



Trump again says Russia is no threat

White House tries to clarify his bucking of top intelligence aide

BY CHRIS MEGERIAN
 Washington Bureau

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump said Wednesday that Russia is no longer targeting the United States, contradicting his top intelligence adviser's

warning days ago that "the lights are blinking red" about cyberattacks and re-igniting bipartisan concerns over his recent embrace of Russian President Vladimir Putin.

The president's flat "no" came in response to a re-

porter's question about Russian threats during a White House meeting with the Cabinet. Two hours later, press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said Trump was only saying "no" to answering any questions, a contention denied by the reporter and others in the room.

"Is Russia still targeting the U.S.?" the reporter

asked as a small group of journalists was being ushered out of the meeting.

"No," Trump responded, looking directly at the questioner. He went on to say, "We are doing very well, probably as well as anybody has ever done with Russia."

The president's apparent denial of an ongoing threat from Russia contradicted his chief intelligence ad-

viser, director of national intelligence Dan Coats, who on Friday compared warning signs of cyberattacks by Russia and others to intelligence rumblings before the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

"The warning lights are blinking red again," Coats said. "Today, the digital infrastructure that serves this country is literally under

attack."

Coats, a former Republican senator from Indiana, has also said that Russia has not been deterred from continuing its campaign of hacking and disinformation that helped scramble the presidential race two years ago.

"We are just one click of

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Defrocked priest to be committed indefinitely

Daniel McCormack, one of Chicago's most notorious figures in the Roman Catholic priest sexual abuse scandal, was committed indefinitely Wednesday to a state facility for sex offenders. McCormack, 49, had pleaded guilty in 2007 to sexually abusing five boys and was sentenced to five years in prison. In 2009, the state filed to designate him a sexually violent person so he could be held indefinitely at the secure state facility in Rushville. He has been held there since then waiting to learn his fate. In his ruling, Cook County Judge Dennis Porter noted that the defrocked priest had never cooperated with treatment or even admitted a problem. Court records show that some 25 boys and young men have alleged McCormack molested them in their youth. **Chicagoland, Page 5**

Banks give boost to city's minority entrepreneurs

JPMorgan Chase and Fifth Third Bank invest \$5.5 million in a fund to boost businesses on city's South and West sides. **Business**

Parker: Playing for Bulls 'is a dream come true'

Bulls believe they're better with Jabari Parker. His perseverance to overcome adversity contributed to that belief. **Chicago Sports**



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Special Olympics athlete Brian Freese laughs it up with his parents, Sue and Dave Freese, left, and his longtime coach, Maureen Perez.

Special Olympics' true gift: Brian's chance to do his best

Standout Chicago athlete finds meaning in ability to compete

One of Chicago's most decorated athletes sat on a bench inside Independence Park's stately brick field house on the Northwest Side, a slew of medals hanging around his neck shining almost as brightly as Brian Freese's smile. Dozens of passers-by ac-



DAVID HAUGH
In the Wake of the News

knowledgeable Brian, 33, the Special Olympics Chicago standout who replied to greetings with a hearty "Hello" and to hugs with

a sincere "Thank you." They were the people who have seen how hard Brian competes in his favorite sports of bocce ball, flag football and soccer — the sport in which he once challenged an opponent for knocking his teammate's glasses off.

The people who remember when Brian used to go bowling with a ball that changed colors and the day he first jumped into the pool down the hallway at age 4. The people who traveled

on Brian's floor-hockey trip to Montreal as a teenage Special Olympian or saw him bolt to victory in the 50-meter freestyle at the state games in Bloomington, Ill., and the ones who helped him recover from torn ligaments in his knee. The people who understand how much Brian loves Justin Timberlake's music, Raven-Symone's television shows and every Chicago

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'Tired of being the city's dumping ground'

Company with past pollution issues headed to SE Side

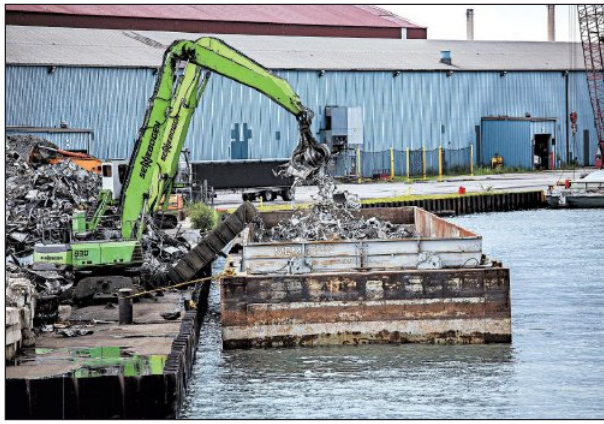
BY MICHAEL HAWTHORNE
 Chicago Tribune

A scrap metal shredder with a long history of pollution problems is moving from wealthy, largely white Lincoln Park to a low-income, predominantly Latino neighborhood that already is heavily burdened by toxic waste and other environmental maladies.

General Iron Industries announced last week that it

has brokered a deal to shutter its controversial scrap yard along the North Branch of the Chicago River and merge with a similar operation about 17 miles away in the East Side neighborhood.

The move will rid fast-gentrifying areas of Lincoln Park of metallic odors and unsightly piles of flattened cars, twisted rebar and used appliances. But community leaders near General Iron's new home are angry and frustrated about the prospect of another source of air pollution in their corner of Chicago, which has struggled to recover since the



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General Iron plans to move its operations and merge with Reserve Management Group near the Calumet River.

steel industry abandoned the area during the 1980s and '90s.

"We're tired of being the city's dumping ground," said Ald. Sue Sadlowski Garza, 10th, who is the daughter of a prominent

steelworkers union organizer and campaigned as a pollution-fighter when she ousted a key ally of Mayor Rahm Emanuel in 2015. "We want and deserve

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Lincoln Yards plans: 23K jobs, 5K homes

North Side project along river would include skyscrapers



RYAN ORI
On Real Estate

Skyscrapers as tall as 70 stories are part of a developer's ambitious plan to bring 23,000 jobs and 5,000 homes to the Chicago River on the city's North Side.

Those are among new

details that Chicago developer Sterling Bay unveiled Wednesday night during the long-anticipated first public meeting for its planned Lincoln Yards project, a \$5 billion-plus development planned for at least 70 acres along the river between Lincoln Park and Bucktown, on parcels once occupied by the A. Fink & Sons steel plant and other industrial businesses.

Sterling Bay's plan has the potential to transform a swath of old manufacturing properties into a town center of sorts, with offices, hotels, apartments, condo-

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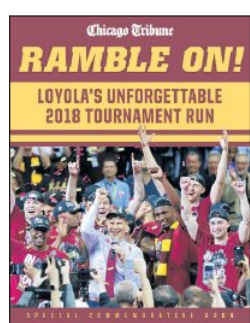
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JOHN KASS

Paul tenacity on display defending the indefensible

Sen. Rand Paul of Kentucky is taking a load of grief for being one of the few Republicans standing up for President Donald Trump over that steaming mess in Helsinki.

Now even Trump doesn't stand up for Trump, lamely walking back his controversial comments after taking a merciless, and deserved, whipping in the media.

As Trump stood next to Putin at the summit in Helsinki, reporters asked him if Russia had meddled in the 2016 election. American intelligence services and Congress have determined that yes, the Russians meddled. On Monday in Helsinki, Trump said he did not see why Russia would have meddled. On Tuesday, he offered this pathetic excuse.

"I said 'would' instead of 'wouldn't,'" Trump said in a failed attempt at sincerity, like when he was pretending to care about corrupt onetime Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich on "The Celebrity Apprentice."

Yet, even during the Trump beat-down, Paul remained undaunted in supporting Trump for reaching out to Russia.

"I think that it is a good idea to have engagement," Paul told CNN. "And I think that what is lost in this is that I think there's a bit of Trump Derangement Syndrome."

Paul noted similarities with how President Barack Obama tried to push a "reset button" with Russia early in his first administration in an effort toward better relations with Russia. "And I think it's lost on people that they're a nuclear power. They have influence in Syria. They're in close proximity to the troops in Syria. They are close to the peninsula of North Korea and may have some influence that could help us there," Paul said.

Putin's Russian oligarchs are being squeezed by U.S.-backed economic sanctions. That puts pressure on Putin. A worried bear is a dangerous bear, especially when it has a nuclear arsenal.

Paul stubbornly defied Trump's angriest critics, from those on the far left to former leaders of the so-called intelligence community and those of the Republican establishment who want to expand NATO and push that bear around. Paul dismissed them simply as "people who hate the president."

I disagree with Paul on one key point.

Trump's public equivocation in Helsinki was disgusting and obsequious. It was also shocking, coming from a man who built his public persona on being unequivocal.

While the left suffers Trump Derangement Syndrome, the Trumpian right is infected too, deranged in believing Trump plays 3-D chess while the rest of the world plays checkers.

Stop it. Trump humiliated himself. Stop defending it.

But Paul's stubbornness on Russia also reminded me why I wanted him to win the Republican presidential primary. I hoped Paul would defeat the war-party neo-con enablers who've led us into needless, tragic and costly wars.

The GOP establishment loathed Paul, painting him as a "dangerous



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U.S. Sen. Rand Paul was in the minority in praising President Donald Trump.

isolationist." They were amused by Trump at first, thinking they could use Trump to flatten the field and insert Jeb Bush. They were wrong, as they were about Iraq.

And by the time they figured things out, Trump, the orange vulgarian, was at their establishment's gates.

The thing about Paul is that he hates being stampeded. And that's what's happening here, with Trump and Russia, a media/political stampede.

Putin would skin you alive to keep power. The ruthless former KGB thug is the author of misery from Ukraine to Syria. His agents allegedly hacked Democratic National Committee servers to hurt Hillary Clinton's campaign.

But Clinton didn't lose the election because of the Russians. She lost because she was a lousy candidate.

Trump's sin is that he defies the foreign policy establishment and neo-cons who dangerously seek to expand NATO, pushing confrontation with Russia. That's heretical.

With so many disparate voices shrieking that Trump is a traitor, Paul let fly his stubborn streak.

"I've said this before, and I'll say it again," Paul told CNN. "Any country that can spy, does, and any country that can meddle in foreign elections, does. All countries are doing this. But we've elevated this to a higher degree, and we have made this all about the sour grapes of Hillary Clinton losing the election and it's all about partisan politics now. This is truly the Trump Derangement Syndrome that motivates all of this."

Helsinki was a gift to the president's domestic political enemies,

among Republicans and on the left, sending a thrill up and down their legs.

Is there good reason to critique master intriguers such as former CIA boss John Brennan, a bad actor, and onetime National Intelligence Director James Clapper, who lied to Congress about surveillance of the American people? Yes.

But Helsinki wasn't the place to do it. In Trump world, it's all about Trump, and all about insisting he had nothing to do with the Russians in 2016, all about defending himself from the charge that his presidency was illegitimate.

In Helsinki, his task was to put the nation first. He put his wounded ego first.

And still, there is that stubborn Rand Paul.

"I think people have gotten over top on this and lost the big picture. The big picture is that we should be engaged with Russia," Paul said. "We have serious conflicts in various parts of the globe. It would be a mistake not to have open lines of communication with them ... to make sure that we don't accidentally stumble into war."

Paul isn't magnetic. He has terrible hair. He purses his lips when listening to idiots. A personality cult won't be built around him.

But he is one stubborn man who won't be stampeded.

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Republican friends, it is time to let Trump go



DAHLEEN GLANTON

When a friend is in trouble, our instinct is to try and steer them away from danger.

Sometimes that means putting the friendship on the line by saying things they don't want to hear. You gently nudge them toward the light when their eyes are blind to the truth.

This message is for my Republican friends — those smart and compassionate people I argue with fiercely over political ideology but with whom I share an unflinching respect for our democracy.

My friends, you are in an abusive relationship with Donald Trump. It is time to let him go.

It is clear that you have struggled with your victory in putting Trump into the White House. He wasn't your first choice as a mate, but with the country's changing demographics, you feared the glory days of conservative governing were over.

Then Trump extended his hand. And you accepted it, though tepidly.

Some of you fell for his cunning promise to go to Washington and drain the swamp. You were disappointed early on when he instead created a bigger swamp and filled it with crooks and bigots who have nothing in common with you.

Many of you, though, found him so deplorable from the start that you could not cast your ballot for him. But a year and a half into the relationship, you have decided to settle in and just see how things go.

Most of the time, you are miserable. You cried with the rest of us when you saw refugee children separated from their parents at the border.

You detest his bigoted and misogynistic behavior. You still cringe when he mentions that ridiculous wall.

You hold your breath whenever he steps onto the world stage, fearing that he will at the very least embarrass you, or at worst, weaken the nation. You watched in horror as he stood beside Vladimir Putin and sided with



SEAN GALLUP/GETTY

President Donald Trump attends the NATO summit last week in Brussels, days before his Monday meeting with Russian President Vladimir Putin.

My friends, you are in an abusive relationship with Donald Trump.

Russia over America regarding meddling in the 2016 election.

You didn't buy that pitiful forced apology, where he claimed his betrayal was not intentional but rather a simple misspoken word. But you held your tongue and accepted it, because that's what people in abusive relationships tend to do.

You tell yourselves over and over that no relationship is perfect. When friends try to warn you that Trump is no good, you point out the way he has shown his love.

You explain that Trump turned out to be more politically conservative than most Republicans

ever thought he could be. And that he's has been awfully good to you. He's given you a Supreme Court justice who thinks like you, and you are about to welcome a second.

He has flooded the federal courts with right-wing conservatives who agree with the direction you think the country should be headed.

And look at the stock market, you say. Everybody who had money to begin with has gotten richer.

These things alone make up for any pain he has caused on the sidelines, you surmise. You have tried to convince yourselves that the benefits of having a Republican, any Republican, at the helm of the country far outweigh the bad.

Perhaps you are beginning to think that maybe a second presidential term might not be as tough as it might seem. There is a chance you could get a third

Supreme Court pick who will push the high court to the right for generations to come.

Deep inside, however, you know how selfish that would be. It is clear that four additional years under Trump could bring irreparable harm to America. You are flirting with calling it quits.

You have never trusted him, anyway. Now you suspect that the man who stands at the helm of the nation may not have its best interests at heart. You aren't sure that he grasps the magnitude of his actions in the presence of adversaries. You cannot depend on him to stand with U.S. allies in a united front.

You suspect that the rumors are true, that he is in love with someone else on the other side of the world. But you are paralyzed to confront him.

So you continue to set yourselves up for disappointment, secretly hoping that his latest misstep will be the one that does

him in. But he rises from the rubble unscathed, perhaps even stronger and more vicious than before.

When will it end, you wonder. Who can stop this nightmare, you ask.

Only you, my Republican friends, can stop him immediately.

The rest of us are pawns in Trump's "Game of Thrones." You are our Lord Snow and our Dragon Queen. With no political strength in Washington right now, we are like "smallfolk" with no real voice.

Republicans, you have to stop this abuser before it's too late. If your party is to survive this tumultuous reign, you must find the courage to stand up to Trump in your own House — before the rest of us have to come to your rescue and kick him out.

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Visitors walk through Brookfield Zoo on Wednesday. PETA is suing the zoo, seeking documents on the deaths of 54 stingrays in a 2015 exhibit.

PETA seeks Brookfield Zoo records

Group's lawsuit alleges 'cover-up' in deaths of 54 stingrays in 2015

BY ESE OLUMHENSE
AND ELVIA MALAGON
Chicago Tribune

People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals is suing for documents that could shed light on the 2015 deaths of 54 stingrays that were part of an exhibit at Brookfield Zoo.

For several years now, the animal rights group has asked the Cook County Forest Preserve District, which in partnership with the Chicago Zoological Society operates and maintains the private, nonprofit zoo, to turn over documents that detail the events that led to the stingray deaths, according to court records. PETA, which says the county hasn't responded to the request, filed a lawsuit last week in Cook County Circuit Court, asking a judge to order the Forest Preserve District to turn over the documents.

"It simply seems that they don't want to come clean on the cause of these mass deaths," said Jared Goodman, an attorney for the national animal-rights organization.

PETA is also hoping the records spell out how the zoo plans to prevent similar incidents from happening and elaborate on Brookfield's partnership with SeaWorld, he said.

Stacina Stagner, a Forest Preserve District spokeswoman, says the county doesn't have any of the documents.

"Brookfield Zoo is run by a non-profit agency that receives



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A girl reaches toward a stingray at Brookfield Zoo in 2014. The deaths of 54 stingrays in 2015 were attributed to a malfunction in the habitat.

the overwhelming majority of its funding from private donations," Stagner said in an email. The zoo also receives county tax dollars to run its operation. In 2018, the Forest Preserve District allocated \$14.4 million for Brookfield Zoo, Stagner said in an email.

A spokeswoman who works on behalf of the Chicago Zoological Society, the nonprofit that runs the zoo, who also is a spokeswoman for the zoo declined to comment.

PETA has been waging a public records battle against the forest preserves since October 2016. It stems from July 10, 2015, when 54 stingrays in Brookfield Zoo's "Stingray Bay" exhibit died after a malfunction caused oxygen levels in the habitat to drop, zoo officials said at the time. The exhibit was run in conjunction with SeaWorld, according to the lawsuit. Officials from SeaWorld did not immediately respond to a request for comment.

Although staff members did "everything possible to try and save the animals," zoo leadership told the Tribune at the time, four southern and 50 cownose stingrays were dead within hours. It wasn't the first time a group of stingrays died at the zoo in Brookfield. In July 2008, 16 stingrays died when the water temperature in the pool rose by 10 degrees and a cooling system failed, officials said at the time.

PETA claims the forest preserves' withholding of records about the stingray exhibit amounts to a "cover-up." Attorneys for PETA argue in the complaint that Brookfield Zoo records should be public because of the zoo's partnership with the forest preserves, a government entity that is subject to public records requests.

And because of that, Goodman said, PETA believes the public has a right to know how the government responded to the

stingray deaths.

The state attorney general's office, which fielded a complaint over the public records issue, sided with PETA, determining that records about the stingray exhibit and the SeaWorld partnership are public records because they directly relate to the government function that the Forest Preserve District has contracted with the Chicago Zoological Society to perform, the opinion states.

In 2011, the attorney general's office determined in another case that the Chicago Zoological Society's relationship with the Forest Preserve District amounted to a government function, making it subject to public records requests, according to documents PETA shared with the Tribune.

PETA could face an uphill battle to get the records. Maryam Judar, the executive director of the Citizen Advocacy Center, an Elmhurst-based nonprofit that promotes government accountability, said she doesn't think the Chicago Zoological Society would be subject to public records request because of how current state law is written. Still, Judar supports PETA efforts and thinks Illinois should follow what other states have done to make entities like the zoo subject to public records requests.

"I think a legislative fix should take place absent a court determining that these records are subject to FOIA," Judar said.

A hearing on the lawsuit has been scheduled for Nov. 6.

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Darvish won't get special treatment from Evanston

Cubs pitcher's request for 6-foot-tall fence around home denied

BY GENEVIEVE BOOKWALTER
Pioneer Press

Cubs pitcher Yu Darvish has been denied the 6-foot-tall fence he wanted to build around his new mansion in Evanston to increase security.

But city officials did approve a compromise late Tuesday that will allow Darvish a fence 3 to 4 feet tall at his lakefront home across the street from a busy park.

Darvish needed special permission because Evanston generally limits the height of such fences to 4 feet and doesn't allow them to line front yards, as he requested.

Some nearby residents also objected to Darvish's plans, citing concerns that they might mar the neighborhood or obscure neighbors' own lake views.

Matt Rodgers, a consultant who represented Darvish at Tuesday's zoning board meeting, said the proposed 6-foot fence was not requested so much to protect the Cubs star from dangerous people as it was to spare him from "nuisance intrusions"

and keep the family's young kids and dogs off the street at their home on a Kedzie Street cul-de-sac.

"Because of the particular celebrity we have here," Rodgers said, "people want to just knock on your door and discuss what he does for a living, drop off presents, things like this."

But members of Evanston's Zoning Board of Appeals apparently didn't buy that argument, rejecting the 6-foot fence on a 5-1 vote.

"Your client was aware of the safety risks of his property at the time he bought it," said board member Scott Gingold. "We're being asked to do something different because it's a celebrity," which Gingold said he did not agree with.

Representatives for Darvish had appealed the case to the zoning board after a city planning manager rejected the request for the fence.

The board approved the compromise fence plan on a 6-0 vote. Board member Myrna Arevalo was absent.

"The lower fence is more consistent with the style and scale of the neighborhood," said board Chairwoman Mary Beth Berns.



CHRIS WALKER/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Evanston officials approved a compromise that will allow Cubs pitcher Yu Darvish to build a 3- to 4-foot-tall fence at his lakefront home.

The approved fence will be required to match in height the fences in front of other historic homes on Sheridan Road between Main Street and Kedzie Street, across the park from Darvish.

Those residents on Tuesday evening estimated their front fences stand 3 to 4 feet tall.

Rodgers declined to comment on the board's decision after the meeting and said he would talk to the Darvish family about next steps.

Darvish bought his Colonial Revival-style home in May for more than \$4.5 million.

It was built in 1904 and includes six bedrooms, a private deep-water dock and more than

150 feet of Lake Michigan shoreline. He also bought the empty lot next door with plans to build a multicar garage there, according to the zoning appeal filed on his behalf.

Neighbors on Tuesday weren't particularly thrilled with Darvish's fence plans.

"If he was so concerned about safety, why would he buy right there on the park? I've lived there 40 years. I've never had an incident," said nearby resident Carla Price.

"He's creating a hardship for himself and trying to change the rules and regulations of the city?"

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BY GREGORY PRATT
Chicago Tribune

Two branch courthouses in Chicago are closing as part of a settlement to resolve the budget fight that erupted last year between Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle and the court system after the controversial soda tax was repealed, officials announced Wednesday.

Despite the closings, no Circuit Court of Cook County workers will face layoffs this year. But all employees will have to take 10 unpaid furlough days, a move that will save \$6.2 million. The settlement between Preckwinkle and Chief Circuit Court Judge Timothy Evans also will close one unit in the Juvenile Temporary Detention Center, and its 22 vacant positions will be eliminated.

"This dispute was about the necessary and reasonable funding that is statutorily required for the court system. But this litigation has also established that the county board has no authority to lay off court employees," Evans said in a statement. "The county decides the funding level for the court, and the court is best suited to decide how these funds are allocated."

An exact date for closing the small branch courthouses at 2452 W. Belmont Ave. and 155 W. 51st St. has not yet been determined, a county spokesman said. The settlement says they must close by Sept. 1. The preliminary felony hearings and misdemeanor cases heard there would be shifted to other county courthouses.

The budget dispute dates to last year's repeal of the county's controversial penny-an-ounce tax on sugar- and artificially sweetened beverages, a move that eliminated \$200 million from Preckwinkle's proposed spending plan. County commissioners approved a budget that called for Evans to lay off more than 150 workers — nearly half of the 321 county employees targeted for dismissal in the budget. That prompted a court challenge from Evans.

Evans had maintained that the proposed budget cuts would have hampered the court system's ability to meet its legal requirements. He also said the county courts were being expected to shoulder a larger burden of the proposed job cuts than other agencies. Those cuts didn't take effect while the lawsuit played out.

"As we stated when this case began, the Circuit Court of Cook County accounts for about 5 percent of the county's operating budget, but the county board had ordered the court to bear 50 percent of the overall layoffs," Evans said in the statement.

Judges won't have to take the furlough days because their salaries are paid by the state, not the county.

Evans sought \$41 million more in his budget. Instead, the settlement means the county court system will get \$11.1 million more through a combination of new money and budget credits.

In addition to the branch courthouse closings, youths receiving behavioral health services from contractors at the Juvenile Temporary Detention Center will be moved to the Cook County Health and Hospitals System by Sept. 1.

"We will continue working with all officials to ensure that all functions of the County are operating efficiently and in a fiscally responsible manner while still providing essential services to our residents," Preckwinkle said in a statement.

Despite the spending cuts this year, Cook County officials already face a projected \$82 million budget hole as they set out to craft a new plan this fall. But the current \$5.2 billion budget, which expires Nov. 30, is expected to end with a \$600,000 surplus, Preckwinkle's office has said.

"As we head into more uncertain financial times, the county board has more tough decisions ahead," Evans said. "I hope that the president and commissioners will consider all of the sacrifices the court has made and the disproportionate share of the cuts that the court was asked to take in 2018."

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Daniel McCormack, shown in 2006, will be re-evaluated annually to determine whether he is eligible for release from the secure state facility in Rushville where he is being held.

Defrocked priest to be committed indefinitely

He pleaded guilty in 2007 to sexually abusing 5 boys

BY MEGAN CREPEAU
Chicago Tribune

Arguably Chicago's most notorious figure in the national Roman Catholic priest sexual abuse scandal was committed indefinitely Wednesday to a state facility for sex offenders.

In refusing to release Daniel McCormack under strict monitoring, Cook County Judge Dennis Porter noted that the defrocked priest had never cooperated with treatment or even admitted to a problem.

"I can't disregard the fact that he has never been of the belief that he has a problem," Porter said. "The first (step) of treatment here is recognizing there's a problem that has to be treated."

McCormack, 49, sat impassively throughout the approximately 45-minute hearing and passed up an opportunity to speak on his own behalf, saying, "Not at this time, no" while giving a slight wave of his hand.

McCormack had pleaded guilty in 2007 to sexually abusing five boys and was sentenced to five years in prison. Shortly before he was eligible for parole in 2009, the state filed to designate him a sexually violent person so he could be held indefinitely at the secure state facility in Rushville. He has been held there since then while waiting to learn his fate. Last September, Porter found him sexually violent, agreeing with prosecutors who argued that the ex-priest was substantially likely to reoffend. The judge decided Wednesday to keep him in that same facility.

He will be re-evaluated annually to determine whether he is eligible for release, but very few at the Department of Human Services facility win their freedom.

Barbara Dorris, former executive director of the Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests, applauded Wednesday's decision.

"I think it is the start of recognizing the damage a child predator does and the fact that there is no, quote, cure for it," she said, calling the McCormack case a "textbook" example of how the Catholic Church mishandled abuse allegations.

Court records show that some 25 boys and young men have alleged McCormack molested them in their youth, most notably at St. Agatha Parish on Chicago's West Side, where the then-young priest coached basketball, taught algebra and delivered eloquent sermons.

The allegations stretch back decades but only became public in 2006, four years after then-Cardinal

Francis George urged America's bishops to remove any priest from ministry for a single act of sexual abuse.

But the cardinal, when notified that McCormack had been taken into custody by Chicago police in August 2005 for allegedly abusing a boy, did not remove him from ministry until a second arrest in January 2006. Later, outside auditors uncovered more than 30 missteps by the archdiocese in its handling of the McCormack case.

Advocates say the West Side community felt particularly betrayed by McCormack's actions, since the

Louck Davis said she had diagnosed him with pedophilic disorder and voyeuristic disorder.

With McCormack refusing to cooperate, doctors drew conclusions by examining voluminous records by police, the archdiocese and other agencies.

McCormack's attorneys on Wednesday pointed out both his spotless disciplinary record during his time in custody and a psychologist who testified for the defense at trial who found that the former priest was not "substantially probable" to reoffend.

A strict release with GPS monitoring and profes-

"I can't disregard the fact that he has never been of the belief that he has a problem."

— Cook County Judge Dennis Porter

church was meant to be a safe space in a neighborhood often plagued by violence and poverty.

"He exploited that, their desire and their need to protect their children," Dorris told the Tribune on Wednesday. "These were parents that were trying so hard to do the right thing, and the very organization that was supposed to help them and guide them led them down a very evil path."

The Archdiocese of Chicago has paid out unspecified millions of dollars in settlements to McCormack victims. Eight lawsuits are still pending, said Anne Maselli, an archdiocese spokeswoman.

A state Department of Human Services psychologist who testified for prosecutors last month said McCormack needs the intensive treatment only the department's Rushville facility can provide. Amy

sional help would be sufficient for McCormack, along with the limitations imposed on any convicted sex offender, attorney Matthew Daniels said.

"He's not going to be able to coach because he's not going to be allowed to be near any parks or schools," Daniels said. "He's not going to be allowed to teach because he's not going to be allowed in a school."

The facility where McCormack was committed currently holds about 570 residents, all of them men, Department of Human Services spokeswoman Meghan Powers confirmed Wednesday. About two-thirds of them have been officially committed there and the rest are awaiting court proceedings.

Since 1998, just 21 people have been discharged from the facility, Powers said.

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Latino Caucus to return money from prison firm

Aldermen say they don't know why company donated

BY GREGORY PRATT
Chicago Tribune

At a City Council meeting last month, aldermen in the Latino Caucus displayed signs at their desks that declared, "Families Belong Together."

The show of unity came in response to controversy over President Donald Trump's separation policy for immigrant families at the U.S.-Mexico border.

But records show the Chicago City Council Latino Caucus Foundation accepted \$1,000 in 2016 from a private prison company that has contracts to detain immigrants, like many who live in the aldermen's wards.

A spokeswoman for the GEO Group said the company also donated \$500 to the foundation last year.

The GEO Group's political action committee cut the foundation a check in August 2016, a copy of the donation obtained by the Tribune shows.

Asked about the contribution, caucus Chairman Ald. Gilbert Villegas, 36th, said the group would return the money, likely by donating it to an organization that helps migrants.

"It's hypocritical," Villegas said. "Right now, this administration is separating ... Latino kids from their parents. As a caucus, we're not going to stand for that."

Villegas, who was not the chairman at the time of the 2016 donation, said he does not know how GEO came to donate to the organization — whether the group was solicited by a member or saw a flyer for the foundation.

"We're not going to keep any money that goes against what we believe in," Villegas said.

The group's legal coun-

sel is searching to see whether other GEO Group donations came in, the alderman said.

GEO spokeswoman Monica Hook said the company donated \$500 in 2017 and \$1,000 in 2016 to the caucus foundation's scholarship fund at its annual gala.

"Academic and vocational training is critically important, and enables the individuals we serve with more opportunities than they might otherwise be afforded," Hook said in a statement.

"The GEO Group supports students furthering their education in the communities we operate, which is why we are proud to support such programs as the Chicago Latino Caucus Foundation."

This week, Latino Ald. Raymond Lopez, 15th, said he was donating \$5,000 to a group that supports migrants after being criticized for receiving \$2,750 in donations from the GEO Group over the last three years.

Lopez said the GEO Group is the parent company of Southwood Interventions, a drug treatment and outpatient facility in his ward's West Englewood neighborhood.

He said the company gave to support his work in the ward.

"Unfortunately, none of us knew at that time what detention centers were, but once it's become more widely known what their business model is," he thought it best to give the money away, Lopez said.

The 12-member Latino Caucus boasts that it's "the only Chicago City Council Caucus that has a fully operating Foundation with an IRS 501(c)(3) designation" and largely exists to

provide scholarships.

The group includes Lopez; Villegas; Proco "Joe" Moreno, 1st; Daniel Solis, 25th; Susan Sadowski Garza, 10th; George Cardenas, 12th; Ricardo Munoz, 22nd; Silvana Tabares, 23rd; Roberto Maldonado, 26th; Ariel Reboyras, 30th; Milly Santiago, 31st; and Carlos Ramirez-Rosa, 35th.

Cardenas was chairman at the time of the 2016 donation.

He said the GEO Group did not donate to him and he doesn't know how it gave to the caucus but that he thinks the foundation's fundraiser should put controls in place to make sure donations don't come in from firms such as GEO.

The GEO Group is well-known in immigration circles.

On its website, GEO said it has 75,500 beds in 71 correctional and detention facilities across the United States.

The Florida-based firm works with the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Immigration and Customs Enforcement, nine states and "various county and city jurisdictions."

A GEO Group spokesman, in a previous statement about its donations to Lopez, said, "Our company does not manage facilities that house unaccompanied minors, and we do not take a position on nor have we ever advocated for or against immigration enforcement or detention policies."

GEO has in the past attempted to bring an immigrant detention center to Gary, provoking local controversy.

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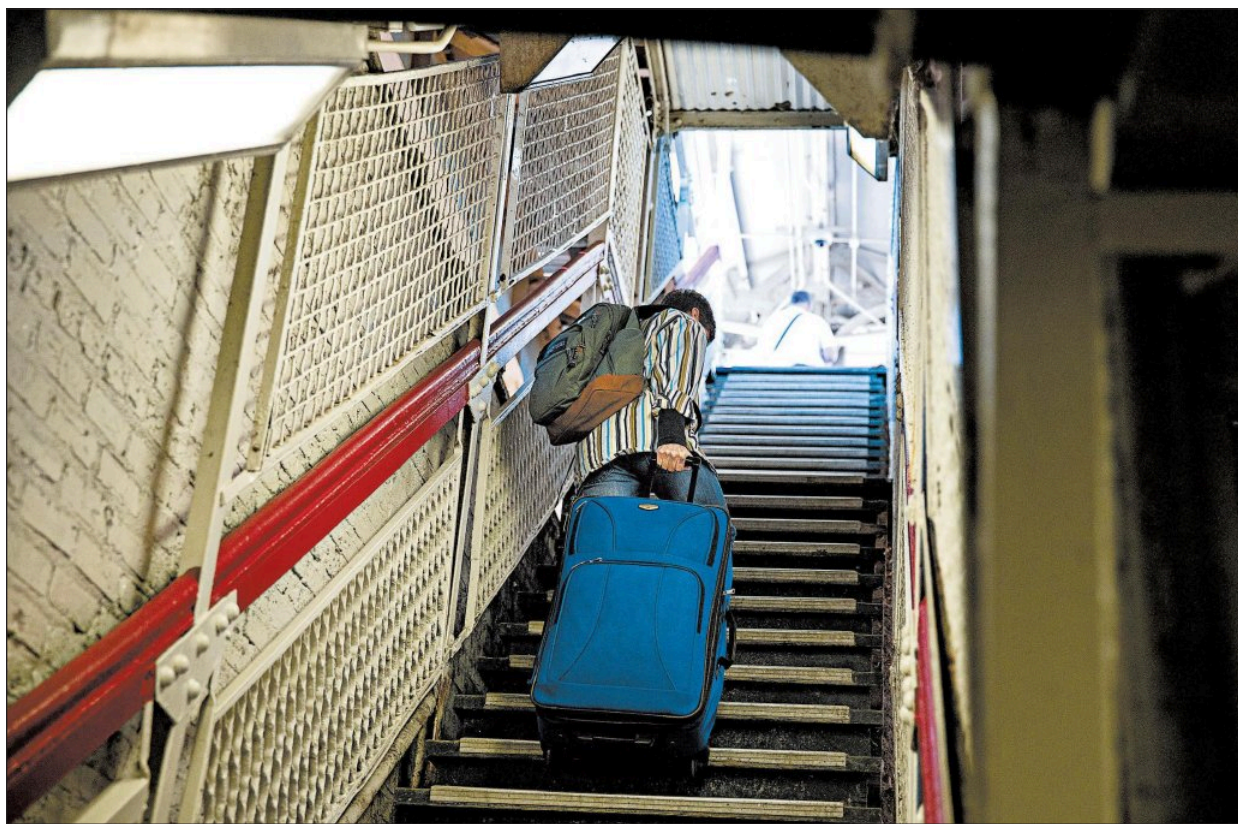
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The Sheridan Red Line station is among the 43 CTA rail stations that are not wheelchair-accessible.

\$2.1B plan aims to make all CTA stations accessible

Agency still needs to secure funding for long-term goal

By MARY WISNIEWSKI
Chicago Tribune

The CTA on Thursday is announcing its first plan to make the entire system accessible to people with disabilities over the next 20 years.

The CTA said the All Stations Accessibility Program (ASAP) Strategic Plan will cost about \$2.1 billion, and it does not yet have the money to pay for it. The agency is announcing the plan now to begin the effort to secure funding by building support and increasing awareness of accessibility needs, said spokesman Brian Steele.

"Having a strategic plan helps us make our case to the public," Steele said. He noted that the state legislature has not had a capital bill since 2009, and transit agencies want one for major infrastructure projects.

The timing of the announcement also coincides with the 50th anniversary this week of the Special Olympics, and the Access-Chicago conference for people with disabilities being held at Navy Pier.

After the 1990 passage of

the Americans with Disabilities Act, just 6 percent of CTA's rail stations met accessibility standards. The agency has since made progress — with all CTA trains and buses and 102 rail stations, or about 70 percent of the total, accessible to people with disabilities either via elevator or ramp, the CTA said.

That leaves 43 rail stations that are inaccessible by people in wheelchairs, forcing them to go a station or two beyond where they need to go to get elevator access. The plan details how the CTA will modernize inaccessible stations, as well as future upgrades and replacements for existing elevators across the system.

"You want to get everyone out there enjoying our beautiful city and we want to make it accessible," said Janet Szyk, president and CEO of the Chicago LightHouse, an organization for the blind and visually impaired. "It's a real hardship when you get to a station and it's not accessible."

Szyk said having a plan is a sign of "real progress."

CTA President Dorval Carter first announced that the agency would be working on such a plan in 2015, on the 25th anniversary of the ADA law, Steele said.

"I share Mayor Emanuel's vision for a 100 percent accessible public transit system and am committed to our shared goal of ensuring that CTA can be used by everyone," Carter said in a statement. "With the introduction of the ASAP plan, we now have a guiding light towards a fully accessible system."

The changes would include new elevators and/or ADA-compliant ramps, power-operated doors, wheelchair-accessible fare gates and Braille signage.

Upgrading the system will be both expensive and tricky, because the inaccessible stations were built from 50 to 120 years ago, when escalators, elevators and other amenities were not standard for station construction.

One example is the Damen station on the Blue Line, built more than 100 years ago. The station is in a tight location between buildings, and the CTA might have to acquire property to build an elevator, Steele said.

The CTA has added accessibility to stations as it repairs and rebuilds them — for example, Addison on the Blue Line and Wilson on the Red Line now have elevators, and an elevator is part of the nearly finished

Quincy rehab on the Brown Line. Phase one of the ASAP plan puts elevators in eight stations: Austin on the Green Line, Montrose and California on the Blue Line, State/Lake on the Loop "L," and Lawrence, Argyle, Berwyn and Bryn Mawr on the Red Line.

The latter four stations are part of phase one of the Red and Purple Modernization Program, which will include track repairs and a flyover.

Why is the CTA emphasizing accessibility when it has so many other needs like expanding the Red Line to 130th Street? Steele said accessibility is at the same level of priority of other investments.

One advantage of having all stations accessible is that it would lessen the need for paratransit, which is provided by Pace suburban bus service and costs more money than regular transit, Steele said.

Many inaccessible stations are along the Forest Park branch of the Blue Line, built in the 1950s. The CTA is looking at rehabilitation of the entire branch, though a timetable has not yet been set, Steele said.

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Planners weigh bus options for Lake Shore Drive

Devoting existing lanes, widening road both controversial

By MARY WISNIEWSKI
Chicago Tribune

Transportation officials are considering creating bus lanes on North Lake Shore Drive by either taking out a regular traffic lane in each direction or widening the roadway.

Both ideas would be controversial. The idea of taking out a traffic lane could upset drivers, who do not want an already congested roadway to become narrower.

But widening Lake Shore Drive from its current four lanes in each direction to five would pose a problem for those who hate the idea of more asphalt between residents and the parks and beaches along Lake Michigan.

"Our preference would be not to add to the transportation footprint but instead convert lanes," said Kyle Whitehead, managing director of public affairs for the Active Transportation Alliance, an advocacy group for pedestrians, cyclists and transit users. "We think adding a transit way in each direction could be a real game changer in terms of getting more people riding transit."

Neither proposal would become reality any time soon — the ideas are among many being discussed as part of a long planning process for the reconstruction of Lake Shore Drive between Grand and Hollywood avenues by a project team made up of officials from the Illinois Department of Transportation, the Chicago Department of Transportation and the Chicago Park District.

It will be years before the \$2 billion to \$3 billion reconstruction would take place.

"Nothing's set in stone," said Jeff Sriver, director of transportation planning and programming for CDOT. He said the project team acknowledges that with any plan, there will be trade-offs.

"We'll put the facts in front of people so they can make an educated decision," Sriver said.

The project team in a meeting last week offered a proposal that would put dedicated bus lanes in both directions in the center of the drive. An analysis found that would improve speed and reliability for buses, which currently get stuck in heavy traffic during rush hour and in bad weather. The proposal would require widening Lake Shore Drive.

The project team plans to devote time to another idea — eliminating a traffic lane and turning it into either a bus-only lane or one limited to buses plus cars that pay tolls — at its next meeting sometime this fall, Sriver said. A public meeting on the Lake Shore Drive project is planned for sometime this winter, at which all alternatives under review will be discussed.

IDOT is already considering the bus/toll lane idea as part of the widening of the Stevenson Expressway.

Audrey Wennink, transportation director for the Metropolitan Planning Council, a Chicago-based public policy research group, said it is "very justifiable" to take away a traffic lane and replace it with transit. About 70,000 bus riders use the corridor, according to CDOT.

"We have to recognize this is a very important location between where people live and the jewel of our city, which is Lake Michigan," said Wennink. "Widening the road increases the barrier."

Other possibilities for North Lake Shore Drive reconstruction include expanding parks and beaches by adding infill to the shoreline and straightening the "S" curve near Oak Street. The plan could also eliminate the stoplight at Chicago Avenue and consolidate some access ramps. The project team also is looking at eliminating a lane of traffic in each direction north of Irving Park Road, which sees much less traffic than the road south of Irving Park.

More information about the project, and a way to comment, can be found at www.northlakeshoredrive.org.

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Metra struggles with crowding, air conditioning on BNSF line

Recent schedule changes just 1 factor, officials say

By MARY WISNIEWSKI
Chicago Tribune

Metra is struggling with overcrowding and air conditioning breakdowns on the BNSF Railway, more than a month after major schedule changes to the commuter railroad's busiest line.

"I've heard more in the last 30 to 60 days from disgruntled passengers than I've heard in five years on the board," said Metra board member John Zediker, who called for a "deeper dive" into the line's problems. "What's going on on that line is unacceptable."

A variety of issues are to blame, including the age of the cars, which average more than 30 years old; the amount of traffic on the line; freight interference problems; and a shortage of BNSF staff to repair broken air conditioning units, according to both Metra and BNSF officials speaking at Wednesday's board meeting.

Implementation of new train safety technology on the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Line to Aurora, which required a major schedule change in June, has been the source of some delays, and one delay can cascade into 14 delays on the crowded line, Metra officials said.

But many of the capacity problems existed before the change. The line sees 64,000 passengers a day,

and includes stops at Naperville, Hinsdale and Cicero. Air conditioning breakdowns have made things worse, since people will leave a hot car to go into a cooler one. One car out of use means 150 passengers squeezing into other cars.

"This line has grown and grown and grown over the years, and we've completely saturated this line," Metra CEO Jim Derwinski told reporters after the meeting.

Peter Zwolfer, Metra's deputy executive director of operations, called the BNSF "by far the most challenging service" for the commuter railroad.

Derwinski said one reason complaints have increased so much in the past month is that some riders have shifted to different trains because of the schedule change, so there is now crowding on trains not seen before.

And the schedule change came just in time for summer heat waves. Air conditioning breakdowns affect about 5 percent of BNSF's fleet of 211 cars daily.

Derwinski said both Metra and BNSF, which has a service agreement with Metra, are stepping up efforts to fix air conditioning units and moving cars onto different trains as needed. BNSF owns the tracks and maintenance facilities and runs and services the trains.

But Metra is limited on how much it can do because it has a limited number of cars and old equipment, Derwinski noted. The ultimate solution is

more money, he said, and the state legislature has not passed a capital bill to pay for transportation infrastructure work since 2009.

Derwinski noted that the Metra Electric District, which has new cars, is not having the reliability problems seen with older, diesel locomotives.

"One of the things we're definitely going to need is a capital bill and start replacing a big chunk of our fleet," Derwinski said.

BNSF is the first Metra line to have positive train control, a federally mandated system designed to automatically stop a train to avoid danger if an engineer fails to do it.

The schedule had to change because operating with PTC means a train needs more time to "flip" or get ready, before it can leave downtown for a return trip to the suburbs.

Brian Pitts, a 48-year-old resident of La Grange Park who has commuted on Metra since 1998, said both he and his wife, Carla Pitts, have seen "out-of-control" crowding on express trains with people "packed like sardines."

"They lost thousands of \$\$\$s by not collecting fares," Pitts said in an email to the Tribune, referring to the problem of conductors not being able to get through the train aisles to collect tickets.

Metra plans to have PTC installed and tested on all lines by the end of 2019. The complex system, which uses GPS, radios and computers, will cost the railroad about \$400 million.



CARLA PITTS PHOTO

Metra BNSF line riders are packed in "like sardines" in the wake of scheduling changes, one rider told the Tribune.

"We've completely saturated this line."

— Jim Derwinski, Metra CEO, on overcrowding on the BNSF Railway

In other Metra news, future rail cars for the commuter rail service may look different from the bi-level gallery cars familiar to riders today.

At Wednesday's board meeting, Metra announced that it is reissuing a request for proposals for new rail cars. The new RFP, to be issued later this year, will be open to alternative rail car designs after Metra got

just one response to its initial request for new bi-level gallery cars.

Metra's first request, issued in April 2017, called for 75 new rail cars with an option to buy more. Only one manufacturer, CRRC Sifang America, responded. So Metra decided to try again.

Derwinski told board members that one important consideration is increasing seating capacity on trains. Alternate car designs could also offer lower, platform-level boarding that would help customers with disabilities and families with strollers, he said.

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Legalized spray paint sales plan resurfaces

By JOHN BYRNE
Chicago Tribune

A proposal by two Southwest Side aldermen to remove Chicago's decades-old ban on selling spray paint has new life.

Ald. Edward Burke, 14th, has asked for an ordinance to allow spray paint sales — that he and Ald. Matt O'Shea, 19th, first introduced in 2016 — be moved to Burke's Finance Committee. The ordinance has languished since 2016 in the council License Committee.

Under the ordinance, people over age 18 would be allowed to buy spray paint in Chicago. Fines for minors caught with spray paint or other "graffiti implements" — also to include broad-tipped markers and etching equipment — would be set at \$500. Adults other than parents or legal guardians caught helping procure graffiti implements for minors would face fines from \$500 to \$1,500.

O'Shea has long argued that locally owned hardware stores in his far Southwest Side neighborhoods can't compete with nearby suburban chain stores.

"I believe graffiti's a problem. People are going to go wherever they need to go to get spray paint," he said Wednesday. "The fact there might be a shop closer to them in the city — we need to do more to help our small business owners."

Burke could not be reached for comment.

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Special Olympian strives for his best

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sports team — especially the Bulls.
 “Everybody knows me here,” Brian said after some coaxing. “This is where I have fun.”
 This is where Brian feels a sense of belonging, the place he discovered acceptance was the norm. This is the setting in which friends became family, frowns turned into grins and a new perspective presents itself to every person who walks through those old doors. This is why celebrating the Special Olympics 50th anniversary this weekend at Soldier Field, where it all began, matters so much to everyone fortunate enough to find out firsthand the impact of inclusiveness the organization made possible.

“Brian started coming here to swim when he was 4, and by the time he was 7 or 8, he really started getting into it more because of the socialization. It was such a great place to come because he had friends,” said Sue Freese, Brian’s mother, who teaches at Dirksen Elementary School. “It gave him a chance to be happy. That’s all we cared about.”

The Freeses live in Norwood Park, which didn’t offer a Special Olympics program during Brian’s childhood, so the family considered Independence Park a godsend. Brian, who is developmentally disabled, is one of the city’s 7,500 athletes who participate in year-round Special Olympics programs and activities, currently offered in 122 Chicago Public Schools and 23 Chicago Park District locations — the largest Special Olympics commitment of any public park district in America.



Brian Freese with coach Maureen Perez at Independence Park. Perez is in her 32nd year of helping Special Olympians. ERIN HOOLEY/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

“The love is never-ending. Who wouldn’t want to work in a place like that?”

— Special Olympians coach Maureen Perez

In 1968, by contrast, fewer than 150 Special Olympians competed in 10 park district venues in the city. Illinois Supreme Court Justice Anne Burke, nee McGlone, was a young physical education teacher for the West Pullman Park District when she volunteered to lead one of the city’s 10 special-education summer camps. A \$10,000 gift to the Chicago Park District from the Kennedy Foundation, chaired by Eunice Kennedy Shriver, provided the seed money eventually used to create what became the Special Olympics.

William McFetridge, then the Chicago Park District president, enlisted Burke to organize a city-

wide track meet for special-education campers, according to archives. A year later, the Kennedy Foundation donated another \$25,000 to the “Chicago Special Olympics,” and on July 20, 1968, at Soldier Field, 1,000 athletes from 26 states and Canada competed in touch football, swimming and basketball in the middle of the lakefront stadium.

A ceremonial lighting of the Special Olympics Eternal Flame of Hope this weekend will serve as a source of local pride in an international movement, a reminder of how watching these athletes can lift spirits and changes lives. Just ask Maureen Perez, the heart and soul of the Independence Park program she has been involved with since volunteering in high school. This marks Perez’s 32nd year working with Special Olympians such as Brian, and every day she still considers herself more learner than teacher.

“You can be in a funk and come in and remember there are no crabby moods here,” Perez said. “The love is never-ending.

Who wouldn’t want to work in a place like that?”

Perez could talk all summer about success stories but takes particular delight in bragging about Brian, the little boy she saw mature into a competitive man.

“I feel like I’ve grown up with him, like he’s a little brother to me,” Perez said. Every night before Brian goes to bed, he checks the calendar Perez gives him annually for Christmas and sets out his gear for the next day’s sport. He gets up, crosses an “X” through the date and heads to Gateway to Learning in Lincoln Square to work in the kitchen. Brian makes soup — and eventually more friends. After work he practices up to four nights per week at Independence Park, depending on the season.

“He has a good life, he really does,” said Dave Freese, a retired floorer and Brian’s dad.

Dave likes seeing Brian compete as much as watching games with him. Brian was a Cubs fan until a close friend recently shifted his allegiance to the

White Sox. Like many Chicago fathers and sons, the Freese men savor going together to Blackhawks, Bulls and Bears games. They especially relish the ribbing. Dave laughed recalling how after one Bears game a few years ago he grew so frustrated with Brian’s favorite player — former quarterback Jay Cutler — that he altered his son’s jersey.

“I took tape and made the ‘C’ a ‘B’ so it read ‘Butler’ over No. 6 — for Kevin Butler,” Dave said. “Brian was so mad after that because he loved Cutler. But we have a good time. Sports has given him so much.”

Sports have offered Brian fulfillment, purpose and passion, a way to strengthen his body and mind. Sports have produced times and scores that earned Brian shiny medals but something else as impossible to measure as it is to miss.

“I’m very proud of myself,” Brian said. He’s not the only one.

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‘Serial stowaway’ found fit to stand trial

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A Cook County judge on Wednesday found a woman known as the “serial stowaway” mentally fit to stand trial and ordered her released on electronic monitoring from the state mental health hospital in Elgin.

The decision by Judge Maura Slattery Boyle comes almost four months after the same judge found Marilyn Hartman unfit and transferred her to the Elgin facility for treatment.

“She was oriented, she was cooperative, there was no agitation,” the judge said of recent improvements by Hartman.

Hartman’s earlier agitations, including delusions and anti-social behavior, appeared to be in remission, according to Slattery Boyle.

“She understood about not going to an airport,” the judge said.

Dr. Matthew Markos, director of the court-sponsored Forensic Clinical Services, also testified Wednesday at the hearing at the Leighton Criminal Court Building that Hartman “was fully cooperative with the entire treatment plan that was formulated for her.”

The judge allowed Hartman to be released to Safe Haven, a treatment facility in Chicago, but she must wear an ankle monitor.

Hartman, 66, faces felony charges including burglary after a January incident in which she allegedly got past security, boarded a jet and flew to London’s Heathrow Airport without a ticket. After being returned to Chicago, charged and released on bond, Hartman was arrested after she was spotted at O’Hare International Airport in violation of a court order barring her from the airport.

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'Tired of being the city's dumping ground'

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good things too."

Under the deal announced last week, General Iron plans to move its shredding operation by 2020 to a portion of the former Republic Steel property off 116th Street between the Calumet River and Avenue O. Reserve Management Group, the company's new Ohio-based partner, already operates a scrap-sorting facility at the site.

The pending move comes as General Iron faces intense pressure to leave the North Branch and is under investigation by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for the third time since the late 1990s. The EPA required General Iron to conduct detailed air pollution testing in May after researchers from the University of Illinois at Chicago found alarming levels of lung-damaging particulate matter downwind from the scrap shredder.

Activists on Chicago's Southeast Side have been battling polluters for decades, initially focusing on landfills, toxic dumps and hazardous waste incinerators scattered around Lake Calumet and the ruins of steel mills that once employed tens of thousands of workers. To them, General Iron is just another potential neighbor with a less-than-stellar environmental record.

"Time and time again the city tries to bully us and stick us with everything the rest of Chicago doesn't want," said Peggy Salazar, director of the Southeast Environmental Task Force and a lifelong neighborhood resident. "It feels like we are playing Ping-Pong, but we're trying to hit five balls coming at us with one paddle."

The scrap merchants already are anticipating a backlash. In their announcement of the General Iron/RMG merger, the companies vowed to build a "European-style engineered enclosure containing noise and dust" from a new metal shredder that will be located about a half-mile from Washington High School and the closest residential area.

"General Iron and RMG are committed to being good neighbors and responsible stewards of the environment, and together will adopt measures to meet or exceed all environmental standards to provide the greatest protection to hu-



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General Iron will move its operations from Lincoln Park to a portion of the old Republic Steel site on the Southeast Side.

man health and the environment," the companies said.

Randall Samborn, a crisis communications specialist hired by General Iron, later sent the Tribune another statement vowing to install new pollution controls at the North Branch site, transfer the equipment to the Southeast Side when the company moves and increase the number of sprinklers used to tamp down metallic dust.

Samborn, formerly chief spokesman for the U.S. attorney's office in Chicago, noted that General Iron's new location is farther away from residential areas. About 6,800 people live within a mile of the Southeast Side site, compared with about 47,500 who live that close to the scrap shredder's current operation west of Clybourn Avenue between North Avenue and Cortland Street.

In a bit of dark irony, major customers of General Iron and other scrap shredders are newer steel manufacturers that helped force the closure of sprawling, integrated mills on the Southeast Side that made steel from scratch. Often referred to as "mini-mills," the smaller, more cost-effective operations melt scrap into new steel rather than using blast furnaces to melt iron.

General Iron promotes itself as a "green" company because it keeps scrap out of

landfills. But while community organizers on the Southeast Side say residents tolerated pollution when the steel industry provided thousands of jobs, today they would rather see the kind of transformation unfolding on the North Branch next to General Iron's current operation.

Surrounding the scrap shredder on three sides is Lincoln Yards, a multi-billion-dollar mixed-use project from developer Sterling Bay planned on the former sites of steel mills, tanneries and other industries that dominated the area during most of the last century. Emanuel pitched Lincoln Yards as one of the Chicago sites for Amazon to build its second headquarters, which the company has said could employ up to 50,000 workers.

"Our community will remain stagnant if it isn't improved and revitalized like the North Side," said Salazar, who along with other South Side activists has been pushing the city to focus on more environmentally friendly businesses in other parts of the city. "We don't need another polluting industry or another eyesore."

For every victory community groups on the Southeast Side have achieved, organizers face new challenges and adversaries almost every year. And old problems keep oozing back into view.

During the early 2000s, groups fended off plans by Waste Management of Illinois to dump an additional 6 million tons of garbage in Chicago's last open landfill, persuading aldermen to brush aside the company's promise to turn the site into a park after filling a valley between two existing mounds of trash and debris along the Bishop Ford Expressway.

A few years later, another politically connected firm enlisted state lawmakers to back the redevelopment of an abandoned industrial site on the Calumet River for a factory that would have turned coal and petroleum coke into natural gas. Then-Gov. Pat Quinn vetoed the plan in 2012 after community groups pointed out the company would have relied on an inherently dirty process that would have sharply increased local air pollution.

The legislation also would have required Chicago-area ratepayers to subsidize the project, which otherwise would have been unable to compete in energy markets dominated by low-cost natural gas pulled directly from the ground.

At the same time the gasification plant was under consideration, other companies were making plans to turn the Southeast Side into one of the world's biggest repositories for petroleum coke — a high-sulfur, high-carbon by-

product from the nearby BP refinery in Whiting and other plants processing Canadian oil that is thicker and dirtier than other grades.

A younger generation in the neighborhood gave its small-but-savvy community organizations a new boost of energy after gritty black clouds of dust repeatedly blew through the East Side during 2013, ruining summer picnics, interrupting Little League baseball games and prompting parents to keep their kids inside with the windows closed.

Alarming images of the pollution shared on Facebook prompted activists to dig into state archives for more information. They found records showing two sites that once stored coal and other raw materials on the Calumet River had been purchased by KCBX Terminals, a company controlled by the conservative industrialists Charles and David Koch that had secured permission from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to store up to 11 million tons of dusty petroleum coke in giant open-air piles.

"I was working in a migrant education program at the time and was in the last trimester with one of my girls," said Olga Bautista, who helped form a group called the Southeast Side Coalition to Ban Petcoke. "We've learned so much since then about the chal-

lenges our community faces. Now we're seeing people younger than me get active because they are tired of the bad smells and the nasty pollution."

Faced with legal challenges from state and federal officials, and tougher regulations on bulk storage operations enacted by Emanuel's administration, KCBX shuttered one of its sites in 2015 and later stopped storing petcoke at the other.

The KCBX investigation exposed problems with toxic manganese at S.H. Bell, another riverfront storage terminal that handles raw materials for steel mills in northwest Indiana. The EPA cited the company in August with violations of the federal Clean Air Act, and after a city contractor discovered nearby residential yards tainted with high levels of the potent neurotoxin, the federal agency announced in May that it would search for more contaminated yards.

Three other manganese-handling operations on the river also are under investigation.

More waste could be on the way. The city and the Army Corps of Engineers are eyeing five abandoned industrial properties on the Southeast Side for a new landfill to dispose of contaminated sediment dredged from the bottom of the Calumet River and Cal-Sag Channel.

