Fond aunt and friend of many. Helen loved to garden, crochet, and loved living in Florida, especially being by the beach. Visitation 1pm until time of funeral service 6pm Friday, July 13, 2018 at **Hallowell & James Funeral Home**, 301 75th St., Downers Grove. Interment private. For info: (630) 964-6500 or hjffunerals.com

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Blomquist, Carol Powers

Blomquist, Carol Powers, 90, of Lake Forest, IL, died peacefully on June 29, 2018 in Topsfield, MA. Wife of the late Edwin R. Blomquist (1919-2008), she was born January 1, 1928 in Chicago, the daughter of the late James and Kathryn Powers. Carol attended Rosary College in River Forest, IL, graduating in 1949 with a bachelor of arts degree, with a focus on Library Science. She worked as Assistant Librarian for the Chicago Bar Association until 1950. She married Ed Blomquist in December 1950, and they moved to Lake Forest in 1962. They maintained a summer home in Bennington, VT for many years. She held many volunteer responsibilities over the years, including serving as a trustee of Lake Forest Library; on the Women's Boards of the Field Museum, Lake Forest College and Northwestern University; as Conservation Chair of the Lake Forest Garden Club; and as the Chair of the Program Committee of the Contemporary Club of Chicago. She helped to set up a new Library Research Center at Lake Forest Country Day School in the 1970s. Carol and her family were members of the Church of the Holy Spirit in Lake Forest since 1967, where she served on the Altar Guild, and the Flower and "Music in the Nave" Committees, as well as singing in the choir. Carol loved her family and friends, her church, gardening, decorating, entertaining, and travel. Carol was preceded in death by her brothers Edward and James Powers. She is survived by her son and daughter-in-law Edwin R. Blomquist, Jr. and Belinda Recio, of South Hamilton, MA, and her daughter Amy Buckley and grandchildren Lydia, Caroline and Elliot Buckley, as well as great-grandson Phineas Dunleavy, of North Bennington, VT. She is also survived by her brother, Kenneth Powers, of Castle Rock, CO, and sister-in-law Mary Powers, of Sugar Grove, IL, and numerous nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held in the fall at the Church of the Holy Spirit, 400 E. Westminster Ave., Lake Forest, IL 60045 (for date, check the Church website after September 1, 2018: <https://chsfl.nmsecure.com/obituaries-funerals>). In lieu of flowers, any donations may be made to the Altar Flower Fund at the Church of the Holy Spirit. Sign Guestbook at chicagotribune.com/obituaries

Browne, Norma

Norma J. (nee: Gries) beloved wife of Bernard for 53 years. Loving mother of Michael (Karen), Bernie (Margie), Daniel (JoAnn), Robert (Lynn), Kenneth (Kim) and Dennis (Deb). Proud grandmother of 22 grandchildren; great grandmother of 3. Devoted daughter of the late George and Martha (nee: Voll) Gries. Cherished sister of the late George (Lorraine) and Charles (Norene) Gries. Aunt to many and a friend to all. Funeral service 10:00 a.m. Friday, July 13, 2018 at **Chapel Hill Gardens South** Funeral Home 11333 S. Central Ave., Oak Lawn, IL. Visitation: Thursday 3:00 - 9:00 p.m. Interment **Chapel Hill Gardens South** Cemetery. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.chapelhillgardensouth.com info: 708-636-1200.

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DiCesare, Bernardino 'Benny'

Berardino "Benny" DiCesare, age 83, of Lake Barrington, former longtime resident of Northfield. Beloved husband of 48 years to the late Luisa DiCesare nee Macinati; loving father of Anna (Christopher) Taylor and Donna (Gary) Szydio; loving grandfather of Cameron and C.J. Taylor, and Tyler, Eric and Drew Szydio; brother of the late Ida DiCesare. Benny was an avid gardener, who loved sharing what he grew. He also loved riding his bike and walked countless miles, always taking pleasure in his surroundings. Visitation: Friday, July 13, 2018 10:00 a.m. until time of Funeral Mass 11:00 a.m. at Saint Philip the Apostle Church, 1962 Old Willow Road, Northfield, IL 60093. In lieu of gifts or flowers, please consider a donation to JourneyCare, 2050 Claire Court, Glenview, IL 60025 or JourneyCare.org. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990.

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Esterly, Barbara Ann

Barbara Ann Esterly, nee Schuhrke, passed away on Saturday, July 7, 2018, at age 72. Barb is survived by her beloved husband, Paul; her loving children, Ken (Barb), Jeff (Emily); her mother, Ruth Schuhrke; brother, John (Nancy) Schuhrke; her cherished grandchildren, Anthony, Austin, Cole, Sam, Hailey and Jake; and her 4 legged friend, Pumpkin. Barb was preceded in death by her father, Raymond Schuhrke. Sign Guestbook at chicagotribune.com/obituaries

Filippi, Marjorie

Marjorie R. Filippi, nee Rostvold; loving mother of Larry, Bruce, Patrick (the late Dottie) Filippi, Cara (Alan) Sand, Gina (Bob) Knutson, and Craig Filippi; dear grandmother of Lauren and Paul Filippi, Eric Knutson, Rachel (Jordan) England, Allyson Sand, and Lucas, Natalie, and Marisa Filippi. Visitation Saturday, 10:00 a.m. until time of service, 11:00 a.m. at Redeemer Lutheran Church; 139 E 1st Street, Hinsdale, IL. Private family interment at Bronswood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers memorials to the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI), appreciated; www.nami.org. Arrangements by Sullivan Funeral Home. 630-323-0275 or www.sullivanfuneralhomehinsdale.com.

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Fisher, Angelina A.

Angelina A. Fisher, age 78 of Des Plaines. She was the cherished daughter of the late Andrew and Rose Castelluzzo; Beloved wife of the late William Fisher; Loving mother of Andrew Fisher and Rosemarie Perri; Grandmother of Nicole and Matthew Perri; Sister of Mary (Robert) Brown and the late Andrew (Renee) Castelluzzo; Aunt of Bill (Amy) Brown, Ellen (Cliff) Wagenknecht, Robert (Heidi) Brown, Michael (Gina) Brown, Andrea (Luke) Demarte, and Marybeth (Dan) Fiden. Visitation will be on Friday July 13th from 3pm-8pm at Oehler Funeral Home, 2099 Miner St. (corner of Northwest Hwy/Rt14 and Rand Rd) Des Plaines. Prayers will be said at Oehler Funeral Home Saturday July 14th at 9:30am. Mass will be said Saturday July 14th at St. Zachary, 10:30am. Interment All Saints Cemetery. For information please call 847-824-5155 or visit www.oehlerfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Dementia Society of America located at 114 N Main St, Doylestown, PA 18901 or online at <https://www.dementiasociety.org/donate>. Sign Guestbook at chicagotribune.com/obituaries

Glaser, Madeline M.

Madeline M. Glaser, 91 nee Mosansky. Beloved wife of the late Herbert "Herbie" Glaser and Daniel Mackron. Loving mother of Debbie Mackron, step mother of the late Darlene Glaser. Sister of the late Julius Mosansky. Special aunt of J.C., Jeff, Robin, Lori, Brian, Margaret and the late Jimmy. Great aunt of many. Visitation will be held on Wednesday from 5-9pm and Thursday, July 12 from 8:30 to 9:30 am at **Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home**, 6150 N. Cicero Ave., Chicago. Mass will follow at 10am at Queen of All Saints Basilica. Interment Mount Emblem Cemetery. Info 773-736-3733 or visit Madeline's memorial at www.smithcorcoran.com.

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Gniech, Lolita M.

Lolita M. Gniech, nee Galli; Beloved wife of Donald; Loving mother of Donna (John) Sabella, Lodean (William) Fisher and like a mother to Teresa Kozlowski; Cherished grandmother of Kelly Fisher (Beau Norris) and Jessica Sabella (Justin) Banko; Visitation Thursday 3-9 p.m. at **Belmont Funeral Home**, 7120 W. Belmont Ave. Funeral prayers beginning Friday 10:15 a.m. at funeral home to St. Cyprian Church for Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. Entombment Elmwood Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, donations appreciated to the American Cancer Society. Info. 773-286-2500 or www.belmontfuneralhome.com

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Irons, Judith Lee

Judith Lee Irons, age 63 of Bolingbrook, IL., passed away Sunday July 8, 2018. Beloved sister of Maryann (late Richard) Urban and John (Linda) Irons; loving aunt of Richard (Karianne) Urban, Kimberly Urban, Lisa (Alvin) Banks, John (Ruth) Irons and Brandon (Stephanie) Irons; cherished great-aunt of Jacob, Kaylie, Darius, John and Jackson; preceded in death by her parents John and Genevieve Irons. Judith was one of the first participants in the Special Olympics Games, worked at Austin Special, Chicago, IL., a member of Sunshine Activities and Judith also was a Girl Scout. Visitation Thursday July 12, 2018 from 3:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. at **Anderson Memorial Chapel** 606 Townhall Dr. Romeoville, IL., funeral service Friday July 13, 2018 9:15 a.m. from the funeral to St. Dominic Church, Bolingbrook, IL. for Mass of Christian Burial at 10:00 a.m. Interment St. Adalbert Cemetery, Niles, IL. In lieu of flowers memorials to Special Olympics Illinois will be appreciated. www.andersonmemorialhomes.com 815-886-2323

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Javors, Charlotte E.



Charlotte E. Javors nee Harmon, age 91 of Oak Park; beloved wife of the late Richard F.; loving mother of Jacqueline (Alan) Fonorow, Dr. Jonathan (Marcelle), Jeffrey (Mary Kay), Jaime (Jill), Dr. Jennifer and Janice Javors; cherished grandmother of Valerie (Kevin) Lowe and Brian Fonorow, Jessica (James) Heneghan and Alexandra Javors, Sarah Clare and Garrett Javors, Laurel (Mary Bogus), Alexa and Charles Javors, and Richard and Charlotte McClelland; adoring great-grandmother of Brendan, Fiona and Isla Lowe, J.P. and Emerie Rose Heneghan; dear sister of Joseph (June) Harmon and the late Marie (the late Peter) Schwartzers, Raymond and Emil Harmon and Barbara (the late Donald) Pirkle; fond aunt, cousin and friend of many. Visitation Friday 3 to 8 p.m. and Saturday 9 a.m. until time of prayers 10 a.m. at **Drechsler, Brown & Williams Funeral Home**, 203 S. Marion St., Oak Park. Mass will follow at 10:30 a.m. at St. Catherine of Siena St. Lucy Church. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to Big Shoulders (bigshouldersfund.org) are appreciated. Funeral Info: 708-383-3191 or www.drechslerbrownwilliams.com
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Kearney, Edmund W.

Edmund W. Kearney; Age 92; Born into Eternal Life on July 9, 2018; Devoted husband of the late Mary Jane Kearney, nee Grogan; Cherished father of Mary Kate (Deryck) Henry, Edmund M. (Cris), John (Linda), Joseph (Anne), and Robert (Migdalia); Beloved grandfather of Sarah Kearney, Brendan Kearney, Michael Kearney, Stephen Kearney, Matthew Kearney, Shanley Kearney, Katherine Kearney, Roberto Kearney, Thomas Kearney, Caitlin Henry, Andrew Kearney, Sarah Henry, and Julia Henry; Loving son of the late John J. and Mary A. Kearney, nee Dinneen; Proud graduate of St. Carthage Grammar School (1939), Leo High School (1943), Chicago Teachers College (1947), and Loyola University, where his degrees included PH.D. in history in 1955; Longtime and accomplished teacher of many as a faculty member (and founding chair of the history department) at Chicago State University (1958-1992), John Carroll University (1954-1958), and St. Ignatius High School (1948-1950); Visitation Thursday 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Curley Funeral Home, 6116 W. 111th Street, Chicago Ridge; Funeral Friday, Family and friends to meet directly at St. Margaret of Scotland Church, 9837 S. Throop St., Chicago; Mass 10:00 a.m.; In lieu of flowers, donations to SSADH Association, P.O. Box 180622 Delafield, WI 53018, or www.ssadh.net/donate; Interment Mt. Olivet Cemetery; For Funeral Info 708-422-2700, or www.curleyfuneralhome.com



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Keefer, Roland 'Bill'

Roland "Bill" Keefer, 81, of Sugar Grove, passed away Monday, July 9, 2018. He was born November 23, 1936 in Chicago, son of the late Roland and Florence Keefer. He is survived by his wife, Carol; daughter, Kathy (David) Zigmont; grandchildren, Nathan (Kelly) Witt, Ashley Korbal; great-granddaughter, Lillian Korbal; siblings, Carol Breedlove and Robert Keefer. Along with his parents, he was preceded in death by his son, Timothy Keefer. Visitation will be held on Thursday, July 12, 2018 from 4 PM – 8 PM at **The Healy Chapel**, 370 Division Drive, Sugar Grove, IL 60554. A private burial at Elm Lawn Memorial Park will take place at a later date. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to your local animal shelter. To sign the online guestbook please visit www.healychapel.com. 630-466-1330



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Kilgore, Gail

Gail Kilgore, nee Mahon, age 63 of South Elgin, passed away peacefully Friday, July 6, 2018. Gail was the beloved wife of Steve Kilgore. Loving mother of Randall (Stephanie) Sommerio and Dustin Sommerio. Cherished daughter of Lee and the late Richard Wilson. Loving grandmother of Grace and Morgan Sommerio. Dear sister of Cindy, Craig, Diana, and the late Randall. Fond aunt of many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers, donations to Anderson Animal Shelter at andersonanimalshelter.org.
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Kruger, Sandra J.

Sandra J. Kruger nee Linkemer, age 80. Loving mother of Karen Kruger and Jeff Kruger. Proud grandmother of Kylie and Jack. Dear sister of Richard (Merle) Linkemer and the late Stuart Linkemer. Will be missed by many nieces, nephews and cousins. Service Thursday 12 Noon at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Blvd (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Private interment following the service. In lieu of flowers memorials can be made to a charity of your choice. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjfnf.com



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Kucera, John T.

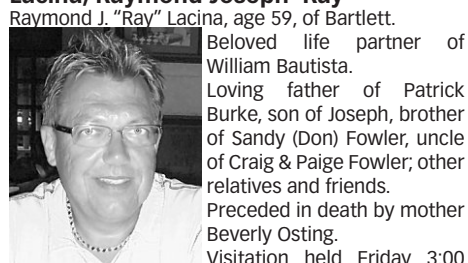
John T. Kucera was the son of Joseph Kucera and Esther Seery. He was born on May 5, 1933 at Holy Cross Hospital in Chicago, Illinois. Brother to Thomas, Joseph Jr., 'Robert John, OSM', Eugene, James and Mary all of whom are deceased. He is survived by his sister, Sister Mercedes Kucera, OP living at St. Dominic Villa at Hazel Green, WI, and his nieces and nephews. John graduated from St. Philip High School in Chicago and received an engineering degree from IIT. He was employed at International Harvester for many years. Funeral will be held on Saturday beginning with Visitation from 9:30-10:00 a.m. at St. Giles Church, 1045 N. Columbian Ave., Oak Park, 60302 followed by Mass at 10:00 a.m. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Arrangements by **Sciaraffa Funeral Directors**. For information please call (773) 889-1700.
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LaCerbera, C.S.S.F., Sister Mary Francesca



Sister Mary Francesca LaCerbera, C.S.S.F. Died July 9, 2018 in Our Lady of the Angels Convent, Chicago, IL. Beloved Member of the Felician Sisters Community for 60 years. Beloved daughter of the late Joseph and the late Rose. Beloved sister of Dominic (Jeannine) and the late Bonnie (Ronald) Taylor. Nieces and nephews. Visitation will begin at 9:00am on Friday, July 13, 2018 at the Mother of Good Counsel Convent, 3800 West Peterson Avenue, Chicago, IL. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at 11:00am following the visitation. Commendation will follow at St. Adalbert Cemetery, Niles, IL. In lieu of flowers, donations to Felician Sisters' Retirement Fund, 3800 West Peterson, Chicago, IL 60659 would be appreciated. INFO 847-395-4000. Thomas K. Moore, Director.
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Lacina, Raymond Joseph 'Ray'



Raymond J. "Ray" Lacina, age 59, of Bartlett. Beloved life partner of William Bautista. Loving father of Patrick Burke, son of Joseph, brother of Sandy (Don) Fowler, uncle of Craig & Paige Fowler; other relatives and friends. Preceded in death by mother Beverly Osting. Visitation held Friday 3:00 pm until the time of funeral service at 7:30 pm at **Malone Funeral Home**, 324 E. State Street (Route 38), Geneva. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorials to Foundation For Sarcoidosis Research, stopsarcoidosis.org or Lung Transplant Foundation, lungtransplantfoundation.org would be appreciated. Information 630-232-8233 or visit malonefnh.com.



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Lemanski, Doris

Doris "Dorrie" M. Lemanski, 93, of Westchester, formerly of Chicago, passed away Tuesday, July 10, 2018. Loving mother of Lawrence (Denise) Lemanski, Marci Lemanski (Michael) Growcock, James (Cathy) Lemanski and Jean Lemanski; cherished grandmother of 7 and great-grandmother of 3. She was preceded in death by her husband, William J. Lemanski. A memorial mass will be held on Saturday, July 14, 2018 at 11:30 am at Divine Infant Jesus Parish, 1640 Newcastle Ave., Westchester, IL 60154. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to www.misericordia.com
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Mueller, Patricia

Patricia Ann Mueller, nee Maher, age 91, of Lombard. Beloved wife of the late Donald; loving mother of Joseph (Camala) Mueller, William Mueller (Sandi Salyer), and Thomas (Katie) Mueller; devoted grandmother of Matthew, Andrew, MaryErin, Kathleen, JoEllen, Susannah, Rachel, Maura, Lance, and Johnathan; fond sister of William (Patricia) Maher; aunt of many nieces and nephews. Member of Council of Catholic Women and St. Pius X Catholic Church. Visitation Thursday, July 12th, 3-8 PM at **Knollcrest Funeral Home**, 1500 S. Meyers Rd. (3 blks. S. of Roosevelt Rd.) Lombard. Funeral Friday, 9:15 AM from the funeral home to St. Pius X Catholic Church, 1025 E. Madison, Lombard. Mass 10AM. Interment Sacred Heart Cemetery, Michigan. Memorials to American Diabetes Association are appreciated. Funeral Info: www.knollcrest.net or 630-932-1500.
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Murges, Angela A.



Angela A. Murges, 85, of Oak Park, passed away Thursday, July 5, 2018. Beloved wife of Paul Murges; loving mother of Giana (Preston) Pisellini; cherished grandmother of Luca and Evan Pisellini. Preceded in death by her parents, Antoinette and Vincent Spadavecchio, sister Marie and brothers Joseph and Victor. She loved to dance and for many years she toured the country as a professional Latin Jazz dancer. She worked as a Restaurant Manager at Ranalli's on Lincoln in Lincoln Park for more than 20 years. Visitation will be held on Monday, July 16, 2018 from 9:30 am until the time of mass at 10:30 am at St. Giles Catholic Church, 1045 Columbian Ave., Oak Park, IL.
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Nau, Lenore

Lenore Nau, 89, of Tuscola, IL and long-time resident of Hazel Crest, IL, went to be with her Lord at 3:30 P.M. on Saturday, July 7, 2018 at Carle Foundation Hospital in Urbana, IL. Visitation will be held July 12, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 600 East North Line Road in Tuscola, IL, 61953. Funeral service will follow at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Jason Braaten officiating. On Friday, July 13, 2018, a visitation will be held from 10:00-11:00 a.m. at the Murphy Funeral Home, 408 North Broadway St., Mt. Pleasant, Iowa. Interment will immediately follow at Forest Home Cemetery.
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Pilipchak, Fruma

Fruma Pilipchak, 80, loving daughter of Aron and Basia Grinshtein; dear sister of Victor; devoted wife of Alexsander; beloved mother of Galena and Andrey; proud grandmother of Michael, Boris, Alex, David, Ayden and Bryce; great-grandmother of Ellie, Isaiah and Belle. She was a strong hard-working woman, the glue of our family, and had a heart of gold. She gave us our moral foundation, love of country, and love of life. Funeral services will be held on Thursday at 11 a.m. in the chapel at Weinstein & Piser Funeral Home, 111 Skokie Blvd. Wilmette IL. Interment will be at Memorial Park Cemetery, Skokie, IL. Shiva will be held in Round Lake Park after the service. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to a charity of your choice in her honor, or food baskets to Alexsander's home. Funeral info: 847-256-5700.
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Pinto, Carmen Michael

U.S. Army Veteran of the Vietnam War and recipient of the Purple Heart. Age 77. Passed away peacefully at his home on July 9, 2018. Beloved husband of 54 years to Concetta (nee Ferro). Loving father of Michele R. Pinto, Nicole (David) Campbell & Renee (Joseph) LaPorta. Cherished papa of Nicholas & Connor Campbell and Luciana & Carmine LaPorta. Devoted Son of the late Costantino & Virginia (nee Markase) Pinto. Fond brother of Antoinette Maione, Bernadette (Thomas) Stoecker, Maria Pinto, Joseph Pinto, the late Silvio Pinto & the late Costantino (Andy) Pinto. Kind brother-in-law of Thomas (Clelia) Ferro. Dear son-in-law of the late Thomas & Rose (nee O'Mera) Ferro. Treasured uncle of Michael (Lisa) Maione, Philip (Cristin) Maione, Paul (Tracey) Maione, Vincent (Brigitte) Maione, Rebecca (Chris) Siffel, A.J. Pinto, Jennifer (Marc) Pierce & Silvio Pinto & great uncle of 10. Good-hearted cousin of many. Fun-loving & generous to countless friends. Carmen worked in sales at RC Cola for 20+ years. He was a successful Farmers Insurance Agent in LaGrange IL for 25+ years. Carmen enjoyed semi-retirement as an associate partner at King-Forem Insurance Agency in Park Ridge, IL. Carmen was active with Action Sertoma. He was a proud member of O.N.I.A.C. & the Gleneagles Mens Club. Former member of Knights of Columbus, St. Albert the Great Council. His big smile & gregarious personality will be missed by all who knew him. Visitation Thursday, July 12th from 3 p.m. until 9 p.m. Chapel prayers Friday, July 13th, 9 a.m. at the **Kerry Funeral Home & Cremation Care Center**, 7020 W. 127th Street, Palos Heights proceeding to Our Lady of the Woods Church, Mass of Christian Burial 10 a.m. Entombment: Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Contributions to the Rush University Medical Center, c/o Stephanie A. Gregory MD, 1653 Congress Parkway, Chicago, IL 60612 would be appreciated. www.kerryfh.com - (708) 361.4235 - www.facebook.com/kerryfuneral



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Quinlan, Jr., Walter

Walter P. Quinlan, Jr. age 88, of Long Beach, IN, passed away on Monday, July 9, 2018. Walter is survived by his eight children: Walter (Jane) Quinlan, Sue Quinlan, Mary Quinlan, Jean (John) Barron, Michael (Jacqueline) Quinlan, Kathlene (Douglas) Bobillo, Judith (Mark) Shambo and Jennifer Quinlan; eighteen grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife Mary Therese "Lyn" and baby John Paul. Walter was a longtime member of Notre Dame Catholic Church. He was a retired Funeral Director from Walter Quinlan & Sons Funeral Home in Chicago. Those wishing to pay their respects are invited to Geisen-Carlisle Funeral Home located at 613 Washington St. Michigan City, IN 46360 on Thursday, July 12, from 2:00 to 8:00 PM. Mass of Christian Burial will take place on Friday, July 13, 2018 at 10:00 AM at Notre Dame Catholic Church, Michigan City, IN. Burial will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery located in Evergreen Park IL. To sign guestbook or leave condolences, please visit: www.Carlislefh.com. (219) 874-4214.
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Rock, Patricia Cox 'Joan'



Patricia J. "Joan" Cox Rock, loving, mother, wife, wise counselor, nurse, producer, choreographer and all around firecracker left this world unexpectedly on July 5, 2018. Joan was born in Oak Park, Illinois on January 16, 1930, to her parents John Flavin and Verna Phyllis Cox. Joan attended Ascension School and Trinity High School in Oak Park, IL. Joan attended the St. Bernard's School of Nursing at Loyola University, receiving her Bachelor of Science in Nursing. This was a bold decision after her three older sisters attended their neighborhood Rosary College. In 1951, social worker Eunice Kennedy Shriver called upon Joan to accept a position at The House of the Good Shepard, a home for unwed mothers and abuse survivors. Joan taught health and hygiene to marginalized women and children. Joan then took her nursing skills to Yellowstone National Park, where she spent two summers as a park nurse, often meeting the needs of her patients on horseback. This was a wonderful time in Joan's life, as her close buddy/ sister Marilyn spent those same summers working alongside her in Yellowstone. In 1955, as a fresh-faced OB/GYN Nurse at Mercy Hospital in Chicago, Joan caught a glimpse of a sassy Chief Resident Bill Rock. She and her friend Blanche Foley would bake pies for the Phi Chi House, and strategically deliver them when the young resident was studying at the fraternity. Sparks flew, and Bill and Joan became engaged before Bill went into the service. They were married on April 16, 1955 at Ascension Church in Chicago and their amazing partnership lasted 63 years and beyond. Bill often said that he couldn't do anything without Joan's love, support and wisdom. After settling in Chicago, Joan and Bill welcomed their first daughter Julie, a most exciting first birth as Bill had to carry Joan down three flights of their apartment stairs in order to rush her to the hospital. After residency, Bill and Joan decided to move to Madison, Wisconsin, where Bill accepted a position at the VA Hospital in Madison. They moved into the Westmoreland neighborhood and welcomed five more children. When the house on Westmoreland Blvd. became a tad too crowded, Joan and Bill found their dream home in Madison, where they greeted their seventh child and the brood was finally complete. Joan was the most amazing mom her children could ask for, often making several shifts of meals for the kids, a late night shift for Bill, and always ready with an oven baked sandwich for all the kids who walked home for lunch while at Blessed Sacrament and Edgewood High School. While Bill was caring for patients and making house calls, Joan made the home joyous and fun for the kids, welcoming friends and neighbors always, teaching anyone and everyone to dance, playing music, hosting bridge parties, inviting neighbors and friends over to ice skate in the back patio, teaching CCD in the living room, making her famous roasts and lasagnas for all who came, taking the family to Anvil and Bessemer for ski weekends, relishing Door County summers and her beloved lake Michigan, beach walks, singing around the player piano, hosting Badger football game day BBQ's, celebrating her nieces and nephews by her unwavering love and support, caroling parties, backyard carnivals, taking the kids to farm auctions, making pinecone wreaths for holidays, and always acting as chauffeur for every ball game, show, school event and service opportunity. After the kids became more independent, Joan took on a new career in theatre, a passion of hers ever since she and her sister Marilyn took dance class at Billy's Dance Studio in Chicago. Her theatre journey started by teaching tap class at Blessed Sacrament School, then on to a long and storied career at CTM, Children's Theatre of Madison, where Joan joined CTM as resident Choreographer. She relished her time at CTM and had a special gift for teaching dance to the most left footed thespians. While at CTM, Joan made lifelong friendships from casts far and wide who she loved dearly. After CTM, Joan began Producing and Directing musical reviews for Edgewood High School's school fundraiser, Edgefest Follies. Joan worked tirelessly to create a show that entertained audiences while raising money for Edgewood. After Edgefest, Joan's fundraising efforts moved to Blessed Sacrament School, where she produced Encore for over 30 years. Finally, Joan raised funds for Hospice of Madison by producing and Directing Encore for the Don and Marilyn Anderson Hospice Center in Madison. She was so dedicated to her shows, she somehow managed to coordinate program ads and show posters and would make dinner for the cast at the closing night party. Joan encouraged all of her children to have passion, to be true to themselves, to have faith, and find your ministry, whatever that may be. Joan wanted us to spread joy in whatever we did, and as often as we could. Joan's laugh was infectious, and she instilled that laugh into her children and grandchildren. Joan will be remembered for her love of life, her love of family and her joy with friends. She loved to attend daily mass and take meditative long walks where she was never without her rosaries. Joan is survived by her children Julie, Patty, Bill (Marcia), John (Kelly), Kathleen (Brian Smith), Michael and Maryellen. Joan adored her 5 grandchildren Jack, Wesley, Anna, Lucy and Libby. Joan is survived by her sister Anne in Chicago, IL and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, John and Verna, sisters Julie and Marilyn and brother John Cox. The family would like to thank Dr. Al Musa and his wonderful staff and Dr. Jenny Hackforth-Jones for a lifetime of wonderful care. Thanks also to any and all clergy who knew Joan. Please join us as concelebrants. In lieu of flowers, Donations may be made to The House of the Good Shepard, Chicago IL, www.hg-schicago.org, Northern Sky Theatre of Door County, Dane County Humane Society. Truly an entertainer to the end, Joan loved putting on tiny puppet shows, spontaneously donning a funny hat and never went a day without dancing around the house. Joan would want to support your local community theatre arts organizations. She would want you to go see a show, cheer loudly and stand up. Joan would want you to follow your passion, be your best self, LAUGH a lot, and DANCE! Any Dream Will Do! Please share your memories at www.cressfuneralservice.com
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Ronshausen, Rose Mary

Rose Mary Ronshausen (nee Rogan), age 94, passed away on July 8, 2018, beloved wife of the late Roland; survived by her children, Roland, Jr. (Marilynn), Roseanne McMeel (Michael), Carmella Kamradt (late Dennis), George Bukovatz (Angela), Joan Willmot (John), Mary Morgan (Scott). She also leaves behind 17 grandchildren and 30 great-grandchildren. Beloved aunt to the children of her brothers and sisters, James Rogan, Elizabeth (Victor) Leonard, Thomas (Alberta) Rogan, Kathleen Joan (William) Stichnet. Funeral Friday 9:30 a.m. from Pomierski F.H., 1059 W. 32nd St., to All Saints St. Anthony Church for a 10:00 mass. Visitation Thursday 4-8:00 p.m. INT. Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please send donations in her name to Sunny Hill Nursing Home, 421 Doris Ave., Joliet, IL, 60433 (773)927-6424. www.pomierskifuneralhome.com

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Schaeffer, Marshall Irwin

Marshall Irwin Schaeffer. Beloved husband of Sandra nee Siegal. Unbelievably loving father to Tammy (Terry) Max. Proud Poppy to Adam, Michael, David, and Joshua. Devoted son of the late Samuel and Fannie Schaeffer. Dear brother of the late Gerald Schaeffer. Close friend to so many. Marshall worked as an electrical engineer in the family business of Schaeffer Electric and was a member of the electrical workers Local Union #134. He was corporal in the U.S. Army, station out of Fort Riley, Kansas from 1953-1954. Service, Thursday, 10 AM at **Chicago Jewish Funerals**, 8851 Skokie Blvd (at Niles Center Road), Skokie. Interment Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to American Diabetes Association, www.diabetes.org. Arrangements by **Chicago Jewish Funerals** - Skokie Chapel, 847.229.8822, www.cjinfo.com

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Schlossberg, Sheila B.

Sheila B. Schlossberg of Chicago passed away on July 5, 2018. Beloved wife of the late James E. Garthwaite. Loving daughter of the late William and the late Harriet Schlossberg. Cherished sister of the late Marshall Schlossberg and Wendy Schlossberg (Ronald Pava). Fond niece of the late Alan and the late Marilyn Mills and the late Irving and Hannah Finston. A gathering in Sheila's memory will be held on Sunday, July 15th. Donations to the American Cancer Society would be appreciated.

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Seredi, Bela V

Bela V. Seredi, age 82 of Wheeling. Loving husband of Theresia. Fond father of Izabella (Steven) Fishman, Robert (Julie), and Irena Schoen. Beloved grandfather of Cassandra, Robbie, Landon, Arielle and Danielle. Cherished great-grandfather of Sophia and Josiah. Dear brother-in-law of Ewa Kowalska. He is also survived by many cousins, nieces and nephews in Poland. Visitation Friday 3-8pm at **Kolssak Funeral Home** 189 S Milwaukee Ave Wheeling IL. Funeral prayers Saturday 9:30am at the funeral home followed by a 10:00am Life Celebration Mass at St. Joseph the Worker Church 181 W. Dundee Rd Wheeling, IL. Interment Private. For more information 847.537.6600 or www.funerals.pro



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Sherlock, William T.

William T. Sherlock age 90, of River Forest, Veteran U.S. Army; beloved husband of the late Rosaleen, nee Smith; loving father of Timothy (Penelope), Julie (Ned) LaGoy, William (Kathy), Matthew (Anna Marie), and Ann (Chris) Corrado; cherished grandfather of William, Madeleine, Bernard, Jack, Daniel, Liam, Catherine, Kathleen, Megan, and Neve; dear brother of the late Margaret (the late Harvey) Becker, John (the late Noreen), Katherine (the late Kenneth) Burnette, Thomas (the late Anne), Alice, Edward (Maureen) and Daniel (Mary) Sherlock; fond uncle, cousin and friend of many. Bill was a graduate of Our Lady of Angels and St. Philips High School in Chicago, and The University of Arizona. Visitation 3 to 8 p.m. Thursday July 12, at **Drechsler, Brown & Williams Funeral Home**, 203 S. Marion St., Oak Park. Friends will meet at St. Luke Church, 7600 Lake St., River Forest on Friday for mass at 10 a.m. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, memorials to St. Luke Church (stlukeparish.org) are appreciated. Funeral info: 708-383-3191 or drechslerbrownwilliams.com

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Sigmund, Eugen Hans

It is with great sadness that the family of Eugen H. Sigmund announces his passing on Thursday, June 14, 2018, at the age of 85. Eugen was preceded in death by his beloved wife Anna, his brother Karl Sigmund and his sister Klara Riegg. He will be lovingly remembered and dearly missed by his son's John and Walter, his daughter Diana (Bob) Tengesdal; his five wonderful grandchildren Kimberley, Eric, Thomas, Erika and Julia; his dear friend Olga; and many loving nieces and nephews. A private service will be held at Windridge Memorial Park, Cary IL. Memorial donations in memory of Eugen can be made to the American Red Cross.

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Spiro, Demetri James M. 'Bud'

Brigadier General One-Star United States Army, age 98, formerly of Chicago's Beverly neighborhood. Cherished husband of the late Leila nee Wetzel. Beloved brother of the late Helen (James) Karagas, the late Katherine (Donald) Ross, and the late Christine (John) Kelam. Uncle of 5 and great uncle of 10. Mentor, supporter and friend of many. May his memory be eternal.

Visitation Friday, July 13th beginning at 8:30 a.m. Funeral 10:30 a.m. from **Palos-Gaidas Funeral Home**, 11028 Southwest Highway, Palos Hills, to Ss. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 11025 Roberts Road, Palos Hills. Funeral Service 11:00 a.m. Interment Evergreen Cemetery, Evergreen Park, Illinois. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions to Alzheimer's Association Illinois Chapter, 8430 W Bryn Mawr Ave #800, Chicago, IL 60631 or alz.org/illinois. Additional information (708) 974-4410 or palosgaidasfh.com.

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(Herman) Stoops, Vera R.

Vera R. (Herman) Stoops of Fairfield, CT, passed away peacefully on Wednesday, July 4, 2018 at the age of 106. She was born in Westville, IL to the late Simon and Anna Sakauskas. Mrs. Stoops is survived by her son, Gerald F. Herman and his wife, Vesna Juresko Herman and will also be missed by her loving grandchildren, Francis Herman and Wayne, Edward and Andrew Nevar. She was preceded in death by her husbands, Algerd Herman and Richard Stoops as well as her daughter, Lois Nevar and son-in-law, Gus Nevar. A Mass of Christian Burial was privately celebrated at St. Luke Church in Westport, CT. She was interred in St. Casimir Cemetery in Chicago. Contributions can be made in her name to: Catholic Charities of Fairfield County, 238 Jewett Ave., Bridgeport, CT 06606 or www.ccfairfield.org/donate. To send an online condolence, please visit www.shaughnesseybanks.com.

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Streit, Richard F

Richard Streit, with Jesus on June 18. Memorial service Saturday, July 14, 2 p.m. at South Side Baptist Church 5220 W. 105th St. Oak Lawn, IL

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Susman, Robert M

We mourn the passing of Robert Matthew Susman, aged 85, in his home on June 30, 2018. Robert was born on June 5, 1933, in Waukegan, IL. He was preceded in death by his father, Matthew Susman, his mother, Angeline (nee Celesnik) Susman, his brother Donald Susman, and two nephews, William Deacon and Robert Faber. Robert Susman was a loving father to four children, Barbara Ann, Robert Michael, Richard Matthew and James William Susman. He was also a loving grandfather to 7 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild. He is survived by his former wife, Gwendolyn (Susman) Mason, his sister Margaret Faber, and brother-in-law, Nicholas Faber, and 3 nephews and 2 nieces.

Robert worked for his father Matthew and the family business, Susman Linoleum & Rug, Co., in Waukegan and Gurnee, Illinois, since his childhood and throughout his life (except during his two years of honorable military service, serving in the U.S. Army in Germany). In his later years he became the store's sole proprietor, working well into his 80's in the work to which he was devoted, sharing his passion and gifts throughout the community. Family and Friends may visit on Friday, July 13, 2018 from 5:00PM - 8:00PM at **Gurnee Salata Funeral Home**, 4190 Old Grand Ave, Gurnee. A second visitation will take place at St. Dismas Catholic Church, 2600 Sunset, Waukegan Saturday, July 14, 2018 from 9:00AM - 10:00AM. At 10:00AM a Mass of Christian Burial will be presided over by Fr. Pat Rugen. Interment will be at Ascension Cemetery, Libertyville, following Mass. In lieu of flowers, donations in Robert's memory would be appreciated to: Victory Lakes Lindenhurst, <https://www.franciscanministries.org/victory-lakes/> or to Mercy Home for Boys and Girls, <https://www.mercyhome.org/>.

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Terando, Patricia

Patricia J. Terando, nee Watters, age 86, beloved wife for 54 years of the late Donald J. Terando; loving mother of Dr. Elizabeth "Betsy" Terando Reidy, Mimi (Zafar Fakroddin) Terando, Susie Powen, Ann (Thomas A.) Heinz and Mary Clare (Patrick) McNulty; proud grandmother of Molly and Shannon Reidy, Lia Terando Fakroddin, Jack, Thomas and Adam Powen and Mimi and Patrick McNulty; dear sister of Anna Marie (the late Leo) Murphy and the late Kay Watters and sister-in-law of the late Raymond (Jean) Terando; caring aunt of many. Visitation Friday July 13, 2018 4:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at **Donnellan Family Funeral Home**, 10045 Skokie Boulevard at Old Orchard Road, Skokie, IL 60077. Funeral Mass Saturday July 14, 2018 10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart Church, 1077 Tower Road, Winnetka, IL 60093. Interment Ascension Cemetery Libertyville, IL. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Misericordia, 6300 N Ridge Avenue, Chicago, IL 60660. Info: www.donnellanfuneral.com or (847) 675-1990

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Wooding, Rosemary G.

Rosemary G. Wooding nee Gleeson, age 87, formerly of Oak Lawn. Beloved wife of John. Loving mother of Susan (John) Kenton, Charles (Carol) Wooding, Joan (Joseph) Donahue and the late Dennis and Michael. Devoted grandmother of 9. Great-grandmother of 2. Memorial Visitation Thursday 10am until time of Mass 11am at Our Lady of the Angels Chapel at Marian Village, 15624 Marian Dr., Homer Glen. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Life-long teacher who touched many lives for District 126, Alsip, IL. For information **RICHARD J MODELL FUNERAL HOME & CREMATION SERVICES**, 708-301-3595 or rjmodellfh.com.

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Notice is hereby given, Pursuant to "An Act in relation to the Use of an Assumed Business Name in the conduct or transaction of Business in the State" as amended, that a Certification was filed by the Undersigned with the County Clerk of Cook County File No. D18154703 on the Date: **July 11, 2018** Under the Assumed Name of: **Code Red Swimmer** with the business located at: **18206 Ravisole Terrace Country Club Hills, IL, 60478** The true name and residence Address of the owner is: **Aneesha Williams 18206 Ravisole Terrace Country Club Hills, IL, 60478**

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Aaliyah Deberry Aka Williams AKA Aaliyah Williams AKA Aalya Deberry AKA Aalya Debery

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Claire Deberry (Mother)
JUVENILE NO. 14JA00414

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on March 20, 2016, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 07/31/2018, at 11:00 AM IN CALENDAR 1 COURTROOM A, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, a hearing will be held upon the petition to terminate your parental rights and appoint a guardian with power to consent to adoption.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

UNLESS YOU appear, you will not be entitled to further written notices or publication notices of the proceedings in this case, including the filing of an amended petition or a motion to terminate parental rights.

UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
July 11, 2018

COUNTY OF COOK
TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER SHANNON E. ANDREWS, CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER
Advertisement Date: July 11, 2018

Description: Invitation for Bids for Inspection, Maintenance and Repair of Truck and Automotive Lifts For North and South Districts

DOCUMENT NO.: 1855-17334

SOLICITATION DOCUMENTS: Solicitation Document is available for download at: <http://legacy.cookcountygov.com/purchasing/bids/listAllBids.php>

MBE/WBE GOALS: 0% MBE/WBE

PRE-BID CONFERENCE DATE: Monday, July 16, 2018 at 11:00 AM

PRE-BID LOCATION:

Office of the Chief Procurement Officer
108 First Floor, Room 1018
118 N. Clark Street
Chicago, IL 60602

BID DUE DATE:
Wednesday, August 1, 2018 no later than 10:00 AM
118 N. Clark St., Room 1018, Chicago, IL 60602

CONTACT: Danuta Rusin, Sr. Contract Negotiator
(312) 603-3948 (office), (312) 603-3179 (fax)
danuta.rusin@cookcountyl.gov (email)

Local MBE/WBE firms are encouraged to respond with a proposal. The County has set contract specific goals based on the requested service. The MBE/WBE goals are listed above and in the solicitation document. Inquiries regarding MBE/WBE participation should be directed to the Office of Contract Compliance at (312) 603-5502.

The County reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.

COUNTY OF COOK
TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER SHANNON E. ANDREWS, CHIEF PROCUREMENT OFFICER
ADVERTISEMENT DATE: Wednesday, July 11, 2018

Description: Request for Qualifications

Preliminary Engineering Services for Pulaski Road / Crawford Avenue and Plainfield Road - County Line Road to East Avenue

DOCUMENT NO.: 1855-17459

SECTION NO.: 16-W4312-00-EG and 16-B3719-00-EG

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MBE/WBE GOALS: 35% MBE/WBE

PRE-SUBMITTAL CONFERENCE DATE: Wednesday, July 18, 2018 at 2:00 PM

PRE-SUBMITTAL LOCATION: George W. Dunne Cook County Office Building
69 W. Washington Street
22nd Floor, Conference Room 2200 A & B
Chicago, IL 60602

SUBMITTAL DUE DATE: Friday, August 10, 2018 no later than 3:00 PM
Office of the Chief Procurement Officer

118 N. Clark St., Room 1018
Chicago, IL 60602

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LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Neenah Perez

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Vanessa Martinez (Mother)
JUVENILE NO.: 17JA00780

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Richard Perez (Father), Unknown (Father), respondents, and to All Whom It May Concern, that on a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Patrick Murphy in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 07/31/2018, at 11:00 AM IN CALENDAR 1 COURTROOM A, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

THE COURT HAS AUTHORITY IN THIS CASE TO TAKE FROM YOU THE CUSTODY AND GUARDIANSHIP OF THE MINOR, TO TERMINATE YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND TO APPOINT A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION. YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO YOUR CHILD. IF THE PETITION REQUESTS THE TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS AND APPOINTMENT OF A GUARDIAN WITH POWER TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION, YOU MAY LOSE ALL PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE CHILD.

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UNLESS YOU appear at the hearing and show cause against the petition, the allegations of the petition may stand admitted as against you and each of you, and an order of judgment entered.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
July 11, 2018

LEGAL NOTICES GOVERNMENT/EDUCATION

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

IN THE INTEREST OF
Tony Simmons

A MINOR
NO. 2018JD00841

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Notice is given you, Tony Simmons, Sr. (Father), respondents, and to ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN, that on May 26, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX, STATE'S ATTORNEY OF COOK COUNTY through her assistant State's Attorney in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Terrence Sharkey in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building located at 1100 South Hamilton, Chicago, Illinois, ON 07/22/2018 at 9:00 AM IN CALENDAR 63 COURTROOM 13,

or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act. The court has authority in this case to take from you the custody and guardianship of the minor.

Unless you appear at the hearing and show cause to the contrary an order of judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief asked in the petition.

DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF COURT
July 11, 2018

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To: Miguel Ruiz; Parkway Bank & Trust Company; City of Chicago, Dept. of Water Management; City of Chicago, City Clerk; City of Chicago, c/o Corporation Counsel; Scott & Kraus LLC; Mark Roncskevitz; Monica Gibson Roncskevitz; Hector Arana; Portfolio Recovery Associates, LLC, c/o Illinois Corporation Service Company, Reg. Agent; Richard Lanis, c/o Dale & Gensburg, P.C.; Jodi Lanis, c/o Dale & Gensburg, P.C.; Occupant, 324 S. Sacramento Blvd., Chicago, IL 60613; David D. Orr, County Clerk; Persons or tenants in actual occupancy or possession of said property. Unknown owners or parties interested in said property. Tax DEED NO. 2018COTD004130 FILED: June 28, 2018 TAKE NOTICE COUNTY OF COOK DATE PREMISES SOLD: June 8, 2016 CERTIFICATE NO(S). 14-0014861 SOLD FOR SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS OF (MUNICIPALITY) N/A WARRANT NO. N/A INSTALLMENT NO. N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property Located at: 324 S. SACRAMENTO BLVD., CHICAGO, ILLINOIS Legal Description or Property Index No(s). 16-13-120-021-0000 This notice is to advise you that the above property has been sold for delinquent taxes and that the period of redemption from the sale will expire on December 26, 2018. The amount to redeem is subject to increase at 6 month intervals from the date of sale and may be further increased if the purchaser at the tax sale or his assignee pays any subsequently accruing taxes or special assessments to redeem the property from subsequent forfeitures or tax sales. Check with the County Clerk as to the exact amount you owe before redeeming. This notice is also to advise you that a petition has been filed for a tax deed which will transfer title and the right to possession of this property if redemption is not made on or before December 26, 2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this County in Chicago, Illinois on January 23, 2019, in Room 1704 of the Richard J. Daley Center at 50 W. Washington Street at 9:30 a.m. You may be present at this hearing but your right to redeem will already have expired at that time. YOU ARE URGED TO REDEEM IMMEDIATELY TO PREVENT LOSS OF PROPERTY Redemption can be made at any time on or before December 26, 2018, by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois at the Office of the County Clerk, 118 N. Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 603-5645 Royce RE, LLC Purchaser or Assignee 100 N. LaSalle Street, Suite 1111 Chicago, IL 60602 Dated: July 2, 2018 Balin Law, P.C. Attorneys at Law 100 N. LaSalle, Suite 1111 Chicago, IL 60602 (312) 345-1111 Firm #58864 Pub: 7/10, 11, 12/2018 5697626

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"At the end of the day you've got to adapt to every situation."

— Former Cub, now Cardinals outfielder, Dexter Fowler

Grand slam

Struggling Fowler taking flak with Cardinals after being hero with Cubs

Dexter Fowler was back home in Chicago on Tuesday, a city where his legacy is sealed and drinks are always on the house.

"Um, I don't know if it's home," Fowler said in the Cardinals' clubhouse before their game against the White Sox. "It feels good coming back, but obviously this is the South Side, not the North Side. But Chicago, yeah."

It's been a rough week for the former Cubs star, who is having a terrible season and was thrust into a controversy when Cardinals general manager John Mozeliak questioned his "effort and energy level," which is corporate-ese for saying he was dogging it.

Mozeliak later backtracked on his comment, and Fowler accepted his apology.

But it was too late to stop the



PAUL SULLIVAN
On baseball

social media tide that engulfed Fowler while he was away from the team for the birth of his second child, a girl he and wife Aliya named Ivy.

No matter what happens next, Fowler probably will spend the rest of his time in St. Louis trying to prove himself over and over again. He was batting .167 with five home runs and 21 RBIs in 221 at-bats entering

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DAVID HAUGH
In the Wake of the News

'Professor' due for summer breakout

Cubs need Hendricks at his best, which he usually is in 2nd half

After the Giants celebrated a 2-1 victory over the Cubs in 11 innings that ended at 12:24 a.m. Tuesday, Chicago woke up to bigger and better news than the outcome of one measly game.

The Professor's sabbatical appears to be over.

In the long view of the Cubs season, that development made Giants infielder Pablo Sandoval's game-winning single at AT&T Park in San Francisco practically moot. What mattered most to the Cubs happened when struggling pitcher Kyle Hendricks — nicknamed "The Professor" — authored his most impressive start of the season by allowing five hits in 8 2/3 innings.

History says this could mark the beginning of Hendricks' annual summer revival. The right-hander typically plods through June, picks up his stride in July and practices precision in August and September as the stakes increase.

After lasting six innings in only one of his previous seven starts, Monday's masterpiece came as a welcome relief. The Cubs can't get where they want to go in the postseason without Hendricks regaining his form as the top-of-rotation starter they have relied upon heavily the last three seasons.

Watching the Cubs can be so paradoxical. They arrived in the Bay Area having rallied to win nine of their last 11 games and were 15-5 at Wrigley Field since May 25. Yet amid all the winning, concerns over consistent starting

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TALKING SMACK

Steve Rosenbloom
The struggling Kyle Hendricks was brilliant in allowing just one unearned run in 8 1/3 innings while the injured Kris Bryant belted a two-run homer, and who knows, maybe sometime soon those things will occur in the same game. More Rosenbloom, **Page 2**



Dexter Fowler entered Tuesday night's game hitting below .200.

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CARDINALS 14, WHITE SOX 2

Fowler leads Cardinals in rout of White Sox; Sox All-Star starter Jose Abreu stays positive as slump continues. **Page 3**



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WORLD CUP

Stingy defense lifts France into final

France's Samuel Umtiti (left) and Ousmane Dembele celebrate their 1-0 win against Belgium. **Page 5**

HOCKEY

New venture for Olympian Coyne

Gold-medal winner will be lone woman playing in summer league

BY SHANNON RYAN
Chicago Tribune

When Kendall Coyne looks back on 2018 one day, she will remember it as a year of life-changing moments.

Happy moments. In February, she won a gold medal as a forward with the U.S. women's hockey team, a thrilling 3-2 shootout victory over rival Canada. On Saturday, she mar-

ried fellow Sandburg High graduate Michael Schofield, a guard with the NFL Chargers, in Orland Park. On Wednesday, she will be the only woman to play in the new Chicago Pro Hockey League at MB Ice Arena.

The honeymoon with Schofield will wait until next year, but one could argue this year already has been filled with warm celebrations for Coyne.

"It has been really busy but really exciting," said Coyne, who grew up in Palos Heights. "It has been a lot of moments filled with happiness and smiles, all moments I've worked really hard

for." Coyne is continuing to work on her game.

When she heard about the new eight-team league in Chicago, which runs through the summer, she knew she wanted to be part of it. She reached out to her agent, Kevin Magnuson, who contacted Anders Sorensen, a Blackhawks development coach who is running the league.

Coyne said she quickly "heard from Coach Anders, who said, 'I've always wanted you to play. I just haven't got around to asking

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Olympic gold medalist Kendall Coyne was honored at her alma mater Sandburg in March.



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Ward's numbers don't add up

It has been almost two weeks, and I still don't get it. The Blackhawks' signing of backup goalie Cam Ward, I mean.

Backup goalie was a need, yes, but not their biggest need. A top defenseman was their biggest need. Still is, as a matter of fact. Maybe I'm missing something, but here are a couple of things I know:

While he won a Stanley Cup in 2006 in his rookie season, Ward hasn't been to the playoffs in nine years. He has not registered a save percentage above .920 in seven seasons. His goals-against percentage — the percentage of goals he allowed relative to the NHL average — has been below the league average each of the last six seasons.

This is the guy to whom general manager Stan Bowman couldn't wait to give \$3 million and a no-move clause?

I understand wanting a veteran backup, but geez, Ward's save percentage last season was worse than Anton Forsberg's. Same goes for Ward's goals-against percentage.

I hope I'm wrong, but if Ward has to carry the Hawks in place of Corey Crawford, it looks like he will carry them into the lottery again.

I know we're talking about the most important position on the ice, one that helped kill the Hawks' playoff hopes last season, but if the Hawks aren't lying about Crawford's recovery, then it seems like Bowman could have used the millions he spent on a backup goalie to give the Hawks more flexibility in trading for the No. 1 defenseman they need because Duncan Keith isn't that guy anymore.

Erik Karlsson is that guy, and so, until the Senators trade him, I'll hold out some hope. I would hate to find out that Ward's money got in the way of it.

I theorized that watching Javier Baez take fielding practice before the All-Star Game might be more entertaining than the game itself, but that was before he ambled down the right-field line instead of showing urgency to capture the result of Anthony Rizzo's fielding error Monday, and there was the Giants' Alen Hanson scoring from first on an attempted pickoff play.

That's consecutive games in which Cubs fielders — good Cubs fielders — failed to stop a runner from scoring from first. It was Albert Almora Jr. against the Reds who got pantsed by Billy Hamilton. Seri-



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Ex-Hurricanes goalie Cam Ward comes at a price of \$3 million to be the Hawks' backup.

ously, guys?

Manager Joe Maddon either produces a new T-shirt that reads "Respect 270" or goes back to the basics by wearing "Try Not To Suck."

Jon Lester tweet: "Hey there @MLB I'm trying to buy myself an All-Star jersey (I was told I made the team) but I can't seem to find one with my name on it. You guys mad at me? Did I get cut?"

Email from Mark K. on a potential Tiger

Woods-Phil Mickelson winner-take-all match: "This takes some (guts) for these guys to try and get corporate or network money to fund their downward dog careers. ... Now if they each show up with \$5M of their own cash, in briefcases set aside on the 18th green, winner take all — I am watching!"

What's up, John Boccabella?

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Ronaldo's move a moneymaker



Cristiano Ronaldo is leaving Real Madrid to join Italian club Juventus in a move expected to benefit the Portugal forward's tax return.

Juventus said Tuesday it paid 112 million euros (\$131.5 million) for Ronaldo, who signed a four-year deal with the Serie A champions.

The move brings an end to a hugely successful nine-year tenure in Spain and takes him further away from a tax fraud case that may end up costing him more than \$20 million in fines.

"These years with Real Madrid and in this city of Madrid have been possibly the happiest of my life," Ronaldo wrote in an open letter. "My only feeling is of an enormous gratitude for this club, for these fans and for this city. But I think the time has come to start a new phase in my life and that is why I have asked the club to accept my transfer."

Ronaldo, 33, joined Real Madrid in 2009 from Manchester United and was the Spanish club's all-time leading scorer with 451 goals in 438 matches. He helped the club win four Champions League titles — beating Juventus in the final in 2017 — and also won the league and cup twice each. He has scored a record 120 Champions League goals, 105 of them since moving to Madrid — 12 more than Juventus managed in that same period.

But he was unhappy with the way the tax authorities treated him in Spain. Ronaldo, along with several other top players in the country, has been accused of tax fraud, with authorities saying the government was defrauded of 14.7 million euros (\$17 million) from 2011-14. Unconfirmed media reports last month said Ronaldo had agreed to pay a fine of 18.8 million euros (\$22 million).

In Italy, a new law caps tax on income generated from abroad at 100,000 euros (\$117,000) per year for residents who have paid their taxes in other countries for at least nine of the last 10 years.

Ronaldo will reportedly make a net annual salary of around \$35 million with Juventus.

— Associated Press

Fowler taking flak

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Tuesday. He's had some highlight moments, like his grand slam against the Sox on Tuesday and his walk-off homer in the 14th inning against the Cubs on May 7, but the bad has far outweighed the good.

Some fans already have turned on him, putting Fowler in the spotlight and making him a potential scapegoat for this underachieving team if it doesn't make the post-season for a third straight year.

"I'm good, I'm good," he said. "I'm in positive spirits, so that's all that matters."

Fowler said he's able to "shake things off" and put the controversy in perspective, adding: "When I look in the mirror, you know yourself."

He took early batting practice before the game, and manager Mike Matheny said Fowler was trying his best to get into a "good rhythm" again.

"And it's hard to get into a good rhythm when you're not out on the field on a consistent basis," Matheny said. "It's one of those (things), it's a different space for him and where he's been in the past. It's a great challenge, but he is putting in a good attitude trying to get it right."

Fowler, who signed a five-year, \$82.5 million deal after helping the Cubs win a championship in 2016, has too many friends in the game to let something like this affect him. He appreciated the kind words from Cubs manager Joe Maddon and admitted it's more "laid back" playing for the Cubs manager.

"But at the end of the day you've got to adapt to every situation," Fowler said.

Was being off for a while helpful?

"I think it helps and hurts," he said. "It'll help you one way but it'll hurt you another way. You obviously get out of whack, felt like spring training, but working through things."

The Cardinals are working through things as well, and they came into the two-game series against the Sox three games over .500 and seven games out of first in the NL Central.

Matheny is on the hot seat, and Cardinals fans are on edge. This is an organization that's expected to contend, so the frustration builds when they're flatlining.

"We expect a lot out of ourselves," Matheny said. "But we understand it's a 162-game season, and we understand too that we've played some good baseball against some of the best teams in this game and haven't even hit our stride yet. So you can use the word frustration, but that's not necessarily something that describes where we are."

"There are times we want to play better, there's no doubt about it. But there are also some things we're doing well, and I see even better things ahead. We put our head down and keep playing the game,



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The Cardinals' Dexter Fowler connects with a grand slam in the sixth inning Tuesday night against the White Sox.

and next thing you know something could happen, and you're right in the middle, which we are. We're right in the middle of this thing. Just keep playing the game, and don't get too distracted by a lot of the noise. That's one of our main objectives."

But the Mozeliak-Fowler thing was a huge distraction, and on Tuesday a reporter tried to resurrect the alleged feud between Yadier Molina and Cubs catcher Willson Contreras, which ended months ago. Molina was asked if he had a good relationship with Contreras.

"Yeah, why not?" Molina shot back.

"I'm always going to pull for him. He's a great kid. I've got nothing against him."

That's one fire doused, but Matheny's job status will be the next one if the Cardinals continue to flounder. Traditionally positive-thinking St. Louis fans clearly are tired of the mediocrity since 2016.

Are the players good at shutting out the criticism?

"Noise is noise," Matheny said. "They're not impervious to it. Very few people are. Part of what we do is create an atmosphere where we do limit distractions. Not that we put our head in the sand, but once again it comes down to playing the game. There's almost half a season left. How can you start drawing conclusions with half a season left? It makes no mathematical sense to me, and in application, just go play the game. Don't get too far down any one road, whether it's on a high note or it's on a low."

"And unfortunately if we're not right there holding on to first place, it's usually a low. You can't buy into that (viewpoint) because it's just not accurate at this point."

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Hendricks starting his usual summer resurgence

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pitching created an uneasy feeling on the North Side. Then the Cubs lost the first game of a weeklong California trip before the All-Star break and nobody minds because of the confidence Hendricks restored.

"That's the Kyle we know and love," manager Joe Maddon told reporters after the game.

What better tribute to sports psychologist Ken Ravizza, who died Sunday night at age 70, than a thinking-man's pitcher channeling the grief every Cubs player felt into a 109-pitch masterpiece? Everything worked for Hendricks, who threw first-pitch strikes to 22 of 31 hitters. He kept the Giants guessing, striking out eight — seven swinging — and walking only the final hitter he faced, Brandon Belt.

"In the third inning, something just clicked and I was able to repeat one (delivery) after another so that was a really good feeling," Hendricks told reporters.

"(Catcher Willson Contreras) and I were just really on the same page, mixing pitches, keeping them off-balance, and that's the game I have to play."

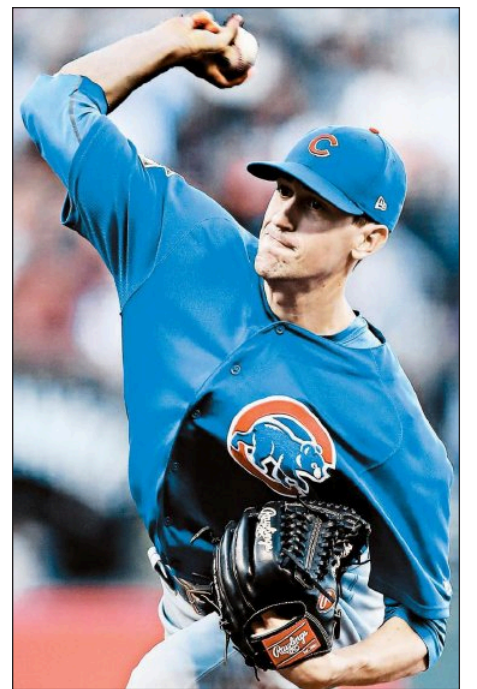
That's the game Hendricks plays as well as any finesse pitcher when he is on, the game he executed poorly in June when he went 1-4 with a 7.03 earned-run average and 1.685 WHIP. That's the game that looked familiar against the Giants.

"I really believe you could see that version of Kyle most of the time the rest of the season," Maddon said.

Maddon's faith isn't blind. Historically, something happens to Hendricks around the All-Star break. He starts hitting his spots and finds a comfortable groove.

His career numbers for June stink: a 6-9 record in 18 starts with a 4.67 ERA and 1.349 WHIP. But in 17 career July appearances (16 starts), Hendricks is 5-3 with a 2.11 ERA and 1.149 WHIP. The efficiency improves in August when Hendricks is 12-2 with a 2.54 ERA and 1.083 WHIP. In September and October, Hendricks has gone 8-4 with a 2.73 ERA and 0.994 WHIP, suggesting he gets more locked in as the pressure builds.

So the Cubs feel relatively safe believing the best is yet to come for Hendricks, a major part of a baffling rotation that holds the key to the second half of the season. What Maddon expected to be his best starting five as Cubs manager has been his most disappointing. Yu Darvish has more disabled list stints than victories. Tyler Chatwood can't find the plate without Google Maps. Jose Quintana, whom the



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Kyle Hendricks on his solid outing in the Cubs' loss Monday night: "Something just clicked ... so that was a really good feeling."

Cubs traded a future superstar to acquire, has been closer to mediocre than elite. Nobody wants to imagine where they would be without Jon Lester, the team's most valuable player — with due respect to Javier Baez, its most outstanding.

After Lester, the most dependable starter has been Mike Montgomery, a revelation as good as he promised. But the deeper Montgomery goes into the season, the more you wonder what effect the toll of so many innings will have on a left arm used to relief pitching — and the more you support the idea of the Cubs trading for a veteran innings-eater who capably can keep them in games but not cost them any top prospects or players off their major-league roster in return.

Chatwood's unpredictability increases the urgency. Hendricks received the benefit of the doubt the Cubs can't give Chatwood. Forget his \$38 million free-agent contract; championship teams must operate under a meritocracy. After one more start this week, the Cubs should use the break to address feasible alternatives for a fifth starter. A half-season of control issues suggests this is who Chatwood is in 2018.

The Cubs realistically can't count on anything from Darvish, so they should consider him a bonus if he returns to contribute in a meaningful way after the trade deadline. Quintana is a pro and figures to work his way back toward consistency, which admittedly sounds a little like wishful thinking.

The entirety of the team's pitching issues underscores why Hendricks resembling his old self meant so much Monday night, when the Cubs lost a game but found some hope.

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Sox reliever Bruce Rondon draws a crowd on the mound during the Cardinals' seven-run sixth inning.

Down 'n' ouch

Slumping Abreu stays positive even as Sox get pounded

BY PHIL ROGERS
Chicago Tribune

Jose Abreu will be the American League's starting first baseman in the All-Star Game. But unless he figures out something between now and then, he will face the likes of Max Scherzer and Jacob deGrom while in the worst stretch of his five seasons in Chicago.

Abreu took another 0-for-4 on Tuesday night, and even if he had been 4-for-4 it may not have mattered for the White Sox. The Cardinals pounded them 14-2 in the opener of a five-game homestand, with former Cub Dexter Fowler hitting a grand slam that delighted St. Louis fans in the crowd of 23,245.

Imagine trying to hit your way out of a slump against Scherzer or deGrom, with every baseball fan watching.

"I'm ready," Abreu said. "Not just for that but to represent this organization the best I can. Things are going to be good."

There are few signs at the moment, however. The Cardinals punished Dylan Covey (3-5) and the bullpen, giving the Sox their sixth consecutive loss and 19th in the last 25 games.

Abreu grounded out in all four at-bats (once into a double play), and each time ended an inning. He's batting .178 with only three home runs in 157 at-bats since May 27.

There are better ways to market yourself for a midseason trade, although Abreu is hardly hoping to get out of town. It's the opposite, really. He's trying his hardest to help an undermanned, inexperienced team that just keeps taking lumps.

"It's frustrating," said Charlie Tilson, whose third-inning single drove in both Sox runs. "I feel like we are hanging in there early for sure. ... It's one of those things you have to keep fighting. Those situations happen but we have to work through it."

Abreu has said consistently he wants to finish his career with the Sox, so he's hardly looking for an exit ramp. He hopes he can earn a contract extension, as he continues to believe there are big things ahead for him, just as there was for his old team in Cuba, Cienfuegos.

The Elefantos suffered through six consecutive losing seasons at the start of Abreu's career but then went 194-127 in his last 3½ seasons before he defected to the United States.

"(Losing) hasn't affected me at all," Abreu said. "I always compare this process to my time in Cuba. My first years in Cuba, the team wasn't good and we passed through a process like this. By the end of my time there we were winning, and I think that's the process here. I embrace this process."

White Sox general manager Rick Hahn expects a big second half from Abreu, who generally has been much better after the All-Star break than in the early months.

"He has had a tough stretch, these things happen," Hahn said. "We've seen All-Star caliber players such as him go through 20- or 30-game stretches where they haven't performed up to an All-Star level, which happens over the course of a long season. ... It's certainly nothing to be concerned about from our standpoint from a long-term performance standpoint."

Phil Rogers is a freelance reporter for the Chicago Tribune.

THE BOX SCORE										
ST. LOUIS										
	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG				
Carpenter 1b	5	2	2	0	3	.261				
DeJong ss	4	3	2	0	2	.263				
Martinez dh	4	0	3	2	0	.302				
Ozuna lf	5	1	1	1	0	.274				
Molina c	3	1	0	1	1	.274				
Pena	1	0	1	1	0	.200				
Gyorko 3b	3	3	1	1	0	.262				
Fowler rf	5	1	2	4	2	.173				
Munoz cf	5	1	1	1	0	.285				
Ward 2b	5	2	2	2	0	.221				
TOTALS	42	14	16	12	9					
WHITE SOX										
	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG				
Moncada 2b	3	0	0	0	2	.231				
Sanchez 3b	4	0	1	0	1	.257				
Abreu 1b	4	0	0	0	0	.256				
Palka lf	4	0	0	0	3	.222				
Davidson dh	4	0	0	0	2	.223				
Garcia rf	4	0	1	1	1	.274				
Narvaez c	3	1	1	0	0	.271				
Anderson ss	3	1	1	0	0	.246				
Tilson cf	2	0	1	2	0	.273				
TOTALS	31	2	5	2	9					

St. Louis	002	117	021	-14	16	0
WHITE SOX	002	000	000	-2	5	1

E: Anderson (13); **LOB:** St. Louis 10, White Sox 4; **2B:** Martinez (18), Gyorko (11), Wong (8), Sanchez (19), Anderson (11); **HR:** Fowler (6), off Santiago; Wong (7), off Santiago; **RBIs:** Martinez 2 (55), Ozuna (48), Molina (39), Gyorko (29), Fowler 4 (25), Munoz (23), Wong 2 (21), Tilson 2 (10); **SP:** Molina; **Runners left in scoring position:** St. Louis 6 (Carpenter, Molina 3, Gyorko, Fowler); White Sox 3 (Abreu 3); **BISP:** St. Louis 4 for 17; White Sox 1 for 4; **Runners moved up:** Ozuna; **GIDP:** Abreu; **DP:** St. Louis 1 (Wong, DeJong, Carpenter).

ST. LOUIS										
	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA			
Mikolas, W, 10-3	6	3	2	2	1	6	2.65			
Cecil	1	1	0	0	0	3	3.38			
Holland	1	1	0	0	1	1	7.59			
Brebbia	1	0	0	0	2	4	4.13			
WHITE SOX										
	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA			
Covey, L, 3-5	5	9	5	4	2	5	5.69			
Fry	½	1	2	2	1	1	4.13			
Rondon	½	0	3	3	3	0	8.49			
Santiago	3½	6	4	4	2	3	5.56			

Covey pitched to 1 batter in the 6th. **Inherited runners scored:** Fry 1-0, Rondon 3-3, Santiago 3-3. **WP:** Mikolas, Rondon; **PB:** Narvaez (10); **Umpires:** H, Kerwin Danley; **1B:** Paul Nauer; **2B:** Scott Barry; **3B:** Carlos Torres. **Time:** 3:10. **A:** 23,245 (40,615).

HOW THEY SCORED

CARDINALS THIRD: Munoz grounded out. Wong grounded out. Carpenter singled. DeJong singled, Carpenter to second. J. Martinez singled, scoring Carpenter, DeJong to third. Ozuna singled, scoring DeJong, J. Martinez to second. Molina flied out. **Two runs, Cardinals 2-0.**

WHITE SOX THIRD: Narvaez singled. Anderson doubled. Narvaez to third. Tilson singled, scoring Narvaez and Anderson. Moncada popped out. Tilson to second on Mikolas's wild pitch. Sanchez flied out. Abreu grounded out. **Two runs, Tied 2-2.**

CARDINALS FOURTH: Gyorko doubled. Fowler singled. Gyorko to third. Munoz reached on fielder's choice, scoring Gyorko. Fowler out at second. Wong doubled. Munoz out at home. Carpenter struck out. **One run, Cardinals 3-2.**

CARDINALS FIFTH: DeJong reached on Anderson's error. J. Martinez singled. DeJong to second. Ozuna flied out. DeJong to third. Molina sacrifice fly, scoring DeJong, J. Martinez to second. Gyorko walked. **Two runs, Cardinals 4-2.**

CARDINALS SIXTH: Munoz singled. Fry pitching. Wong singled. Munoz to second. Carpenter walked. Munoz to third. Wong to second. DeJong struck out. B. Rondon pitching. J. Martinez flied out. Munoz scored. Wong to third. Carpenter to second on Narvaez's passed ball. Ozuna walked. Wong scored. Carpenter to third. Ozuna to second on B. Rondon's wild pitch. Molina walked. Gyorko walked, scoring Carpenter. Ozuna to third. Molina to second. Santiago pitching. Fowler homered, scoring Ozuna, Molina and Gyorko. Munoz flied out. **Seven runs, Cardinals 11-2.**

CARDINALS EIGHTH: Gyorko walked. Fowler struck out. Munoz lined out. Wong homered, scoring Gyorko. Carpenter struck out. **Two runs, Cardinals 13-2.**

CARDINALS NINTH: DeJong singled. J. Martinez doubled, scoring DeJong. Ozuna grounded out. Pena struck out. Gyorko flied out. **One run, Cardinals 14-2.**

WHITE SOX NOTES

New hamstring problem for Garcia

BY PHIL ROGERS
Chicago Tribune

While Avisail Garcia hit the disabled list on Tuesday, the White Sox felt there was good news in him being diagnosed with only a Grade 1 strain in his right hamstring.

There's hope it is mild enough for him to return immediately after the All-Star break, putting him back into play for a possible trade before the July 31 deadline.

Garcia, who was sidelined from April 24 through June 21 with a Grade 2 strain in a different area of his right hamstring, was hitting .333 with eight homers and a 1.303 OPS in 72 plate appearances before leaving Sunday's game in Houston.

"He looked fantastic for the stretch of time we had him active," Hahn said. "Hopefully the layoff this time will be brief enough that he's able to pick up

where he left off."

Hahn said he's receiving interest from contenders in some of the Sox's veteran pitchers but the players who figure to draw the most interest are Garcia and All-Star first baseman Jose Abreu. Both are signed only through 2019 so at some point the team will probably either trade them or extend their contracts.

"We're going to have to make a decision on (them) in due course," Hahn said. "Now is not the time to make that decision (on Garcia) while he's on the DL, but in the coming weeks and months those are the decisions we might have to make."

Sheepish All-Star: Abreu, who has had at least 25 homers and 100 RBIs in each of his four full seasons, was elected by fans for the first time despite diminished production.

"It was interesting," manager Rick Renteria said. "We presented (the news) with everybody in the clubhouse, let him know he made the club. He was apologetic because he felt like he wasn't doing enough to make the All-Star club. ... We know he belongs there."

Extra innings: Pitching coach Don Cooper had surgery on his hand but is expected back Wednesday or Friday. ... Outfielder Micker Adolfo, who had been limited to designated-hitter duty at high Class A Winston-Salem, will undergo Tommy John surgery and miss the rest of the season. He was hitting .283 with 11 homers and 50 RBIs in 78 games. ... Nick Madrigal, the fourth overall pick in the June draft, is nursing a strained hamstring he played through with Oregon State in the College World Series.

CUBS 2, GIANTS 0

Break welcomed by Montgomery

Lefty looks forward to rest as Cubs come off victory over Giants

BY MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

SAN FRANCISCO — The Cubs' history of second-half surges, such as their 2017 post-All-Star break burst that enabled them to erase a 5½-game deficit to overtake the Brewers for the National League Central title, bolsters their confidence.

But they know how difficult it will be to do it again this season.

"We know how taxing that was," left-hander Mike Montgomery said. "If we have to do it again, both of us have to battle with it."

Montgomery will take the mound in Wednesday's series finale against the Giants with the satisfaction that he has succeeded in a starting role so far. But he acknowledges the All-Star break will give him some much-needed time for recuperation.

The rest will be essential to helping the Cubs make a strong push, as they open the second half with 12 games in 11 days against the Cardinals and Diamondbacks while trying to overtake a Brewers team that has been in first place for 61 of 131 days, including every day since June 21.

Cubs left-hander Jose Quintana pitched six shutout innings Wednesday night, and the Cubs defeated the Giants 2-0 at AT&T Park. Steve Cishek pitched the ninth to earn the save.

The Cubs' confidence stems from an offense that has surged the last two weeks. During the first half of last season they collectively were coping with a malaise while trying to overcome a World Series "hangover."

"We're better than we were last year, for sure," Montgomery said. "So are (the Brewers). They have a little more confidence because of that (division race)."

"But we still know we're the team to beat. That's how we feel. Everyone in here has a lot of confidence."

Montgomery has made the most of his long-awaited opportunity to start, as he replaced an injured Yu Darvish in the rotation and allowed one run or fewer in his first five starts. But Montgomery has become somewhat fatigued and looks to sharpen his pitches against the Giants after allowing 10 earned runs in his last three starts.

"That's the challenge," he said. "Hitters deal with the same thing. Sometimes they're locked in, and it's about trying to extend those streaks of being locked in. It's putting the work in, trying to stay consistent in the routine and making sure the body feels good."

"There's always room for improvement. That has been the case since my career started. That's what I was taught, and it's never truer than in the big leagues. You have to adapt your mix ... maybe you're comfortable pitching out of the stretch more or out of the windup. A lot of it is a mental thing too."

Montgomery, 29, has become more effective as a starter as he gains more experience. He's 8-7 with a 3.55 ERA in 27 career starts with the Cubs, including a 7-4 record and 2.68 ERA in his last 15 starts.

But he continues to monitor his work between starts to ensure his durability while the Cubs await the return of Darvish sometime during the final two months of the season.

"You learn to nurse certain fatigue and also stay sharp," Montgomery said. "With the All-Star break coming up, it resets you physically and mentally. It's needed."

"We've played a lot of good baseball, but we also need to step back because of the grind of the season."

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The Cubs' Victor Caratini hits an RBI double against the Giants during the seventh inning of Tuesday night's 2-0 win in San Francisco.

CUBS NOTES

Bryant heads west, could rejoin lineup Wednesday

BY MARK GONZALES
Chicago Tribune

SAN FRANCISCO — Kris Bryant is expected to rejoin the Cubs lineup as soon as Wednesday after playing two games on a minor-league rehab assignment.

"I think there's an opportunity he might be able to play (Wednesday), so that's what we're working on now," Maddon said Tuesday night while Bryant was traveling to San Francisco from Double-A Tennessee, where he went 2-for-6 a home run and three RBIs for the Smokies.

Bryant went 0-for-2 as the designated hitter Tuesday after playing third base Monday and apparently feeling no discomfort in his left shoulder.

"We hoped it would work out this way, and it looks (as if) it's going to," Maddon said.

The Cubs were 9-6 during Bryant's absence entering Tuesday night's game against the Giants, and they could field their first lineup with first baseman Anthony Rizzo and Bryant since June 22. Maddon juggled his lineup after the Giants gave Johnny Cueto an extra day of rest and started left-hander Derek Holland on Tuesday.

That meant giving Rizzo a rest Tuesday instead of Wednesday, and Maddon acknowledges he

will have a tough time finding playing time for many of his position players with Bryant's return. That dilemma could continue into the weekend as Maddon said the Cubs are tentatively scheduled to face two left-handed starters against the Padres.

"We're good with KB in the lineup," Maddon said. "The difficult part is to satiate the rest of the group. It's a good problem, and it's going to happen again once he's back."

Contreras' conquest: From a scouting standpoint, Maddon believes recent All-Star selection Willson Contreras is the best catcher in baseball.

"Hitting, power, arm strength, defense, ability to block a ball, running speed — everything he does out there, I grade him No. 1 right now," Maddon said. "And there are a lot of good guys out there. The Giants have one (Buster Posey). The Cardinals have one (Yadier Molina)."

"There are some really good catchers, but I'll take our guy."

Delay on Darvish: Pitcher Yu Darvish is to continue his strengthening program Wednesday by playing light catch for the second time in three days.

"(But) the needle hasn't moved at all right now," Maddon said.

BASEBALL

PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUPS

NATIONAL LEAGUE	2018 TEAM	W-L	ERA	REC	LAST 3 STARTS	W-L	IP	ERA
TEAM	PITCHER	TIME						
Cubs Montgomery (L)		3-1	3.68	5-3	1-1	16.0	5.63	
SF Rodriguez (R)	2:45p	3-1	3.09	6-1	1-0	20.0	1.35	
Was Gonzalez (L)		6-5	3.76	10-8	0-1	11.0	9.00	
Pit Williams (R)	11:35a	6-7	4.60	8-10	0-3	13.0	8.31	
MIL Peralta (R)		4-1	2.14	5-1	2-1	18.0	2.00	
Phi Straily (R)	6:10p	3-4	4.55	6-7	1-1	19.1	3.72	
Phi Velazquez (R)		5-8	4.69	7-10	0-1	14.1	4.40	
NY deGrom (R)	6:10p	5-4	1.79	7-11	0-2	20.0	3.15	
ARI Miller (R)		0-3	9.00	0-3	0-3	14.0	9.00	
Col Marquez (R)	7:40p	7-8	4.92	9-9	2-1	17.1	3.63	
LA Maeda (R)		5-5	3.24	7-8	1-1	19.2	1.37	
SD Lucchesi (L)	9:10p	4-4	3.27	5-8	1-1	14.1	1.26	
AMERICAN LEAGUE					LAST 3 STARTS			
TEAM	PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA
Det Zimmermann (R)		4-0	3.67	7-4	2-0	20.0	0.90	
TB Wood (R)	11:10a	0-0	2.00	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	
KC Smith (R)		0-0	5.40	0-0	0-0	0.0	0.00	
Min Lynn (R)	12:10p	6-7	5.21	7-10	1-2	12.2	8.53	
NY Gray (R)		5-7	5.85	7-10	0-3	10.0	12.27	
Bal Bundy (R)	6:05p	6-8	4.08	7-10	2-1	15.2	3.62	
Tex Colon (R)		5-6	4.65	8-8	1-2	20.0	3.60	
Bos Sale (L)	6:10n	4-4	2.36	11-8	3-0	20.0	0.45	
Oak Bassitt (R)		1-3	3.00	2-3	1-1	16.0	3.38	
HOU McCullers (R)	7:10n	10-3	3.41	13-5	2-0	20.0	1.80	
Sea Gonzales (L)		9-5	3.64	12-6	2-1	21.0	3.00	
LA Garria (R)	9:07p	5-5	3.39	5-7	0-2	15.2	2.87	
LA INTERLEAGUE					LAST 3 STARTS			
TEAM	PITCHER	TIME	W-L	ERA	REC	W-L	IP	ERA
STL Weaver (R)		5-7	5.10	9-9	2-1	18.1	5.89	
Sox Rodon (L)	7:10p	1-3	4.29	1-5	1-1	19.1	4.19	
Cin Mahle (R)		7-6	3.66	11-7	1-0	17.1	2.60	
Cl Carrasco (R)	6:10p	9-5	4.28	9-7	2-1	13.2	4.61	
Tor Gaviglio (R)		2-2	3.81	5-4	0-1	16.0	3.94	
Atl Foleynewicz (R)	6:35p	6-5	2.37	8-9	1-1	16.0	3.38	

Team rec: Team's record in games started by today's pitcher. **Vs. Opp:** Pitcher's record versus this opponent. **2018 statistics.**

RESULTS, SCHEDULE

TUESDAY'S RESULTS

ST. LOUIS 14, WHITE SOX 2
Cubs 3, **SAN FRANCISCO** 0
TAMPA BAY 5, **DETROIT** 2
Cincinnati 7, **CLEVELAND** 4
Philadelphia 7, **N.Y. METS** 3
BOSTON 8, **TEXAS** 4
BALTIMORE 6, **N.Y. YANKEES** 5
Milwaukee 8, **MIAMI** 4
Toronto 6, **ATLANTA** 2
Washington 5, **PITTSBURGH** 1
Kansas City 9, **MINNESOTA** 4
HOUSTON 6, **Oakland** 5 (1)
Arizona 5, **COLORADO** 3
SAN DIEGO 4, **L.A. DODGERS** 1
L.A. ANGELS 9, **Seattle** 3

THURSDAY'S SCHEDULE

Philadelphia at **Baltimore**, 5:05
Milwaukee at **Pittsburgh**, 6:05
N.Y. Yankees at **Cleveland**, 6:10

NL LEADERS

BATTING	G	AB	R	H	BA
Markakis, ATL	90	355	54	115	32.4
Gennett, CIN	88	335	56	108	32.2
Almora, CHI	84	270	47	86	31.9
Suarez, CIN	75	282	47	89	31.6
Freeman, ATL	90	346	56	108	31.2
Kemp, LA	87	279	41	87	31.2
Dickerson, PIT	82	307	37	95	30.9
Arenado, COL	85	324	60	100	30.9
Belt, SF	77	281	41	85	30.2
Martinez, STL	84	308	35	93	30.2

HOME RUNS

Aguilar, MIL	23	Albies, ATL	29
Canha, COL	23	Judge, NYY	28
Harper, WAS	22	Carpenter, STL	26
Muncy, LA	21	Rendon, WAS	25
Goldschmidt, ARI	20	Story, COL	25
Suarez, CIN	19	Triplett, WAS	23
Albies, ATL	18	KMarte, ARI	8
RUNS		CTaylor, LA	8
Albies, ATL	71	Baez, CHC	6
Blackmon, COL	66	Nimmo, NYG	6
Hernandez, PHI	62	Stolen bases	6
Arenado, COL	60	Inciarte, ATL	23
Goldschmidt, ARI	60	Smarte, PIT	23
Suarez, CIN	59	Triplett, WAS	23
RBI		Hamilton, CIN	22
Suarez, CIN	69	Turner, WAS	22
Baez, CHC	65	PITCHING	
Aguilar, MIL	64	Lester, CHL	11-2
Arenado, COL	64	Machado, BAL	12-2
Story, COL	62	Mikolas, STL	10-3
Freeman, ATL	59	ERA	
Markakis, ATL	59	deGrom, NYG	1.80
Rizzo, CHC	59	Nolan, PHI	2.27
HITS		Schwarz, WAS	2.33
Markakis, ATL	115	STRIKEOUTS	
Albies, ATL	111	Scherzer, WAS	177
Castro, MIA	109	deGrom, NYG	146
Freeman, ATL	108	deGrom, NYG	142
Gennett, CIN	108	through Tuesday	

NATIONALS 5, PIRATES 1

WASHINGTON	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Eaton rf	4	0	2	1	319	
Herrera p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Soto lf	4	1	3	1	0	.312
Rendon 3b	5	1	2	1	278	
Harper cf	5	0	0	0	215	
Bumgarner 1b	0	0	0	0	2	.292
Turner ss	4	1	0	0	370	
Murphy 2b	4	1	4	0	0	.250
Difo 2b	0	0	0	0	248	
Deeboom c	0	0	0	0	222	
Hellickson p	2	0	0	0	1,053	
Reynolds ph	0	0	0	0	297	
Grace p	0	0	0	0	900	
Kintzler p	0	0	0	0	1,383	
Gooden ph-rf	1	0	0	0	0	.183
TOTALS	37	5	12	5	13	

PITTSBURGH

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Dickerson lf	3	0	1	0	0	.309
Feliz p	0	0	0	0	0	—
Cervelli ph	1	0	0	0	1	.252
Marte cf	4	0	1	0	1	.283
Polanco rf	2	0	0	0	1	.236
Moran 3b	2	0	0	0	0	.256
Freese ph-3b	2	0	0	0	1	.264
Diaz c	3	0	1	0	0	.290
Kintzler p	1	0	0	0	0	.333
Gooden ph-rf	1	0	0	0	0	.183
Braun p	0	0	0	0	0	.200
Glasnow p	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Meadows ph-1f	2	0	2	0	0	.304
TOTALS	34	1	7	1	7	

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KANSAS CITY

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Rosario lf	3	0	1	0	1	.300
B.Dozier 2b	4	1	1	2	223	
E.Scorab 3b	4	0	1	1	275	
Morrison dh	4	0	1	0	193	
Polanco ss	3	1	1	0	200	
Kepler rf-cf	4	1	2	2	231	
Garver c	4	2	2	0	199	
Mendes ss	4	1	2	0	230	
TOTALS	40	9	15	9	8	

MINNESOTA

MINNESOTA	IP	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Mauer 1b	5	0	1	0	0	.266
Rosario lf	3	0	1	0	1	.300
B.Dozier 2b	4	1	1	2	223	
E.Scorab 3b	4	0	1	1	275	
Morrison dh	4	0	1	0	193	
Polanco ss	3	1	1	0	200	
Kepler rf-cf	4	1	2	2	231	
Garver c	4	2	2	0	199	
Mendes ss	4	1	2	0	230	
TOTALS	40	9	15	9		

WORLD CUP



ADRIAN DENNIS/GETTY-AFP

Midfielder Paul Pogba celebrates as France tips Belgium in a World Cup semifinal in St. Petersburg, Russia.

WORLD CUP FRANCE 1, BELGIUM 0

French twist

Defenders shackle Belgium attackers to win spot in final

BY KEVIN BAXTER
Los Angeles Times

ST. PETERSBURG, Russia — When the spotlight has shone on France in this World Cup, it has illuminated Antoine Griezmann, Kylian Mbappe, Olivier Giroud and Paul Pogba, the team's attackers. And that made the team's defenders as anonymous as the French Foreign Legion.

But when coach Didier Deschamps needed them the most, those anonymous defenders came up big Tuesday, shutting down Belgium in a 1-0 victory that sends France to its third World Cup final in 20 years.

The French will play the winner of Wednesday's semifinal between England and Croatia on Sunday in Moscow.

"What happened today, what happened in previous matches, we have to give credit to the players," Deschamps said. "They are the actors. They do everything. And they work together."

But Deschamps' game plan worked too, setting the template for France's second shutout in as many games and its fourth of the World Cup. Goalkeeper Hugo Lloris didn't have to work particularly hard to get it though, making just three saves. The toughest of those came in the 22nd minute when Toby Alderweireld appeared to beat Lloris with a left-footed shot from the top of the box, but Lloris was able to reach back and make a splendid one-handed save.

He also sprinted off his line to bat down a dangerous cross from Dries Mertens midway through the second half and punched away a right-footed rocket from Axel Witsel in the 81st minute.

Real Madrid center back Raphael Varane took care of much of the rest of Belgium's attack, roaming the area in front of Lloris to break up crosses or shut down runs from Eden Hazard and Romelu Lukaku.

France even got its only goal from a defender, with Samuel Umtiti, Varane's partner in the middle, jumping in front of Belgian midfielder Marouane Fellaini to head in a corner kick from Griezmann in the 51st minute. In a luxury suite wedged between the two decks of St. Petersburg's \$1.1 billion stadium, French president Emmanuel



NATACHA PISARENKO/AP

Belgium goalkeeper Thibaut Courtois was unable to stop a header by France defender Samuel Umtiti. It was the only goal of the game.

SEMIFINAL
Games on FOX-32
Croatia vs. England
1 p.m. Wednesday

THIRD PLACE
Belgium vs.
Croatia-England loser
9 a.m. Saturday

FINAL
France vs.
Croatia-England winner
10 a.m. Sunday

Macron — who was watching the game with King Philippe of Belgium — celebrated the score with a congratulatory handshake from FIFA chief Gianni Infantino.

After the game Umtiti celebrated with a warm hug from Deschamps.

"Enormously proud," Umtiti said. "We worked really hard together, and it's me that scored but we all delivered a big game."

Belgium had come into the game a team of both destiny and destruction. Destiny because the semifinal appearance was only the second in its history and the shiniest jewels in Belgium's "Golden Generation" led it there by destroying the opposition, averaging nearly three scores a game and getting goals from eight players.

But it was unable to solve a Magnot Line of six defenders, stretching the width of the field and suffocating what had been a free-wheeling and creative offense.

"The difference between the defeat and winning was just one

dead-ball situation," said Belgian coach Roberto Martinez, who lost for only the second time in 26 games. "That's how close it was."

Belgium dominated in time of possession and passing, but France's defenders had twice as many clearances. And the only goal.

"We have to give a lot of credit to the way France defended — and even put some attacking players defending very deep," Martinez said. "We couldn't find that little bit of magic in front of goal or a little bit of luck."

Maybe that's because what was driving France wasn't just the chance to make a third final in six World Cups, something only Argentina, Germany and Brazil have done. Two years ago, with Griezmann leading the tournament in scoring and Lloris pitching three shutouts, Deschamps' team made a similar run to the final of the European Championship, only to lose to Portugal in extra time.

Memories of that defeat were mixed in with the celebrations after Tuesday's victory.

"We didn't win the Euro final, so that's why it's close to my heart to reach this level in the World Cup," Umtiti said. "I hope it'll be different this time."

Added Deschamps: "Who could've believed we'd have reached the final of the World Cup? We have to appreciate it. We will come back tomorrow, calmly, and we'll see who's going to face us."

"And we're going to try to do everything on the right side this time and not have what happened two years ago."

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BULLS

Carter won't cut out middle man

Rookie eager to have Bulls veteran center Lopez as a mentor

BY K.C. JOHNSON
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LAS VEGAS — In Wendell Carter Jr.'s first media session with Chicago reporters, he cited his love for setting screens and his excitement to learn from Robin Lopez.

To be clear, those aren't oft-raised topics.

"That's super encouraging — I love that," said Lopez, who sat courtside Tuesday to watch Carter and the Bulls fall to 1-2 in NBA Summer League play after a 101-93 loss to the Hawks.

"You know I love setting screens. He already has set a couple of hard ones. I'm digging it. And I'm glad he's looking forward to (being mentored) because that's something I've been trying to get better at the past couple of years."

If not for the "it's only summer league" qualifier, Carter again played like someone who may not need much mentoring.

The No. 7 overall pick finished with 23 points, six rebounds and two blocks. He shot 9-for-13, including knocking down a 3-pointer as the trail man on the secondary break, and more often than not stayed in front of Trae Young when switched onto the slippery guard in the open court.

But then one remembers Carter is only 19.

"Robin is someone I'm definitely going to be looking up to a lot, so it was great to meet him," Carter said. "He can help me with just learning how to be a pro, on and off the court. Learn how to keep the tunnel vision going, knowing all the distractions are going to come."

Young broke out of his shooting slump with a big game, knocking down seven 3-pointers en route to his 24 points. Numbers such as those, as well as the way he's wired, meant Carter wouldn't pay attention to any platitudes thrown his way postgame.

"It's no good if I play well and

we lose," Carter said. "I don't like to look at my own stats."

The first three times Carter guarded Young on isolation following a switch, he forced one turnover, one pass out and watched Young bomb a 3-pointer in his grill.

"I have to get better," Carter said of guarding smaller players, seemingly a necessity for big men in today's NBA. "It's going to be constant effort for me."

"There are some times I could have done a better job. Our scouting report (said to) get him off the 3-point line, which I tried to do but still stay in front of him. A couple of times he got by me. ... As soon as this summer league is over, I'm going to get my feet quicker to stay in front of these guards."

In this sense, Carter sounds similar to Lopez, who often harshly criticizes his own play if the scoreboard shows his team on the short end.

"He's such a solid pro," Carter said. "That's why I'm excited to learn from him."

When Lopez arrived in Phoenix as a rookie in 2008, his veteran mentors were Shaquille O'Neal, Amar'e Stoudemire and Boris Diaw. Assistant coach Bill Cartwright taught Lopez a thing or two about sharpened elbows.

Carter represents an opportunity for Lopez, 30, to pay it forward.

"Without question," Lopez said. "Throughout my entire career I've benefited from teammates. I've had some great vets."

"Wendell's all over the floor. I love his mentality defensively. Every rebound, he's trying to get, offensive or defensive. He looks like he's a lot of fun to play with."

Then the rookie and 10-year veteran can break down the art of screen-setting in the postgame locker room.

"What a lot of people don't understand is when you set those screens, you're really getting yourself open," Carter said. "I think I've picked up on that pretty quickly."

And in those areas that need more work, Lopez is there to help.

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New venture for Coyne

Coyne, from Page 1

you. What number do you want to wear? It was pretty seamless."

Of course, Coyne chose No. 26, which she wore for the Olympic team.

Being the only woman on a team is hardly new for her. As a 5-foot-2 forward who has played hockey since she was 5, Coyne has grown accustomed to standing out and battling stereotypes.

"Growing up playing predominantly (on) boys hockey (teams), I never really viewed myself as different," she said. "The people who viewed me as different were people on the outside of my life."

"When I went to the rink, I was just Kendall, but I often heard comments that I was different: 'Why don't you play the sports other girls play?' and things like that. Growing up it was challenging not listening to the noise and just staying true to what I believed in and what I loved, and that was hockey."

Coyne has fought for equality in sports by doing more than crossing gender lines on rosters.

Before the Olympics, she and other members of Team USA threatened to boycott the World Championships unless they received pay and benefits equal to the men's program. They negotiated an agreement but did not release the terms.

Coyne considers it part of a wave in sports with female athletes demanding equality. In 2016, women's soccer players filed a wage-discrimination complaint before reaching a collective bargaining agreement that increased salaries for women's national team players and improved resources.

"What my team accomplished last year was a big step forward for women in sports (and) women in hockey," Coyne said. "The fight is constant. To be a woman in sports today, you have to be willing to fight for what's right, and hopefully one day that fight stops."

"Women's hockey is only going to grow from here. (The U.S. team) coming home with a gold medal really pushed the sport."

Last season, Coyne played for the Minnesota Whitecaps, an independent professional women's team, and said she soon will decide on a team for next season. She's pushing for one unifying women's hockey league in the U.S.

"The next thing we need is one league, similar to the WNBA, so

we can compete and make a living playing this game," she said. "The talent is there. The numbers are there. ... I know the players are extremely passionate about it and pushing for it. We know that's the next big step for our game."

"We've all had to fight our entire lives. We've all been told, 'It's a man's sport. Why are you playing hockey?' All the players want one league. It's just the business side of things and things coming together collectively."

Coyne's schedule isn't slowing down. She will continue to make appearances to show hockey-loving kids her gold medal. She will play in the weekly CPHL game for Team Jack Phelan Auto Group — except for next week when she will be in Los Angeles to attend the ESPY Awards, where the U.S. women's hockey team is nominated for "Best Game." Coyne will return to Chicago and volunteer next weekend at the Special Olympics.

"Since she has been home, she has not stopped moving," Magnuson said. "Her battery is one I've never seen matched. She is always up for everything. She shows up in a high-quality way and represents herself, (her) family and the USA in an unbelievable manner."

Coyne and her husband will sneak off to Arizona for a quick retreat. Next year, she said, they will take a "real" honeymoon.

Coyne said the sports-loving couple tried to downplay athletics at their wedding but couldn't help but incorporate a bit of hockey.

"Our guest book was a big hockey jersey that said 'Schofield.' It had the 7s on the arms and 18 on the back," she said, referring to their 7-7-18 wedding date. "It was super fun."

Coyne hopes competing against professionals in the CPHL keeps her sharp and in shape. She understands being a woman in hockey — and competing in a league with men — can inspire girls to try the sport.

She said she expects to be welcomed by her teammates, many of whom she has played with and known for years.

"It just shows the support all the players have for me to play in the league," Coyne said. "How I grew up, they don't care if I'm a man or woman; they view me as a hockey player. That's exactly what this embodies."

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SCOREBOARD

CALENDAR

TEAM	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE
	@SF 2:45 NBCSCH AM-670		@SD 9:10 NBCSCH AM-670	@SD 9:10 ABC-7 AM-670	@SD 3:10 WGN-9 AM-670		ALL-STAR GAME 7 FOX-32
	STL 7:10 NBCSCH AM-720		KC 7:10 WGN-9 AM-720	KC 1:10 NBCSCH AM-720	KC 1:10 NBCSCH AM-720		ALL-STAR GAME 7 AM-1000
	PHI 7:30 ESPN+ AM-1200			@DAL 7 ESPN+ AM-1200			
			@WAS 6 WCIU-26.2		@NY 2 NBA TV		

WEDNESDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB		
11 a.m.	Tigers at Rays	MLBN
2:45 p.m.	Cubs at Giants	NBCSCH, WSCR-AM 670
6 p.m.	Rangers at Red Sox	ESPN
7:10 p.m.	Cardinals at White Sox	NBCSCH, WGN-AM 720
9 p.m.	Mariners at Angels	MLBN
NBA SUMMER LEAGUE		
3 p.m.	Teams TBD	ESPNU
3:30 p.m.	Teams TBD	NBA TV
5 p.m.	Teams TBD	ESPN2
5:30 p.m.	Teams TBD	NBA TV
7 p.m.	Teams TBD	ESPN2
7:30 p.m.	Teams TBD	NBA TV
9 p.m.	Teams TBD	ESPN2
3:30 p.m.	Teams TBD	NBA TV
WNBA		
10:30 a.m.	Liberty at Sun	NBA TV

CYCLING

7 a.m.	Tour de France Stage 5	NBCSN
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GOLF

4:30 a.m.	Scottish Open	Golf Channel
Thu.		

MLS

7:30 p.m.	Union at Fire	ESPN+, WRTO-AM 1200
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SOCCER: WORLD CUP SEMIFINAL

1 p.m.	Croatia vs. England	FOX-32, WSNS-44
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TENNIS: WIMBLEDON

7 a.m.	Men's quarterfinals	ESPN, ESPN2
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GOLF

PGA TOUR		
JOHN DEERE CLASSIC		
Site: Silvis, Ill.		
Course: TPC Deere Run. Yardage: 7,268.		
Par: 71.		
Purse: \$5.8 million. Winner: \$1,044,000.		
TV: Thursday-Friday, 3-6 p.m. (Golf Channel); Saturday-Sunday, Noon-1:45 p.m. (Golf Channel); 2-5 p.m. (CBS Sports).		
Defending champion: Bryson DeChambeau.		
Last week: Kevin Na won A Military Tribute at the Greenbrier.		
FedEx Cup leader: Dustin Johnson.		
Next week: British Open and Barbasol Championship.		
Online: www.pgator.com		
EUROPEAN TOUR		
ABERDEEN ASSET MANAGEMENT		

SCOTTISH OPEN		
Site: East Lothian, Scotland.		
Course: Gullane GC. Yardage: 7,133. Par: 70.		
Purse: \$7 million. Winner: \$1,166,667.		
TV: Thursday-Friday: 4:30 to 12:30 p.m. (Golf Channel); Saturday-Sunday, 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. (Golf Channel); 11:30 a.m.-2 (NBC Sports).		
Defending champion: Rafa Cabrera Bello.		
Last week: Russell Knox won the Dubai Duty Free Irish Open.		
Race to Dubai leader: Patrick Reed.		
Next week: British Open.		
Online: www.europeantour.com		
LPGA TOUR		
MARATHON CLASSIC		
Site: Sylvania, Ohio.		
Course: Highland Meadows GC. Yardage: 6,476. Par: 71.		
Purse: \$1.6 million. Winner: \$240,000.		
TV: Thursday-Friday, 3:30-5:30 p.m. (Golf Channel); Saturday-Sunday, 2-5 p.m. (Golf Channel).		
Defending champion: I.K. Kim.		
Last week: Sei Young Kim won the Thornberry Creek LPGA Classic.		
Race to CME Globe leader: Ariya Jutanugarn.		
Next week: Ladies Scottish Open on July 26-29.		
Online: www.lpga.com		
PGA TOUR CHAMPIONS		
CONSTELLATION SENIOR PLAYERS CHAMPIONSHIP		
Site: Emerald CC. Yardage: 7,097. Par: 72.		
Purse: \$2.8 million. Winner: \$420,000.		
TV: Thursday-Friday, 12:30-3 Saturday-Sunday, 4-6 p.m. (Golf Channel).		

LATEST LINE

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL	NATIONAL LEAGUE	WEDNESDAY
Cubs	-120 at San Fran.	+110
Washington	-130 at Pittsburgh	+120
Milwaukee	-160 at Miami	+150
at New York	-155 Philadelphia	+145
at Colorado	-130 Arizona	+120
Los Angeles	-150 at San Diego	+145
AMERICAN LEAGUE	WEDNESDAY	
at Tampa Bay	off Detroit	off
at Minnesota	-205 Kansas City	+185
New York	-148 at Baltimore	+138
at Boston	-355 Texas	+325
at Houston	-230 Oakland	+210
at Los Angeles	-113 Seattle	+103
INTERLEAGUE	WEDNESDAY	
St. Louis	-135 at White Sox	+125
at Cleveland	-197 Cincinnati	+182
at Atlanta	off Toronto	off

NBA SUMMER LEAGUE

VEGAS SUMMER LEAGUE	TUESDAY RESULTS
Cox Pavilion	Atlanta 101, Bulls 93
Portland 95, San Antonio 89	Thomas & Mack
Miami 98, Utah 90	Sacramento 94, Memphis 80
L.A. Lakers 109, New York 92	Wed.-Thu. : Playoffs begin
Friday : Consolation games	Sunday : Quarterfinal games
Monday : Semifinal games	July 17 : Championship, 9

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL	AMERICAN LEAGUE
White Sox : Placed OF Avisail Garcia on 10-day DL.	Baltimore : Recalled LHP Donnie Hart from Norfolk (IL). Selected the contract of RHP Jian Martinez from Norfolk (IL).
Boston : Recalled LHP Jalen Beeks from Pawtucket (IL). Optioned RHP William Cuevas to Pawtucket.	Cleveland : Recalled RHP Adam Plutko from Columbus (IL). Placed RHP Josh Tomlin on the 10-day DL.
Houston : Recalled OF Jake Marisnick from Fresno (PCL). Placed RHP Gerrit Cole on the bereavement list.	New York : Reinstated RHP Masahiro Tanaka from the 10-day DL. Announced RHP David Hale refused his outright assignment and elected free agency.
Oakland : Recalled RHP Ryan Dull from Nashville (PCL). Optioned RHP Frankie Montas to Nashville.	NATIONAL LEAGUE : Reinstated C Tom Murphy

SOCCER

FIFA WORLD CUP SEMIFINALS IN RUSSIA
Tuesday in St. Petersburg
France 1, Belgium 0
Wednesday in Moscow
England vs. Croatia, 1

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER EASTERN	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
Atlanta	12	3	4	40	40	20
N.Y. City FC	10	4	4	34	35	24
N.Y. Red Bulls	10	5	2	32	34	19
Columbus	8	5	6	30	24	17
New England	7	4	7	28	30	25
FIRE	6	7	5	23	27	31
Montreal	8	11	0	23	24	32
Philadelphia	6	9	3	21	21	27
Orlando City	6	10	1	19	24	37
Toronto FC	4	10	4	16	29	36
D.C. United	2	7	5	11	23	29
WESTERN	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
Kansas City	9	3	6	33	33	20
FC Dallas	9	2	5	32	31	17
Los Angeles FC	9	4	4	31	35	25
Portland	7	3	5	26	24	21
Real Salt Lake	7	8	2	23	21	32
Seattle	6	6	4	23	26	34
Vancouver	6	7	5	23	26	34
LA Galaxy	6	7	4	22	27	28
Minnesota	6	10	1	19	23	33
Colorado	4	10	3	15	31	30
Seattle	3	8	4	13	18	31
San Jose	2	9	5	11	25	32

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Atlanta	12	3	4	40	40	20
N.Y. City FC	10	4	4	34	35	24
N.Y. Red Bulls	10	5	2	32	34	19
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Colorado	4	10	3	15	31	30
Seattle	3	8	4	13	18	31
San Jose	2	9	5	11	25	32

NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER	CLUB	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
North Carolina	12	1	3	39	35	14	
Seattle	7	3	5	26	18	13	
Orlando	7	5	4	25	23	21	
RED STARS	6	4	7	25	25	22	
Portland	6	5	2	23	24	20	
Utah	5	4	6	21	13	15	
Houston	4	6	5	17	17	24	
Washington	2	10	4	10	11	22	
Sky Blue FC	0	11	3	3	11	26	

NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER	CLUB	W	L	T	PTS	GF	GA
North Carolina	12	1	3	39	35	14	
Seattle	7	3	5	26	18	13	
Orlando	7	5	4	25	23	21	
RED STARS	6	4	7	25	25	22	
Portland	6	5	2	23	24	20	
Utah	5	4	6	21	13	15	
Houston	4	6	5	17	17	24	
Washington	2	10	4	10	11	22	
Sky Blue FC	0	11	3	3	11	26	

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Portland	6	5	2	23	24	20	
Utah	5	4	6	21	13	15	
Houston	4	6	5	17	17	24	
Washington	2	10	4	10	11	22	
Sky Blue FC	0	11	3	3	11	26	

NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER	CLUB	W	L
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WICKSTROM CHRYSLER JEEP DODGE RAM
WICKSTROM FORD LINCOLN

BOLINGBROOK

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NAPLETON'S RIVER OAKS HYUNDAI

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CONTINENTAL HONDA
CONTINENTAL NISSAN
JACK PHELAN CHRYSLER DODGE JEEP RAM

CRYSTAL LAKE

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BRILLIANCE HONDA
COURTESY BUICK GMC
PAULY TOYOTA

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HOPKINS FORD

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ELMHURST BMW
ELMHURST TOYOTA
HOWARD BUICK GMC

FOX LAKE

RAY CHEVROLET

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GRAYSLAKE

FLAG CHEVROLET

HIGHLAND

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HODGKINS

ADVANTAGE CHEVROLET OF HODGKINS

HOMWOOD

CHEVROLET OF HOMWOOD

HUNTLEY

TOM PECK FORD OF HUNTLEY

JOLIET

HAWK CADILLAC OF JOLIET
HAWK CHEVROLET OF JOLIET
HAWK MAZDA
HAWK SUBARU OF JOLIET
HAWK VOLKSWAGEN
HONDA SUPERSTORE OF JOLIET
THOMAS NISSAN
THOMAS TOYOTA

LANSING

NAPLETON'S RIVER OAKS CHRYSLER
JEEP DODGE RAM
NAPLETON'S RIVER OAKS HONDA
PHILLIPS CHEVROLET OF LANSING

LINCOLNWOOD

KIA LINCOLNWOOD
HYUNDAI LINCOLNWOOD
TOYOTA NORTH

LISLE

HONDA SUPERSTORE OF LISLE
VOLVO OF LISLE

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CORNERBACKS

Continuity key with Fangio's 'D'

BY DAN WIEDERER | Chicago Tribune

Biggest offseason developments: The Bears re-signed Kyle Fuller to a four-year, \$56 million deal with \$18 million guaranteed. ... Prince Amukamara returned on a three-year contract worth up to \$27 million, also with \$18 million guaranteed. ... After releasing Marcus Cooper in March, the Bears brought the veteran back two weeks later on a one-year, \$1.5 million deal.

Currently on roster: 13.
Projected on final roster: 6-7.
Roster locks: Kyle Fuller, Prince Amukamara.
Good bet: Bryce Callahan.
On the bubble: Sherrick McManis, Marcus Cooper, Cre'Von LeBlanc, John Franklin.
Practice squad candidates: Kevin Toliver, Doran Grant, Michael Joseph, Rashard Fant.
Camp depth: Jonathon Mincy, Nick Orr.



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Cornerback Prince Amukamara has set ambitious goals for himself.

What to like: Continuity has been the buzzword all offseason for the Bears defense. And that's certainly a key element at cornerback, where incumbent starters Fuller and Amukamara will both look to build off promising 2017 campaigns.

Fuller, whose roster spot seemed to be in jeopardy at this time a year ago, turned in an encouraging performance in his contract season. He had 22 passes defended, second most in the league, and had interceptions off Jimmy Garoppolo in Week 13 and DeShone Kizer three weeks later.

Fuller's reward? That hefty four-year contract and the full confidence of his teammates and coaching staff.

"He's a great example of a Bear, how you want a guy to represent our team, play hard and be a good teammate," defensive backs coach Ed Donatell said. "I'm very, very pleased that he's back. He's better now. He's more of a leader. His confidence is up."

Added Amukamara: "Let's be frank. He was on the edge going into training camp last year. And it says a lot about his character that when his back was against the wall, when his (fifth-year contract) option wasn't picked up, when he was dealing with coming back from injuries, he kept his head down and bounced back. And even when he started playing great, he didn't let that go to his head. He continued to work."

Amukamara himself turned in a solid first year with the Bears, even if his statistics (48 tackles, seven pass breakups, zero interceptions) were far from attention-grabbing. His consistency and reliability was much appreciated by Donatell and coordinator Vic Fangio. And with full comfort in Fangio's system, both Amukamara and Fuller should be ready to hit the ground running when camp begins.

Biggest question: Is Amukamara serious?

Heading into his eighth NFL season, the 29-year-old veteran has set a lofty individual goal for 2018. Ready for it? "I'm really looking for a 10-pick season," Amukamara said last month.

This from a corner who has seven career picks and none since intercepting Kirk Cousins in September 2015. For Amukamara, that was 37 games and two teams ago.

Needless to say, if Amukamara makes it halfway to his 2018 goal, it will be considered a terrific season. But he also makes no apologies for thinking big.

"I'm reaching for the stars, right?" he said. "But at the same time, I know what I'm capable of. I know how hard I've worked. And every year I keep putting those goals out there. Because when it finally does happen, I can circle back to the time that I said it."

Fresh face: Kevin Toliver left LSU after his junior season but then went undrafted in April. Now the 22-year-old defensive back must prove to Fangio and Bears coach Matt Nagy that his upside is worth a roll of the dice.

Toliver was a five-star recruit coming out of high school and has prototypical size at 6-foot-2, 192 pounds. But he also had injury setbacks at LSU and was suspended on two occasions for violating team rules. Now it'll be up to the undrafted rookie to seize his NFL opportunity with a strong training camp.

You should know: The Bears continue to have high hopes for third-year slot cornerback Bryce Callahan. Since making the team as an undrafted rookie in 2015, Callahan has impressed the coaching staff with his natural cover ability, ball skills and understanding of the defense. He's also a sound tackler.

The knock to this point has been his durability with an array of bumps and bruises limiting him to 32 games over three seasons.

The first step toward a productive 2018 will require surviving training camp and the preseason without any injury setbacks.

Quote of note: "It is a big investment in a player. So we obviously feel good about it. With us retaining our defensive staff, we have a lot of intimate knowledge of him and where he's heading. There's a lot of internal excitement about the trajectory he's on." — general manager Ryan Pace, on moving quickly to match the offer sheet the Packers gave Fuller after the Bears applied the transition tag to him in March.

Big number: 14 — Interceptions by Bears cornerbacks over the last three seasons with Fangio as coordinator. The team leader in that span is Fuller with four picks.

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QUARTERBACKS

Building offense around Trubisky

BY RICH CAMPBELL | Chicago Tribune

Biggest offseason developments: The Bears hired head coach Matt Nagy, a former Arena League quarterback, to shift Mitch Trubisky's development into a higher gear. ... They signed career backup Chase Daniel (two years, \$10 million, \$7 million guaranteed) and fifth-year veteran Tyler Bray (one year, \$795,000), both of whom have experience playing for Nagy. ... Mark Sanchez was not re-signed.

Currently on roster: 3.
Projected on final roster: 2-3.
Roster locks: Mitch Trubisky, Chase Daniel.
On the bubble: Tyler Bray.



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Assistant coach Dave Ragone watches Mitch Trubisky at minicamp.

What to like: From the moment general manager Ryan Pace drafted Trubisky second overall in 2017, the need to surround him with more talented coaches and players became urgent. But that effort didn't accelerate until after Trubisky's rookie season, when Pace fired Fox. What followed were a series of hires and signings designed to elevate Trubisky's performance and, by extension, lift the Bears into playoff contention. Nagy, the Chiefs' offensive coordinator the last two seasons, brings a precision-based, quick-passing offense that's colored by option concepts. New coordinator Mark Helfrich, a longtime Division I quarterbacks coach, will help the Bears speed up their tempo. On the field, free agent receivers Allen Robinson and Taylor Gabriel and tight end Trey Burton diversify Trubisky's targets and provide Nagy flexibility to exploit matchups. Those personnel upgrades, combined with Nagy's innovative scheme and quarterback-centric approach, should at least equip Trubisky to ascend, even while the team fights through inevitable growing pains with so many new parts.

Biggest question: Can Trubisky command Nagy's challenging scheme?

Throughout the offseason program, Nagy balanced his excitement about Trubisky's fit in the offense with clear explanations about how long it will take Trubisky for master it. "They understand that in Kansas City it took us five years to get to that point that we got to," Nagy said in May. "We're kind of at a pace right now where we have to, at times, pull back and say to yourself: 'We're months into this thing, not years.'" Because Nagy's plays require the quarterback to call for adjustments at the line of scrimmage based on the coverage, Trubisky has a lot to process on every down. Plus, his footwork must be precise in the quick passing game. Keep in mind he started only 12 games last season and only 13 during his entire college career. By all accounts, Trubisky has fully embraced the learning process and even thrived off it during spring practices.

Fresh face: Daniel, 31, is the peer contributor to the quarterback incubator the Bears have built for Trubisky. When Daniel was the Chiefs' backup from 2013-15, Nagy was the quarterbacks coach under head coach Andy Reid. In 2016, Daniel joined the Eagles under another Reid protégé, Doug Pederson. That was Carson Wentz's rookie season, so Daniel has experience tutoring a highly drafted quarterback. That's why the Bears guaranteed him \$7 million, not because of his 78 regular-season passes since entering the league in 2009. The offense "is very specific from a quarterback perspective in terms of splits by receivers, what route does a tight end have on this concept, where the running back is, the depth of a running back, how many yards on a 'ZD bend,'" Daniel said. "It's very quarterback intensive, and as a quarterback we're supposed to know that stuff. I'm looking forward to teaching Mitchell."

You should know: Trubisky's 12 starts as a rookie were full of growing pains. The Bears won only four of those games, and he had 10 turnovers compared with nine touchdowns. But for everything he learned on the field, there was another critical developmental component off it. Said Ragone: "How do you build a weekly schedule? When are you going to get into the building? How long are you going to stay? What's your schedule? Who are you watching film with? What are you watching? How do you take notes? All that stuff that you maybe don't do in college because of a lot of different reasons, you have to do now. That's part of the process. Now, in Year 2, he's got that built in."

Quote of note: "We all believe in Coach Nagy's plan. And you've seen the progression from the first day to now. ... Each day you might have some bumps in the road, but looking back on it, we've gotten so much better from where we were at Day 1, and that just gives us so much confidence as an offense moving forward." — Trubisky on June 6

Big number: 77.5 — Trubisky's passer rating in 12 starts as a rookie. By comparison, Wentz's rating was 80.1 in his first 12 rookie starts in 2016. The Rams' Jared Goff, Trubisky's roommate in Southern California for a few weeks during the offseason, had a 63.6 rating in seven starts as a rookie in 2016.

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TENNIS

WIMBLEDON

Williams serene under pressure

7-time champ keeps cool despite dropping 1st set, rallies to win

BY HOWARD FENDRICH
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LONDON — There are moments in which nothing at all seems different about Serena Williams, such as when she unleashed a 109 mph service winner to even her Wimbledon quarterfinal at a set apiece, leaned forward and yelled, loudly as can be, "Cooome ooon!"

Or when, about 10 minutes later, she stretched for a lunging backhand winner to break at love and take control of the third set, then raised a fist, figuring a berth in her 11th semifinal at the All England Club was close at hand.

And after Williams came up with a comeback to beat 52nd-ranked Camila Giorgi of Italy 3-6, 6-3, 6-4 on Tuesday, she headed off Centre Court with her right index finger aloft. Yes, no matter what the rankings or seedings say, no matter how long she was away, Williams still looks capable of playing like someone who's No. 1, just about 10 months after having a baby.

"Everything right now is a little bit of a surprise. To be here. To be in the semifinals. I mean, I always say I plan on it. I would like to be there, have these goals," Williams said. "But when it actually happens, it still is, like, 'Wow, this is really happening.'"

So what if she's still getting her game in gear?

So what if Giorgi wouldn't seem to miss while moving out to that early lead?

Williams never was worried about losing.

"It's weird. Sometimes I feel, 'Man, I'm in trouble.' Sometimes I feel, 'I can fight.' For whatever reason, today I'm so calm," said the 36-year-old American, who has been wearing compression leggings as a precaution after a blood-clot scare following her daughter's birth. "Even when I was down the first set, I thought, 'Well, she's playing great. I'm doing a lot of the right things.'"

Next up for Williams as she tries to earn her eighth Wimbledon title and 24th Grand Slam trophy overall will be a match Thursday against No. 13 seed Julia Georges of Germany, a 3-6, 7-5, 6-1 winner against No. 20 Kiki Bertens of the Netherlands. The other semifinal is No. 11 seed Angelique Kerber vs. No. 12 Jelena Ostapenko.

Kerber is a former No. 1 who owns two Grand Slam titles and was the runner-up to Williams at Wimbledon two years ago. Ostapenko won last year's French Open.

Kerber needed seven match points to close out No. 14 Daria Kasatkina 6-3, 7-5 at Centre Court, while Ostapenko defeated Dominika Cibulkova 7-5, 6-4 at a windy Court No. 1.

After a series of upsets made this edition of Wimbledon the first since it began seeding players in the 1920s in which none of the top 10 women reached the quarterfinals, Nos. 11, 12 and 13 are still around. And so is No. 25, Williams.

On the men's side, Juan Martin Del Potro defeated Gilles Simon 7-6 (1), 7-6 (5), 5-7, 7-6 (5) in a match that was carried over to Tuesday to complete the men's quarterfinal lineup.



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Serena Williams had to come back from a set down Tuesday but was smiling afterward.

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ROB CARR/GETTY

Bob Baffert walks Kentucky Derby winner Justify at Pimlico Race Course before the Preakness. Justify won the Preakness and Belmont Stakes to capture the Triple Crown.

Crossing border to fame

Baffert points to his family, Nogales ranch as the keys to success

BY MARGARET NACZEK
Cronkite News

NOGALES, Ariz. — The top of the Santa Cruz County Administration building on North Congress Drive delivers a bird's-eye view of this border town. Cars with Arizona and Mexico license plates drive down I-19, which becomes Grand Avenue in the city center and features dozens of multi-cultural shops lining the streets.

On the northern tip of the community lies the Baffert Ranch and Escondido Crossing, where a small bridge protects cars from the creek running through the property. In the 1960s and '70s, that bridge was much more rickety, and Bob Baffert's cousin Pierre recalls it breaking at one point as a pickup truck crossed delivering eggs.

Those were simpler times, before Baffert became a two-time Triple Crown winner and one of the most accomplished trainers in the history of horse racing.

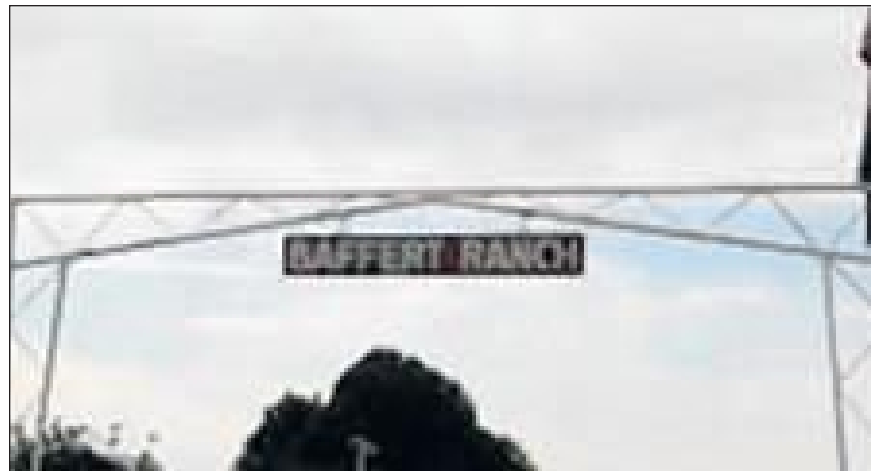
"We were like the 'Ozzie and Harriet' family," said Baffert, referencing the popular sitcom of an idyllic family in the 1950s and '60s.

"We just grew up on a ranch life," said DeeDee Kirsch, one of seven Baffert children raised on the 240-acre cattle ranch.

For all the success Baffert has experienced in his adult life — including winning his second Triple Crown with Justify in June — many of his achievements stem from growing up on the outskirts of Nogales in his large, close-knit family. Even though he lives in California, he remains connected to the town and the ranch, which is still operational today.

"He doesn't get embarrassed saying, 'I'm from a border town,'" said Nogales resident Guadalupe "Lupita" Zepeda, who worked with Baffert's mom, Elinora. "That's the way the mother was and the father, Mr. Baffert. I'm proud of him even though I don't know him personally. He's doing exactly what his mother did."

Life on the ranch in the '60s and '70s was simpler. Television was a hot commodity because of the lack of reception on the outskirts of town.



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Bill Baffert Sr. bought the 250-acre ranch in 1953, the same year Bob Baffert was born. The ranch is on the northern tip of the Nogales, Ariz., community.

Oldest child Bill Jr. recalls putting an antenna in the middle of a cattle field to get service, but that was 200 to 300 yards from the house, and the cows would frequently knock it down.

"We'd find things to do," Bill Jr. said. Instead, the children competed on the dirt basketball court that their father made, roller skated around the property or played with figurines in the anthills because the Arizona dirt was hard.

"We would get bitten by ants," third-oldest child Nori (Baffert) Van Buren said of playing with her younger brothers Bob and P.A.

Bill Jr. said one activity to ease boredom was a version of football that featured the children playing on their knees between two adjoining bedrooms, 15 yards long and 5 to 6 yards wide.

And when they were not finding ways to entertain themselves, the children's parents, Bill Sr. and Ellie, found ways to keep their children busy.

"When you're on a ranch, there's no downtime," Nori said.

After coming home from school, they would sit in front of the television, if they were lucky to have reception, and started watching.

"We would hear my dad's footsteps coming, and we would scatter," Nori said.

The Bafferts hired workers to help with the thousands of hens on the ranch, but if the workers didn't come in, the task shifted onto the children.

Once, the children were collecting eggs and had a competition of who could throw farthest because of a tall

embankment on the property.

"All of a sudden we looked and it is yellow," Nori said. "We got in big trouble."

All of the children were also involved in 4-H, learning how to care for animals and competing in shows around southern Arizona.

Bob said he always looked up to his older brother Bill, who was a good student and won many awards. Bill had the opportunity to travel to a large farm in Kentucky through 4-H and brought back BloodHorse magazine for his family.

"My father saw them, so he started getting these magazines," Bob said. "Then I started reading about thoroughbred racing, and this is back when I was probably a freshman in high school, so that's how we got really, really into horses."

The 4-H horse conformation classes he attended still help him today with how he picks out horses to buy, Bob said.

William Baffert Sr. bought the family's 240-acre cattle ranch in 1953, the same year Bob was born.

"He bought these chicks and said, 'Hey, I'm going to raise these chickens to lay eggs,'" Bill Jr. said.

The family started with 30 to 40 chickens. Bill Sr. created a lean-to shed, using sheet metal with holes in it for the chickens to lay their eggs. The children would collect the eggs that were then packaged in paper bags, which Bill Sr. would sell to friends and family.

When the Bafferts' egg business

became successful, they had several thousand laying hens, which they sold commercially to grocery stores and restaurants in Nogales, Bill Jr. said.

"That was the foundation for buying the cattle, buying the horses, getting involved in agriculture for my dad," Bill Jr. said.

First came the chickens and then came the cows.

"My dad's passion was always the horses, but he would go through phases. My dad was a goer," Bill Jr. said.

Bill, the oldest son, went through a cattle phase. Bill Sr. and Bill Jr. would show cattle together in California and Denver. Bill Sr. was the first president of the Arizona Angus Association. In the 1950s and '60s, the Bafferts' ranch was one of the few in southern Arizona to raise black cattle. Now, Bill Jr. said, Angus beef is the mark of excellence.

"He went against the grain," Bill Jr. said.

The Baffert ranch still raises Black Angus.

Bob recalls his father loving all animals and having a zoo of barn creatures.

"I was outdoors as much as I could around cows and horses, and we had chickens," Bob said. "I think that's when I fell in love with the horses."

A 31-mile drive northwest of Nogales is the town of Sonoita, Ariz., which has a population of about 14,000. At 10, Baffert started to race horses at the iconic racetrack, which celebrated its 103rd annual race in May.

"The first Saturday in May was Sonoita racing, so we used to look forward to it," Bob said. "You'd want to win a race in front of your home crowd. Everybody from Nogales would go to Sonoita, so if you could win a race that weekend, it was huge."

When Bob started training quarter horses full time, he ran a few of his horses from Los Alamitos, Calif., in the Sonoita races. He said it was a big deal for his father, who started him in horse racing.

"It's a prestige thing. It's something about you winning a race at Sonoita," said Jimmy Lewis, who manages the racetrack. "You get to show off that picture, tell everyone I went down to Sonoita, Arizona, where lots of history has been made. Lots of great horses have come down here and run."

Lewis' grandfather, Blain, was the first person to have a race at Sonoita

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Bob Baffert and his family celebrated when American Pharoah won the 147th running of the Belmont Stakes and the Triple Crown on June 6, 2015, in Elmont, N.Y.

Fairgrounds. He also trained the legendary quarter horse Parker's Trouble, who was inducted into the American Quarter Horse Hall of Fame. It was Parker's Trouble who started the Bafferts' journey in the horse racing industry.

"Bob Baffert's dad, Bill, got his start in racing with a couple of mares he bought from my granddad," Lewis said. "They bred mares and got their horses from Parker's Trouble."

Blain Lewis helped the Bafferts train horses when they started out in horse racing. Jimmy Lewis said the Bafferts followed what his grandfather, who was nationally recognized in the horse racing industry, did and implemented it at their ranch in Nogales.

"They dug out a dirt road down there and the dirt track and straightaway and started training their own horses, and the rest is history," Lewis said.

"He (Bill Sr.) couldn't really train them himself," Bob said, "so I was at the age where I could help them and I was young enough to learn how to ride and then I wanted to be a jockey."

At the Santa Cruz Fairgrounds in Sonoita, the racetrack still displays the red-and-blue "Welcome to the Sonoita Fairgrounds" sign, which Bob Baffert stood under with his father at the beginning of his horse racing career.

"He was already galloping horses for my dad," Bill Jr. said. "He learned to gallop at that racetrack in Sonoita."

Bill Jr. describes his father taking an old gelding and putting an exercise saddle on him for Bob to ride. Bob fell off two or three times on the track, Bill Jr. said.

Bob and Nori rode the most of the seven siblings.

"We rode in parades," Nori said.

But not in Fourth of July parades. Instead, the two would saddle up for the Cinco de Mayo parade, which went to both sides of the border.

"I could saddle up a horse and just take off riding for a couple of hours without anybody wondering where I was," Bob said.

As a teenager, Bob raced quarter horses at tracks such as Rillito Park in Tucson. Years later, the 75-year-old racetrack would celebrate Bob's second Triple Crown win with a Belmont Stakes party.

"You would think they were actually having their own races there, but it was to watch Bob Baffert," said Jimmy Lewis, who attended with his wife and friends. "There were parts of it where everybody started shouting: 'Bob Baffert, Bob Baffert, U of A, U of A.'"

According to the National Museum of Horse Racing, Baffert won his first sanctioned race in Flagstaff as a 17-year-old in 1970.

But because of his mother's insistence, Bob was going to get an education.

"My mom was in charge of the education. We all had to go to college," Bill Jr. said.

"I wanted to be a jockey and I wanted to be a horse trainer and all of that," Bob said. "But she said, 'Well, you have to go to college.' I had to promise her that I would finish college before I would go off to that."

Elinora Baffert worked in the Nogales public school system for 40 years. She served as an teacher for 32 years and as a principal for eight years at A.J. Mitchell Elementary School.

Dr. Lucina Romero, who retired as

principal of A.J. Mitchell in June, was a student when Elinora was teaching and remembers trips to the Baffert Ranch to learn about the chickens and processing eggs and agriculture. Later, Elinora hired Romero at A.J. Mitchell.

"She taught us expectations," Romero said. "Be responsible. Live up to those expectations. Do what is best and always be respectful. That's how she raised her children."

When Romero discovered Elinora owned a Mercedes-Benz — Romero's dream car — she asked Mrs. Baffert why she didn't drive it to school. She said she did not want to make anyone feel uncomfortable because, at the time, the school was part of a high-poverty area.

"Humbleness, humility were lessons that she taught us, her students, her staff members and her own children," Romero said.

"She didn't care how dirty their little faces were," Zepeda said. "We went to houses where it was terrible going in there. She wouldn't say anything. She would sit on the couch or a broken chair. And Ellie would just go wild with the kids because she loved to help them out, help the parents."

"My parents were very humble," Kirsch said. "They weren't showboats. We lived under the radar. All my parents wanted us to have was a great education. Get our education."

And the Bafferts were big University of Arizona fans. The parents had season tickets to football games, and when DeeDee received a full ride to rival Arizona State, the family joked, "You're not going there."

"Once you get the bug, it's really tough to get rid of it," Bob said.

Like several of his siblings, Bob attended Arizona in Tucson. He entered the Race Track Industry Program, which started in 1973. He graduated in 1977 with his bachelor's degree.

After graduation, Bob moved back to Nogales to help at the family ranch as he looked for employment. He even had a brief stint at Nogales High School as a substitute teacher.

"He was probably the worst teacher in the world," Bill Jr. joked.

Though the son of an educator, substitute teaching didn't work out for Bob. He started training quarter horses and later switched to thoroughbreds when he moved to California and worked at Los Alamitos Race Course.

"There was a running joke in my family that the reason Bobby didn't become more successful earlier in his life was he had to train for my dad," Bill Jr. said.

Bob's first win as a thoroughbred trainer was at Rillito Park in Tucson on Jan. 29, 1979, with Flipper Star, according to the National Museum of Horse Racing.

He won his first Kentucky Derby in 1997 with Silver Charm, followed by another Derby win with Real Quiet in 1998. With 3-year-old War Emblem, Baffert made his first try for the Triple Crown, winning the Kentucky Derby and Preakness Stakes in 2002.

But it was the 3-year-old bay colt American Pharoah that brought Baffert his first Triple Crown in 2015, making him the 11th trainer to accomplish the prestigious feat.

He followed with his second Triple Crown this year with Justify, the second horse to win the Triple Crown with an undefeated record.

"It's just amazing. You can't believe

it. He's earned it," DeeDee said. "He's amazing at what he does. He's very grateful to his team. It's not about Bob. It's about the horse first. It's about the jockey."

All of the children worked to make their parents proud, DeeDee said. Bill Baffert Sr. passed away in 2012, one year after Elinora.

"It was sad not having them around anymore because they really loved the racing and watching it. That kept them going, watching all my races," Bob said. "I'm a spiritual guy. I know I'm getting a lot of help. Somebody up there likes me a lot, so I've been very fortunate in that way."

Though Baffert's parents were not around to celebrate his two Triple Crown victories, he had his siblings with him throughout his journey. But never all six siblings at once.

"DeeDee says that all seven can't go to the Triple Crown. If he gets there again, we cannot go together. Someone has got to bite the bullet and not go," Bill Jr. said. "We're super-superstitious, not just superstitious. It's luck to win those three races."

Bill Jr. told a story from this past Belmont Stakes. Bob's son, Bode, saw a cat cross in front of the horse barns. He asked his father, "Is that OK?" Bob said, "Yeah, that cat is OK. He's not black."

Bob said his siblings have a good sense of when he has a good horse in the race.

"If the Derby is coming up and I have one and he's sort of a long shot, nobody shows up," Bob said. "They say, 'I'm going to pass on this one,' but if I have a really good one, that's when I know when I have a good horse. They say, 'We're thinking about coming to the Derby this year.'"

The seven Baffert siblings are a close-knit group. Growing up on the outskirts of Nogales back in the '60s and '70s, they couldn't visit friends too often.

"We couldn't have a friend over. We couldn't go to a friend's house. We just lived too far," DeeDee said. "The seven kids were our friends."

"When we lived in Nogales, my best friends were my brothers and sisters," Bob said.

Now, the seven siblings have a siblings-only group chat. DeeDee said there isn't a week or two she isn't able to talk to all of her siblings. Bill Jr. said he and Bob talk more often on FaceTime.

"On the group when they send stuff out, I usually throw in a little remark. I know it's going to make them laugh, so I'll throw something in there," Bob said of their messages. "We all have a really good sense of humor. You have to be thick-skinned around us because we give each other a hard time, but we can handle it."

The siblings, minus Gamble, one of the four brothers, made a trip of Baffert's Belmont Stakes victory in June 2018. They stayed in Manhattan and had a party bus of almost 30 people to take them to the race.

"I can't see how Bob and Jill (his wife) could take that kind of pressure," DeeDee said. "It's a long day. You're waiting until 6:45 at night. All you want is a safe trip for all the horses."

After the race, the family went with Bob and his crew to an Italian restaurant to celebrate the Triple Crown. The restaurant was packed, Bill Jr. recalled, and he said his brother went to every table to greet the people.

"I was super proud of him," Bill Jr.

said. "I know how hard it is — 55 years. It wasn't like it came to him overnight."

And despite his international recognition, the two-time Triple Crown winner is still the goofy Bobby to his brothers and sisters.

"Bobby was always a character," Nori said. "He was always funny. He entertained. Bobby always said it like it was."

Nori remembers one of their aunts who was particularly fond of Bob, treating him like a prince. She was a teacher and always made sure the children spoke grammatically correct.

"You couldn't say, 'Where's my mom at?' " Nori said. "You don't say 'at.'"