Even the most promising redevelopment project in years on the Southeast Side has been tainted by the area's toxic legacy.

Spanish and Irish developers had announced ambitious plans to build as many as 20,000 new homes on the site of the former U.S. Steel South Works, a 440-acre parcel on Lake Michigan with spectacular views of the Chicago skyline. Project renderings included retail and office space, parks, pedestrian and bike paths and waterfront walkways along boat docks.

But in April, the Spanish developer told the Tribune the project was on hold "because of soil contamination problems that need to be cleared."

A month later, the other developer walked away from the deal. The site, where steel was made for the U.S. military during World War II and later in the construction of iconic Chicago skyscrapers, remains vacant.

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Lincoln Yards plan: 5,000 homes

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miniums, shops, restaurants, sports, entertainment and outdoor activities.

Yet the plan also presents enormous challenges — particularly traffic congestion, concerns about straining resources such as nearby schools, and providing adequate park space.

"Lincoln Yards is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to transform a former industrial site into a vibrant community that will finally connect Bucktown and Wicker Park to Lincoln Park and activate our extraordinary riverfront," Sterling Bay managing principal Andy Gloor said ahead of the meeting.

Organizers of Wednesday night's meeting, at Near North Montessori School, had to turn away community members after the space exceeded the capacity of 400 people. Dozens remained outside.

Lincoln Yards is made up of long stretches of land along the east and west sides of the river between North and Webster avenues. The development's name is a nod to the site's industrial past and Chicago's history as a rail hub, Gloor said.

Sterling Bay's preliminary plan is to build about 12 million square feet of buildings, not including parking. It would be divided roughly in half between commercial and residential space, according to Gloor and Erin Lavin Cabonargi, the firm's director of development services.

The plan includes about 5,000 residential units and

400 to 500 hotel rooms.

Sterling Bay is seeking zoning approval to build towers as tall as 700 to 800 feet, the firm said. That would equate to somewhere in the range of 70 stories, a height typically seen in and immediately around the Loop.

The city last year opened the way for new types of buildings in a 3.7-mile corridor along the river, such as residential towers, which means other developers are likely to propose skyscrapers north of downtown.

"We want Lincoln Yards to be a place where Chicago connects and, as such, we are scaling the neighborhood to have lower density near the surrounding neighborhoods and the river, and building density towards the expressway," Gloor said.

The project will create about 2,500 construction jobs over the 10-year development period, Sterling Bay said.

The initial public meeting outlined a master plan for 53 acres of contiguous land already owned by Sterling Bay. But if the firm acquires more land, the development could encompass 100 acres or more.

Of the first 53 acres, Sterling Bay plans to set aside about 13.4 acres for parks, plazas and riverwalk space.

The firm also said it will hand over to the city the right of way to 3.6 acres of combined land to create or extend public roads through the site.

Master plans presented in the meeting, designed by architecture firms CBT and Skidmore, Owings & Mer-

rill, are conceptual. Specific designs could change based on input from the public or the preferences of potential tenants.

The Tribune has previously reported on major aspects of the plan, including the developer's pitch to land Amazon's planned second headquarters and deals to bring a 20,000-seat soccer stadium and multiple music and entertainment venues.

But Wednesday's meeting, hosted by 2nd Ward Ald. Brian Hopkins, was the first time Sterling Bay has unveiled the full scope of its vision.

One of the most ambitious projects ever envisioned on the North Side, it is broken into two zoning plans. One is for 29 acres to the north, which will be developed with investment partner Lone Star Funds. The other will cover almost 24 acres to the south, backed by a J.P. Morgan Asset Management real estate fund.

The developer said it plans to formally introduce the planned developments to the City Council at its Wednesday meeting. Sterling Bay needs the signoff of Hopkins, and eventually the full City Council, before it can begin work on the project.

Infrastructure improvements are likely to cost hundreds of millions or dollars, or even \$1 billion, Sterling Bay estimates. The developer said federal and local funds will be sought to offset much of the cost.

The city's plan to create a transit route through Goose Island, likely for buses, would include a route



SKIDMORE, OWINGS & MERRILL RENDERING

Developer Sterling Bay said it plans to formally present its plans at the City Council meeting Wednesday. It needs the signoff of Ald. Brian Hopkins and eventually the full council.

through or alongside Lincoln Yards, the developer said. The Tribune previously reported that light rail trains also were being considered.

Sterling Bay said it plans to extend The 606 elevated trail east of the Kennedy Expressway and onto its site, connecting to a new Metra train station, the transit route and water taxis.

Under a recently revised plan, The 606 extension would be built over Ashland Avenue but below the expressway. The drab underpass would be refurbished to include a skate park, climbing walls and food truck stations.

The developer hopes to create a new north-south bridge over the river on Dominick Street and an east-west bridge extending Armitage Avenue over a site where Ozinga Ready Mix Concrete is on the west edge of the river. Ozinga would need to be relocated, likely to a riverside site to the south.

Sterling Bay also hopes to widen the east-west Cortland Street artery by potentially adding a second

bridge over the river there, and it looks to create a pedestrian bridge at an extended Concord Place near the south end of the development.

Sterling Bay is conducting traffic studies to reconfigure the intersection of Armitage, Elston and Ashland avenues near the expressway and the current Metra station. The company wants to get rid of some streets and add on to others, including extending Kingsbury Street after General Iron Industries closes its scrapyard near Lincoln Yards.

Other efforts to control traffic could include shuttle buses from Lincoln Yards to CTA and Metra stations.

Sterling Bay supports a plan proposed by three North Side aldermen to create a 24-acre public park on the General Iron site and other properties, but it does not plan to buy the land from General Iron or to fund the potentially \$200 million project, Gloor said.

The aldermen, including Hopkins, are pushing the city to find a way to fund the park.

Sterling Bay executives said it's too early to specify how many of the residential units will be considered affordable housing. The developer said its homes would add 300 to 375 school-age students to the area. Even the most conservative estimate could create demand for new schools.

Sterling Bay's plan would contribute almost \$89 million in zoning fees to the city, the firm said.

Lincoln Yards was one of five Chicago sites visited by Amazon in March, as the e-commerce giant evaluates potential cities for its planned HQ2, for which it plans to hire as many as 50,000 office workers.

Sterling Bay is also in talks with other potential office tenants, the firm said.

The sports stadium will be used for a United Soccer League franchise owned by a venture including Chicago Cubs owner Tom Ricketts and Sterling Bay, and the entertainment venues will be for concerts and other events put on by Live Nation Entertainment.

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Judge condemns selling military-style rifles

Arkansas man sold gun to felon, added to Chicago violence

BY JASON MEISNER
Chicago Tribune

Saying he “can’t think of a worse crime for someone to commit” in a city besieged by violence, a federal judge on Wednesday sentenced an Arkansas man to more than seven years in federal prison for selling military-style semi-automatic rifles and other guns to a felon in Chicago.

In handing down the 87-month sentence, U.S. District Judge Ronald Guzman told Klint Kelley that his actions undoubtedly contributed to the city’s “intolerable level of gun violence,” even though the guns he trafficked weren’t directly connected to a shooting.

As more than a dozen of Kelley’s relatives and supporters — most of them from Arkansas — looked on from the courtroom gallery, Guzman described in detail how drug dealers and gang members shoot it out in the

streets while Chicago neighborhoods “disintegrate” and parents “walk their children to school through safe zones.”

“Caught in between are innocent bystanders,” Guzman said. “Kids shot while skipping rope in front of their homes, people being shot while sitting in their living room, police officers being shot at and having to shoot back, police officers shooting people who don’t have guns because they are so afraid that they might have a gun. ... It is chaos.”

Kelley, 28, of Malvern, Ark., pleaded guilty in March to two gun trafficking charges alleging he sold a total of 21 guns over a five-month period last year to a felon who turned out to be working undercover for the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, court records show.

Kelley’s lawyer, Joshua Adams, argued for as little as three years in prison, saying that Kelley was a “good person who made an extremely poor decision.” Adams also said there was no indication that Kelley

knew the guns would be used for illegal purposes.

But Guzman said that argument didn’t hold up, noting that Kelley took steps to avoid any paper trail when buying the guns, mostly at gun shows in Arkansas and on the internet.

“He knew exactly what was going to happen to these guns,” Guzman said. “I can’t think, at this point in the history of Chicago, of a worse crime for someone to commit.”

Kelley, who grew up in the Chicago area and moved to Arkansas as a teen, was arrested in Chicago Ridge in September 2017 shortly after he sold eight guns — four semi-automatic rifles, three handguns and one semi-automatic shotgun — to the ATF informant for \$7,000 in cash, the charges alleged.

According to the complaint, Kelley sold five handguns and three semi-automatic rifles to the felon for \$4,750 on April 3, 2017, in a residence in southwest suburban Frankfort. Two months later, Kelley sold handguns and one semi-

automatic rifle for \$3,000 to the same informant in a parking lot outside the United Center, the complaint alleged.

Among the evidence against Kelley were dozens of text messages and phone calls he had with the informant. In one recorded phone call, Kelley talked about an undisclosed Chicago street gang and said he had moved from the Chicago area after he was beaten in the suburbs.

“It’s part of the reason I got the f--- out of (Illinois) and came down here to (Arkansas) cuz I, I wanted to get away from all that s---,” a federal criminal complaint quoted Kelley as saying. “It’s f----- laid back, country style, you know what I mean?”

In a later call, Kelley told the informant that he believed the guns he was selling weren’t stolen. But he also indicated that since they were going to be used for illegal purposes anyway, that probably didn’t matter, according to a sentencing memo filed by prosecutors this week.

“I know it don’t mean f---

to you, but these all came from a dude that told me they came from an old man and they’re not even hot,” Kelley said, according to the prosecution filing. “I mean, they’re all supposed to be legit. Not that that makes a f--- in the hands of whoever they end up in, you know what I mean.”

After Kelley’s arrest, Anthony Riccio, then-chief of the Chicago police’s Bureau of Organized Crime, said that guns Kelley brought to Chicago wound up in the hands of gang members in areas of the South and Southwest sides that include the Back of the Yards and Brighton Park neighborhoods.

The Chicago Tribune reported in February 2017 that gangs in Back of the Yards and Brighton Park were increasingly using rifles styled after AR-15s and AK-47s. At the time, there had been more than 30 shootings believed to have been tied to semi-automatic rifles in the two neighborhoods over the previous nine months. At least 46 people were shot in those attacks, 13 fatally.

Federal prosecutors did not allege that any of the guns Kelley trafficked were linked to those shootings, however.

Before he was sentenced Wednesday, Kelley, who was jailed after his guilty plea, apologized for his actions, saying that buying and selling guns in Arkansas was a way of life but he understood “the severity of the case due to the crime rate in the city of Chicago.”

Kelley, whose own father was killed in gun violence in 2010, said his fiancée is scheduled to give birth to their first child in October. When he’s released, he said he plans to return to Arkansas to open up a towing business.

Meanwhile, in an impassioned plea for mercy, his fiancée, Ashley Bates, said Kelley had a good heart and asked the judge to see past the one-sided version offered by prosecutors.

“He’s much better than he’s been put out to be,” Bates said as Kelley reached for a box of tissues on the defense table.

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Window washers, represented by Service Employees International Union Local 1, protest Wednesday at City Hall.

Striking window washers hit City Hall

Mayor, aldermen offer support in contract stalemate

BY GREGORY PRATT
Chicago Tribune

Window washers, out on strike for 17 days and counting, gained a symbolic boost of support from Mayor Rahm Emanuel and Chicago aldermen Wednesday after a protest at City Hall to draw attention to their labor dispute.

The window washers marched from Daley Plaza to City Hall, blowing air horns, banging on buckets and chanting, “Strike! Strike!” in an effort to draw attention to their ongoing contract negotiations. The workers want a three-year deal that pays at least \$25 per hour by the end, a request that’s been rebuffed by Corporate Cleaning Services, the largest company employing

the union workers.

Addressing a crowd of workers and media, Jorge Arizaga, a window washer for eight years who said he cleans the windows at City Hall, called for a fair contract.

“We hang off half-inch rope hundreds of feet in the air,” Arizaga said. “It’s dangerous. It’s exhausting.”

Throughout the protest, the workers were joined by at least 15 aldermen, including James Cappleman, 46th; Deb Mell, 33rd; Ameya Pawar, 47th; Raymond Lopez, 15th; Matt O’Shea, 19th; Brendan Reilly, 42nd; Roderick Sawyer, 6th; David Moore, 17th; Ricardo Munoz, 22nd; Scott Waguespack, 32nd; Gilbert Villegas, 36th; Pat Dowell, 3rd; Nicholas Sposato, 38th; Sophia King, 4th; and Emma Mitts, 37th.

Other aldermen have expressed their support but weren’t able to attend, or-

ganizers said.

Emanuel did not address the protest or their demands but made a point to walk out to the striking workers on his way out the building for an event and shake hands with the demonstrators. He stopped for a minute to chat with SEIU and labor leaders in City Hall’s lobby before heading out.

Robert Reiter, head of the Chicago Federation of Labor, said the workers “hang from the heavens” to keep the city’s skyline “clean and beautiful.”

“When I hear a window washer wants \$25 an hour in the last year of their contract, I ask myself if that’s even enough,” he said.

Referring to Neal Zucker, president and CEO of Corporate Cleaning Services, Black Caucus Chairman Sawyer said, “Neal, sign the deal.”

Protesters responded by

raucously chanting the phrase in response.

Villegas, chairman of the Latino Caucus, said window-washing, “is one of the toughest jobs in the city.” Waguespack, the Progressive Caucus chairman, said their requested deal “is the minimum that they deserve.”

Corporate Cleaning Services said in a statement that its workers earn an hourly base rate of \$20.50 and many earn \$35 or more.

“SEIU has demanded an unreasonable and unprecedented 37 percent raise over the next five years — including going from \$20.50 an hour to \$25 an hour in the next two years,” the company said. “We will continue our commitment to investing in our workers and to bargaining in good faith.”

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Lawsuit aims to curb big traffic, parking fines

BY GREGORY PRATT
Chicago Tribune

A new lawsuit alleges that Chicago’s parking and traffic ticket system violates the state constitution and that the city collected tens, “if not hundreds,” of millions of dollars in fines it did not have the right to charge.

Myron M. Cherry & Associates filed the lawsuit this week on behalf of Cook County resident Mike Blaha, who has been cited for a number of violations that exceeded \$250 and wants class-action status, the lawsuit said.

Illinois law limits cities’ authority to dealing with only “minor” violations that carry “relatively minor fines and penalties,” the lawsuit said. But the city’s ordinance “contains a

schedule of fines and penalties for certain standing, parking and compliance violations” that exceed what is allowed, it said.

Chicago Law Department spokesman Bill McCaffrey said the city is reviewing the lawsuit.

“Under state law and its home rule powers, the city has the authority to regulate its streets and determine the fines and penalties for vehicle and traffic violations,” he said.

The consequences of Chicago’s “excessive and oppressive” fine structure have been “disastrous” for Chicagoans, the lawsuit says.

“What starts out as a simple fine quickly doubles, followed by threats of losing their cars, driver’s licenses, jobs and ability to do business in Chicago,”



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A lawsuit alleges that Chicago violated the state constitution in its collection of some parking and traffic fines.

the lawsuit says. “Indeed, the city has a long history of punitively enforcing its regressive fines and penalties, especially against citizens that are least able to pay them.”

This is often hard on people who live in minority communities, the lawsuit says, citing reporting by ProPublica Illinois and other sources.

“It’s one part of a bigger problem with the city’s municipal fine structure” said Jacie Zolna, one of the attorneys who filed the lawsuit. “We’ve uncovered through a series of lawsuits now a pattern of abuses the city’s engaged in, and it’s harming our city’s most vulnerable residents.”

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Field Museum removes deity doll from store

Plush toy of Shiva not for sale after Hindu activist plea

BY MORGAN GREENE
Chicago Tribune

Lord Shiva, the Hindu god of destruction, is no longer for sale.

After a Hindu activist called on the Field Museum to stop selling a plush doll of the deity, the Field Museum announced it had been removed from its store.

“Lord Shiva was highly revered in Hinduism and was meant to be worshipped in temples or home shrines and not to be thrown loosely around on the floor, bathrooms, cars, etc.; or hit by feet; or squeezed; or used as a pillow or play ball, or treated like a cuddle toy or cuddly pet,” said Universal Society of Hinduism President Rajan Zed in a news release.

Zed called the trivialization of Lord Shiva as a doll “highly insensitive” and requested an apology from Field Museum CEO Richard Lariviere, as well as the removal of the doll from the museum’s main gift shop, O’Hare International Airport and online stores.

“At the Field Museum, we take great care to ensure that all cultures and religions are respectfully represented,” said Field Museum spokeswoman Jaclyn Johnston in an email. “We appreciate this being brought to our attention and have worked swiftly to remove the item from our shop.”

Johnston said there was no museum exhibit directly related to Lord Shiva. So it’s unclear why the doll was sold at the museum.

Wendy Doniger, a professor of the history of religions at the University of Chicago, said Shiva is much more than the deity of destruction.

“For the people who worship Shiva, he’s the god of creation and destruction,” said Doniger.

“Among his many jobs is the destruction of the universe at regular intervals. But he’s also the god you pray to if you want a male child or if you want to get well when you’re sick.”

Among Hindus, there’s a range of attitudes toward Shiva, said Doniger. Some don’t even worship him, while others revere him.

“What some Hindus do, they have an image of Shiva in the temple that they dress and undress and put to bed at night and feed, and treat very much the way people treat a doll. So that treatment of the image is quite normal for some Hindus,” Doniger said.

And, she added, the Field’s Lariviere is a Sanskrit scholar. “So he knows a



FIELD MUSEUM

Chicago’s Field Museum offered this plush doll on its website. Shiva is respected as a god in Hinduism.

“If you go to India, you’ll see Shiva and Ganesha and these other deities on everything.”

— Stephan Shaw, co-owner of Unemployed Philosophers Guild

thing or two about Shiva.”

The doll no longer appears on the Field Museum website but it was formerly listed as “Shiva the Destroyer Plush,” with the description: “It’s Lord Shiva, the fearsome slayer of demons!” The doll was on sale for \$22 and is 11 inches tall, “although technically he can take any form,” according to the description.

The doll is made by the Brooklyn-based company Unemployed Philosophers Guild and is part of the “Little Thinkers” series, which features plush dolls of notable figures like Albert Einstein, Socrates and Frida Kahlo.

Stephan Shaw, co-owner of the Unemployed Philosophers Guild, said the company means no disrespect with the doll and carries it to widen the pantheon.

“It comes from a place of celebrating and loving the tradition,” Shaw told the Tribune. “I’ll point out that I’m married to a woman who is deeply Hindu and my extended family is deeply Hindu.”

“If you go to India, you’ll see Shiva and Ganesha and these other deities on everything, so we feel like we’re doing what we see done already within the faith and within the tradition,” Shaw said.

Although the Lord Shiva doll has been discontinued and is not for sale on the Unemployed Philosophers Guild website, a plush doll of the Hindu god Ganesha is priced at \$18.95.

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No firm answers to reunite families

Agencies offer vague migrant plans ahead of judge's deadline

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WASHINGTON — A week before a court-ordered deadline for the Trump administration to reunite more than 2,500 migrant children and parents separated at the border, immigration officials had few answers for Congress on Wednesday on what is next for the families, the latest confusing chapter in the family separations saga.

Appearing before the House Judiciary Committee, senior officials from the Border Patrol, the Department of Homeland Security and Health and Human Services said they could not say how many migrant families will be detained — or released — once they are united.

They similarly could not provide policies on how often parents are permitted to speak with their children held in custody elsewhere, or information on how many families have been charged transportation costs to be united with children.

"All of this is still putting undue burdens on families whose children have been torn away from them," Rep. Pramila Jayapal, D-Wash., said after the closed-door hearing.

U.S. District Judge Dana Sabraw, in San Diego, ordered the administration to reunite all the families by July 26. Under heavy fire for what was widely seen as a draconian policy, Presi-



Activists and children protest against U.S. immigration policies Wednesday in New York.

dent Donald Trump had reversed course and ordered immigration agents to stop taking children from their parents if they crossed the border illegally.

According to a plan detailed in Sabraw's court and a flow chart provided to the House committee, adults in immigration custody are being transferred to one of up to eight facilities. Each can then undergo DNA testing, a criminal background check and an investigator's interview to ensure he or she is the child's parent.

Children are then transferred to the same facility

within 48 hours, and the family is shifted to immigration custody — assuming space is available.

If no problems are found, immigration agents will work with a private contractor to move the reunited families to a "pre-identified release location," according to the chart, which was prepared by HHS.

Federal officials have said Immigration and Customs Enforcement has cleared a little over 900 parents out of the approximately 2,500 families to reunify with their children.

With continued confu-

sion in Washington, immigration lawyers and civil rights groups on the border say they are providing legal assistance to children and parents as best they can.

The crisis began after Attorney General Jeff Sessions announced a "zero-tolerance" policy for immigration violations in April. Border Patrol officers soon began separating families who crossed the border illegally, putting the parents in jails and their children in separate detention facilities.

The Office of Refugee Resettlement, part of Health and Human Serv-

ices, stepped in to run a tent city that held 360 teenagers in Tornillo, a border town southeast of El Paso, Texas, and began transferring other minors to more than 100 shelters across the country.

Golden McCarthy, director of the children's program at the Florence Immigration and Refugee Rights Project, based in Arizona, said its lawyers have explained to the 60 minors they represent that they could be released to parents and family in the United States, transferred to a family detention facility, or de-

ported back to their home countries.

They are "just really saying, 'We're not sure what's going to happen, but we think one of these three things might happen in the next couple of weeks and we want to make sure you're fully prepared for it,'" McCarthy said.

Immigration advocates blasted the Trump administration's family separations policy and now its reunification process, which has been mired in confusion. Critics say it also has transformed the little-known Office of Refugee Resettlement into an arm of immigration enforcement, a shift counter to its humanitarian mission.

Before the family separations, the refugee office had mostly cared for unaccompanied minors — as happened when tens of thousands of children and teens from Central America flooded across the border without their parents between 2012 and 2014 — and not children taken from their families by the Border Patrol. Now the office is asking migrant parents and guardians to provide DNA samples and other private data to confirm their identities to immigration officials. Critics said the practice could deter some parents from coming forward to claim their children for fear of deportation.

"It is an erosion or a muddying of the roles," said Robert Carey, who headed the refugee agency for two years under President Barack Obama. "That creates an ethical challenge for the people who work there."

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Dems fault Kavanaugh on independent counsel law

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WASHINGTON — Democrats opposing Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh's nomination are seizing on remarks he made in 2016 saying he would like to put the "final nail" in a Supreme Court precedent upholding an independent counsel law as constitutional. Republicans say Kavanaugh's writings and speeches are being taken out of context.

The independent counsel law, which took the hiring and firing of prosecutors away from the executive branch, expired in 1999 and does not apply to special counsel Robert Mueller's Russia investigation. The ongoing probe falls under the Justice Department.

But Democrats have put Kavanaugh's views on executive power and presidential investigations front and center as they battle his nomination. They have tried to tie his statements and writings to Mueller's investigation, warning that Kavanaugh may be unwilling to protect that investigation or force President Donald Trump to comply with subpoena.

Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer of New York, speaking from the Senate floor, said Kavanaugh in general seems to have an "almost monarchical view" of executive power and believes that the president "gets to play by a different set of rules."

He called it "deeply troubling" that Kavanaugh had identified the ruling in the 1988 case, *Morrison v. Olson*, as one he would like to overturn. Citing the "final nail" comment, Schumer said Kavanaugh should recuse himself from any matters involving the Mueller probe that may reach the Supreme Court.

Sen. Dick Durbin of Illi-



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Brett Kavanaugh opposes a ruling that backed the independent counsel law.

nois, the No. 2 Democrat, echoed Schumer, telling CNN that senators ought to make the executive powers issue "a key part of the questioning of Brett Kavanaugh."

White House spokesman Raj Shah called the Democratic claims "laughable" and said there is a "clear legal difference" between the special counsel regulations and the expired independent counsel law.

"Conflating the two is a desperate scare tactic," Sen. Orrin Hatch, a member of the Senate Judiciary Committee, tweeted.

Kavanaugh's comment about overturning the 1988 ruling came in a forum at the American Enterprise Institute shortly after Justice Antonin Scalia's death in 2016. In response to questions, Kavanaugh acknowledged there were high court rulings he would like to see overturned, but initially declined to identify any. Then, he continued: "Actually I'm going to say one, *Morrison v. Olson*. It's been effectively overruled, but I would put the final nail in."

But in a dissenting opinion from January, Kavanaugh distinguished the old independent counsel law from the appointment of special counsels like Mueller.

"The independent coun-

sel is, of course, distinct from the traditional special counsels who are appointed by the Attorney General for particular matters," Kavanaugh wrote in a footnote to a 73-page dissenting opinion in a challenge to the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.

Kavanaugh wrote that, under the Constitution, the president should be able to fire the CFPB director for any reason, despite federal law insulating the director from political interference.

He likened the CFPB structure to the independent counsel statute under which Kenneth Starr was named to lead the investigation that led to President Bill Clinton's impeachment. Kavanaugh was a member of Starr's team.

"Recall, moreover, that the independent counsel experiment ended with nearly universal consensus that the experiment had been a mistake and that Justice Scalia had been right back in 1988 to view the independent counsel system as an unwise and unconstitutional departure from historical practice and a serious threat to individual liberty. The independent counsel experience strongly counsels against single-Director independent agencies," Kavanaugh wrote.

Some legal scholars said Kavanaugh's views about the 1988 Supreme Court ruling may have more to say about his view of independent regulatory agencies than the Mueller probe.

"It's hard to reconcile his hostility to *Morrison v. Olson* with core features of the post-New Deal administrative state, in which quasi-independent regulatory agencies like the SEC, FTC, and FCC — entities not subject to the daily whims of the White House — play an indispensable role," said University of Texas law professor Stephen Vladeck.

President, allies diagnose critics: 'Trump Derangement Syndrome'

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WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump and his supporters have been employing a phrase to diagnose his critics: "Trump Derangement Syndrome."

The term is supposed to describe voters who are so angry and opposed to the president that they are incapable of seeing any good in what he does.

"TDS" has popped up on Fox News in recent weeks and was cited by Sen. Rand Paul, R-Ky., in interviews this week before being used by the president himself on Twitter on Wednesday.

His tweet: "Some people HATE the fact that I got along well with President Putin of Russia. They would rather go to war than see this. It's called Trump Derangement Syndrome!"

It's the latest linguistics salvo by a president who fundamentally altered the definition of "fake news" and tries to discredit opponents of his administration by pointing to the most extreme critiques.

In the case of Russia, Trump's detractors, including former CIA Director John Brennan, this week went so far as to call Trump's actions "treasonous" after he doubted U.S. intelligence findings that Russia tried to sway the 2016 presidential election.

Trump didn't come up with the latest catchphrase.

In 2003, the late conservative opinion writer Charles Krauthammer described liberals' reaction to President George W. Bush as "Bush Derangement Syndrome," defined as "the acute onset of paranoia in otherwise normal people in reaction to the policies, the presidency — nay — the very existence of George W. Bush."

By end of President Barack Obama's tenure, some liberal pundits co-opted the phrase to de-



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"Trump Derangement Syndrome" aims to describe and denigrate those incapable of seeing good in the president.

scribe conservatives' visceral reaction to the Democrat's policies.

UrbanDictionary.com, a crowdsourced online dictionary for slang terms, now has definitions for all three presidential "syndromes" — each written with plenty of bias.

"Trump Derangement Syndrome (TDS) is a mental condition in which a person has been driven effectively insane due to their dislike of Donald Trump, to the point at which they will abandon all logic and reason," the site states.

In other words, it's not enough for Trump to disagree with his critics. "Derangement syndrome" suggests a political opponent is incapable of accurately perceiving the world.

It's precisely the same criticism many Democrats have lobbed at Trump.

"It's reframing — and reframing works," said Kathleen Hall Jamieson, director of the Annenberg Public Policy Center at the University of Pennsylvania.

Although, this particular phrase could backfire, Jamieson said. She notes that stringing together Trump's name with "Derangement" and "Syndrome" carries the obvious risk that people will interpret Trump as the one who is "deranged," instead of his

critics.

But Trump has been successful before in taking a criticism and flipping it against his opponents. For example, "fake news" was used before the 2016 election to describe fabricated online postings such as "Pizzagate" or the false allegation that Obama was born in Africa and therefore an illegitimate president.

After losing the election to Trump, Democrat Hillary Clinton decried "fake news" as an "epidemic" in the country. The next day, Trump tweeted the term to criticize a CNN report — the first of many tweets he would fire off using the phrase to discredit even credible reporting. Now, the term "fake news" is seen as synonymous with Trump's criticisms of mainstream media outlets.

Trump sent his tweet Wednesday about 30 minutes after "Fox and Friends" host Brian Kilmeade uttered the phrase on air. Fox News' Tomi Lahren and Paul, the Kentucky senator, also used the phrase following the Putin summit, although conservative pundit Bernard Goldberg used the term as far back as January 2017 before Trump's inauguration, declaring on "The O'Reilly Factor" that "it's even worse than cancer."

Meet alleged Russian agent Maria Butina

Guns, student visa paved path to elite conservative circles and GOP influence

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WASHINGTON — For nearly five years, the young Russian political-science student was an unusual fixture at the most important events of the U.S. conservative movement.

Maria Butina, who was indicted this week on charges of being a covert Russian agent, struck up friendships with the influential leaders of the National Rifle Association and the Conservative Political Action Conference, touting her interest in U.S. affairs and efforts to promote gun rights in Vladimir Putin's restrictive Russia. She sidled up to GOP presidential candidates, seeking first an encounter with Wisconsin Gov. Scott Walker and then, after his rising candidacy stumbled, with Donald Trump.

But by August 2016, when she moved to the U.S. on a student visa, the FBI was watching, according to U.S. officials familiar with the matter.

By then, Butina had already publicly quizzed Trump about his views on Russia and briefly met his eldest son at an NRA convention. After the FBI began monitoring her, Butina attended a ball at Trump's inauguration and tried to arrange a meeting between him and a senior Russian government official at last year's annual National Prayer Breakfast.

By 2017, after she had enrolled as a graduate student at American University in Washington, D.C., Butina began probing groups on the left as well, trying unsuccessfully to interview a DC.-based civil rights group about its cyber-vulnerabilities for what she said was a school project, according to a person familiar with her outreach.

On Sunday, alerted that she was preparing to leave Washington for South Dakota, where monitoring her would be more difficult, federal authorities arrested Butina.

The 29-year-old was indicted by a grand jury on Tuesday, accused of conspiracy and failing to register as a foreign agent. The indictment alleges that she worked with her contact in the Russian government to infiltrate American political groups as part of a scheme "to advance the interests of the Russian Federation."

Robert Driscoll, an attorney for Butina, said she is not a Russian agent but merely a student with an interest in politics and a desire to network with Americans.

Butina's activities raise questions about why the NRA and other groups gave her high-level access, allowing her to meet important politicians and influential thought leaders.

NRA officials did not respond to requests for comment.

After a brief career as the owner of a small chain of furniture stores, Butina began a career in public relations and founded a group in Moscow called the Right to Bear Arms to advocate for the loosening of Russia's restrictive gun laws.

Her group soon acquired a powerful patron, a Russian senator from Putin's party who later became the deputy director of Russia's central bank: Alexander Torshin, a lifetime member of the NRA who had ties with Christian conservatives through an annual prayer breakfast he helped host in Moscow.

Acting as Torshin's assistant and translator, Butina soon began forming



AP

Maria Butina is accused of conspiracy and failing to register as a foreign agent.

her own connections to the NRA, becoming friendly with David Keene, a past chairman of the American Conservative Union who served as the NRA's president from 2011 to 2013.

In 2013, Butina and Torshin invited Keene and other American gun enthusiasts to Moscow to attend the annual meeting of her organization.

There, Butina met Paul Erickson, a South Dakota-based Republican operative who was well known to Republican insiders, going back to the work he did as national political director for Pat Buchanan's presidential campaign in 1992. She told the Senate Intelligence Committee in April that she began a romantic relationship with the American operative, people

familiar with her testimony said.

Erickson matches a description of an American described in court filings as a political operative who helped introduce Butina to influential American political figures "for the purpose of advancing the agenda of the Russian Federation."

Erickson, who has not been charged, did not respond to requests for comment.

Starting in 2014, Butina began attending annual NRA conventions, according to her social-media accounts. She and Torshin got unusual access to elite NRA gatherings, according to a person familiar with NRA event arrangements. In recent years, they were regular guests at Golden Ring of Freedom dinners and VIP

events reserved for people who typically donate \$1 million to the NRA.

Butina told the Senate Intelligence Committee that neither she nor Torshin made contributions to the NRA other than membership dues, according to people familiar with her testimony. Their warm treatment was extended merely to thank them for serving as hosts to NRA leaders in Moscow, she said.

The NRA, which spent millions more to support Trump than any previous presidential candidate, has denied accepting funding from Butina or Torshin.

Still, it was the the NRA that gave Butina a springboard into the world of Republican politics. In March 2015, court documents show that she and

Erickson exchanged emails about a special "diplomacy" project, aiming to use the organization to influence the Republican Party, which Butina predicted would win control of the White House.

At the group's annual convention in Nashville that year, which featured a dozen presidential hopefuls, they mingled with headliners in a VIP green room, according to a person who was present.

Butina had access to VIP areas at political events such as CPAC, giving her an in with organization leaders and top staff, according to people who saw her there.

She often raised the issue of gun rights before asking to exchange business cards and to stay in touch on social media, according to people who met her.

In a 2017 email to The Washington Post, Butina argued that her group was "not very popular" with Russian officials. She said she received no funding from the Russian government. "No government official has EVER approached me about 'fostering ties' with any Americans," she wrote.

But according to the FBI, she spoke frequently with a "high-level official in the Russian government" about her efforts to broker better ties between Russia and the U.S. The description matches Torshin, who was among 17 senior Russian government officials penalized by the U.S. government in April for playing a role in advancing Russia's "malign activities."

In March 2016, she emailed an American contact that Putin's administration had expressed approval for her and Torshin's efforts to build a "communication channel" in the U.S., according to court filings.

On the night of Trump's election victory, the filings say, she messaged Torshin, "I'm going to sleep. It's 3 a.m. here. I am ready for further orders."

President says Russia no threat

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the keyboard away from a similar situation repeating itself," he said.

The day after Coats issued his warning, Trump expressed his doubts in an interview with "CBS Evening News."

"I don't know if I agree with that," he said. "I'd have to look."

The White House did not seek to clarify that remark. But when Trump's answer on Wednesday immediately spawned a new round of news reports suggesting a president at odds with his intelligence advisers, and partial to Russia, the White House was forced to restart damage control efforts that began after his widely panned performance at a summit with Putin in Helsinki on Monday.

After Sanders told reporters at a White House briefing that Trump was not denying that Russia is targeting the United States but merely ruling out answering any questions, reporters who were present disputed her version.

Cecilia Vega, the ABC News reporter who asked the question, said on Twitter, "Getting a lot of questions about my exchange" with Trump. "Yes, he was looking directly at me when he spoke. Yes, I believe he heard me clearly. He answered two of my questions."

After Trump's initial response to her, Vega immediately followed by asking, to clarify, "No? You don't believe that to be the case?"

"No," Trump replied again, twice.

Similarly, the White House pool report, which is broadly distributed to media outlets, said Trump was answering Vega, not indicating that he didn't want to take questions. "Your pooler stands by that report," the correspondent wrote in a subsequent report after Sanders' briefing.

The White House's cleanup efforts continued later as Trump sat for an interview with CBS News anchor Jeff Glor.

Though Trump had not criticized Putin in several interviews and numerous public comments since their Helsinki meeting, he told Glor that he holds the Russian leader responsible for interfering in the 2016 campaign "because he's in charge of the country."

"I let him know we can't have this, we're not going to have it, and that's the way it's going to be," Trump said.

The latest episode seeking to explain away Trump's comments on Russia and U.S. intelligence followed his already confused efforts on Tuesday to tamp down the bipartisan furor over his performance in Helsinki.

During a joint news conference alongside the Russian president, Trump

seemed to accept Putin's denials over the conclusions of U.S. intelligence agencies that Moscow interfered in the 2016 campaign. To one question, he also declined to publicly warn Putin not to attempt similar tactics in the future.

On Tuesday, after returning to Washington and facing the resulting uproar, Trump partially reversed himself, saying he misspoke and that he meant to say he does believe Russia interfered.

Trump added, "We're doing everything in our power to prevent Russian interference in 2018," when the midterm election that will determine control of Congress will be held.

But his statement Wednesday cast doubt on whether the president understands the danger and plans to defend against it.

"He is not willing to accept the reality of the threat," said Michael Hayden, who served as CIA director under President George W. Bush and as head of the National Security Agency under Bush and President Bill Clinton. "He has not issued anything like what the government needs to mount a whole-of-government response to what the Russians are doing."

Despite Trump's continued efforts to downplay Russia's interference, special counsel Robert Mueller has only dug deeper into



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President Donald Trump talks to reporters during a Cabinet meeting. The president said the Russians were no longer targeting the United States as they did in 2016.

Moscow's activities to help Trump in 2016. On Friday while Trump was in Britain, where he denigrated the Mueller inquiry during a news conference with the prime minister, the Justice Department announced the indictment of 12 Russian intelligence officers for hacking emails and other documents from Hillary Clinton's campaign and Democratic organizations.

The charges follow another indictment from February naming 13 Russians connected to the St. Petersburg-based Internet Research Agency, which U.S. officials say spread disinformation on social media to inflame political tensions among Americans and boost Trump's bid for the White House. Coats, in his speech Friday, said the Rus-

sian organization remains active.

As Sanders tried to defend Trump on Wednesday, she stirred more controversy by suggesting that the president is considering Putin's request for Russian law enforcement officials to question U.S. citizens, including the former American ambassador to Russia, Michael McFaul.

"The president's going to meet with his team, and we'll let you know when we have an announcement on that," she said.

Russian officials have said they want to question McFaul in connection with a case involving William Browder, a U.S.-born British citizen and businessman who once invested heavily in Russia. Browder was convicted in absentia in Mos-

cow for fraud; one of his lawyers, Sergei Magnitsky, was arrested and tortured to death in prison in 2009. Browder went on to lobby successfully in Washington for a law named after Magnitsky sanctioning Russia and other countries for human rights abuses.

Although the White House didn't shoot down the idea, the State Department did.

"The overall assertions that have come out of the Russian government are absolutely absurd," State Department spokeswoman Heather Nauert said.

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Trump says defending tiny NATO ally could lead to WWII

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WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump, who rattled U.S. allies at a NATO meeting last week, voiced concern in an interview aired Tuesday that sending troops from the alliance to defend an "aggressive" Montenegro could result in World War III.

Trump was asked about Montenegro, which joined NATO last year and has a population smaller than that of the District of Co-

lumbia, during a Fox News interview with host Tucker Carlson.

Carlson pressed Trump on the purpose of the alliance, which was created in 1949 to protect the United States, Canada and a host of Western European nations from Soviet incursion. The organization calls for member nations to come to the aid of any ally that is attacked.

"Why should my son go to Montenegro to defend it from attack?" Carlson asked in the interview, which was

recorded Monday after Trump's summit with Russian President Vladimir Putin.

"I understand what you're saying, I've asked the same question," Trump responded. "You know, Montenegro is a tiny country with very strong people. ... They are very aggressive people, they may get aggressive, and congratulations, you're in World War III. But that's the way it was set up."

Article 5, the provision that calls for NATO members to come to the aid of

allies under attack, has been invoked only once, in the aftermath of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks on the United States. It does not apply when a NATO member is the aggressor.

Trump's comments came after a NATO meeting in Brussels last week in which he upbraided allies for not living up to an agreement on how much they should pay for defense.

On Wednesday, Trump tweeted that the meeting was "an acknowledged triumph."

In 2016, the chief prosecutor in Montenegro accused Russian nationalists of backing an alleged coup attempt that included plans to assassinate the nation's pro-West prime minister over his government's attempt to join NATO. Russia denied involvement.

Since joining the alliance, Montenegro has sent troops to a NATO-led mission in Afghanistan.

On Wednesday, Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., took to Twitter to rebuke Trump for his comments, noting

that the Senate had supported Montenegro's accession to NATO 97-2. "By attacking Montenegro & questioning our obligations under NATO, the President is playing right into Putin's hands," McCain wrote.

Wesley Clark, a former NATO supreme allied commander, was also critical of Trump's remarks. "Trump's comments weaken NATO, give Russia a license to cause trouble and thereby actually increase the risks of renewed conflict in the Balkans," Clark tweeted.

Mexicans mob HQ of next leader, seek help

For things big and small, they make pilgrimage to him

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MEXICO CITY — Each morning hundreds of Mexicans crowd at the gates of 216 Chihuahua St. in the capital, home to the white, two-story building that served as President-elect Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador's campaign headquarters.

They bear handwritten notes, medical records, retirement papers and other documents in the hope he will hear them out on requests ranging from bigger pensions for the elderly to private concerns that normally wouldn't fall to a head of state: getting a loved one out of jail, help getting into a college course or assistance finding a job or a place to live.

"He has told us he is going to provide for us, help us and change the country," said Jasmine Lopez Peralta, a 45-year-old nurse who has been without stable work for two years after her hospital said it could no longer pay her. "So that's why we're coming to him."

This almost-religious faith in Lopez Obrador to help people is fed by his



MOISES CASTILLO/AP

A woman waits for Mexico's President-elect Andres Manuel Lopez Obrador outside the gates of his headquarters in the Roma neighborhood of Mexico City.

image as a fighter for the poor and his promises to end what he calls a corrupt "mafia of power" that has protected its own interests at the expense of those on society's lower rungs.

The daily scene outside his offices in Mexico City's Roma Norte neighborhood reflects not only a breakdown in the ability of government at all levels to solve people's problems, but also the depth of expectations that Lopez Obrador is the one to finally change millions of lives after years of disappointment.

Jose Antonio Crespo, a

political analyst at Mexico's Center for Economic Research and Training, attributed the phenomenon in part to the country's history of rule by "caudillo," or strongman, and also to the populist promises and common-man persona projected by the man nicknamed "AMLO," after his initials.

"The expectations that Lopez Obrador has created in terms of truly solving the tremendous number of problems we face are more believed than" with previous leaders, Crespo said. "Presidents always promise

to solve problems; they almost always offer a kind of utopia. With Lopez Obrador it is even beyond utopia: Fixing corruption, fixing the violence that has worn us out for the last 12 years."

Lopez Obrador's proposals for how he intends to govern were murky at best during the campaign, and few concrete details have emerged since the July 1 election. On Sunday he said he would slash his presidential salary by over half. He has previously proposed raising pensions and creating a system of paid ap-

prenticeships for underprivileged youth.

Another promise has been to lower rising homicide rates in the cartel-ridden country through a vague proposal to grant amnesties to some nonviolent criminals, especially those held on drug offenses.

That brought Hermenegilda Mercado Yanez, a 69-year-old homemaker, to AMLO headquarters recently. She said her incarcerated son was falsely accused of strangling his wife.

"We'll see if he helps me get my son, who is innocent, freed. Because he said he was going to offer amnesty," Yanez said.

Even after the election, Lopez Obrador has maintained his trademark modest personal style, rolling through the city in a white sedan with the windows down and no bodyguards. The only security at his offices is a simple white fence topped with electrified wire and a rotation of two apparently unarmed guards.

That image of approachability has prompted thousands to make a kind of pilgrimage.

Teodoro Perez Cruz, a 72-year-old who is partially blind and homeless, said he walked from the southern borough of Iztapalapa — about 15 miles — to ask

Lopez Obrador to help him get a place to live.

Yanez traveled from the town of El Oro in the State of Mexico, at least 2 1/2-hours by car or bus.

Most who come to beseech favors say they had hopes of getting in the same room with the president-elect, shaking his hand and looking him in the eye as they tell him their problems.

Instead they are met by Leticia Ramirez Amaya, a member of Lopez Obrador's Morena party who has been tasked with attending to those at the gates. While they wait in line, they get a short survey to fill out that asks for their name, age, address and other information. One by one she calls their names and escorts them through the gates to speak with her and other staffers.

Ramirez said most of the requests are health-related, from people who have already tried and failed to get help from lower levels of government.

Ramirez reminds people that Lopez Obrador does not take office until Dec. 1 — but says that then he will have the power to fix problems.

"We don't make promises for anything," Ramirez said. "We tell the truth about what can and cannot be done."



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Boys from the Thai soccer team pay tribute to ex-SEAL diver Saman Gunan, who died during the rescue operation.

Thai boys recount cave rescue: Voices in the dark, then 'Hello'

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CHIANG RAI, Thailand — Trapped in the recesses of a flooded cave, the 12 boys and their soccer coach were trying to dig their way out when they heard voices in the darkness. Their coach quickly told everyone to be quiet.

"We weren't sure if it was for real," said 14-year-old Adul Samon. "So we stopped and listened. And it turned out to be true. I was shocked."

That stunning moment when two British divers found the missing soccer team was recounted by the boys Wednesday at their first news conference since the rescue that riveted the world.

They all looked healthy as they walked out to applause from classmates and reporters in a hall decked out as a miniature soccer field. Dressed in green, white and black uniforms emblazoned with a red wild boar — the nickname of their team — the boys briefly showed off their ball-handling skills before answering questions that were reviewed in advance.

The boys and their 25-year-old coach had come from the hospital where they have been recuperating for more than a week. They hugged

Musk apologizes to British diver

BANGKOK — Tesla and SpaceX CEO Elon Musk has apologized for calling a British diver involved in the Thailand cave rescue a pedophile, saying he spoke in anger but was wrong to do so.

There was no immediate public reaction from diver Vern Unsworth to Musk's latest tweets.

Musk's initial tweet calling Unsworth a "pedo" was a response to a TV interview Unsworth gave. In it, he said Musk and SpaceX engineers orchestrated a "PR stunt" by sending a small submarine to help divers rescue the 12 Thai soccer players and their coach from a flooded cave.

Unsworth said the submarine, which wasn't used, wouldn't have worked anyway.

"My words were spoken in anger after Mr. Unsworth said several untruths," Musk tweeted.

their friends before taking seats with doctors and members of the Thai navy SEALs who rescued them from the Tham Luang cave after more than two weeks.

Each member of the Wild Boars stood and introduced himself by name and position. The SEALs were introduced, but they used pseudonyms and wore baseball caps and sunglasses to cloak their identities for security reasons.

In one poignant and emotional moment, a portrait was displayed of Saman Gunan, the former Thai navy SEAL diver who died in the rescue attempt, and the team members showed their gratitude and respect for him. One of the boys, Chanin

Vibulrungruang, covered his eyes as if wiping away a tear.

Adul was the logical choice to tell how the British divers discovered them because it was he who had greeted the divers in English in the murky video on July 2 that was seen around the world.

The Wild Boars had entered the cave on June 23 for what was to be a relaxing excursion after soccer practice. But rain began, and water soon filled the cavern, cutting off their escape.

Coach Ekapol "Ake" Chanthawong said the trip was meant to last one hour, simply because "each of us wanted to see what was inside."

Official: 19 drown off Cyprus as suspected migrant vessel sinks

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NICOSIA, Cyprus — Nineteen people drowned when a boat loaded with as many as 150 people who were thought to be migrants capsized off the northern coast of Cyprus, a Turkish Cypriot official said Wednesday.

Tolga Atakan, the transport minister in the break-away north of ethnically divided Cyprus, said rescue crews were searching for 25 missing passengers in an area where a passing cargo ship reported spotting people in the water.

The Turkish coast guard said it rescued 103 of the capsized vessel's passengers and took them to Turkey. One seriously injured person was being treated at a hospital in the northern part of Cyprus' capital, Nicosia, Atakan said.

Atakan said the nationalities of the passengers have not been confirmed. When asked if they were thought to be migrants, Atakan said "most probably."

Aysegul Baybars, the interior minister in northern Cyprus, told Turkey's CNN-Turk television that authorities were investigating if bad weather, sabotage or other factors caused the sinking.

She said authorities don't know where the vessel has set sail from or where it was heading.

The capsizing occurred around 16 miles north of Cyprus' Karpas Peninsula, but it's not yet clear when.

In May, nine Syrian migrants drowned when their boat capsized off Cyprus' northern coast. The United Nations' refugee agency said it was the first shipwreck involving migrants off the island nation.

Constantinos Petrides, the interior minister in the

internationally recognized government of Cyprus based in the south, said new arrivals have grown at an alarming pace.

The 2,500 asylum applications Cyprus received during the first half of the year puts the country alongside Greece as having the most asylum-seekers per capita in the European Union, Petrides said.

He alleged that trafficking rings are bringing immigrants — mainly Syrians — by boat from Turkey to northern Cyprus.

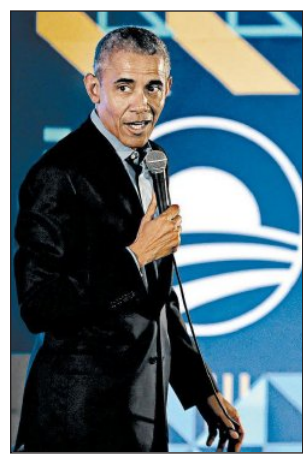
Thousands of Europe-bound migrants have attempted to cross the Mediterranean Sea from North Africa this year, a journey often made in overcrowded and inadequate vessels procured by human smugglers.

The International Organization for Migration said before the Cyprus wreck that 1,443 people died or went missing this year in the Mediterranean Sea route from northern Africa as of Sunday.

Friction between the Italian government and private aid groups that patrol the sea to look for people in danger ratcheted up Wednesday when a Spanish aid organization shunned an Italian port for one in Spain. Proactiva Open Arms said it found a survivor and two dead bodies from a migrant boat wreck Tuesday, and accused Italy of complicity.

The Open Arms vessel was expected to arrive Saturday in the port of Palma de Mallorca, said a Spanish government spokeswoman who was not authorized to be named in media reports.

The aid organization accused Libya's coast guard, which has received training from Italy and funding from the European Union, of abandoning the three people Monday when it took 158 other migrants from the boat and destroyed it.



THEMBA HADEBE/AP

Former President Barack Obama speaks at a town hall in Johannesburg.

Obama urges Africans to pursue change as Mandela did

BY ANDREW MELDRUM
Associated Press

JOHANNESBURG — South Africans, along with former President Barack Obama, marked the centennial of anti-apartheid leader Nelson Mandela's birth Wednesday with acts of charity in a country still struggling with deep economic inequality 24 years after the end of white minority rule.

Obama met with young leaders from around Africa to mark the anniversary, a

day after he delivered a spirited speech in Johannesburg about Mandela's legacy of tolerance and criticized President Donald Trump and his policies without mentioning him by name.

An enthusiastic crowd of 14,000 gave Obama a standing ovation for his address, the highest-profile one since he left office.

"Most people think of Mandela as an older man with hair like mine," the 56-year-old, liberally gray-haired Obama said to laugh-

ter from his audience on Wednesday.

But he added that people forget that Mandela "started as a very young man, at your age, trying to liberate this country."

Speaking to participants in his foundation's Leaders: Africaprogram of 200 young people from 44 African countries, he urged them to pursue change at home and emphasized the impact they can have on a continent whose population is the fastest-growing in the world. "How big are

your ambitions?" he asked.

Obama also spoke out against the corruption and conflict that slow down change, mentioning as one example the current deadly tensions in Cameroon, which faces an Anglophone separatist movement and the threat from Boko Haram extremists based in neighboring Nigeria.

South Africans and others around the world marked the July 18, 1918, birth of Mandela with clinic openings, blanket handouts and other charitable acts. In

Cape Town, numbers were painted on homes in one of the sprawling slums to help health workers locate people living with HIV and tuberculosis.

But South Africans must do more to fight for Mandela's values daily instead of engaging in symbolic gestures on his birthday, said Mmusi Maimane, the main opposition leader with the Democratic Alliance. He added that South Africa's "failed education is part of a system that locks black children out of opportunity."

NEWS BRIEFING

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Former FBI chief Comey urges voters to back Dems in the fall

WASHINGTON — James Comey, the FBI director who was fired last year by President Donald Trump, is urging voters to support Democrats in November's midterm elections.

Comy says on Twitter that the "Republican Congress has proven incapable of fulfilling the Founders' design that 'Ambition must counteract ambition.'" That refers to the need for Congress to provide checks and balances

to presidential power. Comey writes: "All who believe in this country's values must vote for Democrats this fall. History has its eyes on us."

He no longer considers himself a Republican. On Monday, after Trump's news conference with Russia's Vladimir Putin, Comey tweeted, "This was the day an American president stood on foreign soil next to a murderous lying thug and refused to back his own country."

Court blocks measure asking voters to split Calif. in three

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — A measure that would divide California into three parts won't appear on the ballot in November, the state Supreme Court decided Wednesday.

The justices said significant questions have been raised about the validity of the measure. The court will now consider an environmental group's challenge. The initiative could appear on a future ballot if the court ultimately rules

in its favor.

The Planning and Conservation League argues that dividing the state into Northern California, California and Southern California would drastically change the state's government structure beyond what can be accomplished through a ballot initiative.

Initiative supporters argue the state has become ungovernable because of its size, wealth disparities and geographic diversity.

Britain's Johnson to lawmakers: 'It is not too late to save Brexit'

LONDON — Former U.K. Foreign Secretary Boris Johnson implored fellow lawmakers Wednesday not to abandon Brexit, urging them to remember the initial enthusiasm surrounding a complete break from the European Union.

In remarks to the House of Commons, Johnson criticized Prime Minister Theresa May's plans for exiting the EU, describing it as a clean

departure "in name only."

"It is not too late to save Brexit," Johnson said.

May's government published a white paper last week with long-awaited proposals for Britain's relations with the EU after it leaves the bloc next year. The document proposes keeping Britain and the EU in a free market for goods, with a more distant relationship for services.

The plan has infuriated Brexit supporters.



ALFREDO ZUNIGA/AP

A masked pro-government militia member strolls past a house covered in anti-government graffiti Wednesday in the Monimbo neighborhood of Masaya, Nicaragua.

OAS backs resolution blasting abuses from pro-Ortega forces

WASHINGTON — The Organization of American States adopted a resolution Wednesday condemning human rights abuses committed by Nicaraguan police and armed pro-government civilians since massive protests against President Daniel Ortega began in mid-April.

The resolution, adopted 21-3 with seven abstentions, also criticized the harassment of Roman Catholic bishops.

Catholic officials who have been mediating stalled talks on finding a peaceful solution to the standoff and have criticized

Ortega's government over killings have suffered at least three recent attacks.

The resolution by Argentina, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Mexico, Peru and the United States called on Ortega to support an electoral calendar agreed upon during the dialogue process.

Ortega, who has rejected demands for early elections, calls those seeking his exit "coup mongers."

On Wednesday, Nicaragua foreign minister Denis Moncada blasted the OAS for adopting the resolution, calling it "illegal, illegiti-

mate and unfair."

"We have working institutions, a rule of law, a Constitution," he said minutes before the vote.

While the OAS held its session, a bipartisan group of 10 U.S. senators introduced legislation that seeks to impose sanctions on Nicaraguan government officials responsible for protester deaths, human rights violations and acts of corruption.

The government says more than 200 people have been killed since the unrest began, but independent rights groups say the number is higher.

Red, white and patriotic hue for Air Force One

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump says Air Force One is getting a patriotic makeover.

Trump says the familiar baby blue color on the presidential aircraft will give way to a red-white-and-blue color scheme. Updated models could be in service during a poten-

tial second term. Trump made the announcement in a CBS News interview broadcast Tuesday.

Separately, White House press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said Wednesday that the Air Force has awarded a "firm fixed-price" contract to Boeing to design, modify,

test, certify and deliver two "mission-ready" aircraft by 2024. They'll replace the current 747 versions used by the president, which are 31 years old.

Sanders said the contract sets the total price for the completed aircraft at \$3.9 billion, a savings of more than \$1.4 billion.

N.C. pastor denied release at trial hearing in Turkey

ANKARA, Turkey — A Turkish court on Wednesday again denied a request for the release from custody of an American pastor based in Turkey who is on trial on charges of aiding terror groups and engaging espionage.

Andrew Craig Brunson, a 50-year-old evangelical pastor from Black Mountain, N.C., was arrested in the aftermath of a 2016 coup attempt for alleged links to the outlawed Kurdistan Workers' Party, or PKK, as well as a network led by U.S.-based Muslim cleric Fethullah Gulen, whom Turkey blames for the unrest.

Brunson, who faces up to 35 years in prison for "committing crimes on behalf of terror groups without being a member" and "espionage," strongly denies the charges. Gulen has denied involvement in the coup attempt.

The case was adjourned until Oct. 12.

In Syria: Government forces determined to retake the largest opposition holdout in the country's southwest unleashed a bombing campaign, killing a dozen people and wounding over 100 in a densely populated town, activists said Wednesday. The attack on Nawa came after talks to cede the town failed Tuesday.

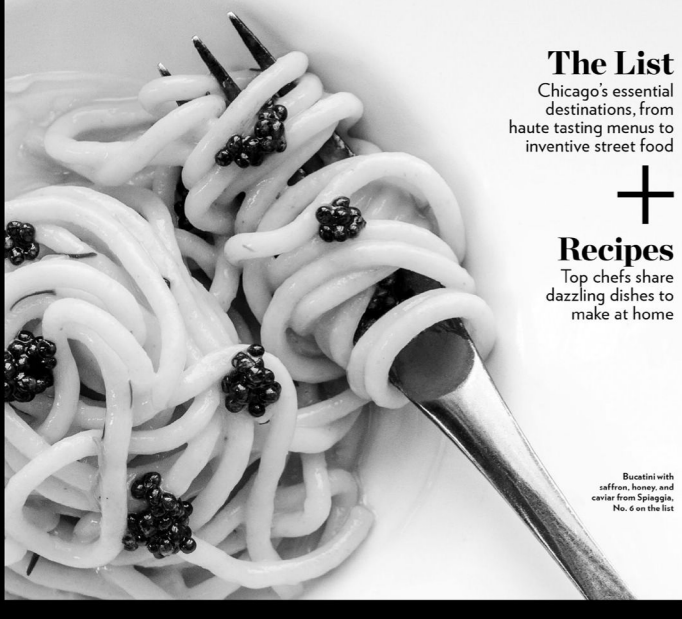
In Iran: The country continues to acquire uranium and is close to finishing a factory where it can build more centrifuges to enrich it, said Ali Akbar Salehi, the nation's nuclear chief. The comments came as Tehran is in talks with major powers on preserving a 2015 deal meant to keep Iran from developing nuclear weapons.

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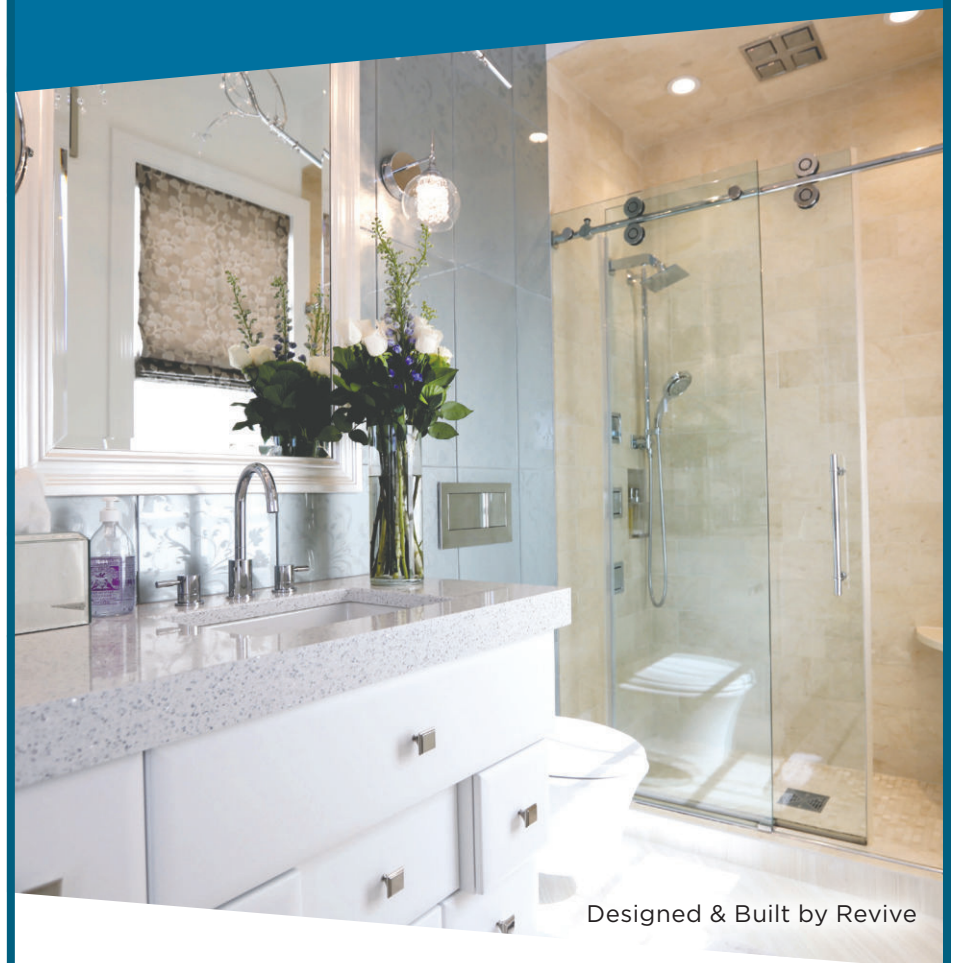
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EDITORIALS

Trump's obsession,
Americans' anxiety

Americans who follow presidential politics and governance have been riveted for more than a year on this question: What did, or didn't, Russia do to disrupt the 2016 presidential campaign cycle and the election itself? That's a backward-looking quest, and the Tribune continues to trust that special counsel Robert S. Mueller III will solve the puzzle — no matter how ambitiously President Donald Trump tries to clutter Mueller's path with denials, obstructions and distractions.

This week, though, forces all of us to confront a much different and more urgent question, this one asked not in the past tense but in the present: Does Trump's stupefying conduct during and after his meeting with Russian strongman Vladimir Putin signal incompetence and obsession that put his presidency — if not this nation — at elevated risk?

The American president who took the world stage in Helsinki struck us as bewildered, bedeviled. Trump repeated Putin's self-exoneration despite the well-evidenced accusations of meddling from the U.S. intelligence community. Trump tried to reassure Americans that Putin's rejection of accusations against Russia was "extremely strong and powerful." But this was the real subtext: Trump was cutting off any suggestion that he was elected illicitly.

In this setting more than in any before it, Trump's top priority — reiterating that his campaign didn't collude with Russians — betrayed the depth of his obsession with an election outcome now 20 months in the



ANDREW HARNIK/AP

President Donald Trump has shown an intense focus on showing he wasn't elected due to Russian meddling, and that obsession should be concerning to Americans.

past. Faced with the options of looking like Putin's poodle or admitting that Russian meddling might have made some difference in the election outcome, Trump made the worse choice.

What's most significant is that Trump made that choice while standing with arguably the greatest enemy of the United

States.

In Monday's joint appearance with Putin, and in his peripatetic retellings of Helsinki in the days since, Trump animated his usual self-aggrandizement with a lights-and-sirens display of self-defense. On Tuesday he contended that in Helsinki he had misspoken. On Wednesday he continued to play down the significance of

his flip-flopping, at one point declaring, "There's been no President ever as tough as I have been on Russia."

The reactions of Trump's noisiest detractors and supporters at home have been true to form: The detractors are exhausting their synonyms for deranged, deceptive, traitorous. The supporters note that once again we're discussing what Trump says and tweets, not troop movements or launch codes.

But as Americans try to absorb the whiplash, this moment especially challenges one constituency: Republican officeholders have to decide whether they want to limit his powers to obstruct Mueller or to cut military, trade or diplomatic deals with Moscow. They'll weigh Democrats' calls to denounce Trump against the president's popularity among GOP voters who've enjoyed watching him unhinge their political foes.

This week, though, it's the president who has looked unhinged — haunted by the suggestion that he owes his election to Putin, or that Putin has compromising information about him.

The perception of instability and obsession now looms over the White House as never before in this presidency. What domestic or geopolitical move will the man in the Oval Office make next? Might that act be reckless, damaging, irreversible?

Because the longer Donald Trump pre-occupies himself with Russia and his legitimacy as president, the less legitimate he looks to Americans.

Middle children: An endangered species

Being a middle child is like being one of those presidents between Ulysses S. Grant and Theodore Roosevelt. Yeah, you made it, but does anyone really care? Anyone saddled with this fate had better get used to being overlooked and shortchanged.

Other children can expect better. The firstborn enjoys a period of exclusive parental attention that confers a lifelong assumption of being wonderful. The baby is spoiled by dint of the cuteness that goes with being the youngest. Parents who shower the eldest with attention, because they're new at this and afraid of what could go wrong, often adopt a lax approach to the last one out of exhaustion or complacency.

But the kid in between gets none of these benefits. Parents tend to be strict with the middle child, as they were with the first — not indulgent, as they are with the last.

Plus this kid is stuck between an elder sibling and a younger one. As one woman we know recalls, "I used to fear being alone with my older sister, who delighted in pinning me on the floor and drooling on my face. Meanwhile, my younger sister



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rarely got grounded, met curfew or paid for gas or clothes or makeup."

Another, the fourth of eight, says of the eldest, "There were a lot more pictures of him than me, and a lot more home movies of him than me." Her younger siblings, meanwhile, got luxuries the parents couldn't afford in earlier years. One middle child we know well, when asked about his experience, replied: "I have no comment."

The obvious unfairness that they endure

shapes middle children. They often turn out to be independent because Mom and Dad aren't going to do everything for them, hardworking because how else can they expect to get their due and humble because they learn from an early age they're not that important. They also tend to be rebellious and hungry for attention, and who can blame them?

As if these poor souls haven't had enough pain, now comes the news that

middle children are becoming extinct in America. Back in the 1970s, reports Adam Sternbergh in *New York Magazine*, "four kids (or more) was the most common family unit." But today, the typical family with children has just two. And guess who loses out this game of musical chairs? It's not the eldest or the youngest.

Even if you're not a middle child, though, this looming absence should concern you. "What few people realize is that middle children are actually more likely to successfully effect change in the world than any other birth order," psychologist Catherine Salmon told Sternbergh.

You need evidence? Well, the roster includes Abraham Lincoln, Martin Luther King Jr., Susan B. Anthony, Bill Gates, Chief Justice John Roberts, Michael Jordan and Madonna. Also Donald Trump. Say what you will, you can't say they didn't effect change in the world.

So if middle children largely disappear, everyone else will lose the distinctive qualities they have to offer. And here's one last bit of injustice: If the experience of middle children is any guide, no one will notice.

WHAT OTHERS ARE SAYING

Vladimir Putin's elite spy world has been penetrated by U.S. intelligence. That's the implication of the extraordinarily detailed 29-page indictment of 12 Russian military intelligence (GRU) officers handed up by special counsel Robert S. Mueller III's investigators on Friday.

The 11-count charge includes names, dates, unit assignments, the GRU's use of "X-agent" malware, its bitcoin covert funding schemes and a wealth of other tradecraft. Putin must be asking himself: How did the Americans find out all these facts? What other operations have been compromised? And how much else do they know? ...

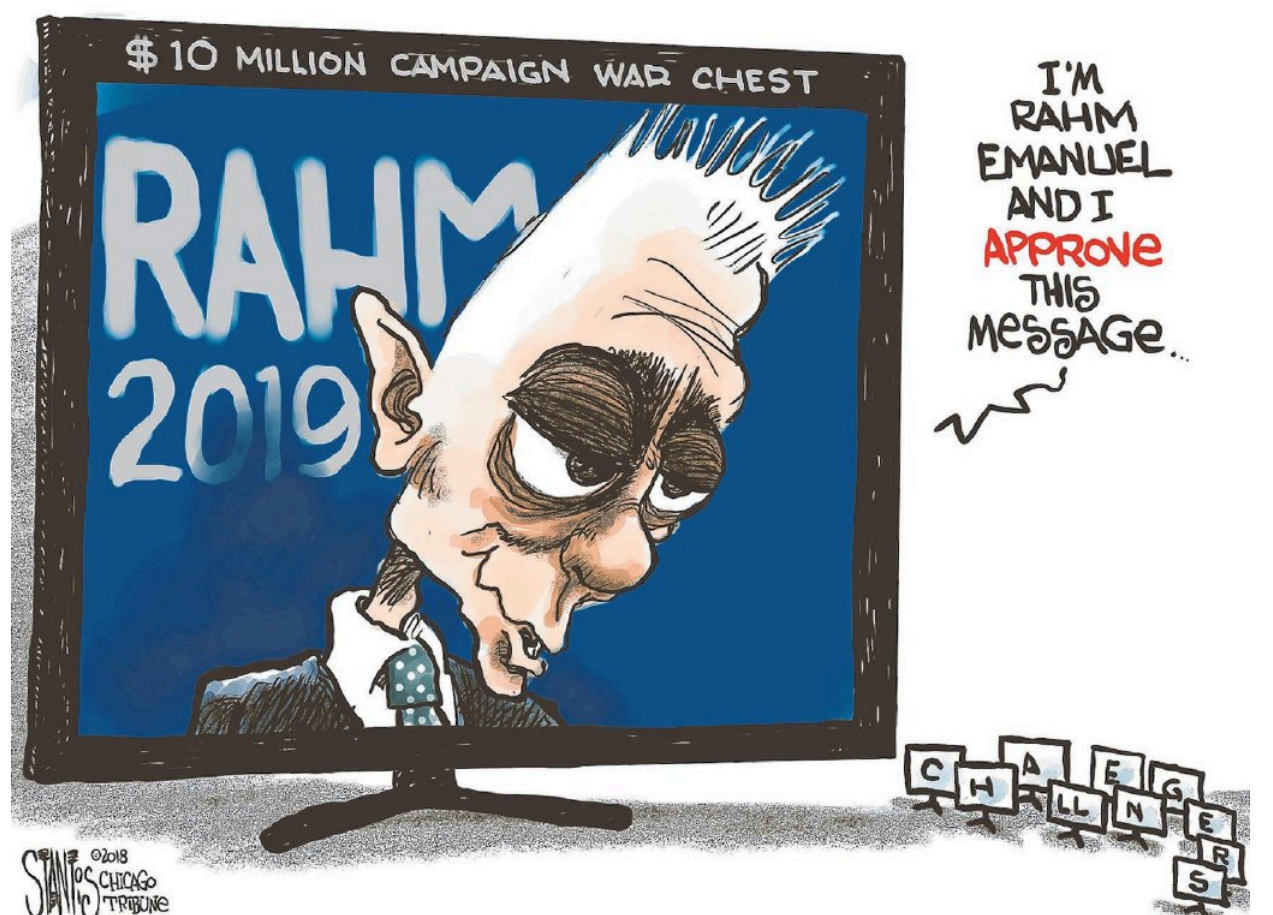
Must the GRU assume that officers named in Friday's indictment are now "blown" for further secret operations? Should Russian spymasters expect that operations they touched are now compromised? What about other Russian operations that used bitcoin, or X-agent, or another hacking tool called X-Tunnel? Has the U.S. tracked such operations and identified the targets? Finally, how are U.S. intelligence services playing back the information they've learned — to recruit, exploit or compromise Russian officers? ...

In putting all the detail into the indictment, Mueller was giving Russian intelligence a hint of how much America can see. But this public disclosure may mask much deeper capabilities — perhaps a capacity to expose many more layers of GRU military-intelligence operations and those by the Russian civilian spy services, the FSB and the SVR.

U.S. intelligence agencies rarely tip their hand this way by disclosing so much in an indictment; clearly they did so here to send messages.

David Ignatius, *The Washington Post*

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PERSPECTIVE



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Russian, U.S. and Finnish flags fly outside the Presidential Palace in Helsinki, where President Donald Trump met this week with Russian President Vladimir Putin.

Our 'America first' president put America last in Helsinki



GEORGE WILL

WASHINGTON — America's child president had a play date with a KGB alumnus, who surely enjoyed providing day care. It was a useful, because it was illuminating, event: Now we shall see how many Republicans retain a capacity for embarrassment.

Jeane Kirkpatrick, a Democrat closely associated with such Democratic national security stalwarts as Sen. Henry Jackson and former Sen. and former Vice President Hubert Humphrey, was Ronald Reagan's ambassador to the United Nations. In her speech to the 1984 Republican National Convention in Dallas, she explained her disaffection from her party: "They always blame America first." In Helsinki, the president who bandies the phrase "America first" put himself first, as always, and America last, behind Vladimir Putin's regime.

Because the Democrats had just held their convention in San Francisco, Kirkpatrick branded the "blame America first" cohort as "San Francisco Democrats." Thirty-four years on, how numerous are the "Helsinki

Republicans"?

What, precisely, did Donald Trump say about the diametrically opposed statements concerning Russia and the 2016 U.S. elections by U.S. intelligence agencies (and the Senate intelligence committee) and by Putin concerning Russia and the 2016 U.S. elections? Precision is not part of Trump's repertoire: He speaks English as though it is a second language that he learned from someone who learned English last week. So, it is usually difficult to sift meanings from Trump's word salads. But in Helsinki he was, for him, crystal clear about feeling no allegiance to the intelligence institutions that work at his direction and under leaders he chose.

Speaking of Republicans incapable of blushing — those with the peculiar strength that comes from being incapable of embarrassment — consider South Carolina Sen. Lindsey Graham, who for years enjoyed derivative gravitas from his association with John McCain. Graham tweeted about Helsinki: "Missed opportunity by President Trump to firmly hold Russia accountable for 2016 meddling and deliver a strong warning regarding future elections." A "missed opportunity" by a man who does not acknowledge the meddling?

Contrast Graham's mush with this from McCain, still vinegary: "Today's press conference in Helsinki was one of the most disgraceful performances

by an American president in memory." Or this from Arizona's other senator, Jeff Flake: "I never thought I would see the day when our American president would stand on the stage with the Russian President and place blame on the United States for Russian aggression." Blame America only.

Secretary of Defense James Mattis, White House chief of staff John Kelly, Director of National Intelligence Dan Coats and others might believe that they must stay in their positions lest there be no adult supervision of the Oval playpen. This is a serious worry, but so is this: Can those people do their jobs for someone who has neither respect nor loyalty for them?

Like the purloined letter in Edgar Allan Poe's short story with that title, collusion with Russia is hiding in plain sight. We shall learn from Robert Mueller's investigation whether in 2016 there was collusion with Russia by members of the Trump campaign. The world, however, saw in Helsinki something more grave — ongoing collusion between Trump, now in power, and Russia. The collusion is in what Trump says (refusing to back America's intelligence agencies) and in what evidently went unsaid (such as: You ought to stop disrupting Ukraine, downing civilian airliners, attempting to assassinate people abroad using poisons, and so on, and on).

Americans elected a president who

— this is a safe surmise — knew that he had more to fear from making his tax returns public than from keeping them secret. The most innocent inference is that for decades he has depended on an American weakness, susceptibility to the tacky charisma of wealth, which would evaporate when his tax returns revealed that he has always lied about his wealth too. A more ominous explanation might be that his redundantly demonstrated incompetence as a businessman tumbled him into unsavory financial dependencies on Russians. A still more sinister explanation might be that the Russians have something else, something worse to keep him compliant.

The explanation is in doubt; what needs to be explained — his compliance — is not. Granted, Trump has a weak man's banal fascination with strongmen whose disdain for him is evidently unimaginable to him. And, yes, he only perfunctorily pretends to have priorities beyond personal aggrandizement. But just as astronomers inferred, from anomalies in the orbits of the planet Uranus, the existence of Neptune before actually seeing it, Mueller might infer, and then find, still-hidden sources of the behavior of this sad, embarrassing wreck of a man.

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A GOOD, STRONG SCOLDING FROM THE RIGHT

BY JOE "TALK IS CHEAP" FOURNIER

HOUSE SPEAKER PAUL RYAN SAYS WORDS

LET ME BE VERY CLEAR... THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT RUSSIA INTERFERED IN OUR ELECTION AND CONTINUES ATTEMPTS TO UNDERMINE DEMOCRACY HERE AND AROUND THE WORLD.

THE PRESIDENT MUST APPRECIATE THAT RUSSIA IS NOT OUR ALLY!

...WHAT MORE DO YOU PEOPLE WANT?

NOW AMERICA WANTS TO KNOW WHAT WE - THE MAJORITY PARTY - INTEND TO DO ABOUT IT!

WELL, HECK!

I JUST USED MY STERN, I'M-VEEERY-DISAPPOINTED-IN-YOU-YOUNG-MAN VOICE TO CHASTISE THE PRESIDENT...

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President Donald Trump and Russian President Vladimir Putin in Finland. Trump, who talks about his ability to wheel and deal, may have fallen short as a negotiator.

Perhaps Trump should read 'The Art of the Deal'

BY JOSEPH HOLT

Donald Trump voters thought they were electing a tough negotiator who would stand up for U.S. interests against our adversaries, but after the president's historically weak performance during his joint news conference Monday with Russian President Vladimir Putin in Helsinki, that myth can safely be laid to rest.

I don't know if House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi and Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer were right to suggest afterward that Putin may have damaging information on Trump, but that claim is more credible than any lingering claim that Trump is a world-class dealmaker.

Trump's failure to deliver in Helsinki should come as no surprise. Candidate Trump confidently promised to negotiate a health care deal, an immigration deal, a Middle East peace agreement and a replacement for both the Trans-Pacific Partnership and the Paris climate accord. To date he has not negotiated a single major deal, domestic or foreign.

The president displayed

supreme confidence (and great naivete) in May 2017 when he said that Middle East peace is "maybe not as difficult as people have thought over the years." But his deal-making competence has fallen short of his confidence. If the president has great negotiation skills, he has concealed them with uncharacteristic modesty.

Here is what a world-class negotiator would have done in Helsinki.

First, he or she would have prepared extensively for such an important meeting. The president believes that his superior negotiation skills render preparation superfluous. At a rally in Montana earlier this month, Trump dismissed concerns over his meeting with Putin, saying, "I've been preparing for this stuff my whole life."

By that the president presumably meant that he had been making deals his whole life. But years of closing real estate deals in New York have not prepared Trump to negotiate with Putin any more than years of walking have prepared him for an ultramarathon. The activities involve similar motions but a very different degree of complexity and diffi-

culty.

Second, a world-class dealmaker would have recognized his or her leverage and used it more effectively. Leverage in negotiations is a question of who needs it more. As Trump (or his co-author) wrote in "The Art of the Deal," "Leverage is having something the other guy wants. Or better yet, needs. Or best of all, simply cannot do without."

Putin became an international pariah when he was booted out of the G-8 annual summit of industrialized nations after Russia's brazen seizure of the Crimean Peninsula from Ukraine in 2014. Both the United States and the European Union imposed harsh sanctions on Russia after that violation of international law and order.

Trump wanted a meeting with Putin badly, but not as badly as Putin wanted to come in from the cold of isolation. Trump should have used that leverage to advance U.S. interests involving Syria, Ukraine, Iran and our elections. But instead of using his leverage to win concessions from Putin, Trump gave the Russian president a huge propaganda win without getting anything

meaningful in return.

Trump gave the same gift to North Korean dictator Kim Jong Un. After their Singapore meeting June 12, North Korean state media released a 42-minute propaganda video showing Trump nodding respectfully as he listened to Kim, saluting a North Korean general while Kim looked on and generally showing Kim as Trump's fellow "supreme leader." One can only imagine what the Russian propaganda machine will do with footage from the Helsinki news conference in which Trump shamefully doubled down on a tweet he posted just before his Putin meeting by repeating that "the United States has been foolish" in its relationship with Russia. He spinelessly failed to take Putin to task for anything and shockingly expressed greater confidence in Putin's denial that Russia meddled in the 2016 U.S. presidential election than in the considered finding of every U.S. intelligence agency that it did so.

Finally, a world-class negotiator would have insisted that his or her legitimate interests be met. The goal in a negotiation is to satisfy your interests

while improving, or at least not harming, your relationship with your counterpart. World-class negotiators know how to strike the right balance between their own interests and their relationships with their counterparts. Trump in Helsinki focused too little on U.S. interests and too much on establishing a good relationship with Putin — after last week focusing too little on maintaining a good relationship with the NATO allies whose support he needs to effectively counter Putin's aggression.

Saturday's front page of the British tabloid Daily Mirror featured a photo of Trump sitting regally in Winston Churchill's chair with the headline "How dare you." Trump, after all, has coddled tyrants such as Kim and Putin while Churchill stood up to the despots of his time with an inspiring blend of conviction, clarity, courage and eloquence. That is what a world-class deal-maker and leader would do.

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Did you hear Brett Kavanaugh is a great dad? And a great coach!

BY MICHAEL MCGOUGH

Whatever you think of Brett Kavanaugh as a Supreme Court nominee — brilliant jurist, threat to Roe v. Wade, spawn of the Federalist Society — you can be sure of this: He's a great dad and a great coach.

So says Julie O'Brien of Chevy Chase, Md., in an opinion piece in The Washington Post. She writes:

"Brett's older daughter and mine have been classmates at Blessed Sacrament School, a small Catholic school in the District, for the past seven years. On evenings and weekends, you're likely to find Brett at a local gym or athletic field, encouraging his players or watching games with his daughters and their friends. He coaches not one but two girls' basketball teams. His positive attitude and calm demeanor make the game fun and allow each player to shine."

But wait! There's more:

"In the summer, Brett is the 'carpool dad,' often shuttling students to and from practices, games and activities."

Democrats might see this as an attempt to humanize a controversial Republican figure. But Merrick Garland, President Barack Obama's ill-fated Supreme Court nominee, got the same treatment in The Washington Post two years ago in a staff-written profile that revealed that the judge had been a volunteer tutor at a school in Washington for 18 years.

Here's a sample: "When I have problems with my math homework, he'll help me with that," said Vernell (Garvin), a fifth-grader at J.O. Wilson Elementary School in Northeast D.C. "He's a very good person. He never does anything wrong. He deserves the job."

Aww. It seems that the U.S. District of Columbia Circuit Court of Appeals, where Kavanaugh and Garland sit, should be renamed the Court of Nice Guys.

You might ask why it matters that a Supreme Court nominee is a doting father or caring volunteer, but newspapers long have been in the business of showcasing the "human" side of public



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Judge Brett Kavanaugh arrives with his family at a White House ceremony where he was announced as a Supreme Court nominee.

figures. And the human-interest factor has its political uses as well: It wasn't an accident that Kavanaugh's photogenic family was with him at the White House last week when Trump introduced him as his nominee.

Sometimes presidents have to

reach to make the point that a nominee is a regular guy. When Obama introduced Garland, he noted that "he put himself through Harvard Law School by working as a tutor, by stocking shoes in a shoe store, and, in what is always a painful moment for

any young man, by selling his comic book collection."

And when President George W. Bush introduced the future Chief Justice John Roberts, Bush mentioned that Roberts "worked summers in a steel mill to help pay his way through college." (Bush didn't add that Roberts' father had been the general manager of the Bethlehem Steel plant.)

Is it important that Supreme Court justices be good fathers and volunteers or that they worked their way through school in a humble occupation? Probably not. Was Justice Louis Brandeis a Little League coach? Did Harlan Fiske Stone ladle soup for the poor? Did John Marshall drive the horse-and-carriage equivalent of carpool? But considering how tough the confirmation fights have become, the nice-guy factor can't hurt.

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PERSPECTIVE

Sorry, Elon and Kylie. We're waking up to those in the world of 'stratospheric wealth.'

BY CHRISTINE EMBA

Last week was a big one for billionaires. Kylie Jenner, kid sister of reality-television star Kim Kardashian, scored a Forbes magazine cover extolling her efforts at the helm of her makeup company, valued by the magazine at \$800 million. The feature article suggested that the 20-year-old was on pace to become the youngest-ever "self-made" billionaire later this year.

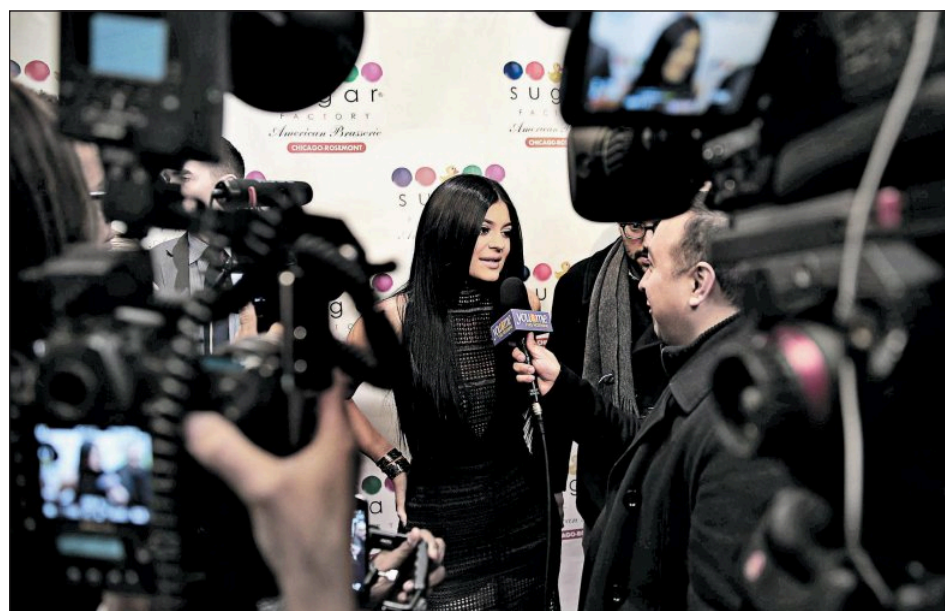
And Elon Musk, co-founder and chief executive of electric car company Tesla (estimated net worth: about \$20 billion), made waves on social media by publicizing his newly invented kid-size submarine. The bullet-shaped tube was engineered over a weekend for the purpose of aiding in the Thai cave rescue, then was left in Thailand unused after the rescue was successfully undertaken the old-fashioned way — with actual divers.

Musk's and Jenner's lives are as far from the average as one might imagine. But we're oddly keen to keep up — Americans have long had a fascination with the extremely wealthy. All too often, a high net worth is seen as a proxy for intelligence, success and even virtue. Donald Trump's 2016 presidential campaign was built in no small part on his supposed achievements as a real estate magnate and business leader, along with his billionaire status — although the exact details of his net worth were and remain oddly opaque.

But it seems we may be getting more skeptical. That's a good thing.

For all his bluster about selflessly helping the Thai government, Musk received more blowback than he bargained for. After Musk criticized Thai officials who pointed out that his invention was "not practical" and baselessly called one of the actual cave rescuers a pedophile, the market value of Tesla shares fell by millions. Observers accused the CEO of narcissism and self-aggrandizement and derided his incessant submarine-tweeting as a failed PR stunt.

And when the New York Daily News



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Kylie Jenner, 20, has a makeup company that's valued at about \$800 million.

tweeted, "19-year-old Kylie Jenner is worth \$900 million and on pace to become the youngest self-made billionaire ever. What are you doing with your life?" the deadpan responses were an eye-opening tour through what regular citizens regard as actually valuable contributions. "I'm a priest," read one. Another came from a former refugee turned clinical neuroscience Ph.D. There were mothers raising special-needs children, and millennials just struggling to get by.

Perhaps that's all because it has become increasingly obvious that the fortunes of the 1 percent haven't grown through work alone. A confluence of larger factors — globalization, the quick uptake of new technology, government regulations that favor large corporations and capital — have operated together to produce this blossoming of billionaires. It's a bloom that smells a bit rancid when compared with the downward-trending economic fortunes of almost everyone else. From 1984 to 2017, the

wealth of the Forbes 400 richest Americans grew by nearly 2,000 percent. As of 2013, the median household had gotten about 20 percent poorer.

Still — there are probably better ways to counter the well-insulated billionaire class than by grumbling online. We could lobby our government to close some of the egregious tax loopholes that have resulted in the staggering expansion of personal wealth over the past several decades (carried interest, anyone?). It might even be time to institute a more progressive tax code, one in which the wealthy pay appreciably more — something that some of the most famous billionaires themselves have asked for.

Which makes this fact worth noting: Another update from the world of stratospheric wealth was a shake-up in the list of the world's richest people. While a new crowd of wealth-mongers are sprinting to the top (Amazon founder Jeff Bezos, who also owns the *The Washington Post*, is now



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Billionaire Elon Musk, founder of Tesla, had a PR misstep in the Thai cave incident.

the richest person in modern history, with a \$150 billion net worth), others, such as Warren Buffett and Bill Gates, have slipped down the ranks — because they are beginning to give their money away.

That's a good thing, of course generosity is more admirable than wealth for wealth's sake, and these fortunes are so large that their owners couldn't spend them if they tried. Yet it's worth thinking harder about how these resources were amassed in the first place, and about whether the charitable endeavors they make possible — whether anti-malaria campaigns or tiny useless submarines — outweigh the inequality that brings them into being. Money isn't the only thing we value, after all.

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Big Baby and the triumph of corporate America

BY KEVIN HARRIGAN

There's Big Steel. There's Big Pharma. There's Big Tech and Big Coal and Big Banks and Big Oil. Now comes the latest major lobbying organization to throw its weight around and demonstrate the astounding hold that corporate conservatives have on all three branches of the U.S. government.

Say hello to Big Baby.

The *New York Times* reported that during this year's World Health Assembly in May, the U.S. delegation tried to undermine a resolution encouraging women around the world to breastfeed their babies. The assembly is the annual meeting of delegates from 194 nations to the United Nations-affiliated World Health Organization.

For decades, health experts have agreed that mother's milk is better for infants than commercial baby formulas. The resolution urged member countries to regulate the misleading marketing claims of formula manufacturers. The resolution was in no way controversial until the U.S. delegation, representing the interests of Big Baby, started stirring up trouble.

Ecuador, which was scheduled to introduce the resolution, was threatened with trade retaliation and the possible withdrawal of U.S. military aid. Other nations, fearing similar threats, backed down. Eventually

the Russians, of all people, agreed to introduce the resolution, and it passed mostly unchanged.

If there's any nation the Trump administration won't mess with, it's Russia.

"We're not trying to be a hero here," a Russian delegate told the *Times*, "but we feel that it is wrong when a big country tries to push around some very small countries, especially on an issue that is really important for the rest of the world."

This is the sort of thing that U.S. officials used to be able to say. Today they do the bidding of corporate interests. More than three-fourths of the U.S. baby food market is controlled by three companies: Nestle USA (Gerber), Abbott Inc. (Similac) and Mead Johnson (Enfamil). All three are part of Big Baby's \$47 billion a year global market, which is expected to grow 50 percent in the next three years no matter what the World Health Assembly says.

With Donald Trump in the White House, Republicans in control of Congress and a corporate majority on the Supreme Court, business has done spectacularly. But trying to persuade mothers in the Third World to mix up baby formula — despite having no reliable supply of clean water to mix it with — is truly perverse.

It's the apotheosis for a movement that lay dormant during the years of the New Deal and the Great Society but began to emerge in the 1970s. Movement conserva-

tives appropriated the word "freedom" as a substitute for untrammelled greed. It was truly brilliant how they did it.

They decided that the Gilded Age had it right, and that a nation's greatness should not be measured, as Gandhi said, by how it treats its weakest members, but by how much wealth its strongest members could amass. In support of this, they interpreted the U.S. Constitution's insistence on the primacy of property rights as fixed and unchanging.

The key moment came in 1976 when the Supreme Court decided that money, a measure of property, was a protected form of free speech when spent on political contributions. The loudest voices in the public square now belong to those with the most money.

Ronald Reagan became the movement's charismatic figurehead. Social issues like guns, gays and abortion (secondary concerns to most corporate conservatives) were used to divide the old Roosevelt coalition. Dog-whistle racist appeals fomented a backlash to the civil rights movement. Conservative intellectuals — to the extent that sophisticated arguments on behalf of the privileged constitute intellectualism — were planted in universities and courtrooms. Unions, with a big assist from certain corrupt union leaders, became a bad thing — even though collective wealth is the only counterbalance to individual wealth.

The stock market boomed. Executive compensation exploded. Blue-collar wages flatlined. A man named Leonard Leo built an obscure organization of conservative lawyers called the Federalist Society into a powerful force for the protection of corporate interests and wedge social issues. He is chiefly responsible for picking the conservative majority on the Supreme Court — including Brett Kavanaugh, the man Trump nominated as Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy's replacement.

"Leonard Leo was a visionary," Tom Carter, who worked as a public relations man for Leo, told *The Daily Beast*. "He figured out 20 years ago that conservatives had lost the culture war. Abortion, gay rights, contraception — conservatives didn't have a chance if public opinion prevailed. So they needed to stack the courts."

Yes! Public opinion be damned. Just load up the courts with Federalist Society members and wait for the fun to begin. Steal a Supreme Court nomination. Ignore Trump's abuses as long as he supports the plutocratic agenda.

It's like taking candy from a baby. Or worse, mother's milk.

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VOICE OF THE PEOPLE

Discussions of substance

While it's easy to be critical of President Donald Trump's remarks at his joint news conference with Russian leader Vladimir Putin, the reaction in the media is a bit over the top.

Since the majority of media outlets dislike Trump, and even more so the fact that he is actually president, this provided a great opportunity to pile on, which they certainly did. The problem is they failed to provide us with any information about the contents of the leaders' four-hour discussion.

Ever since Trump was elected the Democrats and their friends in the media have been concerned that the president would get us into a war.

Now that President Trump is attempting to build a relationship with our enemies, all we hear is that Trump is being too soft on them, i.e., Russia, North Korea and China. I seriously doubt that Trump is being "taken" by any of

these leaders. Trump did not build a successful real estate empire by being too naive.

Do I wish the president's remarks after the Helsinki summit would have been more thoughtful? Absolutely. However, I am pleased to see that we are having substantive discussions with those who oppose us rather than taking actions that might bring us to a war.

— Dan Schuchardt, Glen Ellyn

Oath of office

"I do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion; and that I will well and faithfully discharge the duties of the office on which I am about to enter. So help me God."

This is the oath sworn by each member of Congress when tak-

ing office. It is my hope that all Republican members of both chambers reread it and hold it in their hearts as they consider how they will further respond to President Donald Trump's shameful and un-American statements after his meeting with Russian leader Vladimir Putin.

Following that debacle, many Republicans released statements supporting our intelligence services and/or special counsel Robert Mueller's investigation, which is nice as far as it goes. But it's not far enough.

Each one of them needs to call out the president for refusing to confront Putin for interfering in the 2016 election.

For those Republicans who have to answer to the voters in November and are afraid of aggravating the strong Trump supporters among their constituents, they may want to consider:

1. It is their duty to educate their voters that Russian interference in our elections is nothing less than an attack on our democracy that threatens everyone's vote.

2. They swore an oath to defend our Constitution "against all enemies, foreign and domestic" as well as "bear true faith and allegiance" to it. Our own presi-

dent has blatantly refused to confront Putin and Russia, and all congressional Republicans should specifically censure him for this egregious lack of action.

They need to remember their oath and do their job.

— Carol Alfus, Woodstock

Judicial independence

I am writing in regard to your recent editorial "Beyond NATO, Brexit and Putin: Europe's Poland problem."

The checks and balances in the American legal system are generally approved of by the American public. American presidents pick their candidates for the federal judiciary and the U.S. Senate opposes or consents to these nominations. This is a well-established practice in the United States of America.

Unlike most Americans, the citizens of Poland cannot influence the Polish judiciary with their decisions at the polling stations either directly or indirectly.

Power that is not accountable is often unjust. Yet this was exactly how the Polish judiciary was structured before and also after the 1989 transition. The

system that is worth preserving, according to your opinion, is the system where judges recruit other judges into the judiciary; judges then elevate each other to higher positions in the judiciary, as well as hold each other accountable for their misdeeds.

It is necessary to reform this type of judiciary system. Lowering the judges' retirement age in a statute does not prejudice the independence of courts, as it has no impact on their quality or independence. All Polish judges will keep their existing guaranteed rights, including immunity, and none will be deprived of their retirement benefits. There is nothing in our system that contravenes European standards.

Polish Prime Minister Mateusz Morawiecki stated that EU countries had the right to shape their courts:

"Every country has a right to set up its own legal values with its own traditions. You can call it populism, but, sooner or later, the question must be asked: Is meeting the expectations of our citizens truly populist, or, maybe, it is the essence of democracy?"

— Piotr Janicki, consul general, Consulate General of the Republic of Poland, Chicago

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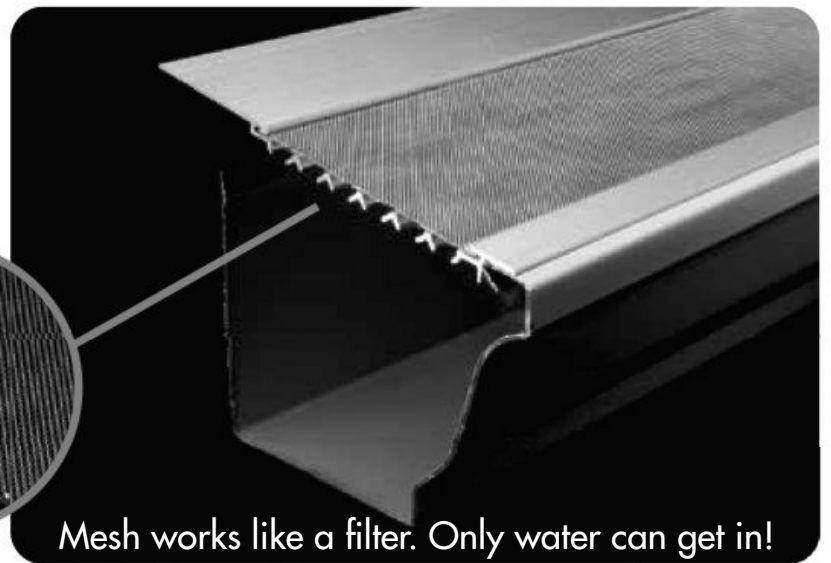
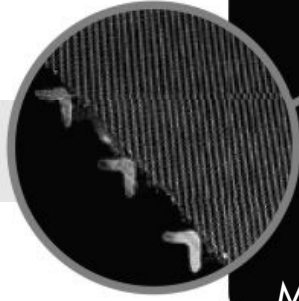


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Chicago Tribune BUSINESS

Tenet selling its last 3 hospitals in the area

Investment firm TWG to buy Weiss, Westlake and West Suburban

BY LISA SCHENCKER
Chicago Tribune

Tenet Healthcare announced plans Wednesday to sell Louis A. Weiss Memorial Hospital, Westlake Hospital and West Suburban Medical Center — its last three hospitals in the Chicago area — to an investment firm headed by Dr. Eric Whitaker, a close friend of President Barack Obama.

Texas-based Tenet Healthcare, which owns 68 hospitals across the country, plans to sell the for-profit hospitals to Whitaker's TWG Partners and hospital management company Pipeline Health, which will operate the

hospitals.

Whitaker's plans for the three hospitals weren't immediately clear Wednesday. Attempts to reach him were unsuccessful. Whitaker previously worked as director of the Illinois Department of Public Health under Gov. Rod Blagojevich and was executive vice president and associate dean of the University of Chicago Medical Center.

Tenet CEO Ron Rittenmeyer said in a statement Wednesday that Tenet is confident the three hospitals will have a "bright future" with TWG and Pipeline.

"The teams at Pipeline and TWG share our commitment to delivering high-quality care to patients, providing physicians with excellent service, and supporting caregivers and other colleagues in working to do what's

best for patients and the surrounding community," he said.

Terms of the deal were not disclosed. The sale, which requires regulatory approval, is expected to close in the fourth quarter.

Tenet is reducing its footprint in the Chicago area to focus on places where it has a larger presence and greater market share. Tenet had a market share of 2.1 percent, by net patient revenue, in the Chicago area in 2015 — far behind Advocate Health Care, Northwestern and Rush, among others, according to an analysis by Allan Baumgarten, an independent health care financial analyst.

That same year, then-Tenet hospital MacNeal in Berwyn and West Suburban in Oak Park were profitable, according to the analysis. Two other Tenet hospitals,

Weiss in Chicago and Westlake in Melrose Park, lost money that year. Tenet sold MacNeal for \$270 million in March to Loyola Medicine.

Weiss has 236 beds, Westlake has 225 beds and West Suburban has 234 beds, according to their websites.

During his time at the University of Chicago Medical Center, Whitaker expanded the Urban Health Initiative, a program to connect South Side patients with primary care doctors and health clinics for care so they don't have to rely on hospital emergency departments. He left the health system in 2013 to pursue opportunities in the private sector, he said at the time.

Whitaker described himself as "an entrepreneur at heart" in a 2012 interview with the Tribune.

Whitaker founded TWG Partners in November 2011 to purchase and develop health-related technology and services companies for the Medicaid and Medicare populations. Over the past five years, TWG has helped co-found two health insurance companies, Symphonix Health and Next Level Health Partners. Whitaker's wife, Dr. Cheryl Whitaker, is CEO and chairwoman of NextLevel Health, a Medicaid managed care plan serving people in Cook County.

Whitaker, who long played basketball with Obama, met the former president when they were both graduate students at Harvard University and spent time with him on the campaign trail.

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Sinclair now wants to buy WGN-TV

Group hopes changes to Tribune Media deal will appease FCC

BY ROBERT CHANNICK
Chicago Tribune

Sinclair Broadcast Group wants to buy WGN-TV in a bid to win Federal Communications Commission approval for its stalled proposal to acquire Tribune Media.

The move, which Hunt Valley, Md.-based Sinclair announced Wednesday, ends the disputed plan to sell WGN-Ch. 9 to a Maryland auto dealer while operating it through a services agreement.

Sinclair also is withdrawing similar "sidecar" agreements for stations in Dallas and Houston that were part of its proposed \$3.9 billion acquisition of Chicago-based Tribune Media.

FCC Chairman Ajit Pai issued a statement Monday expressing "serious concerns" about certain station divestitures in the deal and suggesting the matter be referred to an administrative law judge for a hearing.

The February agreement to sell Chicago's WGN for \$60 million to a newly formed company headed by Steven Fader, a longtime business associate of Sinclair Executive Chairman David Smith, is reportedly at the center of Pai's concerns.

The WGN services agreement would have kept Sinclair in charge of everything from programming to ad sales while giving it an option to buy back the station for the same price, subject to adjustments, within eight years.

Sinclair now plans to buy WGN outright.

"As a result of the withdrawal of the application relating to WGN, Sinclair will simply acquire that station as part of the Tribune acquisition, which is, and has always been, fully permissible under the national ownership cap," the company said Wednesday in a news release.

Tribune Media spokesman Gary Weitman declined to comment Wednesday.

Sinclair agreed to buy Tribune Media's 42 TV stations in May 2017, creating what would be the largest ownership group in the U.S. with 233 stations. As the deal dragged on and opposition mounted, Sinclair agreed to sell off a number of stations to comply with FCC ownership restrictions.

Several of those divestitures would have allowed Sinclair to control the stations in "violation of the law," Pai said Monday.

"What was noteworthy about this hearing designation order is that it was pretty specific regarding what defects it perceived needed to be cured," Robert McDowell, a Washington-based communications attorney and former Republican FCC commissioner, said Wednesday. "The (hearing order) could have the effect of pushing Sinclair into accepting terms it was resisting previously."

The proposed Sinclair-Tribune Media merger has faced opposition over concerns that

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Vernita Johnson, owner of DLV Printing Service, stands in her shop in South Austin. She said mentoring has boosted her business.

Banking on potential

JPMorgan Chase, Fifth Third invest in a \$5.5M fund for minority entrepreneurs in Chicago

BY LAUREN ZUMBACH | Chicago Tribune

JPMorgan Chase and Fifth Third Bank are investing \$5.5 million in a new fund designed to boost minority entrepreneurs on Chicago's South and West sides.

The Chicago Entrepreneurs of Color Fund, modeled on a similar initiative in Detroit, will provide capital, training and technical services to entrepreneurs whose businesses have the potential to grow but often struggle to qualify for traditional loans.

"If it's replicable, we want to do it everywhere," Chase Chairman and CEO Jamie Dimon said. "We can't do it overnight, but you're going to see it expand."

An additional \$1 million grant from New York-based JPMorgan Chase will extend business mentoring programs at the

University of Chicago and Northwestern University.

The overall investment from Chase — \$4 million — is part of the bank's commitment to invest \$40 million in historically underserved South and West Side neighborhoods.

Chicago is the fourth city where Chase is setting up an Entrepreneurs of Color Fund. The concept got its start in 2015 in Detroit as a partnership between Chase, the W.K. Kellogg Foundation and the Detroit Development Fund. The Detroit fund tripled in size to \$18 million last year, and Chase announced similar funds in San Francisco and New York's South Bronx area earlier this year.

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Trump properties failed to make tax deadlines

Payment delays in 5 states unusual for Trump Organization

BY DAVID A. FAHRENTHOLD
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The Washington Post

President Donald Trump's company missed deadlines to pay property-tax bills in five states over the past year — and those delays cost the company \$61,800 extra in penalties, interest and missed discounts, according to government records and local officials.

This spate of missed deadlines was out of character for the Trump Organization, which receives hundreds of property-tax bills every year. Previously, records show, it had a good record of paying them on time.

But records show that between

last November and this April, Trump's company failed to pay property taxes on time in New Jersey, New York, Illinois and California.

In Florida, the company also missed a Nov. 30 deadline to pay its taxes early and claim a 4 percent discount. For the first time in at least nine years, the company waited until January to pay taxes on the Mar-a-Lago Club, two mansions and three golf courses. That wait increased the company's bills by \$23,500, records show.

In one case — involving Trump's hotel and condominium tower in Chicago — the reason for the missed deadline seems to have been a clerical error by Trump's company, a problem compounded by the company's late response to the error.

But in the other cases, the cause was unclear. The Trump



JOSE M. OSORIO/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

The reason for the missed tax payment deadline for Trump Tower in Chicago seems to have been a clerical error by Trump's company.

Organization did not provide any explanations. A spokeswoman for the company denied that any payments had been made late at all.

"We have always paid our real estate taxes on a timely basis, and

to say otherwise is totally disingenuous," a spokeswoman for the company wrote. She did not elaborate.

The Trump Organization is

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Rep. Dave Reichert, right, reaches out to Minnesota farmer Kevin Paap, who testified Wednesday before a House panel about the effect of foreign tariffs on U.S. agriculture.

Lawmakers threatening action on Trump's tariffs

BY KEVIN FREKING
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Lawmakers are losing patience with the Trump administration's reliance on tariffs to win trade disputes and are talking increasingly about legislative action to protect U.S. jobs.

A senior Republican senator has threatened legislation to curb President Donald Trump's trade actions, and other senators joined him Wednesday in promising a complementary bill. Meanwhile, lawmakers are using congressional hearings to put the spotlight on the economic fallout for local farmers and businesses.

The prospects for any votes on trade legislation before the August recess are dim. Still, lawmakers appear to be putting the Trump administration on notice.

Sen. Orrin Hatch, the GOP chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, said that if the administration continues "with its misguided and reckless reliance on tariffs," he'll push

for legislation. His speech on the Senate floor served as a pointed warning to the administration not to move forward with tariffs on imported vehicles and auto parts on the grounds that they pose a threat to America's national security.

Sens. Doug Jones, D-Ala., and Lamar Alexander, R-Tenn., said the president's proposed auto tariffs threaten tens of thousands of jobs in the South, where foreign automakers have invested heavily in recent decades.

They announced that they'll introduce legislation as soon as next week that would freeze the Commerce Department's investigation into whether auto imports present a national security threat. The bill would halt the department probe while the International Trade Commission conducts a study.

"These tariffs are dangerous," Alexander said.

Lawmakers from farm country also sought to highlight concerns that retaliatory tariffs will dry up export markets as consumers in China, Europe and

other places look elsewhere to buy soybeans, pork and other farm goods.

"Our farmers and our ranchers are being used as pawns in a trade war that I can guarantee you not one of them asked for," Sen. Jon Tester, D-Mont., said on the Senate floor.

On the House side, a trade subcommittee heard from farm groups Wednesday. The same panel will examine next week the process that U.S. companies must go through to be excluded from the administration's tariffs on imported steel and aluminum. No witnesses from the administration testified.

Kevin Paap, a corn and soybean farmer from Minnesota, said the tariffs are hitting farmers from all sides, increasing their costs at a time when prices for their products are falling.

"Agriculture is facing the perfect storm: trade uncertainties, decade lows in farm income, agricultural labor shortages and the uncompleted farm bill," Paap said. "It's quickly becoming more than we can handle."

EU fines Google \$5B for mobile practices

BY RYAN NAKASHIMA AND RAF CASERT
Associated Press

BRUSSELS — European regulators came down hard on another U.S. tech giant Wednesday, fining Google a record \$5 billion for forcing cellphone makers that use the company's Android operating system to install Google search and browser apps.

The European Union said Google's practices restrict competition and reduce consumer choices.

While Google can easily afford the fine, the ruling could hurt the company's business model, which relies on giving away its operating system in return for opportunities to sell ads and other products.

Google immediately said it will appeal, arguing that its free operating system has led to lower-price phones and created competition with its chief rival, Apple.

Android has "created more choice for everyone, not less," Google CEO Sundar Pichai tweeted.

The fine, which caps a three-year investigation, is the biggest ever imposed on a company by the EU for anti-competitive behavior.

It is likely to stoke tensions between Europe and the U.S., which regulates the tech industry with a lighter hand and has complained that the EU is singling out American companies for punishment.

In its ruling, the EU said Google broke the rules by requiring cellphone makers to take a bundle of Google apps if they wanted any at all.

The bundle contains 11 apps in all, including YouTube, Maps and Gmail, but regulators focused on three that had the largest market share: Google's Search and Chrome apps, and its Play Store app



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European Union Competition Commissioner Margrethe Vestager gave Google 90 days to end its "illegal" practices.

marketplace.

The EU gave Google 90 days to come up with remedies that could allow rival search apps and browsers onto more phones. Failure to comply risks a further penalty of up to \$15 million a day.

The EU also took issue with Google's payments to wireless carriers and phone makers to exclusively pre-install Google Search.

It ruled, too, that Google broke the law by forcing manufacturers that took its apps to commit to not selling devices that use altered versions of Android.

EU Competition Commissioner Margrethe Vestager said "companies must compete on their merits," playing by rules that favor consumers and open markets.

Vestager said that given the size of the company, the \$5 billion euro fine is not disproportionate.

The penalty is on top of \$2.8 billion that regulators imposed on Google a year ago for favoring its shopping listings in search results.

Google's parent company, Alphabet, made \$9.4 billion in profit in the first three months of the year and is said to have over \$100 billion in cash reserves.

"The important thing is not to be distracted by the

size of the fine. What is important is that Google has to change its abusive behavior," said Rich Stables, CEO of the rival search engine Kelloo.

Android is an open-source operating system that Google lets cellphone makers use for free. As a result, it is the most widely used system, beating even Apple's iOS.

The EU wants to ensure that phone makers are free to pre-install apps of their choosing. It also wants cellphone makers to be able to more easily use altered versions of Android, like Amazon's Fire OS.

Google argues that letting phone makers choose their apps could hurt the company's main means of making money through Android — advertising and the sale of content and apps. Apple, in contrast, makes most of its money from the sale of devices.

Giving phone makers more freedom to use altered versions of Android could also hurt Google. Samsung, a hugely popular maker of Android phones, could break off and take much of the Android system with it.

Daniel Castro, vice president of the Information Technology and Innovation Foundation, a think tank in Washington, said the ruling "is a blow to innovative, open-source business models."

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Paul Gossett, center, Jewel-Osco's new president, meets management at a Jewel-Osco store in Elk Grove Village.

Jewel-Osco fills president's job

Albertson's moves executive after death of last leader

BY GREG TROTTER
Chicago Tribune

Jewel-Osco has tapped another executive from within parent company Albertsons Cos. to succeed Doug Cygan as president. Cygan died at age 55 on July 5 after a brief illness.

Paul Gossett is moving with his wife and son from the Boston area, where he led the Shaw's and Star Market chains that, like Jewel, are also owned by Boise, Idaho-based Albertsons. Between the two chains, Gossett oversaw 153 stores throughout five states in New England, as compared with Jewel's 187 stores concentrated in the Chicago area.

Gossett knows his new job as president of Jewel-Osco comes with the unique challenge of assuming the mantle of a beloved leader in Cygan.

"It's difficult. Those are big shoes to fill. I don't look at myself as a replacement of Doug, but I hope to build

on what he started," said Gossett, 57, in an interview Wednesday.

Gossett visited some Jewel stores Wednesday to meet his new employees for the first time.

"I just want to let them know that I'm here to serve them. ... Our real mission is we just want to run good grocery stores and take care of our employees," Gossett said.

Gossett recalled Cygan as a "friend and confidant" and said they regularly talked and traded ideas as two relatively new presidents of their respective chains. Cygan was named president last year, moving up through Jewel ranks after starting with the company at age 17. Gossett was appointed president of Shaw's and Star stores in 2016.

Jewel-Osco spokeswoman Mary Frances Trucco declined to answer questions about the official cause of Cygan's death. A Wadsworth resident who grew up in Mundelein, Cygan is survived by his wife, Shonna, and his six children — Mitchell, Taylor, Alexa, Timothy, Mikyla

and Ryan.

Gossett, who began his grocery career with Albertsons in 1977, sounded unfazed by the intense level of competition in the Chicago area. The Boston area is also rife with capable competitors, he noted, including the privately owned discounter Market Basket, and Hannaford and Stop & Shop stores, which are owned by Ahold Delhaize, also the parent company of Peapod. National chains like Walmart, Trader Joe's and Whole Foods Market are well-established in both markets.

Where the two urban markets differ: Chicago has fewer traditional grocery chains outside of Jewel that represent significant market share and more discounters like Aldi, said Steve Caine, a retail expert with consulting firm Bain & Co. Increasingly, traditional stores have to work harder to draw customers with on-trend prepared foods and unique in-store experiences, Caine said.

"Customers are still interested in that format, but

to be competitive in the future, you have to give them a reason to come," Caine said.

As he settles into his new role, Gossett will begin forming a plan forward for Jewel-Osco, which has grown and survived an onslaught of competitors after the Dominick's closing in 2013. He and his wife, Lori, are looking for a home. His son, Charles, will also move to the Chicago area, transferring from Curry College outside of Boston. Gossett also has two grown daughters, Brittney and Cassandra, who are pursuing careers in New York in theater and fashion, respectively.

Gossett acknowledged the unusual and difficult nature of this particular leadership transition, which was determined just a few days ago, he said. But the goal will be the same as it is for all retailers.

"The best part of this business is increasing sales," Gossett said. "We'll be looking to grow the business."

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Banks give boost to minority businesses

Potential, from Page 1

Chase is investing \$3 million in the Chicago fund, and Fifth Third, which also contributed to the Detroit fund, will invest \$2.5 million. Fifth Third funds similar initiatives on its own, but it was happy to partner with a competitor, said Eric Smith, the Cincinnati-based bank's regional president for Chicago.

"There are opportunities to compete when looking for clients and business opportunities, but when it comes to investing in the community, I don't think there's any competition," Smith said.

Local partners Accion Chicago and the Local Initiatives Support Corp., or LISC, have committed to helping 1,000 entrepreneurs of color in the next two years with a mix of capital, coaching and technical assistance, including by providing loans to roughly 400 small businesses, Chase said. Accion will handle loans up to \$100,000, and LISC will administer larger loans, up to \$500,000.

While small businesses drive most of the hiring in the neighborhoods Chase wants to support, only about 18 percent of Chicago businesses are owned by people of color, including 2 percent owned by African-Americans, said Whitney Smith, executive director of global philanthropy for the Midwest region at Chase.

"Capital, plus technical assistance and mentoring, we feel is a great way to strengthen neighborhoods by providing jobs and much-needed services," she said.

Chase and Fifth Third's



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Kenny Clayborn, front, and Raymond Williams operate two automatic screen presses at DLV Printing Service.

local partners in Chicago and Detroit were already providing coaching and capital to business owners who struggle to qualify for more traditional bank loans.