The Baffert siblings have all moved on from the small town of Nogales, though Bill Jr. goes there every week to maintain the family ranch. But the Baffert presence remains in the street signs and in restaurant corners.

A photo of Bob Baffert's 2015 Triple Crown victory with American Pharoah hangs on the wall of Las Vegas Steak Ranch on Loma Street.

"To my friends at Las Vegas, best machaca in town, Bob Baffert," is inscribed on the photo collage.

The photo includes jockey Victor Espinoza and American Pharoah, the 12th Triple Crown winner, framing the top of the collage. Baffert, his wife and Espinoza hold the silver Triple Crown trophy, awarded at the Belmont Stakes on June 6, 2015. Baffert wears his iconic black shades with a large grin on his face.

On top of a tarnished old-school cash register rests a miniature Bob Baffert bobblehead, also wearing the signature shades, jeans and a black jacket.

"His family has gone to the restaurant for many years. His parents used to go a lot," said Claudio Martinez, owner of Las Vegas. "He just loves the machaca."

Two weeks before Baffert won his first Triple Crown in 2015, Martinez sent Baffert the machaca. Before his 2018 Triple Crown victory, Martinez overnighted the machaca the Tuesday before the Belmont.

"A lot of people go on and go somewhere and they don't ever look back," Lewis said. "He's not one of those guys. He remembers where he got his start."

Lewis said Baffert's character is what makes him a special person.

"He texted me after the Preakness and said Parker's Trouble started all of this," Lewis said. "He didn't really need to say that to me, but I guarantee you I appreciate that."

From a small town on the border of Mexico to one of the greatest success stories in horse racing with two Triple Crowns and 15 American Classic wins, Bob Baffert carries on his family name and holds his Arizona roots close.

"He used to celebrate here when he was a kid and had a lot of fun in Arizona," Lewis said. "Now it's our turn that he's winning Triple Crowns that we get to celebrate with him and we swell up with pride."

As Bob sat with his siblings in an Italian restaurant after winning his second Triple Crown, he looked to them with amazement.

"We still can't believe this is happening that I would end up training thoroughbreds and winning Kentucky Derbys and Triple Crowns," he said. "It's just something that's still hard to imagine that coming from Nogales, this is how it would end up."

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Kit Harington is Jon Snow in Emmy favorite "Game of Thrones."



FRANK OCKENFELS/FX

Keri Russell stars in "The Americans." The series ended this year.



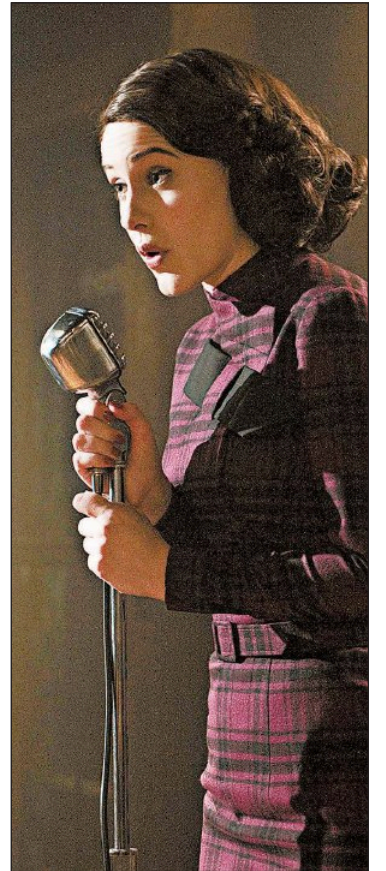
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Sandra Oh is in the running for a nom for her role in "Killing Eve."



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Roseanne Barr's canceled reboot is a long shot for a nomination.



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Rachel Brosnahan in a scene from "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel."

PLOTS *to* WATCH

With Emmy nominations Thursday, which shows will shake up the status quo?

BY GLENN WHIPP | Los Angeles Times

Five first-year TV shows earned Emmy nominations last year for best drama series, offering a rare, almost revolutionary jolt of change to a set of awards that, over the years, have celebrated monotony and excellence in equal measure.

This being the Emmys, all five of those series — "The Handmaid's Tale," "Stranger Things," "The Crown," "This Is Us" and "Westworld" — are expected to be nominated again this year ... and probably the year after that ... and ... you get the idea. Emmy story lines revolve around whether a particular program or performance will *finally* fall out of favor (I'm looking at you, "Modern Family") as much as which shows

will break through with voters.

That being said, this year's Emmy races offer a few areas of interest beyond the same old, same old. Here are five I'll be paying close attention to when the nominations are revealed Thursday morning.

Which drama series winner will voters reward the most?

"Game of Thrones" won the Emmy

for best drama series in 2015 and 2016, but the first half of its seventh and final season debuted too late for it to be eligible last year. Would it have prevailed over "The Handmaid's Tale"? I'm guessing not. Then again, with 38 Emmys (including a record dozen in 2016) and 110 nominations over the course of its run, "Game of Thrones" stands as the most decorated series in Emmy history.

The timing of the "Thrones" layoff sets up an Emmy first — a showdown between two shows that, technically, are both defending the drama series crown. History might offer a clue as to which show owns the upper hand. In 2005, "The Sopranos" took a year off, returning in 2006 with the first half of

its final season. It lost the Emmy that year to "24," but prevailed in 2007 for its concluding run of episodes.

"Game of Thrones" might see the same outcome, losing the Emmy this year to "The Handmaid's Tale" or ratings powerhouse "This Is Us," a popular favorite that figures to lead the field in acting nominations.

But if "Thrones" leads the field in total nominations? I'm not betting against it.

Will Emmy voters give "The Americans" a proper sendoff?

Television academy members didn't fully embrace FX's stellar spy drama

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Remembering Henry Butler, a Lisztian New Orleans giant



HOWARD REICH
On Music

Surely anyone who heard pianist-singer Henry Butler play the Chicago Jazz Festival in 2015 never will forget it.

Performing exuberantly at the Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park — with thousands of listeners roaring their approval — Butler produced more sound and fervor than one might have believed possible from a single musician. He tore into Jelly Roll Morton's "Buddy Bolden's Blues," conjuring the rambunctious spirit of the city that gave the world Morton, Bolden, Butler and jazz itself: New Orleans.

As Butler's set with trumpeter Steven Bernstein and their Hot 9 band progressed, the pianist sang thunderously and ignited lightning-fast scales at the keyboard, leading me to write: "If you didn't know better, you'd swear three musicians were playing: one singer and two pianists."

That probably was the greatest Butler performance I'd heard in two decades of listening to him in concert, the eminent musician finally performing here in a setting large enough for his talent: the whole of Millennium Park. That night, and so many others, underscored how much we have lost with Butler's death, July 2 in hospice in New York. The eminent musician, 69, died of metastasized colon cancer, said Annaliese Jakimides, his longtime partner.

That Butler built such a monumental art was all the more remarkable considering he



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Singer and pianist Henry Butler played brilliantly at the Pritzker Pavilion in Millennium Park during the Chicago Jazz Festival in 2015.

was blinded by infantile glaucoma shortly after birth. Nonetheless, he soon began plunking out melodies on a neighbor's keyboard, learning Braille musical notation at the Louisiana State School for the Blind and intensifying his piano studies at age 11.

But by the time he was in high school, he quit taking piano lessons while working on Beethoven's "Pathétique" Sonata, he told me in 1996.

"I found that learning these classical pieces in Braille just took too much time," he said, "because there are so many notes, so many score markings to memorize."

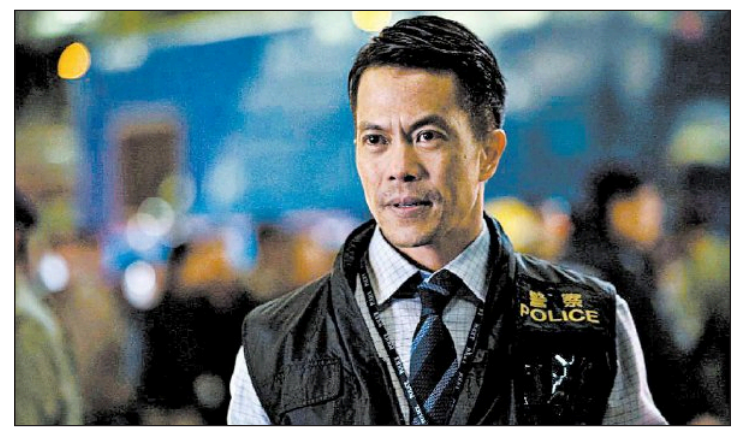
Yet that didn't stop Butler from immersing himself in classical music. He went on to earn a bachelor's degree in voice (with a minor in piano) from Southern University in Baton Rouge, La., and a master's in vocal music from Michigan State University

in East Lansing — and learned more by studying informally with two Crescent City giants. From Professor Longhair, Butler learned about "boogie playing, mambo rhythms, New Orleans piano," he told me. From James Booker, Butler realized "you can take ideas from Grieg and Beethoven, as Booker did, and make it part of the musical whole."

All of this illuminates the thrilling eclecticism of Butler's art, his artistic triumphs under the radar of both jazz and classical music industries for years, perhaps because of his creative restlessness and frequent relocations. He moved to Los Angeles in 1980, to New York in '87 and to teach at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston in 1990.

Butler kept a low profile at the time, not really emerging in the jazz metropolis of Chicago until an astonishing performance at

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Byron Mann co-stars alongside Dwayne Johnson in "Skyscraper."

MY WORST MOMENT

The reading lesson Byron Mann will never forget

BY NINA METZ
Chicago Tribune

A familiar face from shows such as AMC's "Hell on Wheels" and Syfy's "The Expanse," Byron Mann stars alongside Dwayne Johnson in the summer blockbuster movie "Skyscraper."

Here's how Mann described the action thriller: "Dwayne Johnson plays an insurance evaluator who assesses risk — a very strong and muscular insurance evaluator! — who's been sent to Hong Kong to evaluate the risks in the tallest building in the world. It's called The Pearl. It's a glimpse into the future, the top floor is almost an entire city unto itself. So obviously bad things start to happen in this building. His family becomes trapped. There's a fire. There are bad people running around. And I play the chief inspector of the Hong Kong police who is trying to find out what's happening and who this big muscular guy is that's trying to climb up the building."

If that description brings to mind two other iconic films — "Die Hard" and "The Towering

Inferno" — that's intentional: "We actually talked about that," Mann said. "I think the director did this as a nod and a homage to those movies."

When asked to share a worst moment from his career for this column, Mann scrolled back in his memory to an early role.

My worst moment ...

"This was the early '90s and I was living in L.A. I had just gotten myself an agent, who gave me these pages for this scene; it was about some guy working in a Chinese antiques store. So I go to the audition and a day later I get a call: 'You got the part, Byron!' It felt like I won the lottery. Incredible! It was a feature film and no, it wasn't 'Schindler's List,' but it was a start! And I thought, golly, it can't be that easy. I'm so stoked!"

"Anyway, a month later I show up on set and I go do this scene. It works pretty well, I shoot it for half a day and that's it. I go home and I never heard anything more about it.

"Cut to nine months later, it's like 12:30 or 1 o'clock in the

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A man allegedly punched by Johnny Depp, above, says he was fired when he refused to promise not to sue.

Crew member says Depp punched him

A film crew member says in a lawsuit that Johnny Depp twice punched him on the Los Angeles set of "City of Lies," a movie about the killing of the Notorious B.I.G., and that he was fired from the production when he refused to promise not to sue over the incident. Location manager Greg "Rocky" Brooks is also suing the film's director and producers for unspecified damages in the lawsuit filed Friday in Los Angeles County Superior Court.

Brooks alleges that in April 2017, he informed director Brad Furman that an upcoming take featuring Depp would have to be the last outdoor shot of the night because of legal permits.

The lawsuit says Furman forced Brooks to go beyond his duties and tell Depp himself that shooting had to end. Brooks said he was seeking out the off-duty sheriff's deputy serving as set security when Depp found him first.

Brooks said Depp smelled of alcohol as he shouted obscenities, then punched Brooks twice in the rib cage.

Brooks said he returned to work the following Monday and was asked by a producer to write and sign a declaration saying he wouldn't sue over the incident. Brooks says he was fired on the spot when he refused.

Messages left seeking comment with representatives for Depp and the production company Good Films Productions were not immediately returned.

— Associated Press



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Clooney recovering after scooter crash

Actor George Clooney was taken to a hospital in Sardinia and released after being involved in an accident while riding his motor scooter on the Italian island Tuesday, hospital officials said. "He is recovering at his home and will be fine," Clooney spokesman Stan Rosenfield said. Clooney reportedly was in Sardinia filming a television miniseries adapted from Joseph Heller's World War II novel "Catch-22."

Drake beats Beatles' record

Drake officially owns the Billboard charts, where seven of his songs sit in the Top 10. All 25 tracks from Drake's "Scorpion" album, released June 29, are on the Billboard Hot 100 chart. Drake's new feat breaks the Beatles' 1964 record, when five of their songs reached the Top 10 in the same week. "Scorpion" sold 732,171 equivalent albums to debut at No. 1 on Billboard's 200 albums chart.

Bieber confirms engagement

Justin Bieber and 21-year-old model Hailey Baldwin are engaged after a month of dating. The 24-year-old singer confirmed the engagement in an Instagram post Monday that included a photo of Baldwin kissing him. Bieber promises in the post to put Baldwin first and calls her the love of his life. TMZ first reported the engagement, which apparently occurred Saturday in the Bahamas.

July 11 birthdays: Guitarist Richie Sambora is 59. Singer Suzanne Vega is 59. Actress Lisa Rinna is 55. Rapper Lil' Kim is 43. Singer Alessia Cara is 22.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Long distance may force a choice

Dear Amy: I've been with my partner for four years. We lived together for two years until his job took him six hours away. We have been maintaining our relationship long distance.

Our plan has always been for him to move this summer in order to be with me in my career following school. Marriage has been a topic of conversation for several years. In his "ideal world, we would already be married."

He was on board with our plan to reunite until two weeks before my first day at work. Now he is hesitant, and possibly not going to move with me for several reasons: His son lives near him, and also every time he moves in his career, he has to start over at the bottom.

We talked about my job locations and how far away from his son he was willing to live. We decided on an eight-hour distance. My new job is just under eight hours, but now he feels it is too far away.

Amy, he promised and convinced me that he would move when the time came. Although I understand his situation, I feel betrayed. Two years of long distance has been extremely difficult, and we always looked at this move as the light at the end of the tunnel.

My job is very specialized and would be difficult to maintain in his location.

I want to continue moving forward in our relationship, but I'm scared there may be no future now.

— Scared

Dear Scared: Nothing interferes with our "ideal worlds" quite like children

do. Because once you take on the role of a parent, your child becomes an integral part of your ideal world.

Your best-laid plans are falling apart, in part because this father does not want to live eight hours away from his child. When you first discussed this, it might have seemed doable for him, but two years of living so far away from you might have opened his eyes to the extreme challenges of maintaining a long-distance relationship.

Do you think it's ideal for a child to have his father live so far away? Are you comfortable having a child engaged in a long-distance relationship with his parent that has proved to be a huge burden and stress for you (an adult)?

You can choose to feel betrayed, or you can grow up and realize that life is full of imponderables, loss, change and the compromises that partners occasionally have to make in order to be together. Let your guy state his needs, honestly and openly. And then you have a choice to make. Base it on your own priorities and goals.

Dear Amy: Recently my wife went on a girls vacation to Las Vegas. I was supposed to go to Vegas five years ago with my guy friends, but that never happened.

She was having a good time and obviously wanted to call me to talk about it, but every time she called, I got angry and shut her down because I was upset that I wasn't on this trip.

I am very confused about the right way to handle this situation. Should I be supportive and

happy for her, even though this is something I wanted but couldn't have?

— Upset Husband

Dear Upset: Well, they say that what happens in Vegas stays in Vegas, and by being a jerk during your wife's happy phone calls, you are basically ensuring that the slogan has legs. I would think that, at least on one level, you would be happy that your wife wanted to share what she was doing in Sin City.

In families, jealousy over one another's cool experiences is natural, but a smart partner anchors to the more generous response. Think about how differently you would both feel now if you had responded, "Wow, honey! I'm holding in my own jealousy because I'm happy you're having a blast. I love you, and I want you to have a good time."

Dear Amy: "Say No More?" was asked by a friend to harbor an undocumented teen "on the run from ICE."

I bet you'll receive tons of negative responses for your advice. This kid is in this country illegally. No one should ask anyone else to break the law.

— Disgusted

Dear Disgusted: As I said in my answer, "These are challenging times." I do believe there are instances when morality or personal ethics should override laws. And yes, scores of people disagree with me.

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Court Theatre's new executive director is nonprofit chief

By CHRIS JONES Chicago Tribune

The Court Theatre — the long-established Chicago theater in residence at the University of Chicago — has a new executive director from outside the theater industry. Court will announce Tuesday morning that Angel Ysaguirre, currently executive director of the nonprofit Illinois Humanities Council, is to succeed the late Stephen J. Albert.

Albert died in December at age 66 after previously announcing plans to step down.

Ysaguirre, 50, is also a former deputy commissioner in the City of Chicago's Department of Cultural Affairs and Special Events, and a former program officer with the Robert R. McCormick



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Angel Ysaguirre of the Illinois Humanities Council is the new executive director of Court Theatre in Hyde Park.

Foundation. His appointment at Court, where he is expected to strengthen the theater's ties with both the university and South Side communities, will be effective on Sept. 4.

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Bobcat finds his calling behind camera

BY CHRIS BARTON
Los Angeles Times

Bobcat Goldthwait was gamely posing for a photograph for a national newspaper inside a Hollywood hallway on a recent morning when he remembered the last time the paper tried to snap a portrait of him, many years ago.

He was posing on the street when a homeless woman walked by, dropped her pants and mooned him and the photographer. The comedian exploded in laughter, and the photographer got the shot. "That was like the only time someone got that big a smile from me," he says, grinning at the memory as the shoot continued.

If there's a tidier scene to capture the mix of the outrageous, absurd and unsettling that has marked Goldthwait's comic wheelhouse since his career began, it would be hard to

imagine one.

With multiple projects in the works, including finishing "Misfits & Monsters," a truTV anthology series, directing a new stand-up special for comedian Ron Funches, and co-writing a feature adaptation of his recent documentary "Call Me Lucky," Goldthwait has plenty to keep him busy. And yet, on a sunny deck outside his office before a flight to New York, he was fresh from revisiting the platform that launched his career: the comedy club stage.

"I did a set last night," he says, grinning a bit sheepishly under a white cowboy hat. "Like an idiot. I just started to go back up because I'm going to have talk shows and things so... you know, it's just like any other music."

Though maybe best known among a certain demographic for his unhinged, high-pitched deliv-

"I've probably done myself a disservice as a brand because of the movies I've made."

ery that some would say rivaled nails on a chalkboard for his role in the "Police Academy" movies of the '80s, Goldthwait has spent most of his time shifting behind the camera and bulking up as a writer and a director.

Since his surrealist debut feature "Shakes the Clown" in 1991, Goldthwait has been a moving target, directing episodes of IFC's "Maron" and "Jimmy Kimmel Live!" to go along with a variety of stand-up specials and his own eclectic films.

"Sleeping Dogs Lie" (2006) and "World's Greatest Dad" (2009), starring the late Robin Williams, were humanely twisted

stories drawn from sexual taboos. The violent "God Bless America" (2011) was a bleak, satirical portrait of a celebrity-obsessed nation. And then there was the found-footage horror of a couple's search for the mythical Bigfoot in "Willow Creek" (2013) followed by the 2015 documentary "Call Me Lucky," an affecting tribute to his friend and mentor Barry Crimmins, whose influence among peers as a political comic was matched by his activism against sexual abuse and injustice until his death early this year.

"I've probably done myself a disservice as a brand because of the movies I've made," he cracks,

cradling a cup of black coffee between his hands. "They've all been completely different."

But it's that restlessness that makes an anthology series like "Misfits & Monsters" a natural fit. Goldthwait said he had begun thinking about a "Twilight Zone"-style series several years ago, but in his view it wasn't until the TV landscape shifted that the idea finally caught on at TruTV, which has become a hub for oddball comedy, with shows led by Amy Sedaris, Andrea Savage and Billy Eichner.

"Two things happened," Goldthwait explains. "You used to try and make a television show that got as much of the pie (of viewers) as possible. Now, you can make a TV show that's just give (the network) some of the pie. That helped."

"And certainly shows like 'Black Mirror' helped me,"

he continued, referring to the British science fiction anthology series. "I should send them a fruit basket," he adds with a smile.

"From the moment Bobcat pitched this series, we were immediately drawn to his distinctly original vision for the show," TruTV's head of programming Marissa Ronca said when the series was announced in 2016. "There's nothing like it on TV, and I think audiences will feel the same way."

"(Bobcat's) dark and wicked touch balanced with a heart the size of a giant is what makes his world such a pleasure to be a part of," said comic and New York cabaret cult figure Bridget Everett, who also worked with Goldthwait last year on her Amazon pilot "Love You More." "He's never afraid to take a big swing."

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Mann's claim to fame

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morning, I get a call from a buddy of mine. I'm half asleep and I pick up the phone and he says, 'Byron? I didn't know you were doing this kind of movie.' I said, 'What are you talking about, bro?' And he said, 'You're in a soft porn movie!'

"And I said, 'What are you talking about? What are you looking at?' And he said, 'I'm watching you on TV right now! You're selling some antique in a Chinese antique store.' And I said, 'What?' And he said, 'The movie stars Shannon Tweed.'

"By the way, do you know who Shannon Tweed is? Her husband is Gene Simmons. But in the '90s she was the queen of soft porn movies."

"So I said to my buddy, 'What are you talking about, dude? I remember doing that scene a year ago — but are you sure?' And he was like, 'Dude, I'm watching this movie right now! It's incredible!'

"I thought he was insane. You know how guys are, especially at 1:30 in the morning — who knows what they're smoking! And what I've also learned is that a lot of men watch movies before they go to sleep, just to unwind. Just mindless stuff. So I've had a lot of people call me in the middle of the night to say, 'Hey, I saw your movie.'"

"So it was a mixture of shock and delight that I was in basically one of the non-porn scenes in this movie — and I knew nothing about it!"

Did he ever find out what the movie is called?

"Yes! It's on my IMDb and it's called 'Possessed by the Night' (from 1994). Of course I knew the title



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Byron Mann's role in a softcore porn movie can be found on YouTube. The lesson learned? Read the script.

at the time, but I didn't equate it with a soft porn movie. It sounds like it could be a horror movie or something. But I didn't read the whole script — nobody sent me the whole script — all I was sent were the sides. Just a scene in a feature film. (Laughs) Um, so, ya know ...

"I have not watched the film. I don't even know how I could get a hold of it."

(Reporter's note: It's available in its entirety on YouTube and Mann's scene is about 20 minutes in.)

According to IMDb, the movie is his sixth credit. His first was a 1990 TV movie called "Last Flight Out"

"Oh yeah! That was in Hong Kong. Well, let me back up. I went to law school and after my first year I worked for an American law firm in Hong Kong. Usually at the end of the summer, they sit you down and say, 'We love your work, just pass the bar, there's a spot for you here.' But my talk was like, 'Byron, you should do something else. I don't think the law is right for you.' It was straight to the core! This was the senior partner at the firm. And I said, 'Why would you think that?' And he said, 'Well, you're late every morning and you're looking at your watch at 5 o'clock everyday — you're in the wrong line of work.' And he was absolutely right."

"You have to understand, my father was a dentist, my mother was a

nurse, my eldest brother is a doctor — he went to Northwestern Medical School — and my second brother went to the University of Chicago for business school. So I didn't know anyone growing up who was in the film business. But when I was in that I meeting I said, 'Well, I remember doing some plays in school and liking it,' and he said, 'Why don't you try it?'

"So I decided I wasn't going to immediately go back to law school and I was going to stay in Hong Kong and just try and get my feet wet. And I was cast in this NBC movie-of-the-week called 'Last Flight Out', which was shooting in Thailand but they were casting out of Hong Kong. It was a very small role, only a few lines, but again, I felt like I won the lottery — and for the first time I saw that they actually pay people to play around like this. So it kind of got me going. These are all little golden nuggets along the way that helped me to develop my career."

The takeaway ...

"The lesson really is to read the whole script! So that's what I do these days and I've actually never forgotten that lesson. And of course, I have better agents now who would screen out soft porn movies. But it's kind of my claim to fame now: That's how Byron Mann got started."

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After 'Raymond,' Rosenthal finds life is worldwide feast

BY JENN HARRIS
Los Angeles Times

"My people! My people!" Phil Rosenthal walks into the Howlin' Ray's hot chicken restaurant in LA's Chinatown pumping his arms above his head, shouting a phrase likely only uttered by leaders of small countries and the "Today" show's Al Roker. It's the middle of the lunch rush on a recent afternoon, and the crew behind the counter returns his greeting with a couple of "woot woots!"

Rosenthal takes a seat at the crowded counter, and almost squeals when a cook hands him his fried chicken sandwich. He cradles the sandwich and looks at it as if he has actual feelings for the layers of fried chicken, slaw, pickles and squishy bun. He tilts his head, takes a bite like he means it and comes away with bits of orange comeback sauce in his beard. Then he aggressively licks his fingers. "I think it's in the running for best sandwich I've ever had."

It's a few weeks before the second season of Rosenthal's show "Somebody Feed Phil" begins streaming July 6 on Netflix, and he's eating at his favorite Los Angeles restaurants before he leaves town to promote the show. Howlin' Ray's, the hot chicken specialist known as much for long lines as it is for fried chicken, is at the top of that list.

If you haven't seen the show, the premise is this: A permanently wide-eyed Rosenthal travels to a far-off destination — Thailand, Israel, Mexico City. He meets locals, eats food, learns about the culture then offers viewers a sort of "if I can do it, you can do it" take on the destination.

"I'm not the bravest guy in the world, but I think that most people are like me," says Rosenthal. "If people see a putz like me



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Phil Rosenthal of Netflix's "Somebody Feed Phil" savors a crispy, layered bread called malawach at Bavel in LA.

out there, they say, 'Oh if he can go, I can go.'"

At a recent dinner, Rosenthal's friend, actor Patton Oswalt, described him as the "Mister Rogers of food shows."

To say that the 58-year-old guy who created and wrote the sitcom "Everybody Loves Raymond" is now a food travel show host is more than a little unexpected. But at heart, Rosenthal is a foodie in the purest sense of the word. He says things like "goose might be the world's best meat" and "the fat is the delicious part."

On his first travel food show, "I'll Have What Phil's Having," which aired on PBS in 2015, he traveled to what he likes to call "Earth's greatest hits": Tokyo, Paris, Barcelona, Los Angeles, Italy and Hong Kong. When the PBS show wasn't picked up for a second season, Rosenthal signed a deal with Netflix for 12 episodes of "Somebody Feed Phil." Carving out his own space in the streaming service's growing stable of food shows, Rosenthal is fond of telling journalists, "I'm exactly like Anthony Bourdain if he was afraid of everything."

"I watch Bourdain, and I say, 'He's amazing, I'm

never going to do that.'" Rosenthal says of the late chef-turned-author-and-TV host. "I'm not going to those places, I'm afraid. I'm not getting a chest tattoo by tribesmen in Borneo. He's a superhero."

Chris Collins, co-owner of Zero Point Zero, the production company that works with Rosenthal on his show, and the same one that worked with Bourdain on his CNN show "Parts Unknown," calls Rosenthal a "force of sheer will and kindness."

"We were drawn to him — in fact, lured in unapologetically — just as his audience is," Collins said in an email. "His charm and unique brand of humor and curiosity make good TV, great TV."

Rosenthal thinks of himself as more of a travel and food cheerleader than an expert, but to him, that's the point. He's also grateful for the trailblazers in the food world, especially Bourdain, and says he was shocked and saddened by the TV host's death. "It's a stunning and tragic loss," Rosenthal says. "He reinvented an entire genre. I wouldn't be doing my show without his profound influence, and all of us who travel or eat owe him a great debt."



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Rachel Brosnahan, of "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel," has already won accolades for her role.



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Sandra Oh may make history if she gets the nod for lead actress in a drama.

Emmy noms to have on your radar this year

Emmys, from Page 1

"The Americans" until its fourth season, handing it five nominations that year including its first series nod and recognition for leads Keri Russell and Matthew Rhys.

Rhys and Russell again earned nominations last year, but the show was pushed aside by that wave of first-year dramas.

"The Americans" should be back in the fold this year, partly thanks to the absence of two of last year's nominees ("Better Call Saul" and "House of Cards"), but mostly because it delivered a near-perfect final season, an intense, final act clash over ideology, progress and change, laden with recriminations and regret. And that final episode — *Paige got off the train!* — was an instant classic, both surprising and satisfying. Even the unanswered Renee part. She was a Russian spy, right? Nyet?

Will Sandra Oh become the first Asian-American woman nominated for lead actress in a drama?

Television has been becoming gradually more inclusive in its casting in recent years, and Emmy voters have followed suit, bestowing groundbreaking awards

that have taken a ridiculously long time to happen. In 2015, Viola Davis ("How to Get Away with Murder") became the first black woman to win the Emmy for lead actress in a drama. Last year, Donald Glover made history as the first black person to win the Emmy for directing a comedy series.

Oh earned five supporting actress nominations for playing Dr. Christina Yang on "Grey's Anatomy." On BBC America's first-year drama "Killing Eve," she makes the most of her career-first lead role playing a British intelligence agent who becomes obsessed in all kinds of ways with the young female assassin she's tracking.

Oh is terrific, creating a complex character who's caustic, witty, intense and imperfect, and the wildly entertaining series steadily built an audience over the course of its first season. She has more than earned that historic Emmy nomination.

Will voters shun "Roseanne"?

"Roseanne" was always a long shot for a comedy series nomination, and that was before ABC canceled the program following Roseanne Barr's racist slur on



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Keri Russell and Matthew Rhys sent off the final season of "The Americans" in spectacular fashion.

Twitter.

But while Emmy voters consistently ignored "Roseanne" in the series category during its first run, they gave its cast members loads of nominations. Laurie Metcalf won three Emmys from 1992-94 for playing Roseanne's sister, and John Goodman earned seven nominations during that original run.

Barr herself received four nominations, winning once, 25 years ago. She's out of the picture this year for sure, but now that the network has spun off Goodman and Metcalf, among others, into their own show, it's possible that voters might be inclined to

separate them from the divisive Barr and reward them as they have in the past.

Which comedy series takes over in the absence of "Veep"?

Julia Louis-Dreyfus' cancer treatment sidelined "Veep," which has been nominated for comedy series for each of its first six seasons, winning for the past two. Louis-Dreyfus has won the comedy lead actress Emmy six years running.

Amazon Studios' celebrated first-year comedy, "The Marvelous Mrs. Maisel," figures to slide into that vacancy as the series — and its star, Rachel Brosnahan —

won Golden Globes earlier this year. Reboots of past Emmy favorites "Will & Grace" and "Curb Your Enthusiasm" will likely find support, though hopefully not to the detriment of more deserving new comedies like HBO's "Barry" and Netflix's "GLOW."

The comedy favorite though should be "Atlanta" for a second season that was ambitious, intense, superbly written and shot, sad and funny and always unpredictable. Glover, the show's creator and star, won two Emmys last year. He's going to need to find room for more.

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Ingenious revival of Folks Operetta, summer jazz concert series

Reich, from Page 1

the Green Mill Jazz Club in June 1995. The Lisztian prowess of Butler's pianism on that night, as filtered through a jazz sensibility, pointed to a master in our midst.

Those years in near-hibernation in Charleston, Butler told me, were transformative for him.

"I found that this was a very peaceful town, so it was quite conducive to composing," he said in the 1996 interview. "And I found that I was growing a lot based on what I was telling the students to do. I certainly couldn't tell them to play anything that I couldn't play. And the process of articulating ideas that maybe at one time I could not have understood, or didn't understand, really helped me out a lot too."

The death of Butler's mother, in 1994 at age 84, also had a profound effect on him and his music.

"We were very close," Butler told me, "and I felt the loss of her companionship. Any time that you go through that kind of an ordeal, it has a deep effect on you and your music."

You could hear as much on Butler's breakout recording of 1996, "For All Seasons" (Atlantic Jazz), his keyboard wizardry, stylistic breadth and outsize personality surpassing his earlier work.

Butler remained a man in motion, moving to New Orleans in 1996 but losing his house, recording studio, piano, music library, scores and just about everything but his musical gifts in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina in 2005. He found refuge in Colorado but in 2008 gravitated back to the big city, this time Brooklyn.

Shortly after performing in Orchestra Hall in February 2015, "I started feeling weird," he told me that year. "I was more tired from a trip than I'd been in years. I just couldn't figure out why that was. The next couple of weeks, I started to feel more pain."

He was diagnosed with colon cancer, an April surgery restoring his health and returning him to the road for that colossal performance at the Chicago Jazz Festival.

Butler's admirers can find some consolation in the music he



FOLKS OPERETTA

The cast of "The Csardas Princess" launches the 2018 season at Folks Operetta July 13-15 and July 20-22.

left behind, including the towering virtuosity of "For All Seasons"; the vernacular profundities of "Blues After Sunset" (1998, Black Top Records); the buoyancy and optimism of his first live solo album, "PiaNOLA Live" (2008, Basin Street Records) and, of course, the Crescent City joy of his last album, with Bernstein and the Hot 9, "Viper's Drag" (2014, Impulse).

They provide a stunning portrait in sound of a musician whose keen intellect and voracious musical appetite yielded a singular art.

'The Csardas Princess'

Folks Operetta — previously known as Chicago Folks Operetta — launched its 2018 season over the weekend with an expanded mission and an ingenious revival.

Writing in the program notes to its production of Emmerich

Kalman's "The Csardas Princess," artistic director Gerald Frantzen observed: "Over the past 13 years, it was impossible to ignore that almost all of the operettas we had translated and reconstructed were created by Jewish composers or librettists."

More specifically, most of these works were penned by Jews persecuted or murdered during the Holocaust.

"With our history of restoring these works," added Frantzen, "it was only natural that we turn our attention to operas by Jewish composers of his period."

Thus was born Folks Operetta's Reclaimed Voices series, with "The Csardas Princess" as the first installment.

Penned in 1915 with librettists Leo Stein and Bela Jenbach, "The Csardas Princess" at first glance might seem like a trifle in which various combinations of mismatched lovers eventually stumble their way to the right pairings

(or something close to that). But the Hungarian composer's score, with its endless ribbons of exquisitely crafted melody and off-dark shades of Eastern European harmony, heighten the meaning and import of "The Csardas Princess."

Add to this the harsh class conflicts that underlie the romantic shenanigans, plus the knowledge that Kalman eventually had to flee Europe to escape the Nazis, and you have a seemingly frothy work with far deeper resonances.

Folks Operetta's production at Stage 773 kept the proceedings light but not frivolous, thanks to ingenious choreography in a constricted space, remarkably fine ensemble singing and several deftly turned comic performances. Bass-baritone William Roberts emerged as the comedic centerpiece of the production as Boni, whose amorous attentions prove quite malleable; soprano Katherine Petersen sounded

radiant as Sylva, the love interest of various suitors; and lyric mezzo-soprano Emma Sorenson displayed a striking voice and whimsical spirit as the giddy Stasi.

Sung in English, the libretto has been peppered with modern-day bits of social commentary that reflect the spirit of the genre, an observation echoed by the composer's daughter, Yvonne Kalman, who spoke with me at Sunday's matinee.

Though the antics occasionally teetered dangerously close to camp, and though Mark Taylor deftly conducted an instrumental ensemble that sometimes proved too loud for vocal solos (no surprise, for the band was sequestered in a space behind the stage), these were minor issues.

More important, Folks Operetta has embarked on an auspicious new beginning.

"The Csardas Princess" continues with performances Friday through Sunday and July 20-22; at Stage 773, 1225 W. Belmont Ave.; www.folksoperetta.org or www.stage773.com.

Jazz at the Harris

The Harris Theater for Music and Dance will launch a summertime jazz concert series, with two events this year and more to follow in the future.

Modeled on its Mix at Six lineup, the jazz performances will emphasize a relaxed ambience, food trucks and audience interaction with performers.

The first season will augment attractions surrounding the 40th annual Chicago Jazz Festival.

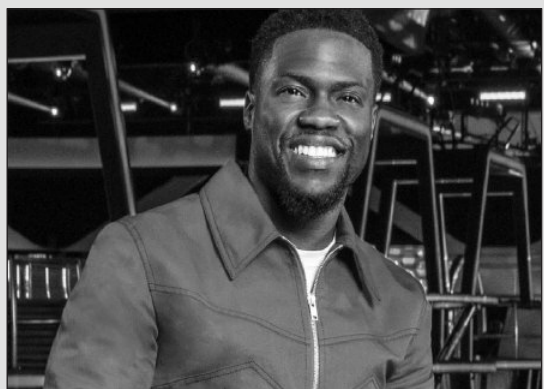
Chicago drummer-composer Mike Reed's People, Places & Things ensemble will play the Harris Theater Rooftop at 6 p.m. Aug. 27, with an after-party featuring Chicago DJ Rae Chardon-nay Taylor.

Chicago drummer-bandleader Makaya McCraven will play the Harris Theater stage at 9:30 p.m. Sept. 1.

The Harris is at 205 E. Randolph St.; tickets are \$10 each, general admission; phone 312-334-7777 or visit www.harristheaterchicago.org.

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WATCH THIS: WEDNESDAY



Kevin Hart

“TKO: Total Knock Out” (8 p.m., CBS): Game shows have gotten unexpected hosts in recent times, such as Alec Baldwin and Jamie Foxx — and now, add Kevin Hart to the list. The comedian, actor and author presides over this new competition, which puts players through an obstacle course while rivals try to interfere with their progress. At the end of each hour, the two top contenders square off for a potentially big cash payout.

“The Goldbergs” (7 p.m., ABC): A downturn in Murray’s (Jeff Garlin) business persuades him to accept Adam’s (Sean Giambrone) offer to make a commercial for him in “Girl Talk.” Marvin (guest star Dan Fogler) also becomes involved, and that’s where the problems start. Barry’s (Troy Gentile) failure in romancing schoolmates inspires Beverly (Wendi McLendon-Covey) to try to help. Tim Meadows also guest stars. Charlie McDermott and George Segal also star.

“Modern Family” (8 p.m., ABC): The award-winning comedy marked its 200th episode with “Dear Beloved Family,” which gathers the entire clan under trying circumstances. Phil (Ty Burrell) requires emergency surgery when he has major stomach pains, giving his relatives plenty of time to ruminate on their experiences together as they await the outcome. Fred Willard and Fred Savage guest star. Ed O’Neill, Julie Bowen, Sofia Vergara and Eric Stonestreet also star.

“American Housewife” (8:31 p.m., ABC): Romantic dilemmas affect all of the younger Ottos in “All Coupled Up.” Oliver (Daniel DiMaggio) has to choose between his very dissimilar girlfriend and best friend, Anna-Kat (Julia Butters) wants to solidify her budding relationship, and Taylor (Meg Donnelly) has the brakes put on her public displays of affection with her boyfriend by Greg (Diedrich Bader).

“Reverie” (9 p.m., NBC): “Pas De Deux” is the appropriate title for a new episode in which a dancer is in need of Mara’s (Sarah Shahi) very special brand of help. The young woman is having a difficult time overcoming a recent tragedy, and her situation ultimately means a surprising reunion for Mara ... with her former flame (Sam Jaeger), who was a big factor in the emotional storm she went through.

“SIX” (9 p.m., 10:01 p.m., History): In a new episode called “FUBAR” — an acronym that stands for (mildly paraphrased) “fouled up beyond all recognition” — the situation takes a deadly turn when a vicious fire breaks out in a remote village where the Navy SEAL team is hiding. Finally running out of viable options, Gina (Olivia Munn) makes a decision that will change the course of the mission.

TALK SHOWS

“Conan” (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Actor Howie Mandel; actor Lil Rel Howery.*

“The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon” (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actress Amy Adams; actor Rob Reiner; the Backstreet Boys perform.*

“The Late Show With Stephen Colbert” (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actor Dwayne Johnson; Alessia Cara performs.*

“Jimmy Kimmel Live” (10:35 p.m., ABC): Actress Kathryn Hahn; Jason Mraz performs.*

* Subject to change

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	PM	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00
BROADCAST	CBS 2	Big Brother (N) ©		TKO: Total Knock Out (Series Premiere) (N) ©		Code Black (N) ©		News (N) ♠
	NBC 5	America’s Got Talent: “Best of Auditions.” (N) ©				Reverie: “Pas De Deux.” (N) ©		NBC 5 News (N) ♠
	ABC 7	The Goldbergs	The Goldbergs	Modern Family	American Housewife	Shark Tank ©		News at 10pm (N) ♠
	WGN 9	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N) ©		WGN News (Live) ©
	Antenna 9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	B. Miller	B. Miller	Coach ©	Coach ©	Murphy
	This TV 9.3	Red Dawn (PG-13,‘84) **	Patrick Swayze. ©			Force 10 From Navarone (PG,‘78) ***		
	PBS 11	Chicago Tonight (N)		Earth’s Natural Wonders – Life at the Extremes (Season Premiere) (N)		The Rockies: Kingdoms of the Sky (N) ©		NOVA © ♠
	The U 26.1	7 Eyewitness News (N)		The Game	The Game	Broke Girl	Broke Girl	Seinfeld ©
	MeTV 26.3	Andy Griffith Andy Griffith		Gomer Pyle	WKRP Cincinnati	Hogan Hero	Hogan Hero	C. Burnett
	H&I 26.4	Star Trek ©		Star Trek: Next		Star Trek: Deep Space 9		Star Trek ♠
	Bounce 26.5	One on One	One on One	Escape Plan (R,‘13) **	Sylvester Stallone, Arnold Schwarzenegger.			
	FOX 32	MasterChef: “A Gordon Ramsay Wedding.” (N)		Gordon Ramsay’s 24 Hours to Hell (N)		Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		Modern Family ©
	Ion 38	Law & Order ©		Law & Order ©		Law & Order: “Church.”		Law ♠
	Telem 44	Mi familia perfecta (N) ©		Sin Senos Sí (N)		El señor de los cielos (N)		Chicago (N)
	CW 50	The Outpost ©		The Originals (N) ©		Dateline ©		Dateline ♠
	UniMas 60	Reto 4 elementos		La jefa del campeón		República Mundialista © ♠		
	WJYS 62	Salem Baptist Church		Joyce Meyer	Robison	Paid Prog.	Paid Prog.	Monument
	Univ 66	El rico y Lázaro (N)		La bella y las bestias (N)		El chapo (N)		Noticias (N)
CABLE	AE	Ozzy & Jack’s		Ozzy & Jack’s (N)		(9:01) Wahlburgers (N)		Ozzy ♠
	AMC	Snitch (PG-13,‘13) **	Dwayne Johnson, Barry Pepper. ©			Snitch (PG-13,‘13) ** ♠		
	ANIM	Insane Pools: Deep End		Insane Pools (N)		(9:02) Animal Cries ©		Insane ♠
	BBCA	Planet Earth: Africa ©		Planet Earth: One Amazing Day (G,‘17) ©		Africa ©		Africa ♠
	BET	♦ (6) Set It Off (R,‘96) ***	Jada Pinkett, Queen Latifah.			(9:03) ATL (PG-13,‘06) **		Tip Harris. ♠
	BIGTEN	Ohio State		Football	Ohio State		Big Ten Elite ©	
	BRAVO	Housewives/NYC		Housewives/NYC (N)		Housewives/NYC		Watch (N)
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics
	CNBC	Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		The Deed (N) ©		Shark ♠
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		Tonight (N) ♠
	COM	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park	South Park
	DISC	♦ Misfit Garage: Fired (N)		Misfit Garage (N) ©		Sticker Shock (N) ©		Misfit ♠
	DISN	Andi Mack	Raven	Stuck	Big City	Bizaardvark	Raven	Andi Mack
	E!	Botched: “The Boobinatti.”		Botched (N) ©		Botched ©		E! News ♠
	ESPN	♦ MLB Baseball: Texas Rangers at Boston Red Sox. (N)				Baseball Tonight (N) ©		SportCtr (N)
	ESPN2	NBA Summer League Basketball (N)				NBA Summer League Basketball (N) ♠		
	FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)		Hannity (N) ©		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News
	FOOD	Guy’s Grocery Games		Guy’s Grocery Games (N)		Guy’s Grocery Games		Grocery ♠
	FREE	Young (N)	Young (N)	(8:02) Beauty and the Beast (G,‘91) ****	©			700 Club ♠
	FX	Transformers: Age of Extinction (PG-13,‘14) **	Mark Wahlberg, Stanley Tucci. ©					
	HALL	Last Man	Last Man	The Middle	The Middle	The Middle	The Middle	Golden Girls
	HGTV	Property Brothers ©		Buying and Selling (N)		Hunters (N)	Hunt Intl (N)	Virgins (N) ♠
	HISTV	Speed Demons (N) ©				SIX: “Fubar.” (N) ©		SIX ♠
	HLN	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic
	IFC	Transporter 3 (PG-13,‘08) **	Jason Statham. ©			(9:15) The Terminator (R,‘84) ****		
	LIFE	Little Women: LA (N) ©		Little Women: LA (N) ©		Psychic	Psychic (N)	Psychic ♠
	MSNBC	All In With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)
	MTV	Catfish: The TV Show ©		Catfish: The TV Show ©		Catfish: The TV Show ©		Catfish ♠
	NBCSCH	MLB Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Chicago White Sox. (N)	(Live) ©					Postgame
	NICK	Double (N)	Double Dare	Legally Blonde (PG-13,‘01) **	Reese Witherspoon.			Friends ♠
	OVATION	♦ (6) Outbreak (R,‘95) **	Dustin Hoffman, Rene Russo.			The Wine Show (N)		Fallen ** ♠
	OWN	Queen Sugar ©		Queen Sugar ©		Queen Sugar (N)		Love Is... ♠
	OXY	Chicago P.D. ©		Chicago P.D. ©		NCIS: “Stop the Bleeding.”		NCIS ♠
	PARMT	♦ (4:30) Titanic (PG-13,‘97) ****	Leonardo DiCaprio.			Yellowstone (N) ©		SportCtr ♠
	SYFY	♦ GI Joe	G.I. Joe: Retaliation (PG-13,‘13) **	Dwayne Johnson. ©				Face Off ♠
	TBS	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Full Frontal	Conan (N) ♠
	TCM	The Time of Their Lives (NR,‘46) ****		Sons of the Desert ****		Monkey Business ****		
	TLC	My 600-Lb. Life: “Nicole & Ashley D.” (N)				Dr. Pimple Popper (Series Premiere) (N)	My 600-Lb ♠	
TLN	Camp Meeting		Diane	The Three	Life Today	Exalted	Humanit ♠	
TNT	The Hangover Part II (R,‘11) **	Bradley Cooper.			(9:15) The Hangover Part III (‘13) ** ♠			
TOON	Dragon Ball	Amer. Dad	Cleveland	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	
TRAV	Expedition Unknown ©		Expedition Unknown (N)		Treasure (N)	Treasure	Expedition ♠	
TVL	Everybody Raymond		Raymond	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men	King	
USA	NCIS: “Exit Strategy.”		NCIS: “Skeleton Crew.”		Colony (N) ©		Mod Fam ♠	
VH1	Black Ink: Chicago (N)		Hip Hop (N)	Hip Hop (N)	Black Ink Crew: Chicago		Hip Hop Sq.	
WE	Criminal Minds ©		The Wedding Singer (PG-13,‘98) ***	Adam Sandler.			Wedding ♠	
WGN America	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	
PREMIUM	HBO	(7:15) Justice League (PG-13,‘17) **	Ben Affleck.			(9:15) Succession ©		Sharp ♠
	HBO2	♦ Bill Maher: Live From	Sharp Objects: “Vanish.”			(9:05) Fletch (PG,‘85) ***	© ♠	
	MAX	(5:00) Days of Summer (PG-13,‘09) ****		(8:40) The War of the Roses (R,‘89) ****				
	SHO	No Way Out (R,‘87) ***	Kevin Costner. ©			Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man ♠		
	STARZ	♦ The Rape of Recy Taylor	Jason’s Lyric (R,‘94) **	Allen Payne. ©				Flatliners ♠
STZNC	♦ (5:45) A Knight’s Tale **	Behind Enemy Lines (PG-13,‘01) **	Owen Wilson.				GoldenEye ♠	

A fresh take on yesterday

Composers for ‘Luke Cage’ revisit dusty tracks through hip-hop lens

BY RANDALL ROBERTS
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LOS ANGELES — The studio for Linear Labs, the analog recording label owned and operated by “Luke Cage” co-composer and hip-hop producer Adrian Younge, is hidden behind a Highland Park salon and record store on Figueroa Street. To get to the so-called laboratory, you approach a clerk and, speakeasylike, request Younge’s ear.