But Brad McConnell, CEO of Accion, said the nonprofit lender doesn't have the funds to reach all the business owners who could put the money to good use.

"There's an enormous amount of additional entrepreneurs trying to build good businesses in tough neighborhoods we're not reaching but could with additional capital," McConnell said.

The Entrepreneurs of Color Fund also will let Accion offer more intensive coaching designed to help entrepreneurs grow their businesses.

Vernita Johnson, owner of DLV Printing Service in Chicago's South Austin neighborhood, said she found that mentoring valuable even though she'd been in the screen printing and embroidery business for about 20 years when she sought her first loan from Accion. Johnson borrowed \$25,000 three years ago to purchase a new embroidery machine.

"It took the business to another level," she said. "We started having staff meetings every Monday like clockwork and doing things we probably should have been doing all along."

The initial loan from Accion and a subsequent

\$50,000 loan, both since repaid, allowed her to invest in equipment that helped her take on larger orders and increase her staff from three employees to eight. Johnson said she had sought credit from traditional banks before but was turned down.

"That's why it took 20 years to get to a certain level," she said. "You struggled more to get to the same point."

Dimon said Chase's experience in Detroit showed the importance of the extra services and hands-on help.

"Whether it's help with contracts or a business plan, there are a whole bunch of other things we can do to help them get going," he said.

Since the Detroit Entrepreneurs of Color Fund launched in 2015, it has lent or approved \$5.32 million to more than 50 minority-owned small businesses. Those businesses in turn have created or preserved more than 740 jobs, Chase said. So far, only one has defaulted.

"Considering the risks we take, that's pretty reasonable," said Ray Waters, president of the Detroit Development Fund, which partnered with Chase. "If it were lower, I'd think we were not taking enough risks."

One of the success stories in Detroit is Benkari, a plumbing, heating and cooling company that sought a line of credit to

help it tackle what was, at the time, its largest contract, for work constructing the Little Caesars Arena.

It was a major opportunity, with one problem: Benkari didn't have deep enough pockets to cover payroll, benefits and other upfront costs before receiving payment for its work, said Adrienne Bennett, the company's president and CEO.

Bennett had tried to get a line of credit once before, but one bank turned her down and another wouldn't agree to a large enough loan. This time, she went to the Detroit Development Fund, which recommended the Entrepreneurs of Color Fund.

She got a \$200,000 line of credit, and Benkari completed the arena project ahead of schedule, which has helped the company land more big contracts, she said.

"It just took us to a totally different level," Bennett said. "General contractors are looking at us in a way they never did before."

Benkari is ready to transition to a line of credit with a more traditional bank, said Bennett, who planned to meet with Chase on Thursday.

While more capital helps, Johnson, the South Austin business owner, stressed the importance of not just bringing in more money, but also getting the word out about existing resources.

Johnson said she'd previously passed up opportunities because she didn't have the equipment to handle bigger jobs or couldn't afford to tie up cash in materials while waiting to be paid for the finished product.

"If people knew there was help for things like that, it would change their business and change their mindset about their business," she said.

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Baderbrau brewery assets up for auction

BY JOSH NOEL
Chicago Tribune

Baderbrau Brewing is up for auction, piece by piece — from a \$5 starting bid on a filing cabinet to a \$9,000 starting bid on a canning line, and most everything between.

The online auction of 152 items from the brewery at 2515 S. Wabash Ave. was posted this week and runs through Aug. 1, handled by Northfield-based Solid Resources LLC. The brewery's intellectual property is also for sale.

The entirety of the brewery's assets is available at an opening bid of \$300,000. If sold in bulk, a new brewery — or even a resurrected Baderbrau — could operate in the South Loop space.

Opened just three years ago as craft beer was in the midst of strong and steady growth, Baderbrau closed abruptly last month amid the industry's cooling fortunes.

Baderbrau quietly stopped making beer in late May but continued to operate its taproom until mid-June.

The brewery's founder, Rob Sama, did not respond to a message seeking comment.

Baderbrau Brewing launched in 2012 as a sequel to a once-popular craft brand that was initially founded in 1989. The original Baderbrau was a beer — a Czech-style pilsner and the flagship brand for Pavičevich Brewing Co., in Elmhurst. At the time, the U.S. was home to about 250 breweries, and sales were dominated by a handful of large companies.

The late beer historian Michael Jackson called the

original Baderbrau "the best Pilsner I've ever tasted in America," and the staff of President George H.W. Bush requested a case for the president's downtown hotel suite during a visit to Chicago in summer 1990.

After Pavičevich Brewing went bankrupt in 1997, the Baderbrau brand was acquired by Goose Island Beer Co., which brewed the beer to great success, even winning a silver medal at the Great American Beer Festival in 1998. Goose Island eventually phased out Baderbrau, and the brand was seemingly left for the city's historical dustbin.

However, Sama, a fan of the beer while a University of Chicago undergrad in the 1990s, pounced on the Baderbrau name after discovering its trademark had lapsed. In 2012 he began to make Baderbrau again under contract in Wisconsin, including the flagship pilsner — which he claimed was a near-copy of the original — as well as a black lager and a hop-forward lager.

In 2015, as the craft beer industry was in the final year of a six-year run of double-digit growth, Baderbrau opened a 25,000-square-foot brewery. The brewery made a solid array of beers but faced increasing competition amid the industry's slowing growth. The Chicago area is now home to nearly 150 breweries.

Baderbrau had turned to a pair of notable marketing deals in recent months to expand its reach — with Billy Goat restaurants and the ride-share company Lyft — but it wasn't enough to keep the brewery afloat.

United expects prices to rise through Sept.

BY DAVID KOENIG
Associated Press

Rising fuel prices are cutting into profit at United Airlines, although strong travel demand is helping the airline cope by pushing travelers' prices higher as the summer travel season hits full speed.

United reported Tuesday that second-quarter profit was \$684 million, down 17 percent from a year ago. But that was higher than analysts expected, and United raised its earnings forecast for the rest of 2018.

Planes are full for much of the day, giving United more pricing power. United said that passenger revenue per seat and per mile — a stand-in for fares and fees — rose 3 percent over a year earlier.

Passengers should brace for more price increases.

United predicted that the stand-in figure for average prices will rise by between 4 percent and 6 percent through September.

The airline also slightly reduced its planned growth for the rest of the year in response to rising fuel prices. That seemed to signal United's willingness to eliminate flights that are only marginally profitable with current fuel prices — something investors are pushing airlines to do.

The spot price of fuel has jumped more than 50 percent in the past year, according to Energy Department figures. United's second-quarter fuel bill was \$2.39 billion, up 43 percent in one year.

Chicago-based United, the third-biggest airline by revenue behind American and Delta and financially a laggard for many years, is pursuing business customers by adding connecting flights at its mid-U.S. hub airports in Chicago, Denver and Houston. United's previous management team had eliminated many of those flights to cut costs.

United has steadily got-

ten better at flying on time — ranking fourth among U.S. airlines last year in on-time arrivals, up from eighth in 2015. Analysts at UBS say their study of customer reviews from an online-search site shows that better reliability seems to be boosting customer satisfaction at United, although rival Delta Air Lines still rate higher.

United Continental Holdings reported its second-quarter results after the market closed Tuesday. Net income fell \$137 million, from \$821 million a year earlier, despite an 8 percent increase in revenue.

The company said that adjusted profit — excluding what United considers non-repeating gains and expenses — was \$3.23 per share. That easily beat the \$3.07 average forecast from eight analysts surveyed by Zacks Investment Research.

CEO Oscar Munoz said they were great results in the face of higher fuel prices. In a statement issued by the company, he called the numbers "the strongest evidence yet that our strategic growth plan is working."

The airline raised its forecast of full-year adjusted profit by 25 cents, to between \$7.25 and \$8.75 per share. Analysts were forecasting \$7.72 per share.

The prediction contrasted with Delta, which last week cut its forecast for 2018 profit by \$1 per share due to higher fuel spending, and American, which said that domestic fares were turning out to be a bit lower than it expected.

United executives plan to discuss the results with analysts and reporters on Wednesday morning.

United shares gained 36 cents to close at \$72.62. During the after-hours session, they were up another \$2.38, or 3.3 percent. The stock has bucked a downward trend in the industry — it's up nearly 8 percent in 2018.

Trump properties were late on taxes

Taxes, from Page 1

still owned by President Trump, but last year he said he had handed operational control to his sons Donald Jr. and Eric.

The missed deadlines puzzled real estate experts, who said that for a long-established property company such as the Trump Organization, paying property taxes should be a routine task. The bills arrive for predictable sums of money, at predictable times, with predictable penalties for lateness in paying.

Many companies use computer programs to track upcoming bills and flag them long before they become overdue.

"If you're a professional organization, you're typically not late on property-tax bills," said Matthew L. Cypher, a former real estate executive who runs a real estate center at Georgetown University's business school. He said the Trump Organization did not seem to have saved itself any significant amount of money by delaying the payments; in fact, it did the opposite.

"It's just not wise from a business standpoint," Cypher said. "Because you're just wasting money."

This year, in the midst of other reporting, The Washington Post learned of late tax payments at Trump properties in Chicago and California. To see whether late property tax payments were more widespread, The Post checked public records and inquired with local officials, examining more than 500 individual tax parcels owned by the company. These parcels included properties as big as Mar-a-Lago and as small as tiny storage spaces in Manhattan high-rises.

The Post's search found little evidence of deadlines missed by the Trump Organization before 2017, beyond one set of late payments at the Chicago tower in 2015.

But then, late last year, it missed a number of deadlines, in several states — even while it continued to pay some of its bills on time.



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The Trump Organization missed an opportunity last year for a discount on taxes on the Mar-a-Lago resort.

There was little obvious pattern to when and where the Trump Organization paid on time — and when and where it did not. In some cases this spring, the company faced deadlines on multiple parcels on the same day, and paid some while letting others go overdue.

In California, for instance, the company made the tax deadline for only five-eighths of its golf course.

The course sits on the Pacific Ocean south of Los Angeles. For tax purposes, Los Angeles County divides the property into eight parcels and sends eight bills.

Last year, all eight bills were due by Dec. 10 to avoid fines.

But Trump's company paid only five. The other three bills — which totaled about \$21,800 — were not paid by the due date, according to county officials.

The company paid two of the outstanding bills in January. It did not pay the last one, which includes the golf course's driving range, until April 13, according to Keith Knox of the Los Angeles County treasurer and tax collector's office. By that time, the Trump Organization had also missed the April 10 deadline for the next tax bill on the same driving range.

All together, missing these

deadlines in Los Angeles County cost Trump's company \$4,075. One debt remains unsettled: a \$1,700 penalty that was triggered by the late payment in April. Because of that unpaid bill, Knox said, Los Angeles County recently placed Trump's driving range on its "defaulted tax roll." In theory, the county can force a sale of the parcel if the debt remains unpaid for three years.

The Trump Organization next missed a deadline on Jan. 31, 2018. On that day, Trump's Seven Springs estate was supposed to pay \$150,000 in school taxes to three townships in Westchester County, New York.

But those bills were not paid until late February or early March, county records show. That resulted in \$15,000 worth of penalties.

In one of the three townships, the tax collector said the late bill had been paid by an escrow account at Royal Bank of Pennsylvania, which holds a mortgage on Trump's property. The bank, which was recently acquired by Bryn Mawr Bank Corp., declined to comment.

On Feb. 1, another deadline was missed: The Trump Organization did not pay \$155,000 in taxes due for its golf club in Colts Neck, N.J. Instead, the payments arrived Feb. 21, according to

township records. Trump's company paid an extra \$1,400 in interest charges, the records show.

In Chicago, Trump's company faced a March 1 deadline to pay \$1.2 million in property taxes on 326 parcels it owns — commercial units, condominiums and parking spaces — in the Trump-branded skyscraper on Chicago's riverfront.

Trump's company wired the payment on Feb. 26, said Thomas Corfman, a spokesman for the Cook County Treasurer's Office. But there was a mistake, he said: the Trump Organization had left off a required ID number, despite multiple reminders that the ID number was needed. The number was needed to match the company's payment with the proper parcels.

Corfman said the Trump Organization's bank was notified of the rejection that day, leaving the company three business days to correct the mistake and pay the bill on time. But payment did not arrive until March 14, he said.

That required the Trump Organization to pay \$17,800 in interest.

The Washington Post's Alice Crites and Jack Gillum contributed to this report.

Sinclair now wants to buy WGN-TV

Sinclair, from Page 1

Sinclair's right-leaning editorial views would unduly influence local news at Tribune's stations. Others have objected on the basis of media concentration.

Pai, whom President Donald Trump appointed chairman in January 2017, is reportedly under investigation by the FCC's inspector general over whether he relaxed ownership rules specifically to benefit Sinclair's bid to acquire Tribune Media.

Sinclair executives hoped to receive FCC approval and close the deal by early in the third quarter, but Monday's plan to refer the application to an administrative law judge could delay or even derail the acquisition.

By amending its application yet again, Sinclair is hoping to get the Tribune Media acquisition back on track.

In addition to WGN, Sinclair is withdrawing a proposal to sell KDAF-TV in Dallas and KIAH-TV in Houston to Cunningham Broadcasting Corp. for \$60 million. The proposal also included an option to buy the stations back. Cunningham, until recently, was owned by the estate of Carolyn Smith, mother of the Sinclair chairman.

Instead of selling to Cunningham, Sinclair is planning to place the two Texas stations in a divestiture trust to be sold following the closing of the Tribune Media acquisition. "We call upon the FCC to approve the modified Tribune acquisition in order to bring closure to this extraordinarily drawn-out process and to provide certainty to the thousands of Tribune employees who are looking for closure," Ronn Torossian, a spokesperson for Sinclair, said in the news release.

Tribune Media was created in 2014 when the former Tribune Co. spun off its newspaper holdings, including the Chicago Tribune, into a separate company, now called Tronc.

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Savings Update

How do high-interest checking accounts work?

Imagine a checking account with all the standard transactions you'd expect from a checking account, but paying 2, 3 or even 5 percent interest on your balance. Since most checking accounts pay no interest at all, and even the top-paying savings accounts in the country offer less than 1.5 percent, you'd be smart to ask, "What's the catch?"

These accounts are typically called "high-interest checking accounts", and though they have a number of strings attached, they aren't a scam. They're legitimate accounts, usually offered by smaller banks and credit unions, that simply have very specific requirements for earning the off-the-charts interest rate they advertise.

The most common hoop you're required to jump through is using your debit card a minimum number of times each month, and we're not talking about three or four transactions. A typical requirement is 12 debit transactions per statement cycle, and I've even seen an account requiring 20. The purchases will also have to be signature, not PIN-based, transactions.

Other typical stipulations include paying at least some number of bills online each statement cycle, setting up direct deposit, and at some banks, opening a credit card with that institution. Signing up for electronic statements is almost always required.

One caution is to check the account's balance cap. Most high-interest checking accounts specify a maximum balance that can earn the high rate, with anything above that threshold earning zero or near-zero interest. Sometimes the balance cap is an accommodating \$10,000 or \$20,000. But accounts with caps of just \$1,000 or \$2,000 won't be worth your trouble.

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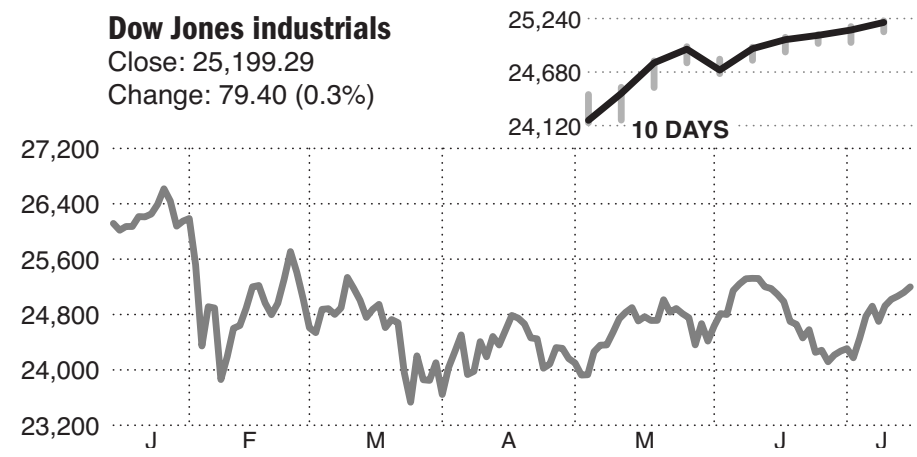
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High: 7,863.77	High: 2,816.76	High: 1,692.02
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Major market growth and decline

5-day % change			30-day % change			1-year % change		
DOW +2.02	NASD +1.79	S&P +1.50	DOW +2.20	NASD +0.94	S&P +1.75	DOW +16.44	NASD +23.01	S&P +13.82

COMMODITY	AMOUNT-PRICE	MO.	OPEN	HIGH	LOW	SETTLE	CHG.
WHEAT (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 18	498.25	505	493.75	494.50	-3.25
CORN (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Sep 18	346.25	349	346	347.25	+1
SOYBEANS (CBOT)	5,000 bu minimum- cents per bushel	Aug 18	839	847.50	834.75	842.25	+2.75
SOYBEAN OIL (CBOT)	60,000 lbs- cents per lb	Aug 18	27.73	28.10	27.73	28.07	+0.34
SOYBEAN MEAL (CBOT)	100 tons- dollars per ton	Aug 18	329.10	332.00	327.50	328.20	-0.90
LIGHT SWEET CRUDE (NYMX)	1,000 bbl- dollars per bbl.	Aug 18	67.61	69.03	67.04	68.76	+0.68
NATURAL GAS (NYMX)	10,000 mm btu's, \$ per mm btu	Aug 18	2.744	2.754	2.720	2.721	-0.019
NY HARBOR GAS BLEND (NYMX)	42,000 gallons- dollars per gallon	Aug 18	2.0135	2.0571	2.0039	2.0444	+0.0183

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Abbott Labs	N	64.75	+1.95	Equity Lifesty Prop	N	91.88	-0.84
AbbVie Inc	N	94.40	-1.01	Equity Residential	N	64.05	+1.19
Allstate Corp	N	95.76	+1.50	Exelon Corp	N	41.92	...

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STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Bank of America	30.13	+1.12
Chesapeake Energy	4.66	-1.11
AT&T Inc	31.71	-0.05

LARGEST COMPANIES

STOCK	CLOSE	CHG.
Alibaba Group Hldg	190.79	-1.87
Alphabet Inc C	1195.88	-2.92
Alphabet Inc A	1212.91	-1.17

LARGEST MUTUAL FUNDS

FUND	NAV	CHG	1-YR %RTN
American Funds AMCpA m	34.15	+0.09	+21.5
American Funds AMRnBAlA m	27.63	+0.05	+9.7
American Funds CptWldGrInCA m	151.49	+0.02	+2.5

TREASURY YIELDS

DURATION	CLOSE	PREV.
3-month disc	1.96	1.97
6-month disc	2.11	2.12
2-year	2.62	2.62

SPOT METALS

	CLOSE	PREV.
Gold	\$1226.30	\$1225.70
Silver	\$15.503	\$15.546
Platinum	\$813.70	\$815.80

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Money Mkt Overnight Avg.	0.51

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OBITUARIES

HELEN HOPE MUHA 1928-2018

Stalwart volunteer was known as 'Purple Lady'

BY BOB GOLDSBOROUGH
Chicago Tribune

Helen Hope Muha was a reliable volunteer in the northwest suburbs with groups including the Bartlett Woman's Club, Hanover Township and the Bartlett Public Library.

"If we needed a volunteer for anything, Helen was the first person you would call because I believe she lived her whole life just to help people," said former Bartlett Village President Mike Kelly, who also previously served as Hanover Township supervisor. "That's all she wanted to do. She would call constantly, wanting to help."

Muha, 89, died of complications from heart disease on June 16 at Presence Pine View Care Center in St. Charles, said her son, Jon Anderson. She was a resident of St. Charles since 2005, having previously lived in Bartlett.

Born Helen Heyard in Canton, Ohio, Muha grew up in Canton and raised her family in Dearborn, Mich., where she worked as a hostess at the famed Dearborn Inn.

She was divorced from her first husband and later married to Steven T. Muha, who died in 1985.

In 1991, Muha moved with her son's family from Michigan to Bartlett, where she initially served as a live-in nanny and caretaker for her son's family. She also soon became involved with the Bartlett Woman's Club, a group that she later led as



FAMILY PHOTO

Helen Muha was a onetime president of the Bartlett Woman's Club.

president.

Muha also began long associations with other community groups, including the Bartlett Character Counts! Coalition, Friends of the Bartlett Library, the Bartlett Historical Society and Hanover Township. She also volunteered at Amity Health St. Alexius Medical Center in Hoffman Estates.

"She was the type of person who never sat at home. She was always caring and a very active person," said Ruth Beckner, a longtime friend.

Muha was known for wearing purple clothing.

"Everyone in town knew her as the Purple Lady," Beckner said. "Even if they didn't know her name, if you said, 'Purple Lady,' everyone knew her."

Anderson said his mother's volunteering "kept her young and kept her really going."

Kelly recalled Muha's enthusiasm when volunteer-

ing at Hanover Township's holiday toy drives for underprivileged children.

"I can remember her wrapping (presents) and getting all the ladies together to wrap things," he said. "I remember really well her being real happy because she wanted a particular gift to go to a particular kid. She was very particular — she didn't hand stuff out like an assembly line."

Muha ran unsuccessfully for a seat on the Bartlett Public Library's board of trustees in 1999.

In 1997, the Bartlett Women's Club named her the group's Woman of the Year. And in 2002, Cook County Sheriff Michael Sheahan awarded her the Sheriff's Senior Medal of Honor Award for her volunteer work. In October 2008, Kelly — then serving as Hanover Township supervisor — and the township's board of trustees proclaimed Oct. 24, 2008, Helen Muha Day.

After moving to St. Charles in 2005, Muha became involved with the St. Charles Park District, teaching a harmonica class.

In addition to her son, Muha is survived by two grandchildren.

A visitation will take place at 10:30 a.m. Saturday at Living Lord Lutheran Church, 1044 Congress Drive in Bartlett, followed by a memorial service that will begin at 11:30 a.m.

Bob Goldsborough is a freelance reporter.

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Bocek, Arthur J.
Arthur J. Bocek, July 17, 2018, Age 80. Late of Homewood. Beloved son of the late Albert and Josephine Bocek. Loving brother of the late Marilyn Roman. Cherished Godfather and uncle of Adam Roman. Former employee of R.R. Donnelley and Son Co. Life long Corvette enthusiast and Chicago Cubs fan. Art loved spending time in Gatlinburg, TN. Resting at the **Tews-Ryan Funeral Home**, 18230 S. Dixie Hwy. Homewood, Friday, July 20th from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Funeral prayers Saturday, July 21st 9:00 a.m. to St. Joseph Church, 17951 Dixie Hwy. Homewood. Mass 9:30 a.m. Memorials to Gene Roman Family Foundation, 12250 Foxborough Drive, Mokena, IL 60448 or a charity of your choice would be appreciated. www.tews-ryanfh.com or 708-798-5300.

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Borbely, Mark S.
Mark S. Borbely. Beloved husband of Eugenia "Jeanne" nee Trotta. Loving father of Jennifer (Steve) Kirchman. Cherished grandfather of Madelynn & Konnor. Devoted son of the late Bertha nee Korper & Anton Borbely. Dear brother of Anthony, Retired C.P.D. (Mary Jo) Borbely & Bonnie Wienc. Proud uncle of many nephews. Resting at **Thompson & Kuenster Funeral Home**, 5570 W. 95th St. in Oak Lawn where Services will take place on Saturday at 11:00 am. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Visitation Saturday from 9:00 am until the time of Services at 11:00 am. thompsonkuensterfuneralhome.com 708-425-0500
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Detty, Darling O.
Darling O. Detty, Dearly beloved wife of Michael; Loving sister of the late Ronald Longdon; Dearest sister in law of Dennis (Maureen) Detty and Richard (Maria) Detty; Fond cousin of many; Visitation Friday 3 p.m.-9 p.m. at **Belmont Funeral Home**, 7120 W. Belmont Ave. Funeral prayers will begin at 10:45 a.m. on Saturday at the funeral home and will then proceed to St. Celestine Church for Mass of Christian Burial at 11:30 a.m. interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Info. 773-286-2500 or www.belmontfuneralhome.com

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Finan, Carol Jean
Carol Jean Finan, of Barrington, formerly of Elmhurst, passed away Monday, July 16, 2018 at the age of 87. She was born July 15, 1931 in Chicago to the late Earl Frank and Eva Bernice (nee Larsen) Helmer. Carol was a tireless volunteer between Elmhurst First United Methodist Church and Elmhurst Memorial Hospital. She was very involved with Elmhurst Memorial Hospital as a member of the volunteer guild, a Foundation Board Member, and the hospital's resale shop. She was also a long-time member of PEO. Carol and two long-time friends ran their own gift business, Baskets Plus, in Elmhurst for many years, making a successful business out of her creative talents. Outside of her charitable and business endeavors, Carol was a fabulous cook and the ultimate hostess in Elmhurst, Barrington and Incline Village, Nevada. She enjoyed spending summers at her beloved Lake Tahoe, especially with her grandchildren present. She also loved traveling, with one of her fondest memories being a 50th wedding anniversary trip in 2008 to Italy with her husband, children and grandchildren. Carol is survived by her children, Christopher (Heidi) Finan and Jan (Daniel) Hoeltgen; her grandchildren, Nicholas and Dylan Finan and Eve and Sophie Hoeltgen; sister, Nancy Ziegler; and her many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Finan. A memorial service will be held Saturday, July 21, at 11:00 a.m. at Barrington United Methodist Church, 98 Algonquin Rd, Barrington, IL 60010. Donations in Carol's memory may be made to the Elmhurst Memorial Hospital Foundation, 155 E Brush Hill Rd, Elmhurst, IL 60126. Arrangements are entrusted with **Davenport Family Funeral Home**, Barrington. For online condolences visit www.davenportfamily.com or call 847-381-3411.

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Fitzgibbon, Edward P.
Edward P. Fitzgibbon, age 75. Beloved husband of Cynthia (nee Lazarz). Devoted father of Dawn (Robert) Lagioia and Edward (Candice). Loving grandfather of Roxy, Eddie, Angel, Daniel, Elizabeth and the late Heather. Also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, relatives and friends. Many years of service with Peoples Gas. Visitation Friday 3-9 PM at the **Palos-Gaidas Funeral Home**, 11028 Southwest Hwy. (7700W) Palos Hills. Funeral Saturday 9 AM from the funeral home to Sacred Heart Church for 10 AM Mass. Interment Resurrection Cemetery. Express your thoughts and memories in the online Guest Book at www.palosgaidasfh.com (708) 974 4410

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Hoffmann, Kayellen Hartman
Kayellen Hoffmann, nee Hartman, passed away peacefully on July 14th. Survived by her husband of 43 years, Jacques E. Hoffmann. She was predeceased by her parents Frank and Marion Hartman. Kayellen was a writer and photographer. Visitation Saturday from 9am until time of service, 11am, at **Smith-Corcoran Funeral Home**, 6150 N. Cicero Ave., Chicago. Interment Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. For info 773-736-3833 or visit Kayellen's memorial at www.smithcorcoran.com

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Irmick, Ann C.
Ann Irmick, nee Macri, of Addison. Beloved wife of the late Thomas Duckett and the late Richard Irmick; loving mother of Cheryl (Michael Avolio) Serpico, Karen (Larry) Griff, and the late Jeffery (Christine) Duckett; devoted grandmother of Michael (Martha) Serpico, Jessica (Robert Slechter) Griff, Larry Griff, Nina Duckett and Alyssa Duckett; fond sister of the late Rose (the late Sam) Siriano, the late Frank (Florence) Macri and the late Steve (the late Janet) Macri; Aunt of many nieces and nephews; and dear friend to many. Visitation Friday, July 20, 3-9pm at **Knollcrest Funeral Home**, 1500 S. Meyers Rd. (3 blks. So. Of Roosevelt Rd.) Lombard. Funeral Saturday, July 21 at 9:45 am from the funeral home to St Philip the Apostle Catholic Church, 1233 W. Holtz Ave, Addison, IL, 60101. Mass 11am. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Funeral info: (630) 932-1500 or www.knollcrest.net.

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Keating, Willard E 'Bud'
Willard E Keating (Bud), age 84, Air Force Veteran. Deeply loved by Patricia (Carroll). Loving father of Kathleen and Kevin. Dear Grandfather to Benjamin (Bridgette), (late) Amanda Keating and Shawn Carroll. Cherished Great Grandfather to Eaveleigh, Benett, and Della Keating. Dear brother of James T.J. (Patricia) Keating. Loving uncle, relative and friend of many. Interment was private. Memorials to the Wounded Warrior Project or St Jude appreciated.

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Klein, R William 'Bill'
Bill Klein, a Wheaton resident for 48 years, died at home on June 26, 2018 of natural causes. He was 92. He fought for his country in 3 wars and was one of fewer than 17,000 remaining US veterans to have served on active duty in WW II, the Korean War and the Viet Nam War. His was a life truly dedicated to service to others. Bill was born in

1925 in Lafayette, IN, the oldest child of Ralph and Florence (Thelen) Klein. He was a 4th generation Lafayettean and graduated from St Boniface School, Jefferson HS and Purdue Univ. On his 18th birthday Bill volunteered for active duty in the Army Air Forces, trained as an air cadet at Santa Ana Airfield, earned his navigator's wings and served as a B-29 navigator during WW II. After VJ Day he was honorably discharged as a 2nd Lieutenant and returned to Lafayette where he earned his BS in economics from Purdue. Bill then moved to Chicago where he was employed as a buyer for Alden's Catalog Store. There he met his future wife, Annette Deistung of Oak Park, also a buyer at Alden's. They were married in 1949. Shortly thereafter, Bill was recalled to active duty in the Korean War as a C-119 pilot in paratroop and troop carrier squadrons. During the Cold War Bill was a SAC Aircraft Commander of a B-47 Stratojet nuclear bomber-- the backbone of America's mobile nuclear defense. During the Viet Nam War Bill was stationed at Travis AFB, CA serving as an Aircraft Commander of a C-141 Starlifter--then the largest aircraft ever flown. He flew hundreds of missions in Viet Nam. Altogether, in his 27-year Air Force career, Bill flew more than 20,000 hours and more than 14 million miles. In 1970 Bill retired from the USAF, moved with his family to Wheaton, IL, and began the career he always wanted as an elementary educator. He taught 5th grade at Field School in Elmhurst for 24 years. He believed that at that age level he could make a real difference in his pupils' lives. He received his MS Ed from NIU in 1974. Bill and his wife Annette took advantage of school holidays and summer breaks to achieve their life's ambition to see the world. Consummate international travelers, in the 1970s they toured the Soviet Union and China. They took annual 8-week European vacations and continued to travel extensively after Bill's 2nd retirement. Bill and Annette preferred to travel independently by car and drove throughout western & eastern Europe, the UK & Ireland, Japan, Australia, New Zealand, Africa, Mexico and all 50 states. They were spontaneous and liked to take the "road less traveled", seeking and finding the world's hidden gems and serendipitous charms. In addition to work and travel, Bill was always "ready for duty" as a community volunteer. He was an enthusiastic member of Wheaton Kiwanis for more than 40 years. He was a brilliant bridge player, enjoyed watching sports and drinking beer, was a die-hard fan of Purdue football and basketball and was a devoted member of the Lyric Opera of Chicago family. Bill was preceded in death by his parents; his wife of 54 years, Annette Deistung Klein; his brother Robert and sister-in-law Ruth Klein of Ann Arbor, MI and his daughter-in-law Merrillyn Hines Klein of Wheaton. He is survived by his sons William and John Klein of Wheaton; his daughter, attorney Barbara D Klein of Chicago; his sister Carolyn Klein Wilson of Bradenton, FL; 2 nieces and 4 nephews. Interment with full military honors will be at Arlington National Cemetery, Washington, DC

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Kolz, Alphonsine W.
Alphonsine W. Kolz, nee Hemlin. July 15, 2018. Age 85. Of Kankakee, IL., formerly of Lemont, IL., and Chicago's Marquette Park neighborhood. Loving aunt of Lee(Barbara) Welsh and Laura(Timothy) Rollins and families. Preceded in death by her sister, late Bernadette(William) Welsh and late Kevin(Evelyn) Hemlin. Visitation Friday 6:00 to 8:00 P.M. at the **Petkus Lemont Funeral Home**, 12401 S. Archer Ave., (at Derby Rd.), Lemont. Committal services are private. Alphonsine was a former member of the Lemont V.F.W. Post Ladies Auxiliary. 800-994-7600 or www.petkusfuneralhomes.com
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Lindsey, David T.
David T. Lindsey, beloved husband and best friend of Cathy nee Earle; loving dad of Michael and Joseph (Melanie) Lindsey; loving grandfather of David, Joseph, Joanna, Trinity; devoted son of the late James and Myrtle Lindsey; cherished brother of Ethel(Ralph) Reed, Maudi Kallaher, Molly Ann Studenroth, Betty Holewa, Wayne(Lori) Lindsey, Rick Lindsey, Kathleen (Hal) Minderman, Joy Lock, Jody Lindsey and the late Dorothy Pickering, Linda Thompson, Robert Lindsey, Jimmy Lindsey and Carolyn Harris; dearest uncle of many nieces and nephews. Visitation Friday 4-9 P.M. at **Lawn Funeral Home** 7909 State Road (5500W) Burbank IL 60459 Interment Phillips Cemetery in Kimmunity IL. Funeral info (708) 636-2320.

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ON JULY 19 ...

In 1553, Lady Jane Grey, 15, was deposed after nine days as Queen of England, and King Henry VIII's daughter Mary was proclaimed queen.

In 1814 Samuel Colt, inventor of the Colt revolver, was born in Hartford, Conn.

In 1848 a women's rights convention organized by Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucretia Mott opened in Seneca Falls, N.Y.

In 1870 the Franco-Prussian War began.

In 1922 George McGovern, the senator and Democratic presidential candidate, was born in Avon, S.D.

In 1941 British Prime Minister Winston Churchill launched his "V for Victory" campaign in Europe.

In 1943 Allied planes staged their first raid on Rome in World War II.

In 1944, the Democratic national convention convened in Chicago with the nomination of President Franklin D. Roosevelt considered a certainty.

In 1969 Apollo 11 and its astronauts — Neil Armstrong, Edwin "Buzz" Aldrin and Michael Collins — went into orbit around the moon.

In 1979 Managua, the capital of Nicaragua, fell to Sandinista rebels, two days after President Anastasio Somoza fled the country.

In 1980 the Summer Olympics began in Moscow, minus dozens of nations that were boycotting the Games because of the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan.

In 1984 Rep. Geraldine Ferraro, D-N.Y., was voted Walter Mondale's running mate at the Democratic National Convention in San Francisco.

In 1985 Christa McAuliffe, of New Hampshire, was chosen by NASA to be its first schoolteacher in a space shuttle crew. (McAuliffe and six other crew members died in January 1986 when the shuttle Challenger exploded soon after launching.)

In 1989 112 people were killed when a United Air Lines DC-10 crashed while making an emergency landing at Sioux City, Iowa; 184 people survived.

In 1990 Pete Rose, Major League Baseball's all-time hits leader, was sentenced to 5 months in prison for tax evasion.

In 1991 the South African government acknowledged that it had been giving money to the Inkatha Freedom Party, the main rival of the African National Congress.

In 1993 President Bill Clinton announced a compromise allowing homosexuals to serve in the military, but only if they refrained from all homosexual activity.

In 1996 opening ceremonies were held for the Sum-

mer Olympics in Atlanta. **Also in 1996** a Food and Drug Administration advisory panel recommended, with some conditions, approval for the abortion-inducing drug RU-486.

In 2001 Japanese prosecutors charged a U.S. airman with rape in an alleged attack on a woman in Okinawa. (Air Force Staff Sgt. Timothy Woodland was later convicted and sentenced to nearly 3 years in prison.) **Also in 2001** circus animal trainer Gunther Gebel-Williams died in Venice, Fla.; he was 66.

In 2002 ConAgra Beef Co. of Colorado asked Americans to destroy 19 million pounds of hamburger meat because of E. coli concerns.

In 2005 President George W. Bush announced his choice of federal appeals court judge John Roberts Jr. to replace Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor. (Roberts ended up succeeding Chief Justice William Rehnquist, who died in September 2005.)

In 2012 former Republican fundraiser Stuart Levine, one of the most significant government informants in Chicago's history of public corruption, was sentenced to 5 1/2 years in prison after his cooperation helped unravel the corrupt administration of former Illinois Gov. Rod Blagojevich.

In 2013 President Barack Obama weighed in on the acquittal of neighborhood watch volunteer George Zimmerman during a 19-minute speech, saying, "Trayvon Martin could have been me 35 years ago."

In 2014 James Garner, film and TV actor best known for his television roles in "Maverick" and "The Rockford Files," died in Los Angeles; he was 86.

In 2016 Republicans nominated Donald Trump as their presidential standard-bearer, capping the billionaire businessman's stunning takeover of the GOP and propelling him into a November faceoff with Democrat Hillary Clinton. Also in 2016 Writer-director Garry Marshall died in Burbank, Calif.; he was 81.

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MARKS, CHARLOTTE

Charlotte Marks, passed away on July 14, 2018 at home in Chicago. Wonderful wife of the late Alfred J. Marks, Jr., dear mother of Jeffrey, Alfie (Marlene), Ryan (Mara) Marks, Marc Ford, and the late Robert Ford; devoted grandmother of Robert (Deb), Joshua, Ari, Jordan, Adam, Lauren, A.J., and the late Brett; proud great grandmother of Jonah, Juliet, and Jackson Marks. Service Sunday 12 Noon at Hillside Memorial Park, Culver City, CA. Shiva will be on Tuesday and Wednesday, 5-9 PM each day at 1555 N. Astor Street, Chicago. Memorials in her name may be made to smiletrain.org or <http://temple-emanuel.com/social-action-refugee-crisis/>. Arrangements entrusted to **Lakeshore Jewish Funerals**, 773-625-8621



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Masini, Reno J.

Reno J. Masini, 84, of Glenview, formerly of Morton Grove, beloved husband of Verona and the late Rae, nee Cairo; loving father of Laura (Matthew) Berrafato and Alipio (Rita); devoted stepfather of Denise Mattingly and Deborah (Fred) Beuttler; dear grandfather of Amy Berrafato, Kelly (Donny) Moore, Sara (Kirk) Cagle, and Mark, Paul, and Monica Masini; cherished great grandfather of Liam Moore; fond brother of Don (Kay). Funeral from **Simkins Funeral Home** 6251 Dempster St. Morton Grove, IL 60053 Saturday at 9:15 a.m. to St. Catherine Laboure Church. Mass at 10:00 a.m. Interment All Saints Cemetery. Visitation Friday 3:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. In Lieu of flowers, donations to The Alzheimer's Association 8430 W. Bryn Mawr Suite 800 Chicago, IL 60631 or The University of Notre Dame Scholarship Fund 1100 Grace Hall Notre Dame, IN 46556 appreciated. Sign online guest book at www.simkinsfh.com. (847) 965-2500



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Mazur, Martin

Martin Mazur. Former husband of Christine. Loving father of Katherine (Michael) Mazur Worden and Elisabeth Mazur. Dear grandfather of Ava and Marisa Mazur Worden. Devoted son of late Stanley and late Bernice. Fond Brother of Tommy, Marilyn Lada and Edwina Ryska. Uncle of many nieces and nephews. Member of Teamsters Local 727, Race car driver and enthusiast. May he race on to Heaven. Funeral Services Saturday, July 21st at 8:15 AM from the **Sourek Manor Funeral Home**, 5645 West 35th St., Cicero, to St. Mary of Czestochowa Church for 9:00 AM Mass; Interment Resurrection Cemetery. Visitation Friday, July 21st from 3:00 to 8:00 PM. For more information call 708-652-6661.



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Myers, Leonard David

Leonard David Myers, 58, of New Jersey, previously of Alabama. Beloved son of Naomi and the late David Myers; caring stepson of the late William Geleerd Jr; loving brother of the late Deborah Myers; dear stepbrother of William L. Geleerd III and Jane (Peter) Hehemann; treasured nephew of Irwin Javinsky and Marjorie Sandberg Powell. Leonard received an MBA from the University of Alabama. Len was a well known and respected duplicate bridge player. He had several regional wins and twice represented his district in the North American Pairs, Flight B, both times making it to the finals. He served on the Board of Directors of Unit 140 of the ACBL for 6 years and continued to serve as the Unit Recorder until his death. Graveside service Thurs, July 19, 1 PM, at Shalom Memorial Park, 1700 W. Rand Rd (enter off of Wilke), Arlington Heights. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the American Diabetes Association, www.diabetes.org. For info: 847-256-5700.



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Olson, Roger A.

Roger A. Olson, 63, passed from our hands into God's loving arms on July 10, 2018, leaving behind a legacy of love for his family to cherish. Memories will be shared at a Memorial Service, 10:00a.m. on Saturday July 21, 2018, at CrossWinds Church, 10835 S. Pulaski, Chicago. Cremation Services handled by Care Memorial 866-912-9822.



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Pappageorge, Kathryn G.

Our beloved mother Kathryn G. Pappageorge left to join the Lord on Sunday July 15th. Wife of the late Gust G. and devoted mother of George D. and Dr. Vicki (Dr. James Napier). Cherished daughter of James N. and Maria J. Nickolaou. Sister of Christine J. (late John) Rackos and Nicholas Nickolaou. Beloved aunt of William, Demetri (Kim), George (Genia), and Chris Rackos. Yiayia Kay to Big Yianni, Yianni, and Christos Rackos, Blake and Reid Mitchel. Honorary adopted mom to Keisha, Jeanie, Maira and Charles. A kind and loving lady to all. Eternal be her memory. Visitation: Thursday July 19, 2018 4pm to 9 pm at Chapel Hill Gardens South Funeral Home, 11333 S. Central Ave, Oak Lawn, IL. Trisagion Service at 5:30pm. Funeral: Friday 10:15 am chapel prayers to S.S. Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church, 11025 S. Roberts Road Palos Hills, IL for 11:00 am Service - Entombment: Evergreen Cemetery. Donations may be made to the Kathryn Pappageorge Computer Lab - St Andrew Church 5649 North Sheridan Road Chicago, IL. 60660. Fond memories and expressions of sympathy may be shared at www.chapelhillgardensouth.com Information: 708-636-1200.



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Paradis, Sandra

Sandra Paradis nee Hoeft, age 75. Beloved wife of Hal. Loving mother of Pam (Tom) Beyer, Cheryl (John) Paradis-Fiedler and Todd (Kathy) Paradis. Cherished grandmother of Tim, J.T., Matthew, Nate, Ryan and Andrea. Dearest sister of the late Lawrence (Janet) Hoeft. Aunt of several nieces and nephews. Visitation Friday 3-9 PM at **Modell Funeral Home** 7710 S. Cass Ave, Darien. Funeral Saturday Lying in State 9:00 AM until time of Funeral Service at 10:00 AM at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church 525- 63rd. Street, Downers Grove. Interment Clarendon Hills Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donation to Wellness House 131 N. County Line Road, Hinsdale, IL 60521 would be appreciated. For funeral info: 630-852-3595 or www.modelldarien.com

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Parapatics, Hedwig H.

Hedwig "Hedy" Parapatics, 88 passed on July 12, 2018. Wife of the late Johann Parapatics; beloved mother of Maria (Jim) Vaccaro; proud grandmother of Nicholas (Anne) Vaccaro and John Vaccaro; adoring great-grandmother of Charlotte, Madeline and Vivienne; devoted sister of Eleanor (late Adolph) Czvitkovits, Angela (Ferdinand) Hajszan, Margaretha (late Anton) Jandrisits and the late Ludwig (Margaret) Herczeg; aunt, cousin and friend to many. Funeral mass Saturday July 21, 2018, 11:30 AM at St Francis Borgia Church (Stoke's Chapel), Lie in State from 9:30 AM until time of service. Entombment St Joseph Cemetery. Visitation Friday 4 PM- 9 PM at the **Schielka Addison Street Funeral Home** 7710 W. Addison St. 773-625-3444

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Pokorny, Sr., Raymond J.

Raymond J. Pokorny, Sr. born December 29, 1930: Died July 16, 2018.

Raymond J. Pokorny, Sr., 87 of Huntley, IL died - July 16, 2018. Survivors include his wife of 26 years, Jacquelynne Pokorny, his children, Raymond (Anne), Mary (Wally) Haas, Gail (Tom) Johnson, Gary (Laurie); his grandchildren, Christen (Don) Reese, Alex (Amy) Pokorny, Jennifer (Cameron) Witt; Renee (Kevin) Olvera, Kevin Haas; Lisa Hansmeier, Kenny Hansmeier, Karla (Jeff) Schechtman; Dan (Robyn) Pokorny, Emily Pokorny, Michael Pokorny; and 14 great-children. Survived by his brothers, Joe and David Pokorny, his sister, Judith Baker. Pre-deceased by his sister, Jacqueline Miller; wife Mary Ann (Oberschulte); and his son Ron. Visitation will be 4-8 p.m., Friday, July 20, 2018, at **DeFiore Funeral Home**, 10763 Dundee Road, Huntley, 60142. An addition visitation will be held from 10 a.m. until 11 a.m., Saturday, July 21, at St. Margaret Mary, 111 S. Hubbard, Algonquin, IL 60102. Mass will begin at 11 a.m. Interment will be held at St. Michael the Arch Angel Cemetery, Palatine, IL 60067. In lieu of flowers, donations to St. Margaret Mary Parish. For information, call the funeral home at (847) 515-8772 or visit www.defiorefuneral.com.

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Pritz, Marlene 'Mickey'

Marlene "Mickey" Pritz, age 89, beloved wife of the late Jerry Pritz; loving mother of Candy (Phil) DeCarlo and the late Lance Rissman; cherished grandmother of Lindsay (Nora) Heide. Chapel service Friday, July 20, 12:15 PM at **Shalom Memorial Funeral Home**, 1700 W. Rand Road, Arlington Heights. Interment will follow at Shalom Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Disease Association. For information and condolences: 847-255-3520 or www.shalom2.com



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Rooney, Ann

Ann Rooney nee Ranieri, age 78, of River Forest, IL and Long Beach, IN passed on July 14th 2018. In addition to being a devoted wife and mother, Ann founded Focuscope, Inc. of Oak Park. She was also a member of the 19th Century Women's Club of Oak Park. Ann is preceded in death by her beloved husband, Richard C., parents Romeo and Mary Ranieri and grandson David Gallo. Loving mother of Debra (Wayne) Love, Linda (John) Gallo, Kevin (Patricia) and Margaret (David) Weller. Dear grandmother of Brian (Melissa), Jeffery (Jennie), Jennifer, Brianna, Colleen, Tyler, Andrew, Richard, Annika and Jacob. Loving Great grandmother of Lane and Michael Love. Fond sister of Arlene (late Charles) Ventura, Annette (George) Krueger, Camille (Leonard) DiVito. Loving aunt of many nieces and nephew and faithful friend of Carol Beck. Ann touched many lives in her 78 years. She will be remembered for her boundless compassion, willingness to support others, high energy and devotion to family and friends. In lieu of flowers, donations appreciated to the Mercy Home of Boys and Girls, 1140 W. Jackson, Chicago, IL 60607 or the Lewy Body Dementia Association. Visitation Friday, July 20th from 4:00pm till 8:00pm at PETERSON-BASSI CHAPELS, 6938 W. North Ave; Funeral prayers Saturday, July 21st at 9:15 am at funeral home to St. Luke Church for Mass of Christian Burial at 10 a.m. Interment Queen of Heaven Cemetery. Info 708.848.6661 or www.petersonfuneralhome.com



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SAIELLI, WENDY A.

Nee: Beslow, passed away peacefully surrounded by loved ones on Friday, July 13, 2018. Beloved wife of Robert, Loving mother of Zach (Ericka), Fond grandmother of Paola, Leia and Cassy. Cherished daughter, sister, aunt and friend to many. Wendy was a kind and gentle spirit who will be missed by all who she encountered. A life celebration will be held Sunday, July 22, 2018 starting at 2:00 P.M. Info: SEGUIN & SYMONDS FUNERAL HOME 847-432-3878

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Sassone, Paul F.

Paul F. Sassone, 76, of Oak Park; beloved husband of Sharon A., nee Moeller; dear son of the late Frank and the late Evelyn Sassone, nee Howard; loving brother of Michael (the late Brenda), Sharon Sassone, and the late Tim (Christine) Sassone; fond uncle of many nieces and nephews. Paul attended Proviso East High School where he was a member of the Pirate Mermen boys swim team. He also attended DePaul University and Roosevelt University. Paul worked at Pioneer Press for nearly 50 years, including nine years as executive editor. During his time at Pioneer Press he won the prestigious Roy W. Howard Award for Public Service. His columns earned awards from the Illinois Press Association and Northern Illinois Newspaper Association. He also worked as a freelance columnist with Pioneer Press and Chronicle Media, LLC. Paul loved reading, movies, opera, classical music and the Cubs. Visitation Thursday July 19, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. at **Drechsler, Brown & Williams Funeral Home**, 203 S. Marion St., Oak Park. Prayers Friday, July 20, 10:15 a.m. from the funeral home to St. Edmund Church, 188 S. Oak Park Ave., Oak Park, for an 11 a.m. Mass. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, Mass intentions or memorials to a charity of your choice are appreciated. Funeral info: 708-383-3191 or drechslerbrownwilliams.com.

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Seyring, Erika

Erika Seyring (nee Kollerer), 92, passed away on July 16, 2018 following a courageous battle with cancer and a life well lived. Erika is survived by her children Rita (Michael) Seleski, Gary (Theresa) Seyring, Ursula (Dick) Carlson, and Erik (Lisa) Seyring; 8 grandchildren Michelle (Jay) Winiecki, Chris (Samantha) Seleski, Brendan (Erin) Seyring, Bryan (Ashley) Seyring, Adam (Jodi) Carlson, Matt (Alison) Carlson, and Jacklyn and Peter Seyring; 2 great-grandchildren Hannah and Owen Carlson; and sister Rita Procher. She is predeceased by her parents, husband Gerhard, brother Franz, and son-in-law Michael Seleski.

Visitation will be on Saturday July 21 from 2pm until time of Memorial Service at 4pm at Friedrichs Funeral Home, 320 W. Central Rd (at Northwest Highway), Mt. Prospect, IL. In lieu of flowers, donations are appreciated to Alexian Brothers Hospice, 901 Martha St. Elk Grove Village, IL. 60007. Funeral information call 847-255-7800 or www.friedrichsfh.com

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Toulon, Gregory A.

Gregory fell asleep peacefully at home on Tuesday, July 17, 2018. He is survived by his wife Sophie (nee Petropolis) of 49 years. He is preceded in death by his father Chris and Diana (nee Shepis) Toulon; his brother Leon and sister Themis. His in-laws: Jo (Petropolis) and Tom Gianes; Nick and Delores (Keigher) Petropolis; Mary and Gerald Sampson (Indiana); William Petropolis and nephew Paul Petropolis. He was a graduate of Oak Park and River Forest High School. He earned his bachelor's degree in Business from DePaul University in Chicago, IL. Gregory proudly served our Country in the United States Army as Buck Sergeant and classified as Sharpshooter (Rifle M-1). He worked for UARCO Business Forms and T&T Triangle Business Forms. When he retired he was devoted to student teaching. He had a love for education and spent many hours taking various night school courses. He served as Past Governor of the Order of Ahepa 13th District. He was active in politics and was a past President of the Maine Township Republican Party from 1979 to 1980. He loved his surviving sister-in-laws Becky Toulon; and Juline Petropolis (Texas). He was a devoted uncle to: Peter Zepeda; Chris, Alex, Nicholas, James, Kathy, Lee, Anna, Andrew, Val, Lyra Toulon; Lisa Petropolis; Alexandra Sutter; Demetra and Nicholas Stevens; Maria, Tom, Peter, Nicole, Jeffrey Collins; Joy and Daniel Harrison; Paula, John, Sophia and Nina Metaxas (Indiana); Maria and Matt Downham (Indiana); Nikki, Clark and Chad Mitchell (Texas); Cari and Jason (Texas); Paula and Brady McNamer (Texas); Susan, Alexis, Nicholas Petropolis (Texas). He was also a devoted Godfather to Sophia Metaxas, Demetra Stevens, Nicole Legere and Eleni Manzoor. He loved his family, relatives and friends. A great debater and always enjoyed watching sports. A visitation will be held on Friday from 4-8 PM at **Cooney Funeral Home** located at 625 Busse Hwy in Park Ridge. Funeral services will be held Saturday at 10 AM at St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church located at 2350 East Dempster Street in Des Plaines. Entombment will be held at 12:15 PM on Saturday at the Joliet Woodlawn Memorial Park located at 23060 West Jefferson Street in Joliet. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Iconography Fund of St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church. For information please call 847-685-1002 or visit www.cooneyfuneralhome.com

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Worobec, Sophie M.

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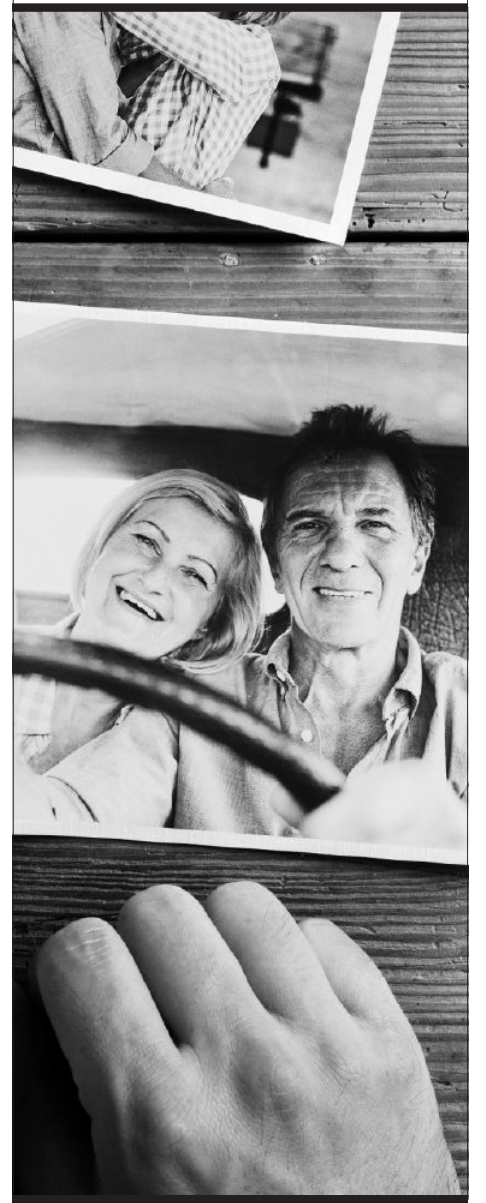
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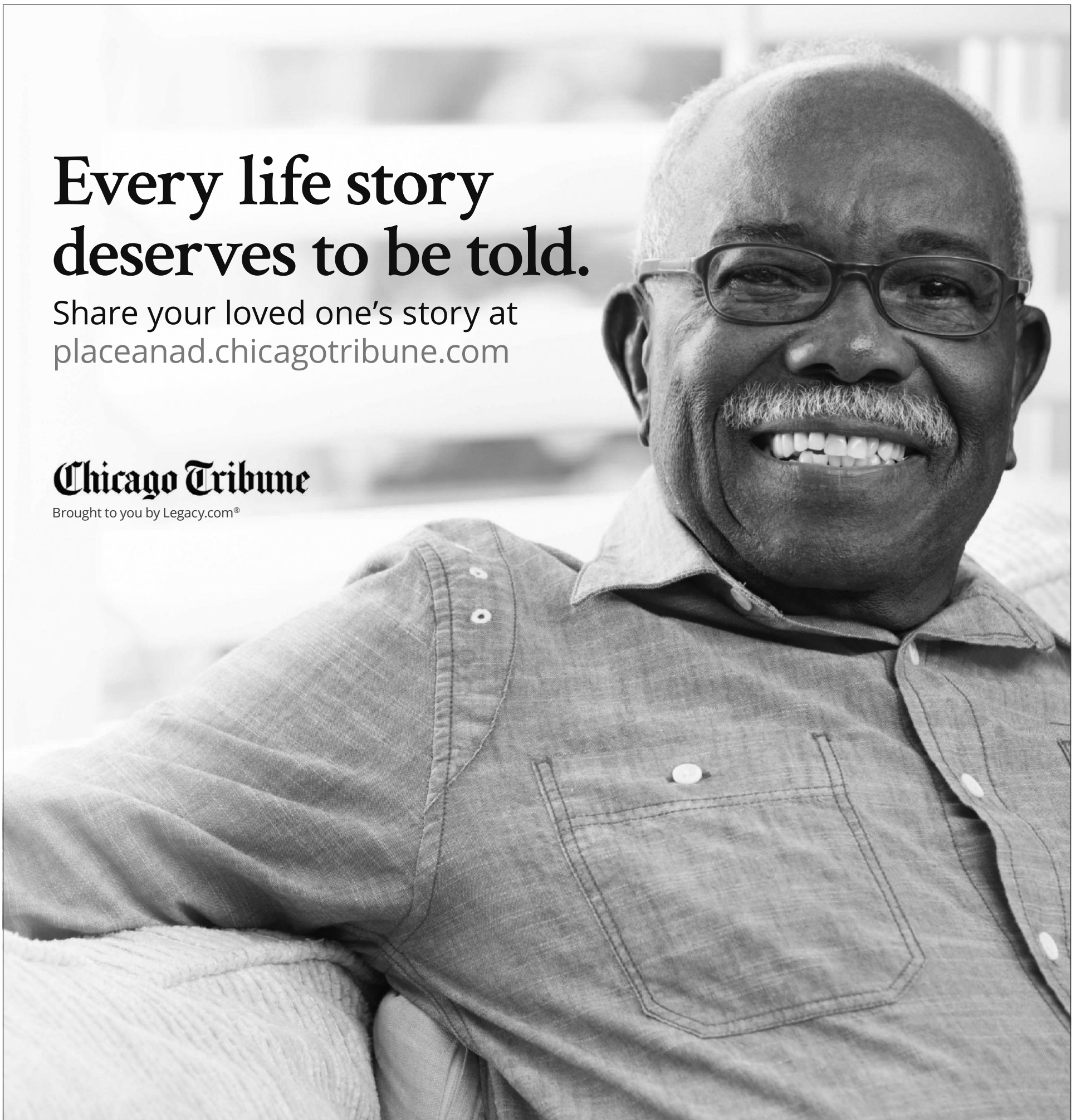
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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD PROTECTION DEPARTMENT CHILD PROTECTION DIVISION

IN THE INTEREST OF Andrew Cedano

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Kristine Henkelmann
JUVENILE NO.: 18JA00604

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Kristine Henkelmann (Mother), and Fred Cedano III (Father), respondents, and to All Whom it May Concern, that on June 28, 2018, a petition was filed under the Juvenile Court Act by KIM FOX in this court and that in the courtroom of Judge Maxwell Griffin in the Cook County Juvenile Court Building, 1100 So. Hamilton Avenue, Chicago, Illinois, ON 08/08/2018, at 9:30 AM in CALENDAR 10 COURTROOM J, 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.

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 19, 2018

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by the Board of Education of Crete-Monee Community School District 201U, in the county of Will, State of Illinois, that the tentative budget for said School District for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2018, will be on file and conveniently available for public inspection at the Crete-Monee School District 201U Administrative Center located at 1500 Sangamon Street, Crete, Illinois, from and after 8 o'clock a.m. (CST), on the nineteenth day of July, 2018.

NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that a Public Hearing on said budget will be held at 6:30 pm on the twenty-first day of August, 2018, at Crete-Monee High School located at 1515 W. Exchange, Crete, Illinois.

Dated this seventeenth day of July, 2018.
Jeanine Galbraith, Secretary
Board of Education
7/17/2018

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Genesis Rodriguez

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Jessica Rodriguez (Mother)
JUVENILE NO.: 17JA01357

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Juan Carlos Laboy (Father), respondents, and to All Whom it May Concern, that on December 22, 2017, 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 08/08/2018, at 11:15 AM in CALENDAR 1 COURTROOM A, or as soon thereafter as this case may be heard, an adjudicatory hearing will be held upon the petition to have the minor declared to be a ward of the court and for other relief under the Act.

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DOROTHY BROWN, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT OF COOK COUNTY, ILLINOIS
July 19, 2018

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

IN THE INTEREST OF Isaia Laboy Rodriguez

MINOR(S) CHILD(REN) OF Jessica Rodriguez (Mother)
JUVENILE NO.: 16JA00974

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE IS GIVEN YOU, Raymundo Ortiz (Father), respondents, and to All Whom it May Concern, that on April 25, 2018, 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 08/08/2018, at 11:15 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.

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LEGAL NOTICES

COUNTY OF COOK TONI PRECKWINKLE, PRESIDENT
Office of the Chief Procurement Officer
Shannon E. Andrews, Chief Procurement Officer

ADVERTISEMENT DATE: Thursday, July 19, 2018

DESCRIPTION: Invitation for Bids for Post Mortem Sample Testing
CONTRACT NO.: 1868-17337

MBE/WBE GOALS: There are no MBE/WBE requirements for this contract

BID DOCUMENTS: Solicitation Document is available for download at: <http://legacy.cookcounty.gov/purchasing/bids/listAllBids.php>

BID DUE DATE: Friday, August 17, 2018 at 10:00 A.M.

CONTACT: Matthew Bowman, Contract Negotiator (312) 603-2389 (office), (312) 603-3179 (fax) matthew.bowman@cookcounty.il.gov (email)

Local MBE/WBE firms are encouraged to submit bids. The County has set contract specific goals based on the requested service. The MBE/WBE goals are listed above and in the Contract 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 bids.

NOTICE OF ILLINOIS SPORTS FACILITIES AUTHORITY (AUTHORITY) REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FOR FY2019 KIDS ZONE STAIR REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Notice is hereby given by the Authority, Chicago, IL, requesting sealed proposals from contractors interested in providing labor and material for the FY2019 Kids Zone Stair Replacement Project at 333 W 35th St, Chicago, IL. This project concentrates on all labor, materials, services, and equipment necessary for completion of the work at the Kids Zone and Upper Concourse Stairs. To obtain the RFP and drawings visit our website at www.isfaauthority.com access business inquiries/construction from the drop down menu. A mandatory pre-submission conference and walk thru will be held on Thursday July 26th 2018 at 10:00 am at Guaranteed Rate Field. Please enter at Gate 4 and have a valid ID ready. Via email please notify russell@isfaauthority.com if you will be attending by July 25th at 12:00PM. Proposals received by the Authority must be e-mailed to maureen@isfaauthority.com, russell@isfaauthority.com and UHolder@wje.com and are due no later than 10:00 am Chicago time on August 24th 2018. The Authority reserves the right to reject any and all qualification or waive any informality at its discretion.

ASSUMED BUSINESS NAME

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 registered by the undersigned with the County Clerk of Cook County, Illinois, on July 6, 2018. Under the Assumed Business Name of SCHNATTERBECK PARTNERSHIP with the business located at: 4616 N SACRAMENTO AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60625. The true and real full name (s) and residence address of the owner(s)/partner(s) is: Owners Full Name Complete Address MARTIN SCHNATTERBECK 4616 N SACRAMENTO AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60625, USA FRANK AND ELISABETH SCHNATTERBECK PARTNERSHIP 4616 N SACRAMENTO AVE, CHICAGO, IL 60625, USA

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TO: Chicago Title Land Trust Company, Trustee of Trust #802347887 dated 12/13/2006. First American Bank First Midwest Bank, Successor to Bank of Lyons, Trustee of Trust #1824 dated 08/23/1977 Sapphire Ciesielczyk Bill Ciesielczyk David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in Occupancy or actual possession of said property; Unknown owners or persons interested in said land or lot. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD004133 FILED June 29, 2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold December 30, 2015 Certificate No 155-0001141 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2008-2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 4636 Cracow Avenue, Lyons, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No. 18-02-2310-053-0000 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 28, 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 or her 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 28, 2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Chicago, Illinois on January 4, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602 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 28, 2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. SC L.L.C. Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: June 29, 2018. Retter Law Offices, Ltd. 30 South Wacker Drive, Suite 1710 Chicago, IL. 60606 Pub: 7/17, 18, 19/2018 5702337

TO: Chicago Title Land Trust Company, Trustee of Trust #12253 dated 08/03/1959 Luke Nelson Eric Nelson C L Nelson Shelby Nelson Village of Willow Springs, Village Clerk David D. Orr, County Clerk; Parties in Occupancy or actual possession of said property; Unknown owners or persons interested in said land or lot. TAX DEED NO. 2018COTD004133 FILED June 29, 2018 TAKE NOTICE County of Cook Date Premises Sold December 30, 2015 Certificate No. . . 155-0001184 and 155-0001185 Sold for General Taxes of (year) 2006-2013 Sold for Special Assessment of (Municipality) and special assessment number N/A Warrant No. N/A Inst. No. N/A THIS PROPERTY HAS BEEN SOLD FOR DELINQUENT TAXES Property located at 105 Hill Street, Willow Springs, Illinois. Legal Description or Property Index No 18-33-209-026-0000 and 18-33-209-027-0000 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 28, 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 or her 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 28, 2018. This matter is set for hearing in the Circuit Court of this county in Chicago, Illinois on January 4, 2019 at 9:30 a.m. in Room 1704, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington Street, Chicago, Illinois 60602 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 28, 2018 by applying to the County Clerk of Cook County in Chicago, Illinois. For further information contact the County Clerk ADDRESS: 118 North Clark Street, Room 434, Chicago, Illinois 60602 TELEPHONE: (312) 603-5645. B Hartman Group, LLC Purchaser or Assignee. Dated: June 29, 2018. Retter Law Offices, Ltd. 30 South Wacker Drive, Suite 1710 Chicago, IL. 60606 Pub: 7/17, 18, 19/2018 5702325

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NOTICE OF PERSONS APPEARING TO BE OWNERS OF ABANDONED PROPERTY

The persons listed herein, and to whom this notice is directed, appear to be the owners of abandoned property presently being held by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County.

Information concerning the amount of the property may be obtained by any persons possessing an interest in said property by making an inquiry at the Office of the Clerk of the Circuit Court, Room 1005, Richard J. Daley Center, 50 West Washington, Chicago, Illinois, Monday through Friday during the hours of 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Phone inquiries can be made by calling (312) 603-4737.

If proof of claim is not presented by the owner to the Clerk of the Court and if the owner's right to receive the property is not established to the satisfaction of the Clerk of the Circuit Court within 65 days of the date first appearing on this notice, the abandoned property will be placed in the custody of the Treasurer of Cook County to whom all future claims must thereafter be directed.

A statutory fee of \$20.00 to cover the costs of publication and related clerical expenses will be deducted by the Office of the Clerk of the Court from any payment made to any person entitled thereto under this notice.

Dated this 19th day of July 2018.

Dorothy Brown, Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cook County

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Proving ground

Parker comes home with edge honed by injuries



DAVID HAUGH
In the Wake of the News

A young Jabari Parker routinely spent days after school at the James R. Jordan Boys & Girls Club where his dad, Sonny, worked, playing basketball on a court with the Bulls logo and dreaming of representing his hometown team.

"It was like our United Center," Parker said Wednesday at the arena's atrium during a news conference welcoming him back to Chicago.

Sonny laughed recalling that innocent time in his son's life. A family friend remembered somebody referring to Jabari as the Jordan Center's mascot because he was around the gym so much. Their memories were warm, the smiles real.

One of the city's all-time greatest high school basketball players returning as a Bull and contributing to the community where he grew up creates a powerful narrative, the kind of example professional sports needs.

But after seeing and hearing Parker speak in front of a crowd that included his family, close friends and Robert Smith, his former coach at Simeon, it would be inaccurate to cast his homecoming as a warm and fuzzy story. It really isn't, not yet anyway.

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Parker fulfilling dream by joining hometown Bulls

BY **K.C. JOHNSON** | Chicago Tribune

Sitting in the sparkling atrium of the United Center, with natural light streaming in and the Michael Jordan statue casting its imposing shadow, Jabari Parker called playing for his hometown Bulls "a dream come true."

Some may call tearing a left ACL not once but twice a nightmare, particularly when the second time interrupted a breakout third NBA season in which he averaged 20 points. But Parker's response to that ordeal, both in the way he attacked his rehabilitation and how he talked about it at Wednesday's news conference, offered a window into the 23-year-old's perspective.

"The first time I hurt myself, I did ask why," Parker said, referencing the tear that cut short his rookie season with the Bucks. "After that, it's more like a bounce-back. Just have the mentality to move forward."

"I just want to be a trailblazer for a lot of people who are going through struggles. Obviously, to not have difficulty in your life is unrealistic. Hopefully, I have a magnifying glass to help other people who are going through the same thing."

"I don't want to forget all the hard times that I had because to forget that I hurt myself and came back is to discredit a lot of my success. That is, in and of itself,

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Ex-Simeon star and new Bulls forward Jabari Parker showed flashes of potential during four injury-plagued seasons with the Bucks.

Second-half storylines should feature plenty worth seeing

AL East race, Cardinals' reaction to Matheny firing top list

After chilling out the last few days — whether at home, the All-Star Game or their favorite hideaways — the Cubs and Cardinals are back on the clock Thursday night in the second-half opener at Wrigley Field.

ESPN has turned it into a thing, of course, making the Cubs and Cardinals end their breaks early for a national TV audience thirsting for baseball after a one-day lull following the All-Star Game. They can't complain about it because they play baseball for a living. Suffice to say everyone would appreciate an extra day of rest after 3½ months of work, but they're glad to resume their classic rivalry for the



PAUL SULLIVAN
On baseball

good of the game.

So what's in store for baseball in the second half?

More of the same — strikeouts, home runs and endless debates about infield shifts. Along with those essential ingredients of modern-day baseball, here are a few other storylines worth following.

Role reversal

This Yankees-Red Sox race might be the best yet, especially now that the Red Sox — with a 4½-game division lead — are the

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BASEBALL

The neighborhood surrounding Wrigley Field has seen many changes over the years. How does it compare with other ballpark environs? We rank them 1 to 30. **Back Page**

THE SECOND HALF BEGINS

Cardinals (Martinez 6-5, 3.08) at **Cubs** (Hendricks 6-8, 3.92) 6:05 p.m. Thursday, ESPN

White Sox (Shields 4-10, 4.43) at **Mariners** (LeBlanc 5-1, 3.63) 9:10 p.m. Friday, WGN-9

TOP OF THE SECOND



PHIL ROSENTHAL

All-Stars talk but say nothing

Giddy as Fox Sports' Joe Buck was at the start of Tuesday's MLB All-Star Game about the prospect of being able to talk with players throughout the exhibition, the reality was they didn't say much.

Mike Trout gave weather reports. Bryce Harper didn't swear when Fox showed an unflattering childhood photo. Fox steered clear of Josh Hader. Matt Kemp was agreeable in the field but couldn't be baited into keeping the conversation going at the plate. Francisco Lindor seemed to be having fun, as always.

Manny Machado spoke in the past tense about playing for the Orioles ("It was a tremendous honor to wear this uniform") but wouldn't cop to being Dodgers-bound — though that became reality Wednesday.

Fox reporter Ken Rosenthal, who had tweeted hours earlier that the Dodgers deal was "increasingly likely ... barring (a) last-minute snag," asked Machado about it in a sixth-inning dugout interview.

Machado said only that he was hoping to enjoy Wednesday's day off and didn't know if he would get a call.

Rosenthal seemed to accept this at face value on camera. Virtually as soon as the red light on his camera went dark, however, he tweeted:

"Can report with more certainty: Machado to #Dodgers happening. Among remaining questions, in addition to specifics of return beyond OF Yusniel Diaz: How much money, if any, #Orioles will send #Dodgers to secure a better package and help ease LAD's luxury-tax concerns."

That information would have made for a far more interesting conversation with Machado on the air.

Which raises the question of what Fox wanted from its conversations with Machado and other players during the game.

Was it to get information and insight or simply the appearance of getting information and insight?

Not kidding around: Wonder how 10-year-old Cayden Zeller of Round Lake, one of two lucky youngsters MLB and Chevrolet chose to serve as junior reporters in the run-up to the game, would have done with Machado in the dugout.

A touch of good fortune: Buck declared Fox reporter Tom Verducci a new good-



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Fan boredom alert: All-Stars Manny Machado, left, and Matt Kemp take a selfie.

luck charm for the Cubs' Javier Baez after Baez hit a first-pitch single following an interview with Verducci en route to the batter's box. Fair enough. But Baez also patted the butt of plate umpire Ted Barrett before stepping in against former White Sox ace Chris Sale.

Raining superstar: Trout is a great player, but he's no Tom Skilling. Add Al Roker to the list of people with a higher profile than the Angels' amateur weathercaster.

Stand Up people: Now that the midgame All-Star tradition of having everyone at the ballpark set aside the light and upbeat tone of the event by holding up signs with names of people in their lives who have dealt with cancer as part of the Stand Up To Cancer campaign is 10 years old, here's a thought: Perhaps MLB and Fox could double down on their commitment to the annual demonstration by substituting it for a commercial break rather than sandwiching it between ads.

Keep at arm's length: Is there anything less interesting than watching other people take selfies?

National and American together: MLB's "Don't Confuse Us with the NFL" campaign included the introduction of 29 Medal of Honor recipients on the field before the national anthem and a seventh-inning rendition of "God Bless America."

Pitcher interrupts pitch: Kind of fun to hear Buck snap at analyst John Smoltz for stepping over a plug he was reading for MLB's streaming service.

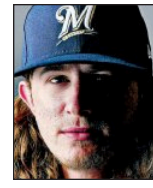
"What did you have to say that was so important?" Buck finally asked.

Smoltz recalled being told at his first All-Star Game not to throw a fastball on his first pitch, advice he said he disregarded. Which was better than the extended ad for the streaming service.

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BASEBALL

MLB disciplines Hader for tweets



WASHINGTON — Brewers reliever Josh Hader apologized Tuesday night after some racist, homophobic and sexist tweets from his high school days were exposed on

Twitter during the All-Star Game.

"It's something that happened when I was 17 years old," Hader, 24, said in the National League clubhouse after the game. "As a child I was immature and I said some things that were inexcusable. That doesn't reflect on who I am as a person today. That's just what it is."

Hader said the tweets do not reflect his beliefs now and he did "not vividly" recall writing them.

"Obviously when you're a kid, you just tweet what's on your mind, and that's what's on (Twitter)," he said. "You live and you learn. This mistake won't happen again."

The MLB commissioner's office announced Wednesday that it will require Hader to participate in diversity and inclusion initiatives in addition to sensitivity training.

Screenshots of the tweets were posted on another Twitter account during the All-Star Game after Hader gave up three runs in one-third of an inning. Hader's account then was locked. He said he found out about the tweets being publicized when he came into the clubhouse "and my phone was blowing up."

Hader said he had no excuse for what he had written, which included mentions of the n-word, KKK, white power and "I hate gay people."

"You can't (excuse it)," he said. "There is no excuse for what is said. I'm deeply sorry for what I've said and what has been going on. And, like I said, it doesn't reflect any of my beliefs going on."

Asked about the context of the tweets, Hader said: "I'm sure there were some rap lyrics being (tweeted). I really don't know exactly what's out there."

He said he hadn't talked to his family about it and repeated he was "young and stupid."

— Paul Sullivan with AP contributing



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BASEBALL

Dodgers deal 5 for Machado

Los Angeles Times

The Dodgers' greatest need is pitching. But with a scarcity of top-flight pitchers available in trade, the Dodgers improved their team Wednesday with the best player they could get.

They acquired Manny Machado from the Orioles for five prospects.

Machado, 26, a four-time All-Star, essentially becomes the replacement for the injured Corey Seager at shortstop.

Machado is eligible for free agency after the season. The Dodgers probably would need to give him the richest contract in franchise history, perhaps twice the \$215 million deal awarded to Clayton Kershaw, to retain him.

But that is an issue for later. For now, the Dodgers made their team stronger without giving up any major-leaguers.

Machado is one of baseball's most dangerous hitters. He entered the break with a .315 batting average, 24 home runs and a .963 on-base-plus-slugging percentage, ranking among the AL's top six in each category. That was backed up by a career-low strikeout rate and a career-high walk rate.

The Dodgers lost Seager to season-ending elbow surgery in May, but Chris Taylor has been a useful replacement. Taylor could replace Max Muncy at second base, with Cody Bellinger entering the outfield rotation and Muncy handling first base.

The Orioles are receiving a package headlined by Double-A outfielder Yusniel Diaz. The other four are pitchers Dean Kremer and Zach Pop and infielders Breyvic Valera and Rylan Bannon.

Insights on Cubs-Brewers

BY MARK GONZALES | Chicago Tribune

The Cubs begin the second half of the season 2½ games ahead of the Brewers in the National League Central Division.

Here are five things to know about the Cubs-Brewers race:

Season series: The Cubs lead the season series 8-3. The teams have eight games left against each other: Brewers at Cubs Aug. 14-15, Cubs at Brewers Sept. 3-5, Brewers at Cubs Sept. 10-12.

Home versus away: For the rest of the season, the Cubs (55-38) have 38 home games and 31 road games, the Brewers (55-43) have 33 and 31.

Tough stretches: The Cubs play 12 games in 11 days from Thursday through July 30 and 23 games in 23 days from Aug. 21-Sept. 12. The Brewers play 17 consecutive games from Friday to Aug. 5.

Reinforcements coming? Cubs: Reliever Carl Edwards (paternity) and outfielder Albert Almora Jr. (family medical emergency) are expected to return Friday, Anthony Bass (illness) in late July, reliever Justin Hancock (right shoulder) in August and left-hander Drew Smyly (elbow) in late August. The return of pitcher Yu Darvish (right elbow) remains unknown.

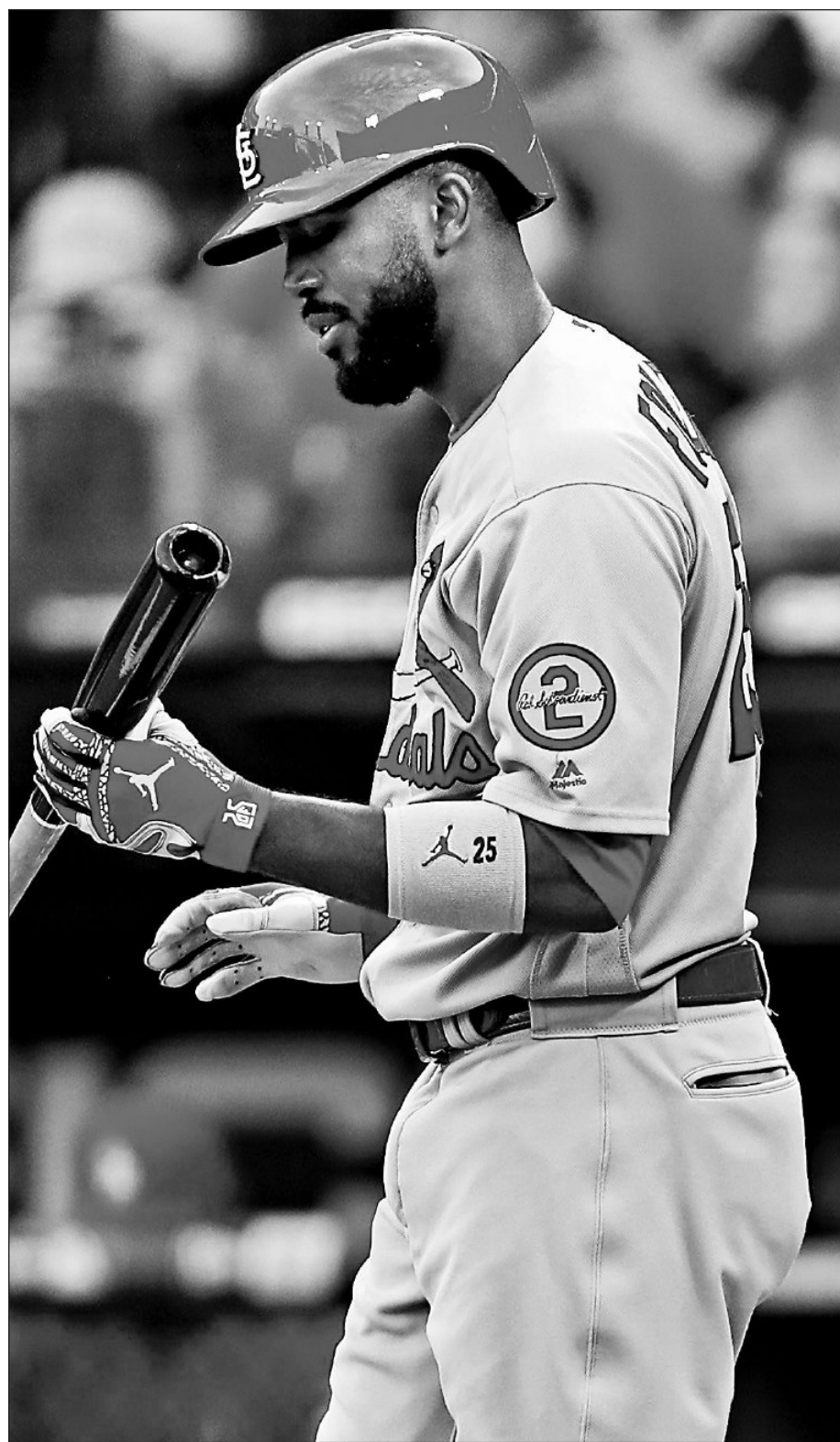
Brewers: Outfielder Ryan Braun (back), catcher Manny Pina (left biceps) and first baseman/outfielder Eric Thames (right hamstring) are expected to return Friday, and reliever Matt Albers (right shoulder) should be back next week. The returns of second baseman Jonathan Villar (right thumb) and pitcher Junior Guerra (right forearm) are to be announced. Pitcher Zach Davies (right shoulder) might return by mid-August, and pitcher Jimmy Nelson (right shoulder) will be back no earlier than early September.

X factors: The Cubs will play only three of their final 20 games outside of Chicago. Left-hander Jose Quintana is 3-0 with a 0.95 ERA in three starts versus the Brewers in 2018.

For the Brewers, 15 of their final 26 games are at home, including the last three versus the Tigers. All-Star first baseman Jesus Aguilar is only 4-for-19 (.211) with no home runs versus the Cubs in 2018.

BY THE NUMBERS

POST-ALL-STAR BREAK		
CUBS	STAT	BREWERS
69	Remaining games	64
38/31	Home/road	33/31
24/12	Vs. division home/road	15/17
0/8	Interleague home/road	3/0
20/17	Vs. .500+ home/road	15/25
5/3	Head-to-head home/road	3/5
6	Scheduled off days	9
PRE-ALL-STAR BREAK		
28-15	Home	30-18
27-23	Road	25-25
11-16	One-run	21-15
19-8	Blowout (5+ runs)	16-12
8-4	Interleague	10-7
21-19	Vs. division	19-25
8-3	Head-to-head	3-8
2-1	March	3-0
14-9	April	14-13
14-13	May	19-8
16-12	June	12-13
9-3	July	7-9



Former Cub Dexter Fowler is struggling horribly with the Cardinals this season but warns that the Cubs shouldn't be complacent because "we have a lot of talent here."

Seeking roar after uproar

With Matheny fired, Cards look to start 2nd half positively

BY MARK GONZALES | Chicago Tribune

Many viewed the firing of manager Mike Matheny as a wake-up call to a proud Cardinals franchise that hasn't won a playoff series since 2014 and hasn't been to the postseason since 2015 despite a plethora of homegrown talent.

To second baseman Kolten Wong, the drought has worn on him.

"When you play for the Cardinals, there's always a sense of urgency," Wong said July 8, when the Cardinals pitching staff surrendered 18 hits in a 13-8 loss to the Giants and contributed to the firing of Matheny six days later. "We always believe we're going to be in the playoffs every single year. And to not be in the playoffs the past couple of years has been tough for all of us, including myself."

"When I got called up (in 2013), I was on a playoff team right (from) the get-go. And for three straight years, we were going to the playoffs. To not have the extended fall those two years and go home early, it wasn't fun. The fans want it back, we want it back and it's a matter of time before we get back there."

The Cardinals (48-46) will try to cut into their 7½-game deficit in the National League Central against a first-place Cubs team they have beaten five of eight times this season. The five-game series begins Thursday night at Wrigley Field.

"We have a lot of talent here," former Cubs outfielder Dexter Fowler said. "It's all about getting everyone going. I think everyone gets up for those games."

But the Cardinals' perennial division dominance ended when the Cubs stunned them in the 2015 National League Division Series. Left-hander Jaime Garcia's error led to five runs in the second inning of Game 2, and the sound fundamentals that once were a staple of the "Cardinals Way" have eroded.

The Cardinals committed a league-high 77 errors in 2017, and they have allowed 39 unearned runs this season, nine above the league average.

The offense ranks 10th in the National League on-base percentage (.315), and the well-publicized struggles of Fowler (.176 batting average) and a dip in power from two-time NL All-Star outfielder Marcell Ozuna (10 home runs) ultimately led to the firing of hitting coach John Mabry and assistant Bill Mueller.

Three starting pitchers — Adam Wainwright, Alex Reyes and Michael Wacha — are on the disabled list. And Greg Holland, who saved 41 games with the Rockies last season and signed a one-year, \$14 million contract, has a 7.99 ERA in 30 appearances. Opponents are batting .320 against him.

"We haven't played our best baseball as a group," said shortstop Paul DeJong, who missed seven weeks because of a broken right hand. "We haven't clicked on all

CARDINALS AT CUBS

All games on WSCR-AM 670.

Thursday: 6:05 p.m., ESPN.
RH Carlos Martinez (6-5, 3.08)
vs. RH Kyle Hendricks (6-8, 3.92).

Friday: 1:20 p.m., NBCSCH.
RH Jack Flaherty (3-4, 3.24)
vs. LH Jon Lester (12-2, 2.58).

Saturday: 12:05 p.m., WGN-9.
RH John Gant (3-3, 3.49)
vs. LH Mike Montgomery (3-3, 3.91) or
Tyler Chatwood (3-5, 5.04).

Sunday: 6:15 p.m., FOX-32.
RH Luke Weaver (5-8, 4.72)
vs. LH Mike Montgomery (3-3, 3.91) or
Tyler Chatwood (3-5, 5.04).

Sunday: 1:20 p.m., ABC-7.
RH Miles Mikolas (10-3, 2.79)
vs. LH Jose Quintana (8-6, 3.96).

cylinders. We're all hopeful we'll put it all together in the second half."

At Sunday's news conference to address the firing of Matheny, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer William DeWitt Jr. tempered any thought of a teardown.

"If it all comes together and (they) perform up to their capabilities and play as a team and respond to the new leadership, we can have a great second half and make a real run at the playoffs and hopefully later," DeWitt said.

The five-game series against the Cubs could serve as a measuring stick. The Cardinals seem baffled by their inability to dominate teams other than the Cubs, whom they swept in a three-game series in early May.

"We're not going to make that excuse that injuries have been holding our team back," Wong said. "We haven't played our best baseball yet. When we play the Cubs, it's a Cubs-Cardinals rivalry and everyone steps up their game more."

"But we know how good both teams are. We have to continue to grind and hopefully by the time the stretch drive comes, we'll have our guys back."

The returns of Wacha (pulled left oblique) and Wainwright (sore right elbow) aren't imminent, and Reyes, their top prospect, was lost for the season after a tendon in his lat muscle detached May 30.

The Cardinals still possess deep, young starting pitching with Jack Flaherty (3.24 ERA in 14 starts) and Dakota Hudson (12-2, 2.42 ERA at Triple-A Memphis). But the second half could dictate whether the players will respond positively to interim manager Mike Shildt and new hitting coaches.

"The fact is ultimately you have to do something different," John Mozeliak, the Cardinals' president of baseball operations, said at Sunday's news conference. "Hopefully those are the right moves."

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Plenty to see rest of the way

Sullivan, from Page 1

Evil Empire and the Baby Bombers are the scrappy underdogs. It's so delicious Commissioner Rob Manfred unapologetically opened his news conference Tuesday by gushing over baseball's good fortune.

"We had some of our iconic franchises, most notably the Yankees and the Red Sox, having unbelievable years," he said. "I know people take a different view of that. But against the backdrop of competitive balance we've had in baseball over the last two decades, I don't think we should have to apologize that we have two really great clubs out there, and it looks (as if) it's going to be a good race all the way through September."

It does, and believing Yankees-Red Sox is great for baseball isn't just East Coast bias.

Brave new world

Glasnost is underway in St. Louis, where the long reign of the LaRussa-Matheny rule ended Saturday with the firing of manager Mike Matheny, who turned out to be Tony LaRussa Lite. Their 1960s-style methods of micromanaging the clubhouse seemingly are over, and we'll see if Cardinals players are less uptight under interim manager Mike Shildt.

They still can scare teams, though not so much — so far. Dexter Fowler remains a focal point after his mind-numbing first half — he's hitting .176 — and the public finger-pointing by general manager John Mozeliak. At least Fowler will get some love this weekend in Chicago.

Mannywood Part II

The Cubs brass watched with bemusement in May when the Manny Machado rumors went into hyper-drive during the Orioles' trip to Guaranteed Rate Field. Even a couple of months after team President Theo Epstein shot down the speculation, Cubs shortstop Javier Baez was asked about the possibility of getting Machado.

"Obviously it would be a huge thing for our lineup," Baez said at the All-Star Game in Washington. "But we already have Addison (Russell), and Addy has been great for us with the crazy plays he makes."

Machado was rumored headed to the Dodgers, and the trade came to fruition Thursday with the Orioles netting five prospects, including the Dodgers' fourth-highest-ranked one, outfielder Yusniel Diaz.

Race to the bottom

It's hard to distinguish the tankers from the accidental tankers without a scorecard, but the Royals, Orioles and White Sox remain the creamed of the crop for the Tony Clark Cup. It was Clark, the players union chief, who railed against the "race to the bottom" at the start of spring training, proclaiming tanking bad for the game.

But the Orioles overpaid free agent Alex Cobb last winter and the Royals didn't declare "rebuild," so the Sox are the only one of the three tanking with good intentions. Slugging first baseman Jose Abreu said he prays the Sox don't deal him. They probably won't, though it would be nice to see him win once in a while.

Storm's a brewin'

The Brewers ended the first half with a six-game losing streak, blowing their first-place lead to the Cubs just as they did last July, albeit a few weeks earlier. They begin the second half Friday with the potential distraction caused by reliever Josh Hader, whose racist and homophobic tweets from seven years ago resurfaced Tuesday night during the All-Star Game.

Can Hader restore his reputation, and if not, will his career suffer? He's averaging a majors-leading 16.69 strikeouts per nine innings and is irreplaceable in the bullpen. The baseball world will be watching.

National crisis

Nationals fans celebrated Bryce Harper's Home Run Derby title Monday night like a playoff victory, which shows how thirsty they are for something positive to happen.

"We went through some adversity through the first half with all the injuries," first-year manager Dave Martinez said. "But hey, you know what? The boys play hard and kept it all together. We're in a good position now, only 5½ games back."

Stephen Strasburg and Ryan Zimmerman return Friday, which should help the Nationals catch the Phillies and Braves. The key, naturally, is Harper. He was clutch against Kyle Schwarber in the final round of the derby, but it was only an exhibition. Now it's real again.

Rinse, repeat

The Astros still have the best starting pitching in baseball, with their rotation going 47-21 with a major-league-leading 3.02 ERA. They also rank second to the Red Sox in runs scored with 500.

It seems as if they have a great shot at becoming the first team to repeat as World Series champions since the Yankees won three straight titles from 1998-2000, but everyone warned them about the Cubs' World Series hangover last year.

"We're not the Cubs," left-hander Dallas Keuchel told the Washington Post in spring training. "I firmly believe we have better players."

Perhaps Keuchel was right — the Astros haven't shown any signs of a hangover. Maybe hair of the dog really works.

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GOLF

BRITISH OPEN NOTES

R&A conducts tests of drivers

By SAM FARMER
Los Angeles Times

CARNOUSTIE, Scotland — Better golf through technology? The R&A wants to make sure that doesn't get out of hand.

Golf's governing body outside of the United States and Mexico confirmed reports it has randomly tested the drivers of 30 golfers in this week's British Open to make sure they conform to standards. In that group were seven major champions, including Brooks Koepka and Keegan Bradley.

It's not unusual for the R&A to test clubs, but the random testing is new.

"We take our governance role very seriously," R&A chief executive Martin Slumbers said, "not just on the rules of golf and amateur status, but also equipment standards, and we felt it was an appropriate next step to more actively seek to test players' drivers straight out of the bag."

The R&A and USGA are working together on a distance insight project to determine whether technology is affecting the game negatively.

Slumbers said the R&A, as it was a year ago, is "concerned where the preliminary numbers were going, and that our concern was based upon ... whether the balance between skill and technology for the recreational game and the elite game was appropriate."

Going for it: Because of how firm the fairways are at Carnoustie, a lot of golfers were debating whether to try to wallop the ball with their drivers or play tee shots short, safe and out of trouble.

Rory McIlroy was one.

"The risk of hitting driver on a few holes is not having full control of your ball if it does run into the rough," said McIlroy, the 2014 British Open champion at Royal Liverpool.

"But the amount of gorse bushes that they've taken away from this golf course since 2007, the fairways are — they're not necessarily narrow, but they're not too generous either. But even either side of the fairway, you've still got another five to 10 yards where it's OK."

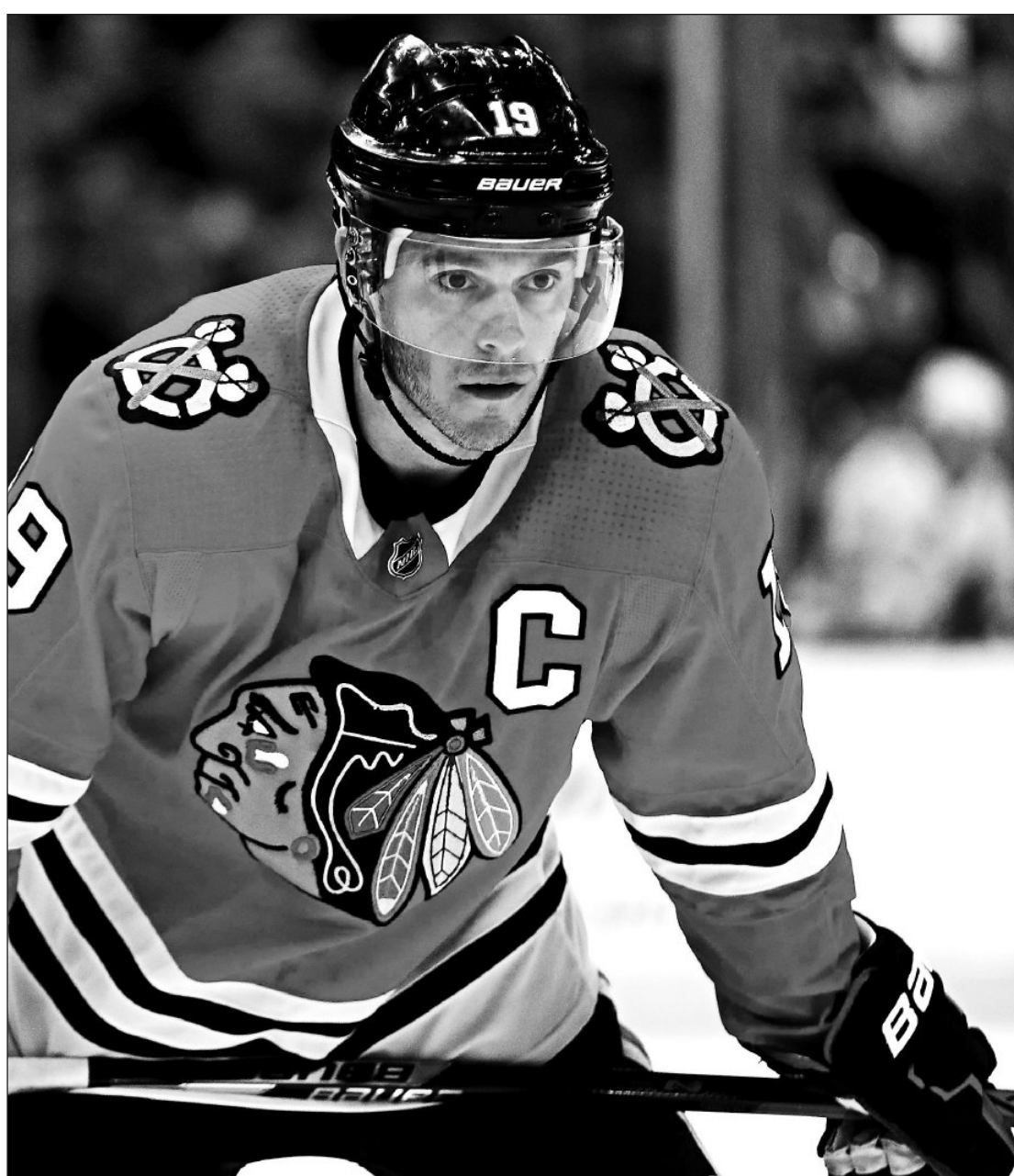
McIlroy sounded as if he remained on the fence entering Thursday's first round as to whether he would try to take advantage of his length off the tee.

"With links golf, you have to adapt," he said. "There's not going to be one player in this field that has a game plan on Wednesday night and is going to stick to that game plan the whole way around for 72 holes. It's just not going to happen with wind conditions, with pins."

TV SCHEDULE

Thursday-Friday: 12:30 a.m.-3 p.m., Golf Channel.
Saturday-Sunday: 3:30-6 a.m., Golf Channel; 6 a.m.-2 p.m., NBC-5.

BLACKHAWKS



BRIAN CASSELLA/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Blackhawks captain Jonathan Toews scored 52 points last season, his lowest total in the last six seasons.

On the rebound

Toews wants to put lost season behind him and rediscover mojo

By JIMMY GREENFIELD
Chicago Tribune

An unfamiliar red jersey hung in the locker behind Jonathan Toews, who was minutes away from making his debut Wednesday night in the Chicago Pro Hockey League. And on this night, there was one goal.

No, not that One Goal. "Just going out and having fun and playing loose," Toews said.

He was talking about this evening but the words had deeper meaning.

"I talked about it a lot (during) our year-end exit chats, where getting that skill and that creativity back in my game is a big thing I want to focus on," Toews said. "You watch a lot of these young guys who are coming up and getting the opportunity to play right away, they all have the skill, they all have the skating. It's because of days like this where they're out there working on stuff and playing around and just being loose and creative."

"It's going to be fun to get that back into my game. You get better when you're out there working on stuff but especially when you're just having fun."

The CPHL, which plays on Wednesday nights through August at MB Ice Arena, is a non-checking league for pros and elite players. Alex DeBrincat played in an earlier game while Toews and recently departed Hawks Vinnie Hinostroza and Jordan Oesterle were teammates once again.

Of course, Toews will go back to wearing his Blackhawks jersey

in a couple of months when the longest offseason of his career is over and it starts to become clear if last season was an aberration or the new normal.

The loss of goaltender Corey Crawford may have had the biggest impact on the Hawks missing the playoffs for the first time in a decade but it was far from the only issue that contributed to a lost season. The defensive unit seemed to age almost overnight and many players suffered through down years at the same time.

Then there was Toews himself, who had the worst season of his career offensively. His 52 points were only four more than he had in the lockout-shortened 2013 season in 27 fewer games.

"There are a number of problems that were magnified with the way the season went last year," Toews said. "Every player this offseason is focusing on bringing his best early this season. We're all looking at those things that came to the surface last year. We don't want to put ourselves in a situation where we rely on a goaltender as much as we did the previous couple of years."

"And when Corey is ready, and if he's ready to get back to where he was when he left us in December, then we'll be a better team. It's up to us to try to fill those voids while we can."

Toews said he watched more playoff hockey than in past seasons and the extra time off has given his body a much needed rest. He's not a kid anymore, as a couple of milestones make clear. He turned 30 in April, and Wednesday marked the 10th anniversary of the day he was named Hawks' captain.

It's likely there are more

games in his past than in his future.

"It definitely sneaks up on you," he said. "You don't see it coming. For me, it's part of just recapturing that energy, that motivation, excitement and that mindset of a young player who takes nothing for granted, that you had in your younger days. But also carrying the experience with you and understanding the impact for what you say, what you do, how you carry yourself can affect your teammates, especially the young guys."

"For me, it comes down to knowing what to say at the right time. But letting my play be the thing that helps me lead by example. No better time than now to use that experience and that excitement trying to rebound off the season we had last year."

Toews also took time to remember fondly former Blackhawks goalie Ray Emery, who died in a swimming accident Sunday at age 35. They were teammates for two seasons and won a Stanley Cup together in 2013.

"It's still hard to wrap your head around," he said. "Talking to guys Daniel Carcillo and Dave Bolland, guys who were really close to Ray ... I used to live in the same building as him in Chicago, so we'd ride to the rink and the airport together. He was a fun, laid-back, happy-go-lucky guy."

"It's too soon for a great guy and a great teammate. When I do get to get together with some of the guys that we all played with him, we'll definitely talk about him, we'll definitely talk about the good memories we shared."

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BULLS

Back home to rebuild

Haugh, from Page 1

The stars had to align, as Parker pointed out, but this was a case of NBA pragmatism more than basketball kismet.

All the elements exist, sure, and the sentimental journey Sonny and Lola take following Jabari's path as a Bull promises something special for the proud parents. But the polished 23-year-old at the podium Wednesday made clear that the player the Bulls signed to a two-year, \$40 million contract has returned with an edge sharpened by injury and insult, a savvy professional athlete who came home with something to prove.

Asking about fellow Simeon legend Derrick Rose prompted a strong defense of the former Bulls point guard's rightful place in Chicago's basketball history. Probing about the kind of player Parker will be after two knee surgeries produced an answer that suggested the deepest scars were emotional.

"If you didn't see the games this year, then I won't be able to answer the question for you," Parker snapped, referring to his productive 31-game stint to end last season. "But I pretty much showed that."

Parker did, averaging 12.6 points and 4.9 rebounds and, in flashes, resembling the No. 2 overall selection of the 2014 NBA draft. With the edgy way he responded in various interviews, he also showed how much he has changed since the last time so many interested onlookers gathered to listen to Parker address his basketball future.

That was December 2012, and 300 people came to Simeon's gym to see where Parker would play college basketball. Five hats sat on a table in one of those made-for-TV exploitations of teenage athletes carried live on ESPN. A noticeably nervous Parker announced his intentions to attend Duke that day, and the only similarity between him putting on a Blue Devils hat six years ago and posing with a Bulls jersey Thursday was that his parents and Smith attended both events.

"He's an adult now," Sonny said. "I talk to him man to man."

Man to man, Sonny the father can tell Jabari the son that, once you strip away the basketball romance from all this, he has adopted the right mentality. It's business Parker should take personally. It's his career to save over the next nine months.

The Bulls wisely structured the deal to make the second year a team option, making the upcoming 2018-19 season a prove-it scenario for Parker. The contract protects the Bulls and challenges Parker, a shrewd move consistent with the organization's intention to accumulate assets. This can work.

If Parker succeeds as much as he expects, then he can put himself in position to become a central part of the next Bulls team to compete for an Eastern Conference title. If Parker doesn't, for whatever reason, then the Bulls can move on and he will have something in common with Dwyane Wade, who waxed nostalgic on the day he signed with his hometown team too.

"This was 100 percent a basketball decision," Bulls coach Fred Hoiberg said.

Hoiberg sounded excited at the possibilities involving Parker, who will start at small forward but offers enough versatility to play power forward in a pinch. The six players 24 or younger the Bulls have added since trading Jimmy Butler — Lauri Markkanen, Zach LaVine, Kris Dunn, Wendell Carter Jr., Chandler Hutchison and Parker — made Hoiberg happy enough to get carried away and say "we're as athletic as any team in the league."

At some point, Hoiberg will be held responsible for getting that defensively challenged group to guard somebody, but his mood was too good to ruin. Parker's athleticism and footwork most impressed Hoiberg, who became a believer after seeing how Parker performed after the second knee surgery.

"The way he finished last year absolutely answered any questions," Hoiberg said.

If more questions remain, so be it. After an unfulfilling four-year tenure with the Bucks, Parker can deal with doubt as well as he figures to handle the inevitable stress of being in the local spotlight again.

"I don't look at it as a lot of pressure," Parker said. "I just look at it as building new memories."

The old ones remain special. But Parker's past means nothing for his future, a fact Chicago would be wise to realize as well as he does.

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COLLEGE FOOTBALL

Pugh prepared to give Huskies an emotional lift

Back from injury, fiery LB from Bloom eager to spark NIU defense

By SHANNON RYAN
Chicago Tribune

At first, Northern Illinois coach Rod Carey didn't understand the tears.

Even when middle linebacker Kyle Pugh wasn't playing, if the Huskies lost a game Carey would spot Pugh crying in the locker room. He finally called Pugh's father.

"I thought there was something wrong," said Carey, who is entering his sixth season at the helm in DeKalb. "I didn't understand. His dad said, 'Those aren't tears of sadness; those are tears of anger. Any time he gets mad in his life, he cries.'"

It dawned on Carey.

"I love Kyle to death," he said. "He cares."

The Huskies will welcome back Pugh's passion after he

missed all but four games last season with an arm injury, reported as a torn biceps, he suffered in the fourth quarter of a loss at San Diego State.

The redshirt junior's experience will be vital.

Outside linebackers Alex Schwab (graduated) and Jawuan Johnson (transferred to TCU) are gone, and Pugh is expected to start between redshirt junior Antonio Jones-Davis and junior Lance Deveaux Jr.

The 6-foot, 235-pound Pugh left an impression in his shortened season. He recorded 35 tackles in four games, including 17 in the opener against Boston College and 11 in an upset at Nebraska.

"I just want to prove to myself and to the world it wasn't luck," Pugh said Wednesday at NIU's media day in Chicago.

"I earned it. I worked hard for the success I had."

Carey expects the Huskies defense to be as tough as it was last season, when it held oppo-

nents to a school-record 120 rushing yards per game. NIU led the Mid-American Conference in total defense, scoring defense and first-down defense and ranked second nationally in sacks.

"I told them, 'Pressure's on,'" Carey said. "It's that simple. When you're coming off a year where you were that good and with that many guys coming back, can you do it again? Sustaining excellence is the hardest thing in sports to do, and they have that challenge in front of them."

Pugh is eager to take it on.

A Chicago Heights native who was a standout at Bloom, Pugh is noted for his speed. The dreadlocks he has grown since his sophomore year of high school fly out from his helmet.

"Kyle has embraced being really physical," Carey said, comparing him to former NIU standout Boomer Mays. "He's quick sideline to sideline but fast. That speed brings a different element. People can make mistakes, and his speed makes up for it."

Pugh said he's considering trimming his dreadlocks, which hang to his elbows, before the season to keep opponents from yanking on them during games.

"Against San Diego State, they got pulled a lot," he said.

The injury he suffered during that game took a mental toll as well. Carey said Pugh grew distant during his rehabilitation but has had a strong summer with teammates.

Pugh said he feels completely recovered but still feels the effects occasionally.

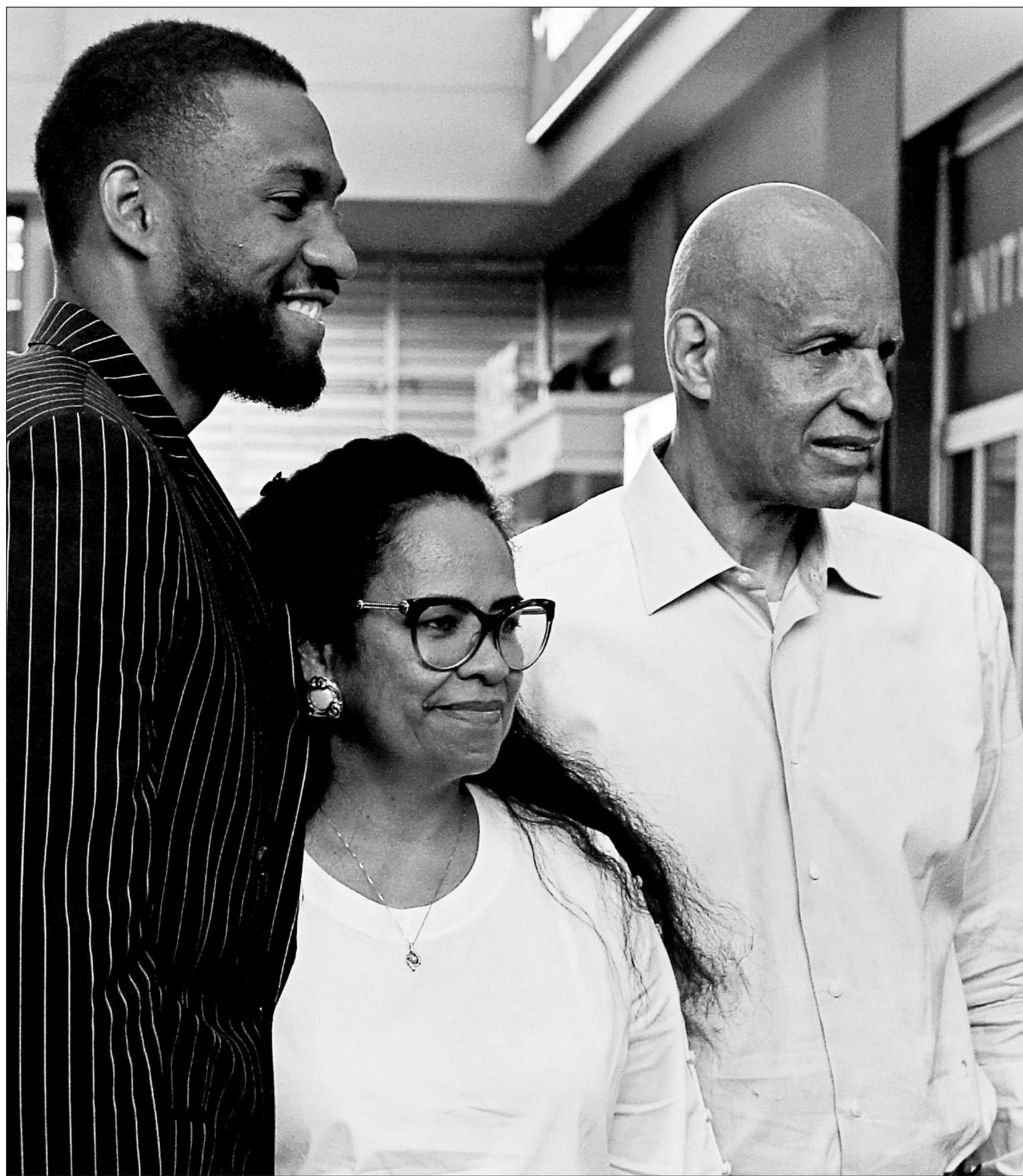
"Initially it hurt," he said. "It was a hit to my pride. I never had to sit out before. ... Sometimes I still feel it and wonder if I'll ever feel like myself again. Coach Carey and my teammates are always encouraging me."

Pugh said he's driven to continue where he left off.

"I want to sustain it for a whole season," he said.

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BULLS



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Jabari Parker, left, was joined at his first Bulls news conference by parents Folola Finau-Parker and Sonny Parker, as well as other family members.

Where he should be

Dad says Parker 'really wanted to play' for Bulls

BY MALIKA ANDREWS
Chicago Tribune

Sonny Parker stood, bit his lip in concentration, positioned his phone vertically and zoomed in to snap a photo of his youngest son holding up a new jersey.

It wasn't the first time the elder Parker has documented his son's basketball journey, from discovering the game as a child to high school stardom and on to the NBA. But this time the father-son moment held a little more significance.

On Wednesday, Sonny sat his 6-foot-6 frame into a folding chair set up at the United Center and watched the Bulls introduce Jabari Parker, a Chicago native, to the franchise.

"In his heart, he really wanted to play here," Sonny told reporters after the news conference. "The food tastes good at home."

Jabari, who comes to the Bulls after four seasons with the Bucks in Milwaukee, grew up playing basketball at the James Jordan Boys and Girls Club just a few blocks from the United Center. He tagged along with Sonny, who was drafted 17th by the Warriors in 1976.

"We did all the drills, and he would just get the ball and get into the drills on his own," Sonny said.



Jabari Parker is all smiles after receiving a No. 2 jersey from Bulls general manager Gar Forman at a news conference Wednesday.

"I never really forced him to participate, never forced him to play basketball. I always said if you want to do this, let's do this; if you don't, let's go home."

Basketball stuck.

Jabari won four state titles and rose to national prominence at Simeon. In 2013 Sonny suffered from high blood pressure, which led to kidney issues that required dialysis three days a week and forced him to miss some of Jabari's games.

Jabari went on to play one year at Duke and was drafted at No. 2 by the Bucks in 2014. The Parker family never sold their home in Chicago. Instead, they purchased another house in Deerfield to make the commute to the Bradley Center in Milwaukee easier.

"Chicago is always home to us," Lola, Jabari's mother, said. "We always came here two or three times a week, so we never really missed Chicago because Milwaukee is just up the street. It's a

beautiful thing to be a part of your home team and having locals — people who followed you from childhood — cheer you on."

Sonny said he isn't worried about his son's fit on the Bulls roster, calling Jabari "a queen on a chessboard" who can play any position. He doesn't believe Jabari's ACL injuries will be a lingering problem and insists his son's mentality will compensate for any changes to his explosiveness or athleticism.

"He's got DNA, man," Sonny said. "That's all I can tell you. You guys are going to see it. He has a different kind of swagger, a different kind of toughness."

"It is not bragging if you can back it up. You know his middle name is Ali? I named him after Muhammad Ali."

Jabari, who was raised Mormon, is the youngest of Sonny and Lola's five children. Both of his older brothers, Christian and Darryl, were in attendance Wednesday, as were Darryl's infant and toddler sons.

While Jabari is the baby of the family, he won't get any special privileges around the Parker household. When he stops by his parents' house, Lola says nothing will change — he will still have to do the dishes and take out the trash.

"He used to be Sonny Parker's son," Sonny said, grinning. "Now I'm Jabari Parker's dad."

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BULLS NOTES

Parker: Rose 'is a legend'

BY K.C. JOHNSON
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Jabari Parker's formative years as a Bulls fan centered more on Derrick Rose than Michael Jordan.

Granted, Parker eventually understood what Jordan and the Bulls' second three-peat meant for the city. But the 23-year-old was born in 1995, meaning he was a newborn and toddler as it happened.

Parker occasionally sat in the United Center as a fan as Rose's career ascended. And their connection moved to include their shared experiences as Simeon stars — and, ultimately, with torn ACLs.

That's why perhaps Parker's most genuine moment Wednesday during his Bulls introductory news conference came when he offered a passionate defense of Rose and his career.

"Derrick had no lows. He didn't. Because he still maintained. Derrick is a legend, no matter what. I don't like how you explained that," Parker said in response to a question about Rose's fall from grace.

"No rise and falls. Injuries are a part of life. Everybody has an injury, either athletics or normal life. Derrick is one of the best players to ever play the game and one of the best icons of Chicago. He accomplished his duty already."

Parker's words didn't surprise Simeon's Robert Smith, who coached both players.

"Jabari respects Derrick to the utmost," Smith said. "Once you put the Simeon jersey on, you're family. Injuries are part of life. How soon we forget (Rose) was the (NBA) rookie of the year and youngest to ever be MVP. All the memories we had in this building. He's one of the best players to ever come out of Simeon and the city of Chicago. So we're all going to respect what he has going on."

In fact, Parker and Smith both said there's something to be learned from Rose's perseverance, which included him signing minimum deals to stay in the NBA after four knee surgeries. Rose re-signed with the Timberwolves this off-season after playing well during the first-round playoff series against the Rockets, averaging 14.2 points in 23.8 minutes.

"For him to still be playing and not give up is big," Smith said. "Right now, with the injuries, maybe the role he has is great for him. I was really proud of the way he performed in the playoffs."