Chances are Younge will greet you as he did a visitor a few weeks ago: dressed like he’s time-traveled from the Harlem Renaissance in wingtips, a well-tailored dark suit, black fedora and designer glasses.

He’ll lead you through the shop, past the LP racks filled with vintage soul, funk, disco and Afrobeat — including a section devoted to tracks set to tape for Linear Labs — past the busy hair-stylists, through an unmarked door and into a newly built space he calls “my baby, and it houses the music that I believe in.”

He clarifies: “Music that is based on vinyl culture — music that was all recorded in analog.” His aim, he adds, is “to create and release music that is a new version of that old world.”

A few minutes later the masterful and intense hip-hop producer Ali Shaheed Muhammad, best known as a founding member of hip-hop group A Tribe Called Quest, arrives. Responsible for classics of the genre, the LA transplant, who has his own studio in North Hollywood, teamed with Younge as co-composer on both seasons of “Luke Cage” and for their new album as The Midnight Hour.

Although the two projects were created for two different media, the work is connected through Muhammad and Younge’s aesthetic: dusty soul, disco-funk and groove tunes, mixed with an adoration for the funk-fueled European film scores of the 1970s.

Younge describes the goal as “maintaining the compositional and sonic perspectives of yesterday, but pushing that forward with a new idiom,” one filtered through the lens of hip-hop.



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Hip-hop producer Adrian Younge, left, and Ali Shaheed Muhammad of A Tribe Called Quest are co-composers for Marvel’s “Luke Cage.”

“Hip-hop said, ‘Hey, this break is the best part of this song,’” Younge explains. “Well, why don’t we make full compositions using that break’s perspective, but add different breaks and recombine it from those perspectives? This is what’s hot to us.”

In doing so, they added contemporary flourishes. Says Younge: “Let’s make the bass a little fatter. Let’s make the drums a little fatter — but still work in the way they recorded from ‘68-’73.” Heavy bass, humming, film-noir-inspired alto saxophone runs, funk-up rhythms propel the narrative, driving plot with dense analog tones.

That approach typifies the score for Season 2 of “Luke Cage.” The superhero series stars Mike

Colter in the titular role as a protagonist whom Younge has described in interviews as “a different type of black alpha male. He’s not bombastic.”

Nor is the work on The Midnight Hour album, which features singers including Bilal, CeeLo Green and Marsha Ambrosius. The 20 songs suggest the vibe of Curtis Mayfield, Marvin Gaye, Barry White’s Love Unlimited Orchestra and the roots-reggae sounds of Lee “Scratch” Perry.

The collaboration between Younge and Muhammad is somewhat unlikely. They met each other in New York in the early ‘10s and immediately connected over music. Younge, however, had long preferred working alone. “I know where I want to go. I know

what I want to do. I just don’t feel like somebody giving me a suggestion that I’m not feeling. Not an ego thing — I just know where I want to go.”

Where Younge speaks in precise paragraphs and pages, the taciturn Muhammad speaks in carefully considered sentences. Calling it “a great chemistry,” the co-producer of such rap standards as “I Left My Wallet in El Segundo” and “Award Tour” characterized himself “a team player and writer.”

Contrary to more hands-on producers who rule the studio like taskmasters, Muhammad said he prefers exploring “what’s in my heart and in my mind, and what’s in the mind and heart of the people that I work with. It’s

understanding my place, and my ego has no place in the room.”

Judging by the finished work, it’s the right approach. Like the music for the first season of “Luke Cage,” which has earned millions of spins on streaming services, the short instrumental pieces in Season 2 have enough meat to chew on — and hit with left.

One goal in particular was key, Muhammad said, and it involved the oft-insular world of film and TV scoring, which has tended to avoid hip-hop rhythms: “To broaden the horizon and make people aware that it’s more than just sampling, and that there are capable people here doing capable work.”

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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (July 11): True love spices up this year. Changes could roil a team project. Brainstorm and collaborate on a shared passion. Personal breakthroughs light up your summer before a financial obstacle or challenge propels you to generate rising cash flow. Winter passion infuses you and your partner.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Household issues need attention now. Stick close to home, and get your chores done. Plan a project to beautify and improve your family's space.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. You can learn what you need today and tomorrow. Update your skills. Brief your team on a brilliant idea. Listen, and share options. Provide persuasion.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 9. You can get the resources you need over the next few days. Invest in success. Allow an insider advantage. Follow an elder's advice.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 9. You're growing stronger. Personal matters take focus. Your experience makes you attractive. Imagine winning. Go for it, and keep your eyes on the prize.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 6. Private contemplation reveals hidden opportunities. Slow down, and make plans. Review the situation from a philosophical view. Avoid provoking jealousies by staying sensitive to others.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 7. Gather ideas and information from friends. Participate to fulfill community goals, wishes and dreams. Avoid snarky commentary. Keep a gracious public profile.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. Take advantage of a few days in the professional spotlight. You're attracting the attention of someone influential. Show respect, and gain love. Stay on task.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 7. The next few days are good for expanding your territory. Keep your objective in mind. Plan your route to avoid delays and traffic. Get adventurous.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 9. A lack of funds would mess with your plans. Manage accounts and budgets. Stay in communication with interested parties. Contribute to support your family.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 8. Negotiate with your partner to refine the plan. Talk things over to ensure that everyone gets heard. Compromise. Make a date for something special.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 8. Focus on physical labors for a few days. Prioritize health and fitness. The pace is picking up. A change to the status quo is possible.

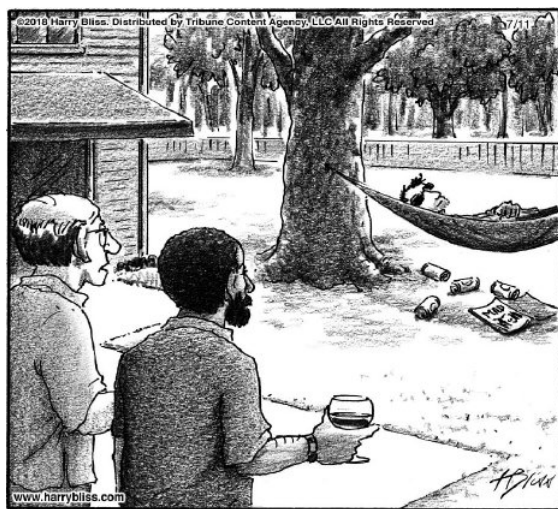
Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 9. Reserve the next two days for fun. You're attractive and attracted. Give in to unexpected visits or spontaneous diversion. Fall in love again.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater By Scott Hilburn



Bliss By Harry Bliss



Bridge

East-West vulnerable, South deals

North		East	
♠ 975	♥ A76	♠ 86	♥ KJ932
♦ KQ1073	♣ A Q	♦ A85	♣ 932
West		South	
♠ A Q	♥ Q1054	♠ KJ10432	♥ 8
♦ 92	♣ K10864	♦ J64	♣ J75

The auction shows methods — two no trump asking for shortness — that are popular in Europe, but not well known in the USA. West was Danish expert Morten Bilde. Bilde himself was not well known in the USA until he started coming over with his son, Dennis, a few years ago and doing very well in major North American championships. His son is now considered one of the world's best players. He had a good teacher.

The bidding:
South West North East
 2♠ Pass 2NT* Pass
 3♥** Pass 4♠ All pass

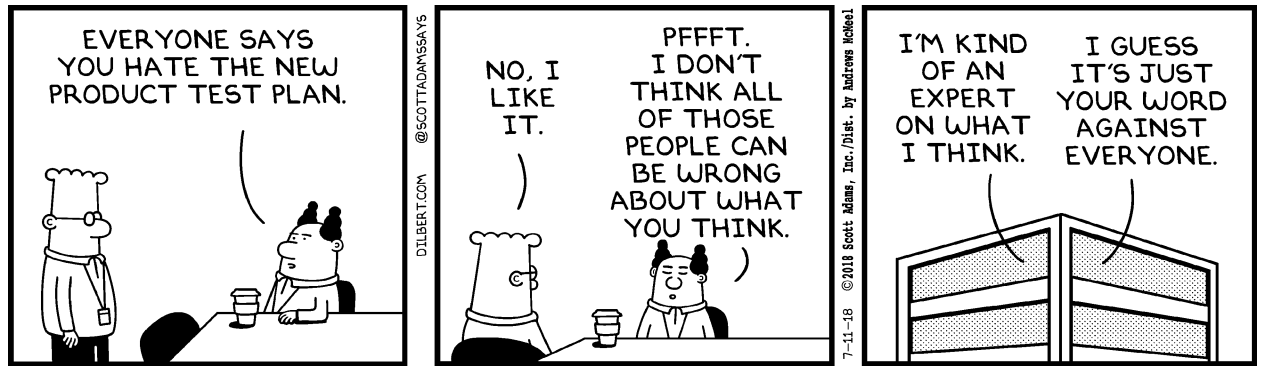
***Asking**
****Shortness in hearts**
Opening lead: Nine of ♠

led a spade to his 10. Bilde won this with the ace! He shifted to a low club after having set the bait. Look at this from declarer's point of view. Should he take the club finesse and lose to the king, he might easily suffer a diamond ruff and go down in a cold contract. After all, the finesse for the queen of trumps was "known" to be working.

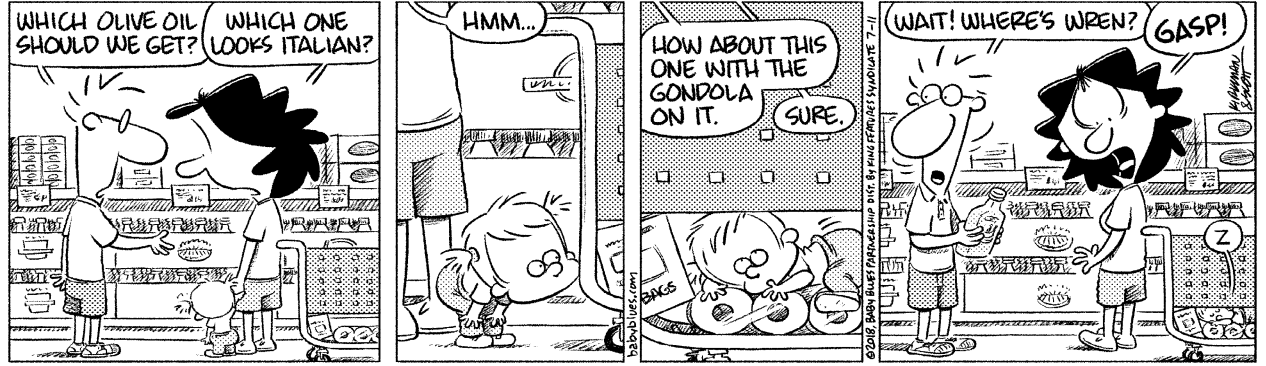
South rose with dummy's ace of clubs and led a spade to his jack. He reacted with surprise and horror when Bilde won this with the queen and cashed the king of clubs. The ace of diamonds was still to come and the unbeatable contract had been defeated. Great play!

— Bob Jones
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Dilbert By Scott Adams



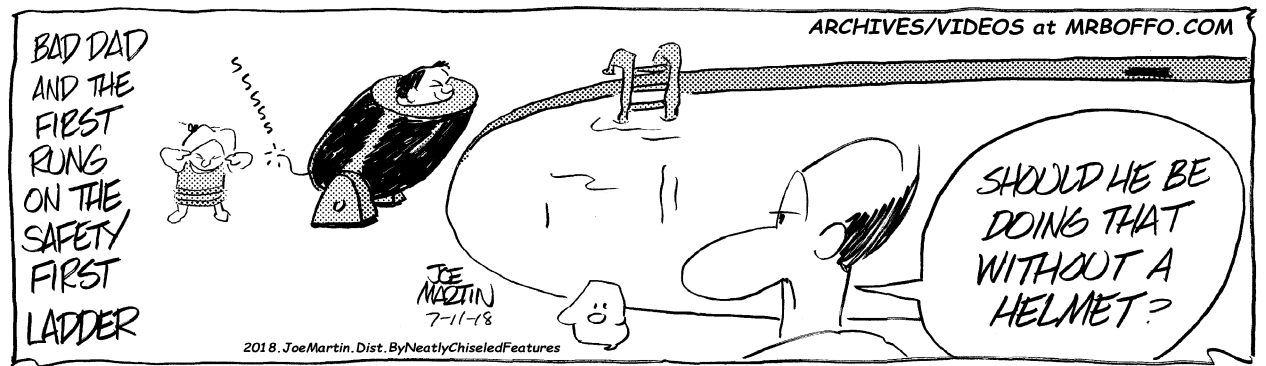
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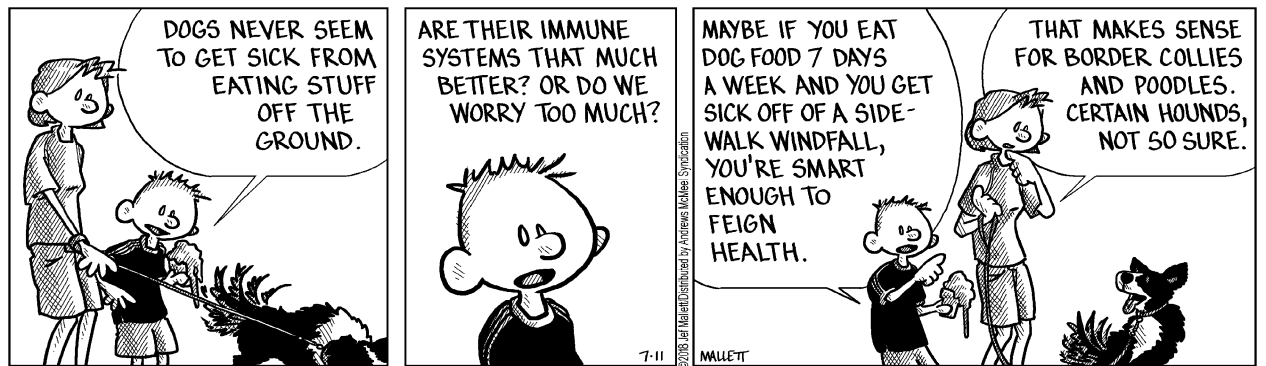
Zits By Jerry Scott and Jim Borgman



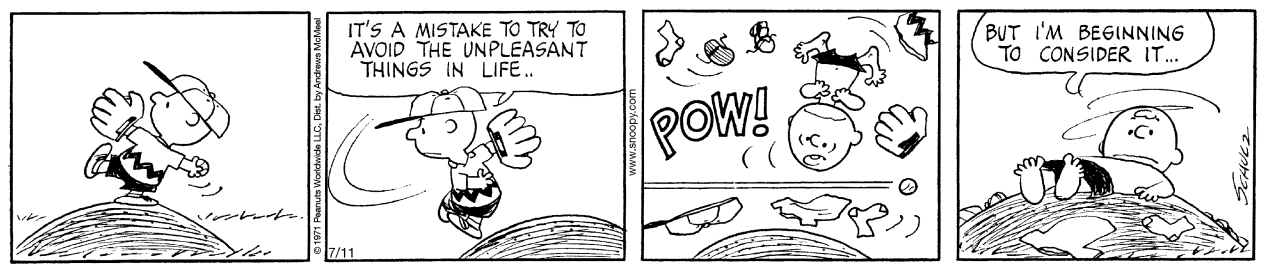
Mr. Boffo By Joe Martin



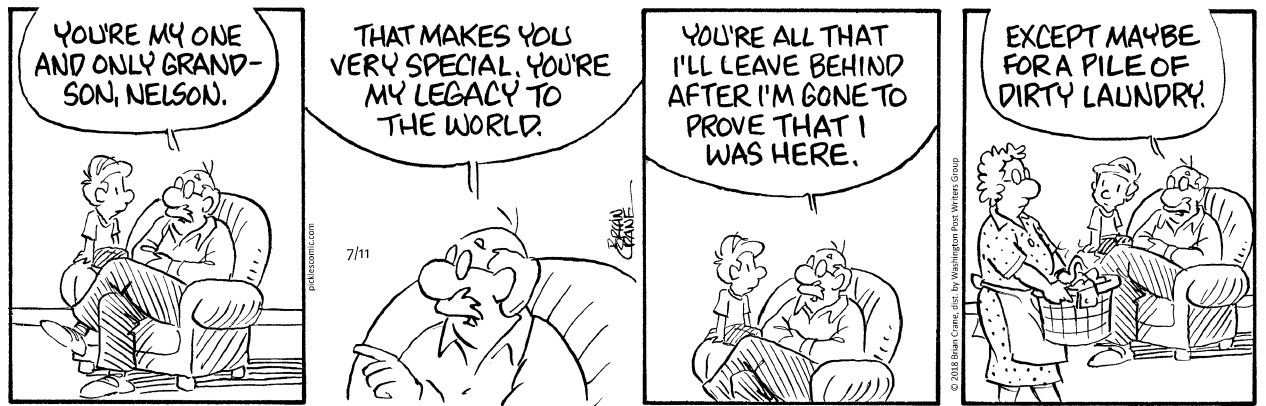
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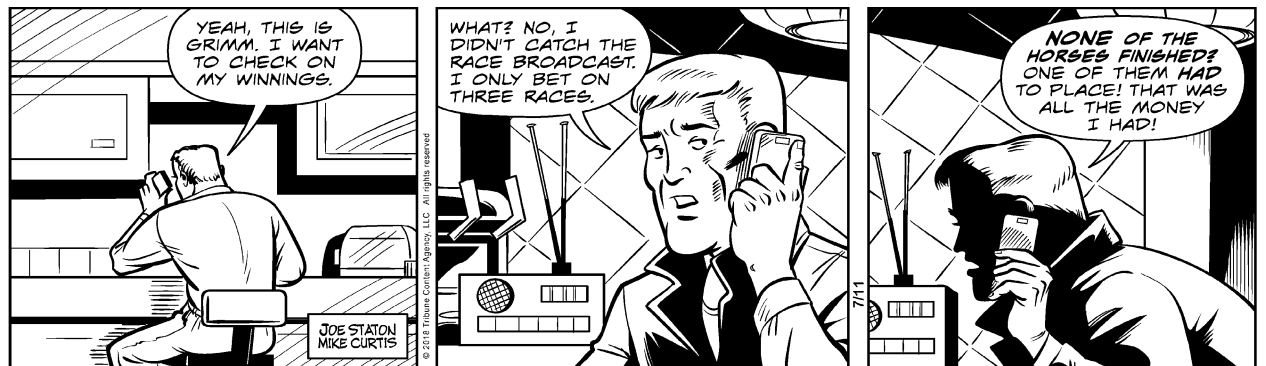
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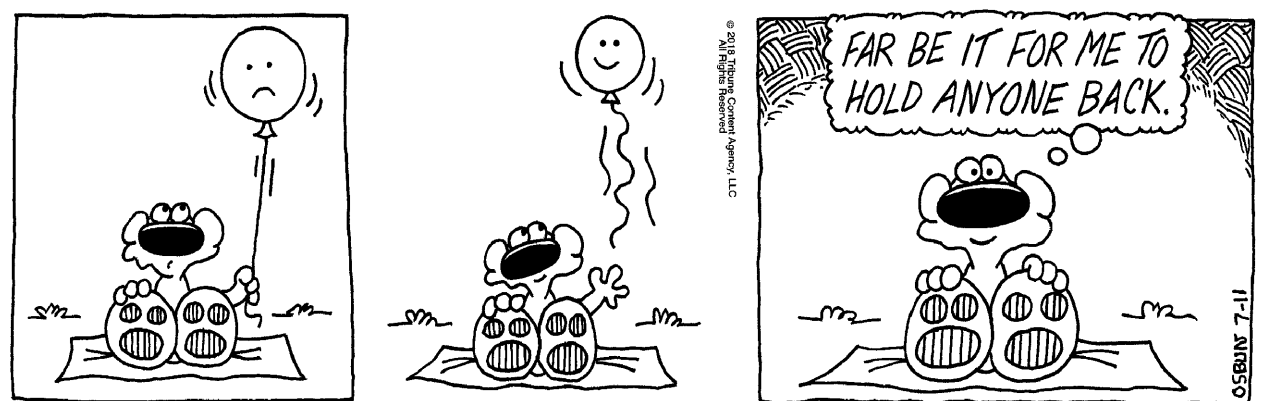
Pickles By Brian Crane



Dick Tracy By Joe Staton and Mike Curtis



Animal Crackers By Mike Osburn



Prickly City By Scott Stantis



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WEDNESDAY, JULY 11 NORMAL HIGH: 85° NORMAL LOW: 64° RECORD HIGH: 97° (1936) RECORD LOW: 50° (1996)

After Wednesday, brace for heavy heat, humidity

LOCAL FORECAST

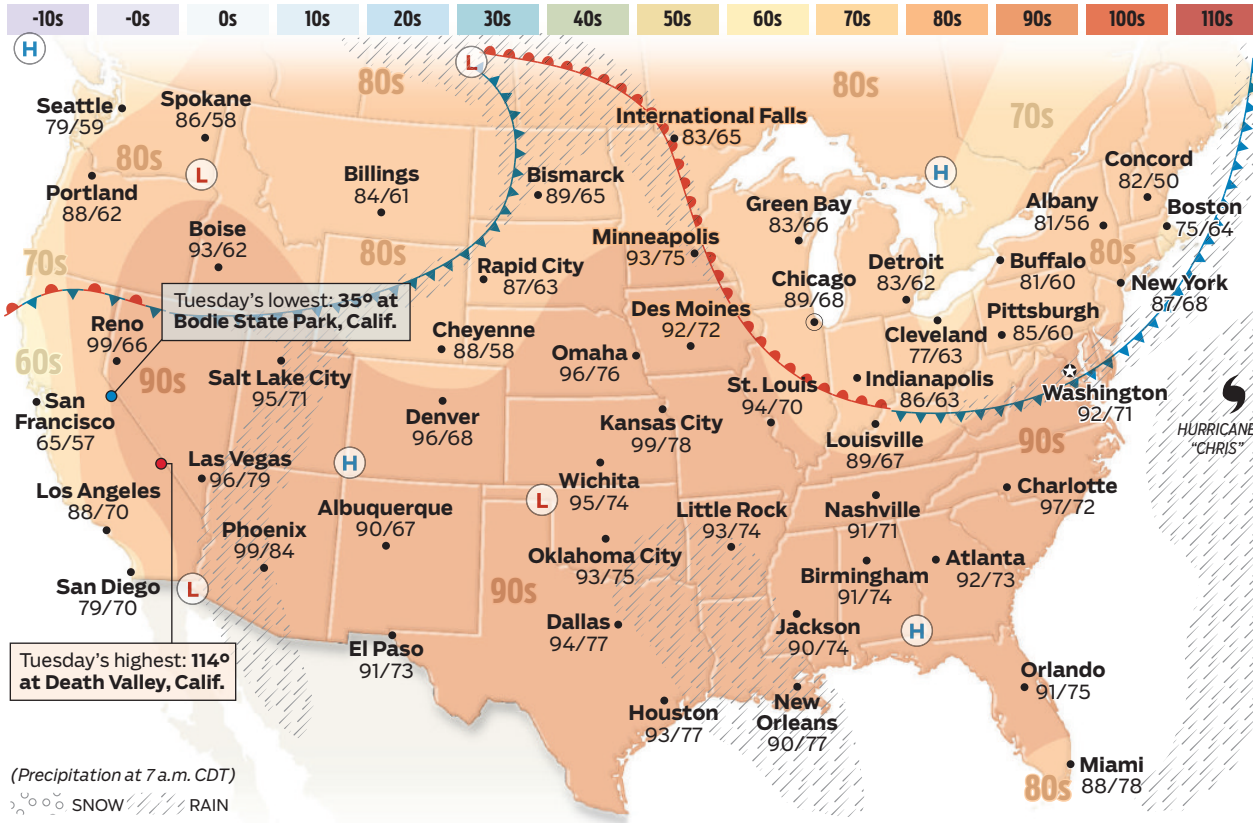
HIGH 89 **LOW 68**

■ With the center of high pressure over northern Lake Huron and heading east, winds here will gradually shift from the east today to southeast tonight and southerly by Thursday morning.

■ Another sunny low-humidity day with temperatures peaking in the upper 80s to lower 90s well inland and upper 70s to lower 80s along the Lake Michigan shoreline.

■ Humidity increases somewhat with mostly fair skies overnight.

NATIONAL FORECAST



The center of a cool, dry Canadian-source high pressure will move east Wednesday with easterly winds slowly shifting to the south by evening. We will still experience cooling near Lake Michigan, but temperatures well inland will climb up into the high 80s and low 90s. Hurricane Chris will be moving out to sea off the East Coast with little impact to the mainland.

To our west, the heat advisories are up in the Plains with 90-plus-degree temperatures and very humid air poised to shift east across the Mississippi River into our area beginning Thursday. A dome of hot, humid air will then persist here through the coming weekend with increasing chances of showers and thunderstorms. We will most likely experience heat indexes exceeding 100 degrees on several of these days.

THURSDAY, JULY 12

HIGH 93 **LOW 72**

Breezy, warmer and more humid with southwest winds 10-20 mph boosting afternoon highs well into the 90s. Increasing cloudiness overnight.

FRIDAY, JULY 13

HIGH 95 **LOW 75**

A mix of clouds and sun, hot and humid. Afternoon highs in the middle 90s with a heat index over 100 degrees. Warm and humid overnight with a slight chance of t-storms toward morning. South to southwest winds.

SATURDAY, JULY 14

HIGH 91 **LOW 76**

A hot, sticky day with scattered t-storms likely. Highs in the lower 90s with a heat index approaching 100° - a little cooler lakeside. Warm and muggy overnight with a continued chance of t-storms. Light winds.

SUNDAY, JULY 15

HIGH 93 **LOW 75**

Partly sunny. Hot and humid with a chance of thunderstorms - highs in the low to mid 90s. Heat index again could peak over 100 degrees. Clouds, warm and humid with a chance of thunderstorms overnight. Southwest winds.

MONDAY, JULY 16

HIGH 91 **LOW 72**

Clouding over, continued hot and humid with thunderstorms likely. Highs upper 80s to lower 90s. Chance of thunderstorms overnight. Southwest winds 12-22 mph shift north later at night.

TUESDAY, JULY 17

HIGH 80 **LOW 65**

Clouds and a few remnant showers move off to the east early, becoming partly sunny. Breezy winds out of the north, cooler and less humid. Afternoon highs in the upper 70s to lower 80s. Fair skies overnight.



ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
I remember a period of drought in Chicago during the summer of 1988, ending on the day of the Cubs' first night game on Aug. 8. Is my memory serving me correctly?
— Beth Oppenheim, Spring Grove

Dear Beth,
It is, but drought conditions did not end on Aug. 8. They persisted into autumn. Precipitation data from Midway Airport shows that from Jan. 1 through Aug. 8, 16.7 inches of precipitation fell, the 10th-driest at that station in the period from 1929 through 2017.
However, it was the fourth-driest from Jan. 1 through Sept. 30, at 19.58 inches.
The driest was 1934 with 15.52 inches.
Far above-normal temperatures also accompanied the 1988 drought. The period May 1 through Sept. 30 was the warmest ever at Midway Airport with 72.9 degrees (versus the normal of 69.3).

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Hear Tom Skilling's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.



Dome of heat to move into Midwest; could lead to big rains

ARIZONA MONSOON T-STORM WIND GUSTS

Observed Tuesday

Yuma, Ariz	71 mph
Squaw Lake, Ariz	71 mph
Magma, Ariz	64 mph
Oatman, Ariz	63 mph
Desert Basin, Ariz	46 mph
Blythe, Calif.	43 mph
Phoenix-Sky Harbor	40 mph
Humburg Creek, Ariz.	38 mph
Goldfield, Ariz.	36 mph
Horsehoe Dam, Ariz	35 mph

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION PROBABILITIES

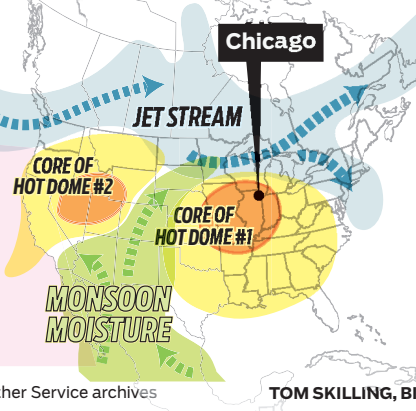
Forecast	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY
7AM-7PM	0%	2%	15%	50%	60%	60%
7PM-7AM	1%	7%	29%	40%	40%	25%

Monsoonal t-storms can produce flash floods and dust storms. As t-storms collapse they unleash powerful winds.

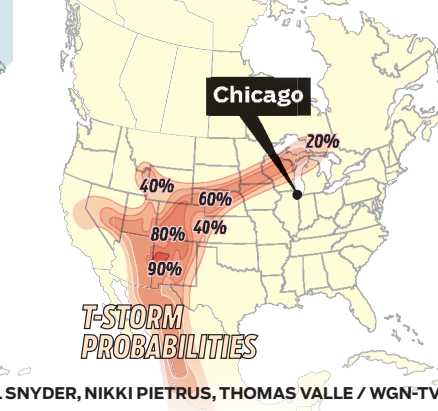
TORRENTIAL RAINS POWERFUL DOWNBURSTS

THURSDAY'S PREDICTED ATMOSPHERE

Southwest monsoon nudges dome of heat into the Midwest



Summer 2018's monsoonal t-storms



MIDWEST CITIES

WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	su	93	69	su	91	68
Carbondale	pc	85	64	su	87	65
Champaign	pc	87	64	su	87	65
Decatur	pc	87	65	su	87	65
Moline	pc	89	67	su	91	71
Peoria	pc	89	67	su	90	68
Quincy	pc	92	69	su	92	72
Rockford	pc	87	64	su	88	68
Springfield	pc	89	67	su	91	68
Sterling	pc	87	64	su	89	66
Indiana	su	87	63	su	87	63
Bloomington	pc	90	68	su	90	68
Evansville	pc	84	60	su	85	62
Fort Wayne	pc	86	63	su	87	64
Indianapolis	pc	86	63	su	87	64
Lafayette	pc	85	63	su	87	64
South Bend	pc	84	64	su	85	66
Wisconsin	su	87	63	su	87	63
Green Bay	cl	83	66	cl	90	71
Kenosha	pc	80	65	su	86	69
La Crosse	pc	89	72	su	94	73
Madison	pc	86	67	su	87	64
Milwaukee	pc	84	67	su	89	70
Wausau	pc	85	67	su	89	69
Michigan	su	83	62	su	84	68
Detroit	pc	83	62	su	84	68
Grand Rapids	pc	86	64	su	88	69
Marquette	pc	79	65	su	83	67
St. Ste. Marie	su	84	60	su	81	65
Traverse City	pc	84	65	su	87	63
Iowa	su	90	69	su	92	70
Ames	pc	80	69	su	92	70
Cedar Rapids	pc	87	67	su	92	70
Des Moines	su	92	72	su	94	74
Dubuque	pc	89	67	su	92	70

OTHER U.S. CITIES

WED./THURS.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Albany	su	94	73	su	93	72
Albuquerque	pc	90	67	ts	86	66
Amarillo	pc	94	69	su	93	67
Anchorage	sh	61	51	su	65	51
Ashville	ts	87	67	ts	85	67
Aspen	pc	81	51	ts	77	50
Atlanta	pc	92	73	su	90	73
Atlantic City	pc	82	66	su	79	65
Austin	pc	95	75	su	94	75
Baltimore	pc	91	71	su	84	71
Billings	su	84	61	su	86	63
Birmingham	cl	91	74	su	91	74
Bismarck	pc	89	65	su	87	62
Boise	su	93	62	su	96	65
Boston	pc	75	64	su	76	64
Brownsville	pc	95	77	su	95	78
Buffalo	su	81	60	su	86	64
Burlington	su	77	56	su	81	56
Charlotte	pc	97	72	su	90	69
Charlottesville	su	91	77	su	90	77
Charlottesville WV	pc	87	61	su	87	64
Chattanooga	ts	92	72	ts	91	72
Cheyenne	pc	88	58	ts	82	57
Cincinnati	su	87	63	su	88	65
Cincinnati	su	87	63	su	88	65
Cleveland	su	77	63	su	79	67
Colo. Spgs	pc	90	61	su	84	61
Columbia MO	su	95	72	su	96	73
Columbia SC	pc	98	75	su	96	73
Columbus	su	85	61	su	86	64
Concord	pc	82	60	su	81	54
Craps Christi	pc	90	76	su	90	78
Dallas	pc	94	77	su	96	77
Daytona Bch.	pc	89	72	su	91	75
Denver	su	96	78	su	91	65
Duluth	ts	72	59	su	84	65
El Paso	pc	91	73	su	92	72
Fairbanks	sh	62	51	pc	68	49
Fargo	pc	93	66	su	85	62
Flagstaff	ts	72	53	ts	71	53
Fort Myers	ts	91	75	ts	90	75
Fort Smith	pc	95	75	su	95	74
Fresno	pc	104	75	pc	102	74
Grand Junc.	pc	97	67	cl	92	65
Great Falls	pc	82	55	su	88	57
Harrisburg	pc	87	61	su	86	64
Hartford	pc	84	60	su	84	63
Helena	su	83	56	su	88	58
Honolulu	pc	86	75	su	87	75
Houston	cl	93	77	ts	93	76
Int'l Falls	ts	83	65	su	83	59
Jackson	ts	90	74	ts	93	74
Jacksonville	pc	94	75	su	95	77
Jacksonville	pc	94	75	su	95	77
Jameau	su	56	48	su	61	48
Juneau	su	99	78	su	99	80
Kansas City	pc	96	79	su	96	82
Las Vegas	pc	96	79	su	97	76
Lincoln	su	97	76	su	98	74
Little Rock	pc	93	74	su	93	75
Los Angeles	pc	88	70	su	86	68
Los Angeles	pc	91	71	su	93	70
Las Vegas	pc	96	79	su	96	82
Lexington	pc	87	63	su	88	66
Lincoln	su	97	76	su	98	74
Lincoln	su	97	76	su	98	74
Little Rock	pc	93	74	su	93	75
Los Angeles	pc	88	70	su	86	68
Louisville	pc	89	67	su	90	68
Macon	pc	96	73	su	94	73
Memphis	pc	94	76	su	93	76
Miami	ts	88	78	su	89	77
Minneapolis	pc	93	75	su	92	72
Mobile	pc	91	76	su	91	76
Montgomery	pc	95	74	su	95	74
Nashville	pc	91	71	su	93	70
New Orleans	ts	90	71	ts	90	78
New York	pc	89	68	su	88	69
Norfolk	ts	91	70	su	91	70
Norfolk	ts	91	70	su	91	70
Oklahoma City	pc	93	75	su	94	74
Omaha	su	96	76	su	97	76
Orlando	pc	91	75	su	91	76
Palm Beach	ts	87	75	ts	88	75
Palm Springs	ts	101	82	pc	104	81
Philadelphia	pc	88	67	su	82	65
Phoenix	ts	99	84	pc	98	84
Pittsburgh	pc	85	60	su	84	62
Portland, ME	pc	77	57	su	78	58
Portland, OR	su	88	62	su	86	62
Providence	pc	81	58	su	82	61
Raleigh	pc	95	72	su	96	72
Rapid City	pc	87	63	su	86	63
Reno	su	99	66	su	100	68
Richmond	pc	91	70	su	87	66
Rochester	su	78	55	su	84	59
Sacramento	su	97	62	su	95	63
Salem, Ore.	su	89	61	su	88	61
Salt Lake City	pc	95	71	su	95	71
San Antonio	pc	96	75	su	97	76
San Diego	pc	79	70	su	79	70
San Francisco	pc	65	57	pc	63	57
San Juan	pc	89	77	su	86	77
Santa Fe	ts	81	60	ts	79	56
Savannah	pc	94	74	su	95	76
Seattle	su	79	59	su	82	60
Shreveport	ts	92	76	ts	93	76
Sioux Falls	su	93	76	su	92	76
Spokane	su	86	58	su	92	61
St. Louis	su	94	70	su	93	70
Syracuse	su	78	54	su	82	57
Tallahassee	pc	91	76	su	91	76
Tampa	pc	91	76	su	91	76
Topeka	su	99	75	su	100	76
Tucson	pc	90	76	su	93	76
Tulsa	pc	95	74	su	96	74
Washington	pc	92	71	su	96	69
Washington	pc	95	74	su	95	75
Wichita	su	79	50	su	80	55
Wilmington	pc	95	74	su	95	74
Yuma	pc	101	82	pc	104	83

WORLD CITIES

WEDNESDAY	FC	HI	LO	WEDNESDAY	FC	HI	LO
Acapulco	pc	88	78	Kingston	pc	89	81
Algiers	su	94	69	Lima	pc	64	61
Amsterdam	pc	73	59	Lisbon	pc	80	64
Ankara	pc	97	66	London	cl	78	58
Athens	pc	90	71	Madrid	pc	92	65
Auckland							

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HEALTH & FAMILY



RANDY PENCH/TNS

Kimberly Pearson, right, is fighting a deadly form of hepatitis that is sneaking up on millions of Americans. Her illness had progressed severely by the time a physician diagnosed it.

A SILENT DISEASE

A liver condition you've never heard of is putting millions of Americans' lives at risk

BY CATHIE ANDERSON | Sacramento Bee

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Adults in their 40s are getting diagnosed with Stage 3 or Stage 4 liver cirrhosis, even though they have never consumed alcohol to excess and have never felt any symptoms of the disease. What's going on?

Liver specialists say there's a form of hepatitis that is sneaking up on about 12 percent of the U.S. population, an estimated 25 million Americans, and they want to urge primary care providers to send patients for testing earlier in the game.

Called nonalcoholic steatohepatitis, or NASH for short, it does not result from drug use, alcoholism, sexual contact, water contaminants or viruses. Rather, this particular liver condition occurs when too much fat is stored in liver cells.

"What we're trying to do is bring that awareness to bear," said Dr. Stephen Harrison, a liver specialist who has been working nationally to get out the word on the disease. "We're saying, 'Listen, this is a chronic disease. Thirty percent of the population has nonalcoholic fatty liver, and 25 percent of that population is at risk for the form of fatty liver called NASH that can progress to

cirrhosis, end-stage liver disease and liver cancer.

"That's the group we need to be getting after, but we can't even begin to work them up if they don't come in for an evaluation."

NASH tends to occur more often among people at high risk of heart disease because of Type 2 diabetes and obesity. In the United States, a disproportionately high number of Latinos are being diagnosed with the disease.

"When we talk about any chronic liver disease, it's important that people are able to recognize if it exists in themselves or if they're at risk for it," Harrison said. "The problem with NASH is that it's an asymptomatic, silent disease."

If you get a headache, you feel the pain and you can do something about it, but patients with NASH typically don't get that kind of warning, said Dr. Souvik Sarkar, a liver specialist at UC

Davis Health in Sacramento. There is no test in the primary care provider's arsenal that can diagnose NASH.

Kimberly Pearson, 45, said her liver disease had progressed to the third of four stages by the time she was diagnosed with NASH. Sarkar was trying to explain how serious the illness was, Pearson said, but her brain wasn't processing it. She had never heard of nonalcoholic steatohepatitis.

Sarkar and Harrison said primary care providers must be on the lookout for a combination of risk factors that warrant sending patients to a specialist for a noninvasive liver ultrasound known as a FibroScan. Those risk factors are: high blood pressure, high cholesterol, a diagnosis of diabetes or a family history of diabetes, a body mass index of 30 or higher, a fatty liver or a family history of liver disease.

Sarkar said that eight years before Pearson was sent to his office for a FibroScan and ultimately a liver biopsy, her lab work had shown she had nonalcoholic fatty liver and she had been diagnosed with diabetes. It's important, he said, for primary care physicians to screen for NASH early.

"By educating doctors and patients, we hope to get patients diagnosed in earlier stages of the disease and not in later stages

when they need liver transplantation," said Harrison, who practices in San Antonio. "If we can do that, then the patient can somewhat manage the disease by changing their lifestyle, adopting a healthier diet and exercising."

Sarkar said a patient doesn't have to show all the risk factors to receive a NASH diagnosis. He said he's seen one NASH patient with a BMI of 24, but the patient had high cholesterol and a fatty liver. Genetics can play a strong factor in whether someone develops NASH, Sarkar said, rather than the degree of obesity.

With many NASH patients, Sarkar said, the secret to beating the disease is weight loss. But for a patient with a BMI of 24, he said, doctors have to treat NASH by getting the cholesterol under control with medication.

So, what is fibrosis and cirrhosis of the liver?

Harrison explained: "Say tonight you have a big party. You drink way more than you should. Your liver is not going to be happy tomorrow morning, but if you don't drink any more, very quickly, your liver will lay down a scab. It will lay down collagen and fibrose that will allow new hepatocytes to grow. When they grow and regenerate, the liver then comes in and reabsorbs that scar tissue. And, you heal, and the liver looks brand-new.

"But here's the problem with NASH: The fat in the liver is toxic to the liver. It's called lipotoxicity, and that is always there. It's there for decades. The liver never has a chance to heal, so it is constantly laying down more scab. Over 10 to 20 years, that scab develops so much that we call it cirrhosis, and it's at that point that we can't do much for you."

It's then that patients require a liver transplant in order to survive, Harrison and Sarkar said.

Although some patients can control or beat NASH by losing weight, Sarkar and Harrison say they have seen patients struggle to do so. Sarkar said he's treated about 100 patients for NASH, and only two have been able to lose weight and keep it off.

In addition to watching what you eat, working out can help, too. Start with 10 minutes if that's all you can manage, Harrison said, and try to move that up to 20 minutes the next week.

"You'll find you can go a long time without being that hungry," he said. "Your portion size drops. Your total caloric count drops and it augments the weight loss you're having, and then you're at the gym, and that augments it even more. Very quickly, fat fluxes in and out of the liver in a heartbeat. The liver wants to regenerate. It wants to heal itself just like the skin does."