Roster roulette: Antonio Blakeney's offensive acumen is about to be rewarded. The Bulls plan to sign Blakeney to a minimum, two-year deal Thursday, sources said.

The deal will bring the Bulls' roster to 14 guaranteed contracts and likely end their significant offseason business.

Blakeney, who spent last season with the Bulls on a two-way contract, has become somewhat of a fan favorite for his quick scoring bursts. He averaged 7.9 points in 16.5 minutes over 19 games with the Bulls and earned G League rookie of the year honors.

Blakeney still might spend some development time in the G League with the Windy City Bulls because he projects to be the third point guard. But he also could be used in an "instant offense" role if the Bulls are struggling to score some nights.

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Parker getting chance to play with Bulls 'a dream come true'

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something that's out of the norm. Nobody does that. I want to always remember the setbacks and failures that I've had in my career and use that as motivation. Whenever I do something that sets me back, I always look at it as an opportunity to get better."

The Bulls believe they got better Saturday. That's when they signed Parker to a two-year, \$40 million deal that contains a team option.

On Wednesday, it became clear Parker's perseverance to overcome adversity contributed to the Bulls' belief. And while such well-worn wisdom doesn't win basketball games, the character needed to persevere fits in an

organization that long has valued such traits.

And the Bulls think Parker can play a little too.

"He's the type of guy who can get you 20 points without having to run a play for him," executive vice president John Paxson said. "Those are important pieces to building a team. There's great opportunity in this."

Coach Fred Hoiberg was so excited by Parker's signing that, at one point, 30 plays featuring Parker were on the greaseboard in his office.

It's Hoiberg's job to incorporate Parker's offensive versatility into a young team that still needs to prove Kris Dunn, Zach LaVine and Lauri Markkanen can form chemistry.

"The thing I really like about Jabari is he can play multiple positions," Hoiberg said. "He's a true combo forward. If you look at his skill set and the way it's developed over his career and his 3-point percentage has gone up, it's exciting."

"He can get out and run. He's an explosive finisher. He does a lot of things that translate to the way we want to play."

After averaging 15.3 points over four seasons for the Bucks, Parker's arrival will only heighten expectations for a fun season offensively for Hoiberg's Bulls.

As for defense, both Parker and LaVine have had issues with off-the-ball awareness during their careers. And with Parker slated to play small forward, both

often will be matched against dynamic wing players.

But Hoiberg said both players possess the athletic footwork needed to thrive in a new system predicated more on switching screens.

"Being a part of this team and this new unit is something I admire," Parker said. "We're the same age. We're going to build friendships on and off the court — that's what it's about."

"Once we grow closer, we get better as a team. We can build memories, and that's what I'm looking forward to (doing)."

Growing up on the city's South Side, Parker has plenty of memories of Derrick Rose's Bulls. He created his own memories by following in Rose's footsteps at

Simeon, where he won four state championships.

Parker said he received interest from other teams in free agency, but once the Bulls showed interest his choice was made.

"The stars aligned," he said. "It just fit perfectly."

When the contract became official, Robert Smith, who coached both Rose and Parker at Simeon, had a message for the new Bull.

"I told him, 'Welcome home,' " Smith said, standing inside the atrium. "And he was like, 'Well, I never really left.' He has just always wanted to represent for his city."

NBA

Leonard dealt to Raptors

BY TIM REYNOLDS
Associated Press

The Kawhi Leonard saga in San Antonio is over. So is DeMar DeRozan's time in Toronto.

An NBA summer blockbuster got pulled off Wednesday, with the Spurs sending Leonard to the Raptors as part of a four-player deal that has DeRozan heading to San Antonio. The Spurs also got center Jakob Poeltl and a 2019 protected first-round draft pick, while the Raptors acquired sharpshooter Danny Green.

For Leonard and the Spurs, there's finally closure to a relationship that seemed fractured beyond repair and played out like a soap opera as the season went along. But in the end, Spurs coach Gregg Popovich — insisting that looking back at what happened would not be worth his time, and that Leonard was a good teammate throughout his tenure with the Spurs.

"Kawhi, obviously, worked very hard to

become the player he is," Popovich said in San Antonio, a couple of hours after the trade became official when the teams got approval on the terms from the NBA. "Our staff worked very hard to help him get there."

Leonard was the 2014 NBA Finals MVP and had been with the Spurs for seven seasons, averaging 16.3 points, though was limited to just nine games last season because of a leg injury. DeRozan has been in the league for nine years, all of them with the Raptors, and is a career 19.7 point-per-game scorer.

DeRozan's initial reaction seemed to be one of anger and frustration.

"Ain't no loyalty in this game," DeRozan wrote in an Instagram story that appeared in the wee hours Wednesday, around the time that ESPN and Yahoo Sports reported that the trade was approaching the imminent stage, several hours before it was finalized. "Sell you out quick for a little bit of nothing."

IN BRIEF SOCCER

Fire advance to U.S. Open Cup semis

Tribune news services

First-half goals by Nemanja Nikolic and Aleksandar Katai gave the Fire a lead they wouldn't lose as they beat Louisville City of the United Soccer League 4-0 on Wednesday at Toyota Park.

Diego Campos and Elliot Collier also scored for the Fire, who outshot Louisville City 17-10. The Fire advanced to the U.S. Open Cup semifinals.

BASEBALL: RHP Stephen Strasburg will come off the disabled list and start for the Nationals on Friday against the Braves. He has been out since June 10 with inflammation in his throwing shoulder. Also expected to return is 1B Ryan Zimmerman, who has been sidelined since May 10 with a strained side muscle. ... The White Sox optioned OF Charlie Tilson to Triple-A Charlotte. Tilson, a New Trier product, batted .264 with 11 RBIs in 41 games.

COLLEGES: Michigan basketball coach John Beilein agreed to a contract extension through the 2022-23 season. ... Former Evansville basketball coach Marty Simmons has joined the Clemson staff as an assistant to Tigers coach Brad Brownell. ... Coastal Carolina coach Cliff Ellis will have the basketball court at NAIA program Cumberland University, where he began his coaching career in 1973, named in his honor. ... Tennessee sophomore OL Trey

Smith, a second-team All-SEC pick, was cleared for fall practice after being held out of spring drills because of an undisclosed medical condition. ... Ohio State wide receivers coach Zach Smith was charged with misdemeanor criminal trespass stemming from a May 12 dispute with his ex-wife. Smith was never arrested and pleaded not guilty to the charge last month.

NFL: CB Darrelle Revis, who played eight of his 11 NFL seasons with the Jets, announced on social media that he is retiring. A four-time All-Pro selection, Revis was a member of the Patriots' 2014 championship team. ... Titans DL Jurrell Casey plans to protest during the national anthem this season even if it means getting a fine. Titans officials had no immediate response. ... A federal judge denied a request from the NFL to appoint a special investigator to look into what the league says is extensive fraudulent claims on its \$1 billion concussion settlement.

ALSO: Allie Quigley scored 18 points, but the Storm countered with a combined 50 points and 19 rebounds from Breanna Stewart and Jewell Loyd to defeat the Sky 101-83. The Sky are 7-16. ... F Chris Tierney re-signed with the Sharks after a season in which he set career highs in nearly every major statistical category. ... Hall of Fame jockey Manny Yezza died of pneumonia and sepsis. He was 80.

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Boston	68	30	.694	—	9-1	W-2	34-13	34-17
New York	62	33	.653	4½	6-4	L-1	33-13	29-20
Tampa Bay	49	47	.510	18	6-4	L-1	26-17	23-30
Toronto	43	52	.453	23½	3-7	L-2	24-25	19-27
Baltimore	28	69	.289	39½	4-6	W-2	16-33	12-36

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Cleveland	52	43	.547	—	4-6	W-1	31-19	21-24
Minnesota	44	50	.468	7½	8-2	W-1	29-22	15-28
Detroit	41	57	.418	12½	3-7	W-1	25-23	16-34
Chicago	33	62	.347	19	3-7	W-1	19-29	14-33
Kansas City	27	68	.284	25	2-8	L-1	11-35	16-33

WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Houston	64	35	.646	—	6-4	L-1	32-21	32-14
Seattle	58	39	.598	5	3-7	L-4	31-17	27-22
Oakland	55	42	.567	8	7-3	W-2	24-21	31-21
Los Angeles	49	48	.505	14	5-5	L-1	24-23	25-25
Texas	41	56	.423	22	3-7	L-2	19-28	22-28

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Philadelphia	53	42	.558	—	5-5	L-2	30-16	23-26
Atlanta	52	42	.553	½	3-7	W-1	25-20	27-22
Washington	48	48	.500	5½	5-5	W-1	22-24	26-24
Miami	41	57	.418	13½	5-5	W-2	23-28	18-29
New York	39	55	.415	13½	4-6	L-1	19-32	20-23

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Chicago	55	38	.591	—	7-3	W-3	28-15	27-23
Milwaukee	55	43	.561	2½	2-8	L-6	30-18	25-25
St. Louis	48	46	.511	7½	5-5	W-1	24-24	24-22
Pittsburgh	48	49	.495	9	8-2	W-6	29-24	19-25
Cincinnati	43	53	.448	13½	6-4	L-1	21-26	22-27

WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Los Angeles	53	43	.552	—	6-4	W-1	28-24	25-19
Arizona	53	44	.546	½	5-5	L-1	26-23	27-21
Colorado	51	45	.531	2	8-2	W-5	23-23	28-22
San Francisco	50	48	.510	4	5-5	L-2	31-19	19-29
San Diego	40	59	.404	14½	2-8	L-5	20-31	20-28

PROBABLE PITCHING MATCHUP

NATIONAL LEAGUE	TEAM	PITCHER	TIME	2018 TEAM W-L	ERA	REC	LAST 3 STARTS W-L	IP	ERA
NL	Martinez (R)		6:05p	6-5	3.18	9-7	2-1	18.0	3.00
Cubs	Hendricks (R)			6-8	3.92	7-12	1-0	18.1	2.45

Team rec: Team's record in games started by today's pitcher.
vs. Opp: Pitcher's record versus this opponent, 2018 statistics.

AL LEADERS	ERA	GS	IP	W	L	ERA	NL LEADERS	ERA	GS	IP	W	L	ERA
Sale, Bos	20	129.0	10	4	2.23	deGrom, NY	19	123.1	5	4	1.68		
Bauer, Cle	20	136.1	8	6	2.24	Nola, Phi	20	129.0	12	3	2.30		
Snell, TB	20	119.0	12	5	2.27	Scherzer, Was	20	134.2	12	5	2.41		
Verlander, Hou	21	137.2	9	5	2.29	Lester, Chic	19	111.2	12	2	2.58		
Severino, NY	20	128.1	14	2	2.31	Foltynewicz, Atl	18	101.2	7	5	2.66		
Cole, Hou	20	128.1	10	2	2.52	Mikolas, STL	19	119.1	10	3	2.79		
Skaggs, LA	17	98.0	7	5	2.57	Freeland, Col	19	115.2	8	6	3.11		
Kluber, Cle	20	133.2	12	5	2.76	Greinke, Ari	20	121.2	10	5	3.18		
Morton, Hou	19	112.1	11	2	2.96	Arieta, Phi	18	103.0	7	6	3.23		
Gonzales, Sea	19	113.1	10	5	3.41	deGrom, NY	19	123.1	5	4	1.68		

HOME RUNS	TEAM	PLAYER	HR	ERA	HOME RUNS	TEAM	PLAYER	HR	ERA
Martinez, BOS	29	Machado, LA	65	deGrom, NY	24	Story, COL	68		
Ramirez, CLE	29	Bogaerts, BOS	64	Arenado, COL	23	Gennett, CIN	63		
Judge, NY	25	KDavis, OAK	64	Harper, WAS	23	HITS			
Lindor, CLE	25	Gattis, HOU	63	Muncy, LA	22	Markakis, ATL	120		
Trout, LA	25	HITS		Goldschmidt, Ari	21	Gennett, CIN	115		
Machado, LA	24	Altuve, HOU	129	Albies, ATL	20	Albies, ATL	114		
Betts, BOS	23	Segura, SEA	120	Story, COL	20	Freeman, ATL	114		
Stanton, NY	23	Rosario, MIN	117	Castro, MIA	112	DOUBLETS			
BATTING AVERAGE		Martinez, BOS	116	Gennett, CIN	326	Albies, ATL	29		
Betts, BOS	.359	Castellanos, DET	115	Markakis, ATL	323	Albies, ATL	29		
Altuve, HOU	.332	Machado, LA	115	Almora, CHI	319	Markakis, ATL	28		
Martinez, BOS	.328	DOUBLETS		Freeman, ATL	315	Carpenter, STL	28		
Segura, SEA	.323	Escobar, MIN	35	Suarez, CIN	312	TRIPLES			
Duffy, TB	.317	Bregman, HOU	31	Arenado, COL	312	KMartz, Ari	114		
Machado, LA	.315	Lindor, CLE	30	Albies, ATL	310	CTaylor, LA	8		
Simmons, LA	.313	Merrifield, KC	30	Dickerson, PIT	306	Baez, CHI	6		
Rosario, MIN	.311	TRIPLES		Aguilar, Mil	298	Nimmo, NY	6		
Trout, LA	.310	Sanchez, SEA	9	Parrs, COL	297	STOLEN BASES			
Gurriel, HOU	.310	Hernandez, TOR	6	RUNS		SMarte, PIT	25		
RUNS		Albies, ATL	74	Albies, ATL	74	MTaylor, WAS	24		
Lindor, CLE	85	Gordon, SEA	22	Blackmon, COL	73	Inciarte, ATL	23		
Betts, BOS	79	Anderson, CHI	21	Arenado, COL	63	STRIKEOUTS			
Martinez, BOS	72	STRIKEOUTS		Hernandez, Phi	63	Scherzer, WAS	182		
Trout, LA	71	Sale, BOS	188	Baez, CHI	61	Corbin, Ari	149		
RBI		Cole, HOU	177	Goldschmidt, Ari	61	deGrom, NY	149		
Martinez, BOS	80	Bauer, CLE	175	RBI		Nola, Phi	131		
Ramirez, CLE	70	Verlander, HOU	172	Baez, CHI	72	Gray, COL	125		
Haniger, SEA	67	Paxton, SEA	155	Suarez, CIN	71	Greinke, Ari	124		
Encarnacion, CLE	65	through All-Star Break		Aguilar, MIL	70	through All-Star Break			

AL 8, NL 6 (10)

TUESDAY'S RESULT

TEAM	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Betts rf	3	0	0	0	2	.000
Brantley lf	2	0	1	1	0	.500
Altuve 2b	3	0	1	0	1	.333
Lowe 2b	2	0	0	0	0	.000
Trout cf	2	1	1	1	0	.500
Haniger rf	2	0	0	0	1	.000
Martinez dh	2	0	1	0	1	.500
b-Cruz ph-dh	0	0	0	0	0	.267
f-Choo ph-dh	2	1	1	0	0	.500
Ramirez 3b	2	0	0	0	1	.000
c-Bregman ph-3b	3	1	1	1	1	.333
Judge lf	2	1	1	1	0	.500
Springer cf	2	0	0	0	2	1.000
Machado ss	2	0	0	0	0	.000
d-Lindor ph-ss	1	0	0	0	0	.000
g-Segura ph-ss	2	2	2	3	0	1.000
Abreu 1b	2	0	0	0	1	.000
Moreland 1b	3	0	2	0	1	.667
Perez c	2	0	0	0	2	.000
Gomes c	3	0	0	0	2	.000
TOTALS	42	8	13	8	13	

NL	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Baez 2b	3	0	1	0	0	.333
Albies 2b	1	0	0	0	0	.000
b-Gennett ph-2b	1	0	0	0	1	.000
Arenado 3b	2	0	0	0	1	.000
Suarez 3b	1	0	0	0	1	.000
Goldschmidt dh	1	0	0	0	1	.000
a-Molina ph-dh	2	2	2	1	2	1.000
e-Aguilar ph-dh	2	0	0	0	0	.000
Freeman 1b	2	0	0	0	0	.000
Votto 1b	3	1	1	1	0	.333
Kemp lf	2	0	0	0	2	.000
Yelich lf	3	1	1	1	1	.333
Harper cf	2	0	0	0	2	.000
Blackmon cf	3	0	0	0	1	.000
Markakis rf	1	0	0	0	0	.000
Cain rf	3	0	0	0	1	.000
Crawford ss	2	0	0	0	2	.000
Story ss	2	1	1	1	1	.500
Contreras c	2	1	1	1	0	.500
Reutimann c	0	3	0	0	0	.000
TOTALS	37	6	7	6	12	

a-flied out for Goldschmidt in the 5th. b-walked for Martinez in the 6th. c-out on fielder's choice for Ramirez in the 6th. d-flied out for Machado in the 6th. e-popped out for Molina in the 7th. f-singled for Cruz in the 8th. g-homered for Lindor in the 8th. h-homered for Albiez in the 9

SCOREBOARD

CALENDAR

TEAM	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUE	WED
	STL 6:05 ESPN AM-670	STL 1:20 NBCSCH AM-670	STL (2) Noon, WGN, 6:15, FOX AM-670	STL 1:20 ABC-7 AM-670	ARI 7:05 NBCSCH AM-670	ARI 7:05 WGN-9 AM-670	ARI 1:20 NBCSCH AM-670
		@SEA 9:10 WGN-9 AM-720	@SEA 9:10 NBCSCH AM-720	@SEA 3:10 WGN-9 AM-720	@LAA 9:07 NBCSCH+ AM-720	@LAA 9:07 NBCSCH AM-720	@LAA 9:07 NBCSCH AM-720
			TOR 6 ESPN+ AM-1200				
		DAL 8 WCIU-26.2		LA 5 WCIU-26.2			@PHO 2:30

THURSDAY ON TV/RADIO

MLB
6:05 p.m. Cardinals at Cubs ESPN, WSCR-AM 670

MINOR LEAGUE BASEBALL
6 p.m. Pawtucket at Charlotte NBCSCH

WNBA
7 p.m. Mystics at Wings ESPN2

CYCLING
5:30 a.m. Tour de France Stage 12 NBCSN

EXTREME SPORTS
9 p.m. X Games ESPN

GOLF
8:30 a.m. British Open Golf Channel (more, 12:30 a.m. Fri.)

4 p.m. PGA Barbasol Championship Golf Channel

WORLD LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIP
10 a.m. Semifinal 1 ESPNU

1 p.m. Semifinal 2 ESPNU

MARTIAL ARTS
8 p.m. Professional Fighters League Unidale NBCSN

TENNIS
5 a.m. ATP Bastad, ATP Newport Tennis Channel

TENNIS

HALL OF FAME OPEN
Wang Yafan d.
#7 Pauline Parmentier, 7-6 (0), 3-0 ret.
#8 Polona Hercog d.
Irina Bara, 7-5, 6-2

SKISTAR SWEDISH OPEN
#3 in Bastad, Sweden; clay-outdoor
Simone Bolelli d.
#1 Diego Schwartzman, 7-6 (8), 6-3
#2 Pablo Carreno Busta d.
Thiago Monteiro, 6-4, 6-3
#5 Fernando Verdasco d.
Pedro Sousa, 6-3, 6-2.
Henri Laaksonen d.
Matteo Berrettini, 6-2

CROATIA OPEN
#3 in Umag, Croatia; clay-outdoor
#3 Marco Cecchinato d.
Jiri Vesely, 2-6, 7-5, 7-5
Dusan Lajovic d.
#5 Albert Ramos-Vinolas, 6-3, 1-6, 6-0
Laslo Djere d.
#9 Maximilian Marterer, 7-6 (4), 6-3
Guido Pella d.
Aljaz Bedene, 5-7, 6-4, 6-4

ATP WORLD TOUR SCHEDULE
H-hard, C-clay, G-grass, I-indoor, O-outdoor
July 23-29: German Championships, Hamburg, CO
July 23-29: BB&T Atlanta Open, HO
July 23-29: J. Safra Sarasin Swiss Open Gstaad, CO
WTA SCHEDULE
July 23-29: Moscow River Cup, RCO
July 23-29: Jiangxi Open, Nanchang, China, HO

BUCHAREST OPEN
#1 Anastasija Sevastova d.
Arantxa Rus, 6-1, 7-5
#2 Mihaela Buzarnescu d.
Tamara Zidansek, 6-3, 7-5

WEDNESDAY'S RESULTS
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Minnesota 89, Indiana 65
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Dallas at SKY, 8
Seattle at Connecticut, 6
Indiana at Los Angeles, 9:30

SEA FG-A FTA PTKY FG-A FTA PT
Bird 3-7 0-0 6SDshds 5-11 3-5 14
Clark 5-9 1-2 14Dolson 7-9 0-0 14
Hwrd 4-10 2-2 11Ogleby 6-10 2-2 18
Loyd 8-15 2-2 20Vndrs15-12 0-2 11
Stwrt 10-16 6-7 30Williams 1-4 0-0 2
Canada 1-0 0-0 2Coates 2-4 0-0 2
Lnghrne 4-5 1-1 9Coates 10-2 2-2 14
M-Lewis 1-2 2-2 4Harper 1-3 0-0 2
Paris 0-1 0-0 0Ndour 1-5 2-2 4
Russell 1-0 0 2Parker 0-1 0-0 0
Whitcomb 1-3 0-0 3
Totals 38-71 14-16 Totals 33-69 9-10

SOCCER

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

EASTERN W L T PT GF GA

Atlanta 12 4 5 41 43 24

N.Y. City FC 12 4 4 40 40 24

N.Y. Red Bulls 11 5 2 35 37 19

Columbus 8 7 6 30 24 25

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WEDNESDAY'S RESULT

Minnesota 2, New England 1

SATURDAY'S SCHEDULE

Toronto FC at Fire, 6

D.C. United at Atlanta, 2:30

Vancouver at Seattle, 3

LA Galaxy at Philadelphia, 6

New England at N.Y. Red Bulls, 6

Orlando City at Columbus, 6:30

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Colorado at Real Salt Lake, 9

Montreal at Portland, 10

U.S. OPEN CUP

WEDNESDAY'S QUARTERFINALS

Fire (MLS) 4, Louisville City (USL) 0

Philadelphia (MLS) 1, Orlando City (MLS) 0

Houston (MLS) 4, Sporting KC (MLS) 2

Los Angeles FC (MLS) 3, Portland (MLS) 2

NATIONAL WOMEN'S SOCCER

CLUB W L T PTS GF GA

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Seattle 8 4 5 29 19 14

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North Carolina at Utah, 9

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Seattle at Orlando, 2:30

Houston at Washington, 6

Portland at Sky Blue FC, 6

MLS LEADERS

PLAYER, TEAM GOALS

Josef Martinez, ATL 19

Bradley Wright-Phillips, NYR 12

Zlatan Ibrahimovic, LA 11

Gyasi Zardes, CLB 11

Teal Bunbury, NE 10

Danny Hoesen, SJ 10

Ignacio Platti, MTL 10

PLAYER, TEAM SAVES

Evan Bush, MTL 84

David Bingham, LA 72

Andre Blake, PHI 70

Stefan Frei, SEA 66

Tyler Miller, LFC 66

Richard Sanchez, CHI 65

Sean Johnson, NYC 63

Tim Melia, KC 63

through Tuesday

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

White Sox: Optioned OF Charlie Tilsont to Charlotte (IL).

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Cincinnati: Placed OF Scott Schebler on the 10-day DL, retroactive to July 15.

BASKETBALL

NATIONAL BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

San Antonio: Traded F Kawhi Leonard and G-F Danny Green to Toronto for G DeMar DeRozan, C Jakob Poeltl and a protected 2019 first-round draft pick.

FOOTBALL

NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE

Baltimore: Promoted Ron Medlin to head certified athletic trainer and Joey Cleary to college and pro scout. Named Bobby Vega East area scout.

Cincinnati: Placed DE Gaelin Elmore on the reserve/retired list.

Kansas City: CB Darrelle Revis announced his retirement.

HOCKEY

NATIONAL HOCKEY LEAGUE

Arizona: Acquired D Jacob Graves and a conditional 2019 sixth-round draft pick from Columbus for F Ryan MacInnis.

Los Angeles: Signed D Alex Lintunmiemi to a one-year contract.

San Jose: Re-signed F Chris Tierney to a two-year contract.

SOCCER

MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER

MLS: Suspended Real Salt Lake coach Mike Petke one-game for an on-field misconduct during a match against Minnesota United FC on July 14. This suspension is in addition to the one-game suspension as a result of being ejected from the game.

ULTIMATE FIGHTING CHAMPIONSHIP

US Anti-Doping Agency: Announced UFC fighter Anderson Silva accepted a one-year sanction for his second anti-doping violation after testing positive for prohibited substances from a contaminated supplement.

COLLEGE

Michigan: Agreed to terms with men's basketball coach John Beilein on a contract extension through the 2022-23 season.

Nebraska: Named Ron Brown director of player development for football.

CYCLING: TOUR DE FRANCE

Wednesday: 11th Stage: At La Rosiere, France: A 67-mile leg from Albertville to La Rosiere:

1. Geraint Thomas, Britain, Team Sky, 3:29:36.

2. Tom Dumoulin, Netherlands, Team Sunweb, :20 behind.

3. Chris Froome, Britain, Team Sky, same time.

4. Damiano Caruso, Italy, BMC Racing Team, :22.

5. Mikel Nieve, Spain, Mitchelton-Scott, same time.

6. Steven Kruijswijk, Netherlands, LottoNL-Jumbo, 2:40.

7. Mikel Landa, Spain, Movistar, 2:56.

8. Romain Bardet, France, AG2R La Mondiale, 2:58.

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32. Ryan Dunne, United States, Keegan Bradley, United States, 9:43 a.m.-4:42 a.m.

33. Ryan Armour, United States, Abraham Ancer, United States, Mashiro Kawamura, Japan, 9:54 a.m.-4:53 a.m.

34. Jazz Janewattananon, Thailand, Fabrizio Zanotti, Paraguay, Jordan Smith, England, 10:05 a.m.-5:04 a.m.

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BASEBALL



NANCY STONE/CHICAGO TRIBUNE

Jenny the Juggler entertains fans outside Fenway Park as part of a street festival before a game between the Cubs and the Red Sox in Boston on April 28, 2017.

Neighborhood fun

Areas around Fenway, Wrigley offer complete experience for fans

BY MARK GONZALES, PAUL SULLIVAN, PHIL ROGERS, COLLEEN KANE, PHIL THOMPSON, TEDDY GREENSTEIN, TIM BANNON | Chicago Tribune

For fans, the baseball experience isn't limited to what happens inside the gates. Earlier this year, we ranked MLB's ballparks. Now we rank the neighborhoods around the stadiums — some residential, some commercial ... and some parking lots.

1. Fenway Park. They renamed Yawkey Way, but the streetfest outside the park before games is a must-attend party and gives Fenway a slight edge over Wrigley's neighborhood bar scene. Italian sausage, lobster rolls, live music, beer — it's all good. If only the Cubs were able to replicate it on Sheffield and Waveland.

2. Wrigley Field. The Big Three — Murphy's, Cubby Bear and Bernie's — have much more competition than in the old days. None of the new joints can match their tradition. Nisei Lounge remains a bro-free alternative. Rooftops are still popular, but the "cool factor" left when the Cubs gobbled up the neighborhood. Gallagher Way (formerly The Park at Wrigley) is OK for kids.

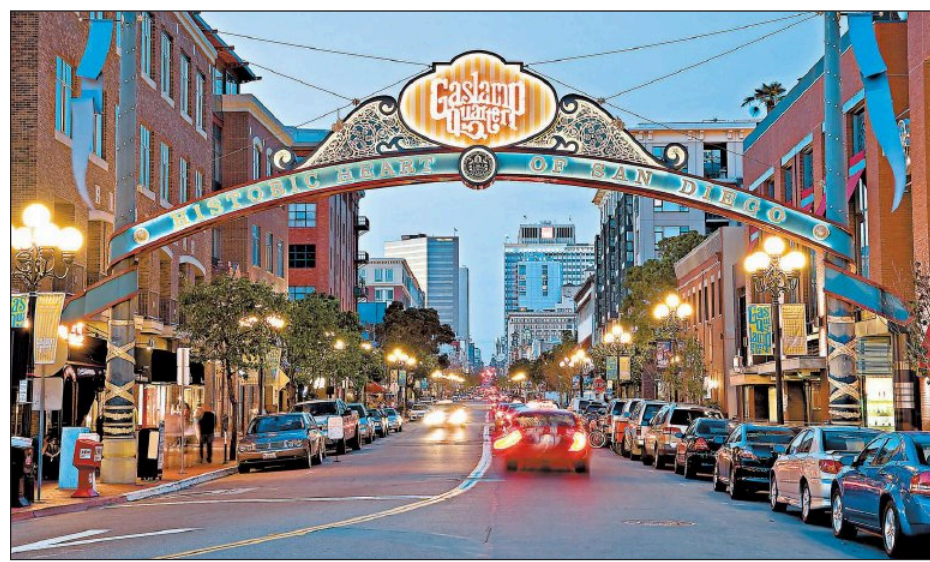
3. Petco Park. Since Petco opened in 2004, the Gaslamp District in San Diego has blossomed into a booming area of quality restaurants and bars. It's heaven for craft-beer lovers, with local breweries such as Ballast Point, Societe, Green Flash and Stone highlighting menus. The Stone Brewing Tap Room is nearby, and Mission Brewery is next to Petco's tailgate lot.

4. SunTrust Park. The Braves were criticized for heading to the suburbs, but the marriage between their park and the adjacent multiuse development, the Battery Atlanta, is proving to be a hit with fans. Traffic in the infamous Cumberland Corridor can be a drawback of going to games, so leave early and enjoy yourself at good restaurants (try Terrapin Taproom, featuring Fox Bros. Bar-B-Q, combines Athens beer with Atlanta brisket) and shops.

5. AT&T Park. The San Francisco neighborhood has blossomed around Major League Baseball's best venue. Mo-Mo's bar and grill remains a hot spot across the street on the third-base side. The biggest upgrade is The Yard at Mission Rock, a shipping-container village across from McCovey Cove that features a restaurant and beer garden.

6. Safeco Field. It's a 30-minute walk from Seattle's Pike Place Market, and it seems as if there's something great to eat or see every step along the way. The area around the park has grown vibrant since the Mariners moved here. The game-day buzz is especially strong on sunny days, and it's not just because fans are caffeinated. Food trucks line up at CenturyLink Field, the adjoining football stadium.

7. Target Field. Downtown Minneapolis is a fun place to be, especially the North Loop area near the Twins' park. Three breweries, including Fulton, are located just around the corner from the stadium. The Loon Cafe offers terrific



JOHN BAHU/SAN DIEGO TOURISM AUTHORITY

The Gaslamp District outside Petco Park in San Diego has several restaurants and bars.

chili. First Avenue, one of the best music venues in the country, is a few blocks away, as is the Farmers Market. At the park, check out the statues of former Twins.

8. Coors Field. Credit Denver's beautiful ballpark for introducing LoDo — Lower Downtown — to our vocabulary. It's a historic neighborhood near the South Platte River and has become known for its nightlife.

9. PNC Park. Get a room at the Renaissance and request the top (14th) floor to get a dynamite view of the Pirates' park. Walk the Roberto Clemente Bridge over the Allegheny River to one of a dozen restaurants within a Willie Stargell home run of the park.

10. Orioles Park at Camden Yards. Everything about this place was praised when it opened back in 1992 but some areas near the ballpark already are looking frayed. That said, there's only one Babe Ruth birthplace and museum, and it's a short walk from the ballpark that started the retro trend in stadium building. So is the Inner Harbor, with great seafood spots like Phillips and the National Aquarium.

11. Progressive Field. No city has gotten more of an upgrade from a new ballpark after abandoning Cleveland Stadium — the Mistake by the Lake — in 1994. The ballpark is in downtown Cleveland, next to Quicken Loans Arena, and the area has perked up in the last decade. East 4th Street is such a happening place at happy hour that the Indians start early season night games at 6:10.

12. Great American Ball Park. Crammed between the riverfront and Interstate 71, with the team's Hall of Fame museum and concert hall U.S. Bank Arena on either side. Stay downtown and walk to the park, and you'll see vendors selling an array of items from Pete Rose T-shirts to W flags. There are plenty of hotels within walking distance of the ballpark, including a new Marriott property across the street.

13. Busch Stadium. Before building what is now known as Gallagher Way, Cubs officials visited St. Louis' Ballpark Village. Fortunately they learned from the Cardinals' mistakes. Ballpark Village features a 34,000-square-foot bar and restaurant, but the rest of it is has the feel of an indoor mall full of sufficient restaurants that lack culture. Lots of multi-level parking structures within a few blocks of the stadium.

14. Chase Field. A solar shade pavilion at the left field entrance provides relief for fans battling the sweltering heat. The Metro light rail serves as a convenient alternative to parking in one of several multi-level parking structures around the park. Many restaurants and bars reside between Chase Field and Talking Stick Resort Arena — home of the NBA Suns.

15. Rogers Centre. With the CN Tower overhead, the Toronto Harbourfront a short walk away and dozens of restaurants and hotels nearby, the setting for the Rogers Centre is among the busiest in MLB. Pregame activities could include a trip to the nearby Hockey Hall of Fame or a beer at the Marriott bar with windows into the ballpark.

16. Nationals Park. The country's best subway system has yet to adjust its schedules to the lengthy games that often force fans to leave games early. Virtually all the pre-and-post game entertainment is along Half St. SE, which runs from the Navy Yard-Ballpark Metro station to the ballpark.

17. Comerica Park. The ballpark is a key part of downtown Detroit's impressive revitalization — so the surrounding area is one of the most fascinating in all of baseball. Nestled among several historic venues in the entertainment district, the Fox Theatre, The Fillmore and Detroit Opera House. About a 10-minute walk from the park, Greektown's home to a lively nightlife, including a casino.

18. Citizens Bank Park. There's ample parking where Veterans Stadium once resided — between the subway's orange line and Citizens Bank Park. Xfinity Live is a sports and entertainment venue across the street that is often buzzing several hours after games that includes the Broad Street Bullies Pub — named in honor of the NHL Flyers' two Stanley Cup titles in 1974 and 1975.

19. Miller Park. There's nothing within walking distance of the parking lots, but the traditional pregame tailgating parties give Miller a unique feel — and smell. Plenty of neighborhood taverns in Milwaukee for postgame partying, but good luck getting out of there if you don't leave early.

20. Dodger Stadium. Before selling the Dodgers, owner Frank McCourt had plans for a housing and shopping complex on one of the spacious parking lots. But McCourt sold the team, and Dodger Stadium is one of the few baseball ven-

ues where no tailgating is allowed. The Dodgers do provide bus services from the downtown Amtrak station to the ballpark. The Short Stop, located one-half mile from Dodger Stadium, has been renovated and remains a pit stop for fans.

21. Guaranteed Rate Field. Remember when former Gov. Jim Thompson vowed to save McCuddy's and buy the first round? Well, we do. The classic Sox fan hangout was knocked down with old Comiskey Park and never replaced. Your best bet is the short drive to Maria's Packaged Goods and Community Bar, over by there at 31st and Morgan.

22. Globe Life Park. The office-park-like setting with a small lake, creek and walking paths is pleasant enough, but especially in the heat, a car is required to reach pregame food and drink options. Most of those are chains and leave a craving for Texas flavor.

23. Yankee Stadium. Hearing "the Bronx" might make timid Chicagoans clutch their wallet or purse a little tighter, but there's appeal outside the House that Jeter Built. Stroll down Babe Ruth Plaza, order a New York Strip at NYY Steak or check out the shorties at Heritage Field, site of the old Stadium.

24. Citi Field. If you're into mufflers or airplane exhaust fumes, you'll love the area around Citi Field. For real, you could stroll to the USTA Billie Jean King National Tennis Center if the U.S. Open is in session or check out the site of the 1964 New York World's Fair.

25. Minute Maid Park. The B.U.S. and Home Plate Bar and Grill across the street are the only places to go wait out traffic, and the atmosphere is akin to drinking inside an airplane hangar. And this is not exactly a neighborhood to be walking around late at night anyway.

26. Oakland Coliseum. The Coliseum is easy to hate, but it's at least an experience. The industrial setting as you arrive on BART is jarring, but points for a public transportation stop. The sprawling parking lots aren't pretty, but you might encounter some delightfully nutty fans.

27. Angel Stadium. Few stadium locales feel more suburban — and not in a nice, quaint way. The local hotels stocked with Disneyland-bound families and the vast expanse of parking lots and highways surrounding the stadium make you wonder whether you should have gone to Newport Beach instead.

28. Kauffman Stadium. Nothing is in walking distance, unless you count Arrowhead Stadium, home of the Chiefs. But LC's Bar-B-Q is essentially on the way from downtown. The burnt ends are tasty and the PO'd guy behind the counter is a trip.

29. Marlins Park. Forget about tailgating in one of the main parking structures, as fans are relegated to cooking their pre-game meal in one of the neighborhood lots or traveling a few blocks to a local establishment.

30. Tropicana Field. Downtown St. Petersburg, with its water parks and cute restaurants and bars, is quite nice. But Tropicana Field is more than a mile away from that main drag and surrounded on three sides by parking lots and highways.

Freelance writer Phil Rogers contributed.

eNEWSPAPER BONUS COVERAGE

NBA gets ready for wagering

League looks to roll out live stats quicker for gamblers

By **TIM REYNOLDS** | Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — Here's a scenario: LeBron James is four assists and three rebounds shy of a triple-double after three quarters. A bettor, who is watching at home and utilizing a mobile app, decides to gamble that James will get those assists and rebounds in the final 12 minutes. The wager then gets made before play resumes.

The NBA wants that bettor to see the best possible data.

So the league is seeking to get stats out quicker than ever.

Fast isn't fast enough for the NBA anymore, not when it comes to stats — especially now that the U.S. Supreme Court has opened the door for states to allow wagering on games. The league has upgraded its stat systems in the past year to try and get its data out as close to real-time as possible, even aiming to beat the typical lag of 7-15 seconds that it takes for television or streaming services to show whatever happened.

It's about what the NBA calls official data. The league's stance is that getting accurate stats to bettors is critical so the player knows what they're betting on and the casinos will know when to pay out or not. But how much value that data has for casinos — and whether they will pay anything for it — remains unclear.

"My view is we should be compensated for our intellectual property, but we can do that directly, again, with commercial relationships with gaming establishments," said NBA Commissioner Adam Silver, whose league had hoped this matter would be resolved with federal regulation instead of various policies getting worked on state by state by state.

Silver met with betting officials in Las Vegas earlier this month, and how data should be provided was one of the topics on the agenda. The NBA has said it is seeking a 1 percent "integrity fee" on wagers, which the league said would offset their additional security costs and compensate them for the data they can provide.

The casinos, however, are balking at legislative mandates insisting upon the use of official data. Joe Asher, the CEO of bookmaker William Hill USA, told The New York Times that such a mandate "sets up monopoly pricing power. This whole thing of official league data is like a smoke screen."

It's a major issue to work through, especially if in-game betting — people betting on various aspects of games after they've already started — catches on in the United States the same way that it has in the United Kingdom.

In-game betting, which is huge in Europe, is still relatively small in this country. Most Nevada bookmakers say in-game options make up no more than 5 percent of their sports-wagering business, although William Hill has said it accounted for nearly 25 percent of its sports business in the U.S. during 2017.

Only a handful of states have legalized sports betting since the Supreme Court decision in May, though several more states are expected to get operations up and running in the next year or so. Bettors now have been largely playing the basics — will Team X beat Team Y by more than six points, will the teams combine to score more than 210 points, that sort of thing.

"There's a couple things about official data that make it advantageous for sports betting," said Scott Kaufman-Ross, an NBA vice president who oversees fantasy sports and gaming. "Most is the speed. That's important for in-game betting."

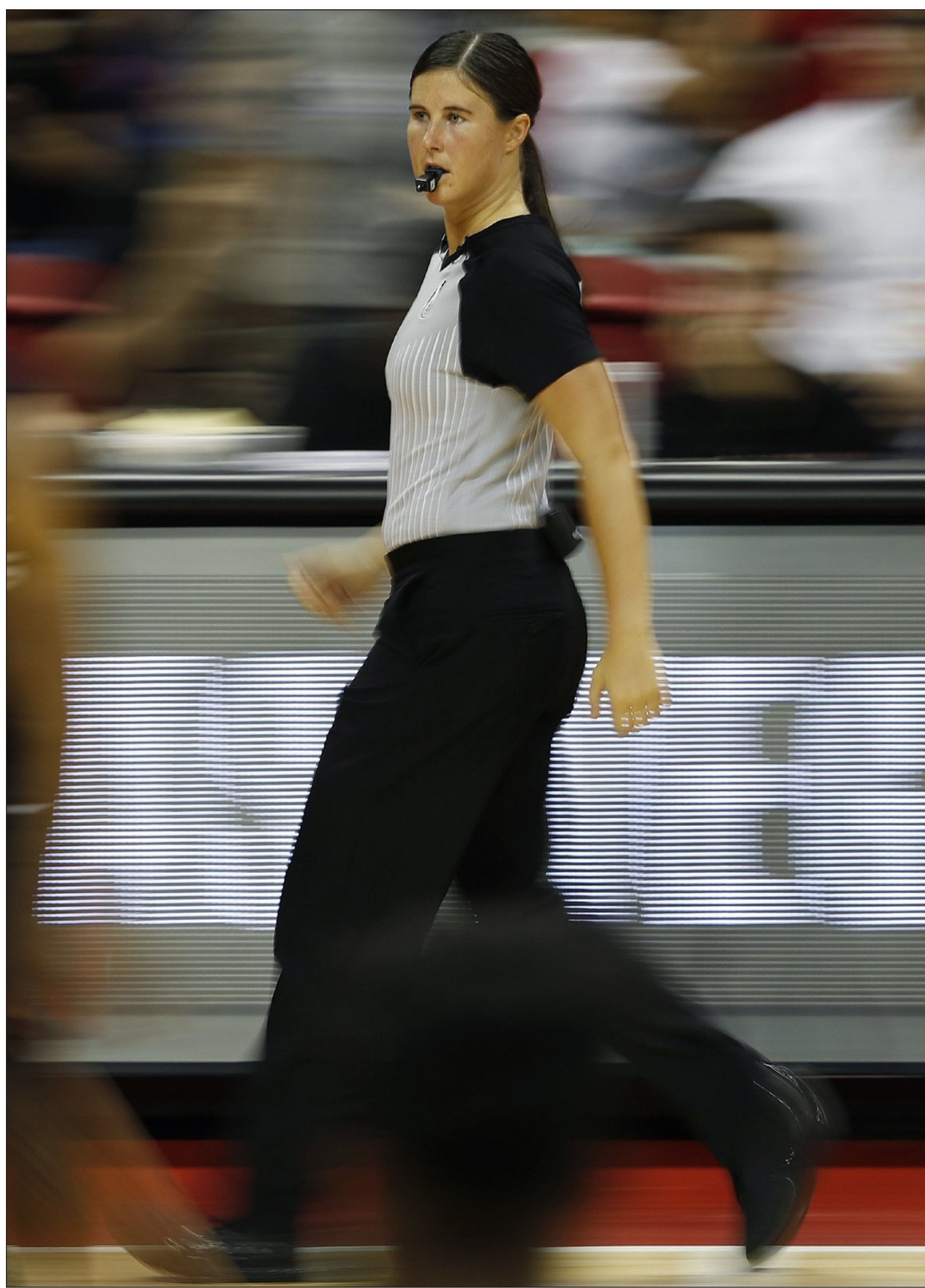
The NBA switched last year to software provided by Genius Sports, a London-based company that collects and distributes official data for dozens of sports federations around the globe and even recently completed a deal to work with the NCAA. The NBA data collected by Genius has been distributed globally by Sportradar, which sends it to media outlets, broadcasters and betting outlets outside the U.S.

Sportradar, the NBA said, is now working on obtaining the ability to send the data to U.S.-based betting entities.

NBA stat crews all generally work the same way: a primary caller uses a code to describe a play as it happens, a primary inputter uses a touch-screen tablet to punch in what he or she hears the caller say into the headsets that the crew share, a secondary inputter cleans up any mistakes, and a secondary caller is in contact with league offices in Secaucus, N.J., and reviews any plays that need additional study.

Those various crews, many members of which have received training during the summer league in Las Vegas, are the ones who decide who gets an assist or a rebound.

"The NBA has always been front and center on rapidly developing statistics, first because of our television partners and then the Internet happened and that was good for the Internet," said Steve Hellmuth, the NBA's executive vice president for media operations and technology. "So it's kind of always been in our DNA."



JOHN LOCHER/AP

Natalie Sago was one of 19 female officials that worked during the Summer League in hopes of potentially advancing into the NBA.

Class is in session

Referees get hands-on training during NBA Summer League

By **TIM REYNOLDS** | Associated Press

LAS VEGAS — It's a half-hour after their game ended and the night is just beginning for referees Ashley Gilpin, Natalie Sago and SirAllen Conner. They've showered, they've changed clothes, but dinner and the bright lights of Las Vegas will have to wait.

A long classroom session is up first.

They walk into a tiny locker room, grab seats on folding chairs and open their notebooks. Everything they did on the court that night — where they stood, where they looked, what call they made, what call they didn't make — will be scrutinized on video for the next two hours by NBA referees, tasked with teaching the summer refs what they need to know to make it to the league.

Think of it as Referee University.

Summer league is where players can get noticed by the NBA, and the same is true for referees.

"We want them to watch us because we want to grow each and every game," Sago told the Associated Press, which observed the feedback session with Sago, Gilpin and Conner. "We're all trying to be NBA referees. So it's a job interview for us just like it is for the players and the coaches."

There were 81 referees — mostly from the G League — working games at the NBA summer league in Las Vegas, which ended Tuesday. All 81 have been exposed to multiple classroom sessions with current and retired NBA officials, who are there to essentially groom the people who could one day replace them. Programs like this have been in play for years, although it's no secret that the NBA wants to increase its pool of referees by 25 percent before 2020.

That's why this summer might provide more big breaks than usual for those blowing the whistles at games. The overwhelming majority of refs working this summer won't see the NBA anytime soon, and many never will, but for some the call is closer than ever before.

"What we want to do in our training is

give people the opportunity to have the tools to be successful," said Monty McCutchen, the NBA's vice president overseeing referee development and training. "It's about teaching. One of the great disappointments of American culture, as I see it, is we don't appreciate apprenticeship enough. We think that just by going to school you're suddenly ready instead of having hands-on training that allows you to grow."

"Here, we give that hands-on training."

Of the 81 summer refs, 19 were women — up from just five at summer league last year and nearly doubling the total of 10 who worked the event over the most recent five years. It is clear that it won't be long before more women make it to the NBA level.

For now, there's only one in the NBA: Lauren Holtkamp.

"To me, it's a bit embarrassing that we only have one working woman in our officiating ranks right now," NBA Commissioner Adam Silver said. "There is no physical reason why that's the case."

Up-and-comers like Gilpin and Sago could change that.

Gilpin might have an ideal academic makeup for refereeing, with three degrees from Arizona, where she also played basketball — an undergraduate in psychology, master's in administration and then a law degree. Sago played college softball, but has long had an affinity for basketball. Conner has worked 11 games in the NBA, most of those coming as a replacement ref during the lockout in 2009.

At the game Gilpin, Sago and Conner worked together, at least a half-dozen referees were seated on the baseline and in the stands watching. McCutchen, at one point, saw a technique that Gilpin used and jumped from his chair in delight before going over and asking other refs if they had noticed the same thing.

"If you can't referee in front of them, you can't work for them," Gilpin said. "Sure, sometimes we get nervous because it is an audition. But if we think about every call, every 'oh my gosh this is a bad call,' paralysis by analysis, we'll run ourselves out of this profession."

During their classroom session with longtime NBA ref Eric Lewis, the three spoke in sync, even finishing each other's thoughts on a couple occasions. Retired

refs Bernie Fryer and Mark Wunderlich were in and out of the room as well, offering their thoughts on whatever play happened to be on the screen at a given time.

For the mentors, it's serious business.

"It's my job to get them hired," Lewis said. "I'm focused on the things I can do to help them improve and get a job."

They all monitor in different ways — at some games, James Williams took meticulous notes, pulling out a tablet and typing observations during stoppages in play. At other games, Joey Crawford would hand-write his notes, with penmanship that not even fellow ref John Goble could understand.

By any method, legible or not, their input is vital.

"When you tell someone something, and they go out and do it, that gets you excited as someone who is seeking to bring in the next wave, next generation of officials," McCutchen said.

Lewis' group needed to spend only a few seconds on some plays, spent several minutes on others. Late in the first half of their game, Gilpin gave Warriors coach Willie Green a technical foul — the first one she handed out in a pro game. Green argued that he wasn't waving dismissively at her, but rather he was waving to someone behind her.

A few moments later, Gilpin missed a call.

Lewis shrugged and told her to believe in her call, believe the tech was warranted, and move on to the next play. And besides, the call that she missed, one of her fellow refs made anyway.

"If we can get them where you need to be, where you need to look and give you an understanding of the guidelines of what's illegal and legal, then it becomes easy," Lewis said. "They digest the play, they know the process and that leads to the right decision at the end of the play."

Fans probably wouldn't believe that those decisions get honed inside a cramped concrete-block room, one with mustard-colored walls and dingy carpet, and a pile of towels strewn off to the side.

But the tiny room is what gets the refs ready for the big stage.

"The best part after a game is coming in here and re-watching it," Sago said. "It's all about getting ready."

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Jordan Spieth, left, and Justin Thomas chat Wednesday during a practice round for the British Open at Carnoustie, Scotland.

Friends before foes

Young U.S. golf standouts trace competitive roots to junior, collegiate days

BY DOUG FERGUSON | Associated Press

CARNOUSTIE, Scotland — Justin Thomas lost a skin by making bogey. He won a bet by making par.

All on the same hole.

The difference — a big difference — was in the clubs Thomas used to cover the 472 yards on the 15th hole at Carnoustie. And that one hole during a British Open practice round Tuesday, with a little drama and a lot of laughs, captured the essence of this growing class of young American stars.

They've known each other since they were teenagers.

The fun hasn't left them, even as the trophies, fame and money keep piling up.

Patrick Cantlay, who shot 60 on the PGA Tour the summer after his freshman year at UCLA, won six skins from Thomas and Jordan Spieth with a routine par. Thomas was far more interested in a side bet with Michael Greller, who caddied for Thomas and then Spieth when they were amateurs, and left his job as a sixth-grade math teacher to work for Spieth when he turned pro.

The challenge was for Thomas to make par using only an 8-iron.

Once he got it in the fairway, Spieth came over to advise him how to navigate the pot bunkers more than 200 yards away. The ball stopped rolling, finally, about a yard short of a bunker to the left of the green. Getting it over the bunker with that club was going to be a problem.

"Where's my caddie?" Thomas said in mock panic.

Spieth was preparing to hit a bunker shot on the other side of the fairway when he looked over and said, "Sorry," then ran to Thomas for more consultation. He told Thomas to open the face of the 8-iron and slide it under the firm turf. Spieth pointed to a spot on the slope beyond the bunker. Greller watched nervously as Thomas pulled it off to perfection, the ball rolling out to 3 feet.

With the leading edge of the 8-iron, he knocked it in for a 4. And then, as usual, they all debated the size of the bet.

This stuff goes on all the time, involving any number of players.

Spieth spoke of the players who came out of the high school Class of 2011 who have gone on to star on the big stage. It includes Spieth and his three legs of the career Grand



Young American Patrick Cantlay watches his shot from the ninth tee in Wednesday's practice round for the British Open at Carnoustie, which begins Thursday.

Slam, Thomas and his recent though brief rise to No. 1 in the world after winning the PGA Championship, Daniel Berger and his passion at the Presidents Cup and Xander Schauffele, the most recent PGA Tour rookie of the year.

Others are just a few years older, such as two-time U.S. Open champion Brooks Koepka, Masters champion Patrick Reed and Cantlay.

They faced one another across America as juniors and into college, and it hasn't really stopped.

"It's kind of a natural transition into kind of fearless golf at the highest level," Spieth said. "I think that's what you're seeing out of 20-something-year-olds. The game is getting athletic, but as far as the mental side of it, guys have just been playing against better fields on better golf courses because of the junior and amateur circuit."

Tiger Woods spends plenty of time around most of them, if not with Thomas, Berger and Rickie Fowler at home in Florida, then with Spieth during a practice round at Shinnecock Hills. This is one area of the game to which Woods can't relate.

He turned pro and had two PGA Tour victories when he was 20, a rarity in 1996. Players he grew up around in California, like Pat Perez and Chris Riley, took longer to get out of school and make it on tour. By then, Woods was a dominant figure in golf. His friends — Mark O'Meara and Fred Couples — were in their 40s.

"You see these guys are really close, but they've been close since junior golf and made it out here on tour very quickly in almost the same time frame," Woods said. "So I think that's one of the reasons why you see them hanging around with each other all the time."

Koepka, Spieth, Thomas and Reed have combined to win the last five majors. All are Americans, all in their 20s.

There have been natural moments of jealousy, but far more motivation.

"It is a very unique group of us, I guess you could say," Thomas said. "Obviously, we want to beat each other's brains in. I never want to lose to any of my friends, especially my best friends. Sometimes it's harder losing to your closest friends than it is someone you don't even know, whether it's bragging rights or whatever it is."

Six years ago, the U.S. had only three players in their 20s at the Ryder Cup. Two, Webb Simpson and Keegan Bradley, were recent major champions. Now, six of the top eight players in the current Ryder Cup standings are still in their 20s, and four are major winners.

"There's no doubt about it and there's no other way to put it than they have an exceptional bunch of players at the moment," said Tommy Fleetwood of England. "It just so happens that it has been a run of American golfers that have won majors. But at the same time, they've generally been the best players in the world."

Small ball: Size is no detriment to power

Altuve, Ramirez, Betts, Albies lack stature, not pop

BY BEN NUCKOLS | Associated Press

WASHINGTON — In decades past they would have been given nicknames like "Pee Wee" and coached to shorten their swings, keep the ball close to the ground, find holes and use their speed to leg out base hits.

Now, "small ball" has a new meaning. This homer-happy era of baseball is proving that big sluggers can be found in tiny packages.

Consider some of the guys who played in Tuesday night's All-Star Game:

■ Jose Ramirez, all 5-foot-9 and 165 pounds of him, has hit 29 homers at the break and is tied for the AL lead.

■ Mookie Betts, also 5-foot-9, has 23 long balls and hit 31 last season.

■ Ozzie Albies, who at 21 could maybe hope for a late growth spurt, is 5-foot-8 and has 20 homers.

And of course there's the best inch-for-inch hitter in baseball, 5-foot-6 Jose Altuve, the three-time batting champion who's gone deep nine times this year but hit 24 homers in each of the last two seasons.

"You look around this room, it's not just big guys. It's guys of all sizes," said All-Star MVP Alex Bregman, who's listed at 6 feet, 180 pounds and has 20 homers. "What you see are ballplayers. You don't have to be big to be a ballplayer. You have to have the skills."

And their skills are holding up just fine against giants like Aaron Judge (6-foot-7, 282 pounds, 25 homers), J.D. Martinez (6-foot-3, 220 pounds, 29 homers), Jesus Aguilar (6-foot-3, 250 pounds, 24 homers) and the consensus best hitter in the game with the ideal body type to match, Mike Trout (6-foot-2, 235 pounds, 25 homers).

Altuve credits hitters who understand how to maximize their physical tools.

"In Mookie, I see quick hands and a really good lower body, hitting-wise, and I can see why he hits a lot of home runs," Altuve said. "I would say it's more technique than strength now for hitting homers."

Justin Verlander knows he can't relax when he's on the mound against a player like Altuve, his Astros teammate. Size doesn't matter. Bat speed does.

"I think it's part of the change of the game," Verlander said. "I've talked to Jose about it. He changed himself a few years back and started swinging more aggressively. You didn't used to see guys like that that were small that had that kind of pop. Oppo (opposite field) pop."

"That's the big thing that's changed, homers to the opposite field. That's something I didn't used to see much except with guys like Miguel Cabrera. Now you're seeing it with almost everybody."

Baseball appears headed for a reckoning with the ugly side of hitters' power-first approach. Defensive shifts, obsession with launch angles and indifference to strikeouts are being blamed for everything from increasing the length of games to making the sport more dull and one-dimensional. There is talk of banning shifts or forcing relief pitchers to face more than one batter to generate more excitement and incentivize putting balls in play.

But there might be an upside to a more egalitarian sport in which players aren't expected to change their approach for no reason other than their stature.

Betts knows that a decade or two ago, he might have been coached differently.

"Probably get it on the ground, use my speed," Betts said. "Times have changed. We, as in small guys, may not be as big and strong, but we can pack the power. I think that's just one of those things we have to go out and show."

Competing theories exist about what has allowed smaller guys to flex their compact muscles.

Verlander gave the one-word answer a pitcher might be expected to give: "Baseballs."

Theories that the ball is juiced were given some statistical backing before the season when MLB released a study saying baseballs have been producing less drag, causing them to carry farther. But MLB said it didn't understand why or how the change had occurred.

Hitters, naturally, have a different explanation. They blame the pitchers.

"Honestly, I feel like everybody is throwing harder," Dodgers outfielder Matt Kemp said. "You don't have to hit the ball as hard anymore. Honestly, all you have to do is square it up and the ball is going to fly if they mess up."

"These guys are throwing really hard. Strikeouts are up. Home runs are up. Everything is up. It's just a game of who throws harder and who can square it up."



From left, Michael Shannon, Guy Van Swearingen and Karen Aldridge star in Eugene Ionesco's "Victims of Duty" at A Red Orchid Theatre.

IN PERFORMANCE 'Victims of Duty' ★★★

A smiling detective in an absurdist trap

BY CHRIS JONES | Chicago Tribune

Michael Shannon, his acerbic biography in the program at A Red Orchid Theatre informs, is soon to be enshrined in wax at Madame Tussauds near Times Square. A lifetime achievement, for sure, but one that pales in comparison to causing a box-office stampede in Chicago for an obscure, absurdist pseudo-drama by Eugene Ionesco.

I remember the last time Shannon did "Victims of Duty" at A Red Orchid. That was 1995.

The production back then involved water, as it does now. There were puddles on empty seats.

On Tuesday night, though, director Shira Piven's staging had to be careful not to splash the bodies crammed into every

corner of the little backroom theater (one body, a theatrical neophyte, betcha, decided to squeeze out an exit just a few minutes in, nearly toppling actor Guy Van Swearingen from his ledge). Most folks, though, seemed happy to be in the door and communing with celebrity, unlike the poor souls in the standby line, forced instead to spend their evening snaking through a very absurdist bar called The Vig, which, a banner outside suggested, was filled with partying celebrants from the MassMutual insurance and financial services company.

Ah yes, insurance and financial services. Topics dear to the heart of Ionesco.

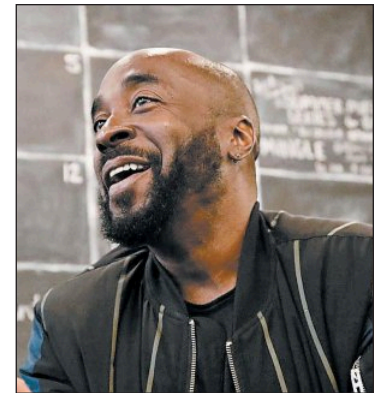
I only jest in part. Like his fellow mid-century cynics, Ionesco saw no way to redeem any policy that would rationalize the bizarre human experience and, in this

rarely seen 1952 play about a menacing detective who arrives unannounced at the home of a middle-age and thus inevitably complacent couple, he expanded that message to make a formative theatrical critique.

Why bother with conventional plots and solved mysteries, the very meta "Victims of Duty" is saying, when life presents otherwise?

In the piece, the investigating officer (guess who?) asks the couple, played by Van Swearingen and Karen Aldridge, a brilliant conceptual actress, to probe their subconscious memory banks for any spark of substantial reflection. They do not find much. And thus the play is one long metaphor — a revelation of the soporific empti-

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Eric Williams founded Hyde Park's Silver Room Block Party.

The Silver Room Block Party turns 15

BY DARCEL ROCKETT
 Chicago Tribune

Kilwin's Chocolates and Fudge franchise owner Jackie Jackson remembers the day The Silver Room came into her life.

It was a Saturday, a couple of years ago, about 2 p.m. in July. When she got closer to her store, she noticed a long line of customers. Jackson jumped on the register to move the line along thinking she would leave once the crowd thinned out. She said when she next looked up, it was 11 p.m.

"It was such a good feeling, it was like a Christmas present because I was surprised and not expecting it at all," she said. "I didn't want to leave that register, it was singing. It was almost like a slot machine was going off and I never had that before. Maybe a typical Saturday for me is something like \$2,000 to \$3,000 and on that day, I made \$8,500. And I wasn't expecting that. It's our busiest day of the year, it beats out Valentine's Day and Mother's Day."

Jackson's store opened in December 2012, before the Silver Room Block Party came to the Hyde Park area in 2016 and she never wants it to leave. In fact, she wants the one-day event to add a day. And she's not alone. Dr. Eve Ewing, sociologist, writer and artist, calls the event "an inspiration of what it means to do culture-building and placemaking."

The Silver Room Block Party started 15 years ago and the number of partygoers has grown from 200 to thousands, according to Eric Williams, owner and creative director of The Silver Room and the block party. This time around, Williams is expecting 35,000 to

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Things we learned from HBO's new Robin Williams documentary

BY ELAHE IZADI
 The Washington Post

"Robin Williams: Come Inside My Mind" fittingly starts out by showcasing how the comedic master's mind ricocheted at a dizzying velocity, bouncing from character to character.

The new documentary, which premiered at Sundance earlier this year before airing on HBO on Monday, attempts to solve the mystery of that mind and what drove Williams throughout the years.

Filmmaker Marina Zenovich, who also made films about Ro-

man Polanski and Richard Pryor, interviews several of his high-profile friends, such as Billy Crystal, David Letterman and Whoopi Goldberg, as well as his first wife, Valerie Velardi, and one of his children, Zak Williams.

Much of the film's two hours are narrated by audio clips from interviews with Williams.

The documentary doesn't dwell for very long on the exact circumstances around Williams's 2014 death. According to an essay from his wife, Susan Schneider Williams (who is not in the film), Williams had Lewy body disease and died from suicide "at the end

of an intense, confusing, and relatively swift persecution at the hand of this disease's symptoms and pathology."

Instead, several people in the documentary note that the "sparkle had gone out of his eye" during the time Williams worked on his 2013 sitcom, "The Crazy Ones." Crystal remembers seeing Williams for the last time when he revealed he had been diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. "When he told me, I never heard Robin be afraid except for that moment," Crystal says.

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The high-energy antics of Robin Williams, seen here with Pam Dawber on "Mork and Mindy," pioneered the use of a fourth camera on set.

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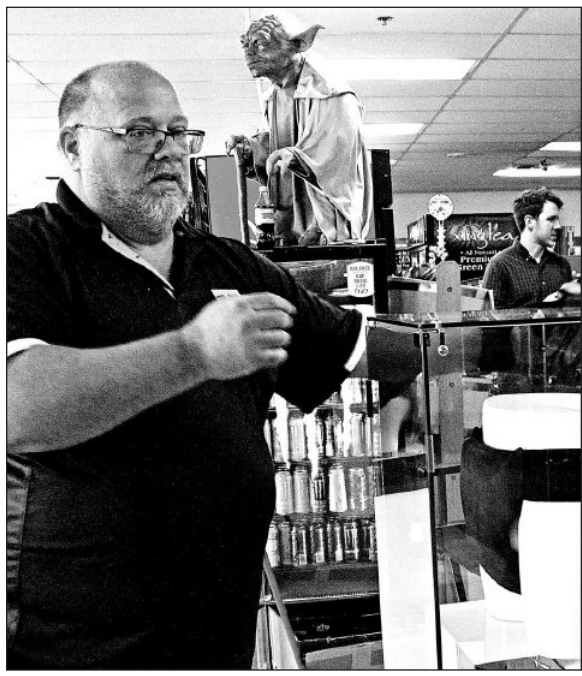
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Kevin Daymude, general manager of Blockbuster Alaska, said all store fixtures are for sale but not necessarily a Russell Crowe-worn jockstrap.

Blockbuster closing but not yet selling Crowe memorabilia

Everything in the closing Blockbuster video stores in Alaska is for sale, except the celebrity jockstrap. The Anchorage store is not yet selling the jockstrap worn by Russell Crowe in the 2005 movie "Cinderella Man" and other memorabilia previously owned by the actor, KTUU-TV reported.

The stores in Anchorage and Fairbanks, the last two stores in the state, closed for rentals this week and reopened for video liquidation sales planned to run through August.

The host of HBO's "Last Week Tonight With John Oliver" sent the items earlier this year to display in the Anchorage store in an effort to ramp up business. Oliver had purchased the items at what Crowe had dubbed "the divorce auction."

"We're not selling the jockstrap at this time," said Kevin Daymude, general manager of Blockbuster Alaska. "But if you want, you can own the display cases it was placed in. We're selling all of those along with the store fixtures."

The fate of the items has not yet been determined, said Alan Payne, the owner of the stores.

"We've been very busy managing through the last store closures and have not made a decision on what to do with the Russell Crowe memorabilia," Payne said.

The closures of the Alaska Blockbusters leave one U.S. store remaining, in Bend, Ore.

— Associated Press



MATT SAYLES/AP

Williams seeks mental health help: Destiny's Child singer Michelle Williams, above, says she's seeking help for the depression she has struggled with for years. Williams said in an Instagram post Tuesday that she has "sought help from a great team of health care professionals." The 37-year-old Williams was a core member of Destiny's Child, the trio with Beyonce Knowles and Kelly Rowland that sat atop the R&B world from 1997 to 2006.

"The Dark Knight" returning to theaters: "The Dark Knight" is returning to the big screen — actually, four of the biggest ones — in celebration of its 10th anniversary. Warner Bros. announced Wednesday that the middle film in Christopher Nolan's Batman trilogy will be shown on Imax screens in Los Angeles, New York City, San Francisco and Toronto for one week beginning Aug. 24. "The Dark Knight" features Heath Ledger's performance as the Joker, which won him a posthumous Oscar.

Richard wins BBC privacy case: British rock icon Cliff Richard has won his privacy case against the BBC for its coverage of a police raid at his home and has been awarded more than \$260,000 in damages. Richard had sued the broadcaster for its coverage of the 2014 raid, when police were investigating alleged sex offenses. The 77-year-old singer was never arrested or charged with any crime.

July 19 birthdays: Singer Vikki Carr is 78. Actor Benedict Cumberbatch is 42. Actor Jared Padalecki is 36. Actor Trai Byers is 35.



ASK AMY

By AMY DICKINSON

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Password sharing reveals ex's texts

Dear Amy: My boyfriend of six months has really opened himself up to me. He gave me his social media account passwords and has added my thumbprint to his phone (which I find cute because I didn't really ask him for it). I trust him.

I noticed that his ex has been texting him. This wouldn't really bother me if she had no bad intentions. But I know for a fact that she is still into him.

My boyfriend never answers her texts — ever — she texts him on his phone number and on WhatsApp. She still tries to talk to him, even when he doesn't reply. She has even called him various times.

My boyfriend tells me to go to his text messages and just reply to her, saying whatever I want.

But I don't know what I'm supposed to say. Should I say, "Leave my boyfriend alone"?

I don't want to start a fight because I'm too nice. He also wants it to stop. What do I tell her?

— *Wondering*

block someone from a phone.

Go to the contacts list on his phone, scroll to the contact card with his ex's name, scroll to the bottom where it says "block this caller," and press the button. The process is similar for WhatsApp.

When you block someone, they don't know they've been blocked. If they send a message, it will appear to have been received.

Her attempts to contact your boyfriend seem to trigger a desire in you to respond on his behalf. There is no need to play this "leave my man alone" game. That just leads to more drama.

Dear Amy: I've been with my husband for almost five years; we've been married for about a year and a half. I love my in-laws. They seem to like me, but I don't know what to call them. They live in Canada half the year and in the United States the other half. We only see them twice a year.

They have been so nice to me and I want to call them something special, but I'm not sure if "Mom" and "Dad" is right.

My parents are no longer in my life, and I feel so lucky to have my husband's family.

So far, I've called them by their first names, but it doesn't seem as loving as I'd like to be. Is "Mom" and "Dad" too personal?

I haven't spent much time with them and his siblings' significant others, so I haven't noticed how their other in-laws address them. I'm open to suggestions.

— *Terms of Endearment Needed*

Dear Terms: Reframe how you view calling people by name. You call your husband by his name; your friends are addressed by their names. The sentiment and affection matters more than the form of address.

You could check with other in-laws or significant others in your generation group to see if these parents have expressed a preference with them.

Over the years, when I have addressed this in my column, people report that the very best way to settle this is directly, and early on in the relationship. You're still technically in the "early" column, and so I suggest that you frame a very warmly worded email: "... you have received me so warmly into your family; I truly feel that you are my family. I'm wondering how you would like me to address you? Would you prefer that I call you by your first names, or would it be OK with you if I addressed you as 'Mom' and 'Dad'?"

Dear Amy: I was amused by the question from "Devastated Wife," who actually blamed cellphones for her husband's infidelity.

Thank you for pointing out the obvious: Infidelity preceded this technology.

— *Faithful*

Dear Faithful: This wife was clearly still in the throes of reacting to her husband's choice to cheat on her. The guy, not his phone, is responsible.

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Chicagoans emerge as 'MasterChef' frontrunners

By TRACY SWARTZ
Chicago Tribune

Warning: Spoilers ahead

Chicago contestants Julia Danno and Emily Hallock proved themselves to be "MasterChef" frontrunners after their competitors targeted them for elimination on Wednesday's episode.

The episode began with each of the 17 contestants creating a seafood dish in an hour. Danno, who lives in the South Loop, exuded confidence as she made fish stew.

"I'm Italian. We cook with fish all the time. This is not a big deal for me," Danno said.

The dishes made by Danno, Hallock and Midwestern University dental student Farhan Momin were not shown. Iowa optometrist Matt Houck



Chicagoans Emily Hallock, left, and Julia Danno made the cut of "MasterChef," season 9.

was sent home because his dish lacked cohesion.

The judges picked their six favorite plates, and those competitors did not have to cook in the elimination challenge, which was to elevate the frozen food classic Salisbury steak.

Instead, the six contestants got to determine how long each competitor had to complete their dish.

Most of the contestants got 45 minutes to cook, while Miami event promoter Shanika Patterson was allowed 40 minutes; Hal-

lock 35 minutes and Danno 30 minutes.

"We are targeting the people we feel are the strongest or that rubbed the other contestants the wrong way, like Shanika," Texas teacher Cesar Cano said.

Danno and Hallock, a Wisconsin native who lives in the Andersonville neighborhood, took the time penalties in stride.

"Thirty-five minutes might seem like a challenge to a lot of people, but I know that I have the skills and ability to adjust to any situation that I'm given," Hallock said. "Having that 10 extra minutes to kind of game plan is an advantage to me. I had time to actually fully (conceptualize) my dish."

Hallock served Salisbury steak with matsutake mushroom gravy, roasted potatoes and green beans. "It is seriously delicious. Great seasoning, great color, great sear on the steak. Beans, got a lot of flavor. Potatoes, nice. Visually, it looks a little bit clumpy. Just give it a bit more finesse," judge Gordon Ramsay said. "I think

you could have nailed this in 25 (minutes), to be honest. Good job!"

Danno also got high marks for her Salisbury steak with potatoes, roasted green beans and tomatoes. "I have to say, it's one of the best-flavored dishes I've tried so far," judge Joe Bastianich said. "The potatoes are perfectly cooked. Your mushroom sauce is profound. You kind of used all your time to your advantage. Great dish."

Momin's critique was not shown, while Massachusetts attorney Lindsay Haigh went home for a dish Ramsay declared to be "disgusting." Fifteen contestants remain on Season 9 of "MasterChef," which airs at 7 p.m. Wednesdays on Fox. The winner is slated to receive \$250,000.

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For Channel 7's Scott, engagement forecast is 'sunny with a lot of love'

By TRACY SWARTZ
Chicago Tribune

Of course rain delayed Cheryl Scott's big moment.

The WLS-Ch. 7 meteorologist got engaged to her boyfriend, Dante Deiana, on vacation in Hawaii last week — but the proposal didn't quite go according to plan. It rained the day the couple planned to hike the dormant Haleakala volcano, so they delayed the excursion by a day.

Deiana got down on one knee when they reached the summit. Scott said she was stunned because she didn't see the proposal coming.

"I totally blacked out when it was all happening," Scott told the Tribune on Tuesday at the Channel 7 studios.

Luckily, Deiana hired a videographer and photographer to capture the moment. They toasted with champagne as they watched



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Meteorologist Cheryl Scott said she "totally blacked out" when her beau proposed to her atop the sun set.

Scott, a 33-year-old New Jersey native who joined the WLS weather team in 2014, and Deiana, a 35-year-old Massachusetts native who works in the hospital-

ity industry, have been dating for about two years. They met at a charity event in Chicago.

They have made no wedding plans, and Scott isn't rushing down the aisle.

For now, she's enjoying celebrating her engagement and spending time with Deiana and their dogs — he has a Boston terrier and she has a beagle, which will accompany her July 31 when she throws out the first pitch and forecasts the weather at the Chicago Dogs game at Impact Field in Rosemont.

"We are so excited to just start our life together officially here in Chicago, the best city that we both call home now, and I think we both see a long future here together and eventually raising kids here one day," Scott said.

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Dr. Lyman (Ted Hoerl), Elma (Jillian Warden), and Cherie (Daniella Pereira) in "Bus Stop" by Eclipse Theatre Company.

IN PERFORMANCE 'Bus Stop' ★★ 1/2

Stranded in Kansas, trying to make sense of relationships

By **KERRY REID**
Chicago Tribune

"This is the Plains, a state of mind, right, some spiritual affliction, like the blues" says Barbara, the eldest daughter of the Oklahoma Weston clan in Tracy Letts' "August: Osage County." William Inge, who grew up across the border in Kansas, knew that affliction well and anatomized it often.

In 1955's "Bus Stop," the examining room is Grace's Diner, in a town "about 30 miles west of Kansas City" and devoid of much in the way of worldly entertainment. The eponymous owner of the joint is a "grass widow" whose husband took off years earlier — without too much regret on her part. She has eyes on the bus driver who stops by on his regular route between Kansas City and Topeka a couple of times a week, but won't commit so far as to keep cheese on hand for him. (She doesn't like it herself, so why buy it?)

On a night when March blows in like a lion (an observation made more than once, perhaps to suggest a surface paucity of imagination), the diner becomes a shelter for a small group of passengers waiting for the road to be cleared. It's more than a bit metaphorical, as nearly all the characters in Inge's play have their own forks in the road to consider.

Keep on alone or find someone to eat cheese with?

Director Steve Scott's production for Eclipse Theatre Company (the second of three in the theater's all-Inge season) is generally a tender-hearted and wry affair. But it lacks the overall sense of tension and release built into the three-act structure (rendered here in two acts with one intermission). Significantly, the central relationship between chanteuse Cherie (Daniella Pereira) and cowboy Bo (Anthony Conway) feels false.

Yes, it's hard for our contemporary minds to wrap our heads around why a woman who has essentially been kidnapped onto the bus by a man bent on marrying her wouldn't run up to Sheriff Will (Tim Kough) and demand that he be arrested immediately. But leaving aside that detail (if one even can), we're still asked to invest in Cherie and Bo as examples of what can happen when you stop looking for the life you thought you wanted and grab the one that's right in front of you.

But though Conway and Pereira bring palpable energy and wit to their performances, there's not much spark. Both also feel a little too jaded for characters who are essentially, despite their very different backstories, still naive about the ways of the

When: Through Aug. 19

Where: Athenaeum Theatre, 2936 N. Southport Ave.

Running time: 2 hours

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heart.

More successfully rendered — though even creepier — is the relationship between Elma (Jillian Warden) and Dr. Lyman (Ted Hoerl). The former is Grace's waitress, a bright high school student in love with poetry (much like Natalie Wood's character in "Splendor in the Grass," featuring Inge's Oscar-winning screenplay). The latter is a traveling drunk and alleged pedophile whose attentions to Elma give her a sense of what it might be like to be wanted. Especially since, as Grace tells her early on, "Maybe you'd have more boyfriends if you didn't make such good grades." When you're young and awkward and perpetually overlooked, it's easy to fall prey to attention from the wrong kind of person.

Elma, rather than Cherie and Bo, feels like the key to this production, and that's not a bad thing. She's trusting but far from stupid, and we can almost imagine her being the female Inge some years hence, penning a play about this very night.

Warden brings openness and generosity to her performance, balanced by the palpable self-loathing Hoerl brings to Lyman. When he says "My name is hateful to myself" during a re-creation of the balcony scene in "Romeo and Juliet," it's clear he's not just reciting lines but confessing his own dark obsessions.

Together, they represent the light and dark side of the power of longing for something bigger than the monochromatic everyday world. (Kevin Hagan's set and lighting design play up the grayness and dimness of the diner, with a border of snow literally boxing it in.)

The relationship between Sarah Bright's Grace and Matt Thinnies' Carl the driver has a lovely sense of possibility about it by the end, too. (Grace is even willing to stock some cheese.) The only one left alone in the cold — literally — at the end of the play is Zach Bloomfield's poignant Virgil, the guitar-strumming cowhand who helped raise Bo. When people pair off — however they do — the odd man out has little choice but to hit the Plains. Maybe another bus will be along to take him to someplace "as good as any other."

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Film digs into actor Williams' psyche

Williams, from Page 1

Here are five other things we learned from "Come Inside My Mind":

He was a classically trained actor, and it came in handy

Williams first realized the power of comedy when his father, a man who did not easily laugh, "lost it" watching Jonathan Winters on "The Tonight Show."

Eventually, Williams got into improvisational theater. Williams later enrolled at Julliard in New York, and dove into comedy back in California after he couldn't get serious acting work.

In his first paid comedy gig, the microphone died. So he just went right into the audience, doing crowd work and improvising bits. Thanks to his theater training, he could project his voice with no problem.

Years later, Williams would display his acting range with dramatic roles in which he exposed his vulnerability.

the cameramen would fail to capture the antics that came when he wasn't hitting his predetermined marks.

So Gary Marshall came up with a solution: Add a fourth, almost handheld camera tasked with following Williams. Since then, four cameras became the standard for sitcoms.

John Belushi's death had a huge impact on him

Williams was one of three people with the famously hard-partying Belushi the night he died following an overdose of cocaine and heroin.

According to the documentary, Williams learned that Belushi died the following day on the set of "Mork and Mindy."

His sudden death led Williams to sober up from heavy drinking and drug use.

"Here's this guy who was a beast, who could do anything and he's gone," Williams said.

He would leave hilarious voicemails for Billy Crystal

Perhaps the most intimate aspects of the documentary are the stories from Williams' close friends and family members. His friendship with Crystal began in New York City after the fellow comedian actor got Williams' baby to stop crying.

"Everybody wanted something from him," Crystal says. "I had no agenda. I just liked him." Over the years, Williams would call Crystal in character, like the time he rang up as Ronald Reagan while Crystal was watching the former president's funeral.

Comedy was a refuge, and an addiction

One through-line for the documentary is why comedy became so integral for how Williams functioned.

After "Mork and Mindy" got canceled, Williams returned to stand-up comedy as a refuge. Even on serious movie sets, like "One Hour Photo," Williams had to crack up costars.

"The urge to be funny and make people laugh was so innate in him and almost like breathing for him, that if he didn't get that out of his system, it would've infected his performance in a bad way," says director Mark Romanek.

"It's a very powerful thing for a lot of comedians. That laugh is a drug," adds Crystal. "That acceptance, that thrill, is really hard to replace with anything else."

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An obscure, meta pseudo-drama

Duty, from Page 1

ness of theatrical conventionality and its reliance on a mode of storytelling that merely makes us feel better about the awful.

Which brings me to that which Ionesco could not have anticipated and that serves this show well: The geopolitical mainstreaming of a level of awfulness that makes our previous conceptions of the awful just not awful enough.

His play now functions as a critique of a Trumpian moment when the absurd is mainlined and whiplash a constant state of being.

Mercifully, Piven's production has some laughs (and Ionesco always needs a giggle or two). Shannon has the requisite intimidation factor, of course; he was born therewith. But his conception of the Detective is far from his Nelson Van Alden on "Boardwalk Empire": The dirty work of revelation is done with a goofy smile here, and Shannon, an inveterate creature of storefront theater, does not miss his chance to stare pretty much every audience member directly in the eye.

So does Aldridge, a performer who wields power differently, in that it lies in her stunning felicity with contrast, but whose presence here is essential.

Piven is a smart and resonant director who now works often in film, and she here has added little bits of movie, the images flickering against



FADEOUT FOTO PHOTO

The current geopolitical climate appropriately serves the 1952 play "Victims of Duty."

When: Through Aug. 5

Where: A Red Orchid Theatre, 1531 N. Wells St.

Running time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

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the stark white, suggesting lessons from the years after World War II, maybe, or the intrusion of fact in a world of metaphor.

At times, I thought "Victims of Duty" demurred too much, should have gone further, embraced collage more than was ideal, should have pushed yet more into the squidgy underbelly of a moment in human history

gone wild — that is so lacking in any kind of adult in the room as to appear merely fictional. I also left the theater thinking that the physical staging designed by Danila Korogodsky (the lights are by Mike Durst), with its aquatic metaphor, probably was better suited to 1995 than today.

At one point, Aldridge's character lays out coffee cups in a row on the stage. It's Ionesco's critique of consumerism and it suddenly hit me that the one thing I had talked about more this week than Putin was Prime Day.

One hundred million products bought, folks. Look for the white vans on your street.

Ionesco knew the perils

of fascism. He'd lived them firsthand. And his cri de coeur (with laughs) really no longer needs any embellishment. So "Victims of Duty" (and aren't we all?) works best when its actors, be they the core players or late-in-show arrivals Mierka Gierten and Richard Cotovsky, stare out at an audience, many drawn by Shannon into an Ionesco trap where forced revelation exposes only human emptiness and insecurity, and will them to better see themselves.

Assuming they can get a ticket.

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Maya-Camille Broussard will bring her Justice of the Pies stand to the event this year.

Artist Peter Gaona has been selling upcycled wares at Silver Room Block Party for years.

Culture, community and commerce

Silver Room, from Page 1

40,000 people to stop by Harper Avenue in Hyde Park on Saturday to enjoy music, food, shopping and entertainment for and by the community.

"It started on the North Side as a response to a lack of diversity, in my opinion, of festivals on the North Side," Williams, a Robbins native, said. "I was on the board of one of the chambers of commerce and I was asking for different kinds of people, that were more representative of the city and they weren't really having it. And so I said, I'll start my own thing."

Williams' "thing" is an extension of The Silver Room (1506 E. 53rd St.), a retail space where art, fashion and community meld. Everything from weekly running groups, tango classes, open mic events, fundraising events, writing workshops, short film screenings, and mentoring sessions occur there — and that's just in July.

Williams, a Bronzeville resident, said the block party would have never existed without The Silver Room.

"Most of the things we do are for the customers we have — so the store is our most interactive space," he said. "What we do is not just us, it's a collaboration — the customers, the family, the friends, the community. The block party to me is a culmination of all the things we do throughout the year. We have a whole calendar of stuff. People talk about the block party all the time and I say that's important, but to me the calendar is in some ways more important because this is what builds to the one-day thing."

A call for artists this year yielded over 200 submissions, of which the block party team has to choose 60 performers for a number of stages. The mix has to be diverse, yet cohesive, Williams said. The same goes for the food vendors.



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Eric Williams' event has fostered a legacy of community on the South Side. This year, it'll host 130 artists and 75 vendors.

In 2017, Williams said his team had to turn away 20 vendors due to space, but this year doubling the event's footprint will prevent that from happening.

Vendors such as Maya-Camille Broussard, who will be bringing her Justice of the Pies business to the block party for a third year, jumped at the opportunity to be a part of the happening. The Hyde Park resident likens the occasion to a family reunion.

"It's a one-stop shop to get great food, to support and find new vendors who are selling things you may not have heard about or known about. It's a place to find love (there are people who met at the Silver Room Block Party and have gotten engaged or married). It's a one-stop shop to hear great music from various DJs that you might have to pay for if you were to go to three different clubs. It's a one-stop shop for all things that are culture-related, but that's what The Silver Room is too."

Formula for community

Williams has built a legacy of community, inclusion and economic impact since The Silver Room came to fruition in 1997. Having returned in June from the 10-month Loeb Fellowship in Massachusetts, Williams is even more energized to strengthen communities and fuel positive economics on the South Side. During his stint at Harvard, he worked with an architect to focus on alternative urban planning — spaces that are easy to construct to provide arts and culture outside of a traditional museum space. His latest research is an extension of his recent improvement projects in the South Shore neighborhood. Williams wants to create a model based on The Silver Room's success and replicate it in other communities. Williams said he has already talked to parties in St. Louis, Baltimore and Dayton, Ohio.

"The fellowship made me think on a larger scale about what community development means, what urban planning means and how I can use this space and other spaces to engage communities for a positive outcome — socially, economically and culturally," he said.

He added that with so many dormant spaces in the city, he wants to activate them and see what can happen in the community. He's considering the idea of a shared workspace, a co-working space in different neighborhoods.

"I just got to do what I can do, so if I can set an example for someone and it sparks with other people, that's great. I was in Wicker Park 25 years ago and it was the same thing. I saw one thing happen, two things happen and then all of a sudden things started to roll, but someone has to be the pioneer to make things happen," Williams said. "We have a rich community, people live there, people

have skills and resources and we have a network. I throw in \$10, you throw in \$10, let's have a picnic and see what can that lead to."

Fun without a cover charge

The Silver Room Block Party will have three stages; over 130 artists, a gallery of satellite locations and 75 vendors. Hosted in conjunction with Downtown Hyde Park and the South East Chicago Commission, 90 percent of the talent is local and kids and seniors will be featured prominently.

"I think the vision is to always have it focused on the people. The music and food is important, but it's really about the people that come and how they feel and what activations we can create within the block party to create something that is new," Williams said. "It's not just something where people come to drink and listen to music. There's definitely that, but I think the cultural part of it is

woven into it and that, to me, is what makes the block party a little bit more unique. It's family, it's kids, it's music, it's art, it's love. It's just a day to be yourself and celebrate the community."

Aunya Stephens, owner of Teedys Gramme, which makes homemade stuffed sweet potato pies, has been selling at the block party for two years. She went into The Silver Room one day, just passing by; now, she considers Williams and his team part of her family.

"People go to the block party to socialize to have a good time and to connect. It's that type of atmosphere. Every year you come because it's going to build from the year before — even bigger and better," Stephens said.

Peter Gaona, the artist behind the eco-friendly and upcycled/recycled retailer Reformed School, has been going to the block party for years, but only been selling at the event since it transitioned from Wicker Park to Hyde Park. He does other festivals and events around Chicagoland, but says it's the atmosphere that separates Williams' block party.

"The vibe that he creates in bringing people together to have fun, support each other, to just unite for a great cause and to expose yourself to just a peaceful, joyous event on the South Side is changing the misconception of the South Side," Gaona said.

"Eric could move the block party to Oak Park and people would go because people know the value in coming together to share joy, they know the value of the kind of event that Eric produces," Broussard said. "It's now become a destination location because people know its worth."

The Silver Room Block Party is Saturday from 11 a.m.-10 p.m. in Harper Court, 52nd Place and Harper Avenue.

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BOOK REVIEW

Are these literary or genre fiction?

When Megan Abbott and Naomi Novik are writing, who cares

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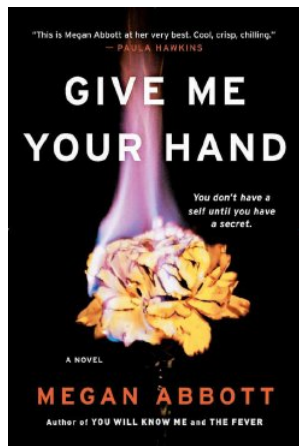
If there's a distinction between "genre fiction" and "literary fiction," it's certainly not that the former isn't literary and the latter isn't generic. It's mostly that the generic conventions of the latter are those that critics and professors are trained to value most.

Megan Abbott proves this by writing complex thrillers that roll their eyes at the distinction. Her novels excavate the ecstasies and agonies of adolescent female friendship, but that was description doesn't begin to capture the grit and song of "Dare Me" or "You Will Know Me." Each is a murder mystery in which the murder is almost a MacGuffin — not nearly as terrifying as the pressures of high school ambition, all bloody hearts and busted souls.

That those pressures never fully let up is the premise of Abbot's new "Give Me Your Hand." In a bygone flip-phone era, Kit

Owens scrapes chicken fat at the Golden Fry and doesn't bother to dream of escaping her drab small town. Then the brilliant transfer student Diane Fleming is assigned to be her lab partner. Kit learns from Diane "what it was like to care about so much about ideas from books" — about Marie Curie and gas chromatographs. But Diane has a dark secret, which she tells Kit one night as they study in Kit's "pocket-size house," and which Kit will regret having heard "more than anything else in my whole cramped life."

Several academic degrees later, Kit and Diane meet again in the lab of their teenage heroine, Dr. Severin (yes, it's a bit on the nose), where they research premenstrual dysphoric disorder, "the dangerous relays in the suffering body," "the purple marrow of female rage." Kit longs only to be "a part of the grander seeing, the illumination of darkness." But soon she and Diane share another

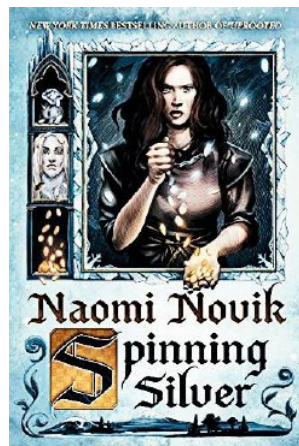


'Give Me Your Hand'

By Megan Abbott, Little, Brown, 352 pages, \$27

dark secret — "partners in crime," as Kit wryly puts it.

Wryly is the only way clichés ever slip into Abbott's prose. She can write up a storm, weaving spell after spell out of the jangle and dross of middle America, its Flying Js and Cinnabons, cherry slush and drag races under the viaduct. An affection for these details, an abhorrence of condescension, pulses through the novel, which is devastatingly canny about gender rela-



'Spinning Silver'

By Naomi Novik, Del Rey, 480 pages, \$28

tions. It's also as suspenseful as any best-seller you'd care to name, and as sad.

Speaking of spells, I was skeptical when I saw that Ursula K. Le Guin had recommended Naomi Novik's stand-alone fantasy novel "Uprooted." I'm not big on dragons or Patrick O'Brian novels, so I'd avoided Novik's "Temeraire" series, an alternate history that answers the question "What if the Napoleonic wars but

with dragons?"

Well, who am I to gain-say Ursula K. Le Guin? She was, of course, right. After ascertaining that "Uprooted" involves a wizard called Dragon but no dragons, I inhaled it, as enthralled as when I discovered Lloyd Alexander's Taran books in fourth grade.

"Spinning Silver" isn't strictly a sequel but a return to the magical setting of "Uprooted." The fates of three young women are bound together as winter descends upon a medieval kingdom. Miryem is a moneylender's daughter whose careless boast entices the king of an immortal wintry race to take her for his queen, forcing her to spin the titular silver into gold and rob the mortal world of summer. Irina, a duke's plain daughter, becomes tsarina with the aid of that same silver, not that she's happy about it, since the tsar turns out to be possessed by a demon who wants to eat her. Then there's Wanda, a peasant girl who escapes her abusive father to learn how to read and write — a form of magic, she thinks — from Miryem. As befits a story with a climactic battle

between an ice king and a demon tsar — shades of Snow Miser and Heat Miser — Novik grounds her story in folklore and fairy tales, quicksilver allusions to Grimm and Andersen. But this fairy land is all too human, riven by misogyny and bigotry, poverty and oppression. Which is not to say Novik hectors — she has constructed a social whole whose contradictions feel lived in, in which the "rising price of salt" is no less a concern than magical raiders and children cower in basements during pogroms.

I shouldn't neglect to praise the quiet flourishes of Novik's prose: a "pitted old trading road ... dragged from village to village like a string full of small dirty knots"; a king of snow "spread(s) winter around him like ink through water."

Genre? Literary? Like Le Guin and Abbott, Novik writes fiction, full stop.

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WATCH THIS: THURSDAY



Damson Idris

"Snowfall" (9 p.m., 10:06 p.m., FX): Season 2 of this gritty drama moves the action into 1984, as Franklin (Damson Idris) is having to struggle just to meet the escalating demands of his thriving business in the premiere "Sightlines." Lucia (Emily Rios) takes things too far in her determination to impress a shady new partner, and the CIA cuts Teddy's (Carter Hudson) support, the result of changing political tides, just as he's trying to recruit a new pilot.

"Take Two" (7 p.m., ABC): Believing he had a terminal illness, a man hired a professional killer to eliminate him — but upon finding out the medical diagnosis was wrong, he enlists Sam and Eddie (Rachel Bilson, Eddie Cibrian) to prevent the hit and let him live in the new episode "Death Becomes Him." The investigation also reveals another contract killing that's set to take place. Xavier DeGuzman, Aliyah O'Brien and Alice Lee also star.

"Trial & Error" (8 p.m., NBC): The satire of crime-documentary shows returns for a second season with "The Suitcase" and a new protagonist, played by someone absolutely perfect for this series' tone: Emmy and Tony winner Kristin Chenoweth, portraying a socially prominent but offbeat heiress who becomes the prime suspect in the bizarre death of her husband. She needs the help of attorney Josh Segal (continuing co-star Nicholas D'Agosto).

"Black Lightning" (8 p.m., CW): In the wake of the most recent murder, Black Lightning (Cress Williams) struggles to clear his name and redoubles his determined quest to find the person who killed his father, as well as any associates in that crime. Meanwhile, tensions between him and Gambi (James Remar) continue to run high in "The Book of Little Black Lies."

"Queen of the South" (8 p.m., USA): In the new episode "El Juicio" — which means "the trial" — a dangerous old enemy lays siege to Teresa's (Alice Braga) new winery in Phoenix, causing more unforeseen problems. There's also an unexpected benefit to this situation, however, since Teresa finds passion with an old friend even as she is focused on defending her business.

"Law & Order: Special Victims Unit" (9 p.m., NBC): Carisi (Peter Scanavino) has a personal tie to the case in "In Loco Parentis," as his niece claims a classmate committed a sexual assault. In attempting to bring the matter to trial, Stone (Philip Winchester) runs into witness-related complications.

TALK SHOWS

"Conan" (10 p.m. 11:30 p.m., TBS): Actors Olivia Munn, Keegan-Michael Key, Sterling K. Brown, Thomas Jane, Trevante Rhodes, Alfie Allen, Augusto Aguilera, Jake Busey, and Yvonne Strahovski; director Shane Black.*

"The Tonight Show Starring Jimmy Fallon" (10:34 p.m., NBC): Actor Pierce Brosnan; Pusha T and 070 Shake perform.*

"The Late Show With Stephen Colbert" (10:35 p.m., CBS): Actor Denzel Washington; Rep. Joe Kennedy III (D-Mass.); comic Carmen Lagala.*

"Jimmy Kimmel Live" (10:35 p.m., ABC): Actor Jim Gaffigan; professional football player Antonio Brown; Imagine Dragons performs.*

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BOOK REVIEW

A woman learns to dance, not sleepwalk, through life

BY CAROL MEMMOTT
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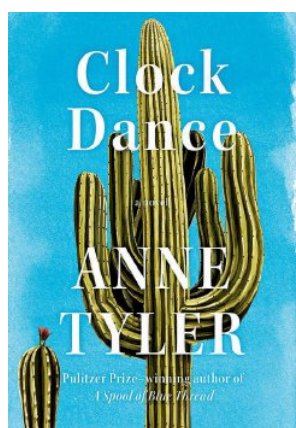
Anne Tyler reimagined "The Taming of the Shrew" for modern audiences in her 2016 novel, "Vinegar Girl." It was an intriguing undertaking, because its leading lady — saucy, hotheaded Kate — is the complete opposite of the mostly placid characters Tyler's fans have fallen in love with in her 20 or so other novels. For Tyler's readers, Willa Drake, the protagonist in her latest novel, "Clock Dance," feels like a character we already know — and one we're delighted to meet again.

Willa's story begins in 1967 when she's 9. It's a formative time in life for anyone, and, sadly, all is not well in the Drake household. Willa's mother is unstable, and she often slips away for days at a time. She's been known to physically attack her children. But Willa is always willing to turn the proverbial cheek to keep things from escalating.

When Willa's sister Elaine recalls a childhood incident when their mother attacked her with a hairbrush, Willa says the type of thing she always says: "Elaine. Just move on." Willa, emulating her saintly father, never complains, preferring to be agreeable, no matter what.

It's a pattern that will lead her, almost robotically, through life. She drops out of college to marry her boyfriend. It's not because she wants to, but because he wants her to. And after he dies, she moves from San Diego to Tucson with her second husband, because he wants to, even though she doesn't want to leave a job she loves.

Preferring to be the background noise in everyone's life, including her own, Willa tackles mother-



'Clock Dance'

By Anne Tyler, Knopf, 304 pages, \$26.95

hood in the same way. Being a good mother "meant being a predictable mother," Tyler writes of Willa. "She was the only woman she knew whose prime objective was to be taken for granted."

Tyler uses 100 pages to set up why Willa is the way she is. It's at times a long slog. The payoff comes when the story jumps to 2017, and Willa's awakening begins.

When Willa gets a call from a woman in Baltimore telling her that Willa's daughter-in-law has been shot and that Willa needs to come to Baltimore to care for her granddaughter, Willa agrees immediately — even though she doesn't have a daughter-in-law or a granddaughter. Willa wouldn't dare upset the stranger on the phone by saying no. She jumps on the next plane and begins her journey of self-discovery. Her time in Baltimore will teach her who she wants to be and what she wants her life's journey — her "clock dance" — to be.

What's so amazing about Tyler's novels is the way she makes ordinary

people and ordinary things so fascinating. The Pulitzer Prize-winner, beloved for "Breathing Lessons" and "The Accidental Tourist," makes day-to-day activities feel extraordinarily important and interesting. Her imperfect but lovable characters are people who act and feel like us.

In Baltimore, Willa and her exasperated husband, Peter, move in with Denise, who once lived with Willa's son Sean, and Cheryl, Denise's 9-year-old daughter. Willa discovers that the too-old-for-her-years Cheryl is much like Willa was as a girl: "a watchful, wary adult housed in a little girl's body." Willa falls hard for Cheryl and, for the first time in her life, feels truly alive and needed.

Through Denise, Cheryl and their neighbors, Willa figures out "what to live for." She experiences joys she's never experienced before. How this comes about is the revelatory gift Tyler gives us; unwrapping the story is a delight.

There are times when Tyler's novels of meta-domesticity feel old-fashioned, even anachronistic, particularly in our current #MeToo era. While many can't stop thinking about politics, government overreach, climate change and gun violence, characters like Willa seem oblivious.

It may be hard for some readers to embrace "Clock Dance," the story of one somewhat privileged woman's longing for a more satisfying life that plays out in the snow-globe-like world of a Baltimore neighborhood. Readers who make the effort, though, will enjoy Willa's journey. The real world is always waiting.

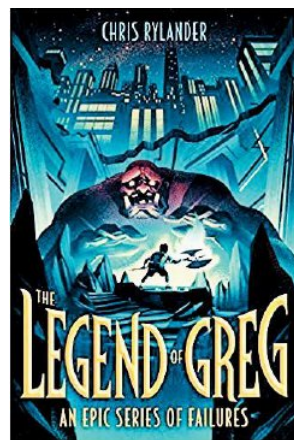
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	ABC 7	The Gong Show (N) ©		Match Game (N) ©		Take Two: "Death Becomes Him." (N) ©		News at 10pm (N) ♠
	WGN 9	Two and a Half Men	Two and a Half Men	Last Man Standing ©	Last Man Standing ©	WGN News at Nine (N) (Live) ©		WGN News at Ten (N)
	Antenna 9.2	Alice ©	Alice ©	B. Miller	B. Miller	Coach ©	Coach ©	Murphy
	This TV 9.3	Beauty Shop (PG-13,'05) **	Queen Latifah. ©			Johnny Be Good (R,'88) **	©	♠
	PBS 11	Chicago Tonight (N)		Secret Life of Dogs: "Man's Best Friend."		10 Monuments That Changed America (N) ©		Experience ♠
	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	In the Cut	Family Time	A Man Apart (R,'03) **	Vin Diesel. ♠	
	FOX 32	The Four: Battle for Stardom: "Week Six." (N) ©				Fox 32 News at Nine (N)		Modern Family ©
	Ion 38	Blue Bloods ©		Blue Bloods: "Mob Rules."		Blue Bloods ©		Blue Blood ♠
	Telem 44	*(6) Exatón (N) ©		Sin Senos Sí (N)		El señor de los cielos (N)		Chicago (N)
	CW 50	Supernatural ©		Black Lightning ©		Law Order: CI		Law CI ♠
	UniMas 60	*(6) Drive Angry ('11) **		La jefa del campeón		Velvet		Velvet ♠
	WJYS 62	History	Skywatch	Joyce Meyer	Robison	Christian	Dn. Carson	Monument
	Univ 66	El rico y Lázaro (N)		La bella y las bestias (N)		El Chapo (N)		Noticias (N)
CABLE	AE	Live PD	Live PD	Live PD (N)	Live PD (N)	PD Cam	PD Cam (N)	Live PD ♠
	AMC	*(6) The Karate Kid (PG,'84) ***	Ralph Macchio. ©			(9:05) The Karate Kid Part II ('86) ***		♠
	ANIM	Lone Star Law: Uncuffed (N)				Northwest Law (N)		Lone Star ♠
	BBCA	Doctor Who: "The Lost Episode." (N) ©						Dr. Who ♠
	BET	*(6:25) Just Wright (PG,'10) **	Queen Latifah. ©			The Grand Hustle (Series Premiere) (N)		Grand ♠
	BIGTEN	Big Ten Elite ©		Michigan Football Classic (N) ©		Michigan ♠		
	BRAVO	Southern Charm ©		Southern Charm ©		Guide-Divorce (Series Finale) (N)		Watch (N)
	CLTV	News at 7	News (N)	News at 8	News (N)	SportsFeed ©		Politics
	CNBC	Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark Tank ©		Shark ♠
	CNN	Anderson Cooper 360 (N)		Cuomo Prime Time (N)		CNN Tonight (N)		Tonight (N) ♠
	COM	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	The Office	Detroit (N)	Daily (N) ♠
	DISC	Naked and Afraid: "King of the Mountain." (N) ©						Afraid ♠
	DISN	Andi Mack	Raven	Big City	Stuck	Bizaardvark	Bug Juice:	Andi Mack
	E!	Mamma Mia! (PG-13,'08) **	Meryl Streep, Pierce Brosnan. ©			Mamma Mia! ('08) ***		♠
	ESPN	♠ MLB Baseball: St. Louis Cardinals at Chicago Cubs. (N)		X Games From Minneapolis. (N) (Live) ♠				
	ESPN2	WNBA Basketball: Mystics at Wings (N)				SportsCenter (N) (Live) ©		SportCtr (N)
	FNC	Tucker Carlson (N)		Hannity (N) ©		The Ingraham Angle (N)		Fox News
	FOOD	Chopped ©				Beat Bobby	Beat Bobby	Dr. Who ♠
FREE	Cloak & Dagger (N)		Marvel's Cloak & Dagger		Marvel's Cloak & Dagger		700 Club ♠	
FX	*(6) Straight Outta Compton (R,'15) ***	©			Snowfall: "Sightlines." (Season Premiere) (N)		Snowfall ♠	
HALL	The Nine Lives of Christmas (NR,'14) ©				The Middle	The Middle	The Middle	
HGTV	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Flip or Flop	Hunters (N)	Hunt Intl (N)	Music City	
HIST	Mnt. Men (N)		Mountain Men (Season Premiere) (N)		(9:03) Alone (N) ©		Mnt. Men ♠	
HLN	Something's Killing Me		Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	Forensic	
IFC	'70s Show	'70s Show	Beetlejuice (PG,'88) ***	Michael Keaton. ©			Beetlejuice	
LIFE	Harry & Meghan: A Royal Romance (NR,'18) ©				(9:03) 20/20 ©		Wedding (N)	
MSNBC	All In With Chris Hayes		Rachel Maddow Show		The Last Word (N)		11th Hour (N)	
MTV	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild 'n Out	Wild/Out (N)	
NBCSCH	♠ Minor League Baseball: Red Sox at Knights (N)				Triathlon	Beer Money	The Loop (N)	
NICK	Double (N)	Double Dare	Happy Feet (PG,'06) ***	Voices of Elijah Wood. © ♠				
Ovation	*(6) Executive Decision (R,'96) ***	Kurt Russell.			Rachel	Rachel	Friday ♠	
OWN	20/20 on OWN ©		20/20 on OWN ©		20/20 on OWN ©		20/20 ♠	
OXY	NCIS: "Hung Out to Dry."		NCIS: "Sea Dog." ©		NCIS: "The Immortals." ©		NCIS © ♠	
PARMT	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Friends ©	Woman (N)	Lip Sync (N)	Lip Sync (N)	
SYFY	♠ Rush Hour 3	Hellboy II: The Golden Army (PG-13,'08) ***	Ron Perlman. ©				Nightmare ♠	
TBS	Seinfeld ©	Seinfeld ©	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Big Bang	Conan (N) ♠	
TCM	Bullitt (PG,'68) ***	Steve McQueen. ©			The Sand Pebbles (PG-13,'66) ***		♠	
TLC	My 600-Lb. Life: "Supersized: Lupe & Brittani." (N)				Dr. Pimple Popper (N)		My 600-Lb ♠	
TLN	IMPACT	Wretched	Comfort with Comfort		Life Today	Like You	Humanit ♠	
TNT	Shooter (R,'07) **	Mark Wahlberg, Michael Peña. ©			Contraband (R,'12) ***		♠	
TOON	Dragon Ball	Amer. Dad	Cleveland	Amer. Dad	Burgers	Burgers	Family Guy	
TRAV	Mysteries at the Museum		Mysteries-Museum (N)		The Unexplained Files		Mysteries ♠	
TVL	Everybody Raymond		Raymond	Raymond	Two Men	Two Men	King	
USA	Law & Order: SVU		Queen of the South (N)		(9:01) Shooter (N)		Law-SVU ♠	
VH1	*(6) Why Did I Get Married? (PG-13,'07) **	©			How Stella Got Her Groove Back ***		♠	
WE	Growing Up Hip Hop (N)		Growing Up Hip Hop (N)		Growing Up Hip Hop ©		Hip Hop ♠	
WGN America	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	Last Man	
PREMIUM	HBO	The Boy Downstairs (PG-13,'17) **	©	(8:35) Sharp Objects ©		The Tale (NR,'18) ♠		♠
	HBO2	VICE ©		Sharp Objects: "Dirt." ©		Bill Maher: Live From It (R,'17) ***		♠
	MAX	The Losers (PG-13,'10) **	©		(8:40) King Arthur: Legend of the Sword ('17) ***		♠	
	SHO	*(6) Braveheart (R,'95) ***	Mel Gibson. ©			America	America	Shameless ♠
	STARZ	♠ When the Bough Breaks		Power ©		Power: "Damage Control." ©		Power © ♠
STZNC	♠ The World Is Not Enough		Dear John (PG-13,'10) **	Channing Tatum. ©			Edward ♠	

Children's books roundup

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"The Legend of Greg" by Chris Rylander, Putnam's Sons Books for Young Readers, 352 pages, \$16.99, ages 8-12

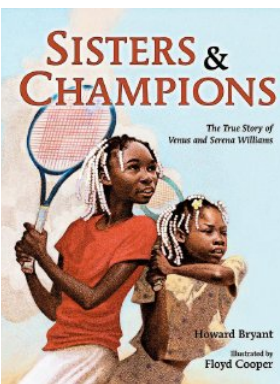
Blunt, stout and cursed by remarkable bad luck, 13-year-old Greg Belmont isn't exactly a social sensation at the elite Chicago private school he attends on scholarship. But with a pocket full of bacon — a favorite snack — and a best friend who shares his love of chess and his penchant for bad puns, Greg is doing just fine, thank you very much. At least until his beloved father, a seemingly mild-mannered purveyor of New Age teas and tinctures, is unexpectedly kidnapped. Thrust into a strange underground world where Dwarves play pool, forge weapons and dream of a time when their magical powers will be restored, Greg learns that his father is a great Dwarf leader and decides to attempt a daring rescue mission.

Rylander's distinctly Chicago take on the fantastical involves blue-collar bluntness, abundant facial hair and magic rich in boulders and vines. But the real attraction of this funny and absorbing first installment in a series is Greg, a delightfully frank and scruffy hero, and his increasingly frayed relationship with his charismatic best friend from private school, who may or may not be an enemy spy.

"Sisters & Champions" by Howard Bryant, illustrated by Floyd Cooper, Philomel, 32 pages, \$17.99, ages 4-8

The initial images of young Venus and Serena Williams, seen through a haze of scattered light, signal that we are entering into the realm of myth and legend. The workaday details — a chain-link fence, a hot-pink hair scrunchy — anchor us in reality and struggle. "No one ever laughed at Richard Williams, at least not to his face," the story begins, drawing us into the tale of a man with big dreams for his little girls. Black kids aren't supposed to play tennis, people said. Rich people played tennis, not kids from Compton. But Williams knew his daughters Venus and Serena were magic on the court. He knew they could be tennis champions — both of them! People laughed, but Richard just kept on dreaming and working, and urging Venus and Serena to do the same. A sign he painted for them said, "If you fail to prepare properly, you prepare to fail."

We all know the ending, but Bryant, a senior writer for ESPN.com, makes the story new again with passion, clarity and a gift for good old-fashioned storytelling. He finds the universal in a very specific sport and tells a tale that's rich with detail. The illustrations, faintly grainy like old photos, capture the nostalgia of promising beginnings and the intensity of world-class competition. This one's a winner.



"Whale in a Fishbowl" by Troy Howell, illustrated by Richard Jones, Schwartz & Wade, 42 pages, \$17.99, ages 4-8

The whale in a giant fishbowl is a high-profile urban landmark. The whale swims calmly in her half-globe of blue water, a striking contrast to angular skyscrapers that surround her, an enticing echo of the great body of water in the distance. But from the first line of this marvelous fish-out-of-water tale, we sense that all is not well. "Wednesday lived in a fishbowl. It was the only home she knew." Wednesday, named "because, like the day of the week, she was smack in the middle of everything," is surrounded by elegant cityscapes, but drawn to the big blue-green body of water in the distance. She starts leaping to catch a glimpse of that water. She leaps and leaps, and crowds gather to see her in flight. She's more popular than ever. But, still something isn't right. Will Wednesday reclaim her water birthright? The ending isn't altogether unexpected, but the story is strange and wonderful, and the art — paintings edited with Photoshop — is every bit its match.



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Horoscopes



Today's birthday (July 19): Play with people you love this year. Support your team through a challenge. Collaborate for a luscious possibility. Personal breakthroughs spark this summer before shared financial changes inspire you to generate an abundant harvest. Raise the level of your partnership this winter.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Today is a 7. Clean up messes, and resolve misunderstandings with a partner before it festers into long-term damage. Handle responsibilities on time.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): 8. Demands and requests could flood in. Move to instill order into a chaotic situation. Get support with a busy rush. Put in support structures.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): 7. Enjoy the game. Focus on important priorities, and let the little stuff go. Forgive rude outbursts. Let heated moments cool. Love is fundamental.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): 5. Make repairs to keep domestic functionality flowing. Make improvements for long-term benefit. Measure thrice, and cut once. Research before purchasing. Restore workability for your family.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): 7. Keep communication channels open. Keep your agreements. Forgive small transgressions. Be determined rather than dissuaded. Listen more than you speak. Consider deeply, and then choose freely.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): 8. Compute expenses and do the math before making a big purchase. Clear clutter and free up space. Keeping producing income. Maintain positive cash flow.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): 8. You can get past this obstacle. Release outworn attitudes and suppositions. Own and clean your own messes. Stand for what you want.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): 6. Find a quiet place to consider recent changes. Relax, and consider from another view. Strengthen foundational infrastructure. Imagination provides innovative solutions. Meditate and rest.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): 8. Reach out to friends. Offer and request support. Pull together to navigate a challenge. Clarify issues first, and then cooperate. Get expert feedback.

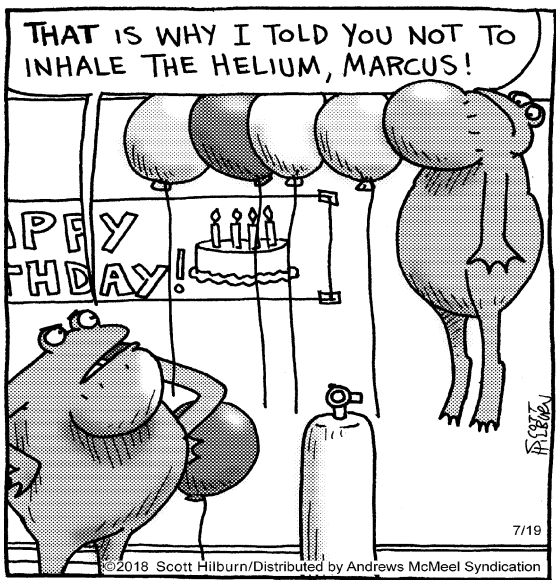
Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): 7. Provide support for a professional problem. Clean up a mess, and restore integrity. Follow the money trail. Put in a long-term correction.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): 6. Stick to short trips rather than long-distance excursions to avoid delays and travel breakdowns. Make backup plans. News may impact your journey. Study and explore locally.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): 7. Follow the rules closely with financial choices, or risk long-term consequences. Resolve a disagreement over priorities. Get everyone on the same page.

— Nancy Black, Tribune Content Agency

The Argyle Sweater



Bliss



Bridge

North-South vulnerable, South deals

North		East	
♠ J 9 5	♥ A J 9 8 4 2	♠ 7 2	♥ 10 6
♦ A	♣ A 10 7	♦ J 9 6 5 4 3	♠ K Q 5
West		South	
♠ A Q 6 4 3	♥ 5	♠ K 10 8	♥ K Q 7 3
♦ Q 8 2	♣ J 8 3 2	♦ K 10 7	♣ 9 6 4

Today's deal is from the recent Vanderbilt Knockout Teams held in Philadelphia. North-South were John Hurd and Joel Wooldridge, respectively, from New York.

Hurd-Wooldridge have an excellent record as a partnership over the last 10 to 20 years. They favor an aggressive style, as evidenced by South's decision to open the bidding on a hand that many, if not most, would pass.

The bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♣	1♠	2♥	Pass
2NT	Pass	3NT	All pass

Opening lead: Four of ♠

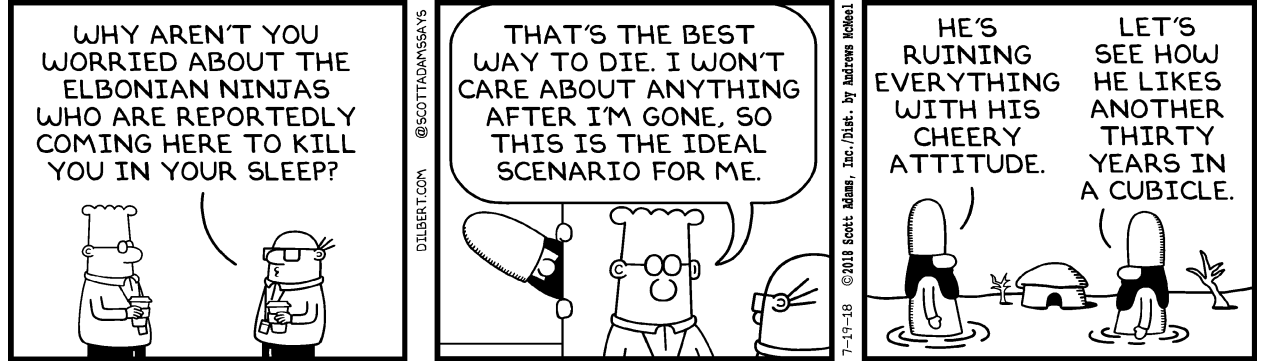
be even worse with an opening spade lead through his king, so Wooldridge chose to bid two no trump, rather than raise, to protect his king of spades. Hurd got with the program right away by raising no trump rather than rebidding his hearts. Wooldridge quickly claimed 10 tricks after the opening spade lead. "Would you have raised me with five-card support?" asked Hurd, tongue firmly in cheek.