Parents can relate to Serena Williams' tweet



HEIDI STEVENS
Balancing Act

On Saturday, two days before facing Russian Evgeniya Rodina at Wimbledon, Serena Williams tweeted the most human of mes-

sages. "She took her first steps ... I was training and missed it. I cried."

"She," of course, is 10-month-old Olympia, Serena's daughter with husband Alexis Ohanian.

A year ago, Williams was still pregnant. On Monday, she's battling for her eighth singles title at Wimbledon. (I walk/jogged the Bucktown 5k two weeks after my daughter's first birthday and pretty much

wouldn't shut up about it for six months.)

But Williams isn't like us mere mortals. She's among the greatest athletes of all time, and she continues to prove as much, even after naysayers wrote her off as all but retired when she announced her pregnancy.

As if that weren't enough, she continually uses her platform, particularly social media, to encourage others who may be feeling underestimated.

"2 days until #Wimbledon," she tweeted June 30. "Just in case no one's told you yet today, I want to remind you that you are greater than your circumstances."

"1 day until #Wimbledon," she tweeted the next day, with a photo of her winning her 22nd Grand Slam title. "In this moment, 22 was the greatest feeling, but ultimately getting to 23 was even better. Never let anyone put a limit on how far you can go."

So when she sent up a work-

ing-parent flare on Saturday — she walked; I missed it — it was wonderful to see her fans swoop in with support.

"Ah Serena," ESPN reporter Alison Bender replied, "I'm with you there. I'm in Russia at a World Cup. I watched mine take her first steps on a video. She'll be proud of you."

"They replied," a user who goes by Krika noticed to Bender and

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Readmission rates under fire

Nursing home patients caught in boomerang

BY JORDAN RAU
Kaiser Health

"Oh my God, we dropped her!" Sandra Snipes said she heard the nursing home aides yell as she fell to the floor. She landed on her right side where her hip had recently been replaced.

She cried out in pain. A hospital clinician later discovered her hip was dislocated.

That was not the only injury Snipes, then 61, said she suffered in 2011 at Richmond Pines Healthcare & Rehabilitation Center in Hamlet, N.C. Nurses allegedly had been injecting her twice a day with a potent blood thinner despite written instructions to stop.

"She said, 'I just feel so tired,'" her daughter, Laura Clark, said in an interview. "The nurses were saying she's depressed and wasn't doing her exercises."

Her children also discovered that Snipes' surgical wound had become infected and infested with insects. Just 11 days after she arrived at the nursing home to heal from her hip surgery, she was back in the hospital.

The fall and these other alleged lapses in care led Clark and the family to file a lawsuit against the nursing home. Richmond Pines declined to discuss the case beyond saying it disputed the allegations at the time. The home agreed in 2017 to pay Snipes' family \$1.4 million to settle their lawsuit.

While the confluence of complications in Snipes' case was extreme, return trips from nursing homes to hospitals are far from unusual.

With hospitals pushing patients out the door earlier, nursing homes are deluged with increasingly frail patients. But many homes, with their sometimes skeletal medical staffing, often fail to handle post-hospital complications — or create new problems by not heeding or receiving accurate hospital and physician instructions.

Patients, caught in the middle, may suffer. One in 5 Medicare patients sent from the hospital to a nursing home boomerang back within 30 days, often for potentially preventable conditions such as dehydration, infections and medication errors, federal records show. Such rehospitalizations occur 27 percent more frequently than for the Medicare population at large.

Nursing homes have been unintentionally rewarded by



Deborah Ann Favorite's mom died after a lapse in communication about the need to resume her thyroid medication when returning from a hospital stay.

decades of colliding government payment policies, which gave both hospitals and nursing homes financial incentives for the transfers. That has left the most vulnerable patients often pingponging between institutions, wreaking havoc with patients' care.

"There's this saying in nursing homes, and it's really unfortunate: 'When in doubt, ship them out,'" said David Grabowski, a professor of health care policy at Harvard Medical School. "It's a short-run, cost-minimizing strategy, but it ends up costing the system and the individual a lot more."

In recent years, the government has begun to tackle the problem. In 2013, Medicare began fining hospitals for high readmission rates in an attempt to curtail premature discharges and to encourage hospitals to refer patients to nursing homes with good track records.

Starting this October, the government will address the other side of the equation, giving nursing homes bonuses or penalties based on their Medicare rehospitalization rates. The goal is to accelerate early signs of progress: The rate of potentially avoidable

readmissions dropped to 10.8 percent in 2016 from 12.4 percent in 2011, according to Congress' Medicare Payment Advisory Commission.

"We're better, but not well," Grabowski said. "There's still a high rate of inappropriate readmissions."

The revolving door is an unintended byproduct of long-standing payment policies. Medicare pays hospitals a set rate to care for a patient depending on the average time it takes to treat a patient with a given diagnosis. That means that hospitals effectively profit by earlier discharge and lose money by keeping patients longer, even though an elderly patient may require a few extra days.

But nursing homes have to hospitalize patients. For one thing, keeping patients out of hospitals requires frequent examinations and speedy laboratory tests — all of which add costs to nursing homes.

Plus, most nursing home residents are covered by Medicaid, the state-federal program for the poor that is usually the lowest-paying form of insurance. If a

nursing home sends a Medicaid resident to the hospital, she usually returns with up to 100 days covered by Medicare, which pays more. On top of all that, in some states, Medicaid pays a "bed-hold" fee when a patient is hospitalized.

None of this is good for the patients. Nursing home residents often return from the hospital more confused or with a new infection, said Dr. David Gifford, a senior vice president of quality and regulatory affairs at the American Health Care Association, a nursing home trade group.

"And they never quite get back to normal," he said.

Communication lapses between physicians and nursing homes is one recurring cause of rehospitalizations. Elaine Essa had been taking thyroid medication ever since that gland was removed when she was a teenager. Essa, 82, was living at a nursing home in Lancaster, Calif., in 2013 when a bout of pneumonia sent her to the hospital.

When she returned to the nursing home — now named Wellsprings Post-Acute Care

Center — her doctor omitted a crucial instruction from her admission order: to resume the thyroid medication, according to a lawsuit filed by her family. The nursing home telephoned Essa's doctor to order the medication, but he never called them back, the suit said.

Without the medication, Essa's appetite diminished, her weight increased and her energy vanished — all indications of a thyroid imbalance, said the family's attorney, Ben Yeroushalmi, discussing the lawsuit. Her doctors from Garrison Family Medical Group never visited her, sending instead their nurse practitioner. He, like the nursing home employees, did not grasp the cause of her decline, although her thyroid condition was prominently noted in her medical records, the lawsuit said.

Three months after her return from the hospital, "she looked like a wet washcloth. She had no color in her face," said Donna Jo Duncan, a daughter, in a deposition. Duncan said she demanded the home's nurses check her mother's blood pressure. When they did, a supervisor ran over and said, "Call an ambulance right away," Duncan said in the deposition.

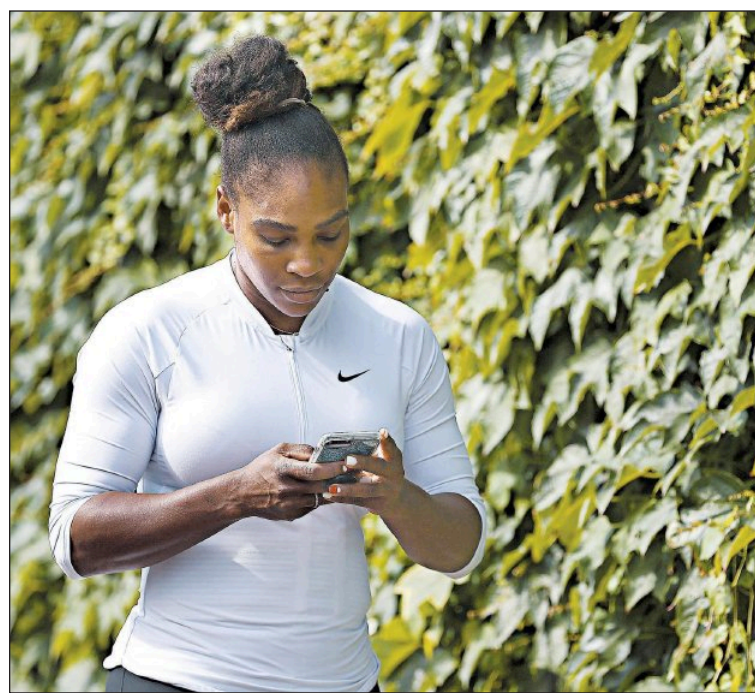
At the hospital, a physician said tests showed "zero" thyroid hormone levels, Deborah Ann Favorite, a daughter, recalled in an interview. She testified in her deposition that the doctor told her, "I can't believe that this woman is still alive."

Essa died the next month. The nursing home and the medical practice settled the case for confidential amounts. Cynthia Schein, an attorney for the home, declined to discuss the case beyond saying it was "settled to everyone's satisfaction."

Out of the nation's 15,630 nursing homes, one-fifth send 25 percent or more of their patients back to the hospital, according to a Kaiser Health News analysis of data on Medicare's Nursing Home Compare website. The fifth of homes with the lowest readmission rates return fewer than 17 percent of residents to the hospital.

Many health policy experts say that spread shows how much improvement is possible. But patient advocates fear the campaign against hospitalizing nursing home patients may backfire, especially when Medicare begins linking readmission rates to its payments.

"We're always worried the bad nursing homes are going to get the message 'Don't send anyone to the hospital,'" said Tony Chicotel, a staff attorney at the nonprofit California Advocates for Nursing Home Reform.



Serena Williams arrives for practice July 8 at the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club in London.

Parents relate to tweet

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Williams. "When mine was 3 y/o I had to go for 12 days to China on business. Heart broken. When I came back, I was told she was telling everyone very proudly. She's 8 now and she still does."

Chrissy Teigen, model and activist and mom of two young kids, weighed in: "She is practicing so you can see the real ones."

Williams' tweet garnered 3,000 replies by Monday morning, and the vast majority were positive and encouraging. (If only Twitter were always this lovely.)

My favorite reply came from a guy named David Jones.

"When your daughter is a little older she'll know her mother is 1. The greatest tennis player of all time," Jones wrote. "2. The woman who helped others return to the game after childbirth with a protected ranking and a career they don't have to abandon. I hope you win it for her next

Saturday." (Next Saturday is the final match for women's singles.)

I hope Williams wins it too. Meanwhile, I'm grateful that she shows us the ways she is, truth be told, a mere mortal — unable to divide herself in two, unable to travel back in time and witness those momentous steps, unable to slay at her job without putting in the long hours that take her, at times, away from her family.

I'm even more grateful that her community of onlookers didn't jump all over her for it. All too often we train our eagle eyes on working moms, waiting, salivating, for them to admit defeat. "You can have it all, but not all at once," we love to tell them.

Not so fast, Williams tells us with her wins and her words.

And we cheer from the sidelines — both in awe and in recognition.

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A warm toast from airport bar: Cheers to life's fellow travelers



CHRIS ERSKINE
The Middle Ages

CHICAGO — The jet age really changed everything... how quickly we get from here to there, obviously, but our sense of personal well-being as well. I can't take all the blame, though it did occur on my watch and began about the time I was born.

Indeed, in my lifetime, jet travel has invigorated America. Our collective pulse rate has been a little high ever since. Really, I think it changed our psyches in dramatic ways.

Jets helped turn us from a largely agrarian, hat-wearing nation dressed in wool, to a 90 percent polyester country. It was electrifying and romantic, jet travel was, but also lethal. It made wars go faster — if that's good, and I'm sure it's not.

It also made daily civilian life tick faster. Lesson learned: "Faster is better." That joins the other mantras of the modern era: "Greed is good" and "God is everywhere."

As if those three things could coexist.

I contemplate this while waiting for airline mechanics to top off the oil in the left engine of my 737 the other day in Chicago, after one canceled flight, three gate changes and now this 45-minute maintenance delay.

The Midwest is always good to me. I leave it reluctantly and 5 pounds heavier, having hijacked some of its grandest pizza and those Chicago-style hot dogs that taste, to me, like mother's milk.

Everything is a little heavier here, the food, the architecture, the dark-chocolate soil. The afternoon clouds look like mountain ranges, enhancing the lush Irish topography, and later there is heat lightning in the distance, which lights up the horizon like an old projector.

I stayed up late one night just to watch the fireflies.

Saw friends and family, played some golf, though that's really a game that plays me. If Phil Mickelson can lose it on the course, just imagine what that cruel hoax of a sport does to me.

Now I'm paying the real price of any Midwestern adventure: O'Hare.

These days, air travel is like boarding sheet-metal wagon trains, equally miserable but usually over in just a day.

It is also a metaphor for almost everything in modern life: a rushed and joyless experience devoid of much human decency and, in the end, a brusque and unsettled customer experience.

No one smiles much in airports anymore. Here's why ...

I arrive at Gate H11B to find that my flight has been canceled. There are options on other airlines, no doubt, but no gate agents are around to help or explain why the flight has been scratched: weather, repairs, crew illness? Or, as it seems regarding everything in air travel, on somebody's whim.

Rebooking turns out to be easy enough; they do it for me by text. Dinner with family back in LA will have to wait a few hours — no big deal. Meanwhile, I watch some soccer at the airport bar, drink a small, passive bloody mary and try to mingle with phone-obsessed strangers with buds in each ear. Not easy.

"Hiya," I say, raising a plastic glass.

No answer.

"I'm good too, thanks," I mutter.

As you know, my life is a series of tiny existential crises, broken up by bursts of cold beer, so an airport bar is a good place to find like-minded individuals adrift in their personal lives and work. I always have a good time at an airport bar.

In this case, the underdog is whipping a World Cup favorite on TV, and there is much mirth and reverie to that ... the fact that the little guy might finally kick the arrogant favorite in the keister. We nurse our \$14 drinks, wishing we were home with family instead.

Good God, get me home.

Yet there's a certain camaraderie to an hour or two in a nondescript airport bar, awaiting the next flight to various points on the planet. You'll never see these people again. You don't really have to be convivial, but why not?

Like me, these other folks have been herded through long TSA lines, told to partially strip, treated like suspects and possibly patted down by some government goon in latex gloves.

Personally, the patting down is the highlight of the trip. Not the best first date I ever had, but certainly not the worst.

"Got any metal in there?" the TSA agent growls.

"Just my heart," I say.

So now here we sit at the airport bar, in these long timeouts between potentially life-changing journeys: vacationers, soldiers, business people, college kids, all rooting for some underdog on TV we don't even probably know.

And, by turn, rooting for us all.

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Chronic pain doesn't stop dancer who almost lost leg

BY LESLIE BARKER
Dallas Morning News

After more than 30 surgeries on her leg — which has led to a fused ankle, metal in her toes, chronic pain and an off-and-on limp — it would be understandable for Amberly Lago to get wistful talking about the days when she could run a mile in five minutes. Or when she made her living as a jazz, hip-hop and tap dancer and worked as a personal trainer.

Instead, she's more about the present than the past. She revels in short beach runs, in belly dancing lessons, in time spent with her husband and two daughters, and in encouraging others. She embodies the word “resilient.”

The pivot separating the two parts of her life is a terrible accident that happened in 2010.

Lago, a Greenville, Texas, native who now lives in California, was hit by an SUV while riding her motorcycle home after running 11 miles with a friend. In this excerpt from her book, “True Grit and Grace: Turning Tragedy Into Triumph” (Morgan James Publishing; \$16.95), she describes what she saw:

“Every beat of my heart issued a geyser of blood from what was a ruptured femoral artery in the middle of tissue damage that looked like a mangled mess of tissue. I grabbed for what was left of my leg and tried to keep the pieces from falling off and the blood from gushing.”

Doctors wanted to amputate her leg. Not surprisingly, the pain, for which she minces no words, was horrific. As if months in the hospital and almost losing her leg weren't enough, she was also diagnosed with a nerve disease, complex regional pain syndrome, and told she'd spend her life in a wheelchair.



AMBERLY LAGO

After Amberly Lago was hit by an SUV while riding her motorcycle, doctors wanted to amputate her leg.

Lago planned to do nothing of the sort.

“You keep going,” says Lago, 46. That's not to say she hasn't had doubts or frustrations.

“I hated my leg,” she says. “I hated it was deformed. I hated it didn't work the way it was supposed to. I hated that it gave me so much pain. Not until one of my doctors, the one who saved my leg, put it in his lap and looked at it like it was a masterpiece, a work of art, did it shift. I thought, ‘If he can look at my leg that way, I can learn to love it.’”

She focuses on what she can do — lift weights, climb stairs, ride a bike.

“I have tried every kind of treatment” for pain, she says; currently, all she takes is a non-opioid prescription, which slows the nerve pathway. “The only thing that seems to work

for me is a practice of mindfulness. I start every day before my feet hit the floor. I pray. ‘Thank you, Lord, I am so grateful. Thank you, Lord, I am able to get out of bed and walk to the bathroom.’ It's not a fancy prayer.”

She also writes in her journal every day. Whether two sentences or two pages, “It keeps me centered and focused on what's important,” she says. “I think of what I'm grateful for and it sets the tone for the entire day.”

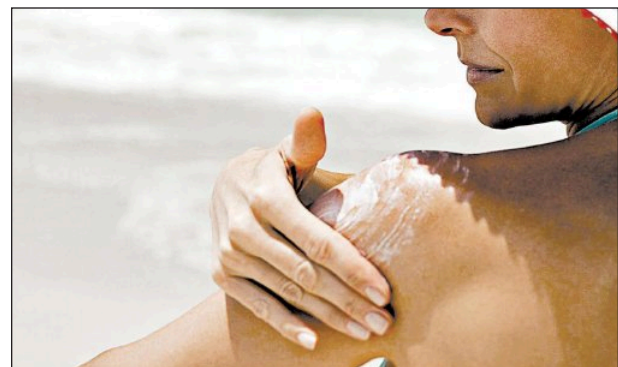
Her resilience isn't unique to her, she says. “We all have it inside of us. The only thing you need to claim your resilience is to be willing. That light is inside all of us. Surround yourself with people who will fan your flame.

“Get grateful and focus on what you can do instead of what you can't.”

PEOPLE'S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Looking for a safer sunscreen

BY JOE GRAEDON
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The Environmental Working Group is campaigning to have oxybenzone removed from sunscreens.

Q: In the Consumer Reports ratings on sunscreen, most of the top-ranked lotions contain oxybenzone (aka benzo-phenone-3 or BP-3). You have warned previously about the possible hormone-disrupting or endocrine-disrupting effects of this chemical in many articles. What are we to do?

A: You are right that many of Consumer Reports' top-rated sunscreens contain oxybenzone. Nevertheless, the organization acknowledges that the chemical contributes to coral bleaching. CR also notes that Hawaii has banned sunscreens containing oxybenzone starting in 2021.

The Environmental Working Group is a non-profit organization promoting human health with attention to environmental effects. It warns that oxybenzone “is a toxic chemical that is harmful to our health and our planet. It's linked to hormone disruption and allergic skin reactions in people, as well as the bleaching of coral reefs and coral death.” That's why the organization is campaigning to have oxybenzone removed from sunscreens.

EWG found it in a majority of the products it reviewed this year, but it also found more than 200 products that do not contain oxybenzone. You can check the list at ewg.org.

Q: I'm a 77-year-old woman of normal weight. My cholesterol hovered around 200, even with a strict diet and getting plenty of exercise (total 197, HDL 77, LDL 101).

My primary doctor said that this must be hereditary and wanted to put me on a statin. Instead, I started taking

red yeast rice and sprinkled at least 1/2 teaspoon of turmeric and at least 1/4 teaspoon of black pepper on each meal.

After doing this for about four months, continuing my exercise and strict diet, my total cholesterol dropped to 162, HDL 77, LDL 76, triglycerides 47. My pharmacist confirmed that red yeast rice would not interfere with any of my other medications. I hope this helps others.

A: We are impressed with your results. You were not in bad shape to start with.

Red yeast rice contains natural statins. A meta-analysis of 13 randomized, placebo-controlled trials concluded that “red yeast rice is an effective and relatively safe approach” for high cholesterol (PLOS One, June 4, 2014). The active ingredient in turmeric (curcumin) has been shown to reduce triglycerides and raise beneficial HDL cholesterol (Critical Reviews in Food Science and Nutrition, online, Nov. 29, 2017).

You can learn more about red yeast rice and other nondrug approaches in our “Guide to Cholesterol Control and Heart Health.” It also can be downloaded for \$2 from our website: www.peoplespharmacy.com. It was wise of you to check with the pharmacist about interactions.

Q: I have been on meloxicam to treat arthritic pain for about a month now. I had a procedure done yesterday, and the nurse told me to keep an eye on my blood pressure until I see my doctor again.

I checked it again this evening, and it was 168/117. My blood pressure was never this high before I started taking meloxicam. Could the drug be raising my BP?

A: The official prescribing information for meloxicam (Mobic) states: “NSAIDs, including MOBIC, can lead to new onset or worsening of pre-existing hypertension, either of which may contribute to the increased incidence of CV cardiovascular events.”

All nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, including ibuprofen and naproxen, have the potential to raise blood pressure. You definitely should discuss this problem with your physician at your earliest opportunity.

Other side effects of meloxicam include digestive distress, skin rash, dizziness, ringing in the ears, elevated liver enzymes, kidney damage, blood clots, heart attacks and strokes.

In their column, Joe and Teresa Graedon answer letters from readers. Send questions to them via www.peoplespharmacy.com.

Researchers identify method to catch pancreatic cancer early

Mayo Clinic

Patients diagnosed with pancreatic cancer can develop elevated blood sugar levels up to three years before their cancer diagnosis, according to the results of a study by Mayo Clinic researchers published in the journal Gastroenterology.

“Pancreatic cancer is rapidly fatal after its diagnosis, with average survival of six months,” says Dr. Suresh Chari, a gastroenterologist at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minn. “It has also been thought that its course prior to diagnosis is also rapid and that early detection is not feasible. But our studies provide hope that pancreatic cancer can indeed be diagnosed at an earlier stage when it is resectable.”

In the first study, researchers plotted blood

sugars levels of patients with pancreatic cancer going back five years prior to diagnosis. They also plotted the blood sugars of a control group of patients who were age- and gender-matched to the patients with pancreatic cancer. In this group, researchers were able to show that blood sugars rise 30 to 36 months before the diagnosis of cancer.

In another group, researchers plotted blood sugars of nearly 600 patients with pancreatic cancer just prior to surgical removal of the cancer. Researchers grouped these patients by their tumor volume at the time of the surgical removal. “In this group, we were able to show that blood sugars rise commensurate with the increasing volume of the tumor,” Chari says.

In the second study, also

published in Gastroenterology, Mayo Clinic researchers describe a risk-prediction model that identifies patients with new onset diabetes that are at very high risk for developing pancreatic cancer. Researchers say the findings are significant because they represent a potential new way to diagnose pancreatic cancer at an earlier stage.

The model, called an ENDPAC score, identifies a subset of patients with new onset diabetes that have a 30- to 40-fold higher risk of having pancreatic cancer. “Among these patients, the risk of having pancreatic cancer is between 4 and 7 percent,” says Chari says. “We believe that if these findings are validated, patients who have a high blood sugar and a high ENDPAC score should be thoroughly tested for pancreatic cancer.”

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Research links herpes virus, Alzheimer's

Find could open up treatment options

By MELISSA HEALY
Los Angeles Times

Researchers may have found a tiny culprit — human herpes virus — in the progressive loss of memory, thinking ability and identity that comes with Alzheimer's disease. And it could be a big deal.

In research that revives a suspicion raised more than six decades ago, scientists have found higher levels of the common virus in the brains of people who had both behavioral symptoms and neurological evidence of Alzheimer's at the time of their death than in the brains of deceased donors who had no signs of dementia.

The researchers' suspicions fell upon two strains of herpes virus — herpesvirus 6A and herpesvirus 7 — that were most evident in regions of the brain affected first in Alzheimer's disease, and in those that suffer most as the disease progresses.

Their surprise discovery emerged as researchers sorted through a vast genomic databank in search of new ideas for treating Alzheimer's with drugs designed for other diseases. The study's authors pored over DNA and RNA sequencing data from 622 brains donated by people affected by Alzheimer's and 322 brains that were free of the disease.

The data they mined are usually discarded but instead were archived by the National Institutes of Health in a bid to accelerate the discovery of new treatments by fostering "big data" collaborations. This one brought together scientists at Arizona State University's Banner Neurodegenerative Disease Research Center and Alzheimer's experts at New York's Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai.



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The new findings that suggest a link between Alzheimer's disease and human herpes virus came about because of researchers' ability to share data.



MOUNT SINAI HEALTH SYSTEM

After studying samples from three brain banks, scientists say viruses might play a role in Alzheimer's disease.

It was published in June in the journal *Neuron*.

An estimated 5.7 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's disease in 2018, a number expected to rise to 14 million by 2050 unless some means of prevention or treatment is found.

The findings are a far cry

from establishing what role the two strains of the virus might play in initiating or driving the decadeslong process of cognitive loss and brain changes in Alzheimer's, or even whether they play such a causative role. But it gives researchers a new foothold in a field of research that has failed

to find anything to prevent, slow or reverse Alzheimer's inexorable march.

"It is a beautiful piece of work, but it is still an association," said Mirosław Mackiewicz, program director at the National Institute on Aging's Division of Neuroscience. Still, he added, by providing evidence for the virus' presence and some hints at its possible role, "you have some way to start your experiments."

If further research uncovers a key role of herpes virus in Alzheimer's disease, "this would generate a lot of excitement because we have vaccines" against various strains of disease-causing herpes virus, Mackiewicz said.

There are many possible explanations for why herpes virus levels were so high in brains affected by Alzheimer's. Among them: that Alzheimer's might be an inflammatory or immune system reaction.

High levels of herpes virus might have touched off such a reaction, the authors of the new research note. Or, the abundant presence of the virus could be an unrelated consequence of a brain struggling to defend itself from a different threat altogether.

But antiviral treatment might prove effective either way, speculated Dr. Sam Gandy, an Alzheimer's disease researcher at Icahn School of Medicine and one of the paper's authors.

Even if the abundance of herpes virus "is a secondary phenomenon, if it's contributing to progression of Alzheimer's, then treating it still could be beneficial." Finding and treating people with a known risk for Alzheimer's and who have high viral loads might make a difference, Gandy said.

Heather M. Snyder, senior director of medical and scientific operations for the Alzheimer's Associ-

ation, urged caution in interpreting the new findings.

"The idea that viruses or something else could be triggering or causing changes in the brain is not new," Snyder said. "And we know that people in general, and those over 50 in particular, have these viruses in their brains. It might be more the immune system and that it may go awry. But we don't know that."

The findings came about because of researchers' ability to share data, samples, funding and a large dataset, Snyder said. "That's where increased funding continues to be so needed."

As research teams run down the dynamics behind associations like this one, "it's like an onion," she added. "We're peeling back those layers and are getting to the core" of what causes Alzheimer's disease and how to stop it.

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Botox, cosmetic drugs not just for women

Companies making a push for aesthetic procedures for men

BY EMMA OCKERMAN
Bloomberg

At Marina ManLand near the Los Angeles airport, plastic surgeon Grant Stevens advertises his sports bar-like practice with an image of a man on a leather couch, having a highball and smoking a cigar. It seems to be working: Stevens claims he is “doing more male surgery than ever before in my entire career.”

ManLand is emblematic, as the distributors of drugs such as Botox, Dysport and Xeomin step up their efforts to sell cosmetic drugs to men. None may be more prominent than Allergan’s push to market what the media have dubbed Brotox. In April, the drugmaker rolled out print, television and social media ads during baseball games and the Stanley Cup finals in attempt to lure male customers.

“We’ve had campaigns over the past several years but not quite on this scale,” said Bill Meury, chief commercial officer at Allergan. He would not disclose the size of the investment but said it was “significant.”

Men are only a tiny piece of the medical aesthetics market. They received nearly 470,000 injections of wrinkle-smoothing toxins in 2017, compared with more than 7.2 million in women, according to the American Society of Plastic Surgeons. While male injections have increased almost fivefold since 2000, they’re growing far more slowly than injections in women.

Allergan and its competitors are trying to figure out how to win men over more quickly. Nestle Skin Health’s Galderma, which markets rival injection Dysport domestically, has been targeting men for about two years through a man-specific



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Drug distributor Allergan is making a big push to disabuse men of the belief that Botox and other cosmetic procedures are only for women.

ic website. It reports a 45 percent increase in men enrolling in its loyalty program in the 12 months to May, outpacing growth in female loyalty sign-ups. Merz Pharma cheekily markets its Xeomin frown-line injections to “XeoMen” through brochures and a website it launched in 2016.

Allergan may have an advantage with Botox. “It’s an iconic brand,” Meury said at the Bank of America Merrill Lynch health care conference in May.

Even so, it’s an iconic brand that resonates mostly with women. A webpage Allergan created addresses myths, such as the belief that Botox is only for women. “Nope, think again,” the website says, adding Botox has been approved for cos-

metic uses since 2002 and that “you’ll still look like you” after the injections.

Allergan’s Brent Saunders isn’t just the company’s chief executive officer, he’s a client. Soon after he got the top job, colleagues surprised him at a sales meeting, injecting him onstage. Saunders said he continues to use the product.

About 10 percent of Botox’s cosmetic customers are men, and “there’s been a fairly steady increase in the number of men that are receiving Botox year-over-year,” Meury said. The company wouldn’t disclose further details.

On average, male Botox customers are about 42, Meury said, though some are as young as their 20s. It’s a starting point for selling the company’s other

products, such as its fat-reduction treatment or its double-chin injection.

The drug brought in \$3.17 billion in sales in 2017. It’s Allergan’s best-seller and a critical moneymaker at a time when the company is under pressure after another top drug lost patent protection.

A more rigorous pitch for Botox makes sense, said Umer Raffat, an analyst at Evercore ISI, adding that Allergan has said for years that it would increase its focus on men. Considering that its competitors have also launched male-specific marketing efforts, “there’s no reason why they shouldn’t be doing this,” Raffat said. Even so, it’s not likely to spur monumental change in Allergan’s customer mix.

“Could this be an incre-

mental growth driver? Sure,” Raffat said. “Could it be some dramatic thing? I don’t really see it that way.”

Getting men to consider a Botox treatment is one thing; getting them to the doctor’s office is another.

Men “have zero idea, zero awareness of these aesthetic procedures,” said Terrence Keane, founder of a dermatology practice in Arlington, Va., called SkinDC. About half of his aesthetic patients are men, he said. Many of his patients arrive through word-of-mouth or are referred by other physicians.

“Until recently, these companies haven’t invested any effort in educating male patients,” Keane said.

In some pockets of the U.S., the drug already has a foothold among men. New York’s trendy Chelsea

neighborhood is home to more than 300 art galleries, Google’s second-largest office and Chelsea Skin & Laser, a dermatology practice popular with men. Michael Eidelman, its medical director, has served on an Allergan advisory board and said he’s seeing men arrive at his office more assured and confident about getting facial injections.

One of his longtime patients, Stephen Hayes, said during a recent afternoon appointment that people often ask how the 55-year-old avoids looking, well, 55 years old. He’s been getting wrinkle-smoothing injections for several years.

“Male friends maybe made a couple of jokes about it,” Hayes said. “Many of them are getting the procedure now.”

Chronic pain doesn’t stop dancer who almost lost leg

BY LESLIE BARKER
Dallas Morning News

After more than 30 surgeries on her leg — which has led to a fused ankle, metal in her toes, chronic pain and an off-and-on limp — it would be understandable for Amberly Lago to get wistful talking about the days when she could run a mile in five minutes. Or when she made her living as a jazz, hip-hop and tap dancer and worked as a personal trainer.

Instead, she’s more about the present than the past. She revels in short beach runs, in belly dancing lessons, in time spent with her husband and two daughters, and in encouraging others. She embodies the word “resilient.”

The pivot separating the two parts of her life is a terrible accident that happened in 2010.

Lago, a Greenville, Texas, native who now lives in California, was hit by an SUV while riding her motorcycle home after running 11 miles with a friend. In this excerpt from her book, “True Grit and Grace: Turning Tragedy Into Triumph” (Morgan James Publishing; \$16.95), she describes what she saw:

“Every beat of my heart issued a geyser of blood from what was a ruptured femoral artery in the middle of tissue damage that looked like a mangled mess of tissue. I grabbed for what was left of my leg and tried to keep the pieces from falling off and the blood from gushing.”

Doctors wanted to amputate her leg. Not surprisingly, the pain, for which she minces no words, was horrific. As if months in the hospital and almost losing her leg weren’t enough, she was also diagnosed with a nerve disease, complex regional pain syndrome, and told she’d spend her life in a wheelchair.



AMBERLY LAGO

After Amberly Lago was hit by an SUV while riding her motorcycle, doctors wanted to amputate her leg.

Lago planned to do nothing of the sort. “You keep going,” says Lago, 46. That’s not to say she hasn’t had doubts or frustrations.

“I hated my leg,” she says. “I hated it was deformed. I hated it didn’t work the way it was supposed to. I hated that it gave me so much pain. Not until one of my doctors, the one who saved my leg, put it in his lap and looked at it like it was a masterpiece, a work of art, did it shift. I thought, ‘If he can look at my leg that way, I can learn to love it.’”

She focuses on what she can do — lift weights, climb stairs, ride a bike.

“I have tried every kind of treatment” for pain, she says; currently, all she takes is a non-opioid prescription, which slows the nerve pathway. “The only thing that seems to work

for me is a practice of mindfulness. I start every day before my feet hit the floor. I pray. ‘Thank you, Lord, I am so grateful. Thank you, Lord, I am able to get out of bed and walk to the bathroom.’ It’s not a fancy prayer.”

She also writes in her journal every day. Whether two sentences or two pages, “It keeps me centered and focused on what’s important,” she says. “I think of what I’m grateful for and it sets the tone for the entire day.”

Her resilience isn’t unique to her, she says. “We all have it inside of us. The only thing you need to claim your resilience is to be willing. That light is inside all of us. Surround yourself with people who will fan your flame.”

“Get grateful and focus on what you can do instead of what you can’t.”

PEOPLE’S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Looking for a safer sunscreen

BY JOE GRAEDON
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King Features Syndicate

Q: In the Consumer Reports ratings on sunscreen, most of the top-ranked lotions contain oxybenzone (aka benzophenone-3 or BP-3). You have warned previously about the possible hormone-disrupting or endocrine-disrupting effects of this chemical in many articles. What are we to do?

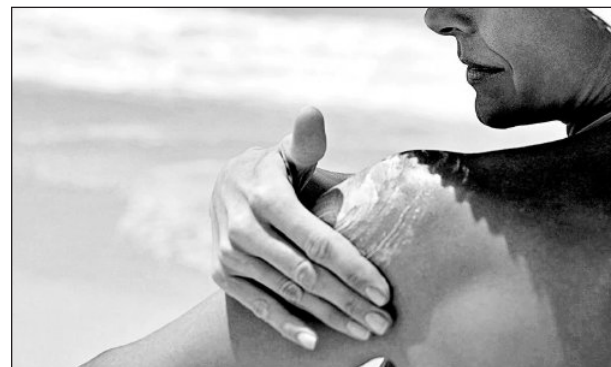
A: You are right that many of Consumer Reports’ top-rated sunscreens contain oxybenzone. Nevertheless, the organization acknowledges that the chemical contributes to coral bleaching. CR also notes that Hawaii has banned sunscreens containing oxybenzone starting in 2021.

The Environmental Working Group is a non-profit organization promoting human health with attention to environmental effects. It warns that oxybenzone “is a toxic chemical that is harmful to our health and our planet. It’s linked to hormone disruption and allergic skin reactions in people, as well as the bleaching of coral reefs and coral death.” That’s why the organization is campaigning to have oxybenzone removed from sunscreens.

EWG found it in a majority of the products it reviewed this year, but it also found more than 200 products that do not contain oxybenzone. You can check the list at ewg.org.

Q: I’m a 77-year-old woman of normal weight. My cholesterol hovered around 200, even with a strict diet and getting plenty of exercise (total 197, HDL 77, LDL 101).

My primary doctor said that this must be hereditary and wanted to put me on a statin. Instead, I started taking



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The Environmental Working Group is campaigning to have oxybenzone removed from sunscreens.

red yeast rice and sprinkled at least 1/2 teaspoon of turmeric and at least 1/4 teaspoon of black pepper on each meal.

After doing this for about four months, continuing my exercise and strict diet, my total cholesterol dropped to 162, HDL 77, LDL 76, triglycerides 47. My pharmacist confirmed that red yeast rice would not interfere with any of my other medications. I hope this helps others.

A: We are impressed with your results. You were not in bad shape to start with.

Red yeast rice contains natural statins. A meta-analysis of 13 randomized, placebo-controlled trials concluded that “red yeast rice is an effective and relatively safe approach” for high cholesterol (PLOS One, June 4, 2014). The active ingredient in turmeric (curcumin) has been shown to reduce triglycerides and raise beneficial HDL cholesterol (Critical Reviews in Food Science and Nutrition, online, Nov. 29, 2017).

You can learn more about red yeast rice and other nondrug approaches in our “Guide to Cholesterol Control and Heart Health.” It also can be downloaded for \$2 from our website: www.peoplespharmacy.com. It was wise of you to check with the pharmacist about interactions.

Q: I have been on meloxicam to treat arthritis pain for about a month now. I had a procedure done yesterday, and the nurse told me to keep an eye on my blood pressure until I see my doctor again.

I checked it again this evening, and it was 168/117. My blood pressure was never this high before I started taking meloxicam. Could the drug be raising my BP?

A: The official prescribing information for meloxicam (Mobic) states: “NSAIDs, including MOBIC, can lead to new onset or worsening of pre-existing hypertension, either of which may contribute to the increased incidence of CV cardiovascular events.”

All nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, including ibuprofen and naproxen, have the potential to raise blood pressure. You definitely should discuss this problem with your physician at your earliest opportunity.

Other side effects of meloxicam include digestive distress, skin rash, dizziness, ringing in the ears, elevated liver enzymes, kidney damage, blood clots, heart attacks and strokes.

In their column, Joe and Teresa Graedon answer letters from readers. Send questions to them via www.peoplespharmacy.com.

Research links herpes virus, Alzheimer's

Find could open up treatment options

BY MELISSA HEALY
Los Angeles Times

Researchers may have found a tiny culprit — human herpes virus — in the progressive loss of memory, thinking ability and identity that comes with Alzheimer's disease. And it could be a big deal.

In research that revives a suspicion raised more than six decades ago, scientists have found higher levels of the common virus in the brains of people who had both behavioral symptoms and neurological evidence of Alzheimer's at the time of their death than in the brains of deceased donors who had no signs of dementia.

The researchers' suspicions fell upon two strains of herpes virus — herpesvirus 6A and herpesvirus 7 — that were most evident in regions of the brain affected first in Alzheimer's disease, and in those that suffer most as the disease progresses.

Their surprise discovery emerged as researchers sorted through a vast genomic databank in search of new ideas for treating Alzheimer's with drugs designed for other diseases. The study's authors pored over DNA and RNA sequencing data from 622 brains donated by people



The new findings that suggest a link between Alzheimer's disease and human herpes virus came about because of researchers' ability to share data.

heimer's with drugs designed for other diseases. The study's authors pored over DNA and RNA sequencing data from 622 brains donated by people

affected by Alzheimer's and 322 brains that were free of the disease.

The data they mined are usually discarded but instead were archived by the

National Institutes of Health in a bid to accelerate the discovery of new treatments by fostering "big data" collaborations. This one brought together scien-



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After studying samples from three brain banks, scientists say viruses might play a role in Alzheimer's disease.

tists at Arizona State University's Banner Neurodegenerative Disease Research Center and Alzheimer's experts at New York's Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai.

It was published in June in the journal *Neuron*.

An estimated 5.7 million Americans are living with Alzheimer's disease in 2018, a number expected to rise to 14 million by 2050 unless some means of prevention or treatment is found.

The findings are a far cry from establishing what role the two strains of the virus might play in initiating or driving the decadeslong process of cognitive loss and brain changes in Alzheimer's, or even whether they play such a causative role. But it gives researchers a new foothold in a field of research that has failed to find anything to prevent, slow or reverse Alzheimer's inexorable march.

"It is a beautiful piece of work, but it is still an association," said Mirosław Mackiewicz, program director at the National Institute on Aging's Division of Neuroscience. Still, he added, by providing evidence for the virus' presence and some hints at its possible role, "you have some way to start your experiments."

If further research uncovers a key role of herpes virus in Alzheimer's disease, "this would generate a lot of excitement because we have vaccines" against various strains of disease-causing herpes virus, Mackiewicz said.

There are many possible explanations for why herpes virus levels were so high in brains affected by Alzheimer's. Among them: that Alzheimer's might be an inflammatory or immune system reaction. High levels of herpes virus might have touched off

such a reaction, the authors of the new research note. Or, the abundant presence of the virus could be an unrelated consequence of a brain struggling to defend itself from a different threat altogether.

But antiviral treatment might prove effective either way, speculated Dr. Sam Gandy, an Alzheimer's disease researcher at Icahn School of Medicine and one of the paper's authors.

Even if the abundance of herpes virus "is a secondary phenomenon, if it's contributing to progression of Alzheimer's, then treating it still could be beneficial."

Finding and treating people with a known risk for Alzheimer's and who have high viral loads might make a difference, Gandy said.

Heather M. Snyder, senior director of medical and scientific operations for the Alzheimer's Association, urged caution in interpreting the new findings.

"The idea that viruses or something else could be triggering or causing changes in the brain is not new," Snyder said. "And we know that people in general, and those over 50 in particular, have these viruses in their brains. It might be more the immune system and that it may go awry. But we don't know that."

The findings came about because of researchers' ability to share data, samples, funding and a large dataset, Snyder said. "That's where increased funding continues to be so needed."

As research teams run down the dynamics behind associations like this one, "it's like an onion," she added. "We're peeling back those layers and are getting to the core" of what causes Alzheimer's disease and how to stop it.

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Tender, slightly sweet acidic fruit cuts the sweetness from the meringue and the richness from the cream in the Eton mess, a perfect dessert for casual summer gatherings.

CRAVING: ICE CREAM

A DELICIOUS MESS

Meringue, whipped cream and fruit make for a great summer treat



JEANMARIE BROWNSON
Dinner at Home

I make ice cream when I crave Eton mess — that lovely pile of broken meringue, whipped cream and strawberries so beloved in the U.K. This convoluted cooking happens to me often — an ingredient left from one project prompts another. Egg yolks left over from making the meringues for the Eton mess mean custard or eggnog

or, in this case, ice cream.

To start, let's talk about Eton mess. I first encountered this perfect summer dessert while bicycling in Rutland County, England. Just as in the Wisconsin favorite schaum torte and the internationally known pavlova, crunchy meringue pairs with softly whipped cream to create an Eton mess. Tender, slightly sweet acidic fruit cuts the sweetness from the meringue and the richness from the cream. The difference is in the presentation. Folklore has it that Eton mess is a pavlova that hit the pavement during a college cricket match — hence its messy demeanor.

All the better for casual summer gatherings that don't stress the cook.

To get the mess going, I beat egg whites with superfine sugar to peaks, then bake circles into

meringue crispness. For the fruit, I macerate assorted fresh berries with a bit of sugar. Barely sweetened whipped cream holds the whole thing together. Serve the mess in small bowls with a garnish of mint.

For a speedy Eton mess, I simply use packaged meringues, broken into bite-size bits, thawed frozen mixed berries and whipped topping.

As for the yolks that remain from the project, cook them gently in milk for a light, frozen custard-style of ice cream. My standard vanilla base combines mostly whole milk, heavy cream and a vanilla bean scraped to release its seeds. I'll adjust the milk-to-cream ratios depending on the audience — more cream for company, less for family to

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REVIEWS LE BOUCHON ★★ LA SARDINE ★★

Poilevey family keeps legacy intact

Bittersweet anniversaries at 2 restaurants

BY PHIL VETTEL
 Chicago Tribune

Two related restaurants mark an aggregate of 45 years in the Chicago area this summer. Le Bouchon, a Bucktown bistro, celebrated its 25th anniversary last month, and La Sardine, its West Loop sibling, will turn 20 in September.

The anniversaries come with a certain poignancy; Jean-Claude Poilevey, the chef who created both restaurants (and the beloved Jean-Claude restaurant some years earlier) was killed in a traf-

fic accident in April 2016. The restaurants remain in the hands of the family: His wife, Susanne Poilevey, and sons Oliver (executive chef), Henri (host) and Nicolas (wine director).

The restaurants are very similar; it matters not which dining room you occupy when ordering menu stalwarts such as onion soup, escargots a la Bourguignonne, steak frites or bouillabaisse — all beautifully rendered. Both restaurants run the same customer-friendly specials: Mon-

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Oliver Poilevey is executive chef of Le Bouchon in Bucktown and its West Loop sibling, La Sardine.



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Bun-up your burger game

Grilling hamburgers this summer? Raise the bar with these homemade bun recipes

BY NOELLE CARTER | Los Angeles Times

To any real fan, a hamburger is never just a burger. Rather, it's a work of art, passionately thought out and painstakingly executed. A great burger is the very extension of the grill master's identity, the perfect blend of meat for flavor and just enough fat to keep it juicy and rich, flavored with the right mix of spices. Top that beauty with colorful veggies, a slathering of homemade sauce and maybe — just maybe — your own homemade pickles, and most of us would call it a masterpiece.