In the replay, South passed as dealer and North-South reached the normal contract of four hearts, played by North. The opening spade lead the defense take the first two spade tricks and a spade ruff. The defense take a club trick still to come for down one.

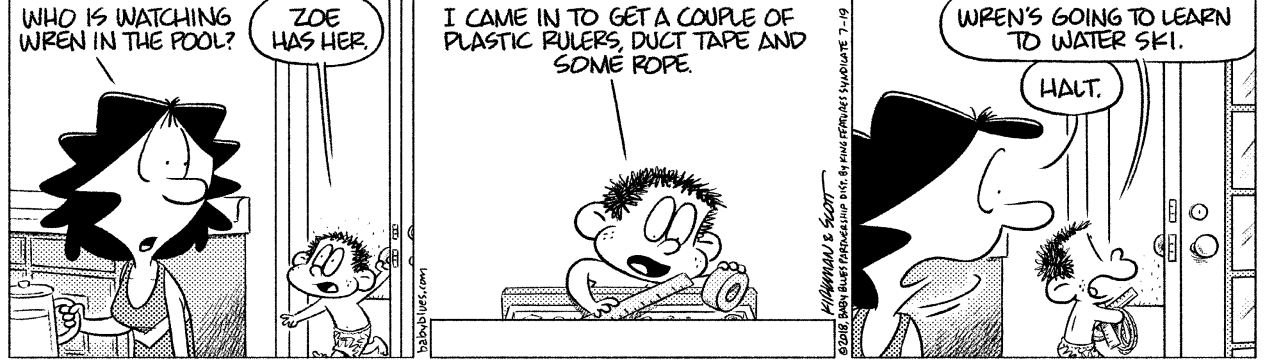
Great bidding by Hurd-Wooldridge. This result helped their team to victory over one of the top teams in the country.

— Bob Jones
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Dilbert



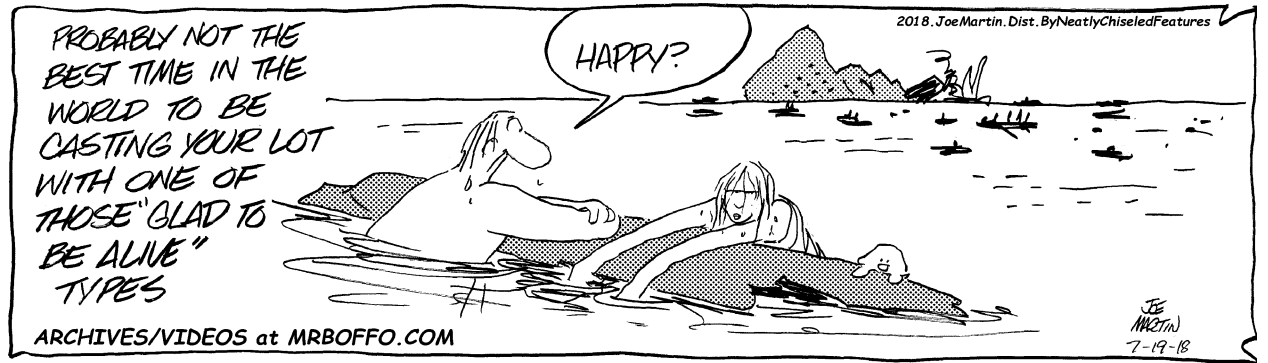
Baby Blues



Zits



Mr. Boffo



Frazz



Classic Peanuts



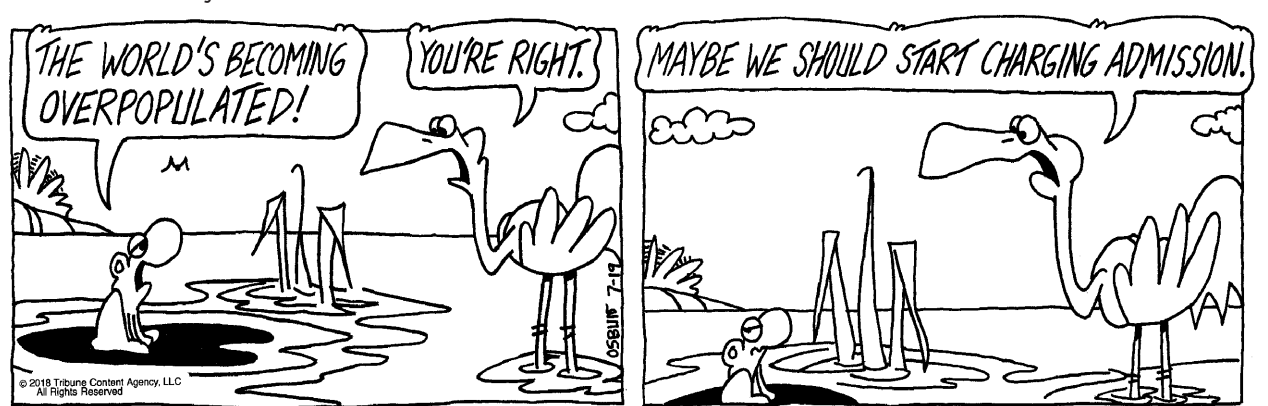
Pickles



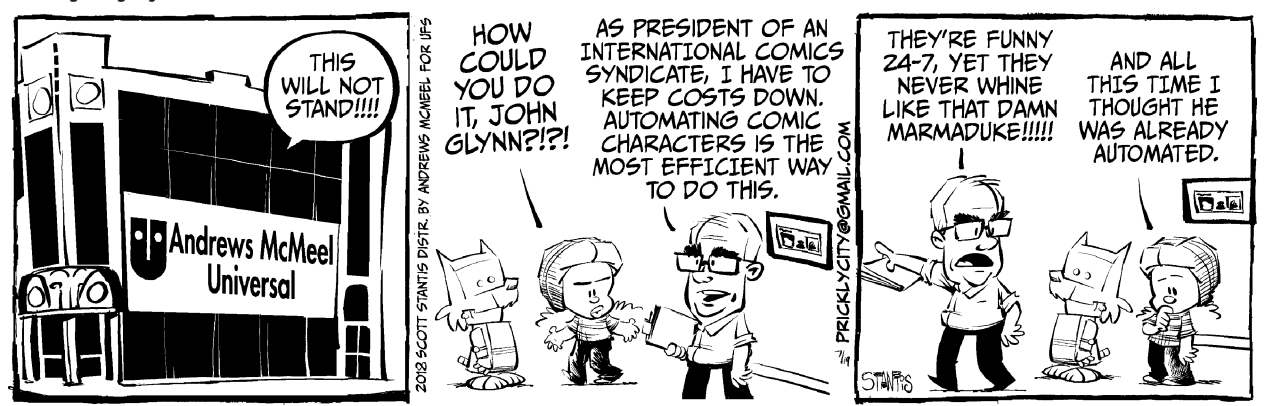
Dick Tracy



Animal Crackers



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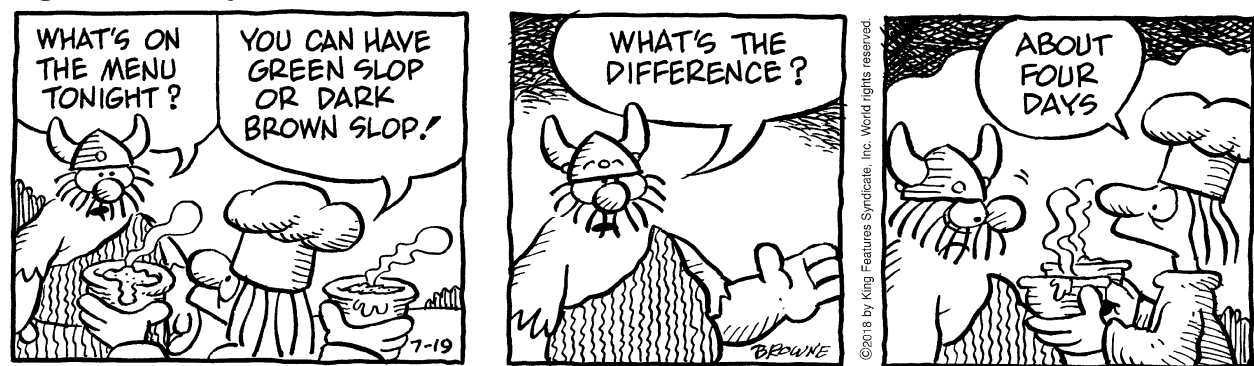
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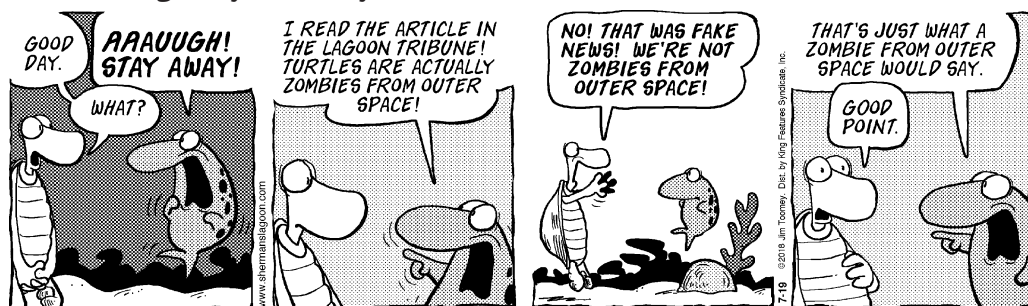
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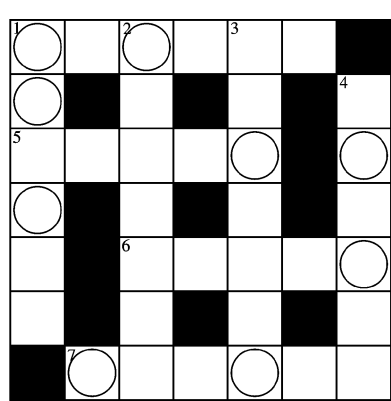
Broom-Hilda By Russell Myers



Trivia Bits

Which of these was not one of the labors of Hercules in Greek mythology?
A) Capturing Cerberus, the three-headed dog
B) Chasing birds away from Lake Stymphalus
C) Stealing golden apples from the Hesperides nymphs
D) Defeating the Colossus of Rhodes in battle
Wednesday's answer: Leonardo da Vinci.
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Jumble Crossword



7-19-18

- CLUE ACROSS**
- Trial
 - May, for example
 - Unit of weight
 - Refuge
- CLUE DOWN**
- support
 - Microsoft
 - Fuel additive
 - Make good
- ANSWER**
- ACROSS: WRELY, HOMTN, CUNEO, UMLSAY
DOWN: UBALRM, OIWWND, HNEOLAT, MEDEER

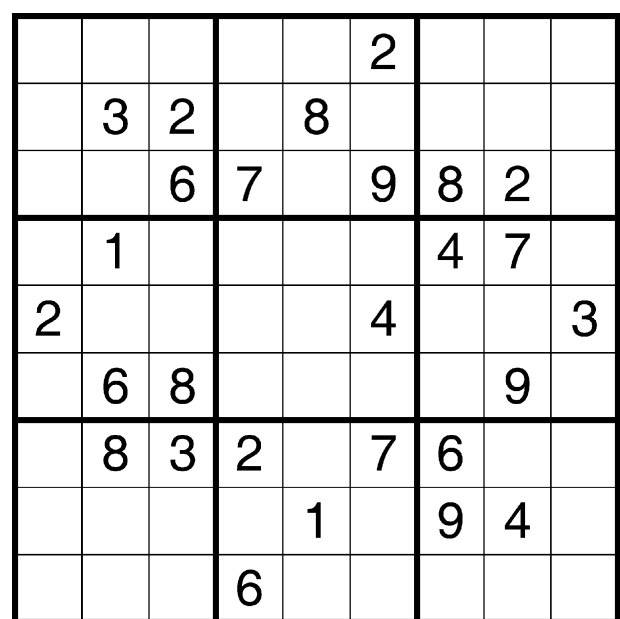
How to play - Complete the crossword puzzle by looking at the clues and unscrambling the answers. When the puzzle is complete, unscramble the circled letters to solve the BONUS.

BONUS ○○○○○ ○○○○○

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ANSWERS: 1-L, 2-M, 3-A, 4-C, 5-T, 6-R, 7-E, 8-I, 9-N, 10-S, 11-T, 12-A, 13-R, 14-T, 15-E, 16-N, 17-T, 18-I, 19-T, 20-S, 21-E, 22-T, 23-C, 24-E, 25-T, 26-S, 27-R, 28-T, 29-I, 30-T, 31-T, 32-T, 33-T, 34-T, 35-T, 36-T, 37-T, 38-T, 39-T, 40-T, 41-T, 42-T, 43-T, 44-T, 45-T, 46-T, 47-T, 48-T, 49-T, 50-T, 51-T, 52-T, 53-T, 54-T, 55-T, 56-T, 57-T, 58-T, 59-T, 60-T, 61-T, 62-T, 63-T, 64-T, 65-T, 66-T, 67-T, 68-T

Sudoku 1 2 3 4

7/19



4	3	9	6	5	7	1	2	8
2	8	7	9	1	3	4	5	6
6	1	5	2	4	8	7	9	3
3	9	4	1	7	2	6	8	5
5	2	1	8	6	4	3	7	9
7	6	8	5	3	9	2	1	4
1	4	6	7	9	5	8	3	2
8	5	3	4	2	1	9	6	7
9	7	2	3	8	6	5	4	1

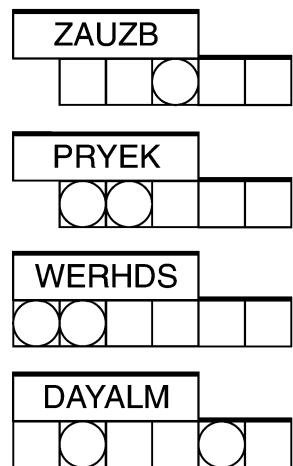
Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders contains every digit 1 to 9.

Wednesday's solutions

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Jumble

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



Answer here



Wednesday's answers

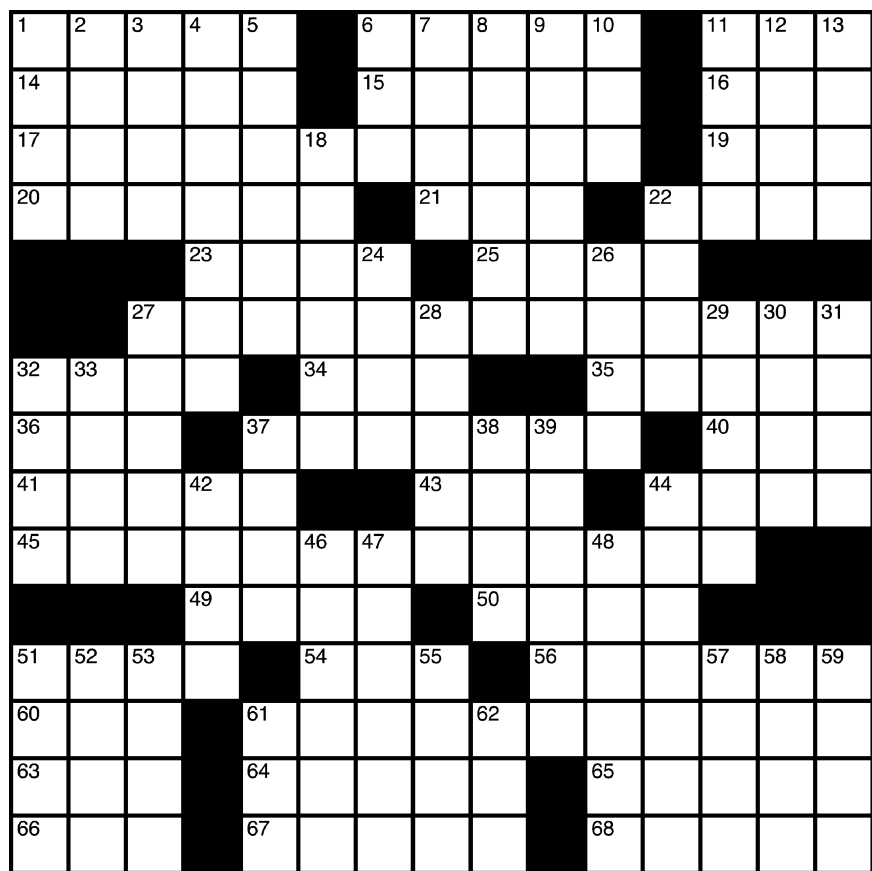
Jumbles: USHER GIANT OUTLAW PASTRY
Answer: Explaining the rules of arm wrestling is simple because it's — EASY TO GRASP

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Crossword

7/19



Across

- New England sch.
- Dominant
- Chest protector
- Up
- Stunt cyclist, e.g.
- Valuable extraction
- Exhale over scalding coffee?
- Bit of muesli
- Mariners' home, familiarly
- Bilingual subj.
- 21 July 4th events, briefly
- Five-O cop
- James or Jones of jazz
- Discontinue slanted material in articles?
- Letters of urgency
- Long of "In Too Deep"
- Broad neckwear
- One in an airport queue

- Talking points?
- Memorable 1969 bride
- Harry's Hogwarts nemesis
- Letters in an unfilled sched. slot
- From the top
- Visit some animal shelter residents?
- Classroom "I know! I know!"
- First name in country
- Did a number
- Small application
- Ear inflammation
- Fire
- Delay passing a congressional bill?
- General Mills cereal
- Metal giant
- Debate topic
- Id follower?
- Conductor Zubin
- Arms treaty subj.

- Green Zone country
- Action at the track
- "That's all wrong!"
- Streisand, in fanzines
- "The Wizard ..."
- They usually end up in hot water
- Plotting group
- Hill of country
- iPhone array
- Top-drawer
- Stash
- Adapter letters
- "Waitress" Tony nominee Bareilles
- "Hunny" lover
- Lyft alternative
- Fashioned from
- Heavy shoe
- Saying nay to
- Plant root growth
- Pastoral roofing
- Get one's hands on
- Sushi go-with
- Allies' enemy
- Coming right up
- One in an UGG box
- Shock, in a way
- Post-op areas
- "Leave it in" mark
- Bobby's wife on "Dallas"
- Pilot-licensing org.

Wednesday's solution



Down

- Cities, informally
- Kunis of "Black Swan"
- Starting on
- Clinched
- Treaded winter vehicle
- Wikipedia lacks them
- Untimely?
- Like alarm clocks
- Part of HMO
- Half of a very high price?
- Schmo

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THURSDAY, JULY 19 NORMAL HIGH: 84° NORMAL LOW: 64° RECORD HIGH: 101° (1930) RECORD LOW: 50° (1873)

Weekend rain is on the way to relieve dry July

LOCAL FORECAST

HIGH 85 **LOW 68**

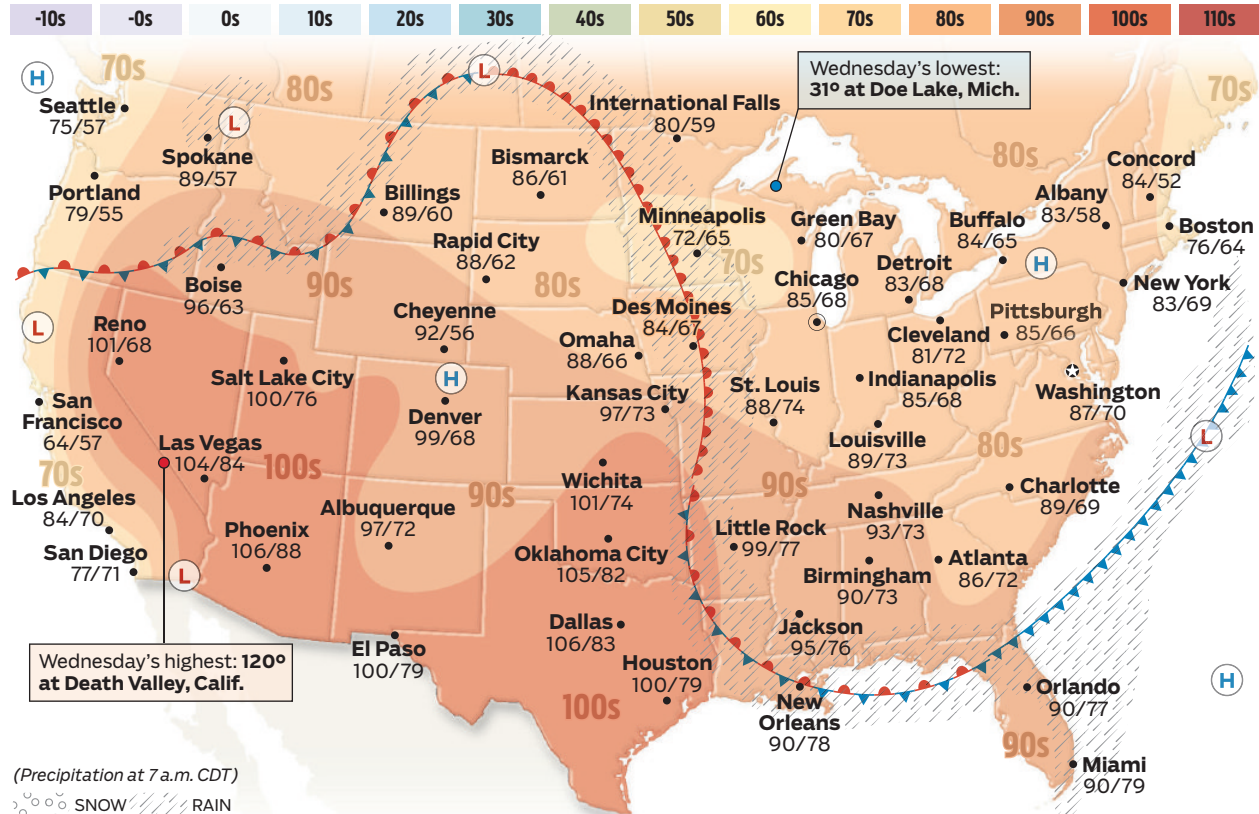
High pressure departs to the east and low pressure approaches from the west.

Slight chance of scattered brief thunderstorms during the afternoon with storms becoming increasingly likely at night.

A sunny start, but clouds on the increase through the day. Highs reach the mid-80s inland, but a southeasterly wind may keep readings in the upper 70s along the Lake Michigan shoreline.

Brief light showers during the afternoon could turn into heavier downpours later at night.

NATIONAL FORECAST



Even though we're just under 3 inches of rainfall above normal since June 1 and 8 and a half inches above normal since the first of the year, Chicago's official observing site at O'Hare is running nearly an inch and a half deficit this month, and topsoil in many areas is dry. July has averaged 4.2 degrees above normal, and the last couple days have carried very low humidity. Both enhance evaporation, so the expected showers and storms the next two to three days is welcome news for many.

Most rainfall could occur later Thursday night into Friday, as low pressure approaches from the west triggering strong thunderstorms that could hit many locations with downpours.

As the low pressure moves off to the east, a rain-free period should ensue with our next best chance of rain looking to occur Wednesday.

FRIDAY, JULY 20

HIGH 82 **LOW 69**

Mostly cloudy with showers or thunderstorms likely — a few strong storms with heavy downpours. Rather humid with afternoon highs in the lower 80s. Good chance of showers or thunderstorms overnight. West to southwest winds.

SATURDAY, JULY 21

HIGH 77 **LOW 68**

More clouds than sun with a chance of showers. Highs in the mid to upper 70s. Continued chance of showers overnight. North to northeast winds.

SUNDAY, JULY 22

HIGH 76 **LOW 67**

Early morning showers possible. Afternoon highs around 80 degrees far west and south and cooler at the lakefront. Gradual clearing at night. Northerly winds become light and variable at night.

MONDAY, JULY 23

HIGH 84 **LOW 68**

Sunny start, but clouds increase somewhat as the day progresses. Highs in the lower to middle 80s with overnight lows in the middle 60s. South to southwest winds.

TUESDAY, JULY 24

HIGH 82 **LOW 65**

Partly cloudy — afternoon highs in the lower 80s. Scattered clouds overnight. Westerly winds.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25

HIGH 83 **LOW 64**

A gradual increase in clouds with a chance of thunderstorms late. Afternoon high 80 to 85 degrees. Clouds and a chance of showers overnight. Winds shift to the southeast.

ASK TOM

Dear Tom,
I have heard the world's "permanent ice" is melting. Is this true?

— James Colgren

Dear James,

Yes. "Permanent ice" is ice that lasts for decades or longer. It is found in the world's glaciers and in Greenland and Antarctica, and all three are melting. Complete melting would cause the ocean to rise about 230 feet. Ninety percent of the Earth's permanent ice is contained on Antarctica, 10 percent on Greenland and a fraction of one percent in other glaciers around the world. The water from melting land ice could contribute 6 inches to the world sea level by 2100, a grave concern for the Earth's coasts. "This has got to be a cause for concern for the governments we trust to protect our coastal cities and communities," said Andrew Shepherd, lead author of a new study detailing the ice loss.

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WGN-TV meteorologists Steve Kahn, Richard Koeneman, Paul Merzlock and Paul Dailey, plus Bill Snyder, contribute to this page.

Hear Tom Skilling's weather updates weekdays 3 to 6 p.m. on WGN-AM 720 Chicago.

Excessive rain potential ahead; cooler trend the next 2 weeks

POWERFUL, DOWNPOUR-GENERATING THUNDERSTORMS SWEEP THE NORTHERN PLAINS

Wednesday's rainfalls	Wednesday storm gusts
Smithwick, S.D. 2.70"	Edgemont, S.D. 70 mph
Beulah, Mont. 2.25"	Fairburn, S.D. 70 mph
Ridge, Mont. 2.12"	Rapid City, S.D. 70 mph
Hill City, S.D. 2.05"	Colony, Wyo. 65 mph
Yankton, S.D. 2.01"	Spearfish, S.D. 65 mph
Geddes, S.D. 2.00"	Hayes Center, Neb. 60 mph
Edgemont, S.D. 1.79"	Pierre, S.D. 59 mph
	Big Springs, Neb. 59 mph

CHICAGO PRECIPITATION PROBABILITIES

Thursday/Thursday night: Storms on the way!

TIME	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	SUNDAY
7 am-7 pm	20%	60%	47%	40%	4%
7 pm-7 am	70%	56%	40%	6%	5%

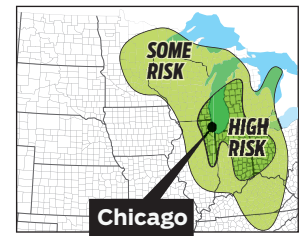
THE 1-2 WEEK PATTERN MAY HAVE COOLED—BUT WEATHER HISTORY ASSURES US: MORE WARMTH TO COME

From now through the rest of the warm season

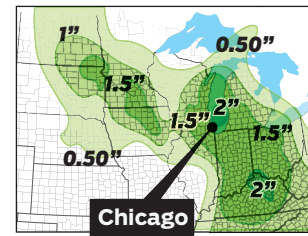
Average number of highs in Chicago since 1928:

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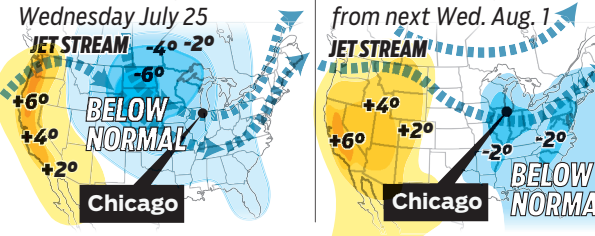
FRIDAY/FRIDAY NIGHT



ESTIMATED RAIN TOTALS



TEMPERATURE TREND THE NEXT 2 WEEKS



MIDWEST CITIES

THURS./FRI.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Illinois	pc	88	73	ts	88	70
Carbondale	sh	80	67	ts	82	66
Champaign	pc	81	69	ts	81	65
Decatur	pc	81	69	ts	81	65
Maquokette	ts	80	65	ts	81	66
Peoria	ts	80	65	ts	81	66
Quincy	ts	80	65	ts	81	66
Rockford	sh	80	66	ts	81	66
Springfield	cl	82	70	ts	85	67
Stirling	ts	79	66	ts	78	63
Indiana	pc	85	68	ts	85	67
Bloomington	pc	86	71	ts	87	70
Evansville	pc	86	71	ts	87	70
Fort Wayne	pc	86	71	ts	87	70
Indianapolis	pc	85	68	ts	84	68
Lafayette	pc	82	67	ts	82	66
South Bend	pc	84	66	ts	80	66
Wisconsin	pc	80	67	ts	73	64
Green Bay	pc	80	67	ts	73	64
Kenosha	cl	80	66	ts	78	65
Lafayette	pc	80	66	ts	78	65
Madison	cl	80	65	ts	74	64
Milwaukee	pc	81	68	ts	77	66
Wausau	pc	79	64	ts	73	60
Michigan	pc	83	68	ts	81	70
Detroit	pc	87	67	ts	87	70
Grand Rapids	pc	84	61	ts	83	69
Marquette	pc	84	61	ts	83	69
St. Ste. Marie	pc	84	61	ts	83	69
Traverse City	pc	85	66	ts	85	67
Iowa	ts	78	65	sh	81	63
Ames	ts	75	64	sh	79	63
Cedar Rapids	ts	75	64	sh	79	63
Des Moines	ts	75	64	sh	79	63
Dubuque	ts	79	66	sh	78	64

OTHER U.S. CITIES

THURS./FRI.	FC	HI	LO	FC	HI	LO
Albuquerque	pc	104	78	pc	104	77
Albany	su	83	58	pc	88	61
Albuquerque	pc	97	72	pc	97	72
Amarillo	su	103	76	pc	103	73
Anchorage	su	63	53	pc	70	54
Ashville	pc	79	64	pc	82	64
Aspen	pc	89	55	ts	85	55
Atlanta	ts	86	72	pc	87	71
Atlantic City	su	81	65	pc	80	69
Austin	pc	102	77	pc	103	76
Baltimore	su	87	71	pc	86	72
Billings	su	89	60	pc	92	63
Birmingham	pc	90	73	pc	92	75
Bismarck	pc	86	61	pc	81	56
Boise	su	96	63	su	99	64
Boston	su	76	64	su	81	63
Brownsville	pc	97	79	pc	97	79
Buffalo	su	84	65	pc	91	69
Burlington	su	87	59	sh	89	64
Charlotte	pc	89	69	pc	89	69
Charltn SC	ts	84	73	ts	84	74
Charltn WV	pc	88	68	pc	86	68
Chattanooga	ts	90	72	pc	89	73
Cheyenne	su	92	56	pc	88	60
Cincinnati	pc	88	69	ts	85	68
Cleveland	pc	81	72	ts	83	71
Colo. Spgs	pc	94	65	pc	92	63
Columbia MO	ts	92	70	pc	93	68
Columbia SC	pc	90	73	ts	86	71
Columbus	pc	86	68	ts	81	67
Concord	su	84	52	su	87	75
Crpe Christi	pc	94	78	pc	93	78
Dallas	pc	106	83	pc	109	83
Daytona Bch.	ts	88	75	ts	87	75
Denver	su	99	68	cl	95	69
Duluth	ts	87	59	sh	86	64
El Paso	pc	100	79	pc	101	78
Fairbanks	sh	68	53	cl	73	54
Fargo	ts	74	61	ts	77	60
Flagstaff	ts	79	57	ts	79	56
Fort Myers	pc	91	76	pc	91	77
Fort Smith	su	102	78	pc	105	79
Fresno	pc	106	75	su	104	75
Grand Junc.	pc	102	71	pc	99	71
Great Falls	pc	88	56	su	93	52
Harrisburg	su	86	63	pc	87	65
Hartford	su	84	60	pc	86	61
Helena	pc	88	56	su	91	65
Honolulu	pc	87	76	pc	87	76
Houston	pc	100	79	pc	101	78
Int'l Falls	pc	80	59	ts	74	60
Jackson	pc	95	76	pc	98	77
Jacksonville	ts	88	77	ts	85	76
Juneau	pc	69	49	pc	74	52
Kansas City	su	97	73	su	95	70
Las Vegas	pc	104	84	pc	107	83
Lexington	pc	87	70	ts	84	68
Lincoln	ts	92	66	su	99	64
Little Rock	pc	99	77	pc	100	78
Los Angeles	su	94	70	su	93	69
Louisville	pc	89	73	ts	88	70
Macon	ts	87	72	ts	89	71
Memphis	ts	94	77	pc	97	77
Miami	ts	97	75	ts	89	70
Minneapolis	rm	72	65	ts	77	65
Mobile	ts	89	76	ts	92	79
Montgomery	ts	90	73	ts	93	75
Los Angeles	su	93	78	pc	98	79
New Orleans	su	98	78	pc	98	79
New York	su	83	69	pc	82	68
Norfolk	pc	86	68	cl	84	70
Oklahoma City	su	105	82	su	106	78
Omaha	ts	88	66	su	85	66
Orlando	ts	90	77	ts	88	77
Palm Beach	ts	92	77	ts	90	77
Palm Springs	pc	106	83	pc	107	82
Philadelphia	su	87	57	pc	86	66
Phoenix	pc	106	88	pc	109	87
Pittsburgh	pc	85	66	pc	85	67
Portland, ME	su	78	57	su	80	58
Portland, OR	pc	79	55	pc	80	54
Providence	su	85	61	su	86	60
Raleigh	pc	90	66	pc	84	69
Rapid City	su	88	62	su	85	61
Richmond	pc	101	53	pc	97	68
Richmond	pc	88	66	pc	86	68
Rochester	su	84	61	pc	92	66
Sacramento	pc	95	63	pc	93	64
Salmon, Ore.	su	83	52	su	84	52
Salt Lake City	su	100	76	pc	96	75
San Antonio	pc	104	77	pc	103	77
San Diego	su	77	71	pc	77	71
San Francisco	pc	64	57	su	68	60
San Jose	su	85	79	pc	89	78
Santa Fe	pc	88	64	pc	90	61
Savannah	ts	85	74	ts	86	73
Seattle	pc	75	57	pc	76	56
Shreveport	pc	101	81	pc	104	82
Sioux Falls	ts	78	62	pc	82	61

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Lay stone patio pavers:

Whether you lay the material yourself or hire a contractor, you'll likely find the best selection of stonework at a garden center.

The project involves removing any sod or lawn, then laying out the design of the pavers and installing guide boards to mark the layout. Next, a layer of gravel is laid, leveled and compacted with a plate compactor to provide a firm base. A layer of sand is added and compacted, and pavers are placed according to the layout design. When the pavers are aligned, sand is spread between the joints to secure them.

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An unconventional bathroom accessory makes it return

BY JURA KONCIUS

The Washington Post

When the jet-black toilet was introduced by Kohler in the 1920s, it was considered so avant-garde that it was featured in a 1929 Metropolitan Museum of Art exhibit about the design of the “modern bath and dressing room.”

This spring, when designer Scott Sanders installed a black toilet (Kohler’s Memoirs Stately) and black sink (Kohler’s Caxton undermount) in his powder room at the 2018 Kips Bay Decorator Show House, it was still considered avant-garde.

“A white toilet and a white sink are the most expected thing you can do in a bathroom,” says Sanders, who is based in New York. “A powder room should be chic and interesting. It’s great to treat your guests to something really unexpected.”

Sanders admits it’s not a look for everyone. “It’s not the first time I’ve used one. Sometimes if you suggest it, though, you do get some pushback. ‘A black toilet?’ They look at you like you have two heads.” But Sanders explains that basic black blends in more than white does, allowing for a greater number of wallpaper choices.



KOHLER

Kohler offers more than 30 toilet options in black, including this Cimarron toilet.

Betsy Froelich, a Kohler marketing manager, says black has been in its line almost continuously for 90 years. But in some decades, such as now, sales of black go up. To put it in perspective, the overwhelming choice in toilets is still white or biscuit. But black is No. 3, and it seems to be getting more attention these days.

Luxury brand Toto sells 15 toilet models that come in black, and spokeswoman Lenora Campos says the company has been getting more requests for them recently.

The styles and shades of black

toilets do evolve over time. In the 1920s, black toilets were inspired by art deco; in the 1980s, they had a resurgence because of the popularity of Italian modern design and black lacquer.

Today, fashion-forward designers are showing them in dramatic ways and in different finishes and textures.

Kohler has more than 30 toilet options in black (as well as 40 black sinks) in a wide range of styles and prices. And the brand is seeing a lot of interest in a new matte finish it is offering in Numi, its luxury “intelligent toilet.”

The black toilet's back

Part of the reason for the surge, Froelich says, is the recent popularity of black stainless kitchen appliances and matte black finishes on cars.

Also, she says, “You see a lot of moody man-cave bathrooms, and that look is brought to life through the use of black fixtures. Black gives the toilet a look of sophistication that the standard white toilet doesn’t offer.”

Sanders says he chose black to add drama to his tiny space at Kips Bay.

To dress it up more, he used brushed brass hardware that had a gold hint. He says the black looks great with dim lights, a burning candle and fresh flowers.

“The black tends to blend in more, while a white toilet is all you see when you walk in.”

Other designers are not convinced.

“I’m not too fond of them,” says Camille Saum, a Washington, D.C.-area designer. “I don’t like the water spots that show up on the shiny black finishes.”

New York designer Nick Olsen, who grew up in a house in Florida with a black toilet, pedestal sink and tub that his mom was never fond of, says he finds that look quirky and “a bit too out there” for residential bathrooms.

“It would require a very adventurous and open client,” Olsen says. “In a restaurant bathroom, a black toilet could be glamorous and sexy. But at home, it could feel like a 1980s nightclub.”

FINDS

Cool off with smart air conditioner

BY GREGG ELLMAN

Tribune News Service

Just in time for the heat of the summer, GE Appliances has a new smart air conditioner that keeps you from breaking a sweat to control the flow of cooler air with voice assistants. You won’t even have to get out of bed to adjust the air during bedtime hours.

With a simple command to your iPad, iPhone or

Apple Watch to access Apple Home app and Siri, the AC unit follows your verbal commands to cool you off or cut the amount of cool air.

Automated settings can easily be created to turn a unit on or off at a certain time so you can come home to a cool home or the cooling can automatically get you ready for bed.

Even if you’re not home, if you have a HomeKit

home hub (HomePod, 4th generation Apple TV or an iPad with the latest version of iOS) it’s a breeze to remotely control the air conditioning units or set up automated settings.

According to the company, the GE smart home appliances are the first in the U.S. to introduce an Apple HomeKit-compatible air conditioner.

Two models are available exclusively at Lowe’s and

three models exclusively at Home Depot, ranging from \$249 to \$359, and are available immediately.

The units can cool medium to large rooms with options of delivering 8,000 to 12,000 BTUs.

They are Energy Star compliant and offer the choice of four-way air direction by selecting from three cooling settings or Energy Saver mode. The latter shuts off the fan and



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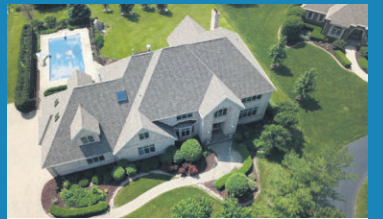
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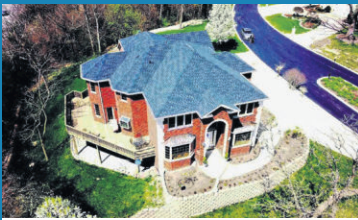
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Miracle and magic abound in '30s home

Seattle-area cabin remodeled to help couple downsize

BY SANDY DENEAU
DUNHAM

The Seattle Times

When this house belonged to other people, it was a mystery. Then came a miracle.

Now it belongs to Bob and Mary Carlson. And it is magical.

Up until a few years ago, the Carlsons lived in an award-winning custom home on Bainbridge Island designed by architect Tom Kuniholm — “Fabulous,” Mary Carlson says, “but a little too much. It was time to downsize.”

Here’s the mystery: “We lived on top of the mountain and always walked by this house and loved it,” she says. “It was small but eclectic, with a red metal roof. You could never see the details; it was set back farthest from the road.”

Here’s the miracle: “I was walking after a hip replacement and saw a couple of real estate signs: For Sale By Owner,” says Mary Carlson. “I called and said, ‘We live close by. Can you be there in 20 minutes?’ We looked around. We looked at each other. The way the light on the floating wall looked like Japanese temples, and (our daughter) Nora had gone to school in Japan — it was just fabulous.”

“We said, ‘Can we bring our architect?’ We called Tom and were here the next day. As it ended up, we made an offer. They sat us down and said, ‘We have all these offers.’ But they also said they felt we were the right people for this house.”

Adds Bob Carlson, as a welcome antidote to any perceived journalistic hyperbole: “It’s a miracle we got this place.”



Bob and Mary Carlson’s Bainbridge Island home was a 1930s cabin. Architect Tom Kundig remodeled it in the '80s.

And here’s the magic: Everywhere. Everywhere, there’s magic. You just cannot conjure how this house ever belonged to anyone else.

Originally, in the 1930s, this blissful, tucked-back site facing sparkling Rich Passage was home to a 36-by-36-foot beach cabin, says Kuniholm. Then, in 1984, “A very young Tom Kundig remodeled it with a Pacific Northwest/Japanese-inspired theme.”

Thirty or so years later, a few tricky spots had appeared: An attached addition, originally intended as a B&B, was rotted and unsalvageable. The main bathroom “was a big square with two cubbies,” says Mary Carlson. Some ceilings were 7 feet high.

“Most people would pull the whole thing down, but they appreciated the bones of it,” Kuniholm says. “We knew the game plan was a downsize, not an upsize, and we knew it’d be challenging to rip apart,” after all, “where do you stop? There was enough here to make a magnificent little cottage and expand.”

Like a cottony bunny plucked from a top hat, a major remodel materialized — a light-filled new master-bedroom pavilion, oriented to water views around a new courtyard; a supercus-tom new kitchen, expanded

with a pop-out; a graceful new Japanese-style entry; an elegant new master bathroom, also Japanese-style; and new stairs and skylights. Still, the remodel respected those who’d worked this space before.

“We did a lot to the house, but it’s still Tom Kundig’s work from when he was in his 20s,” Kuniholm says. “Some roofs, exposed framing and windows remain from that time. The new project expands on many of those aesthetic cues, updated.” From the original cabin, an old brick chimney, a slightly off-center but still-striking white fireplace and some walls remain — “but not much else.”

Not as much remains of the Carlsons’ possessions, which is exactly the point of downsizing. Bob Carlson is a glass artist and author, and Mary Carlson creates one-of-a-kind books, along with ceramics, photography and poetry. Between works of art and leisurely travel, they had amassed an extensive collection of meaningful pieces.

“So much of who we are is our stuff,” says Mary Carlson, who did all the interior design. “When we moved, we had so much stuff. We went through it with Nora. We got to choose what we couldn’t live without, and marked



STEVE RINGMAN/SEATTLE TIMES

The white fireplace in the living area remains from the original 1930s structure.

that with red tags — then green if ‘up for grabs,’ and orange if ‘not sure.’ We took all the stuff that was coming here and shut it off, and displayed everything else.

“We had a big (party): Everyone got a glass of wine and picked a number out of a hat. We had about 150 things. Whoever had No. 1, we asked: ‘What do you want?’ Then 2 and 3. Someone got a polka-dot couch, or a chandelier from the '20s.”

The stuff that made the cut is the most special: Bob

Carlson’s giant fired-on-glass/gold-leaf piece “Bud-dha,” on a towering stairway wall; the mirror in the entry that had belonged to his mom; the life-size multimedia piece “The Traveler,” by Amos Zook, at the foot of the new stairway.

Mary Carlson calls the resulting aesthetic — a comfortable, comforting blend of antique and contemporary — “eclectic.” On the surface, “eclectic” might imply “easy.” It is not.

“Mary had a tape measure and measured the wall

to make sure our Gayle Bard painting would fit,” Bob Carlson says, and the lighting was crucial. “The place had to work for art. When you look at the space and the art, it’s just right. Ambience is ultimately important. I can feel the skylights. I know how the space reacts.”

It is magical. Maybe even miraculous. But there’s no mystery anymore — just a little mystique: like how everyone knew the Carlsons were the right people for this house.



DREAMSTIME

A real estate agent will handle scheduling, negotiations and other details, freeing you to focus on other aspects of your move. The commission for a good agent may be worth it.

HOME REMEDIES

Who needs a real estate agent?

BY PAUL F. P. POGUE
Angie's List

Buying or selling a home can be a daunting task. But doing so without a real estate agent can be even more so. After all, the job of a real estate agent is to cover the many details involved to ensure you're getting the best possible outcome in your new home purchase or home sale.

What are the benefits of hiring a real estate agent?

Agents bring a number of advantages. They have a vested interest in giving you the best customer service possible, as many depend on referrals and references to grow their customer base. And they also have a deep knowledge of the local real estate market and their ear to the ground about potential new listings and buyers. Further, since they handle scheduling, negotiations and other details, it frees your time to focus on the other aspects of your move and minimizes the risk of disagreements between you and the other party.

What should I look for in a buyer's agent? A homebuyer should consider a few key factors

before soliciting the help of a buyer's agent:

■ Is the agent available to meet at a time that is convenient for you? Does his or her style of communicating match up with your own? When interviewing agents, be sure to ask how they prefer to communicate and how they plan to make time in their schedules for showing you homes.

■ Are agents able to explain the market conditions, what they do to structure a contract in the most competitive way, and how they plan to help you find your new home? If an agent can't answer these three basic questions, it may be time to interview the next agent.

■ Is the agent associated with a realty company that has resources to support and assist you with your home transaction? And will the agent put those resources to work to get you what you're looking for?

■ Finally, ask agents for references of recent buyers or sellers they have represented. Ask the referenced buyers questions about the negotiations, the closing of the deal, and what, if anything, they had to give up in the negotiations.

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Color wheel helps craft attractive plant combos

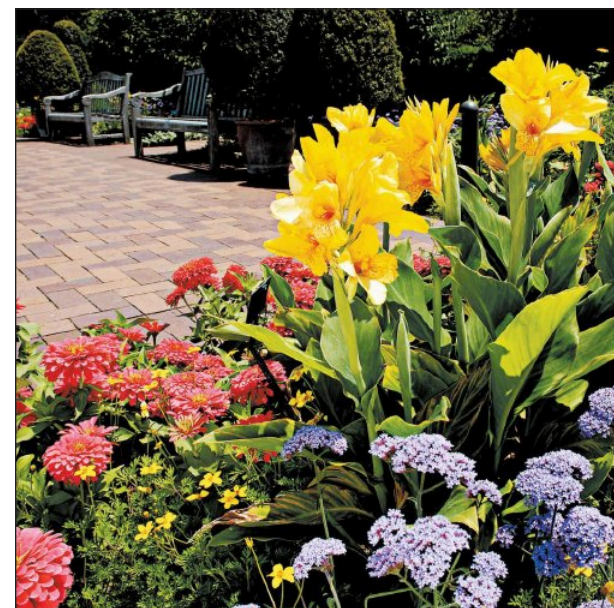
BY TIM JOHNSON
Chicago Tribune

I am looking for some direction on how to use color with my annual plantings at home. My combinations seem to be off each year, and I would like some advice on how to create better combinations of colors.

— Jessica Baker,
Wilmette

Use the color wheel to help you understand the basic relationships between colors and gain an understanding about how to mix them more effectively. The Botanic Garden has used the color wheel as inspiration for many of its annual beds this summer. Be sure to consider each plant's required growing conditions in addition to the color effect you are trying to achieve, so that the plants will perform well in your garden.

Complementary colors appear opposite one another on the color wheel. Examples include yellow and purple, red and green, and blue and orange. When you pair complementary colors, they reinforce each other — each color appears more intense than if it stood alone or next to other colors. Think of purple petunias with yellow daisies, blue forget-me-nots with orange tulips or yellow-flowered yarrow with violet salvia. These pairings become more vibrant and intense than when the plants are grouped alone or with other colors. Think of red begonias paired with green hostas or ferns in the shade. The red pops out next to green. You can also create eye-catching combinations in the shade with chartreuse-leaved Japanese forest grass (*Hakonechloa*), orange-flowering tuberous begonias and blue-leaved



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Harmonious or analogous colors are those that appear next to one another on the color wheel, such as red and orange, orange and yellow, yellow and green, green and blue, blue and violet, and violet and red. They share similar pigments and tend to blend well with each other. Minimizing contrast can ensure an elegant and soothing color combination.

A cool color palette includes blues, violets, white, pale yellow and greens. Cool colors evoke a sense of calm — they are relaxing, rather than invigorating or energizing. Cool colors, such as light blues, violet and purple appear far away. They recede in the distance, unlike bright orange and yellow, which appear to stand out.

A warm/hot color palette includes orange, yellow and red. Hot colors are bright, vibrant and energizing and will command

attention when used en masse or as accent points. I have come to prefer a softer color, like a light pink, next to my front door at home to conjure a more mellow mood after a long day of work. Bright colors work well when planted in full-sun locations.

The color white is neutral in the garden and will help separate colors and make them richer in a planting. White will appear to glow early in the morning, during dusk and at night when there is supplemental lighting. Use white flowers for garden areas you are more likely to use during evening to provide a more dramatic show.

Consider planting a bed with a monochromatic color scheme consisting of various shades of only one color. Simple color combinations like this can be very dramatic.

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Bulbs that flicker, sinks that stink

BY TIM CARTER
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Q: I feel like I'm going to have a seizure. I've tried three different LED bulbs in my home, and all of them flicker. I'm convinced I'm getting bad bulbs, and the people at the store are being patient. Why are my LED bulbs flickering? Do you think the bulbs are bad, or is it some other sinister problem in my electrical system and my house might catch on fire?

A: You'd be stunned by the number of people who have the same flickering light problem. Guess what? It's almost never the bulb. LED bulbs, for the most part, are very reliable and create consistent, nonflickering light when they get a uniform current flowing through the bulb.

LED bulb flickering can be traced in almost every instance to a noncompatible dimmer switch in the lighting circuit. Modern dimmer switches create the dimming effect by switching the power supply on and off many times per second. Traditional incandescent bulbs have a glowing white-hot piece of metal that creates the light. When the dimmer switches the power on and off, the glowing metal starts to cool down and the net result is the light dims. There's no flickering.

LED bulbs don't have glowing filaments. When the dimmer switch goes off and on many times per



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second, the LED bulb becomes a flickering strobe light. In rare cases, the flickering can be some other power supply issue, which may be the explanation if you don't have dimmer switches. Contact your

utility company in this case.

Some switch manufacturers make dimmer switches they say work well with LED bulbs. It's a simple project to switch out a dimmer switch, and it might prevent you from

having a seizure.

I've got a great video about flickering LED bulbs and a current list of dimmer switches that work with LED bulbs. Go to <http://go.askthebuilder.com/ledbulbs>.

Q: No matter what I do, my garbage disposal has a foul stink in it. It's disgusting. What's causing it, and how can I get rid of the odor? Once the offensive odor is gone, is there some way to ensure it never comes back?

A: Smelly garbage disposals in kitchens are more common than you might think. A large number of homeowners reach out to me on a routine basis with the identical problem.

The odor in the disposal comes from rotting food. Your garbage disposal is a machine that grinds up food into a slurry. This slurry coats the inside of the cylinder chamber that contains the spinning grinding teeth.

If you have a disposer that smells, then you're not removing all of the sludge from the insides of the disposal each time you use it. What's more, you could be creating clogs in your plumbing drain lines by not fully rinsing out the disposal with enough water after each use to carry the sludge out to the city sewer or your septic tank.

Cleaning the disposal is not too hard, but it takes a few steps. You need to rehydrate any dried food slurry on the side walls of the disposal. You do this by installing the stopper in the large hole at the bottom of the sink. Fill up the sink one-third or one-half with warm water.

Leave the faucet water running, pull the stopper out and immediately switch on the disposal. The

spinning grinders create a vortex of water in the disposal, getting all surfaces nice and wet. Wait 20 minutes and repeat this process. The softer the dried food becomes, the cleaner the disposal will be after the final step of the cleaning process.

Wait another 20 minutes and repeat the process, but this time, before you switch on the disposal, squirt into the water a quarter cup of liquid dish soap. Squirt more soap into the disposal as the water runs from the faucet so you create a spinning slurry of soap suds in the disposal.

Adjust the water flow from the faucet to a trickle so the sudsy slurry comes to the top of the disposal. Add more soap if necessary. Keep the disposal on, allowing the slurry to scour the inside of the disposal.

Turn off the disposal after 30 or 45 seconds and then rinse away all the soap. To prevent future odor, you need to fully rinse the disposal after each use. Each time you finish grinding up food, fill the sink halfway with clear water. Pull the stopper and turn on the disposal to spin the rinse water around the insides of the machine. This large amount of water helps flush out all the drain pipes, preventing future clogs.

I've got a great video at my website showing exactly how to use liquid dish soap to clean a disposal. Go to <http://go.askthebuilder.com/cleandisposal>.

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Former astronaut offers tips for avoiding roommate drama

BY DARCEL ROCKETT
Chicago Tribune

'Tis the season for moving — moving out of dorms and into apartments with best friends, moving out of parental homes for a space of your own with co-workers, or moving in with a significant other. And while you may be humming Ella Fitzgerald (“Summertime, and the livin’ is easy,”) before the move, you could be humming a dirge if conflicts arise between you and your new roommate.

According to research conducted by SpareRoom.com, an apartment share website, that took 1,000 United Kingdom apartment sharers into account, 25 percent of roommates have argued over toilet paper, 69 percent have expressed ire after a roommate didn’t clean up after cooking and 38 percent of roommates have argued over accusations of stealing food and drink belonging to other roommates.

To help roommates avoid daily drama, the site reached out to former NASA astronaut and International Space Station commander Terry Virts to provide tips to cohabiting individuals since he’s familiar with maintaining a copacetic atmosphere in tight quarters.

“While the stakes might be higher on a space station than in an apartment, the psychology and training used to ensure astronauts don’t get into arguments can be easily adapted and applied to roommates,” said Virts, who’s featured in a video from SpareRoom. “I hope that by passing on some of what I’ve learned from my time in space I can help roommates across the planet live together in peace and harmony.”

Virts suggests being mindful when it comes to shared spaces in the apartment (i.e. replacing toilet



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Sharing living space can sometimes breed conflict. Spare Room.com offers tips to avoid problems.

paper and leaving the bathroom in a good state for the next user). Remember every minute you’re hogging the shower is a minute your roommates could be late for work.

Virts also recommends that cleaning be equal. If you don’t do your share around the apartment, resentment can pop up. A cleaning schedule could be used to ensure peace.

Another bit of advice from Virts: Don’t take someone else’s food or drink without asking. Respect other people’s possessions, as you would want someone to respect yours. And remember if you borrow, replace.

“Respect boundaries and all will be well,” Virts advises. “It might sound obvious, but it is important to respect each other’s personal space. As great as it is to spend time with each other, make sure you give yourself and others some room to breathe now and again.”

Theoretically, roommates can live in a healthy environment, but what happens if you are part of the 11 percent who fall out on a regular basis? Or if you are part of the 37 percent who move out of their apartment as a result of cohabiting conflicts?

According to Pari Karim, training director at Chicago’s Center for Conflict Resolution, mediation is still an option for those whose conflicts escalate to

the point where people move out. The CCR provides free mediation for almost any kind of dispute, she said.

“Things come up that you can’t foresee, and having a plan of how you want to treat each other, how you want to work through conflict can be really important,” Karim said.

She encourages people to set expectations and boundaries, such as how many nights in a row a roommate’s significant other can stay. Showing respect, maintaining cleanliness, giving each other space — these are all great tips but mean something different to each person. What one woman considers a healthy amount of personal space might differ from what her roommate requires. If you’re going to bring people over, do you text your roommates beforehand? Depends on the roommates.

“Flexibility I think is really important in roommate relationships,” Karim said. “These conversations can feel awkward, but I do think a part of being a responsible roommate/adult is knowing what you need and knowing how to ask for it. And it’s all about delivery. I always like to remind people, you’re not in competition, it doesn’t have to be win-lose. You’re in it together.”

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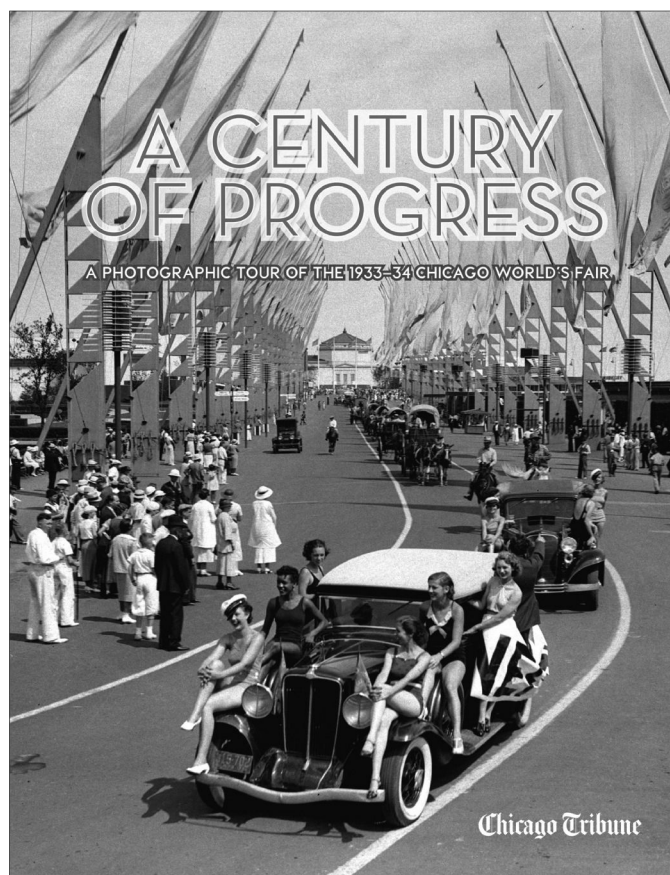


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