But what about the bun?

All too sadly, most of us shop for the first buns we see in the market. We test for fluffiness, check for a bedazzling of sesame seeds and call it a day. But consider hamburger buns in the same way you would pizza crust — you don't want them stealing the show, but they should be able to hold their own. If you're going to all that trouble with the fillings, why not care about the bookends?

Here are two burger bun recipes for your cookouts this summer. They're easy to make — most of the time is spent waiting for the dough to rise — and you can't beat the flavor.

Brioche buns

Prep: 40 minutes **Rise:** 1 hour, 15 minutes

Bake: 20 minutes **Makes:** 6 buns

- $\frac{3}{4}$ cup milk
- 1 package (2 1/2 teaspoons) active dry yeast
- $\frac{1}{4}$ cup plus 1 teaspoon sugar
- 3 eggs
- 1 stick plus 2 tablespoons butter, at room temperature
- 3 1/2 cups bread flour, plus more for dusting
- $\frac{1}{2}$ teaspoon salt

1 In a small pan, heat $\frac{1}{2}$ cup plus 2 tablespoons milk over medium heat, just until warmed. Pour into a small bowl or measuring cup. Stir in the yeast and 1 teaspoon sugar; set aside until the milk is foamy, about 10 minutes.

2 Whisk 2 eggs in a stand mixer (or with a hand mixer) until light and fluffy, about 1 minute. Switch to paddle attachment. Stir in the yeast mixture and remaining $\frac{1}{4}$ cup sugar. With the mixer running, add the butter, 1 tablespoon at a time, until incorporated.

3 In a medium bowl, whisk together the flour and salt. With the mixer running, add the flour mixture, one spoonful at a time, until fully incorporated.

4 Transfer the dough to a lightly floured surface; knead until it is soft and somewhat silky (it's a rich dough and won't be entirely smooth), 5 to 7 minutes. Place the dough in a large, oiled bowl; lightly cover with plastic wrap. Set aside in a warm place until doubled in size, 1 to 1 1/2 hours. (Alternatively, refrigerate the dough overnight, then take it out the next day and wait for it to come to room temperature.)

5 Heat the oven to 375 degrees. Line a baking sheet with parchment paper and lightly grease the parchment. Make an egg wash by beating together the remaining egg with the remaining 2 tablespoons milk.

6 When the dough is doubled (it will be very smooth and elastic), punch it down and divide it into 6 pieces. Form each piece into a ball, pinching the seams together at the base. Flatten a ball so it's about 1 inch thick; place on the prepared baking sheet. Repeat with remaining dough balls.

7 Lightly brush with the wash; set aside until the rounds are puffed and almost doubled in size, about 15 minutes.

8 Bake until puffed and a rich golden color, rotating halfway, about 20 minutes. Cool on a rack before slicing and serving.

Nutrition information per bun: 532 calories, 24 g fat, 13 g saturated fat, 147 mg cholesterol, 65 g carbohydrates, 11 g sugar, 14 g protein, 247 mg sodium, 2 g fiber

Pretzel buns

Prep: 1 hour **Rise:** 1 hour **Bake:** 20 minutes **Makes:** 8 buns

- 1 package ($\frac{1}{4}$ ounce) active dry yeast (2 1/4 teaspoons)
- 1 3/4 cups warm water
- 2 teaspoons light brown sugar
- 5 cups bread flour, divided
- $\frac{1}{2}$ cup rye flour
- 2 teaspoons salt
- 3 tablespoons butter, melted
- 1 whole egg, beaten
- Coarse sea salt

1 In the bowl of a stand mixer or in a large bowl, sprinkle the yeast over the water. Stir in the sugar and $\frac{1}{2}$ cup bread flour. Set aside until the yeast begins to bubble, about 10 minutes.

2 Meanwhile, in a medium bowl, whisk together the remaining bread flour with the rye flour and salt.

3 Beat the butter into the large bowl with the yeast. Using the dough hook (if using a stand mixer) or a fork or wooden spoon (if mixing by hand), slowly mix in the remaining flour mixture, a spoonful at a time, until all of the flour is added and a firm, thick dough is formed.

4 Transfer the dough to a lightly floured board. Knead until smooth and elastic, 2 to 3 minutes.

5 Transfer dough to a large, oiled bowl. Cover and set aside in a warm place until the dough is almost doubled in size, 45 minutes to an hour. Meanwhile, heat the oven to 375 degrees.

6 Divide the risen dough into eight pieces. Form each into a ball, pinching the seams together at the base. Flatten each ball so it's about 1 inch thick; place on a baking sheet. Brush the beaten egg over the buns.

7 Cut a crosswise slit into the top of each roll, about $\frac{1}{2}$ -inch deep, with a serrated knife or razor blade. Sprinkle with coarse sea salt. Set the rounds aside until puffed and risen, about 15 minutes.

8 Bake until puffed and a rich golden brown (color will vary depending on the wash), about 20 minutes. Rotate halfway through baking for even coloring. Remove the baking sheet to a rack; cool buns before slicing and serving.

Nutrition information per bun: 357 calories, 6 g fat, 3 g saturated fat, 11 mg cholesterol, 64 g carbohydrates, 1 g sugar, 11 g protein, 584 mg sodium, 3 g fiber



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BEER OF THE MONTH

Central State's Table lives up to the easy-drinking style

BY JOSH NOEL
Chicago Tribune

The beer: Table by Central State Brewing (Indianapolis).

What it is: Central State calls Table a "rustic blonde ale," though in beer speak it is a "table beer" — a bright, earthy, low-alcohol ale popular in the Belgian and French traditions meant to appeal to a broad swath of drinkers and pair well with a meal. It's a wonderful,

though sadly unappreciated style in the U.S. — done well, table beer is among the most interesting iterations possible of "light beer."

In the can: It's clear you're in for interesting refreshment as soon as the aroma hits; Table smells of tart citrus — lemon and orange — and grassy hay. It's bright, tart and zesty up front on the palate, rife with notes of lemon and yeast underscored with

light melon and floral character. A late peppery bitterness creeps in as Table dries out into easy drinkability that's bright and effervescent and even a bit reminiscent of dry Champagne.

Alcohol: 4 percent

Find it: Available year-round in four-packs of 16-ounce cans.

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Central State's Table ale is available year-round.

Explore Michigan's diverse wine scene



MICHAEL AUSTIN
The Pour Man

Michiganders have a way of showing their hand. They have a technique — a tradition, really — of lifting their right hand and pressing their left index finger into a spot on their palm to give you, the Michigan-geography-challenged, a lesson in what's where.

The state looks like a mitten (thus the palm, with closed fingers and a slightly extended thumb), sitting solidly in the Midwest and virtually surrounded by massive freshwater lakes. While you could point to several spots on the mitten to show where vineyards and wineries are, most are close to the western and northern shorelines — from the outside of the wrist up the pinkie and around to the tip of the middle finger. These vineyards optimize Lake Michigan's moderating effects, which extend the growing season and translate to slower grape ripening and acidity retention.

There are five regions in Michigan that have been granted official AVA (American Viticultural Area) status. In the southwestern tip of the state (in the palm-geography game, near the outer wrist) is the Lake Michigan Shore AVA, which includes the smaller Fennville AVA.

At the tip of the pinkie, there are two AVAs — Leelanau Peninsula and Old Mission Peninsula — and more than half of all Michigan wine comes from this area, which is anchored by Grand Traverse Bay. (Don't confuse either of these with Michigan's Upper Peninsula, the landmass that reaches clear across the top of Lake Michigan and connects with Wisconsin; the



GETTY

The Old Mission Peninsula north of Traverse City, Mich., is one of five designated American Viticulture Areas throughout the state.

wines of Michigan come from what is officially known as the Lower Peninsula, aka "the mitten.")

The final AVA has the most mirthful of names, Tip of the Mitt, and I don't need to tell you where that one is; the name says it all. I tasted scads of wines from Leelanau Peninsula and Old Mission Peninsula, both of which extend north from Traverse City, and a baker's dozen of noteworthy bottles are listed here.

Michigan produces a lot of wine, and not all of it is made from fine wine grapes — or even grapes. Various fruits are used (like cherries), along with some native and hybrid grapes, but close to 3 out of 4 bottles of Michigan wine come from European wine grapes. Among the most popular are pinot blanc, pinot gris (also called pinot grigio by some Michigan winemakers), sauvignon blanc, riesling, gewurztraminer and chardonnay on the white side; or pinot

noir, cabernet franc and merlot on the red side.

Michigan's first commercial winery was established in 1868, but the state's wine region has experienced highs and lows through Prohibition, World War II and a number of developments through the '70s. Today, more than 140 wineries call the state home, and its vineyards reach across more than 3,000 acres. Some Michigan wines are available in retail stores outside the state, and most can be ordered directly from the wineries.

The following are notes from a recent tasting of wines from Michigan's Leelanau Peninsula and Old Mission Peninsula. The wines are listed by wine style — sparkling followed by white and red — in ascending order, according to price. They're not cheap, but included in the price is your ability to surprise your guests with the phrase, "This next wine is from Michigan."

Sparkling

2011 Brengman Brothers Cold Sophie Blanc de Blancs. This traditional method sparkler offers notes of bread crust, pear, anise, tangy citrus and a clean finish with 11.5 percent alcohol. \$35

White

2016 Black Star Farms "Arcturos" Pinot Gris. Apricot plus other stone and tropical fruits give way to a soft mouthfeel, minerality and a nutty finish with a tiny pinch of lime. \$13

2016 Hawthorne Vineyards Pinot Blanc. Notes of candied fruit, lemon-lime and apple lead to a crisp, clean finish in this wine, which clocks in at 13.4 percent alcohol. \$18

2016 Brengman Brothers Gary's Reserve Gewurztraminer. Floral and herbal notes mingle with apricot, honey and exotic spices in this Leelanau Peninsula wine with 12.5 percent alcohol. \$20

2017 Rove Estate Un-oaked Chardonnay. This refreshing wine offers up the aroma of boxwood accompanied by pear, anise seed, lemon and green apple notes. For chardonnay lovers who don't want butter. \$22

2017 Brys Estate Vineyard & Winery Reserve Pinot Blanc. From Old Mission Peninsula, this wine delivers peach and pear with a balancing nuttiness, luxuriously soft mouthfeel and a clean finish. \$22

2016 Mari Vineyards Dry Riesling. With classic notes of petrol and lime, plus orange zest, lemon, ripe red apple and lively acidity, this wine was racy and refreshing. \$28

Red

2016 Black Star Farms "Arcturos" Cabernet Franc. This 100 percent varietal offers notes of violets, blackberry, plum, dark cherry, pencil shavings, raspberry and incense.

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Chef Nichelle Benford, owner of Dream Chef Kitchen at 611 S. California Ave., cooks chicken and vegetables for her customers during the lunchtime rush.

From prison to pioneer

Chef dreams of transforming one Chicago corner

BY ALISON BOWEN
Chicago Tribune

The flowers by the door of Dream Chef Kitchen aren't real. But on a dreary day in March, they offered a hopeful note of what might eventually grow.

Growth is important to the catering company and restaurant's owner and chef, Nichelle Benford. She's done a lot of growing lately. Growing into the kind of woman who wouldn't stake her future on anyone but herself; the kind of businesswoman who believes she can create space to serve as encouragement to other entrepreneurs eyeing a corner neighbored by empty lots. And growing into the kind of person who believed her story did not end on the 2010 day when she was sentenced to prison.

Opened in January and expanded to dinner hours this spring, Dream Chef Kitchen (611 S. California Ave.) is a bright space on the corner of California Avenue and Harrison Street, just off Interstate 290. Benford, 37, wants it to be a place where people come for a healthy meal, a seat by a window, maybe even a setting for nurturing bigger plans.

"That's always been my dream," Benford said, "to have a place where people can come and connect. And I'm seeing it happening, now that we're open."

On a recent afternoon, people dining in for lunch sat by the windows, chatting and smiling, just as she'd envisioned.

Benford's menu is a mix of soul food and her experiments from culinary school, like pot roast with mashed potatoes and carrots, served with gravy, or grilled avocado salad, dressed with a refreshing mixture of honey and rice vinegar.

But Benford is always thinking bigger. Not only for herself, but also for other women, who might feel encouraged to start their own business. For the neighborhood, to coax more life from behind storefronts that stand empty. For other people just out of prison.

"I thought my life was over," she said about being sentenced to prison. Now, she said, "I'm building a legacy and living in purpose."

Just as she's taken steps on a path toward rebuilding, she wants to offer that to others. Some of her six employees are recently out of prison, including on a spring day a man washing restaurant windows and a woman cooking salmon and sauteing vegetables.

Benford noticed the woman was good at math, and she began teaching her to calculate food costs.

"I feel like a leader develops other leaders," Benford said.

In 2010, Benford was sentenced to three years in prison on charges of making false statements and obstructing justice. The charge stemmed from Benford's lying about where her boyfriend was while he was under investigation in an arson



Benford's menu at Dream Chef Kitchen is a mix of soul food and her experiments from culinary school.



The restaurant opened in January and added dinner hours in the spring. As it grows, catering offers security. "I'm building a legacy and living in purpose," said Benford, who grew up in the Roseland neighborhood.

case seven years earlier.

Benson acknowledges making a mistake. She was humbled by going from a life where she worked as a model and wore Gucci to one in which someone else decided what she wore and what she ate. In prison, she realized her capabilities to be a leader. She noticed how women listened to her.

"It made me really believe in girl power," Benford said. "You don't realize how strong you are until you go through stuff."

She was released in 2012. Since then she's nurtured the Dream Chef Kitchen vision. She returned to her food roots, first selling savory crepes from Model Chef, a food truck. Then, she created her catering company. "I didn't want it to be regular food," she said.

But Benford wanted space — she was carrying grills up the three floors to her condo every day. With the help of her former lawyer, Brendan Shiller, she scouted locations, signed a five-

year lease and began what became a yearlong renovation.

Many times Benford could have stopped. When the plumbing had to be redone, when men talked down to her about plans, when men catcalled her as she parked in front of her business. That time, she yelled back, angrily. But then she collected herself inside her restaurant, and she walked out and introduced herself. "Talk to me like you'd talk to your mother or sister," she told them.

"I think a lesser person would have folded up shop by now," Shiller, Benford's former lawyer, said. "What she has is a desire to succeed and a dream and a vision that she wants to fulfill."

From being a first-time business owner to attracting diners in what Shiller calls a "food desert," Benford has a lot of support. Launching a restaurant requires resources, so Shiller connected Benford with Chicago Neighborhood Initiatives Micro Finance Group's micro-lending program.

When she chose a neighborhood, Benford needed something she could afford. And she wanted a location like this — one turn off the highway and about 10 minutes to downtown. "It's so convenient," she said. "You want to be accessible."

Hopefully, Shiller said, "(Dream Chef Kitchen) will play a role in helping to revitalize the community without gentrifying the community."

Benford grew up in the Roseland neighborhood, where she remembers options that were mostly fast-food chains. She wants for people what she did not have — healthy options from a local business. She believes strongly that people should not have to drive to the Loop to get a decent meal, to sit in sunlight by the window, to host a dinner party with friends at tables with fresh flowers.

"Everybody deserves to experience that," she said.

Benford's catering business

provides a financial foundation while the restaurant grows; people can also reserve the space for events. She hopes to eventually bottle and sell her dressings, perhaps open two more Chicago locations. Maybe even a communal kitchen for fledgling chefs.

During recent lunch shifts, a steady stream of customers picked up orders to go, and a handful of tables were always full — men in suits sharing lunch, her mother and a childhood friend toasting. Benford knows her customers and their orders.

"I remember their name; I remember what they like," she said. "I want us to grow with our customers."

Maya Fernandez, who works at a law firm nearby, had brought her lunch to work but came by for a side of sweet potato fries and a smoothie. Previously the only option was the Sharks Fish and Chicken across the street, she said. Having healthy alternatives helps. And, she added, "It's flavorful."

On a spring afternoon, Benford's mother, Rene Armstrong, was in town, drinking Champagne to celebrate her daughter's new restaurant. She and a childhood friend ordered pot roast and collard greens, one of Benford's favorite dishes. Armstrong said she was proud but unsurprised that Benford built this life after prison. Her daughter has always been a hard worker, she said. And she is not surprised she is a chef.

Armstrong recalls when her daughter was a toddler who loved watching her grandmother cook. One time, she entered the kitchen to hear the little girl casually ask, "Where's the nutmeg?"

"She's been doing this for a very long time," Armstrong said.

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“When I was growing up, it wasn’t often I’d see people like me on TV winning prizes. Then, within a week of the show premiere, I was hearing from people, ‘My little girl with natural hair loves you because you’re rocking curly hair.’ Now, even though I won, no one knows I did. I was denied that platform.”

— Vallery Lomas



After sexual misconduct allegations hit the set of “The Great American Baking Show,” the show was canceled, and Season 3 winner Vallery Lomas never had her moment in the spotlight. But she’s pursuing her culinary dreams regardless.

She won ‘Baking Show,’ but you’d never know it

BY JOSEPH HERNANDEZ
Chicago Tribune

“The Great American Baking Show,” our side of the pond’s answer to the “The Great British Baking Show,” is once again searching for the next great baking star. Thing is, the show has a star it has all but ignored: Vallery Lomas, winner of its most recent cycle.

In the third season that never was, “The Great American Baking Show” was canceled one week after its premiere as a result of the multiple sexual and harassment allegations against judge Johnny Iuzzini that had come to light.

The show at that point had been produced: Lomas was declared the winner, and then — nothing. ABC pulled the show and acted as if it had never happened. The only nod to Lomas’ victory was a hastily cut recap video clocking in at a minute and a half that barely featured her work or that of her fellow contestants.

“It’s crazy people don’t get to see what we went through,” Lomas said. “We had truly been through something — months of auditioning, preparation, shooting and challenges — it was amazing and really special. I was looking forward to sharing the journey, but it’s unfortunate that in 2018, we’re still paying the price for men’s bad behavior across the board, paying it on every level — not just me, but the other contestants, the show’s crew.”

For Lomas, the show — not just her win but also her experience — was to be her springboard into baking professionally. She was proud of showing off her prowess — dazzling the judges with an inverted puff pastry, or little accomplishments like a butter-scotch pie with artful chocolate swirls — even as she doubted herself during the challenges. “I really struggled — it was humbling — but I learned to trust my instincts and confidence in my abilities,” said Lomas. “It took getting feedback from Paul Hollywood to realize I was on the right track.”

“But when I was growing up, it wasn’t often I’d see people like me on TV winning prizes. Then, within a week of the show premiere, I was hearing from people, ‘My little girl with natural hair loves you because you’re rocking curly hair.’ Now, even though I won, no one



VALLERY LOMAS PHOTO

Lomas uses just three ingredients in her lemonade frozen pops: lemons, honey and water.

Lemonade frozen pops

Prep: 5 hours **Cook:** 15 minutes **Makes:** 10 frozen pops

This recipe is from Vallery Lomas, who offers this tip: “If the frozen pops are being stubborn and won’t release easily, put them in warm (not hot!) water for about 30 seconds and try to remove them again. If serving immediately, put the removed pops in the freezer for another 30 minutes so that they won’t melt instantly when you are enjoying them.”

- 1/2 cup plus 1 1/2 cups water (2 cups total)
- 1/2 cup honey
- 1/2 cup lemon juice
- Thinly sliced lemon

- 1** Make a simple syrup by heating 1/2 cup water in a small saucepan until just boiling. Remove from heat and stir in the honey.
- 2** Once the honey is dissolved, stir in 1/2 cup lemon juice and the remaining 1 1/2 cups water.
- 3** Pour the mixture into frozen pop molds. If desired, put thin slices of lemons into the molds for added flair.
- 4** Freeze. If using sticks, after 2 hours, remove from the freezer and insert the sticks and freeze for an additional 3 hours. If handles are a part of your molds, skip this step.
- 5** Once completely frozen, remove from freezer and remove the frozen pops from the molds. Store them between pieces of wax paper in an airtight container in the freezer. (Be sure to unmold your frozen pops — if you wait days or weeks, they will be much harder to get out.)

Nutrition information per serving: 55 calories, 0 g fat, 0 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 15 g carbohydrates, 14 g sugar, 0 g protein, 1 mg sodium, 0 g fiber

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But as Lomas will tell you, she’s made life’s lemons into lemon curd. Though her “The Great American Baking Show” season remains unaired, with little chance of seeing the light of day, Lomas continues to build her brand of approachable home baking, on her own terms. These days the law-

yer-by-trade is working on a book project while keeping up with her blog, Foodie in New York, and social media feeds of rustic hand pies, colorful macarons and drool-worthy ice cream sandwiches. She has also made appearances on TV around the country, including the now-canceled “The Chew.” (Co-host Mario Batali was removed from that show after

allegations of his own sexual misconduct were revealed.)

“I can still inspire people just by being out here, hustling and staying resilient,” she said.

In May, Lomas was tapped by the James Beard Foundation to present an award for, what else, outstanding baker, at the foundation’s annual awards gala. The JBA theme, “I Rise,” directly mirrored Lomas’ own philosophy (“Even when you’re in the muck, it’s fertilizer for growth”), and her presentation was a galvanizing moment in the ceremony — she used her momentum to try to change the conversation around food, particularly with regard to representation and giving marginalized people a platform.

“Anything is possible with passion and determination,” she said at the ceremony. “I was a full-time practicing attorney when I fulfilled my baking dreams and won ‘The Great American Baking Show.’ And while there are a few things more important to me than a really flaky puff pastry, one is ensuring that diversity in our food community is represented in the media.

“I want the next generation of curly-haired, melanin-rich, thick-accented, queer and straight immigrant little girls and boys to see that there’s a place for them at the table, too.”

The show was a good start, says Lomas, “but the work is just beginning.”

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Make a mess with ice cream, sorbet

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control some calories.

Making ice cream truly is about cooking for pleasure since there are dozens of excellent commercial ice creams at most stores. I use the vanilla beans I bought in Mexico, cream and milk from a local dairy, eggs from the farmers market. We gather round while the machine does the hard work of gently beating air into the base. When the soft, mounds of fluffy ice-cold cream are ready, we stir in our favorite caramelized nuts, chopped homemade cookies or shards of special chocolate bars purchased on vacation. After a few minutes of firming the mixture in the freezer, we indulge together at the table. Not at all the solitary ritual of eating ice cream straight from the carton in front of the television.

Typically, long periods of time transpire between my ice cream-making adventures. So, I start by rereading the ice cream maker's directions. I usually use the style of ice cream freezer

with an electric motor and an insulated bowl that contains a freezer liquid. During the summer months, I leave the bowl in the freezer, so a quart of ice cream can be ready quickly.

For a crowd, I make a double batch of the base recipe below and freeze it in my wooden bucket White Mountain ice cream maker. Rather than a hand crank, it has an electric motor on top and yields 4 quarts of fantastically smooth and creamy ice cream. It requires ice cubes and salt to help freeze the cream. So I plan ahead to procure those ingredients.

We have a family member who prefers sorbet to ice cream every time. So, I make his favorite lemon sorbet for a summertime treat. Like ice cream, making sorbet is not about saving money. It's about controlling the sweetness and tasting the freshness.

Eton mess, served with a dollop of homemade ice cream or lemon sorbet, to friends and family. Now there's the perfect way to celebrate summer.



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Making sorbet, like this lemon version, isn't about saving money. It's about controlling sweetness and tasting freshness.

Meringues

Prep: 10 minutes **Bake:** 2 1/2 hours

Makes: 6 large meringues

If you don't have superfine sugar, put 1 cup granulated sugar into a food processor; run the machine a few minutes until sugar is very fine. Cream of tartar helps stabilize the meringues; buy it in a small container, and know that it will keep a long time in a cool, dry spot.

- 4 large egg whites
- 1/2 teaspoon cream of tartar
- Pinch salt
- 2/3 cup superfine sugar

1 Heat oven to 200 degrees. Line a large baking sheet with parchment paper.

2 Beat egg whites in a large bowl of an electric mixer until foamy. Beat in cream of tartar and salt. Very gradually beat in sugar, about 1 tablespoon at a time, until the mixture forms shiny, nearly stiff peaks, about 4 minutes depending on the power of your mixer.

3 Divide the mixture into 6 mounds on the prepared baking sheet. Use the back of a spoon to smooth the piles into 4-inch-diameter circles about 1 inch thick.

4 Bake, rotating the baking sheet once or twice, until crisp and firm but not browned, 2 to 2 1/2 hours. Turn off the oven and let the meringues cool completely. Store in a tin for a day or two.

Nutrition information per meringue: 91 calories, 0 g fat, 0 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 21 g carbohydrates, 21 g sugar, 2 g protein, 61 mg sodium, 0 g fiber

Eton mess with or without ice cream

Prep: 15 minutes **Stand:** 15 minutes

Makes: 6 servings

Frozen berries and store-bought meringues can be used here. I add ice cream or lemon sorbet when serving this dessert in the summer.

- 1 cup heavy (whipping) cream, very cold
- 4 tablespoons powdered sugar
- 1 1/2 cups mixed small berries (such as raspberries, blueberries, blackberries and thinly sliced strawberries)
- 6 meringues, see recipe
- 6 small scoops vanilla ice cream or lemon sorbet, optional
- Mint sprigs for garnish

1 Put cream into a small mixing bowl. Beat on high until frothy. Beat in 2 tablespoons of the sugar; beat just until soft peaks form. Do not overbeat. Refrigerate up to several hours.

2 Put berries into a large bowl. Crush berries slightly while stirring in remaining 2 tablespoons sugar. Let stand 15 minutes to draw out the berries' juices.

3 Just before serving, fold the cream into the berries. Break the meringues into bite-size chunks; fold into the cream mixture. Spoon mixture into 6 pretty serving bowls. Add 1 small scoop ice cream to each bowl. Garnish with mint and serve right away.

Nutrition information per serving (with ice cream): 328 calories, 18 g fat, 11 g saturated fat, 60 mg cholesterol, 38 g carbohydrates, 36 g sugar, 5 g protein, 99 mg sodium, 1 g fiber

Vanilla custard-style ice cream

Prep: 20 minutes **Cook:** 10 minutes

Chill: Several hours **Makes:** about 1 quart, 8 servings

Save the egg whites for making the meringue recipe.

- 1/2 vanilla bean
 - 2 cups whole milk
 - 4 large egg yolks
 - 1/2 cup sugar
 - 1 cup heavy (whipping) cream
- Optional mix-ins: About 1 cup chopped nuts, soft candy such as peanut butter cups, or shaved chocolate

1 Read the manufacturer's directions on the ice cream maker; freeze the container if necessary overnight.

2 Use a sharp knife to split the vanilla bean lengthwise in half. Scrape the seeds out with the tip of the knife; put the seeds and the pod into a saucepan along with the milk. Heat on low just until the milk is warm; do not allow to boil. Remove from the heat and let stand, 15 minutes. Remove the pods.

3 Set a wire mesh strainer over a large bowl set into a large bowl filled with ice.

4 Put the egg yolks into a small bowl. Whisk to mix, and then whisk in 1/2 cup of the warm milk mixture to gently warm the yolks. Pour this mixture back into the remaining milk in the pan. Whisk in the sugar. Set the pan back over low heat. Cook, stirring constantly with a wooden spoon, until the mixture barely thickens — it will coat the back of a spoon lightly. Do not walk away, and do not let the mixture boil, or the yolks will curdle. Immediately, pour the mixture through the strainer set over the bowl. Stir the cream into the bowl. Refrigerate until very cold (or up to 2 days).

5 Freeze the cold mixture in your ice cream maker according to the manufacturer's directions. Then scoop into a container. Stir in any mix-ins, if using. Cover and put into the freezer at least 20 minutes. Let soften a few minutes before serving.

Nutrition information per 1/2 cup serving: 215 calories, 15 g fat, 9 g saturated fat, 132 mg cholesterol, 17 g carbohydrates, 16 g sugar, 4 g protein, 39 mg sodium, 0 g fiber

Lemon sorbet

Prep: 15 minutes

Cook: 5 minutes

Chill: Several hours

Makes: about 3 cups, 6 servings

- 8 to 10 large juicy lemons
- 3/4 cup sugar

1 Using a fine grater, grate the yellow zest from 2 of the lemons (avoid the white pith, or the mixture will taste bitter) into a small saucepan. Stir in 1/2 cup water and the sugar. Heat to a simmer, and cook until the sugar is dissolved. Refrigerate until cold.

2 Squeeze the remaining lemons until you have 2 cups fresh juice. Stir the juice into the cold lemon syrup. Strain if you wish, but I like the lemon zest in the sorbet.

3 Freeze the mixture in your ice cream maker according to the manufacturer's directions. Then scoop into a container, and freeze solid. Let soften a few minutes before serving.

Nutrition information per 1/2 serving: 115 calories, 0 g fat, 0 g saturated fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 31 g carbohydrates, 27 g sugar, 0 g protein, 1 mg sodium, 0 g fiber

Poilevey legacy remains intact

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days, bottles of wine — all of them — are half price; Tuesdays feature three courses (off the full menu) for \$35-\$38. (In addition, La Sardine features \$1 oysters and discounted bites and drinks at the bar 5-7 p.m. Mondays to Thursdays.)

Le Bouchon is probably the more popular of the two restaurants, but La Sardine, which has almost double the seating capacity, is due for a business surge, now that the new McDonald's headquarters, across the street, is finally completed.

"The construction killed our lunch business for six months," Oliver Poilevey said. "Just one of those things. You suffer in the now to gain in the later."

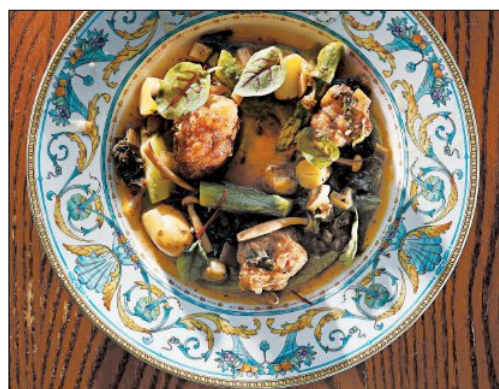
Oliver Poilevey, first and foremost, is a traditionalist; his French bistro food is utterly authentic, and it's no surprise that certain dishes are common to both restaurants. But there are some very nice Le Bouchon creations you won't find at La Sardine, and vice versa.

At Le Bouchon, there are fist-sized gougeres stuffed with raclette, pecorino and Gruyere cheeses, as well as an Alsatian onion tart,



CHRIS SWEDA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE PHOTOS

Scallops with fava-bean puree, oyster mushrooms and pickled strawberries at La Sardine.



Maple-glazed sweetbreads mask a creamy-textured interior at Le Bouchon.

served as a wide wedge and notable for its buttery pastry base. A thick slab of bacon-wrapped duck pate is studded with pistachios and holds up against an acidic onslaught of pickled lotus root, beech mushrooms, cornichons and mustard.

Maple-glazed sweetbreads are remarkable, thick chunks that mask a creamy-textured interior.

Turnips and asparagus add a little bite, while a vivid-green curry sauce gives the dish a luxurious umami base.

In addition to the fine steak frites (the piping-hot fries are a big plus, and the "au poivre" option is recommended), the lamb shank, served over couscous with pomegranate, carrots and Moroccan spices, is another menu

strength.

At La Sardine, you'll find a picturesque tableau of seared scallops, centered on a black plate and surrounded by coarse fava-bean puree, oyster mushrooms and pickled strawberries; freeze-dried spinach and freeze-dried beet powders add drama and a touch of surrealism to the dish.

Skate wing gets the

La Sardine

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Noise: Conversation-friendly

Other: Valet parking

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Noise: Conversation-challenged

Other: Valet parking Friday and Saturday

classic brown-butter treatment, but beneath the fish are sauteed mushrooms and cherry tomatoes, and alongside is a fennel-and-blood-orange salad whose bitter and acidic notes are a fine foil to the buttery (and slightly salty) skate.

Pike quenelles, airy and custardy, arrive in a cast-iron skillet in a sea of lobster-bisque sauce (really a sauce Nantua, but lobster bisque is a more commonly understood concept). Salads are delicious, but no place for dieters: The frisee salad is piled high with pan-crisped shredded duck, and the lyonnaise salad is generous with its thick, meaty lardons.

The tarte aux pommes a la Jean-Claude, a fitting testament to the late chef, is available at both restaurants, and is superb, highlighted by a memorable crust, caramel-drizzled apples and house-made

vanilla ice cream. Le Bouchon also offers fine, ice-cream stuffed profiteroles with chocolate sauce.

La Sardine, on the other hand, has the kitchen room to make dessert souffles; I hadn't had a souffle in years, but after greedily working my way through the chocolate and Grand Marnier souffles (the latter with a tart raspberry sauce), I was ready to declare my love once again.

Two years after their founder's untimely death, Le Bouchon and La Sardine have reached significant milestones and seem well-equipped to achieve more. Credit the Poilevey family for continuing the restaurants' vision, and, as Oliver Poilevey was quick to point out, credit Jean-Claude for creating the vision in the first place.

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Lamb Weston
SUPER CRISPY CRINKLE CUT FRIES
 GROWN IN IDAHO
 100% REAL POTATOES
 28 Oz.
2/\$5

Tony's
 CHEESE PIZZA
Jack's
 PIZZA
 • Tony's Pizzeria Style
 • Jack's Original or Half & Half
 12 Inch
4/\$10 **Your Choice**

Dutch Farms
Cream Cheese
 • Regular • 1/3 Less Fat • Fat Free
 8 Oz. Box
99¢

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WALT'S
FOOD CENTERS
 Winners of our
81st Anniversary
\$8,100 Giveaway
 Posted at our
 Courtesy Booth
 Wednesday, July 11th

Dutch Farms
Cheese
 • Regular or Fancy Shreddeds
 Selected Varieties 6-8 Oz.
 • Natural Slices
 Selected Varieties 6 Oz.
 • Bars Selected Varieties 8 Oz.
3/\$5

Regular, Diet
 • Pepsi • Mtn. Dew
 • Crush • A&W • RC
 • 7Up • Dr. Pepper
 • Canada Dry Ginger Ale
 12 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans or
 8 Pk. 12 Oz. NR Btls.
 • Bubly Sparkling Water
 12 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans
3/\$10

Vitner's
Potato Chips
 8.5 Oz.
3/\$5

Ocean Spray
 • Cran Drinks
 • Cranberry Juice
 Cocktails
 64 Oz.
2/\$4

When You Buy 2
 Fiora
 • Bath Tissue
 12 Pk. Double Rolls
 • Paper Towels
 6 Pk. Regular Rolls
\$3.49
 Must Buy 2. Single Item Price \$4.49 Ea.

Hinckley Springs
Water
 24 Pk. .5 Ltr. Btls.
\$1.99
 Limit 3

W Digital
 Rewards
DEAL of the Week

Available on the Walt's mobile app or at www.waltsfoods.com
\$1.99 Ea. **Red Ripe Whole Seedless Watermelon**
 Limit 1

PRODUCE

Jumbo Blueberries
Pint
\$1.99

Fresh Picked!

Homegrown Solid Green Cabbage
49¢ Lb.

Homegrown Fancy Red Radishes
1 Lb. Bag
\$1.29

Homegrown Fancy Zucchini Squash
79¢ Lb.

Superior Sweet Green Seedless Grapes
\$1.49 Lb.

Homegrown Super Select Cucumbers
2/\$1

Fresh "Bunched" Green Onions
2/\$1

California Extra Large Black Plums
\$1.99 Lb.

Red Flame Sweet Seedless Grapes
\$1.49 Lb.

California Nectarines
99¢ Lb.

Sweet N Juicy

Jumbo Sweet Cantaloupe
\$1.99 Ea.

Seedless Sweet Watermelon
\$3.99 Ea.

Jumbo Size

Washington Extra Large Sweet Cherries
\$1.99 Lb.

"Guaranteed Sweet" Jumbo Honeydew Melon
\$3.99 Ea.

Washington Premium Rainier Cherries
\$3.99 Lb.

Driscoll's Finest Premium Sweet Red Raspberries
6 Oz. Pkg.
\$2.99

Del Monte Whole Golden Pineapple
\$1.99 Ea.

Jumbo Size

Fresh Spinach Bunch
99¢

Wonderful Pistachio Kernels
•Roasted & Salted
•Lightly Salted
6 Oz. Pkg.
\$4.99

Extra Large Tart Limes
3/\$1

COUNTRY BAKERY

Walt's Own Fresh Baked Buttercrust Bread
1 Lb. Loaf
\$1.49

Walt's Own Blueberry Muffins
4 Pk. Pre-Packaged
\$3.99

Walt's Own Chocolate Chip Cookies
12 Pk. Pre-Packaged
\$3.49

Value Pack

Walt's Own Fresh Baked Buttercrust Buns
•8 Pk. Regular
•12 Pk. Cocktail
\$1.49

Walt's Own Blueberry Cream Cake
1/2 Ring
\$4.99

Walt's Own White, Chocolate or Caramel Iced Cake Donuts
6 Pk. Pre-Packaged
\$2.79

Best Donuts in Town

Made Fresh in our Store

Walt's Own Homestyle Cherry Pie
8 Inch
\$5.99

Walt's Own White or Chocolate Buttercream Iced Half Cake
8 Inch
\$5.99

Olsen's Sliced Creme Cake Loaf
16 Oz.
\$3.49 Ea.

Assorted Varieties

Walt's Own Fruit Topped Crumb Coffee Cake
\$3.99

BUTCHER SHOP

Miller Amish Country
"100% Natural"
Boneless Chicken Breasts
\$3.99 Lb.
Raising Without Antibiotics, Hormones or Steroids

Kingsford Fully Cooked
BBQ Baby Back Pork Ribs with Sauce
16 Oz. \$6.49
Cooked Baby Pork Back Ribs 24 Oz. \$10.99

Sugardale
Center Cut Smoked Ham Steak
Regular • Thick Sliced
\$2.79 Lb.

Hormel Black Label
Sliced Bacon
Selected Varieties 12 - 16 Oz.
\$2.99
Limit 2, Add'l. \$3.79

Indiana Kitchen
"All Natural" Pork
Center Cut Pork Chops
Value Pack
\$2.49 Lb.

Walt's Premium
80% Lean "All Natural"
Ground Chuck
Value Pack
\$3.29 Lb.
Ground fresh in store many times daily.

Walt's Premium
80% Lean "All Natural"
Fresh
Ground Chuck Patties
Value Pack
\$3.59 Lb. **Fresh**

Banquet
Brown 'N Serve
SERVE ORIGINAL
10 FULLY COOKED SAUSAGE LINKS
(Excludes Beef)
6.4 Oz.
5/\$5

Hormel
Fully Cooked
Bacon
2.5 Oz.
\$2.99

Scott Pete
Braunschweiger
16 Oz.
2/\$5

Greenfield
Lunchmeat • Hot Dogs
Selected Varieties 7 - 13 Oz.
\$3.99
No Antibiotics or Hormones Added

Walt's Premium USDA Choice
"Natural Beef"
Boneless Beef Chuck Steak
Value Pack
\$3.99 Lb.
Boneless Chuck Roast \$3.99 Lb.

Oscar Mayer
Wieners
(Excludes Beef or Cheese)
Selected Varieties 14 - 16 Oz.
2/\$3

Scott Pete
Smoked Sausage
(Excludes Beef)
Selected Varieties 20 Oz.
\$3.69

Simply
Mashed Potatoes
Assorted Varieties 21 - 24 Oz.
2/\$5

USDA Choice Certified Hereford "Natural Beef"
Sirloin Tip Roast
Sold As Roast Only
\$3.79 Lb.
Sirloin Tip Steaks Value Pack \$3.99 Lb.

Oscar Mayer
Lunchables
Assorted Varieties 2.2 - 2.4 Oz.
89¢

Oscar Mayer
DeliFresh • Natural • Carving Board
Selected Varieties 5.5 - 9 Oz.
\$2.99

Hormel
Pillow Pack
Pepperoni
• Original • Turkey
5 - 6 Oz.
\$2.99

Kingsford
Pulled BBQ
• Pork • Chicken • Carnitas
16 Oz.
\$6.49

Cooked Perfect
Fully Cooked
Meatballs
Assorted Varieties 12 Oz.
\$5.49

Tyson Bagged Breaded
Chicken
• Nuggets • Tenders • Patties
Assorted Varieties 20 - 32 Oz.
\$4.99

Specialty Shoppe

"Reward Yourself With Quality"

Chairman's Reserve Certified Premium Beef
"Don't Settle for Less"

Chairman's Reserve Certified Premium Beef is Graded USDA Choice selecting only the upper two thirds within that grade. We hand trim and cut the thickness to your specifications. When serving Chairman's Reserve Premium Beef, you can always count on beef that is tender, juicy and flavorful. Truly a first-class eating experience.

Walt's Premium "All Natural"
Beef Tenderloin Kabobs 12 - 14 Oz. \$7.99 Ea.
Made from Beef Tenderloin With Vegetables

Walt's Premium "All Natural"
Chicken Breast Kabobs 12 - 14 Oz. \$4.99 Ea.
With Vegetables

Walt's Premium "All Natural"
Marinated Chicken Breast Tenders \$4.99 Lb.

Walt's Premium
Pub Burgers 8oz. 2/\$5
Assorted Varieties

Seafood Specials

CATCH! THE SAVINGS

Sea Best
Pollock Fillets 16 Oz. \$2.99

Sea Best
Tilapia Fillets 16 Oz. \$3.49

Sea Best
Salmon Fillets 16 Oz. \$5.99

American Chef 41 - 50 Ct.
Cooked Tail On Shrimp 16 Oz. \$7.99

American Chef 41 - 50 Ct.
EZ Peel Raw Shrimp 16 Oz. \$6.49

Indiana Kitchen "All Natural" Pork
Lean & Meaty
Pork Steaks
Value Pack
\$1.99 Lb.

Indiana Kitchen "All Natural" Pork
Pork Country Ribs
Value Pack
\$1.79 Lb.

Check Out Our LOW PRICES DELI-HUT Check Out Our LOW PRICES

BUY OF THE WEEK!

Walt's Signature Premium
Ham off the Bone \$4.98 Lb.
\$2.49 1/2 Lb. **Gluten Free**

Walt's Signature Premium
Oven Roasted Turkey Breast \$6.98 Lb.
\$3.49 1/2 Lb. **Gluten Free**

Grandpa's Premium
Potato Salad \$3.59 Lb.

Walt's Deli Hut
Tuna Salad \$7.99 Lb.

Walt's Deli Hut
Seafood Salad \$5.29 Lb.

Walt's Deli Hut
Hawaiian Salad \$5.49 Lb.

Kangaroo
Pita Pocket Bread 12 Oz. \$1.69

BUY OF THE WEEK!

Eckrich
Hard Salami \$5.78 Lb.
\$2.89 1/2 Lb.

Land O' Lakes
American Cheese \$4.98 Lb.
\$2.49 1/2 Lb.

BUY OF THE WEEK!

Jennie-O
Turkey Ham \$4.98 Lb.
\$2.49 1/2 Lb.

Jennie-O
Turkey Pastrami \$4.98 Lb.
\$2.49 1/2 Lb.

Walt's Deli Hut
Whole Rotisserie Chicken \$5.99 Ea. **Tyson**

Walt's Deli Hut
10 Pc. Dark Meat Chicken Bucket \$6.99 Ea. **Tyson**

BUY OF THE WEEK!

Walt's Deli Hut
Rice Pudding \$3.29 Lb.

Walt's Deli Hut
Tapioca Pudding \$3.29 Lb.

Dietz & Watson
Open Classic
Turkey Breast \$8.98 Lb.
\$4.49 1/2 Lb. **Gluten Free**

Dietz & Watson
Buffalo
Chicken Breast \$7.98 Lb.
\$3.99 1/2 Lb. **Gluten Free**

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Whole Rotisserie Chicken \$5.99 Ea. **Tyson**

Walt's Deli Hut
10 Pc. Dark Meat Chicken Bucket \$6.99 Ea. **Tyson**

Dietz & Watson
All Beef Varieties \$10.98 Lb.
\$5.49 1/2 Lb. **Gluten Free**

Dietz & Watson
Cheddar Cheese \$7.58 Lb.
\$3.79 1/2 Lb. **Gluten Free**

DAIRY

Chobani Yogurt
•0% •2%
•Flip
Selected Varieties
5.3 Oz.
10/\$10



Pillsbury Grands! Biscuits
16.3 Oz.
\$1.99



Blue Bonnet Soft Spread
45 Oz.
2/\$5



Simply Potatoes
20 Oz.
\$1.99



Egg Land's Best Grade "A" Large Eggs
Dozen
\$3.29



Dutch Farms Regular American Cheese Singles
12 Oz.
3/\$5



Dean's DairyPure Half & Half
14 Oz.
3/\$5



TruMoo Chocolate Milk
•Whole •1%
1/2 Gallon
2/\$6



Bailey's Flavored Creamer
Quart
\$2.99



Silk Soy milk
1/2 Gallon
2/\$6



3/\$5 SALE!! STOCK UP & SAVE!
Dutch Farms Cheese
•Regular or Fancy Shredded Selected Varieties 6 - 8 Oz.
•Natural Slices Selected Varieties 6 Oz.
•Bars Selected Varieties 8 Oz.
3/\$5 *Your Choice*



REFRESHING SUMMERTIME SALAD EXTRAS!
Dutch Farms Hard-Cooked Eggs 6 Pk. **2/\$4**
Dutch Farms Cheese Crumbles 3.5-4 Oz. **2/\$4**
Glenmark Salad Croutons 5 Oz. Pkg. **99¢**
Dutch Farms Cottage Cheese 24 Oz. **2/\$5**



Dutch Farms Cream Cheese
•Regular
•1/3 Less Fat
•Fat Free
8 Oz. Box
99¢



Dutch Farms Cracker Cheese Cuts
10 Oz.
2/\$6



Dutch Farms Cheese Spread
8 Oz.
\$2.39



Dutch Farms Gelatin Rings
19.5 - 24 Oz.
3/\$5



Dutch Farms Whipped Topping
6.5 Oz. Can
\$1.69



Minute Maid Premium Orange Juice
59 Oz.
2/\$6



Dannon Greek Yogurt
Light & Fit or Oikos
4 Pk.
2/\$7



Parkay Margarine
•Soft Spread
•Quarters
•Spray •Squeeze
8 - 16 Oz.
\$1.79



Dean's DairyPure Mix-ins
5.3 Oz.
4/\$5



Kraft American Cheese Singles
Twin Pack
24 Oz.
\$5.49



COOL DOWN WITH THESE REFRESHING SUMMER DRINKS!
Sunny D 1/2 Gallon **\$1.49**
Tropicana Juice 10 - 12 Oz. **10/\$10**
Turkey Hill Tea Lemonade 1/2 Gallon **2/\$3**
Arizona Tea 59 Oz. **3/\$5**
Minute Maid Premium Punch Lemonade 59 Oz. **3/\$5**
Gold Peak Tea 52 Oz. **\$2.49**
Florida's Natural Premium Lemonade 59 Oz. **2/\$4**
Florida's Natural Premium Orange Juice 89 Oz. **\$5.49**



FROZEN

Kemp's Premium Ice Cream
48 Oz.
3/\$10



Mr. Dee's Hash Browns
•Shredded
•Golden Rounds
24 Oz.
2/\$5



Mr. Dee's Hash Brown Patties
31.75 Oz.
2/\$7



Dutch Farms Breakfast Sandwiches
4 Pk.
\$4.99



Pillsbury Frozen Pie Shells
•Regular •Deep Dish
2 Pk.
2/\$3



Best Choice Waffles
12.3 Oz.
3/\$5



North Star Sundae Cups
6 Pk.
3/\$7



North Star Multi-Packs
•Variety Pack 40 Pk.
•Sundae Cones Variety Pack 24 Pk.
\$13.99



Snickers or Twix Ice Cream Bars
6 Pk.
2/\$7



Luigi's Italian Ice
•Cherry •Lemon
6 Pk.
2/\$5



10/\$10 SALE! MIX OR MATCH!
•Birdseye Polybag Regular Vegetables
•Regular •Rice •Steamfresh
Selected Varieties 10 - 16 Oz.
•Swanson Pot Pies
7 Oz.
•Michelin's Entrees
Selected Varieties 7.5 - 8 Oz.
10/\$10 *Your Choice*



Dean's Ice Cream Sandwiches
•Ice Cream Bars •Fudge Bars
•Cream Bars •Crunch Bars
10 - 12 Pk.
\$3.99



Popsicle Brand Novelties
Selected Varieties
18 - 20 Pk.
\$3.99



Ben & Jerry's Premium Ice Cream
16 Oz.
\$3.79



Best Choice Ice Cream
64 Oz.
\$2.99



Louisa Pasta
Selected Varieties
16 - 22 Oz.
\$3.99



Hart Chicken
2 Lb.
\$4.99



Kid Cuisine Dinners
7.45 - 10.6 Oz.
2/\$4



Grown In Idaho Potatoes
28 Oz.
2/\$5



Weight Watchers Smart Ones Entrees
Selected Varieties
6.5 - 10.5 Oz.
\$1.79



Marie Callender's Dinners • Pot Pies
Selected Varieties
11.5 - 18 Oz.
\$2.99



OnCor Entrees
24 - 28 Oz.
2/\$6



Hungry-Man Dinners
9 - 16 Oz.
\$2.99



Tony's Pizzeria Style Pizza
12 Inch
4/\$10 *Your Choice*



Scream'n' Sicilian Singles
•Pizza
•Stromboli
9.10 - 10 Oz.
3/\$9



Lean Pockets • Hot Pockets
9 Oz.
2/\$4



Ore Ida Bagel Bites
7 Oz.
2/\$4



Totino's Party Pizza
9.8 - 10.9 Oz.
4/\$5



Palermo's Primo Thin Pizza
12 Inch
\$3.99



Doreen's Gourmet Pizza
12 Inch
2/\$10 *Locally Made!*



Walt's Original Style Pizza
12 Inch
2/\$9



Pizzas
•Home Run Inn Thin Crust 12 Inch
•Gino's East Deep Dish 9 Inch
•Edwardo's 24 - 28 Oz.
2/\$10



GROCERY

Mix or Match **BIG 10/\$10 SALE!** **Mix or Match**

Hunt's
Ketchup
24 Oz.
10/\$10



Betty Crocker
Helpers
4.7 - 7.5 Oz.
10/\$10



Chef Boyardee
Pasta Meals
7.5 - 15 Oz.
Hunt's
Spaghetti Sauce
24 Oz.
10/\$10



Rice A Roni
SPANISH RICE
Pasta Roni
4.2 - 6.8 Oz.
10/\$10



Hunt's
Snack Pack
Pudding
4 Pk.
10/\$10



Bugles
Chex Mix
Gardetto's
6 - 8.75 Oz.
10/\$10



Act II
Popcorn
3 Pk.
Crunch 'n Munch
3.5 Oz.
10/\$10



David
Sunflower Seeds
5.25 Oz.
Slim Jim
Meat Stick
.97 Oz.
10/\$10



Nabisco
Go-Paks
•Oreo
•Nutter Butter
•Nilla Wafers
•Teddy Grahams
2.25 - 3.5 Oz.
10/\$10



On The Go
Cups
•Sunshine Cheez-It
•Keebler Fudge Stripes
2.2 - 3 Oz.
10/\$10



Kind
Bars
1.4 Oz.
10/\$10



Kool Aid
Bursts
Drinks
6 Pk.
10/\$10



Best Choice
Salad Dressing
16 Oz.
2/\$3



Chicken of the Sea
Chunk & Light Tuna
5 Oz.
89¢



Kraft
Macaroni & Cheese
•Shapes
•Three Cheese
•Thick 'n Creamy
5.5 - 7.25 Oz.
Buy One, Get One FREE
Single Item Price \$1.59 Ea.



Kraft
Mac & Cheese Cups
•Easy Mac
•Velveta Shells
•Deluxe
1.9 - 2.36 Oz.
Buy One, Get One FREE
Single Item Price \$1.29 Ea.



Betty Crocker
Suddenly
Pasta Salad
6.5 - 8.3 Oz.
4/\$5



Best Choice
Oil
•Canola
•Vegetable
128 Oz.
\$5.49



Kraft
Deluxe
Velveta
Shells & Cheese
Mac & Cheese
9.4 - 14 Oz.
\$2.79



Rinaldi
Pasta Sauce
15 - 24 Oz.
3/\$5



Green Mountain
Family of Brands
K-Cups
10 - 12 Ct.
\$7.99



Quaker
Cereals
•Cap'n Crunch
•Life
•Oatmeal Squares
11.5 - 14.5 Oz.
2/\$5



General Mills
Cereals
•Honey Nut Cheerios 10.8 Oz.
•Cinnamon Toast Crunch 12.2 Oz.
•Cheerios 12 Oz.
•Reese Puffs 11.5 Oz.
•Golden Grahams 11.7 Oz.
2/\$5



Keebler
Fudge
Cookies
8 - 13.6 Oz.
2/\$4



9 Lives
Cat Food
4 Pk. 5.5 Oz.
3/\$5



Alpo
Dog Food
13.2 Oz.
89¢



Glad
Bags
•Freezer
•Storage
15 - 25 Ct.
2/\$3



Royal Oak
Charcoal
15.4 Lb.
\$4.99



Tide
Simply
Liquid
Laundry
Detergent
138 Oz.
\$8.49



Scott's
Comfort Plus
Bath Tissue
12 Pk. Double Rolls
Paper Towels
6 Pk. Mega-Rolls
\$4.99



Kleenex
Facial
Tissue
80 - 120 Ct.
Wet
Wipes
20 - 24 Ct.
\$1.79



Downy or
Gain
Liquid
Fabric
Softener
64 Oz.
\$3.49



General Mills
Cereals
•Honey Nut Cheerios 26.6 Oz.
•Cinnamon Toast Crunch 23.6 Oz.
•Cheerios 21 Oz.
•Lucky Charms 25.1 Oz.
3/\$10
Giant Size!



Ocean Spray
•Cran Drinks
•Cranberry
Juice Cocktails
64 Oz.
2/\$4



Hinckley Springs
Water
24 Pk. .5 Ltr. Btl.
\$1.99
Limit 3, Add'l. \$2.49 Ea.



Maxwell House
Wake Up Roast
Coffee
30.65 Oz.
\$4.99



Vitner's
Potato
Chips
8.5 Oz.
3/\$5



When You Buy 2
Flora
•Bath Tissue
12 Pk. Double Rolls
•Paper Towels
6 Pk. Regular Rolls
\$3.49
Must Buy 2. Single Item Price \$4.49 Ea.



Gain
Laundry
Detergent
•Liquid 50 Oz.
•Flings 16 Ct.
\$3.99



GROCERY GOLD VALUES

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •7Up •Dr. Pepper •A&W •RC •Canada Dry <p>2 Ltr. 5/\$5</p>	<p>Regular, Diet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Coke •Coke Zero •Sugar •Sprite <p>24 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans \$6.99</p> <p>Monster Energy Drinks 4-Pks Your Choice</p>	<p>Regular, Diet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Coke •Coke Zero •Sugar •Sprite <p>6 Pk. 7.5 Oz. Cans 2/\$5</p> <p>Dasani Sparkling Water 8 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans Your Choice</p>	<p>Regular, Diet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Pepsi •Crush •Mtn. Dew •Schweppes <p>2 Ltr. 4/\$5</p>	<p>Regular, Diet</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Pepsi •Crush •Mtn. Dew •Schweppes <p>6 Pk. 7.5 Oz. Cans 2/\$5</p>	<p>Vita Ice 17 Oz. 79¢</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Snapple Tea •Mistic Fruit Drinks <p>16 Oz. 89¢</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Lipton Tea •Lipton Pure Leaf Tea •Starbucks Frappuccino <p>12 Pk. 5 Ltr. Btls. 6 Pk. 18.5 Oz. Btls. 4 Pk. \$4.99</p>	<p>Fiji Spring Water 6 Pk. 5 Ltr. Btls. 2/\$10</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Gatorade •Propel Water <p>6 Pk. 12 Oz. Btls. 6 Pk. 5 Ltr. Btls. 2/\$4</p>	<p>Best Choice Soda 12 Pk. 12 Oz. Cans 4/\$10</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Vitaminwater •Gold Peak Tea •Coke De Mexico •Honest Tea <p>20 Oz. 18.5 Oz. 355 ML 16.9 Oz. 10/\$10</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Cheetos •Fritos <p>7 - 9.5 Oz. 2/\$5</p>	<p>Ruffles Potato Chips 8.5 - 9.5 Oz. 2/\$5</p>	<p>Jays Potato Chips 10 Oz. 2/\$4</p>	<p>Nabisco Premium Saltines 9 - 17 Oz. 2/\$5</p>	<p>Sunshine Family Size Cheez-It Crackers 21 Oz. \$4.49</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Kellogg's Rice Krispies Treats •Keelber Caddy Packs •Fruit Snacks <p>16 Ct. 12 Pk. 3.5 Oz. 22 Ct. \$4.49</p>
<p>Jif Peanut Butter 28 Oz. \$2.99</p>	<p>Bread</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Aunt Millie's Family Italian •Buttertop or 100% Whole Wheat •Koeppinger's Italian <p>20 - 24 Oz. 3/\$5</p>	<p>Aunt Millie's Swirl Bread 16 - 20 Oz. \$1.99</p>	<p>Butternut Bread</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •White or 100% Whole Wheat •Hamburger Buns •Hot Dog Buns <p>20 Oz. 8 Ct. \$1.79</p>	<p>Sara Lee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Artesano Bread •Artesano Buns <p>20 Oz. 6 Ct. 2/\$5</p>	<p>Entenmann's Donuts 15 - 17.5 Oz. Buy One, Get One FREE</p>

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<p>Poise</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Ultra Absorbency 32 Ct. •Ultra Absorbency Long 27 Ct. •Max Long 39 Ct. •Moderate Regular 66 Ct. <p>\$12.99</p>	<p>Airborne Orange Tablets 10 Ct. \$5.99</p> <p>Dove Men's Anti-Perspirant and Deodorant •Invisible Cool Fresh 2.7 Oz. •Invisible Clean Comfort 2.7 Oz. •Clean Comfort 3 Oz. \$4.99</p> <p>Dove Men's Shampoo 12 Oz. \$4.99 •2 in 1 Fortifying •Thickening</p> <p>LA Looks Gel 20 Oz. \$2.49 •Mega •Extreme</p> <p>Best Choice Floss 100 Yd. 99¢ •Mint Waxed •Unwaxed •Waxed</p> <p>Q-tips Cotton Swabs 500 Ct. \$2.99</p>	<p>Tums</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Ultra Assorted Berry 86 Ct. •Smoothie Fruit 72 Ct. •Smoothie Berry 72 Ct. •Extra Strength Assorted Fruit 116 Ct. •Ultra Strength Assorted Fruit 86 Ct. <p>\$4.29</p> <p>Bonus Size</p>
<p>Shampoo or Conditioner</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Aussie 13.5 Oz. •Aussie Volume or Mega Moist •Herbal Essences 10.1 Oz. •Hello Hydration, Color Me Happy or Body Envyst <p>\$2.49</p>	<p>Prilosec 14 Ct. \$9.99</p>	<p>Centrum Vitamins</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Silver Women's or Men's 100 Ct. •Silver 50+ 125 Ct. •Ultra Men's or Women's 120 Ct. <p>\$9.99</p>
<p>Kellogg's Special K Ready to Drink Shakes •Red Berry •Vanilla •Milk Chocolate 4 Pk. \$5.99</p>		

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Sleep-deprived mom needs help with wide-awake cat

By Cathy M. Rosenthal
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Q: I am a cat lover and have had several cats over the years. I have a 3-year-old Russian Blue that I adopted from a shelter. She is very sweet and smart. The problem is, she sleeps all day and is up all night. I wouldn't mind it if she would just play, but she cries for me, and I end up getting out of bed.

I have taken her to the vet who has prescribed pills to calm her down at night. It didn't work. I got Feliway (pheromones) to plug-in, but no luck. I tried Melatonin treats, but she didn't like them. I tried "calming" treats, which she likes. That helped some. I also got catnip and catnip toys and bouncy balls for us to play with before bedtime. That has helped some, but the minute I go to bed, she cries for me.

I love her, but I am worn out and sleep-deprived. I am keeping her, no matter what, but any advice on this would be appreciated. — Linda, St. Cloud, Fla.

A: We can learn a lot from how cats train their humans. If your feline cries and you get up, she will cry the next night again because the training worked on you. The trick with cats is always to outlast them. It's not easy.

Cats are nocturnal, and so it's perfectly natural for them to sleep 16 hours a day and then be up all

night. You are on the right track with trying to play with her before bedtime. You should feed her before bedtime too. All animals tend to nap after they eat and play.

Also, do what you can to keep her awake when you are around. When we are tired, we often let our cats sleep in our laps, only to have them wide awake at bedtime.

As for you, put on a white noise machine in your room to block her meows. Buy yourself some earplugs at the drugstore or put on headphones with soft music, so you can ignore her and get some sleep.

It may take six to eight weeks to get a positive result, but she should eventually realize her cries are not making mom get up anymore.

She may resort to getting in bed with you and "pawing" you awake. Ignore her and turn over. Cats are results-oriented creatures, so if her behaviors don't engage you, she will eventually find something else to do. Better yet, she may curl up beside you when she realizes it's the only way to be close to you between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.

Be strong.

Q: I inherited a 115-pound, 7-year-old Great Dane from my daughter. At my daughter's house, she was kept in a large metal cage most of the day because of work and school. No issues were ever reported. At

my house, she tears up anything inside her cage, even if we are gone for a short time. We no longer put anything in the cage, but she tries to work the two latches open. When we return, both she and the cage floor are covered in drool.

We give her a treat before we leave, but she never played with toys, and I am afraid that if I give her one of those super-market large bones, she might tear it apart and maybe even choke on it. Any suggestions? — John, Weston, Fla.

A: I agree with you on the large bones. Dogs need to be supervised with those kinds of treats. But you can try a hard rubber Kong toy that is filled with treats and will engage her longer. You can also give her some melatonin — Dr. Linda Aronson of Petshrink.com in Berlin, Mass. recommended 1 mg three times a day in one of my previous columns — to reduce her anxiety.

Your inherited dog, however, may be suffering from some separation anxiety at being away from your daughter, and because she is cooped up in a kennel all day that would be the only place where she can express her displeasure.

Or she simply may have had it with being left in the kennel all the time and desperately wants out.

If she is housetrained, then I think she would fare much better both mentally and physically being left outside the kennel,



MATT ROURKE/AP

Cats are nocturnal, and so it's perfectly natural for them to sleep 16 hours a day and then be up all night.

especially for your short trips, to see how she does. Because of her size and age, I think she will just want to find a better place to sleep all day.

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BLOOD ON THE AVO

Injuries connected with wildly popular green fruit are so common there's a name (even a hashtag) for them: Avocado hand

By Cindy Dampier

Chicago Tribune

Chicago Tribune restaurant critic Phil Vettel just wanted something to eat.

The man makes his living thinking about food, writing about food and, of course, eating, so surely, in the comfort and safety of his own home, Vettel could find something to snack on. In fact, he found the perfect thing: an avocado.

Let's just say it: Avocados are good. They are green, yet unctuously, seductively fatty. They are, against all odds, given their deliciousness, healthy. In fact, if you don't like them, you're probably friendless and alone by now, because Americans consume about 7 pounds each, every year. The U.K. is onto the craze too. In Mexico and Latin America, where the fruits are native, they've been gobbling them up for centuries.

Vettel just wanted his share.

But there was a stumbling block between man and the silky flesh of his avocado. Vettel didn't count on the avocado's reputation for danger.

Here's where our story gets a little dicey. "I had just had my knives sharpened," Vettel says. And so, when he split his avocado into two perfect halves, the blade slid through the fruit as if through butter. His anticipation increased. But the pit, that woody, pingpong ball-sized orb in the middle, was stubborn. "I couldn't get it out," says Vettel, "so I started to dig in with the tip of the knife." Unfortunately, he was holding the avocado and pit in his unprotected hand, which is where the freshly sharpened knife ended up when it slipped, jamming deep into his finger. He remained calm. He waited. But the bleeding wouldn't stop. And so Vettel wound up at the emergency room, where he found out

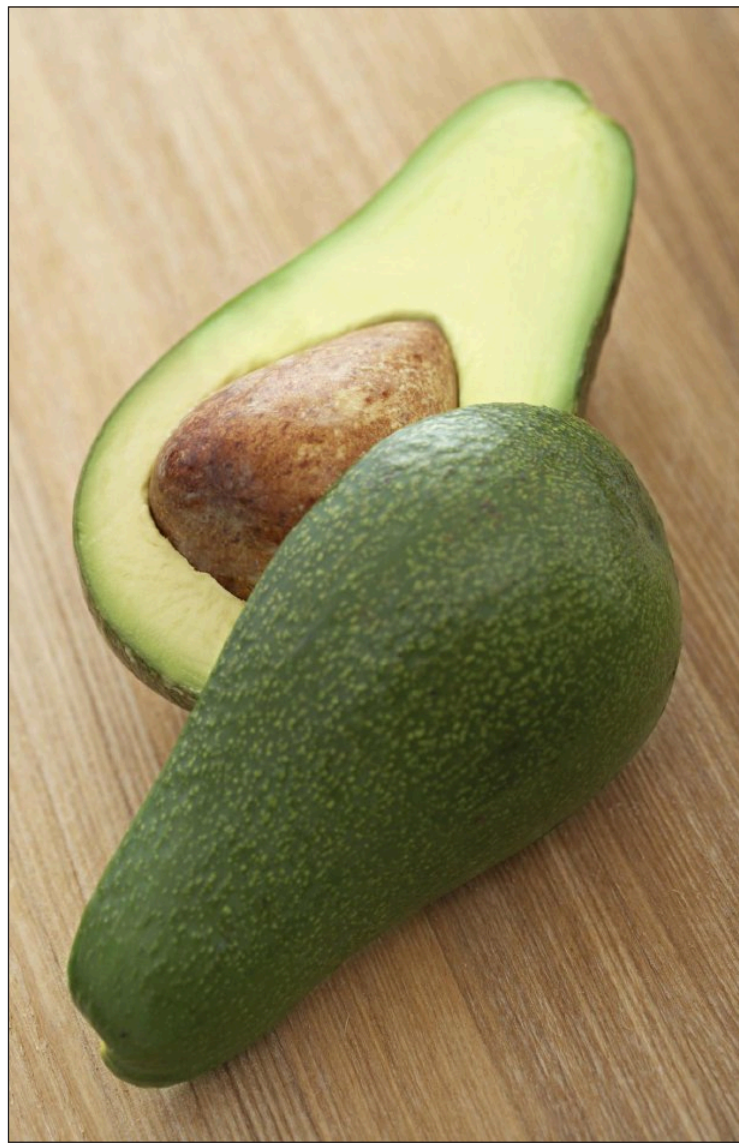
that he wasn't the first foodie to fall victim to his love for avocados.

In fact, injuries connected with avocados are so common there's a name — a hashtag, even — for them: avocado hand. Recently, talk show host Joy Behar missed work on "The View" because she was hospitalized for an infection after an avocado hand incident. "Bachelorette" star Andi Dorfman posted on social media about her surgery for avocado hand. Even actress Meryl Streep had it, showing off her bandaged hand in 2012.

The rise in injuries is attributable to the fruit's rise in popularity. Starting in the 1990s with the advent of NAFTA (and a ready supply of Mexican-grown avocados), avocado consumption in the U.S. has skyrocketed. Since 2002, our consumption has increased by 250 percent. Throw in a few billion servings of avocado toast, and you've got a lot of lacerations. Here's how bad it's gotten: Last year, the British Association of Plastic, Reconstructive and Aesthetic Surgeons recommended that warning labels be placed on avocados.

"I see it fairly frequently," says Dr. Scott Dresden of Northwestern University's Department of Emergency Medicine. "Patients try to stab the pit, the knife slips off the pit and they stab the hand. Or patients do a sort of hacking motion with the long blade of the knife into the pit, and hack into the webbing between the thumb and the forefinger instead. Those are two really common ways this happens. And they can be pretty nasty."

If you fall victim to the avocado hand, Dresden says the most important thing to remember is basic first aid. Elevate the hand, and apply direct pressure to the



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wound with a couple of fingers. "This may be painful, but it's the quickest way to stop the bleeding and much better than a big wrap like a towel, which just absorbs blood." If you've stopped the bleeding, irrigate the wound with cold tap water. "Turn the tap on all the way." And "if you can't stop the bleeding or it's a particularly gaping wound, come to the emergency department, and we'll stitch you up."

Dresden says patients typically are sent home with a big bandage and a few stitches. But the hand

is a complex mechanism — "there are a lot of tendons in there ... so it can be tricky."

If you cut a tendon, you'll be looking at an appointment with a hand surgeon for further assessment. "We want to make sure you regain good function."

Even if you make it through the ER without much drama, you'll still have to weather the avo hand attitude of your friends and family. Be prepared: The injury may be common, but it's also commonly mocked. "Avocado hand, the most millennial

injury ever ..." goes one social media post.

You want to provoke people at a party? Bring up avocado hand, and prepare to be bombarded with everything from passionately held opinions about the "right" way to prep an avocado to assertions that you probably deserve to bleed as penance for your sheer stupidity. This is because, admittedly, there is probably no more preventable injury on earth. Even Vettel seems a little embarrassed: "It was a combination of impatience, stupidity and poor knife skills," he says. "I know better."

When I broached the subject with Tribune food writer Louisa Chu, a trained chef, she narrowed her eyes and shook her head in disbelief. "Why?" she said, "just ... why?" In Chu's world, avocados are a fruit that can be peeled with your fingers — provided they are properly ripened. Once you've stripped away enough of the peel, just hold the fruit and smooch the flesh out through the opening. (You were going to mash it up anyway, right?) And if you insist on reenacting that split-it-into-two-perfect-halves technique, she says, just scoop the pit out with a spoon. Don't do any thwacking, chopping or stabbing. Please. "There is no reason to bring a chef's knife to an avocado fight," she says. "It's gratuitous."

Vettel says he has learned the lesson — he's been using an avocado slicing gadget someone sent him. His finger is healed but still pains him, so he's headed to a hand specialist. Experience in the ER has taught Dresden to shy away from the knife too — he's a committed spoon guy. But there are plenty of cases of avocado hand just waiting to happen. "You go to a restaurant, and they're making tableside guacamole," the ER doctor says, "and they start hacking at the pit, and you're just sitting there cringing ..."

Excuse me, but is that blood on my avo toast?

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Dating tips for divorced parents

All relationships have challenges and issues. Even in the best of romances, times can get tough, and that's when you find yourself feeling frustrated, disappointed and unsure about the relationship you thought just a week ago was blissful, even perfect.



JACKIE PILOSSOPH

Love Essentially

Relationships take on a whole different set of complexities when one or both people are divorced parents. This reader is a good example:

I have been dating a divorced woman with a 5-year-old daughter for a year and a half. I love her and her daughter greatly, and it seems they both love me, too. The only wrinkle is, her ex of 11 years throws fits when she or they go anywhere with me. He does not have a good place to visit the child, so she lets him use her house. If I leave anything over at her house, she has to hide it before he sees it, i.e. cough drops, shampoo, etc. I try to be patient and understanding, but the other night we had a date and he was supposed to come over to stay with their daughter. She told me not to come to the door when I got there, that she would come out and meet me because he didn't want to see me. He texted her the entire time during our date. When we headed back to the house, she had me stop and let her out, and told me to drive around and that when he left, I could come in.

Let's start with the mom. It seems like she is trying to keep everyone happy — her daughter, her boyfriend and her ex-husband. While understandable, I don't think she should have to walk on eggshells around her ex-husband or hide her boyfriend from him. They have been divorced for over a decade, plus she is doing her ex a huge favor by allowing him in her home to spend time with their daughter.

As for the boyfriend, I don't blame him for feeling frustrated, and I suspect he is a bit resentful by his girlfriend so often putting her ex first. But it's important to realize that it's not the ex, but rather the daughter she is putting first. She wants her girl to have a relationship with her dad, and this might feel like the only way.

I think the ex-husband is being selfish and immature, and isn't doing anyone any favors. He should be grateful that his ex-wife is accommodating his needs. He needs to understand that she has moved on and found happiness in a new relationship.

This is only one of countless scenarios that can occur when it comes to divorced parents dating. Here are six pieces of advice for those in a relationship when one or both people are divorced with kids:

1. Don't introduce the kids too soon or try to force a connection. When people find love after divorce and they are ecstatic and giddy over the new relationship, they often want the kids to jump in and join in their

happiness. They don't realize that the kids might need more time to adjust. Also, just because you are now dating your soulmate, that doesn't mean your kids feel connected to his or her kids. Be patient and give everyone time to accept your new love.

2. Mix up the time you spend with everyone. It is important to spend time three different ways: alone as a couple, alone with your kids, and together as a blended family. Don't be hurt if you aren't invited to everything with your new guy or girl, and don't feel obligated to invite him or her to everything either. Balance is the key to a happy and peaceful relationship.

3. Don't take it personally if his or her kids don't want to meet you. Almost all kids have a hard time with their parents entering into a new relationship. Reasons include that they might still be hoping their parents reconcile, they have a hard time trusting someone new, they feel scared or awkward around a new person, or being connected feels disloyal to the other parent. If they won't meet you, it is not personal, and if you can be patient, the kids almost always come around.

4. Don't try to be a stepmother or stepfather. The kids already have a mother and father. They don't need two. Even if their parent has died, they don't want a replacement. The best thing you can be is a friend and/or a source of support. Let the child dictate how close he or she wants to be to you. All you have to do is be there when the kids need you and you've done your job.

5. Try to get along with the ex-spouse and put pettiness aside. No matter how you feel about your boyfriend or girlfriend's ex, remember that he or she is the parent of your boyfriend or girlfriend's kids, and for that he or she should be respected and treated with kindness.

6. Remember that the kids don't define your relationship. Dating after divorce can be very special and meaningful. Most people are pleasantly surprised and elated that they were able to find love again after the heartbreak of divorce. So, what you have with your new love should stand on its own — with or without the support of the kids. In other words, leave them out of it and just enjoy the beauty of the connection you have found. You don't have to be the perfect family. The only thing that has to be perfect is how you feel when you're spending time with the person with whom you've fallen madly in love. Trust me, the kids will eventually come around.

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Bookstore cats get to be a constant presence, surrounded by books and readers without the stress of actually running a business.

My career goal: A bookstore cat

By John Warner
Chicago Tribune

The impossible dreams for our futures change as we age. When my older brother was in first grade, he wanted to be an astronaut, making this desire clear by wearing an Apollo mission-style jumpsuit every waking moment. My mother would sneak it out of his bedroom to wash it so it could be ready by the next morning.

He's a lawyer now.

Gorging on mini-biographies of NHL legends, I spent time imagining life as a professional hockey player, a dream dashed when I learned that I did not live in Canada or Minnesota (the home state for seemingly all American-born hockey players back in those days).

I never quite dreamed of being a rock star, but playing drums with nonlegendary Chicago-based indie rockers Quiet Kid during the late '90s fueled occasional fantasies of being discovered and finding ourselves on tour, opening for R.E.M.

When I was 10, I wanted to be a writer. That one (knock on wood) seems to be working out.

But as 50 beckons, I have a new dream, and I'm admitting it here publicly for the

first time: I want to own my own bookstore.

There, I said it. It feels good. Longtime readers know that I am the son of a bookstore owner, as my mother co-owned the Book Bin in Northbrook from the time I was a year old to the year I graduated from college, so I have a good idea as to what I would be getting into if I were to own a bookstore.

Which is why I realize that while I would like to own a bookstore, I don't actually want to have to *run* the bookstore. Running a bookstore is far too much work and would take a category of knowledge that is well beyond me.

I envision my role as more of a presence, swanning around the store, interacting with customers, dropping bon mots about books they may be perusing, perhaps cutting loose with an unsolicited anecdote about a particular writer.

Other times I see myself being a living display, a little writing table in one section where curious patrons can watch me work as I spin my latest masterpiece. I have some experience at this from the Book Bin, where I would spend hours in the children's section reading nook, pulling books off the shelves and reading them one after

the other.

When I am exhausted from the trials of producing my latest masterpiece, shoppers will find me on a couch, napping, illustrating one of the real inside bits of the life of a writer.

Wanting to own, but not run, a bookstore is probably going to be expensive. I'll need to find someone experienced and highly competent to do all the things I am either incapable of or uninterested in. At the same time, he or she must be willing to take my direction. I am, after all, the owner.

Though, reflecting on my earlier dreams, I'm questioning whether I really want to own a bookstore. As fun as it would've been to play professional sports or perform music for thousands of people, deep down, I'm not suited to those rigors. I can't imagine training with the intensity of a professional athlete, and I get woozy if I have more than two drinks, so the rock 'n' roll lifestyle was probably never my destiny.

I suppose, in the end, I don't want to be a bookstore owner, so much as a bookstore cat — you know, the ones who act like they own the place.

John Warner is the author of "Tough Day for the Army."

Book recommendations from the Biblioracle

John Warner tells you what to read next based on the last five books you've read.

1. **"Born To Run"** by Bruce Springsteen
2. **"Lush Life"** by Richard Price
- 3 **"The Iliad"** by Homer
4. **"Mr. Sammler's Planet"** by Saul Bellow
5. **"Emma"** by Jane Austen

— Mark S., Skokie

For Mark, one of novels I'd bring with me to a desert island: **"Edwin Mullhouse: The Life and Death of an American Writer 1943-1954"** by Jeffrey Cartwright" by Steven Millhauser.

1. **"The Housekeeper and The Professor"** by Yoko Ogawa
2. **"The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency"** by Alexander McCall Smith
3. **"Tears of the Giraffe"** by Alexander McCall Smith
4. **"Snow Flower and the Secret Fan"** by Lisa See
5. **"The Glass Castle"** by Jeannette Walls

— Sophia R. (on behalf of her book club), Chicago

I am frankly terrified to give book club recommendations. It's one thing to disappoint a single reader, but a whole group of them, possibly armed with wine? I'm quaking. Let's hope **"March"** by Geraldine Brooks does the trick.

1. **"Lincoln in the Bardo"** by George Saunders
2. **"The Great Alone"** by Kristin Hannah
3. **"12 Rules for Life: An Antidote to Chaos"** by Jordan B. Peterson
4. **"The Woman in the Window"** by A. J. Finn
5. **"Montana 1948"** by Larry Watson

— Rita M., Wilmette

A bit of a tough mix to discern a pattern here. I'm going with a book that most people I recommend it to simply find sweet and entertaining without being weightless: **"The Family Fang"** by Kevin Wilson.

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HEALTH

ASK THE DOCTORS

Genetic tool evaluates treatment options for breast cancer patients

By Dr. Robert Ashley
Ask the Doctors

Dear Doctor: A friend of mine was recently diagnosed with breast cancer and is terrified of the chemotherapy her doctor is recommending. I read that some women can skip it. Is this true?

Dear Reader: Your friend's fear of chemotherapy is understandable. Its harsh side effects and its risk of toxicity to the body's organs are well-known. However, survival rates significantly improve with chemotherapy. This too is well-known — and has been shown even in women with breast cancer that hasn't spread to the lymph nodes.

A recent study in The New England Journal of Medicine, however, has called into question the need for chemotherapy in some women who have breast cancer without lymph node metastasis.

The trial looked at 9,719 women, ages 18 to 75, with cancer that was hormone receptor-positive and HER2-negative. Such cancer is often treated with hormone therapy, although chemotherapy can be used as well. In this trial, the authors gauged the need for chemotherapy based on a genetic tool called the 21-gene breast cancer assay, which evaluates the risk of recurrence based on 16 cancer-related genes and five other genes.

Women who have higher scores in the screening have been shown to have a greater risk of recurrence of breast cancer compared to those with lower scores.

In this study, women with a 21-gene score of 26 or greater received chemotherapy and endocrine therapy. Those with scores of 11 to 25 received either



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A recent study in The New England Journal of Medicine has called into question the need for chemotherapy in some women who have breast cancer without lymph node metastasis.

chemotherapy with endocrine therapy (chemoendocrine therapy) or endocrine therapy alone. Those with a score of 10 or less received only endocrine therapy. The majority of women in the trial (6,711) had scores between 11 and 25. All patients were followed for eight years.

In the group with scores of 11 to 25, no statistically relevant difference was found between those who received chemoendocrine therapy and those who received endocrine therapy alone.

Although there was a small nonsignificant increase in the rate of recurrence at a local or distant site with endocrine therapy, there was no difference in survival rates between those who received chemotherapy and those who didn't. Extrapolating the data to nine years, the rate of invasive-free survival with chemoendocrine therapy would have been 84.7 percent, while it would have been 83.1 with endocrine therapy alone. The small difference suggests that chemotherapy might not be necessary in all patients with a midrange score.

For some, however, it might be. In women

younger than 50, those with a 21-gene assay score of 16 to 25 showed a decrease in the rate of recurrence with chemotherapy. Still, no difference was seen in the survival rates.

I can't say what your friend should or shouldn't do. Perhaps — unlike in this study — her breast cancer involves lymph nodes and is hormone receptor-negative or HER-2 positive. Further, if she's under 50 and has a gene score of 16 or greater, she would almost certainly benefit from chemotherapy. But, overall, the study does show that for many women with localized breast cancer, and a 21-gene assay score of 25 or less, chemotherapy may not be necessary.

Dr. Robert Ashley is an internist and assistant professor of medicine at the University of California, Los Angeles.

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PEOPLE'S PHARMACY PRESCRIPTIONS AND HOME REMEDIES

Looking for a safer sunscreen

By Joe Graedon
and Teresa Graedon
King Features Syndicate

Q: In the Consumer Reports ratings on sunscreen, most of the top-ranked lotions contain oxybenzone (aka benzophenone-3 or BP-3). You have warned previously about the possible hormone-disrupting or endocrine-disrupting effects of this chemical in many articles. What are we to do?

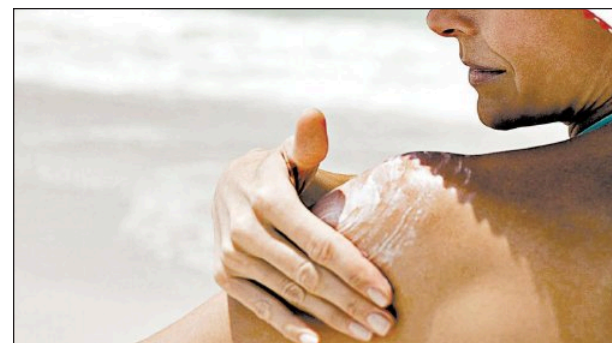
A: You are right that many of Consumer Reports' top-rated sunscreens contain oxybenzone. Nevertheless, the organization acknowledges that the chemical contributes to coral bleaching. CR also notes that Hawaii has banned sunscreens containing oxybenzone starting in 2021.

The Environmental Working Group is a nonprofit organization promoting human health with attention to environmental effects. It warns that oxybenzone "is a toxic chemical that is harmful to our health and our planet. It's linked to hormone disruption and allergic skin reactions in people, as well as the bleaching of coral reefs and coral death." That's why the organization is campaigning to have oxybenzone removed from sunscreens.

EWG found it in a majority of the products it reviewed this year, but it also found more than 200 products that do not contain oxybenzone. You can check the list at ewg.org.

Q: I'm a 77-year-old woman of normal weight. My cholesterol hovered around 200, even with a strict diet and getting plenty of exercise (total 197, HDL 77, LDL 101).

My primary doctor said that this must be hereditary and wanted to put me on a statin. Instead, I started taking red



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The Environmental Working Group is campaigning to have oxybenzone removed from sunscreens.

yeast rice and sprinkled at least 1/2 teaspoon of turmeric and at least 1/4 teaspoon of black pepper on each meal.

After doing this for about four months, continuing my exercise and strict diet, my total cholesterol dropped to 162, HDL 77, LDL 76, triglycerides 47. My pharmacist confirmed that red yeast rice would not interfere with any of my other medications. I hope this helps others.

A: We are impressed with your results. You were not in bad shape to start with.

Red yeast rice contains natural statins. A meta-analysis of 13 randomized, placebo-controlled trials concluded that "red yeast rice is an effective and relatively safe approach" for high cholesterol (PLOS One, June 4, 2014). The active ingredient in turmeric (curcumin) has been shown to reduce triglycerides and raise beneficial HDL cholesterol (Critical Reviews in Food Science and Nutrition, online, Nov. 29, 2017).

You can learn more about red yeast rice and other nondrug approaches in our "Guide to Cholesterol Control and Heart Health." It also can be downloaded for \$2 from our website: www.peoplespharmacy.com. It was wise of you to check with the pharmacist about interactions.

Q: I have been on meloxicam to treat arthritis pain for about a month now. I had a procedure done yesterday, and the nurse told me to keep an eye on my blood pressure until I see my doctor again.

I checked it again this evening, and it was 168/117. My blood pressure was never this high before I started taking meloxicam. Could the drug be raising my BP?

A: The official prescribing information for meloxicam (Mobic) states: "NSAIDs, including MOBIC, can lead to new onset or worsening of pre-existing hypertension, either of which may contribute to the increased incidence of CV cardiovascular events."

All nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs, including ibuprofen and naproxen, have the potential to raise blood pressure. You definitely should discuss this problem with your physician at your earliest opportunity.

Other side effects of meloxicam include digestive distress, skin rash, dizziness, ringing in the ears, elevated liver enzymes, kidney damage, blood clots, heart attacks and strokes.

In their column, Joe and Teresa Graedon answer letters from readers. Send questions to them via www.peoplespharmacy.com.

Can net neutrality be saved in Illinois?

As you might have heard, national regulations governing net neutrality were officially repealed by the Federal Communications Commission last month. For anyone hiding under a rock since last February, here's some background on what that means:

Net neutrality rules, enacted in 2015, ensured that all internet service providers treated all internet content equally. That meant companies like Comcast, Verizon and AT&T could not block, slow down, charge higher fees or otherwise discriminate against specific websites, users, content providers or communication platforms. An excellent example of net neutrality in action appeared in a post by Yahoo Finance: "Comcast would probably like to promote NBC's content over ABC's to its internet subscribers ... because Comcast and NBC are affiliated. But net neutrality prevents Comcast from being able to discriminate, and it must display both NBC's and ABC's content evenly as a result. That means no slower load time for ABC, and definitely no blocking of ABC altogether."

Here in Illinois, Rep. Ann Williams, Democrat of Chicago's 11th District, and Attorney General Lisa Madigan are fighting to ensure that net neutrality remains state law.

Madigan, along with 22 other state attorneys general, has sued the FCC over its repeal of net neutrality. And Williams has introduced House Bill 4819, the Broadband Procurement and Disclosure Act. Per Williams, HB 4819 states that if an internet service provider wishes to do business with the state of Illinois, it must abide by the net neutrality principles.

"If ISPs decide not to abide by these principles," she said, "HB 4819 would require them to disclose to Illinois consumers what changes they have made." She added: "These two measures would work to protect the free and open internet in Illinois and prevent potential throttling, blocking, paid prioritization and limiting of internet use that ISPs will now be allowed to do under the new rules."

HB 4819 has passed out of committee and is awaiting full House vote. Twenty-six other states have similar legislation in the works. And five governors — from Missouri, New York, New Jersey, Hawaii and Vermont — have signed executive orders to



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ensure the continuation of net neutrality in their states. For more information on HB 4819 and what other states are doing, see the "HB 4819 Fact Sheet" prepared by ACLU Illinois and available on its website.

The concern, Williams said, is that over time ISPs will modify their business models in much the same way as cable companies have. With consumers' increasing reliance on the internet, ISPs will be able to charge consumers more for their services as they create premium packages focused on prioritizing the content they own.

"The internet is critical for how we communicate, do business and engage civic institutions — it is no longer a luxury but a necessity," Williams said.

I reached out to Illinois consumer protection group the Citizens Utility Board to get the organization's take on net neutrality's repeal. In response, communications director Jim Chilsen described a potentially concerning future: "Without net neutrality, we could see an internet that resembles a more complicated and more expensive

tiered service, where consumers pay a fee for basic internet, and then would have to pay more to access tiers, like Facebook, for example, or even email."

CUB's senior policy analyst Bryan McDaniel added that as distribution companies like AT&T and Comcast buy content companies, they have a financial incentive to prioritize their content over others.

When asked what consumers can do, McDaniel offered two suggestions:

Contact your state legislators and tell them to support HB 4819 (in Illinois).

Contact your U.S. Congressional representatives and encourage them to sign on to the petition to save net neutrality. "Under the Congressional Review Act," McDaniel explained, "Congress, with the approval of the president, cannot only reject regulations issued by a federal agency but it can effectively bar that agency from taking similar action (in the future)."

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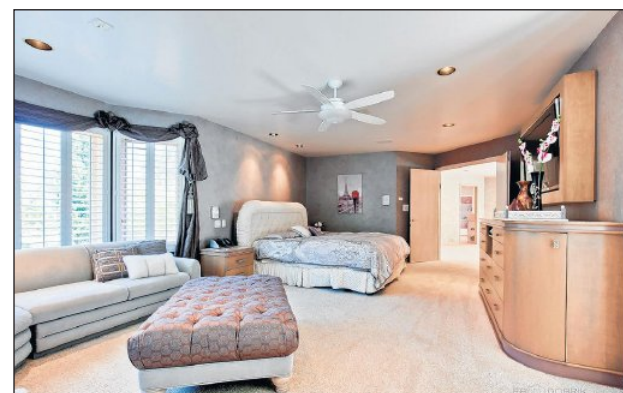
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Enter through the dramatic foyer with views of the cathedral ceiling, cascading staircase and the living and dining rooms. The family and living rooms boast a wet-bar with quartz countertops, floor-to-ceiling fireplace, sunroom and exterior access to the in-ground pool. The gourmet kitchen has granite counters, stainless-steel appliances, custom white cabinetry, a walk-in pantry and attached eating area overlooking the backyard. A bedroom, bathroom and laundry complete the first level. The master suite includes two walk-in closets, a sitting area and spa-like bath with double sinks, a Jacuzzi tub, towel rack and separate shower. Three additional bedrooms including a Jack-and-Jill bath with quartz counters and a third full bath complete the level. Other features include the finished basement with a wet bar, recreation space, backyard with a pool, patio and landscaped grounds.

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